

Letter From Washington...

By Hon. Harris Ellsworth,
Congressman, 4th District

Not long ago I told of appearing before a committee to urge that the import tariff on plywood not be reduced. I have just learned that the Administration is attacking the people who earn their livings in the plywood industry on still another front.

The ECA (European aid organization) has just announced that it is purchasing millions of feet of Douglas fir plywood LOGS for shipment to Korea. Our northwest plywood industry already has difficulty in obtaining sufficient high grade plywood logs for its own use. What this latest administration move means is loss of jobs for many people who make plywood. I and other northwest Congressmen voiced vigorous protests against the combination policy of aiding foreign plywood production even by furnishing logs which we need—and at the same time proposing a reduction in tariff rates to allow plywood made from those logs to undersell our producers on the American market. We have so many "do-gooders" running our government policies now that I have little hope of our protests being heeded.

For 16 years, except for three years just before the war, Congress has annually passed legislation postponing the deadline for the completion of required assessment work on mining claims. The practice started in the depression days of the '30s.

During the postwar readjustment period I have supported such "moratorium" legislation. Last year the House and Senate Committees extended the moratorium with the explicit understanding that there would be no further extensions. It seems to me present conditions may warrant a return to the normal application of the mining laws.

But the past winter has been unusually bad. The snows are deep in the mountains where hundreds of claims are located, preventing the work from being done this spring. Also many claim owners have become so accustomed to letting the work go that hundreds of claims might go by default if it was required that assessment work be brought up to date by the end of June this year. Accordingly, I supported a compromise proposal put through the Senate by Senator Cordon—to extend the time for completing the work just 90 days—to October 1. Following a Public Lands Committee hearing at which I spoke at some length in support of the Cordon bill, it was favorably reported. The bill carries an amendment providing that assessment work for the present and coming year may be done at the same time. I assume the House will pass it but that remains to be seen.

Apparently the Administration has abandoned the idea of attempting to pass the whole package of socialized medicine legislation this year. It is still endeavoring, however, to get some portions of it passed piece-meal. In this connection it might be interesting to note that the British Minister of Health recently reported that in its first full year of operation, the cost to the British treasury (U. S. money) of Britain's medical plan was \$17.65 for each man, woman and child—over and above the regular payroll contributions. Just multiply that by 150 millions and you can figure for yourself what it would cost here if we were on the lower British income basis.

Speaking of population figures—40 out of every 100 persons are on the public payroll (Census Bureau report). In 50 years, government employment has increased more than 525%. No wonder we are paying such enormous tax bills.

JUDY BRIGGS TO PERFORM AT PORTLAND HORSE SHOW

Mr. and Mrs. William L. Briggs and daughter Judy left this morning for the Northwest Arabian Horse show to be held at the Pacific International Livestock building in Portland this week end.

They will show four Arabian horses and Judy will perform with her trained Arabian stallion, Tezey.

The Briggs were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Anderson. They will return home Monday.

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Selection of Jamboree Queen to be Part of Cinderella Program



QUEEN OF THE TALENT JAMBOREE will be selected at the Cinderella program this Friday evening. Each queen candidate has a "Cinderella" candidate as running mate and the selection of Cinderella will determine who will rule as queen of the Saturday event. Pictured from left to right, the queen and Cinderella

candidates are: Barbara Brannon and Doris Bench, sponsored by Camp Fire Girls; Dianne Torrey and Betty Bergren, Wagner creek; Pauline Henry and Lorena Jennings, Talent Lions; Nancy Milhoan and Carol Peterson, Talent firemen; Shirley Sullivan and Gail Carter, Talent Grange.

Six Buildings for College Approved By State Board

Approval for the construction of six new buildings for Southern Oregon college to be completed during the next two bienniums was given by the State Board of Higher Education in Portland Monday night, according to Dr. Elmo Stevenson, college president.

The proposed million dollar expansion program is now ready to go to the legislature for the appropriation of the necessary funds.

The three buildings to be constructed during the next two years are a \$200,000 men's dormitory, a \$250,000 physical education plant, including gymnasium and facilities for both men and women, and a \$250,000 heating plant on the Fuller field area.

Construction in the 1952-53 biennium is to include a \$250,000 musical arts building, a \$250,000 science building and conversion of the present gymnasium into a student union building.

The building program as approved by the board is a continuation of the expansion already under way. Excavation for the new library-classroom building is complete and pouring of cement is to start this week. Repair work on Churchill hall is also now under way.

Full Schedule of Events Planned for Annual Talent Jamboree Saturday

June Storey, former leading lady to Gene Autry, and now a resident of the Rogue valley, will crown the queen of the Talent June Jamboree in outdoor ceremonies at 11 a.m. this Saturday.

The coronation will be followed at 11:45 by a civic booster parade which will include an honor guard unit of the county Naval reserve, Bliss Heine's juniors, Eve Prentice's accordion band consisting of three units and 180 pieces, Alexander's band, the city of Talent symphony orchestra, the Jackson county sheriff's posse and a special kiddies division.

Games and contests patterned after the old style country fair, will be held for youngsters from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Selection of the queen will take place at the Cinderella program Friday evening. Each of the queen candidates has as her running mate a younger girl known as a Cinderella candidate and selection of the Cinderella will determine who is to reign as queen of the Jamboree.

Entertainment at the program will be provided by Norman

Elect Hutchinson To School Board

In an uncontested election for a five year term on the Ashland school board, Robert J. Hutchinson was elected to replace retiring director Paul Finnell. Hutchinson is well known for his community activities during his several years residence in Ashland. He is one of the owners of Shasta Distributors of Talent, is a graduate of Oregon State, holds membership in the Lions, the Masons and the Elks and is a member of the Trinity Episcopal church. He will assume his new duties July 10.

FOUR ASHLAND SCOUTS ENTRAIN FOR JAMBOREE

Four Ashland Boy Scouts left Medford Monday night by special train for the national Scout jamboree at Valley Forge, Pa.

Marvin Woods, Gary Hansen, Glen Ingle and Bob Pinson are the Ashland boys among the 71 scouts from Crater Lake Area Council who are making the trip.

Gifford Chindlund, scoutmaster of troop 112, was unable to make the trip as planned due to illness.

Chindlund reported that the boys will return home July 14.

Bill Snider has been vacationing on the coast near Coos Bay for the past few days.

Ashland Summer Program Outlined By Col. Waterbury

Ashland's summer recreation program was described at the Chamber of Commerce meeting Monday noon by Col. Ben Waterbury, director in charge.

The program was designed to appeal to all age groups and time schedule for the various activities were set up with the convenience of prospective participants in mind, Waterbury said.

While most of the program is already under way, many events are being planned to start within the next two weeks. All activities are being supervised by volunteer workers. The program is flexible enough, Waterbury stated, so that new activities may be added if demand warrants and suitable instructors can be found.

Registration for a tennis tournament is now open and those interested may sign up at Eberharts Sporting Goods store. Tennis is under the supervision of Dick Joy.

Those interested in horseshoe pitching may sign up for this activity at the police station.

Bob Mallon will conduct a camera club at his studio for a small group. Members must have their own equipment.

Other activities now under way or being planned include swimming, square dancing for teen agers and adults; boxing, wrestling and tumbling; volleyball and badminton for adults; creative dancing for little girls; archery; craft; camera club; horseback trail riding; reading groups for youngsters, marksmanship training for boys; and supervised play ground games for small children.

Plans are also being made to have a few periods of fly casting instruction for youngsters and instructors are needed for this activity, Waterbury said.

Juvenile Officer to Be Selected Later

Nine applications for the post of county juvenile officer were received at a meeting of the citizens' advisory committee Monday night, but no action was taken to replace John Richard, whose resignation becomes effective June 30.

Qualifications agreed upon by the committee would require that the officer have a minimum of two years' college work in sociology and related work plus two years field experience. A sum of \$300 was voted from the committee treasury to be added to the budgeted salary, making a total annual salary of \$4,200.

Stansbury Asks Centralization of City Departments

At the regular meeting of the city council Tuesday evening, Mayor Stansbury asked that City Attorney Skerry prepare an ordinance to centralize all departments under a city superintendent, with each department head to make a written monthly report of receipts and expenditures, which are to be kept within the budget. "And if not, why not," commented the mayor. He asked that each department head be required to file an inventory of all property as of July 1.

The mayor also asked that the city attorney prepare papers for the sale of timber property as voted at the May election and that the city superintendent report the valuation of Copco lines within the city limits for negotiation for purchase by the city, which will bring in an added source of revenue.

Following the mayor's outlined proposals, which were accepted by the council unanimously, the budget for the coming year was read. The overall figure for the next twelve months totalled \$601,378 as against that of \$532,207 last year, an increase of 43-100 of a mill. The finance committee which met on Monday had accepted the budget and the council members also voted to do the same. Copies of the budget are to be printed and a public hearing has been set for July 12.

Reports of all departments and committees were read and accepted, including Beigel's survey on the COPCO lines in Bellevue and the water level situation above the Crowson reservoir. Both projects will be given further study and voted upon later. Fred Homes resigned as chairman of the council and Richard Neil was elected in his place.

Skerry brought up several points and technical changes, among them the increased price of choice graves in the cemetery from \$50 to \$75 each, with the city controlling the resale. It was also voted that the Secretary of State be notified that no further audits be made.

Enrollment at SOC Exceeds Estimates

Nearly 450 students had registered by Wednesday evening for the summer session at Southern Oregon college, according to Mrs. Mable Winston, registrar. Enrollment is running well ahead of last year and is expected to exceed 500 by the time registration closes Monday.

The women's dormitory was filled to capacity the first day of registration and housing for students is now being provided in private homes.

A schedule of social and recreational activities has been planned for the entire summer session, which will end August 9. A picnic at Jackson Hot Springs is arranged for Friday afternoon and a trip to Oregon Caves is scheduled Saturday. First event of the program was a family sports night Monday.

Balanced Plan Petitions Here

Petitions are being circulated in Ashland to put the "Balanced Representation Plan" on the November ballot for the consideration of Oregon voters.

The proposal is a non-partisan one and has the endorsement of members of both major parties. Signing the petition, it was explained, in no way obligates the signer to vote for the measure at the general election, but simply assures the voters an opportunity to choose between the two proposals for legislative reapportionment.

The petitions which are available at the News Review office must be signed by registered voters and be in the office of the secretary of state by July 6.

Casting Completed For Festival Plays

Casting for major roles for the Shakespearean festival was completed by the directors late Tuesday night according to Gene Malecki, publicity director.

Lead parts went to five actors who will be appearing here for the first time. Richard Haag, Missoula, Montana, will play Antipholus of Ephesus in "Comedy of Errors" and Kenneth Green, Etka, Cal. has been cast as Dromio of Ephesus in the same play.

Heads Publicity



GENE MALECKI, Salem, is now in Ashland to direct publicity for the 14th annual Shakespearean festival. He reports unprecedented interest is being shown in the festival this year and predicts attendance will exceed last year's record of 20,000 people.

Joe Rooney New Art Supervisor For City Schools

Joe Rooney, new art supervisor for the Ashland schools is in town this week to get acquainted and make plans for next fall, according to Leland Linn, superintendent of schools. Rooney will teach art at the senior high school and will coordinate the art work in all district 5 schools, Linn said.

Rooney just completed a 1½ year course at the Institute of Design in Chicago where he took advanced work in public school art training. Prior to his work in Chicago he attended the University of Oregon for 5 years where he majored in art. At the university he was a 3 year letterman in varsity tennis and a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity.

From 1944 to 1946 he served in the Navy as recognition officer and educational officer in charge of the training program.

Mrs. Rooney has her degree in music from West Virginia University. The Rooney's express themselves as pleased with southern Oregon and state they are looking forward to living and working in Ashland.

Ashland Resident Held on Charges Of Homicide

Robert Parks Bylund, 422 Siskiyou boulevard, is being held in the county jail under \$5,000 bail on charges of negligent homicide as the result of the death of Albert Wayne McBeth, 22, of Phoenix. McBeth was killed about 5 p.m. Tuesday when the pickup in which he was riding was struck from the rear by a car driven by Bylund.

The accident occurred in front of the Economy Mattress and Upholstery company south of Phoenix. State police report that the driver of the pickup was David McClurg, owner of the mattress company, and that he was turning off highway 99 in front of his factory when the Bylund car crashed into the rear of the pickup.

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KIWANIS CLUB TO OPEN NEW MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Ashland Kiwanis club will hold its regular meeting next Monday at Roberts Rainbow Room in the Lithia hotel. Ed Barnett, club president announced today. The meeting will mark the beginning of the club's new membership contest, according to Alan Harris.