

## Chief Smith Hands Council Suggestions

"No deaths resulting from traffic accidents in the period from April 15 to July 1" highlighted the report of the activities submitted to Mayor Tom Williams and the City Council on Tuesday by Chief of Police Vern Smith.

Only five injuries in traffic accidents were reported during the same period.

The total number of cases where court action was necessary was 156, with fines and forfeitures during the 2 1-2 month period amounting to \$2,404.50.

Total revenue from all sources, including the above and the issuing of various types of licenses, was \$2,501.75.

Smith followed his report with a summary of action on complaints, and with a list of recommendations to city officials.

Two firms operating in the area were singled out by Chief Smith for appreciation of cooperation extended to the Police Department. Noise from the Taylor Bros. Mill, outside of the city limits on East Main, was lessened by repairs made voluntarily by the mill. Southern Pacific worked out a plan whereby no train will now delay motor traffic for more than 4 minutes, alleviating much of the delay which occurred at the Mountain Ave. crossing.

The Chief of Police recommended that city officials follow the Street Department plan of using only alleyways for loading zones, eliminating the hazard from Main Street.

Traffic controls for the elementary school zones were also explained, with a recommendation that Lincoln School be given an overhead system as previously outlined for the Washington School zone.

Chief Smith asked again that the council consider his recommendation to enforce pedestrian right of way in crosswalks and reminded that the "No U-Turns" policy from Gresham Street will be placed in effect soon.

## Legion Slates Salem Meeting

Keynoting the 1949 Oregon convention of the American Legion in Salem August 3-6 will be Frank N. Belgrano Jr., president of the First National Bank of Portland and past national commander of the Legion convention officials announced today.

Belgrano will open the first business session of the delegates following memorial services on Thursday morning in Salem's Elsinore theatre. Succeeding business meetings are scheduled for the house of representatives in the capitol building.

A native of San Francisco, Belgrano has been associated with the banking business since boyhood, starting as a messenger in his father's bank. He has held executive positions with various financial and insurance concerns,

## Romeo and Juliet to Lead Off Shakesperean Festivities

Ashland, Ore. — Young sweethearts whispering under the summer moon is a scene as common these days as soda pop at a baseball game, Sunday motorists, and picnics in the park. The greatest love scene of them all will be watched by hundreds in this quiet Siskiyou mountain town on August 2 when that same moon helps light the outdoor theater in Ashland's Lithia park.

On that stage will be portrayed the tenderest romance of all time, William Shakespeare's immortal "Romeo and Juliet". A cast of youthful players coached for the past two months by Angus L. Bowmer of Southern Oregon college and a staff of theater experts will present the simple tale exactly as the Bard saw it in his day — uncut, in swiftly moving scenes uninterrupted by breaks, and in brilliantly colored Elizabethan costume.

The play will officially open the Oregon Shakespearean Festival which will be presented for the ninth season here from August 2 to 24. Five of the famous dramas will be seen in sequence during that period every evening except Sunday so that theatergoers may witness the entire repertoire in five nights, or at the most, six.

"Our production of 'Romeo and Juliet' will approximate more closely the play of Shakespeare's day than those usually seen on the modern stage," com-

## Dr. Borden Tells Chamber Men Of Early Mining

"Jackson county is the cradle of Oregon mining," Dr. E. P. Borden told members of the Ashland Chamber of Commerce at their Tuesday luncheon.

He pointed out that the gold rush which followed discovery of the ore on Jackson creek in 1851 led to organization of the first mining district in the territory and the founding of Jacksonville.

Though gold mining has been the mainstay of the county's mineral production since early days, said Dr. Borden, the region has abundant resources in building and monumental stone, common and refractory clay. The clays are the raw material that contributes to production of high calcium lime and cement.

"Non-metallic mineral production is important in Jackson county, since the only active silica quarry in the state is located at Rogue River," Dr. Borden reminded. Here quartz is quarried, crushed, and sized to meet the demand for metallurgical flux and poultry grit.

Dr. Borden said that together with limestone and silica sand, the production of crushed rock and gravel makes up the bulk of nonmetallic mineral activity in the county.

A. W. Woodward, president of the Chamber of Commerce, reported on the recent meeting which was intended to give local businessmen additional information on the annual Shakespearean Festival. He urged the Chamber members to back the Festival, describing it as "Ashland's gold nugget."

J. Logan White, new publisher of the Southern Oregon News Review, was a special guest at the luncheon.

and prior to accepting the presidency of the Portland institution and its branches in 1947 was president of the Central Bank of Oakland. Since making his home in Oregon he has been in wide demand as a speaker and is prominent in civic affairs.

He enlisted in the army as a private in 1917, advancing to second lieutenant in 1918. His service as national commander, highest office in the American Legion, was in 1934-35.

Keith Bussey, 145 Sherman St., is in Weed, California, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Bussey. Mr. Bussey recently returned to Ashland after two and a half years in Germany with

ments Richard Graham of New York, former Broadway and Hollywood star who is directing the opening drama. The Bard's heroine was about 14 years old, and our Juliet is Miss Mary Jane Pitts, 16-year old Portland high school actress who was chosen for the role after auditions at the Portland Civic theatre during April.

Graham also notes that Romeo, who is usually played by an old actor, will be portrayed by Ralph C. Burgess, Jr., a 24-year old Pasadena Playhouse student. Juliet's worldly-wise nurse will be played by Dr. Margery Bailey of Stanford, and Mercurio by James Sandoe of the University of Colorado, both of whom appeared together in the same roles at Palo Alto in 1933.

The famous love story will be followed on the next night by "Richard II," second of Shakespeare's historical sequence. The fantasy "Midsummer Night's Dream" will feature a troupe of 15 youngsters trained by Sandoe to play beside the more experienced actors.

The revival of "Othello" from the 1948 season will star Graham and Miss Jane McArthur of Pensacola, Fla. in the lead roles. The final of the series will be the hilarious "Taming of the Shrew" which won applause when the Festival association presented the comedy for audiences at the San Francisco World Fair in 1939.



**IMMORTAL LOVERS**—Miss Mary Jane Pitts, 16-year-old Portland high school actress, will appear as Juliet and Ralph C. Burgess Jr. of Ashland, a student at the Pasadena Playhouse, will play Romeo in the production of "Romeo and Juliet" which will open the ninth annual Oregon Shakespearean Festival at Ashland on August 2 for a three-week season. (Bushnell Studio)

## Wines, Lawrence Announce Sale of Newspaper Here

### Huge Crowd In Ashland For Appreciation Day

Little 20-month-old Jimmy Arnold, of 629 Beach street, somewhat frightened by the excitement of 1,000 pairs of hands applauding him, went away from yesterday's Appreciation Day ceremonies \$67 richer than before his name was chosen by a pretty blonde Miss.

Joyce Johnson, 6, who lives on route one in Ashland, named Jimmy the winner of the award on the first try.

Official estimates of the crowd gathered at the Lithia Park entrance ranged all the way from 700 to twice that number. Best guess was around a thousand, nearly double the number attending the initial program.

Abe Neslin was Master of Ceremonies for the afternoon. He reminded the audience that another Appreciation Day meeting will be held next Wednesday, somewhere in Ashland, in a location to be announced later.

## Rally To Head Shrine All-Star Game August 27

PORTLAND, (Special) Plans for the traditional rally which is held in conjunction with the annual Shriners' hospital all-star football game were announced this week by the director, Chester Duncan.

The rally has tentatively been set for Tuesday night, August 23, with the game slated the following Saturday here at Multnomah stadium.

The rally will be held in the lobby of the Multnomah club. It will be preceded by a parade through downtown Portland. In attendance at the big event will be players, coaches, officials and civic and state dignitaries. One of the special features will be the showing of movies of last year's inaugural game.

Duncan, who also is handling the pregame pageant and half-time ceremonies, announced that invitations have been sent to many bands, uniformed bodies and marching units to take part in the ceremonies. Last year's pageant was a colorful and spectacular affair but officials hope to improve on it this year.

The advanced sale of tickets is now underway, and fans are urged to write in for reservations early. Price of reserved seat tickets is \$3.00, which can be secured through Shrine game headquarters in Parlor B of the Portland Hotel.

Maudie Freel, Casper, Wyo., is spending her vacation in Ashland

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## Attorney Fee Question Still Haunts Council

The old question of "who owes who," concerning the payment of fees to attorneys who presented cases in the city squabble of last winter was brought up again at Tuesday's city council meeting, only to be shelved again, pending further action and receipt of legal opinion.

A letter from Virgil Langtry, chief deputy city attorney of Portland, was read to the council. Mr. Langtry said that he would be happy to assist "in any way possible" but suggested that a board be chosen by the Jackson County Bar Association to arbitrate the dispute. The council had previously asked the Portland attorney to submit an opinion on the matter.

Voting to extend their appreciation to Mr. Langtry, the council members decided to postpone action on the matter until next week.

## Island of Guam Described For Local Lions

"There is an opportunity in Guam for any young couple who both care to work to save as much as \$4,000 a year," A. E. Wans told members of the Ashland Lions club at their meeting in the Elks club banquet room Tuesday night. Wans, who is a son-in-law of Ed Galey, is a superintendent of repair and maintenance for the Navy on the Pacific island.

Wans told the Lions many interesting things concerning life on the island, stating that at present a four-lane highway extends about three-fourths of the way around the island with plans under way for its completion within the next year.

Barbara Hayes, Lions club candidate for Queen of the Jacksonville Days, was introduced to club members.

Plans were discussed for the holding of the club's rummage sale, slated for Saturday afternoon, July 30, in the city hall.

Guests of the club included Ed Galey, A. E. Wans, Barbara Hayes, Logan White, and E. D. McIntyre, G. A. Kimball and A. C. VanGolder, all of the Jacksonville club.

One of the highlights of the evening was the act put on by Lion Bob Jones better known to the entertainment world as "Emerick" the magician, who retrieved a silk hat, belonging to Van Golden, of Jacksonville, from "thin air."

## Council Vetos Business Tax Measure Here

The City Council Tuesday climaxed a five-hour session by turning down a suggestion. Councilman Elmer Sheldon, a business license-tax measure on Ashland businesses.

After a long discussion in two hours of the next morning, Councilman Dick Neill introduced a move in opposition to the tax suggestion and forced a vote on the issue. Councilmen Neill, Phil Stansbury, Emil Kroeger and Fred Homes voted to oppose the tax while Councilman Sheldon voted for it.

Originally, the proposed levy described as a fund raising measure, but questions from the audience led Mr. Sheldon to point out that it was actually a form of protection for present businessmen, though the new license would raise from \$8,000 to \$10,000 during the year.

Several businessmen participated in the discussion preceding the vote on Mr. Neill's proposal against the tax.

After it was revealed that the tax measure would be primarily a means of protection for local businessmen, Abe Neslin told the council and audience that Ashland businessmen "do not need protection." He said that competition has built the country and that local businessmen are always willing to carry their share of the burden.

Wait DeBoer, who previously had pointed out to the council that Mr. Sheldon's tax proposal would raise comparatively little revenue and had asked that council members proceed with caution, suggested that the best method of raising operational revenues is to put the facts before the people.

He said that he felt proper education would result in a move by the people for a larger budget.

"Increased valuation of property through city improvements will ultimately aid everyone in town," Mr. DeBoer added.

Councilman Neill suggested the interim budget committee (Dr. Elmo Stevenson, Bill Snider and Owen Gragg) plan an educational program to show Ashland people the need for additional revenues.

Mayor Tom Williams said that the discussion of means raising funds be continued at next meeting. He said the vote by the people may prove the solution.

## Atom Bombed Sky Pilot to Speak In Ashland Church

A Japanese Christian minister, who was within a mile of the center of the atomic bomb explosion in Hiroshima on that fateful day in 1945, will be the guest speaker at The Methodist Church in Ashland at 8 p. m. Monday, July 25th. He is the Rev. Kiyoshi Tanimoto, pastor of the Methodist church in Hiroshima, which is now in the process of rebuilding. Mr. Tanimoto is visiting in the United States as a guest of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist church, filling many speaking engagements, and studying church social work in this country with the idea of establishing like work in his home city upon his return there.

Mr. Tanimoto was injured when the bomb exploded, and hundreds of the people served by the Christian group in the city were killed or maimed for life. The church and most homes were razed to the ground. Within a short time he was able to gather a handful of the survivors into a parish, and the improvised church now has a membership of more than 300. Mr. Tanimoto has been active with other Christians in a wide spread relief and rehabilitation service in his city, especially in the care of some of the more than 2,000 children left parentless and homeless by the bomb. He has worked with LARA and other agencies in providing food and other clothing for the most needy victims.

Born in Japan, Mr. Tanimoto was educated in Methodist schools in his native land, and then came to the United States, receiving his arts and ministerial training at Emory University at Atlanta, Georgia. Before returning to Japan in 1940, he was pastor of an independent Japanese Christian church in Hollywood, California.

Mr. Tanimoto is one of the six Japanese heroes of John Hersey's book, "Hiroshima," written around the experiences of that fateful city. For months after the bombing he conducted religious services in the open air, in railroad yards, and in other public places. Now his church has a temporary home.

## MINNESOTANS WILL HOLD PICNIC IN JULY

Minnesota State Society of Portland, Oregon, are going to have their big annual picnic on July 31 at Jantzen Beach Park.

F. G. Quimby, president, is planning on its being one of the greatest picnics of all times. There will be Minnesotans from all parts of Oregon and Washington. Sections for each county are arranged together so the various counties will easily find folks from their home town. A nice program has been arranged: speakers from different parts of the state and a five-piece orchestra will play through the day. Admission free for Minnesotans by paying 5 cent tax at the Minnesota booth outside of west gate.