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Judgment

The decision rests now with the judge. Since Tuesday morning the judge has had time to consider just which side in the case of the City Council vs the Mayor and the City of Ashland is right.

The next problem to be met will be that of accepting the judges' decision. Whether or not the side which loses the court decision will take it to a higher court is presently a subject for debate.

We'll know the answer to that one after Judge Orvil Millard has made his decision.

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Friends

"We've lost a lot of good friends over this argument about the mayor's appointive powers and the council's right to confirm or not to confirm," was the statement we made to a lady the other day.

"You're wrong," said she, "you haven't lost any good friends."

The lady is right. Friendship is greater than differences of opinion.

Those people who have stopped speaking and who pass curtly by were never more than fair weather friends.

Those real friends of ours, and yours, who are on the opposite side of the fence, yet who continue to consider friendship as being more important than a temporary difference of opinion, are real friends, and we appreciate their attitude.

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It's Silly

It's silly to let this Ashland political fracas get out of bounds... particularly to the point where people are making enemies. Decisions are going to be made during the next few weeks which will affect the jobs and the political careers of certain residents of this community.

The best thing which any of those people who are directly concerned can do is to take the bad with the good. And take either with a lot of good grace, and a pleasant smile.

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Fourteen Months

Don Haynes, who plans to leave Ashland this Saturday for a tour of the United States, is going to bring our fair city a lot of comment.

Haynes plans to remain within the confines of the Kaiser automobile he will drive.

It's strictly a publicity stunt and we wish him well.

Ashland as a city will benefit a bit from the resultant publicity at the start of the run. Again at the end of the fourteen months when Haynes returns to nation's seekers of the unusual will read about the guy who returned to Ashland after spending 14 months in a Kaiser automobile.

It doesn't really matter whether or not Haynes gets any further than Klamath Junction. Ashland as a city will be satisfied, for a city is like any extrovert who lives on publicity. It doesn't matter what is being said as long as someone is saying it... about Ashland.

If Haynes does do what he plans, and stays in the car for a total of 14 months the city will be more than satisfied for then there will have been not only publicity at the beginning but publicity at the conclusion of the stunt.

Speaking for the city, Good, luck Don, do come back.

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Flood

Last week we wrote our annual spring flood editorial, warning all the folks who lived in the valleys and the low places to begin building rafts, for a lot of water was headed their way.

Net result of the editorial was a sudden change in temperature, toward lower, and snow.

If we thought there was any chance of our controlling the weather by writing editorial predictions we'd sure go to work. But it's doubtful the minute we started trying to do that we'd get fooled again.

The flood threat, however, is still with us. We're still hoping for a slow thaw. Rain would wash this community right down Bear creek.

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Knockers and Thugs

The name calling which is being indulged in by some of the more conservative, "against any change" residents of this city is doing nothing toward alleviating the present argument.

To lower oneself to name calling does not, in the long run, settle any argument.

If face it's usually the best way to end an argument... and begin a fight.

Calling the citizens of this community who have started the recall movement, various derogatory names is not going to settle any problems.

This name calling can go too far. And if it continues it will.

We'd suggest that the old rule about keeping a civil tongue in one's head be placed in large letters on a huge sign... right in the middle of the Plaza.

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Utopia

President Truman's social security program will develop into a real dog fight before it becomes law. The people who want it believe that "cradle to grave" social security is necessary. The people opposed to it feel that the program itself would be dangerously destructive to enterprise and initiative.

The government, which will handle the program, will be given vast powers and huge expenditures will be made, both for operating personnel and to help the people. The people will be borne, schooled, hospitalized, paid unemployment benefits, pensioned, and buried by government.

In order to pay for this program the payroll tax which today is 3½ percent will be upped by 1955 to 11 percent and by 1990 it will amount to 18 percent. To make it clear, let us suppose that you make \$48000.00 in 1955. You would be assessed \$264.00 and your employer would be assessed \$264.00, making a total of \$528.00. This would be used to pay cradle to grave security, for all of us.

The effect on you and the rest of us would be to level out our incomes through taxation. There would be a rising floor under the minimum income a family can receive and a lowering ceiling on the maximum earnings any of us could keep.

Ramblin' With Ransey

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Olsen of Fairview street handed us an interesting paper, The Record-Courier, from Baker, Oregon, showing a picture of a dozen white tailed deer calmly grazing in snow covered feeding rounds.

Reports indicate good prospects of extensive aeral "Haylift" distribution of hay for the Baker area, as well as out of La Grande. The photographer, Jack Eng, of Baker, must have had a thrill when he was able to get so close to so large a herd of these fleet footed animals. He must have slipped up behind them, keeping a large boulder between himself and the herd, for only a few in the foreground show any signs of alarm. He caught just the ear tips of one deer that must have been very close to his hiding place. It is truly a magnificent "shot."

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Forsgren of Battle Ground, Washington are visiting friends in Ashland. They plan to go on to San Diego as soon as the weather clears, to visit friends and relatives. Forsgren is in the sawmill business and is greatly interested in the mills in this vicinity.

Mrs. Norman Hutchison and Mrs. Pete Fitzhugh of Medford visited Ashland friends Friday evening.

Mrs. Ortop Genung, of Iowa street was called to Klamath Falls, Monday, by the critical illness of her sister.

Orville Orton is spending the week in Prineville on business.

Harassed men this week are: Dr. Elmo Stevenson, wishing he were twins so that he could attend the formal opening of Camp White as well as an important conference of educators in San Francisco, and Ken Miller nursing a throbbing hand after losing part of a finger and mangleing others when he caught his hand in a conveyor belt; and Hollis Hill in Frisco for the SOC-Frisco game with the College Band and Girls Drum Corps. Hollis is a college band trumpet player and Kilty Band Bag-Pipe player besides performing on the Tram poline. He cut his schedule almost too close this week end as he has to be in Frisco Friday night and drive back to Ashland

by 11 Saturday morning so as to be here for Don Haynes' celebration and parade. Hill will then rush to the Medford airport and take a plane back to Frisco in order to join the College Bands for the big Saturday night activities. Somewhere and some time, enroute, he expects to be somewhere for his brothers wedding.

First Church of Christ, Scientist Pioneer Avenue, South Sunday morning service at 11 o'clock. Subject: MIND.

Golden Text: Psalms 147:5. Great is our Lord, and of great power: his understanding is infinite.

Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday evening meeting, which includes testimonies of Christian Science healing, is held at 8 o'clock.

Reading Room open daily from 2 to 5 p.m. except Sundays and holidays.

The public is cordially invited to attend these services, and to use the Reading Room.

Second Grade Has Valentine Party

Talent Feb. 15—The second grade of the Talent School in Mrs. Enid Casebier's room held a Valentines' Party for their mothers and fifteen younger sisters and brothers attended the party. The children gave a short program and served refreshments of cookies and ice cream.

TALENT CITY COUNCIL ORDER ADDITIONAL PIPE

Talent, February 16—The Talent City Council met last week and ordered additional pipe to replace old mains in the city streets. They ordered meters to be repaired and placed in business and apartment houses. Dogs without licenses will be piced up after March 1.

Talent locals... Mr. and Mrs. Otto King are moving from the house on Wagner Ave to the new home which they have just completed on TID Lane.

Katie Estes returned from Eugene Sunday where she had been visiting her grandson Keith Cochran. Keith had been very ill.

The ladies Community Club met Wednesday afternoon. They exchanged Valentines.

Misses Janet Joanis and Cora May Gleim entertained some of the younger set at a Valentines Day party Monday evening.

Lillie Burnette spent Sunday with her son Milan in Medford.

"Lucky" Gilbreath has been appointed "Tall Twister" of the Talent Lions Club.

Virginia Martin and Karen Bohls participated in a steel guitar recital held at Ashland last Saturday.

Mary Bannister, who spent last week in the hospital with pneumonia has returned home.

Mrs. Helen Wisner, who was in Sacred Heart Hospital last week, is staying with Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Steiger while recuperating from her illness.

Cub Scouts May Be Organized

Talent Feb. 15—At the regular February meeting of the Talent Parent Teachers Association which was held February 14 at 2:30 p.m. in the eighth grade room of the Talent School, Mrs. Nona McAbee announced that a meeting to organize the Cub Scouts will be held in the City Hall Tuesday evening, February 25 at 7 o'clock.

Any parent of boys between the ages of nine and twelve are urged to come to the meeting.

Leaders Study Plan To Decorate Center

The leaders of Boy Scouts, Alfred Culver Jr., Girl Scouts, Nancy Jennings and Virginia Gleim and Campfire Girls, Mae Lowe and Alice Burnette met Tuesday at the Youth Center to discuss decorating and furnishing problems of the building.

DAUGHTERS OF NILE MEET

Ashland Daughters of the Nile, Zulema Temple, No. 13, attended a meeting in Grants Pass February 12. The next meeting will be held in Medford March 12 at which time the election of officers and the Queen's report will take place.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Hamilton of Chico, California are staying with the Les Hamiltons of Rapp's Hill while looking around for a place to locate.

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