

# Slugs

FROM THE HELL BOX  
By The Printer's Devil

According to Bear Creek John extension of the business area along Siskiyou and Main street would be creating a straight shoot down the road into Medford. He says it would merely make a long tunnel of the Main street. Seems to John that if the city is to grow and expand it should expand its width, not its length.

"Right now," he said "the main drag of this town is getting so elongated and narrow now that a tourist thinks he is in four towns. There's New Jacksonville out by the college, Bellview beyond that, and then there's East Main street and North Main. Each of these four parts of Ashland should have its own mayor."

He recommends Ockie Sabin for North Main, Walter Herbert for East Main, W. D. Jackson for New Jacksonville, and Joe Pritchard for Bellview.

Seems as though we're overlooking the possibility of catching tourists in a sort of a net, John went on to say, by expanding our business section from North to South. The policy which is presently being recommended is to extend the business along the main highway.

If the city continues to grow and we follow the one street plan which is being recommended by another newspaper in this town we'll soon have business houses strung from California to Medford.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawson Hendrix Riley, Honolulu, Hawaii, spent part of last week in Ashland with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Simpson, No. 2 Glen Avenue. Mr. Riley is a graduate of Ashland high school; he is presently executive vice president of M. McNery Ltd.

## 19 New Members Taken In Junior Tri-Hi-Y Club

Officers of Tri-Hi-Y Club Present Pins to Nineteen New Members

Tuesday evening, June 3, nineteen new members were taken into the Junior Tri Hi Y club, in the Junior high school cafeteria. Jan Dodson, Ann Fullerton, Nance Arney, and Junelee Smyth officers of the club, presented pins to the new members. Miss Jeanette Smith served as advisor during the ceremony, in the absence of Mrs. W. C. Bushnell, adult advisor of the club.

New members taken into the club include: Jackie Frazee, Mary Lou Pearson, Joanne Downing, Ann Fullerton, Jan Dodson, Nance Arney, Nina Graber, Junelee Smyth, Frances Howard, Barbara Reilly, Norma Gwinn, Norma Yonton, Doris Litwiler, Bonnie Seaver, Marion Thornberry, Marilyn Walker, Roanna Peters, Ellen Brower and Carol Ebnother.

## Clem White Buys City Bus Company

Clem White, Bend, Oregon, began operating the City Bus line in Ashland this week. White bought the line from Arnold Lockhart who has been part owner and operator since the inception of the line here last fall.

Lockhart is presently in Spokane, he will return to Ashland in the near future. No statement has been made concerning his future plans.

## Mrs. George Miller Reports Conference

Mrs. W. Reedy, Mrs. Glenn Prescott, Mrs. Cora Burns, and Mrs. A. Abbott were hostesses to the Plymouth Guild meeting, Wednesday, May 28, at the Congregational church. Mrs. Prescott presided during the business session.

Mrs. George Miller gave a report on the Congregational conference which was held at Corvallis recently. Miss Gertrude Cox was in charge of the social hour.

Mrs. R. T. Jester, Mrs. C. H. Vaupel, Mrs. W. Hill, Mrs. T. William Peterson, Mrs. Max Wopshall, Mrs. Lila C. Bates, Mrs. E. P. Borden, Mrs. S. S. Davenport, Mrs. Rhoda Durfee, Mrs. Sadie Stratton, Mrs. C. Biegel, Mrs. J. F. Jeter, Miss Gertrude Cox, and the hostesses were present for the afternoon meeting.

Mrs. Ken Peabody and Mrs. Frank Peabody, wife and mother of Ken Peabody, new owner of Ken's Jewelry, arrived in Ashland this week from Elgin, Illinois. Mr. and Mrs. Peabody will live at 1250 Iowa. Mrs. Frank Peabody left Saturday for California and will return to Illinois from there.

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## Play Tryouts To Be June 11 and 12 In Auditorium

100 People Needed for Four Plays That Will Be Produced in August

Tryouts and casting for the four Shakespearean plays which will be presented here this August will be held at Southern Oregon College auditorium, June 11 and 12. Angus Bowmer, director of the plays, stated that anyone at all interested and with any ability whatsoever, would be welcome. Tryouts will take place at 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Several inquiries have been received from out of state actors who are interested in the Shakespearean festival. The casting will coincide with college registration so that those actors who are interested in getting college credit for the work which they do here can do so.

One hundred people will be needed for the four plays, "MacBeth," "Love's Labour Lost," "Hamlet," and "The Merchant of Venice."

Bowmer pointed out that during previous seasons many Ashland and Medford people had been in the casts with some of the most outstanding portrayals being turned in by those people. Among them he mentioned Mrs. Robert Ingle, and George Francis Smith of Ashland, and Dorothy Pruitt, Medford.

Construction of the stage in the old Chautauqua shell is going ahead under the direction of Ausland and Dodson, Ashland contractors. The stage is expected to be completed the latter part of the month. Rehearsals will be held on the stage as soon as is possible.

Ticket sale is presently under way in Ashland and is expected to get underway in Medford on June 16.

## Ashland Hospital Joins Blue Cross

Ashland Community hospital has signed a contract to participate in the Blue Cross plan for prepaid hospital care, according to Robert O. Lugar, administrator, and hereafter will offer full benefits to all Oregon Blue Cross members. Ashland Community hospital will be the second Blue Cross hospital in Jackson county.

Oregon Blue Cross will conduct a Jackson county membership drive beginning June 9-13 inclusive, according to Lugar. Headquarters for the drive will be at the new J. C. Penney store in Medford. Any person or group may enroll there at the above dates.

"To qualify for participation in Blue Cross a hospital must show a record of community service, non-profit operation, a board composed of representative community citizens, must show adequate reserves, and must guarantee the service benefits offered the subscribers," said Lugar.

## Elks To Meet Cavemen June 8th

Ashland Elks town team will meet the Grants Pass Cavemen Sunday, June 8, on the Ashland diamond, Weightman Street, at 2 p.m.

Grants Pass has one of the top teams of the league, having recently swamped the Central Point team. The game between Central Point and Ashland was rained out Sunday.

Cliff McLean's Ashland Elks have been strengthened since their last home game. If Ashland can keep Jack Lutz Johnny Gray and several other out-of-town boys, who are attending college they will have an outstanding team.

Either Darrel Copeland or Jack Lutz will draw the starting pitching assignment this Sunday on the Ashland diamond.

## Seely to Present Program Monday

Doyle Seely will be in charge of the program for Monday evening's meeting of the local Toastmasters club, June 8, at the Lithia Hotel.

Ed Singmaster was chairman for Monday's meeting of the club. Clarence Williams was toastmaster; Emmett Whitham assigned topics and Lyndell Newbry was critic. Dave Whittle spoke on "Just gripes," and John Collins told of "manufactured weather." Roger Rath spoke of a fishing trip in Wyoming.

## Jr. League Team to Play Medford June 8

American Legion's junior league baseball team was unable to play their scheduled game Sunday with Medford, because of rain. Sunday, June 8, they will play Central Point in Ashland.

Other games scheduled for the season are as follows:

June 15—Ashland at Grants Pass.

June 22—Medford at Ashland.

June 29—Ashland at Central Point.

July 4—Grants Pass at Ashland.

July 6—Open date.

July 13—All star game to be played at home.

July 27—District playoff.

August 1, 2, 3—State playoffs at Salem.

## TWO ASHLAND GIRLS TO GRADUATE FROM O.S.C.

Marilee Erwin Swarhout and Ida Willard, both Ashland girls, will be among 824 seniors and graduate students to receive degrees at the seventy-eighth annual commencement of Oregon State college, June 8. This is the largest graduating class in the history of the college.

Mrs. Swarhout is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ivor Erwin, and Miss Willard is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben H. Willard. Mr. and Mrs. Erwin will go to Corvallis for the graduating exercises.

## Softball Season To Open Tuesday Evening, June 10

Games To Be Played on Tuesdays & Thursdays; Fri. Night Open Dates

Softball season in the Ashland city league will begin Tuesday evening, June 10, at 7:30 p.m. under the lights on Walter Phillips field, according to an announcement made this week by Howard Wiley, president of the softball league.

Five teams are entered in the league. The Noslecats, Weyerhaeuser Camp No. 4, the Oak Street Tank and Steel, Steve's Service, and Talent. The Newbry Orchards team has withdrawn.

Two games will be played each night. City league play will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Friday nights are being held open for exhibitions. The first of the exhibition games will find the Old Timers matched with one of the other teams on Friday, June 13.

Umpires this year will be Ken Miller and Guy Randles. John Daugherty is expected to aid in calling them after the Fourth of July.

## R. Parks To Head City Commission

Plans Made Tuesday For Eight Weeks Program

Roland Parks was elected chairman of the city recreational commission, Tuesday noon, at the Lithia Hotel. The Reverend A. J. Edwards was named secretary of the commission. This commission is composed of Howard Wiley, W. W. Robison, Jean Eberhard, Parks and Edwards, who were appointed last week by Mayor Thornton Wiley.

Members of the commission met Tuesday afternoon at the Lithia Hotel and made plans for the summer recreational program that will cover an eight weeks period.

Plans were made for a baseball clinic from June 16 to June 23 on Fuller Field. On the week of June 22 to 29 there will be a golf clinic, on the ground beside the high school tennis court. A putting green will be fixed there. Red Cross swim school, June 16 to June 28 at Twin Plunges.

Plans were also discussed to get the Junior high school field in shape for paddle tennis and handball, softball, volley ball and other games.

It was announced earlier that Al Simpson would supervise this program, but Simpson advised the commission that he would be unable to take over these duties, as he will be employed at Southern Oregon College. A director has not been secured, according to Roland Parks, chairman of the commission.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Herbert returned last week from a trip to Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Lawrence, and son Don, Boise, Idaho, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Lawrence.

## City Employees Get Ten Per Cent Salary Increase

Two Firemen Added To City Department By Council

A ten per cent increase in the salaries of city employees will become effective July 1st, members of the city council decided Tuesday evening. This raise does not apply to the employees in the electric and water departments as these departments do not come under the budget.

Members of the council stated in making the increase that increased costs of living justified the expenditure of more than \$4300 a year, which will be the cost of the new program. The raise will be effective July 1.

The city budget committee will meet Tuesday, June 10, to review the budget which will be studied by the council on the preceding night. Members of the council indicated at this week's meeting that the budget should be kept within the six per cent limitation.

The council approved the recommendation of the fire department committee for more employees. Originally the request had been for three more men in order that the department could operate on a full platoon basis, however, the council trimmed the recommendation from three to two more firemen. This will permit the operation of a system whereby the firemen are on 24 hours and off 7 1/2.

George W. Dunn and H. L. Claycomb appeared before the council with a petition signed by property owners on Granite street which requested that the council not grant a permit for a mortuary at 55 Granite street.

The matter was referred to the planning commission. C. M. Little, local funeral parlor director, owns the property at 55 Granite street, he has, as yet, made no application to establish a mortuary at that site or at the residence next to it, both of which he owns.

Whether or not a mortuary could be established at that site depends upon an official interpretation as to what professions and occupations can be normally carried on in one's household.

## Ashland To Have Booth at Fiesta

Trubee Wetterau, who was chosen to reign during the August Shakespearean Festival, and Miss Marilyn Streitz of Southern Oregon college, will represent Ashland at the 1947 Rose Festival in Portland June 9 to 15.

Misses Wetterau and Streitz will in original Elizabethan costumes, and will be stationed in a tent booth, to answer any questions and give out information concerning the Festival that will be staged in Ashland during the month of August. They will also give out booklets and pictures of Ashland and surrounding territory.

## Minkler Services Will Be Friday

Funeral services for Ray Minkler, 81, who died Tuesday evening of a heart attack, will be held Friday, June 6, at 1:30 p.m. The Rev. Charles Ward will officiate. Interment will be in the family plot in the Ashland cemetery.

Minkler, who was one of the original members of the Lithia Springs commission which developed the Lithia Park, had been retired for several years. Previous to his retirement he had been active in civic affairs and in addition to his interest in the development of the park had served on many other civic committees. He had operated both a grocery store and a ladies ready to wear store in Ashland.

He came to Ashland with his family from Oshkosh, Wisconsin, in 1888. He had been born in Oshkosh, July 3, 1865.

His first wife, Emma Vining, whom he married June 3, 1891, preceded him in death, February 1, 1912. He later married Mrs. Ada Bennett in 1922. She died January 28 of this year.

Mrs. Norma Minkler Ward, a daughter; Wilfred T. Ward, Donald R. Ward, and Charles H. Ward, all grandsons; and DeWitt Bennett, a stepson, Washington, D. C., survive him.

## Angus Bowmer To Get Doctors Degree

According to Dr. Elmo Stevenson, president of Southern Oregon college, Angus Bowmer, instructor of English and Dramatics at the college, will work on his Doctor's degree at Stanford college in California, during the next year. He will return to Ashland at the end of the school year.

Miss Carol Westaby will fill the vacancy left by Bowmer during the 1947-48 school term. Miss Westaby has been attending State Teachers college in Denver, and according to Dr. Stevenson, comes to the college well prepared to instruct English and personnel work. She was just recently discharged from the service.

## Ritter Plans To Go In Wholesale Trade

Phil Ritter of the Modern Equipment Co. plans to withdraw from the retail war surplus business sometime this month. Ritter plans to go into the wholesale surplus business, and will operate from a warehouse in the Pioneer building.

The Modern Equipment Co. began operations as the Modern Equipment and Salvage company with Ritter and Logan Niminger as owners in September of last year. Since January Ritter has been operating the business alone at the Kaiser Frasier building on North Main.

## Ben T. Lombard To Head Lions Club 47-48 Term

Herb Huston Is Retiring President Of Local Lion's Club

Ben Lombard was elected as president of the Ashland Lions club, Tuesday evening, June 3, at the Lithia hotel. George Riitt was named first vice president, Winston Marks, 2nd vice president; Ralph Reed, 3rd vice president; Robert Lugar, secretary; Ted Sommers, treasurer; Don McWhirter, lion tamer; and Fred Haynes, tail twister. Elmo Stevenson and Doyle Seely were named to take the place of Hugh Sackeever and Carryl Wines as directors.

Herb Huston is the retiring president; Ben Lombard, George Riitt, and Bill Allen are retiring vice presidents; Bob Snider was tail twister; Doyle Seely, secretary; Paul Fimmel, treasurer; and Bert Kimsay, Lion Tamer.

New officers will be installed at the July 1st meeting. Wives of the members will be guests, with club members from the Grants Pass, and Medford clubs also to be present.

Plans to send the Ashland high school quintet to the State Lions club convention in Eugene on June 22 to the 24th, were discussed Tuesday evening. Wayne Myrick, Fred Haynes, and Ralph Leach have formed a trumpet trio with George Hull as their accompanist, also plan to attend the convention.

Kay Huffman was welcomed back to the club Tuesday, after being absent for several months. Dave Mayfield was taken in as a new member.

Robert Lugar, general chairman of the Fourth of July committee for the club, gave a report on the plans for that day. The Lions will have charge of all concessions for the celebration.

Mrs. C. H. Wines and daughter Beatrice, are visiting Mrs. Wines' mother and brother in Couer D'Alene, Idaho.

## D. Sheldons Are Surprised Monday

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Sheldon were surprised on their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary, Monday evening, June 2, by a number of friends who brought plants and shrubs for the Sheldons' newly planted lawn.

An anniversary cake with ice cream, was served and coffee was poured from the new silver coffee set given Mrs. Sheldon by her husband, on their anniversary.

Mrs. Charles A. White, and Mr. and Mrs. William Reed, of Medford; Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Aird, Dr. and Mrs. E. P. Borden, Carryl Wines, Mrs. Almeda Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Peabody, Mrs. Marjorie Barker, Mrs. Sadie Stratton, Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Green, and son, Sheldon, were among the friends that surprised the Sheldons.

## Queen Candidates Will Guest Star At Tuesday Lunch

Murphy Will Report On the Celebration's Present Progress

Guests at next Tuesday's meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be the seven candidates for Queen of the July 4 celebration in Ashland.

The seven, Barbara Messenger, Ann Pirtle, Marilyn Miller, Lorraine Converse, Barbara Reed, Rena Russell, and Glorian Howard, will be presented to the members of the Chamber by Dr. George Hull, chairman of the committee in charge of the queen contest.

At present ballots are available at all retail establishments in the city for voting on the candidates. Each \$1.00 purchase entitles the purchaser to 10 votes for any one contestant.

John Murphy, chairman of the July 4th celebration will make a report on the progress of the celebration.

At last week's meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, William Healy, secretary of the chamber, reviewed the events which had taken place in the city during the past year. Healy, who came to Ashland last June, pointed out that the growth in tourist business could be one of the major factors in a continued prosperity for Ashland.

Healy described the work that had been done during the year on the Shakespearean festival, the Pear Bowl, the Southern Oregon Development Association, and the golf course. He also stated that the cooperation of the city had been very helpful and that this was appreciated.

## Rogers Resigns As Principal

Earl Rogers, principal of the Ashland high school, announced his resignation, from the local school system, Saturday evening, at the alumni banquet. Rogers will be affiliated with the Leaver Hardware company of Medford as a partner. He and his family will move to Medford in the near future.

Rogers started teaching in the Ashland junior high school nineteen years ago, after his graduation from the Oregon college of Education at Monmouth. He has been with the Ashland school system ever since, being principal of junior high, and then being promoted to principal of senior high school.

Superintendent Leland P. Linn talked Saturday evening to the alumni group, and told of Rogers' record of teaching nineteen years and only missing one day, that being to attend his father's funeral.

## Turzenbach Wins Top Scoring Honors Mon.

Max Turzenbach again walked off with top scoring honors at the Monday night's gun shoot in the Ashland Armory. Marty was second with a score of 276; Al Gehhard, 275; John Nosler 274; and O. R. Richards, 272.

## Tennis Tourney Starts Next Week

Play in the city-wide Tennis Tournament is scheduled to start the second week in June, according to Dr. William E. Bracker, president of the Young Men's Club of the Y. M. C. A., which is sponsoring the tournament. Local tennis players have been slow in signing applications to enter this tournament, and there is room for additional players in all of the classifications in the tournament.

Period for entering the tournament has been extended until Monday, June 9th. All local tennis players are urged to enter. Entrance blanks can be secured by calling Dr. Bracker, 21501.

Persons that have already made application for the tennis tournament include (men's senior division): Phillip Lee Burns, Dr. Elmo Stevenson, Tom E. Metcalf, Ervin Lesser, Tony Shiveley, Rev. G. M. Shuman, Dr. E. E. Brown, Bill Cate, Gordon Miller, Tod N. Tibbutt.

Men's junior: Bob Phillips, Harry Kannasto, Fred E. Whitel, Jr., John Lance.

Women's Junior: Mary Lou Hahn, Ruth Marie Seitz, Shirley Balfour, Betty Wahl.

Women's Senior: Mary E. Metcalf.