

Queen's Ball Is Highlight Of July 4th Program Here

EIGHT ASHLAND BEAUTIES IN THE RUNNING FOR QUEEN

The Fourth of July Celebration Ball, sponsored by the Soroptimist Club will be held in the Armory Saturday evening, July 2, and will be the highlight of the 1949 celebration of Independence Day.

An entertaining program is being planned by Bette Hampton, chairman.

The annual Beauty Contest will begin at 8:30, when Miss Ashland of 1949 will be chosen by three judges. Contestants who will first appear in evening gowns and then will be judged in bathing suits are Miss Joyce Rawlins, Miss Doreen Wenaus, Miss Rosemary Ring, Miss Nancy Arney, Miss Jackie Wolcott, Miss Grace Williams, Miss Joanne Briscoe, and Miss Virginia Hawkins.

Mayor Tom Williams will crown the Queen who presides over the Queen's Ball which will follow the coronation ceremony, with dancing to the music of Bob Rice's orchestra, to be the main feature of the evening.

Pictures of the contestants will soon be on display at the Bushnell Studio. A lovely trophy will be presented to Miss Ashland by the Ashland Cabinet works.

Plans Incomplete

While many celebration plans are still tentative, a few have been definitely scheduled.

Sunday, July 3, the Ashland Lithians will play the St. Louis Monarchs (colored) on Fuller Field at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

An associated amusement carnival will be one feature of the Fourth of July celebration.

Mrs. Annabel Davis is scheduled to play the new Wuriltzer organ in Lithia park Sunday afternoon at 1:30.

The American Legion Auxiliary will open their hamburger stand, on the veranda of the Legion's Log Cabin Pioneer hall in Winburn Way. The cabin will be open and tables set aside so that customers may take their burgers inside should they care to do so.

The parade will start at 10 o'clock, organizing at Washington School, traveling up North Main to the Plaza, continue on North Main, down East Main to the Junior High vicinity, where it will disband.

The Ashland Riding Association has promised thrills and entertainment in the parade.

Incomplete reports from section heads have delayed the compiling of the complete line up of floats and other entries in the parade.

John von Kuhlmann, section chief, urges section heads to complete their plans as a meeting will be called soon and the complete program may be worked out.

Section heads are: Commercial Floats, Hugh McKeever; Organization Floats, Dr. Elmo Stevenson; Mounted Section, Henry Enders.

The Rodeo and Horse Show will be the main feature of the afternoon celebration on the Fourth, with five big Rodeo events promised and cash prizes being given to stimulate interest.

The rodeo will be followed by six thrill packed races in hot blood, quarter horses, saddle horses, Continued on page 7

Kids To Have Fire Works in the City

The kids of the town won a victory at the city council meeting Tuesday evening, when three of the city fathers, upheld a move to let the kids have firecrackers here from June 20th to July 4th. It has been against a city ordinance heretofore to explode them within the city limits.

Councilmen Dick Neill, Fred Homes and Harold Merrill voted to accept an ordinance which would allow the fireworks. Remembering, no doubt burned fingers and other casualties, Councilmen Emil Kroeger and Elmer Sheldon voted against the measure.

Attorney Harry Skerry was instructed to draw up a new amendment to the ordinance which Mayor Tom Williams said would be accepted or rejected at a special meeting Friday morning at 7 o'clock.

Lions Club Hears About Camp White

At the regular meeting of the Lions club Tuesday evening, Allen Henderson, finance officer of Camp White Domiciliary Center told of the procedures at the explaining the work of the various groups, and stating that about half of the members have been transferred to Camp White from hospitals in the northwest, relieving them of their care and thus providing bed space for veterans more critically in need of aid.

He stated that as there is no regular nursing staff at the Center, it is necessary for the men to wait upon themselves to a great extent, and one of the requirements for admittance to the center is that they can take care of their personal needs. They are free to leave the grounds on week ends, for special parties, etc. The Members are given good food and all the recreational facilities they desire. Hobby and craft work shops are provided and the men are urged to do as much as possible in them and to work about the grounds and buildings, not only to help take care of these but for the beneficial effect it has on the rehabilitation of the members.

Mr. Henderson was introduced by Mrs. Lottie Ransdell, chairman of the Camp White committee from the American Legion Auxiliary, and she also introduced John Davis, a member of the Camp White center, who sang two numbers in a rich baritone.

After some discussion, the members voted to have a float in the coming Fourth of July parade and John Hamstreet, Don Lewis and Winston Marks were named to get the project under way.

Next weeks meeting, under the direction of John Hamstreet and Jack Reed, will be a special session for installation of officers combined with ladies night. Plans are about developed for the event.

Visitors included A. H. Burrow a visiting Lion from Huntington Park, California, his son H. J. Burrow and Don Matteson, both of the Bellview Moulding Co., a new enterprise in the Bellview district.

New Band Shell in Lithia Park Will Be Dedicated Thursday Evening, June 30

While it could not be confirmed locally, as we go to press, the Portland Journal recently ran an article stating that Henri Schuman-Heink, son of the famous Ernestine Schuman-Heink, would appear in Ashland with a prominent organist for the dedicatory services of the new band shell in Lithia Park June 30th.

Dedication of the new music shell in Lithia Park, Thursday evening, June 30, will mark the culmination of the dreams of the Ashland Municipal band, with a memorial service honoring the donors with an eulogy to the late Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Butler.

Mayor Tom Williams will give the acceptance speech making the shell a municipally owned structure for the use of musical organizations as well as entertainers and speakers of any interested group.

A brief organ recital and short band concert will follow the dedication services.

It is hoped that vesper services will soon be arranged for Sunday evening as they have been in the years past, and that the structure will be put into almost continuous use by the college and other organizations. It is possible that it will be used during the Shakespearean plays that will be presented in August. The scope of entertainment is almost past imagination at this time.

Over a long period of time, the band has worked on plans for a new music shell, but it was not until 1945 that Bert Freeman, then vice president of the municipal band, found the plans that appeared to be best suited to the needs of such a project, in a copy of an architectural magazine. The plans for various music shells accompanied an article entitled "Acoustics of Music Shells" by a professor of architecture, who recommended it as the best type for small audiences.

Mr. Freeman brought the plan to the attention of the band officers and was appointed chairman of a committee with Dewey Van Curler to consider the matter of securing a new music shell. In April 1946, the plans were presented to the mayor and council, who authorized their purchase without any definite plans for financing the project.

When Mr. Butler died in July 1947, he left funds for building a memorial. In his will William Briggs and I. R. Frideger were named executors and the present beautiful music shell was selected as most nearly following the wishes of the late G. S. Butler for a memorial that would serve the most people.

In 1938 a city charter amendment was passed at a special election by which the municipal band receives .6 mills from the city tax levy. The band is unique in this way as most bands are required to solicit funds for their continuance.

The band is required to be organized with the following officers: president, vice president, secretary, business manager and sergeant at arms. The officers who are currently in office are Bert Freeman, Dr. Harvey Woods, Bob Reinhold, J. G. Anderson, and Dewey Van Curler.

C. E. Cory, superintendent of parks, is in charge of the structure and its use is free for all public events.

The municipal band of Ashland is believed to be one of the oldest in the state as it has been continuously organized since pioneer days. Many prominent citizens have played in the band throughout the years.

The late Clifford T. Thomas, who died during the last year, was secretary of the band for many years and helped to a great extent in building the organization and in promoting the building of the shell.

SHOWER HONORS MRS. RASMUSSEN THURSDAY

Mrs. John Rasmussen was the guest of honor at a shower on Thursday afternoon at the Congregational church. She was presented with many lovely gifts.

Hostesses who served refreshments from an attractively decorated table and presented favors to the guests honoring Mrs. Rasmussen were: Mrs. C. E. Hodgins, Mrs. R. B. Swanson, Mrs. P. R. Williamson, Mrs. Emmett Crowley, and Mrs. Ralph Anderson.

SIDEWALKS BEING REPAIRED THIS WEEK

Work got under way Monday in the Plaza area to repair broken spots in the sidewalks. The breaks were mostly as a result of the severe winter when frost caused the cement to crack and heave. Work is under the direction of A. N. Day, street superintendent. The work is progressing up East Main street and Mr. Day says that eventually all of the sidewalks will be repaired.

Mrs. Arthur Peters Installed as Prexy

The College Women's Club of the Rogue River Valley met June 11 at the home of Mrs. Glenn O. Taylor, 1334 Reddy Avenue, Medford.

Newly elected officers are as follows: President, Mrs. Arthur Peters, Ashland; vice president, Mrs. Glenn O. Taylor, Medford; secretary Mrs. George Mason, Ashland; treasurer, Mrs. H. S. Chirgwin, Medford.

Upon taking office, the new president, Mrs. Arthur Peters, appointed the following committee chairmen; Program, Mrs. Ben Schmidt; Social, Mrs. J. Scott Heatherington; Membership, Mrs. R. B. Hammond; Scholarship, Mrs. Bert Stancliff; Music, Mrs. E. A. Evanson; Press, Mrs. Charles Koyl and Mrs. W. P. Tucker, Medford.

The business meeting was followed by the program. Musical highlight of the afternoon was provided by soloist Larry D. Brunette accompanied by Mrs. C. R. Adamson. Mr. Brunette who has an exceptionally fine voice, delighted his audience with the following numbers: Sur la Riviera by Ronn; La fleur que tu m'avais jetee by Bizet (Carmen); The Moon Behind the Cottonwood, Cadman; Go 'Way From My Window, Niles.

Mrs. Susan F. Campbell ably and entertainingly reviewed the autobiography titled "George Horace Lorimer and the Saturday Evening Post."

Refreshments were served by Nick DeWitt and her social committee. June roses decorated the rooms and the beautifully appointed tea table. Miss Ora Cox and Mrs. George Canode poured.

Vails Observe 25th Wedding Date

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Vail were honored Saturday and Sunday, by relatives, on their 25th wedding anniversary.

A special guest was Mrs. O. S. Gilbert, Plummer, Idaho. Mrs. Gilbert is Mrs. Vail's mother.

Saturday morning, guests at the Vail home enjoyed a "Wienie Roast" and movies in the patio.

Scenic drives were taken, Sunday, by the group, to numerous places of interest in the valley, followed by dinner, for nineteen, served at small tables. The center table was highlighted by a beautifully decorated wedding cake and the decorative motif of silver and white was repeated throughout the room. The Vails were the recipients of many lovely gifts.

Covers were laid for the honored couple, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Vail and sons Wesley and Curtis; Mrs. O. S. Gilbert, Carl Gilbert, Susanville; Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Johnson and grandson, Wally Anderson, Oakland; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Karsten and grandson, Jimmy Annis of Berkeley; Fay Francis and Russell Gilbert, Burney, California; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Johnson and daughter, Kristine, Walnut Creek, California, and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gilbert, of Klamath Falls.

Mrs. Gilbert left for her home in Plummer today.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hampton and Mr. and Mrs. David Whittle have returned from San Francisco where they attended the wedding of William (Bill) Davis and Miss Annabel McArthur, of McArthur, California. Bill is well known in Ashland, having attended school here, graduating with the class of 1943. Later, he served a year in the Merchant Marine and one year in the regular United States army. He attended the University of Oregon and is, at present, connected with Sloss and Gilkberg-Studebaker dealers in San Francisco.

City Judge Takes In Heavy Cash in May

Fifty seven cases passed through Ashland's municipal court during the month of May according to Judge L. P. Wilmeth.

Fines and costs, assessed totaled \$898.50 for a variety of offenses such as violations of state traffic laws and municipal ordinances.

In addition to fines and costs, overtime parking fines amounted to \$120.50, or a total of \$1019. Three jail sentences were meted out for 30 days, 10 days and four days, respectively.

Council Upholds Decision of Court

In a decision by the City Council Tuesday evening, the matter of the recent sentence against Rance Morris of B street for girdling a tree in the parking, the council voted to uphold the sentence passed by the city judge. Mr. Morris had protested the decision of the court by Attorney William Briggs on the grounds that it was the first of its kind, that former street superintendent Howard Oden had asked that the tree be removed, that the type of tree had been planted in violation of ordinance 739, that the city had a joint responsibility with property owners and that the tree was breaking up the sidewalk.

Mr. Briggs stated that he thought the board acted hastily at the last meeting when it suggested that the matter be turned over to the police department for action. He argued that Morris could be held responsible for damage to the sidewalk caused by the tree and therefore had the right to destroy it.

Attorney Skerry in reviewing the case, said that Morris had ample time to plead his case before the council before a complaint had been filed and had not heeded advice of police chief and judge. Skerry emphasized that the council was not a court of appeals, but thought some policy should be set in such matters, Mr. Briggs thought that some definite policy should be set for future actions in matters of this kind and that an ordinance should be adopted to clarify such matters.

Briggs stated that he had asked Judge Wilmeth to set aside the sentence so that the case could be tried again but this was denied. In voting that no action be taken, council men Neill and Homes dissented.

Council Considers Suit By Gerdes

It was revealed at the council meeting Tuesday evening that Henry Gerdes of Maple street has retained Attorney Edward C. Kelly of Medford in a pending suit against the city in the matter of damage to his home from seepage water. The city council agreed that it was not a matter for the city to do something about and thought that Mr. Gerdes should settle the matter with his neighbors.

It was explained that the water, presumably run off from irrigating on adjoining property had collected under the house and caused the walls to buckle and plaster to crack after the house had been repaired following a similar suit which Mr. Gerdes had settled out of court previously.

Mayor William said that he and councilmen Harold Merrill, Elmer Sheldon, Fred Homes and Dick Neill with Superintendent Biegel had inspected the property to determine the cause of the trouble. It was reported that former owners of the property had had trouble with the runoff water and several instances were brought out regarding the matter. Attorney Skerry stated that it was not the city's problem, since the city was not negligent in the matter and suggested that Mr. Gerdes and his adjoining neighbor, G. P. Hance, might install a drain to rectify the matter. The council voted to not install a drain, although Councilman Homes dissented, stating that he thought the city should do all possible to help in the matter.

Dale Mayfield Gets Pacific U Scholarship

Pacific University, June 22 — Dale D. Mayfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale L. Mayfield, 507 Palm Street, Ashland, has been granted an activity scholarship to this university, according to an announcement made this week by Dr. M. O. Skarsten, registrar.

The scholarship which amounts to \$200 will be applied on Dale's tuition for one year. In high school he played football and basketball and was named on the all-conference team. He plans to continue in physical education at Pacific.

Morley Mace, Mountain View Camp on the Greenspring Highway left Wednesday evening, by train, for Denver, Colorado, where he will visit his son, Ward and family. Later, he will go on to Brush, Colo. to visit his daughter, Mrs. Ward Thompson.

Speakers From Camp White Talk For Several Ashland Groups the Past Week

Camp White domiciliary representatives of personnel and veteran members of the center who were scheduled to appear in Ashland the past week, by Lottie Ransdell, Camp White Chairman for the American Legion and representative speaker for Lithia Toastmistresses, were well received by appreciative audiences.

Friday noon, John E. Davis, baritone soloist, accomplished pianist and veteran member of the center, was introduced by Mrs. Ransdell at the Soroptimist luncheon. Mr. Davis, accompanied by Jeanne Alden Joy, on the piano sang "The Lost Chord" and "Somewhere a Voice is Calling", followed by encores and piano solos.

The group then appeared at the Methodist Laymen's Luncheon in the cafeteria of the Junior High School where a varied program was presented by Mrs. Joy and Mr. Davis.

Tuesday, Mrs. Ransdell introduced Allan Henderson finance officer of Camp White and Mr. Davis at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon, where Mr. Henderson gave a resume of Camp White activities and procedure in administrative affairs.

Later in the afternoon the group appeared at Southern Oregon College where they were presented in a special assembly called by Dr. Elmo Stevenson. Dr. John McCauley introduced Mrs. Ransdell, who, in turn, presented Mr. Davis, accompanied by Miss Madge Mitchell, on the piano sang "When Irish Eyes are Smiling" and "My Hero".

Mr. Henderson spoke on various phases of the work being

done at Camp White to an attentive audience, mentioning the part that the teachers could play in the program, for volunteer workers, to rehabilitate veteran members domiciled at the center.

Mr. Davis, then, sang, "You Were Meant For Me" and "My Gal Sal" and played piano solos.

Tuesday evening the Camp White representatives were dinner guests of the Lion's Club, where Mr. Davis, accompanied on the piano by Cay Huffman, repeated the program that had been so enthusiastically received at the college. Later in the evening he favored a group with piano solos and improvisations.

Mr. Henderson, outlined the history and background of Camp White, its purpose, organization, available facilities and the part that organizations can play in the program for volunteer workers.

He introduced Mrs. Ransdell and suggested that she act as coordinator for local organizations in presenting projects to the Special Service Officer at Camp White.

A round table discussion followed and the Lions voted to loan their ceiling projector to Camp White, if they had a member who needed it.

A phone call to John Kelly, Special Service Officer at Camp White, verified that there was such a need among the paralytics there. Mrs. Ransdell delivered the projector to Camp White Thursday afternoon when she accompanied Mildred Ager and Bonnie Conrad, Memory Lane Studio.

Tourist Attractions In Oregon Prepares for Influx of Travelers

Major vacation and tourist attractions in Oregon and the northwest are open and ready for the 1949 vacation invasion, now just getting under way as schools close, according to the Oregon State Motor Association.

Oregon highways, many of them broken up badly by the severe winter weather, are now in good shape, according to the Association. State highway crews have done a commendable job in repairing winter damage in recent weeks, according to Lloyd Crowe, manager of the motor clubs touring department.

"Roads throughout the northwest generally are in normal seasonal condition for the start of the summer touring season, Crowe reports. "No one need hesitate to plan any trip in the area, roads will be adequate and accommodations available. While many

new motels have been built recently, motorists are advised to make reservations ahead, particularly in large cities and at popular resort areas on week ends or holidays.

"Reservations are virtually necessary for the national parks this season as advance indications point to a heavy tourist play at these areas."

Hotels, lodges, cabins, restaurants and other facilities in Yellowstone, Glacier, Banff, Jasper, Yosemite, Grand Canyon, Zion, Bryce and other national parks opened June 20 and roads into and in the parks are in good condition, the Association reported. In Oregon, Crater Lake national park is open with exception of the rim drive and the road between Diamond Lake and the North entrance to Crater.