plan. Bracker had planned to to send return postcards to all qualified voters in the city asking them to indicate whether they were with the mayor or with the council. Then, according to his plan the mayor or the council would listen to this expression of desire from the people and act accordingly.

Reason for dropping the poll was given by Bracker as the fact that today there are so many conflicting stories floating about that no citizen could feel like making a competent analysis.

Lions Preview Projection Book

Members and guests at the weekly Lions club meeting Tuesday evening, had their first look at the "projected book" which the local club has recently purchased and which will be used for entertainment of bedridden patients who are unable to hold a book or otherwise entertain themselves.

Herb Huston, chairman of the committee, stated that the machine will be loaned upon application to any Lions club member or local doctors, who will contact the club.

The machine, costing about \$200, has at present ten books. The image of two pages at a time are projected onto the ceiling and gives a clear, distinct image that is easly read. The projector is worked from a set of buttons and the patient can move the pages forward or backward at will.

The ten books available are the Bible, "Mutiny on the Bounty," "Lassie Comes Home," Coronet Magazine, "The Lone Star "Action by Night," Ranger," "Baby Animal Pictures," and "Snow White and the Seven laws of the state of Oregon and Dwarfs" Others will be added the city charter of Ashland. as the demand grows.

SOC Splits Series With Chico State In Season's Opener

SOC opened their conference play Friday night on the local court by losing a hard fought other officers include Mr. and game to Chico 45 to 35. Chico State picked up a small lead early in the game, and through the use of a strong defense, main-tained their lead throughout the game. The Wildcats led 19 to 17 at halftime.

The Red Raiders regained their usual form Saturday night and piled up an 11 to 0 lead before the Wildcats found the basket. With Jandreau showing the way in the scoring department, the SOC five were out in front to 10 at halftime and went on to win 45 to 37.

What They're Reading

How To Stop Worrying, And Start Living By Dale Carnegie

The Big Fisherman By Lloyd C. Douglas

Sometime Again By George Hall George is a former Ashland boy)

Sketches of the Sixties Bret Hart and Mark Twain

The White Tower By James Ramsey Ull-

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SOC Feels Need

For New Library

Benefit Ball Game SOC, Tuesday night

March of Dimes

ASHLAND, JACKSON COUNTY, THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 1949

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Williams Retains Skerry and Lombard In Declaratory Judgment Court Action.

Mayor Tom Williams stated today that both Harry Skerry and Ben Lombard would be retained Herndobler Buys by him to present his side of the Dodge Furniture case in the declaratory judgment week. Both lawyers were rejected by the council as for the position of city attorney.

The council meanwhile requested an answer on the fo' lowing 10 points:

(1) The council had a legal right to refuse to confirm Mayor post of city attorney and Vern Smith as chief of police.

(2) Ordinance 1094 is valid and a law of the city of Ashland. (3) The mayor's veto of the ordinance was invaild.

(4) The suspension of Clarence Williams and William Briggs, incumbent police chief and city attorney ,was invalid since no charges were filed and no hearing granted.

(5) The mayor's adjournment of the hearing held in Ashland Two Saturday Friday was an illegal and arbitrary exercise of power because no opportunity was given to the council to state its case.

(6) The mayor has no right to force the council to confirm his appointments by suspending incumbent officers.

(7) The council's reinstatement and the restoration of their pay was legal.

(8) The defendant mayor should submit names of other appointees 'with dispatch." Lawful Occupants

Briggs are the lawful occupants and to listen to the suspended of- to be city attorney. of their jobs until successors are ficers, prior to making any deciappointed and confirmed; and, fi- sion. nally, that the court should clarify the rights and duties of the

taking them about the town of police. They ask for a special election to recall councilmen John Nosler, Herb Fischborn and John Daugh-

Behind the recall movement is treasurer and fiscal agent and Mrs. H. W. McCarley, Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Stiner, Mr. and William C. Lawrence, and Mrs. J. Q. Adams.

Earl F. Downing, minister of the First Church of Christ left Tuesday morning for San Jose, California, to attend a Confer ence on Evangelism. He will return Saturday.

R. E. Stevens is back from Alameda for a few days, to do some repair work on his apartments on the Plaza. He will return to Alameda to spend a few the spring and summer at their one.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hutchinson and daughter, Sandra, returned they visited Mr. and Mrs. Sam Windman.

Don Hufman, son of Mrs. Cay Hufman, who is studying voice in Miami, Florida, recently wrote his mother that the cold wave had caught up to Florida.

COALS TO NEWCASTLE A. Kriesman Turns Iceman, All Freezes

Arthur Kriesman, instructor at Southern Oregon college, recently received a gift of 400 pounds of ice from his students. The ice arrived along with a multitude of other gifts just as Kriesman was preparing to leave for Kla-

math Falls where he teaches an extension class. Explanation. for the gift. was given. as the fact that. things were getting too "tropical" along

Fordyce street. Kriesman. left. for. Klamath Falls. immediately after receiv-

ing the gifts. Then Monday night all the water pipes at the Kriesman home froze solid, some burst, the water tank flooded, and Mrs. Kriesman called the plumber to fix the frozen pipes.

The only thing that bother the plumber was "why the four hundred pounds of ice?"

Richard A Herndobler, Portaction which the council filed in land, purchased the J. P. Dodge Jackson county circuit court this and Sons furniture store the first of the week. Herndobler is a graduate of Oregon state college and has been associated with his father in the furniture business ing student body." in Portland. During the war he

in 1887. Members of the firm, Will because of few veterans in col-Williams' appointment of Harry Dodge, Robert Dodge, Delbert leges now, it is a fact that a Skerry or Ben Lombard to the Jones and Earle Chamberlain growth in population is bringing will continue to work with the about a similar growth in Oregon

served in the navy.

a new library would allow for double the present number of students. "It is most important," stated President Stevenson, "that we

acquire this new building so that we can accommodate an expand-Dr. Stevenson explained that

WHO'S QUALIFED?

Mayor Williams And Council Argue Competency of Three Appointees

Council Re-instates Members of the city Council,

which was passed five days prior you desire." to the mayor's taking office, set (9) Clarence Williams and tunity to pass on these reasons chief of police and Wm. M. Brie

> Members of the city council, in a letter to Mayor Tom Will-

Concerning Vern Smith the council stated: "Mr. Smith served on the Ashland Police force for a period of about one year, during the years 1940 and 1941, the civic betterment league, Ger- as a patrolman. His record was trude G. Roebuck is executive satisfactory, we believe. He also secretary, James Q. Adams is served as deputy sheriff of Jackson county for a period of approximately five years, which position he resigned. We understand he is at present employed by the Mrs. C. H McCoy, Mr. and Mrs. county as a vehicle weighmaster.'

In regard to Harry Skerry or Ben Lombard as city attorney the council stated: "Both of these gentlemen are fine men, but both are totally without experience in the field of municipal law and municipal proceedings. We have no criticism to make of either except on the basis of complete lack of experience. We have no background for either on which to judge. We believe that good business requires an experienced weeks before returning here for municipal attorney if we can find

The letter then went on to explain the good points of Chief of Police Clarence C. Williams statrecently from Los Angeles where ing that he was qualified on the basis of age, experience, and past performance.

The letter went on to say that the office of the police chief was well taken care of, adequate records were kept, the law was being enforced with judgment and reason, juvenile delinquent problems have been handled in an exemplary manner, and that the council believed most business men shared the school official's desire.

The council stated that Mr. Briggs had served as city attorney for a period of over 20 years, that city business was big business and that the city of Ashland needed an attorney who was competent.

They also pointed out that Briggs was one of the co-founders of the League of Oregon cities, that he had drawn up a short form charter of the city of had written a treatise on the taxation of municipal utilities.

The council went on to state that as councilmen they felt that they were given the right to confirm or refuse to confirm in the protection of the business of the

ing Saturday evening, reinstated ed by the Mayor.

Mayor Claims Smith Skerry, Lombard OK

Mayor Tom Williams, in an opmeeting Saturday evening in a en letter to the common council special session re-instated Will- of the city of Ashland, this week iam Briggs as city attorney and stated that the council was at-C. C. Williams as chief of police. tempting to dictate to the mayor The council's action was taken who his appointees should be. without the approval of the may- "Your continued refusal to conor who has indicated that he firm my appointments," he said, did not believe rule 16A of Ord- "is an effort to compel me to subof Briggs and Clarence Williams inance 1017 was valid. The rule, mit to the council such names as

Mayor Williams went on to say up a suspension clause which re- that the council has individually quired the mayor to set forth his and severally, stated that they reasons for suspension, and will not confirm any other perwhich gave the council an oppor- son than C. C. Williams to be the

ion," the mayor wrote, "I will feted with a dinner and party by of one year ago. mayor and council under the jams explained why they felt appropriate unto yourselves the July first. During 1948 such a that they should not confirm the power to appoint as well as to contest was held, with the Ashappointments of either Harry confirm. This would certainly be land Lodge winning by a large record of 650, a total which had Meanwhile the recall petitions Skerry or Ben Lombard as city an invasion of my rights under margin and during December got underway with forty people attorney and Vern Smith as chief the Charter, and until such time they were guests at Medford at as the people indicate they are a party. no longer agreeable to my exercising this grant of power, I will continue to insist that the persons I have nominated to public office be confirmed; unless they can be shown to be legally disqualified or incompe-

> Concerning the competancy of Ben Lombard and Harry Skerry. whom the council have refused to accept on the grounds that they are unqualified to handle the city attorney's job Mayor Williams stated: "the only requirement to be city attorney is good moral character and an act- the work accomplished. ive member of the Oregon State Bar. To say that any attorney who holds a certificate to practice law in Oregon is unable to perform the duties of city attorney in this town is to cast a reflection on the law schools of this state and the instruction offered in these schools in municipal law."

The Mayor also stated that it was necessary that the chief of police should have some experience in municipal police work. Vern Smith, he went on to say, has had such experience. A background of investigative ability and experience in this field is de-

"Smith," said the mayor, "has this background and ability."

The mayor continued by sayed that Briggs and Williams had a competancy such as no Ashland citizen has ever possessed. He refused to subscribe to this.

Chief of police Clarence Williams is not being discharged, the mayor said. He has been offered a position on the force, and in his retaining the position can mediate special care. hardly be based on financial rea-

should the council accept his appointees, either Skerry or Lombard as city attorney and Smith as chief of police, that he would Huntington, Oregon and that he failed to measure up to their remove any one of them if they duties and responsibilities.

Mayor Williams also offered to consider the names of other per- ported on December 10, the Jacksons than those already being son county health department reconsidered for the positions in question.

Following this line of reason- the two appointees, Briggs and ing the council, in a special meet- Williams, who had been suspend-

Dimes Starts Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Don MacWhirter **Again Head Polio Fund Committee** Dr. Elmo N. Stevenson, president of SOC, stated Monday that

U. of O. Library.

"Small Fry Stag" Held At Kreisman's

Mrs. Arthur Kreisman entertained at her home on Fordyce street, Thursday, with a "Small even though many feel that en- Fry Stag" for her son's birthday The Dodge firm was organized rollment in Oregon is decreasing Peter becoming six years old on the 13th and small Steven celebrating his fourth birthday on the 14th. Invited guests, accompanied by some of the mothers, were Kenny Stevenson, Danny Lewis, Bill Bowman, Mike Matthews, Craig Penninton, Johnnie Schultz, Roger and Tommy Wilda, Jimmy Williams, Stevie Medlock. Jimmy Johnstone, Jerry Miller, Richard Kreisman, and the young hosts, Peter and Steven Kreisman.

Games were played during the afternoon, after which the hostess served appropriate refreshments to the young gentlemen and their mothers.

Odd Fellows To Install Several

An installing team from the Ashland Odd Fellows went to Jacksonville Friday night to install new officers in the lodge. The local team will also install next week.

The local lodge recently entered into a three way race with ment is now 596 students. "Were I to permit myself to be Medford and Central Point for maneuvered into such a pcs.t- members, the winning team to be have acknowledged your right to the losers. The contest will end

Sewing Club Works On Layettes & Quilts

The American Legion Auxilhome of Mrs. Arthur Kreisman, students exceeds the fall term. Monday, for an all day meeting, group enjoyed a potluck lunch-

ing the afternoon and Mrs. Kreis- ister for the winter term. Unoffiman, Child Welfare Chairman, cial figures of Monday, January that the person nominated be of expressed great satisfaction in 10, gave the enrollment total of

The 1949 March of Dimes will get underway in Ashland at 1:00 p.m. Saturday when a real March of Dimes will take place on Main street. At that time a parade including most of the patriotic marching organizations in town will take place.

Mr. and Mrs. Don MacWhirter who are in charge of the Ashland polio fund drive, have other events lined up for the rest of the month including a basketball game at SOC Tuesday night with the Lions and the Kiwanis mixing it in the opener and the high school seniors and the junior varsity playing in the

main game. The drive will culminate with the March of Dimes ball which will be held during the latter part of January.

Foss Kramer was among the local folks who have returned to Ashland after seeing one of the Bowl games. Kramer took in the East West game in San Francis-

Mr. and Mrs. John Tiedeman, Jr., spent the week end in Cres-

SOC Winter Term

Southern Oregon college officers in Medford, Central continuing its growth according Point and Ashland during the to figures released this week from the office of Mr. Mabel W. Winston, registrar. Total enroll-

This represents an increase of 17.8 per cent over the enrollment

Mrs. Winston remarked that the final total, to be tabulated on January 15, may reach the fall not been anticipated for the winter term. The Registrar commented that the enrollment of last fall was swelled by such groups as special students and night classes which will be de-

creased this term. Although the grand total is down in comparison to winter iary's Sewing Club, met at the term, the percentage of full time

Special students have increaswhich was well attended. Work ed 150 per cent over a year ago, was started on layettes and the increase being attributed to patches were cut for a quilt. The the greater number of intern teacher students.

Registration continues until Additional workers called dur- January 15, the final day to reg-

YOUR DIME HELPS

Jackson County March Of Dimes Gets Underway Friday, Jan. 14

Harry Chipman, Vern are requiring after-care. Smith Head Drive

ry Chipman of Medford. The need paralysis cases reported here in greatest number in chapter his-

Each case was sent to the Eugene and Portland treatment center, a number by airplane amthe case of Briggs, the need for bulance, due to the need for im-

> Expenditures for 1948 totalled mayor promised that Mrs. Lewis Ulrich, secretarytreasurer of the Jackson county chapter revealed.

> > The spread of infantile paralysis, usually confined to the late summer and early fall, continued into winter during 1948. twelfth and one of the most serious cases of the year, was revealed. The case was taken immediately to Eugene and is now under treatment there. The other 11 cases are now making satisfactory recover, the health department stated, but a number sports coordinator,

One of the greatest aids to the satisfactory recovery of such pa-Confronted by the greatest de- tients is the speed with which mand for funds, experienced in cases are transported to the Euthe history of the organization gene center by airplane ambulhere, the Jackson County Chap ance, Vern Smith, chairman of the ter of the National Foundation Jackson county chapter, pointed for Infantile Paralysis opens its out yesterday, emphasizing the annual March of Dimes today policy of the chapter, which is to (Friday) under leadership of Har- act immediately regardless of cost. The realization that many of funds, Mr. Chipman explain- lives have been saved in Jacking that the council had indicated in opening the drive, results son county because of the specifrom the number of infantile fic program of the chapter and that many people have been re-1948. There were 12 cases, the stored to good health who would otherwise have been crippled, makes it easy to obtain funds during the March of Dimes, he

> A large staff of volunteer workers, covering all sections of the county, has been named by Mr. Chipman, drive chairman. Com-\$7000 during the last six months, munity chairmen are: Matt Freed Medford; Mr. and Mrs. Don Mac-Whirter, Ashland; Mrs. Austin Jones, Rogue River; Mrs. Krause of Applegate; Arden Pinkham, of Central Point; Emil DiVecchio, Gold Hill; Mrs. Eva Segessenman Shady Cove; E. D. McIntyre, of Jacksonville; Heston Grieve, at Prospect; Mrs. Jay Terrill, Talent; Marvin Fisher, Phoenix, Glen Haie, Eagle Point; J. Fred Engel, Bellview, and Mrs. John

Shaw, Butte Falls. James Dunlevy will act as radio coordinator for the events of the drive and Dick Jewett as