

# NEWS REVIEW

"Ashland—Home of the Oregon Shakespearean Festival"

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## Letter From Washington...

By Hon. Harris Ellsworth, Congressman, 4th District

Military action in Korea has blanked out almost all other topics of conversation here since the sudden move of the Communists (backed by Russia). Shortly after the news broke a pre-occupied House of Representatives passed the extension of Selective Service for another year with only four dissenting votes. The tax bill also was passed by an overwhelming majority. If the military situation becomes more serious, the Senate may pigeon-hole the tax bill which calls for repeal or reduction of numerous war excise taxes.

The trouble in Korea is a mess of our own making. The fact that the United Nations Organization endorsed our errors does not lessen our responsibility. Here, very briefly, is the Korean story: Until liberated by the defeat of Japan in World War II, the Koreans had suffered 40 years of Japanese oppression. In the Cairo Conference in 1943, it was agreed between the United States, Great Britain and China that Korea should be reestablished as a free and independent country. This agreement was approved by Russia in the Potsdam declaration of July 1945. That agreement has never been altered or questioned — it has simply been violated by Russia at every turn of events. We have only feebly protested the various Russian moves.

For convenience on V-J Day, an imaginary line was drawn on the map of Korea at the 38th parallel. North of that line the Russians took the surrender of the Japanese. South of that line the Japs surrendered to our forces. That was how and why the line was drawn. It was never a division of the country which was by agreement to be liberated and have its independence. But the Russians occupied the northern section and called it their "zone." They refused to cooperate in any way toward unifying Korea. The situation became almost an exact duplicate of the situation in Germany which was also set up at Potsdam.

Instead of our insisting that the original intent of the big powers regarding Korea be carried out, we crawled away from our accepted responsibility. We set about to form a separate country of the southern half of the country. The Republic of Korea (the territory south of the 38th parallel) was formally formed December 12, 1948. It was recognized by our government on January 1 and shortly thereafter by most of the United Nations members. Meanwhile, the Russian government had ordered the iron curtain dropped at the 38th parallel. If the surprise move by force is successful in Korea I think we may expect a similar operation in Germany. It may be that the Korea affair is a rehearsal and a trial balloon to test our attitude and our strength. Regardless of how it got that way, we face a very serious situation. We now must go down the hard road—but there is no alternative now. We threw away our opportunity to do things right and clean when we were strong and the Russians were weak.

One thing about our new Asiatic policy troubles me. I think we are making another grave error. On the Korean peninsula it is our policy to help drive the Communist government troops back and regain territory they have taken by force. But, at the same time we are sending the United States Seventh Fleet to Formosa to prevent the Chinese Nationalist government from fighting to regain territory taken by the Communists by force. "The Seventh Fleet will see that this is done," says President Truman. It seems to me the people of Asia are going to be completely bewildered by this contradictory action on our part.

## Local Celebration Free From Major Traffic Accidents

Only four minor traffic accidents occurred in Ashland over the three day Independence day holiday according to Vern Smith, chief of police. No serious accidents or acts of violence were reported. In addition to the four collisions involving only very negligible damage, police returned two lost children to their parents. Only four arrests were made, all for drunk and disorderly conduct.

The only violation of city fire-works regulations within the city that police were able to contact were out-of-town people who were not aware of the restriction here, Smith said. He stated that local citizens were very cooperative with the "no fireworks ruling."

Police estimated that between 16,000 and 18,000 people were in the city for the Sunday and Tuesday activities, filling streets and highways to the saturation point. In spite of the record number of people, Smith said that this was probably one of the safest and sanest Fourth's in the city's history.

Eight part time volunteer workers assisted at police headquarters over the three day period to relieve officers for outside duty. All officers worked extra hours to meet the added demands on the department.

## Five Youngsters Win All Fishing Contest Awards

Five youngsters walked away with all prizes in the fishing contest held in Lithia park Monday morning as a part of the three day Fourth of July celebration. Frankie Townsend earned two first place awards, a telescope rod for catching the limit of 10 fish and a reel for being the first boy to catch a fish. Nancy Burns also won a reel for being the first girl to catch a fish as well as a tackle set for being the youngest girl. Gloria Burns was presented DeLiar scales for catching the longest fish, a fly box for second in catching the limit, a bait box for being second girl to catch a fish, and a balloon and Joe Mose for being the second youngest girl contestant.

Ronnie Brown was the youngest boy and was given a tackle set as well as a bait box for being the second boy to catch a fish. Jack Eberhart won a balloon and Joe Mose for being the second youngest boy contestant. Ice cream bars were given to all youngsters who entered the derby. Jean Eberhart was chairman of the event.

## Shakespearean Festival to be Featured In August Issue of Quick Magazine

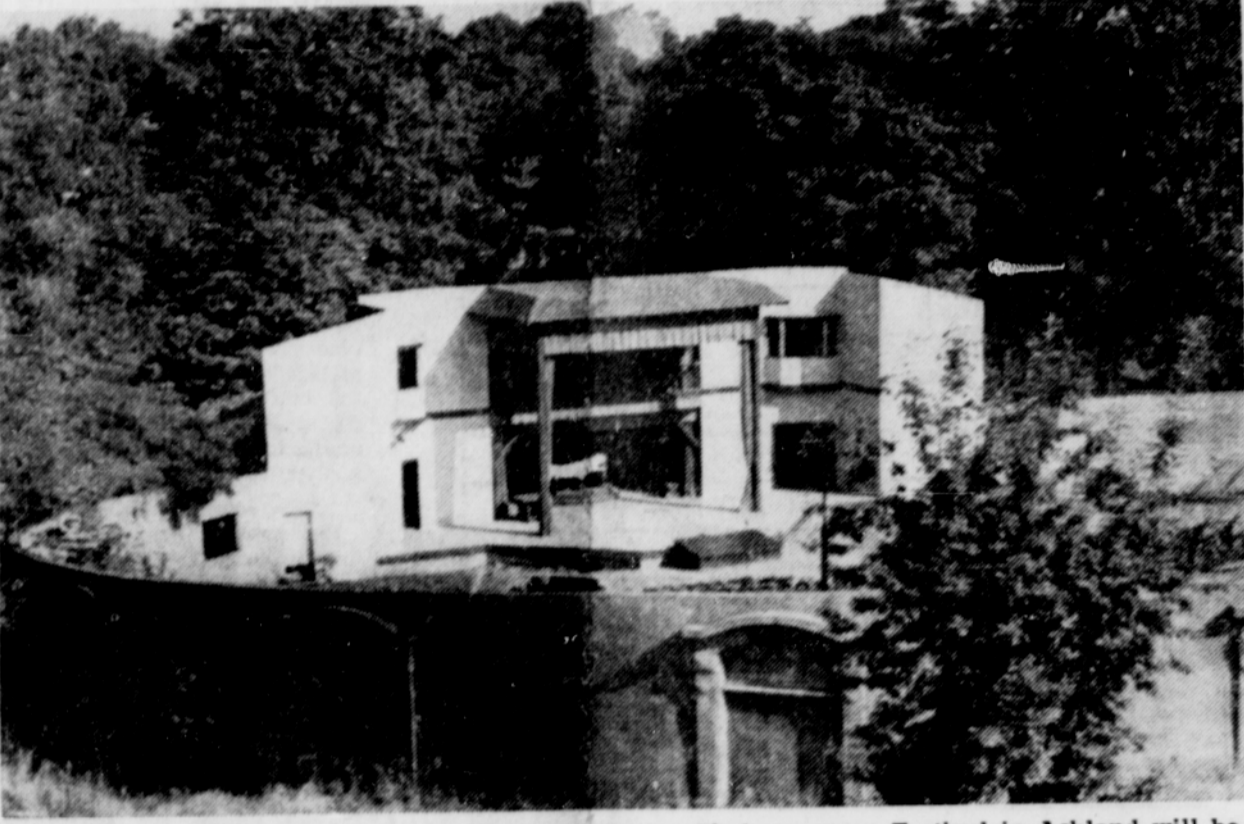
Publishers of Quick magazine have notified officials of the Oregon Shakespearean festival that they will feature an illustrated story on the 10th annual festival in an early August issue.

This will be the first time any Oregon event has been featured in the popular pocket-sized national news weekly, according to Gene Malecki, publicity director. The magazine is published in New York by Cowles Magazines, Inc., publishers of Look and Flair.

Malecki also announced that the festival will be featured in a special display at the state library in Salem during the entire month of July and part of August.

The display will consist of writings by Shakespeare and will feature large photographs of last year's productions. Festival folders will be available to the public.

Included in the display will be an article written by James Sandoe of the January 1950 edition of the Shakespearean Quarterly. Sandoe is directing the production of Antony and Cleopatra and is acting in one of the plays.



CENTER OF ALL ACTIVITIES for the 1950 Oregon Shakespearean Festival in Ashland will be the world's only civic Elizabethan theatre located in beautiful Lithia park. The festival will celebrate its tenth anniversary August 2nd through August 24th. This year's four Shakespeare plays will be "Comedy of Errors," "Antony and Cleopatra," "King Henry IV, Part One," and "As You Like It."

## Summer Session Enrollment Higher Than Last Year

Summer session enrollment at Southern Oregon college reached 462 students, an increase of 14% over last year's attendance, according to final figures released by the registrar's office.

Increasing demand for teachers with elementary credentials and a stronger accent on undergraduate liberal arts courses were given as the primary factors in the increase.

Another important attraction is the Shakespearean players workshop, which in cooperation with the Oregon Shakespearean Festival association, produces the largest single season of Shakespeare in repertoire in the world.

Special workshops in camp and club leadership, drama for elementary teachers, methods and materials in language arts, and diagnostic and remedial instruction in reading and literature will be offered during the two-week periods of July 5 to 15, July 17 to 29 and July 31 to August 11.

## Pacific Greyhound Lines Add Southbound Limited

A total of nine southbound and eight northbound limiteds are now scheduled by Pacific Greyhound lines out of Ashland, according to F. W. Kiel, local agent. Of the total southbound limiteds, five go to Los Angeles, four to San Francisco. The latest southbound schedule was added June 28, Kiel said.

## Bids to be Called On Hill Project

Bids will be called for on three highway projects in Jackson county when the state highway commission meets in Portland July 10 and 11. It is planned to construct three lanes for .36 mile on the Billings hill section of highway 99 just north of Ashland. This is to provide two lanes of southbound traffic up the hill to the railroad undercrossing and one lane northbound traffic.

Other county projects include an equipment and supply building at Prospect and paving of West Main street in Eagle Point.

Gene Malecki, public relations director for the Shakespearean Festival recently received the following letter from Laurence Olivier in England: Dear Mr. Malecki, Thank you so much for your nice letter. Nothing sounds more pleasant to be with you in Oregon during your festival. I am very much afraid, however, that my time will be more than fully occupied in Hollywood, and that my commitments will not allow me to indulge in such pleasures as you propose. Please accept my very best wishes for the occasion, and my regrets that I am unable to share in it. L. OLIVIER

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A Jackson county Republican picnic is being planned for Wednesday evening July 19 by the party leaders in Ashland and Medford. The event is set for 6 o'clock in Lithia park with every Republican family invited to participate in the cover-dish dinner.

Rodney Keating, the new vice-chairman of the county central committee, will act as the official Ashland host and the officers of the Medford and Ashland units of the Jackson county Republican Women will provide the coffee and ice-cream for the picnic. Keating remarked that this event would give every economy-minded Republican a chance to save at the rate of at least \$99 per plate.

The political pow-wow is being advertised as a "Get Acquainted Get-together" for this section of the state when those of the "grass-roots" can meet the party's representatives and candidates in an old time family informal picnic.

## Four from Ashland Soroptimist Club At Seattle Meet

Four members of the Ashland Soroptimist club are in Seattle this week attending the biennial convention of the national organization.

Past president Mrs. Margie Clark, Mrs. Elizabeth Barksdale, Mrs. Mildred Klum and Mrs. Frances Worth are the local club representatives taking part in the meeting, which runs from July 2 through July 7. Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Barksdale left by plane Saturday and the other two traveled by auto.

Delegates from each club are to be hostesses at the banquet Thursday night, using the motif of their choice. The local group chose the Shakespearean Festival as the basis for their costumes and table decorations. Angus Bowmer and Jack Beardley assisted in making the place cards to be used and club members cooperated in making Shakespearean costumes for the delegates.

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## Loan Association Plans Open House Friday & Saturday

Marking its 41st year of operation, the Jackson County Federal Savings and Loan association will hold open house this Friday and Saturday in a completely remodeled main office building at 126 E. Main street in Medford, according to O. H. Bengtson, vice-president and secretary.

Hours of the open house will be 7 to 9 p.m. Friday and 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday.

Special observances of the anniversary will be held, with Medford's Mayor Diamond Flynn and officers of the association participating. Souvenirs will be given to all visitors and two special gifts, a doll with wardrobe and a combination radio and phonograph, will be awarded.

Employees of the firm will show visitors through the completely remodeled and renovated office building, which includes an enlarged lobby, new counters and lighting fixtures, new directors' room, completely redecorated interior and a new building front. Officers said the changes were made to give better customer service.

The building also houses the Medford Escrow company, the Jackson County Insurance agency and law offices of Bengtson and Glenn O. Taylor.

The organization was founded under state charter in 1909 as the Jackson County Building and Loan association with offices in the Medford Center building. Offices were later moved to a location on N. Central avenue and the present building was occupied in 1932. A federal charter was received in 1937, at which time the present name was adopted.

Assets of the association have grown from an original capitalization of \$25,000 to \$4,700,000. Mrs. Nellie Burns is Ashland representative of the firm with offices at 15 N. Main street.

## QUICK THINKING PREVENTS POSSIBLE SERIOUS RODEO FIRE

Quick action on the part of Ronnie Wilson at the 4th of July rodeo prevented a serious accident or worse, when a truck loaded with hay ignited in an area filled with parked cars.

While others excitedly ran for water to drown the flames, Wilson leaped the intervening fence and drove the fire vehicle away from possible destruction of surrounding vehicles. A bucket brigade then made short work of extinguishing the blaze.

Wilson is well known to Oregon rodeo fans having participated in events all over the state. He modestly disclaimed any particular bravery in his quick thinking and action, but the horrified spectators were united in their vocal appreciation of his feat.

## Horse Show Draws Record Crowd as Thousands Visit City

A record-breaking Fourth of July crowd of 3,300 persons jammed the Ashland Riding association grounds to witness the seventh annual rodeo and horse show Tuesday. This attendance was 25% over any previous year, according to John Daugherty, association secretary.

The program which was interesting, fast-moving and full of action, attracted participants from as far as Grants Pass, Lakeview and Crescent City. Approximately 225 horsemen took part in the grand entry event which opened the afternoon's activities.

Winners of rodeo events were: bare back broncs, Mel Mitchell, 1st, Ed Walker, 2nd, Pete Beddingfield, 3rd; ladies pleasure horse race, Carole Ervin, 1st, May Burch, 2nd, Montana Emerson, 3rd; calf roping, J. R. Anderson, 1st, John Copeland, 2nd, Wes Morris, 3rd; men's saddle horse race, W. Ervin, 1st, Al Muse, 2nd, Curly Herberger, 3rd; special saddle horse race, C. E. Ceene, 1st, Iris Dodge, 2nd, Herman Herrin, 3rd; saddle bronc riding, Chuck Johnson, 1st, Jim Johnson, 2nd, Ed Walker, 3rd; wild cow riding, Ronnie Wilson, 1st, Lowell Fowler, 2nd, Harry Noble, 3rd; quarter horse race, Wes Morris, 1st, May Burch, 2nd, B. M. Jolly, 3rd; pony express race, C. H. Herberger, 1st, Walter Speece, 2nd; wild cow milking, Lowell Fowler; hot blood race, W. Ervin, 1st, Neal Storer, 2nd, Wes Morris, 3rd.

Judges were Hugh Barron, Ebe Dunn and Frank Woolridge. Time keeper was Ginny Fowler. Stock was furnished by Anderson Walker brothers, Beatty, Oregon.

More than 150 riders took part in the western parade that opened events Tuesday. Mayor Phil Stansbury was parade grand marshal and led the line of march with rodeo queen Judy Briggs and her princesses, Glenda Martin and Audrey Woolridge of Medford.

In addition to the mounted groups and unattached riders were the Ashland city band, Ashland Kilty band and the Bliss Heinie drum and bugle corps from Medford.

Col. Ben Waterbury was general chairman of the parade.

Children's Activities Monday Children's activities were the center of attraction Monday with all events taking place in the park.

Winners of the three legged race were Austin Burroughs, Veril Yates, Ward Chisenbery, Jacky Chisenbery, Pat Keens, Marilyn Crowley, Christine James, Judy Johnson, Billy Devine, Don Wallace, Paul Larson, Charles Beck, Harvey Sorrenson, Doreen Phillips, Carolyn Crowley and Cleo Lentini.

Crab race winners were Albert Hartwell, Richard Norris, Larry Oviatt, Leonard Lanovitch and Jim Wallrass.

Vernon Grove was the first one to climb the greased pole and win the nest of \$1 bills at the top. Michael Vanwert ate a whole watermelon to win the watermelon eating contest.

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## Hitch Hiking Mother Deserts Quadruplets On Streets of Medford

An unscheduled automobile jaunt taken by a stowaway mountain chipmunk, and complicated by an unexpected "blessed event" enroute to Medford, put Mrs. Jerry Hilsenhof of Talent into a baby-tending job for ten strenuous days.

The bright lights evidently lured the new mother a way from her quadruplets leaving them to human ministrations by way of the medicine dropper. Bedded down on a pair of fur mittens in a cereal box the four minute orphans enjoyed constant flattering attention from Diamond Lake vacationists, where the Hilsenhofs are in charge of the South store, until one chill night after their eyes were open, the quartet, doubtlessly inheriting their mother's roving foot, allowed their curiosity to entice them beyond the safe confines of their mitted nest.

The Hilsenhofs now check their car for unlisted passengers.

## JONES TO ATTEND NATIONAL MEETING OF ELKS OFFICERS

Delbert Jones, Exalted ruler of Ashland lodge No. 944, B.P. O. E., will leave by plane Friday evening for the Grand Lodge national convention to be held in Miami, Fla., July 9 to 13.

Representatives from every lodge in the United States, Alaska and Hawaii will attend the meeting at which matters of national policy will be decided.

## County Free From Traffic Accidents Over 4th Holiday

While the national fatality toll was breaking all records over the long Fourth of July holiday, only a few minor traffic mishaps occurred in Jackson county, a check with state, county and city police disclosed Wednesday. Damage was negligible in all cases.

Sheriff Howard Gault reported that only very minor accidents were reported to county officers, while the state police office in Medford said they had handled no accidents since Saturday night.

Ashland Police Chief Vern Smith said only four minor traffic mishaps occurred within the city limits during the three days.