

DOING THE  
TOWN

ROD KEATING this week became the owner of the former Davenhill orchard, 75 acres of apples and pears. The deal was made with the Newberry Orchards former owners of the property, and KEATING now owns the largest single apple block in the county.

MR. and MRS. DON MacWHIRTER doing a tremendous job on the March of Dimes campaign.

OWEN GRAGG, chairman of the Lions Inaugural ball committee, being disheartened about the dropping of the ball. Too bad, they got away with it in Washington but couldn't quite make it here.

Growth Predicted  
For This Region

University of Oregon, Eugene, Jan. 18.—According to a survey compiled by two university faculty members, Oregon's five southwestern counties will experience the largest population gain in the state during the next 12 years.

The estimate was prepared by Dr. E. H. Moore, head of the sociology department, and John F. Staehle, teaching fellow in education, for the Pacific Coast Board of Interdepartmental Relations which gathers data on the three west coast states. The survey will be used for state and national government directives.

The five counties which will be Douglas, Jackson, Josephine, Coos and Curry, due largely to the region's large timber reserves and excellent recreational facilities.

However, the 18 counties in eastern Oregon will also see an increase in population with the completion of McNary dam.

According to the two University of Oregon teachers, the number of 1940-43 migrants to leave the state will be determined by a decrease in the general level of prices. They say that when prices are low, few people dispose of their property.

Trucking Operations  
May Be Curtailed

Trucking operations in Jackson county may be curtailed if the bad weather continues to ruin the roads according to an order of the Jackson county court.

This order will not go into effect unless necessary, members of the court stated. However, in order to save the roads, it may be necessary to limit weight loads. Two counties in Northern Oregon have already reduced weight loads to four tons on county roads.

This week marks the end of the first semester so there will be no school Friday. A Pep rally will be held Thursday, January 20 for the game Friday when the Grizzlies take on the Grants Pass Cavemen. Frank O'Neil athletic coach, will have his boys present a tumbling exhibition at the half.

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 Ullman

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## MAYOR'S ATTORNEYS REQUEST REVISION

Claim That Complaint Filed by  
Council Is Not Correctly Prepared

Ben Lombard and Harry Skerry, Ashland attorneys, representing Mayor Tom Williams who is the defendant in the declaratory judgment action brought by the members of the city council, this week filed their answer to the council's complaint. They requested that the complaint as filed be revised as the majority of the nine points in the original complaint were not properly stated. Their motion was to strike out certain portions of the complaint and to make the remainder more definite and certain.

Judge H. H. Hanna will hold a hearing on these motions in the near future. Acting city attorney William Briggs and the council can file an amended complaint or they can state that they feel that the original complaint is adequate and does not need revision. They can then request a hearing on the matter.

The mayor's attorneys point out in their motions that they feel that the city council's complaint was not properly prepared and that it should be restated correctly before a final hearing is made.

The first issue taken by the mayor's attorneys is that the council's complaint contains several causes of action which are not separately stated. Lombard and Skerry, neither of whom are acceptable to the council as city attorney, go on to point out that there is a question as to 14 points of law in the original complaint.

The mayor and his attorneys point out that part of paragraph 5 in the original complaint which reads "duly passed" is a conclusion of law. Paragraph 5 in the original complaint has to do with the mayor's adjournment in one minute and 40 seconds of the Friday council meeting.

Lombard and Skerry also point out that a portion of paragraph 4 in the original complaint is wrongly worded. The paragraph had to do with the suspension of William Briggs and Clarence Williams.

Paragraph seven of the original complaint which concerns the reinstatement of Briggs and Williams is, according to Lombard and Skerry, immaterial and should be struck out of the complaint. Paragraphs 11 and 12 of the complaint are also, according to the two attorneys, redundant, evidence, and not fact.

That portion of paragraph 14 of the council's complaint is also considered as immaterial, redundant, and is really evidence, not a fact. This concerns the adjournment of the Friday night meeting by the mayor. Paragraph 16 of the complaint is also considered in the same light. This paragraph concerns the council's Saturday meeting at which time Briggs and Williams were reinstated by the council.

Lombard and Skerry go on to say that the various portions of the complaint which have to do with the statement made by the mayor that the council "must learn the hard way," that members of the council have been threatened with boycott, and that the meetings of January 4th and January 7th were disorderly, are all only statements of opinion and not facts and therefore have no bearing on the facts of the matter.

The council indicated in their complaint that actions of the mayor had resulted in "great detriment" to the city, and that the resultant publicity had effected the credit of the city. Lombard and Skerry request an explanation of those remarks.

Discussion of the proposal by the mayor that the office of city engineer be abolished and that Elmer Biegel, present city engineer, be made head of the light department, took up much of the council's time. The fact that the city needs a centralized purchasing agent and a system of control was given by several members of the council as being the reason for a city superintendent. The proposal was temporarily shelved until further facts could be obtained.



Members of the American Legion Auxiliary who recently packed a series of child welfare boxes for the Roseburg hospital are shown above. They include, from left to right, seated, Blanche Taylor, Ann Kroeger, Evalyn Kriesman (child welfare chairman), Margaret Wolfe, Neva Wood, Lottie Ransdell, Kathleen Silver, and Cecilia Berninghausen, who is president of the organization. Standing are Ruth Cushing, Blanche Wood, Ruth Jordan and Mary Lahr.

School Building  
Set For February

Work on the three school projects in Ashland will probably begin sometime in February according to a spokesman for the school district. The bid for the project has been awarded to the Donald M. Drake company of Portland, their bid being \$621,500.

D. W. Moen, Medford, is the Southern Oregon representative for the Drake company. They are presently doing the remodeling on the Newberry building in Medford and recently completed building the new J. C. Penney building in Medford.

The low bid of the Drake company will assure the schools of having every major specification including a gym-auditorium. Plans are to have the buildings completed by the opening of school next fall.

The plans for the George A. Briscoe school, which is to replace Washington, calls for 12 classrooms, a gym-auditorium, office, nurse's room, library, cafeteria, kitchen and separate rest rooms for the primary and intermediate grades.

Six classrooms are to be constructed at the Walker Avenue site. In addition to these classrooms there will be the gym-auditorium, cafeteria kitchen, and facilities similar to the ones at the Briscoe school. The Lincoln addition is to have three classrooms and the gym-auditorium and cafeteria kitchen. The Briscoe school will be faced with brick, the Lincoln school will match the present building and the Walker Avenue school is to be reinforced concrete.

All buildings are to be one story and modern and clean-cut in appearance. Lighting is designed to meet the latest codes for adequacy. The rooms are to be finished in soft tone light reflecting pastel shades. Harmonizing colors will be in the asphalt floor covering. Hot and cold water is to be supplied to each room. The chalk board is to be the new Lite-sight which reflects more light than the old type. Steel wardrobe lockers are to be installed in each classroom and each youngster will have a cubicle in which to store his things. Well planned built-ins and bulletin boards are to be constructed in each room. The classrooms are light and airy and are fitted to the functional type of modern education.

Eastern Star Has  
First 1949 Meeting

Alpha Chapter No. 1, O. E. S. held its first stated meeting on Tuesday evening, January 18th, with Dolly Stevens, Worthy Matron, presiding, assisted by Pat Dunn, Worthy Patron.

Approximately seventy five members and visiting members were present for the evening. Alpha Chapter's own distinguished member, Adelaide Clary, was escorted to the East and given a hearty welcome. She is the grand Representative of the Grand Jurisdiction of Missouri. It was decided to join with the Masons in a party sometime in the early part of February.

Muriel Kramer, the new president of Alpha Chapter, announced the first regular meeting of Alpha club for Tuesday afternoon, January 25th. Dessert will be served promptly at 1:30, to be followed by a short business meeting. Then cards and other entertainment will follow. All Star members are also members of Alpha club and are urged to be present.

A benefit card party for Job's Daughters was announced by their guardian, Geraldine Yates for Friday evening, January 21. Refreshments were served in the dining room with Olive Burdick as chairman, assisted by Callie Briscoe, Lydia McCall, and Ruth Wagner.

State Tax Agent  
To Be In Ashland

In order to assist taxpayers in preparing their state income tax returns a state income tax agent will be in Ashland at the city hall from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 23.

The agent will also be available to people from Ashland, Talent and Phoenix during the time he is in Medford. He will be at the court house there from Mar. 15 to April 15.

Soda Organizers  
Hold Meeting

William McGee, J. C. Osborne, Ed Singmaster, O. W. Green, and Nelson Damon attended the meeting of the Southern Oregon Development association which was held Tuesday night at the Dardenelles, Gold Hill.

Twenty men were present from Ashland, Grants Pass, Medford, Rogue River and Gold Hill. Plans were made to press the organizational campaign and to get the association whipped into shape. Osborne will begin the membership drive in Grants Pass in the near future.

Next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 17, at the Cave shop in Grants Pass. It will be an evening dinner meeting.

Ben Lombard returned from Salem Tuesday where he had been on legal business.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Marsh of Duluth, Minnesota, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Cullen. On Sunday the Marshs and the Cullens took a drive to Union creek.

## Ramblin' With Ransey

Cisto Parks has returned from a business and pleasure trip to Sacramento. Mrs. Mayme Warden stayed with Mrs. Parks, who is ill at her home, during Parks absence.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Finch accompanied by Jack Conners and his daughter, Judy are visiting friends in Ashland. The group are farmers from Shinook, Montana and were neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Vellons, now of Ashland.

Mrs. Penwell, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Shroy, of Medford and their uncle, M. B. Shroy of Alaska visited friends in Ashland, Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Huffman of Highwood, Montana arrived in Ashland, Friday to spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Henneke have returned from a three weeks vacation at their former home in Colusa, California. Henneke reported that two feet of snow in the Sacramento Valley prevented him from visiting his farm, near Colusa.

Mrs. George Miller and daughter, Evelyn have returned from their holiday vacation in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Roderick of Eagle Point visited friends in Ashland, Saturday. O. J. Elliott, retired stockman from Baker is spending the winter at his home on Iowa Street. Elliot was a dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Olsen, Sunday evening. Additional guests of the Olsens were, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hazelwood and Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Ransdell.

Mrs. H. K. Plasp and Mrs. Kleina of Coquille, Oregon are visiting friends in Ashland.

Theodore Kish and Allen Beck motored to Cave Junction Sunday and returned Monday. They were accompanied by Kish's mother, Mrs. Ella J. Bloomquist. Kish has his invention the Wheelled Crutches in the process of being manufactured in Santa Rosa but would start additional work here if he finds a suitable foundry where he can proceed with work on them.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Applewhite accompanied their son, Sergeant Warren Applewhite to San Francisco where Warren will take a plane to New York, and sail, soon, for Germany for his new assignment to duty. Ewell Cochran, Mobile, Ala-

## MISS GALLATIN HERE

Miss Frances L. Gallatin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Gallatin arrived January 19th, to visit with her parents at their home on 148 Central avenue in Ashland. Miss Gallatin is Registration Officer in the Veterans administration in San Francisco. She will return to her work in San Francisco Tuesday, Jan. 25.

Essay Contest  
To Be Offered

A busy program was planned by the American Legion Auxiliary at their regular meeting, at Pioneer hall, Winburn Way, on Monday evening.

Mrs. Arthur S. Taylor, essay contest chairman, is busy on plans for the national Auxiliary sponsored contest and will soon contact the schools, presenting the rules and list of prizes to the students. Local winners will compete in the state contest. State winners will, then have a chance to compete in the national essay contest.

The sewing club will meet with Mrs. Bert Freeman, 112 Nutley street, next Monday for small day meeting.

Mrs. M. E. Ransdell, legislative chairman, presented a reading, "Know Your Legislators," and urged all women to attend the opening of Camp White, as there will be a great need for philanthropic work when that hospital is opened.

Hostesses were Alberta Leonard and Evelyn Kreisman.

Miss Dorothy Morris was skiing Sunday at Sky Trail on the Siskiyou.

bama is in Ashland on business. He is connected with the Southern Pacific Railroad. Arthur St. Mars, Yakima, Washington, owner of the Cascade Tent and Awning Co. there is in Ashland on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Phillips of Yuba City, Calif. are vacationing in Ashland for the winter. They state that the climate this winter has been about the same as in Yuba City.

Ivan Reed of Mapleton, a visitor at the home of Orton Genung on Iowa Street, remarked that his father, Bert Reed, also, of Mapleton, worked on the Boulevard sixty years ago. Bert, who was unable to make the trip to Ashland with his son, asked him to find out if it still carried the name of "Boulevard", as it did in those days. The first thing Ivan noticed on arriving here was that it is now called Siskiyou Boulevard, and will so report to his father. The elder Reed recalled that at the time the Boulevard came into being he worked for the sum of three dollars a day and that included his team of horses. It seems amazing to the present generation that he could live on such a wage, much less feed a team of horses, but, as Ivan remarked, "I was there".

Herb Hendrick of Baker, Oregon, was in Ashland on business, Thursday. He was accompanied by Forest Burlew of Gold Hill.

Luc Jerrett of Castle Rock, Washington is visiting friends in Ashland. He has spent the year visiting friends and relatives at Seattle, Baker, Castle Rock and other Northwest cities.

Wilbur Simmons spent the week end at his home in Auburn, Washington. He was accompanied to Ashland by his brother, Howard, who hopes to locate in this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Parker and family returned Saturday from Middletown, Lake County, California, where they spent the holidays with relatives. Roberta Parker, remained in Middletown at the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Washington. Two other daughters of the Parkers, Mrs. Paul Ripper and Mrs. Lila Williams and her small daughter, Lola Lee, accompanied them to Ashland where they will visit for a time. Parker reported that a thirty inch snowfall prolonged their visit in Lake County.