

DOING The TOWN

KWIN gagsters DOYLE SEELY and ED BARNETT pointed out this week that the News Review is now doing business in a new stand, third knothole from the right, at the Briggs building.

JOE LANGTRY and W. W. ROBINSON are operating from the first knothole to the left while WALTER REDFORD handles the Realty business from his post, second knothole from the right. GEORGE ANDREWS gave up and went to California to recuperate from his sidewalk supervisor duties. . . . Anyhow V. J. BYRD, who is putting in the new front says it won't be long now, and the Briggs building will present one of the most modern exteriors in town.

WILLIAM HEALY, former idea man for the Ashland Chamber of Commerce, is in town this week, says EARL NEWBRY'S campaign for secretary of state is off to a good start. . . . DOUGLAS McKAY, candidate for governor stopped in Wednesday, didn't waste any time, said he was looking for votes, support, and anything else we had to offer, and was on his way. We appreciated his time-saving attitude. . . . BEN DAY, Jackson county candidate for the house of representatives was also in, and invited us to join the Young Republicans. We thanked him kindly and informed him that in our opinion the county and the state needed a lot more Young Democrats rather than Young Republicans. Just to make it more interesting, donchano.

And JOHN DAUGHERTY says, just for the purpose of record, that come time for his re-election, there won't be any need for re-election, because he doesn't plan to run.

Foresters Plan Dinner Meeting

Henry Clepper, managing editor of the Journal of Forestry will speak to the Shasta Cascade subsection of the Society of American Foresters at a dinner which will be held in the Lithia hotel coffee shop Monday night, February 2, according to Harold Thomas, Ashland representative of the Society, who is arranging the meeting.

Clepper is national secretary of the Society of American Foresters. Seventy members of the organization are expected to attend from points in Northern California and Southern Oregon. All the members are graduate foresters.

This is the first time the society has held a meeting in Ashland.

Mrs. Edna Schoeder will entertain the Talent Garden Club at her home Wednesday, February 4. There will be a speaker from Grants Pass, Oregon.

John Reed of the Reed-Wright Realty Co. was transacting business in the Klamath Junction community last Saturday.

What They Are Reading

This Week

Erskine Caldwell's latest novel - "The Sure Hand of God."

James Hilton's - "So Well Remembered"

And don't overlook - "DIRTY EDDIE" by Ludwig Bemelmans

"Home Country" by Ernie Pyle, made to order for those who have read - "Here Is Your War" and "Brave Men" - Pyle at his best.

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Political Pot Begins Bubbling and Boiling in Jackson County This Week

Secretary of State Earl Newbry, Ashland, has filed for the Republican nomination as secretary of state. This leaves a clear field for several potential state senators in Jackson county.

If nominated and elected, Newbry pledges to "conduct the public business as I have my own. My door will always be open to any individual or group seeking service of my office. My position, or answer, on any question will not need interpreting. It will be frank and forthright."

As a slogan on the official ballot, Newbry asks that the following be placed after his name: "Assure yourself of a friend in public office. Frankness with courtesy."

Newbry, who had served two terms in the house, was serving his second term as a member of the senate when appointed secretary of state by Governor John H. Hall.

The Republican Central Committee, left with a senate vacancy on its hands, will give its blessing to either William McAllister or Hilding Bengston. Neither has made any commitment to date as to his decision concerning the matter. Bengston is presently a state rep-

resentative. McAllister, Medford attorney, was a member of the house prior to the war, and served as speaker of that body during his last session.

Ben Day, Sam's Valley rancher, who has been off and on the fence has not stated definitely whether he will seek the post or not. Everett Faber, Central Point, has announced his candidacy for the senate.

Frank Van Dyke, currently a member of the house of representatives, has announced that he will enter the lists hoping for re-election. Van Dyke has his sights set on the speaker's seat.

E. H. Mann, Medford manufacturer, has been urged to seek the Republican nomination for representative, but has not definitely committed himself.

To date the Democratic party has made no announcement as to candidates seeking state seats.

Charles Hockersmith, Phoenix, is the only Democrat who has thrown his hat into the ring in the county so far. Hockersmith is planning to run for county commissioner.

Robert Lytle, Valleyview, who is presently a county commissioner, has made no commitment concerning his plans. Arthur Powell, Central Point, announced his

candidacy the first of this week. Mayor C. A. Meeker, Medford, has been requested by friends to run for commissioner but has given the matter no consideration as yet. Chester Wendt, Jacksonville, has also been mentioned among possible candidates for one of the commissioner's posts.

In the city of Ashland it is as yet a bit early to determine what particular people will make a bid for the city council and the Mayor's post.

Mayor Thornton Wiley, who has held the post since 1932 stated that it was a bit early to decide whether or not he would run again this year, and that as the situation developed he would make up his mind.

Thus no mayoralty candidates nor candidates for the city council seats have appeared. Three vacancies will show up on the council: Jake Weitzel, Walter Redford and Harold Merrill will have served their terms. None of the three have stated at this time whether they will run for re-election or not. Seemingly the situation at the close of the year will determine their stands.

The next few weeks will bring out a rash of candidates for county and state offices, the majority of whom will be seeking Republican favor in the primaries, which in this region, is practically tantamount to election.

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President's Ball To Climax Polio Foundation Drive

MARCH OF DIMES TO
BE CLIMAXED WITH
DANCE SATURDAY

Saturday night, January 31, the 1948 March of Dimes campaign will come to a close with the annual President's Ball which will be held this year in the Elk's Temple. Admission will be \$1.50 per couple according to Don MacWhirter and Dyer Huston, co-chairmen of this year's March of Dimes campaign.

The dance will be informal and is open to the public. Tickets are presently on sale or can be purchased at the door. Special concessions will be available at the hall, and the Elk's dance band will furnish the music.

Returns from the drive are incomplete as yet but MacWhirter stated today that the present results indicated a possibility that this year's drive would exceed in amount collected in the 1947 drive.

The March of Dimes show was presented at the junior high school auditorium Wednesday night, played to a slim audience. Comments on the show indicated that it was a fine variety revue. Robert Reinhold acted as Master of Ceremonies and Dr. Elmo Stevenson spoke briefly. The Ashland high school quartet and the high school band were the two local groups which appeared. The remaining 16 acts were selected from the best amateur talent in Jackson county.

Ben Day Files For State Legislature

Ben Day, Sam's Valley rancher, was in Ashland Wednesday, where he formally made announcement of his candidacy for the Oregon house of representatives.

At present Day and Frank Van Dyke are the only two candidates for the two openings in the lower house. Both are Republicans.

John Riley Pittenger, 940 B Street, district constable, was up town Wednesday for the first time in over a week, due to a round with the flu.

Fire Department Busy During Week

Winds made an active week for the local fire department when they were called out seven times beginning with a flue fire at the A. L. Gillman residence when a descending stove pipe congested with oil and gasses setting the flue on fire.

The second call on Monday at 8:30 a.m. was at the Bert Turner residence at 256 6th street when sparks from a flue set the roof on fire causing an estimated \$250 damage. The house was insured.

Also on Monday firemen answered calls at 60 Alida street, when an electric stove caught fire and at 860 Ashland street when the flue of the George Snyder residence caught fire. There was no damage at either place.

On Tuesday firemen went to the C. A. Irwin property at 505 Siskiyou Boulevard for a flue fire but there was no loss.

Burning rubbish caused a fire in a vacant lot at 1151 Mountain Avenue Wednesday morning on the property of J. A. Adams. There was no property loss.

Raiders Win Seven, Lose One to Lead Far Western Conference



RAIDERS, Southern Oregon College--front row, left to right: Veenjer, Barger, Martindale, Linman, Warren, Weaver, Newton; Back row: Hoefs, Copeland, Peters, Bonney, Jendreau, DeAumont, O'Neal, Neideigh.

Chico State's Wildcats will invade Memorial gymnasium on the campus at Southern Oregon College this Friday and Saturday to attempt to topple the Red Raiders of Southern Oregon College who lead the Far Western conference basketball race with seven wins and one loss.

The Chico State club is only one game behind the Raiders in conference standing having dropped

only two games, one to SOC and the other to Humboldt.

If Ted Schopf's club wins both Chico games the Far Western title is practically assured the Ashland club, however, dropping either of the games can make it a wide open race for the conference title.

The Raiders will begin February with two more games on the

home court. The Gators from San Francisco state will play here Monday and Tuesday, February 2 and 3.

Last week the Raiders, sparked by Bobby Hoefs, took two games from Humboldt in a series played in Ashland. The first game ended 59 to 51, and the second closed with the score 51-36. Winning those two games gave the Raiders a record of six consecutive wins.

Spanish Swindle Swindlers Offer Money And A Trip With Pretty Daughter For Release

Dr. Bracker Aids
In Exposing The
Spanish Swindle

"The first thing I did was notify the FBI," said Dr. W. E. Bracker Ashland dentist who received a Spanish Swindle series of letters from Joseph Martin, reputedly a Venezuelan financier of French origin, who claimed he was languishing in jail in Mexico city. "The FBI in turn referred me to the Postal inspectors who have been handling the case."

Bracker received the first letter from a Mr. M., November 27. It was in the form of a come-on and no money was requested. The second letter, which arrived in Ashland, December 18, stated that Mr. M. was in reality Joseph Martin, and that if Dr. Bracker would proceed with \$8,750.00 to Mexico City certain suitcases containing custom claim checks could be released, the claim checks thus obtained could be used to reclaim certain trunks which were being held in a custom's warehouse in the United States. In these trunks in the United States, Mr. Martin stated, was \$375,000. Half of this would be given to the Doctor if he came through with the \$8750.00.

Mr. Martin's second letter contained explicit instructions as to the time Dr. Bracker should arrive in Mexico City, told him at what hotel he should register, and how he should get in touch with an intermediary. Martin also stated that his beautiful 18-year old daughter would accompany Dr. Bracker to Texas where she would get one-half of the \$375,

Postal Inspector
Warns Southern
Oregon Residents

"Would you like to get in on a deal to get one-third of \$375,000? Everyone would like to have the money, so the main question is would you fall for the 'Old Spanish Swindle'?"

Post Office Inspector J. A. Eldswick reported that recently several letters from Mexican swindlers have been received by business and professional men in Southern Oregon.

The letters, mailed in Mexico, begin by asking the addressee if he would be interested in doing a big favor and helping out the man's daughter. Next, the letter writer cites a hard luck story of being in debtors prison.

"I have \$375,000 in American currency locked up in a trunk which is in a customhouse in the United States," the swindler writes. That is where the person who gets the letter comes in.

The "senor" needs money to (Continued on back page)

000 and would see that the Dr. got his half of the \$375,000.

Dr. Bracker turned the entire matter over to the postal authorities who are attempting to break up the Spanish Swindle on the grounds that it is use of the mails to defraud.

Authorities point out that Americans who have gone to Mexico City with the \$8750.00 to rescue the financier and save the beautiful maiden, have in the past, returned with a lump on the noggin and a bad taste in their mouth.

Honor Roll Lists 37 Jr. High Students

Thirty seven students made the Honor Roll during the last six weeks period in Ashland Junior High school. Principal Joseph Fader announced today. With 17 honor students the seventh grade took top honors by edging the ninth grade which had 16.

Students who have been on the honor roll all semester are: Ninth Grade: Patricia Bailey, Dale Dieckman, Edith Hile, Anne Hill, Mary Hillberry, Bob Madison, and Ken Wilkenson.

Eighth grade: Barbara Hild, Seventh Grade: Carol Culp, Glen Ingle, Bob Myrick, David Stemple, and Mike Grant.

The following students were honor students the last six weeks:

Ninth Grade: Patricia Bailey, Dale Dieckman, Edith Hile, Anne Hill, Mary Hillberry, Jean Householder, Coleen Krinock, Jerry Langer, Bob Madden, Richard Michael, Bernice Mayben, Arthur Ostrander, Janet Schniedler, Ken Wilkenson, Ted Willoughby, and Bob Frazier.

Eighth Grade: Gall Barnum, Barbara Hill, Ruth Taylor, and Glenna Williams.

Seventh Grade: Pattie Abbott, Charles Added, Judy Briggs, Sandra Clary, Carol Culp, Joan Day Anderson, Glen Ingle, Richard Mitchell, Bob Myrick, Colette Perrine, Donna Redmond, Helen Robertson, Betty Smith, David Stemple, Catherine Turner, Mike

Kathleen Hess, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Hess, of Rosemary's Flower Shop underwent an operation at Sacred Heart Hospital in Medford the first of this week for the removal of her adenoids.

Miss Mamie Orr, sister in law of J. R. Pittenger, is now confined to her bed with the flu.

V. Richardson Is Selected For C. of C. Secretary

WILL BEGIN DUTIES
FEBRUARY 2 AS MRS.
HEALY RESIGNS

Victor Richardson, Phoenix, has been selected by the board of directors of the Ashland Chamber of Commerce to replace William Healy as secretary of the Chamber. Dr. Walter Weller announced today that Richardson had been selected after the board had studied several applicant's records and that they felt that he would be able to best operate the business of the chamber.

Richardson, who has been employed as assistant personnel director at Bear Creek orchards for the past two years stated that his first project would be to become acquainted with every member of the Chamber of Commerce and to study their individual business problems.

During the war Richardson was with the United States maritime service. He held the rank of Lieutenant, junior grade. He sailed mostly in the Pacific and was with the maritime convoy that entered Leyte gulf on D plus four. Before going to work with Bear creek orchards he sailed with Grace lines as purser.

He attended high school in Lewiston, Idaho and Yakima Valley academy and attended college at Walla Walla, Washington.

Richardson will assume his duties Monday, February 2.

Mrs. William Healy who has been operating the Chamber since her husband became assistant secretary of state, December 1, stated that she plans to move to Salem, February 10. Mrs. Healy's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Ward Finley will go to Salem with her as will Mary Pat Healy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Healy. The Healy home on Clover Lane has been purchased by Fred Whited.

Parks Announces Third Honor Roll

Roland Parks, principal of the Ashland high school, announced today the names of the honor students for the third six weeks period. Parks explained that these students had received a grade of two or better in their school work during that period of study.

There were 14 sophomores, 22 juniors, and 18 seniors on the honor roll.

Sophomores included: Nancy Arney; Kay Beck, Craig Canfield, Joanne Downing, Nina Graber, Frances Howard, Doris Litwiller, Cash Perrine, Bob Simpson, Zelma Stone, Richard Wilcox, Norman Myers, Rodney Twedell and June Lee Smyth.

Juniors included: LeRoy Ades, Alex Austin, John Beare, Dorothy Brahamt, Wayne Crow, Shirley Damon, Joyce DeVore, Betty Hall, Betty Henry, Carol Karnes, Donald Kerr, Rosemary Knott, Carol Meeks, Delores Momany, Shirlee Newbry, Jean Nichols, Paula Ostrander, Carla Sears, Ruth Seitz, Jane Simpson, Mona Taylor and Mary White.

Seniors included: Marilyn Beare, Elmer Biegal, Bill Bissell, Phylliss Downing, Frank Gordon, Glorian Howard, Ileana Jarvis Lela Linn, Mickey McKeever, Eileen Michael, Sue Pearson, Louise Perren, Maxine Riley, Donabelle Stauffer, Joan Van Dewalker, Shirley Weitzel, Helen Whiting and Jerry Mitchell.