

# Stars Celebrate 69th Anniversary

Alpha chapter no. 1, O.E.S. celebrated its 69th anniversary Tuesday evening, March 15th in Masonic Hall. Starting with a covered dish dinner at 6:30 served from tables decorated in honor of the birthday and St. Patrick's day. The dinner was served by Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Mayberry, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Newton and Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Elhart.

Miss Lydia McCall, Alpha Chapters oldest member present was escorted to the east through an archway of golden stars and presented with a crown bearing the date 1890, which was the year she joined Alpha Chapter.

Mrs. Delia Inlow and Mrs. Medora Shepherd were then escorted through the archway to the east and presented crowns bearing the date 1899. They were then welcomed as 50 year members and presented corsages by Miss Lydia McCall who was Worthy Matron when they were initiated.

Lucille McKay dressed in a beautiful dress of the nineties sang accompanied by Edna Dougherty. She sang "Just a Little Shree Where Old Friends Meet," "Irish Lullabye" and "Ma He's Making Eyes At Me."

Lorena McNair, Past Grand Matron of Oregon gave a brief history of O.E.S. and Alpha Chapter. Giving the date when Alpha Chapter was organized as March 13, 1880.

Edna Dougherty, Past Grand Organist played two piano numbers "Shasta Limited" composed by herself and "Lorlei."

A. H. McDonnell gave a brief history of the Masons. Giving the date Ashland was issued a charter as June 17, 1875.

At the close of the program the numbers were drawn for the Afghan. Le Roy Farmer, vice associate Grand Guardian of Jobs Daughters, held the lucky number.

## Camp White Workers To Meet Friday

The orientation school for Camp White hospital workers was attended by Leone Balenger, American Red Cross and Mrs. Gray Lady, Mrs. Mildred Reed, Marshall E. Ransdell, American Legion Auxiliary.

Since other organizations were probably represented, Mrs. Ransdell, asks that all who attended the school, in any capacity, meet for coffee at the Plaza cafe, one o'clock, Friday, the 18th.

It is believed that a duplication of effort can be avoided if there is complete cooperation among the workers who attended the school as they will be the ones who must organize Ashland's volunteer service for the veteran's hospital.

## Writers' Guild To Be Formed

First steps toward organizing a Writers' Guild will take place at the Plaza Cafe, Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, states Vinna Middleton of Sheridan street. Mrs. Middleton urges all persons interested in writing to be present.

Dr. John McAuley, Southern Oregon College faculty member will be the principal speaker of the evening.

This is not a book review column, but the new GOLDEN ENCYCLOPEDIA is worthy of more than a passing glance. This is a book that every home should own. School children will find in it the answers to their questions, simply written, beautifully illustrated. Children are inquisitive. They want to learn. And here is education, pleasant, useful. Over 1500 items are covered, with full color illustrations, ranging from Africa and Airplanes, to Television and Zoos.

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# 3 COUNCILMEN OUSTED

## Council Accepts Harry A. Skerry

Action on Vern Smith Is Temporarily Tabled

Harry A. Skerry, Jr., was unanimously confirmed as city attorney of the City of Ashland by the city council at Tuesday's meeting. Skerry's name was the only one submitted for the attorney's position to the council by Mayor Tom Williams.

Mayor Williams re-submitted his appointment of Vern Smith as Chief of Police but the council tabled action on the appointment. Herb Fischborn, speaking for the council, stated that they preferred to defer action on Smith's appointment until after the recall election.

Skerry's appointment fills the vacancy caused by the resignation of William Briggs from the city attorney's post. Briggs, in resigning stated that he didn't want to be an issue in the recall election of the three councilmen, Fischborn, John Nosler, and John Daugherty.

Other action taken included the reading of a request from the American Association of University Women for a fire escape at the YMCA building. Consideration of a renewed liability insurance policy, a report on progress at the city filtration plant, a report from the recorder, the city superintendent, and the water superintendent. Fred Homes reported for the street committee and John Daugherty stated that the audit of city books should be completed in three or four weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Koester were dinner guests at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Wm. Bracker Saturday evening.

## Auxiliary Stresses Community Service

"March is Community Service Month in the Legion Auxiliary," says Miss Kathleen Silver, President of local Unit No. 14.

"The Auxiliary has been engaged in community service work ever since it was formed in 1921, —two years after the American Legion came into being in Paris," she continued.

"Under community cooperation," explains Miss Silver, "we are cooperating with other organizations to improve health conditions, to expand educational facilities, to make communities safer places in which to live, and to conserve the resources of our regions. Auxiliary members take an active part in the educational and fund raising activities of national health agencies.

"Just ahead is spring with four major activities being emphasized: March, with Community Service; April, with Child Welfare and Pan American Study; May, with its Poppies.

## Jerry Miller Honored On His Birthday

Mrs. Ken Miller, entertained in honor of the eighth birthday of her son, Jerry, at their home on "B" Street Sunday afternoon.

Following the presentation and opening of Jerry's birthday packages the youngsters played Pin the Tail on the Donkey. Darrell Bennett won first prize and the booby prize went to Danny Campbell.

The young guests and their mothers enjoyed refreshments of ice cream, the traditional birthday cake with candles, Easter eggs and Candy cups.

The guest list included: Mrs. Arthur Kriesman and sons, Peter and Steven, Mrs. Bennett and Linda and Darrell Mrs. Bruce Schilling and Patty, Mrs. Etta Schilling, Mrs. John Bowers and Margo and Johnny, Mrs. Herbert Lewis and Jimmy and Trudee, Sally Stringer, Paula Prescott, Dana Campbell, Tommy Wentworth, John and "Butch" Dille, Sharon Ingham, Donald Silver, Brahm, Marchall Sue, and Dorrie Ann Woodell. Judy Miller and the honor guests parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Miller.

## Legionaires To Hear of Hospital

Special speakers from the Camp White domiciliary hospital will be present at the next Legion meeting according to information released today by John von Kuhlman commander of the Legion. All veterans are invited to attend.

A motion picture which is released through the courtesy of the Hiram Walker distillery will also be shown.

A special feature of the meeting will be the crab feed and entertainment which is a yearly feature of the Legion's spring program. Colonel Harold Jordan is in charge of the affair and Herb Moore is furnishing the crabs.

Fritz Koester has purchased a lot in the new Bellview addition and plans to build this spring.

John Billings went to Roseburg Thursday to attend a meeting of the Methodist Layman's association.

## Home's Have Their Silver Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Homes, 87 Boulevard, celebrated the occasion of their silver wedding anniversary at their home Saturday evening. The party was planned by their daughter, Clarice.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Herb Fischborn and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. May, Montague, California.

Gifts received by the Homes included a set of sterling silver salt and pepper shakers, a silver gravy ladle, and a silver place setting service.

## Merrill Appointed To Present Watches

Councilman Harold Merrill has been appointed by Mayor Thomas S. Williams to present watches to three former city servants. The presentation will probably take place at the next council meeting. Honored by the gifts will be former Mayor Thornton S. Wiley, former Chief of Police Clarence Williams, and former City Recorder, J. Q. Adams.

The watches, which were purchased at Ramsey's Jewelry, are inscribed with the names of the men and give their tenure of service, stating also that they were for faithful service.

The council rescinded a former motion to give former city recorder Adams two weeks additional vacation pay and in lieu thereof they are presenting him with a watch.

Adams had asked for vacation pay, saying that he had been with the city for 16 years and had never taken a vacation. The council's action to not award the pay was taken because of the fact that Adams was head of his department, had control of his own vacation time and by presenting him with an additional two weeks pay the council would be setting a precedent whereby any city employee could in the future ask for an additional two weeks pay after his term in office had expired.

## Lions To Honor Smith With Dinner

Ashland Lions plan to sponsor an interclub meeting April 5 at the Elks club in honor of Edgar Smith, chairman of the Oregon State board of Higher education.

Dr. Elmo Stevenson is in charge of the meeting which will be open to members of all service clubs in the city.

## Haynes Now At San Bernadino

Don Haynes, the man from Ashland who plans to stay in his Kaiser special automobile for 13 more months, this week is in San Bernadino, California, where he is attending the Orange Show.

Since leaving Ashland Haynes has been touring Southern California, making stops from Sacramento to San Diego. He has employed a new advance man, Bob Montague, has signed a contract with Mutual Broadcasting company, and has made a deal with Rudy Vallee to appear on Vallee's television show "Experience Speaks."

Haynes is getting national publicity for Ashland as indicated by the newspaper clippings which are appearing at the Ashland Chamber of Commerce and Andy Anderson's Motor Inn concerning the long drive which Haynes is taking.

## Daugherty, Fischborn, and Nosler Recalled In Thursday's Election

### Dairy Farmers To Hold Meeting 24th

Jackson county dairymen will meet Thursday, March 24 for an all day meeting at the county court house in Medford. R. L. Wyant, Ashland, is a member of the board of directors, and E. B. Poyer, Ashland is a member.

President of the dairymen's group is Victor Birdseye, Central Point. Lunch will be served during the meeting.

Topics under discussion will include the enactment of a law requiring dairies to supply milk with at least 4% butterfat content. The dairymen will also plan a survey to determine if there is a demand in the county for 5% butterfat content milk.

According to officials of the group a 1% increase in butterfat means a 20% increase in food value. Milk sold by dairies today has 3.5% butterfat content. Surplus butterfat is sent to the creameries by the dairies which buy the whole milk from the farmer.

The dairy farmer feels that a greater butterfat content would give the consumers a better food value for their money.

### Woodward Heads Ashland C. of C.

The Ashland General Hardware, has been elected president of the Ashland Chamber of Commerce. Lyndel Newbry was elected vice president. The election took place at a meeting of the board of directors held Monday evening at the Chamber of Commerce offices.

William McGee, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, released the Chamber's financial recapitulation sheet indicating the present financial standing of the organization.

ASSETS: Petty cash ..... \$ 5.95 Cash ..... 12.50 Bank, gen. acct. .... 477.32 Bank, Spec. Acct. .... 866.60 Equipment, F & F ..... 487.00

-1,849.37

LIABILITIES: Accounts payable ..... \$ 400.00 Fed. Inc. Tax With. .... 57.00 State Inc. Tax With. .... 6.68 Fed. Old Age With. .... 6.72 Advertising Fund ..... 858.75 Gold Club Fund ..... 906.36

Total def. liabilities... 1,765.11

-2,235.41

Deficit ..... 386.04

-1,849.37

Spring vacation for the Ashland schools will begin March 28.

John Daugherty, John Nosler, and Herb Fischborn, were recalled from the offices of city councilmen by the voters of the city of Ashland Thursday in an election which brought about 2342 voters to the polls.

Daugherty lost by 70 votes. There were 1203 votes cast to remove him from office and 1122 votes cast to retain him.

Fischborn lost by 60 votes. There were 1220 people who voted to remove him from office and 1122 people who voted to retain him.

Nosler lost by only 26 votes. A total of 1178 people voted for his recall while 1152 people voted that he be kept as a councilman.

Voting was close and during the entire day people were standing in line at one or the other of the polling places, the city hall and the library, in order to vote.

Election officials who put in a twenty hour stint included Mrs. L. Peers Wilmeth, Don Whitney, Allen McGee, Fred Taylor, Mrs. Mildred Snider and Mrs. Fred Engle. Mrs. Snider and Mrs. Engle were replaced during the latter part of the day by Mrs. Cella Berninghausen and Don Hedden.

Harry Skerry, city attorney, thanked all the officials for their cooperation.

Voting at the city hall gave all three councilmen majorities to stay in office. The vote at the library carried the weight of the recall group and swung the election.

Following is a tabulation—

Daugherty:	Recall	Retain
City Hall	438	519
Library	765	614
Total	1203	1133

Fischborn:	Recall	Retain
City Hall	444	514
Library	776	608
Total	1220	1122

Nosler:	Recall	Retain
City Hall	430	527
Library	748	625
Total	1178	1152

### Negotiation Period

During the next 15 days Mayor Tom Williams and the remaining council members, Harold Merrill, Fred Homes, and Phil Stansbury will attempt to get together on a unanimous agreement for three replacements for the men recalled.

If the four city officials are unable to agree the people of the city of Ashland will vote on a charter amendment permitting election of councilmen to fill the vacancies.

After this election on the charter amendment a third election in the series will be held, to elect three councilmen.

# Green Light May Be Given to \$90,000,000 RogueBasin Irrigation Project

The Oregon State Senate is confronted this week with the bill which will authorize construction of a dam at Lewis creek on the Rogue River. The house has already passed on the measure which will pave the way for \$90,000,000 flood control, power, and irrigation project in the Rogue River basin.

Tuesday the Senate's commercial and navigation committee unanimously recommended passage of the bill.

Sportsmen's groups have opposed passage of the bill, claiming it would injure fishing.

Ben Day, representative from Jackson county, has led the fight for passage of the bill, assisted by Frank J. Van Dyke, and State Senator William McAllister. The entire Josephine county delegation to the state legislature has joined forces with the Jackson county group in order to force passage of the bill.

The passage of the bill will permit the building of a high dam at Lewis creek near Trail. The dam will control floods on the Rogue River, and will supply water to the Medford area for irrigation.

Several years ago when salmon were seemingly disappearing from the Rogue, the legislature passed a bill setting an arbitrary point on the Rogue, eight miles above Lewis creek, as being the lowest spot on the Rogue where dams could be built.

Passage of the bill to permit the building of the big dam at Lewis creek will mean that the Bureau of Reclamation and the Department of Interior will be able to go ahead with what is known as Plan A. This plan is the result of years of study by the two federal departments, and by local irrigation interests, the counties of Jackson and Josephine and the State of Oregon.

The plan which has been suggested as the most feasible will combine flood control, power and irrigation. The Lewis creek dam will supply irrigation water to Medford.

According to F. I. Bristol, of Grants Pass, "Clawson reservoir will supplement the irrigation below Ashland. Ruch reservoir will supply the Applegate and Williams valley with water. Mansfield reservoir will supply Evans valley with water. Pease Bridge

reservoir will supply Grave creek and Merlin area. Deer creek reservoir will supply the Selma area and the Indian Hills reservoir will supply the rest of the Illinois valley with water.

### Power Dams Included

"These are all the storage dams in the plan. There are several power dams in the plan above the big Lewis creek dam, but they will have little effect on any part of the river, scenery or fish life.

"Here is the effect that Plan A will have on the Rogue River valley. It will put all the land in the Rogue River valley that is level and cleared under irrigation water. The same is true throughout the area of Sams Valley, Table Rock area, Starvation Heights up Evans creek, Missouri Flat.

"The plan would increase the irrigated land from 40,444 acres to 113,840.

"Flood control is of great importance to this area. In 1927 the water was over highway 99 south almost all the way from Gold Hill to Grants Pass. Since that time a thousand homes and bus-

inesses have been built below that high water mark. In 1927 half the land under the Grants Pass Irrigation District was under water. The dam at Lewis creek will control this. It will keep the high water of the big flood of 1861-1862 down to the high water of 1947-48 season. This 1861-62 flood came up to where the Del Rogue Hotel is now, covered the upper river road.

### Fish Advantage Noted

"The high dam at Lewis creek will stop fish from going further up the Rogue—but it has many advantages too, for game fish life. The river would be cooler. The other dams would bring back to life the Illinois River, Grave creek, Jump Off Joe creek, Deer creek, Wolf creek, and, most important of all, the Applegate. Fifteen years ago, there was a fish hatchery near Murphy. This was closed as the Applegate river is short of water in the summer for game fish. There would be spawning beds for many more fish than are now in the Rogue River.

"Since the reclamation report

was started, the power situation has changed. Much of the power can be used that will be developed. When the irrigation load is off in the fall, it will leave a power surplus that can be used to heat our homes. Power can be sold to private power companies.

"This project would be paid for as follows farmers will pay for the water; power companies will pay for the power and the federal government will write off a large part of the cost as flood control."

The Barrow's report which was recently released recommended that Plan A be followed and that the details be worked out in the valley by the people interested.

Given the green light by the passage of the bill permitting construction of the Lewis creek dam the people in the Rogue river area will have to work out final details before the \$90,000,000 is allocated by Congress for this work.

Population growth in this area may force the various local groups to accept the provisions of Plan A in their entirety.