

ASHLAND WEATHER

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June 4	86	47	
June 5	83	49	09
June 6	65	48	05
June 7	85	46	
June 8			
June 9	69	52	
June 10	58	46	
Pre. since Jan. 1			7.35
Pre. this month			14

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Commission Approves Code; Rejects Re-Zoning Petition

The city planning commission, meeting Monday night, approved a report urging establishment of a city building code and rejected a petition from a group of North Main street property owners asking re-zoning of a section of the street from residential to marginal business.

The commission adopted a resolution accepting and approving a report from Harry Pinkerton, commission member who headed a committee to investigate a recent request by local builders for a revised code, and referred the matter to the council for action.

The commission refused the petition for the re-zoning of the north side of N. Main street between Manor motel and People's market when only one property owner appeared to speak for it. Two letters from property owners opposing the move were read before the commission.

Code Drawn Up
Mr. Pinkerton, in making the recommendation for the new building code, said that local builders had agreed to enter into the cost of employing the building inspector which the new code calls for, and introduced a ten-point code drawn up after he met with representatives of the trades last month.

His report included:
1. Approval of the League of Oregon Cities building code which has been set up as a model for Oregon cities to follow.
2. Recommendation for requirement of inspections in new building to enforce a code here.
3. Hiring of a city building inspector.
4. Inclusion of the inspector on the city building inspector.
5. Appointment by Mayor Phil Stansbury of a board of appeal consisting of five members to have jurisdiction and supervisory powers over the building code. The board would consist of an attorney, architect, contractor, electrician and plumber.
6. Levying of an occupational fee on the trades in the city, the fee to be based on a "reasonable scale." The builders themselves asked for this move for their own protection in building within the city limits.

7. Setting up of a new scale of building permits based on valuation of construction work. The minimum would be \$5.
8. Denying that the planning commission should set up the scale for building permits.
9. Determining that present use of the League of Oregon Cities code by contractors should be approved.
10. The city building code should be written with an eye to the future of the city.

Opposes Re-Zoning
The re-zoning of North Main was urged because, it was noted, an oil company holds option on some property there, and because, the sponsor said, people on the north side wanted to counteract business growth in the southern end of Ashland.

Those opposing the move urged rejection for several reasons. They said that re-zoning would create a traffic hazard at Briscoe school, would cause residential property to decrease in value, would cause Ashland business to "stringout" too much along Main street, and might affect the highway commission's decision on widening North Main street.

The verdict to set aside the petition was unanimous.

Ashland May Have TV By November

The Ashland Lions club was told Tuesday night that Ashland might have television reception by November. The speaker was Leighton Schell, local radio man.

Although no community in this area is expected to have a station in operation for several years, Schell said that a station placed on the side of Mt. Hood should come in here, particularly on the higher reservations. He pointed out that residents of Texas have been able to get reception up to 500 miles.

The closest TV station believed under consideration is at Eugene. Ashland, Medford, Klamath Falls, and Yreka have been allocated TV channels, but no applications have been filed with the Federal Communications Commission in Washington.

Bridge and Road Work Planned

A movement to use dust oil on the Dead Indian road as far as the summit, with Jackson county and private interests working the bill, is being planned, according to P. G. Rynning, county engineer.

A number of loggers and lumbermen are reportedly interested in purchasing the oil, and county workmen would apply it. Meanwhile, other road projects in the county include grading and graveling of the Old Stage road to Jacksonville, now near completion, and grading of Foothill road and widening of Hatchery Hills road, both to start soon.

Three bridges are also being constructed in the county. The pouring of concrete is scheduled to begin on the Oak street bridge in Ashland soon, and the bridge is scheduled for completion about August 31.

Two wooden bridges are also under construction, one at the Butte Falls fish hatchery and the other at Pleasant Creek above Wilmer.

A LOOK ABOUT US

By WIN KINNEY

What does Portland have that Ashland doesn't?

Certainly not roses! More people, buildings, theatres — yes! But not roses!

Though a resident here now for over 7 years, I still cannot achieve the native indifference to our annual back-yard and fence-row crop of roses. I still oh! and ah! at the blazing bushes that border our streets, alleys and pathways.

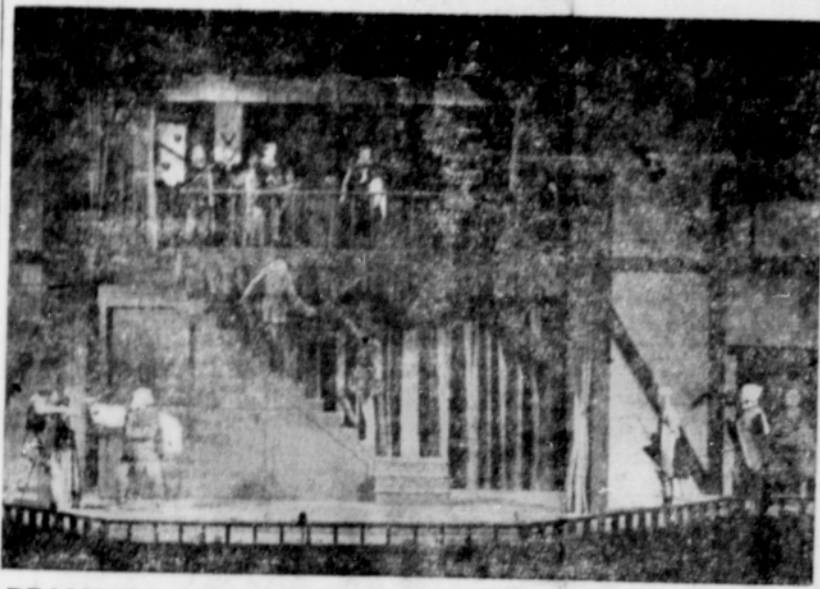
Perhaps some of the charms lies in the casual locations where you stumble upon the gaudiest blooms. But it does appear to me we are over-looking an asset.

Since our climate and soil conspire to give us such magnificent blossoms, shouldn't we be at least as proud as our behemoth neighbor to the north.

Not to rob Portland of any honors, I do suggest that planting of bushes along the boulevard, and perhaps at the northern entrance would treat arrivals from California to a delightful preview of Portland's mighty promotion.

As a tie-in with the Portland Rose Festival, Ashland roses might serve to identify our entire state as the mighty, fertile, plant paradise that it is.

Anyhow, it would be a pity sight which we could all enjoy. Let's bring our roses out into the open!



DRAMATIC SCENES such as this one from "King Henry IV" are in store for local theatre-goers and thousands of visitors at the annual Shakespearean festival here this summer. Rehearsals for the August event begin next week.

Canadian Orders Festival Tickets

The first order for reservations at the Shakespearean festival from outside the United States was reported here yesterday.

The order came from Jack Alton, Victoria, B. C. Reservations were requested for four persons for four days, or one round of the plays. Mr. Alton was here last year for the first time, and said in the letter that he was coming especially for the plays again this year.

Music Director Seeks Rare Lute

Shades of Homer! Anybody got a lute?

In case you have something in the attic that you aren't quite sure about, a lute is a pear-shaped instrument, alleged to be musical, stringed, and with a long "neck."

The rare instrument is sought by Hans Lampl, music director for the Shakespearean festival, who wants to use one in the new Elizabethan music program here this year.

Mr. Lampl will arrive in Ashland late this week, and will invite all local musicians, whether instrumentalists or vocalists, to meet with him and audition for the new program at the festival.

Festival officials stressed that the program would be full-time work for only a few musicians, since the director plans to use various groups alternately during the season. Rehearsal schedules will probably be set to accommodate the musicians.

And whether the lute is found or not, the program will go on.

EXAMINER HERE JUNE 23

A drivers' license examiner will be in Ashland on Monday, June 23, at the city hall, according to an announcement from the Secretary of State's office. The examiner will be at the city hall from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Chief Joseph Unable To Control Indians

BY R. M. DeMILLE

DREAMERS OF THE TRIBE

And when these Nez-Perces were summoned to a conference, they came, all dressed in their finest of war costumes, smeared and decorated in the most brilliant Indian paint colors that could be found. It was their idea to put fear into the eyes of their opposer. This of course gave them complete courage to go into battle against their enemy at any cost of life.

Chief Joseph could no more control his savages than the leaders of the Mexican Revolution could hold back from atrocities their allied Apaches. The Custer Massacre was filled with apprehensive terrors. It was true that in that portion of the country of Winding Water, that Chief Joseph held his band; White Bird's warriors held and hid in White Bird Canyon a great number of horses and cattle from being removed to the reserve. Too-hul-hul-sote, "not being a full fledged Chief, "but a dreamer," had a strong following of the Salmon Indians, and the Snake Indians, south of the Snake river country and amid the mountain cataracts on Asotin

Creek; in connection of that part of the hazardous cataracts was another band of Dreamers, Hush-hush-cute; and another warlike band on the Upper part of the Snake.

It was in the spring when the rivers and streams were high on their banks. It looked as if the Cavalry troops might as well try and thread a land of dreams in these mighty forests and canyons. About seventy miles on the Clear Water northwest of Lewiston was an Indian Agency and trading post. Ruben, a son of a Chief, was a translator and an interpreter for "the praying general" — Howard. The Nez-Perces numbered about three thousand. Chief Joseph finally fled with all his squaws and the children.

Chief Joseph's warriors were mostly exceedingly tall and were blankets over their buckskin war dress. In the spring of the month of April, with the rumblings of thunder, the battle blood of the Nez-Perces, which had been asleep for the past century, was becoming more restless and feverish against the white intruder. Olliecut, Joseph's

brother, advocated war with utmost jealousy. Howard spent tireless and sleepless weeks at Walla-Walla. Chief Joseph quit coming to any more of Howard's Conferences.

CONFERENCES ADJOURNED FOR GOOD

I always felt that all Indians were humans, but wild in their primitive way of living, can anyone stand up under a continuous hammer of might and tantalizing? He resumed his stand like a grizzly bear with a thousand dogs and a few lawless hunters, afraid to close in without a powerful artillery of high-powered guns, and the bear fighting for his life, freedom, and right to roam God's given country the way the true American Indian did. It is true that nature has been muzzled out of existence many times in the ways of human life and living. (What is wild life today); the game commission has to set up a barrier, a wall of protection to guard against the game hogs that have no principle for God, Man or beast! Wouldn't it be one of the greatest wonders of our time to look upon the great Continued on Page Three

Work on Shakespeare Festival Begins With Auditions Monday

Festival Players Seek Various Jobs

Anyone having part time work, especially morning work, for young men or women were urged by the Shakespearean festival association today to call the office, Ashland 2-8636, and list it.

Association members pointed out that most of the young men and women here for the summer need jobs of some kind. With the exception of nine festival scholarship winners, actors in the shows get no remuneration of any kind from the festival, and many travel long distances at their own expense to play in the shows.

In the past, members of the cast have done a variety of work here, from stenography to dishwashing to farm work. Almost all are available for work mornings, and some for afternoon and evening work.

Driver Is Fined In Accident Case

Arthur Moses Shepherd, 24-year old Ashland soldier, was fined \$50 and \$250 costs, given a 90-day suspended jail sentence, and had his driver's license revoked for one year after an accident here early Sunday morning.

Shepherd was the driver of a car which struck Ray Murphy, 59, on East Main street. Murphy suffered a fractured skull.

The soldier was charged with failure to stop at the scene of an accident. He appeared before Acting Municipal Judge Phil Stansbury Wednesday morning. Shepherd, a private first class stationed at Fort Lawton, Washington, is to report back to duty June 21.

Processing Plant Opens In Ashland

A new processing plant for producing raw vegetable juices and health foods has been opened at 1650 Peachy road in Ashland. A "Health Store" has been opened in conjunction.

The name of the company is Pine Knoll Natural Produce, and is operated by Mrs. Esther Barrett and her son, David Barrett.

The new plant will handle whole grain flours and pastry mixtures made from whole grain flours. All of these are milled locally. Various grains are being used, including wheat, rice, sesame seeds, and soy beans.

The firm is also handling natural garden and lawn fertilizers, and will handle fruits and vegetables grown with these fertilizers later in the season.

School Building Bids Taken July 7

Bids on the \$685,000 building program in School District No. 5 are scheduled to be opened on July 31. The date is tentative.

The date was set in a meeting of the school board Monday night, attended by F. Marion Stokes, school architect.

Stokes remained in Ashland Tuesday conferring with Leland Linn, superintendent of schools, and individual members of the school board.

The architect said that all blueprints should be ready so that the board might advertise for bidders on July 7. This would give contractors three weeks to prepare their bids.

All the proposed projects will be let under one contract, according to Superintendent Linn.

Ashland's building program is one of the major ones in the state and is expected to attract the larger contractors and thus insure competitive bidding. Stokes told members of the board at last night's session.

Blue prints for additions at Walker and Bellview elementary schools are complete and the Portland architectural firm of Stokes and Allyn is currently working on plans for additional facilities at the senior high school, which will include a new physical education plant.

Stokes presented a complete progress report last night and the board studied the plans before the contract-letting decision was made.

Vets' Benefits Increase July 1

More than 3,000,000 veterans and dependents of deceased veterans will receive increases in compensation and pension payments under a bill recently signed by the President.

The increases become effective July 1 and will be included in checks which will be mailed at the end of the month, according to the Veterans Administration.

The President at the same time also signed a companion bill increasing the amount of income a person may have and still be eligible for pension payments in nonservice-connected disability and death cases.

Under the old limits, an otherwise eligible veteran or widow having an income in excess of \$1,000 annually, without dependents, or \$2,500 with dependents, could not qualify for pension. These limits have been raised to \$1,400 and \$2,700 respectively.

The VA said all applicants for pensions whose claims were denied under the old income limitations and who believe they may qualify under the new limitations will have to file new claims for reconsideration on or after the effective date of July 1, 1952. No automatic review of such rejected claims will be made.

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First to arrive were Allen Fletcher, Yale university drama department, one of the four play directors at the festival; Bill Ball, popular young Carnegie Tech drama student here in 1951; Michael Onofria, a festival scholarship winner from Yale university, and John Bettemcourt, Yale student from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Being first on the festival scene is nothing new for Ball, remembered by audiences here for his roles of Feste in "Twelfth Night" and Prince John in "Henry IV" last year. He was first in town in 1951, too. He is also here on a festival scholarship.

Fletcher, who has directed here before, is back after a year's leave of absence. He will direct "Julius Caesar" this year.

Tryouts Monday
Tryouts for festival roles will begin early Monday morning and continue through Tuesday. Casting will be an all-night task for the directorial staff on Tuesday, and roles will be assigned Wednesday morning.

Rehearsals will start Wednesday afternoon, but between the regular afternoon and evening work, the cast and friends will be honored at the annual picnic sponsored by the Board of Directors in Lithia park.

As usual at festival productions, rehearsals will be open to the public until dress rehearsal time.

Plays presented this year will be "The Tempest," "Henry V," "Much-Ado About Nothing," and "Julius Caesar."

Music Program
Hans Lampl, director of the festival's new program of Elizabethan music, was scheduled to arrive in Ashland later this week, and will then set his own audition and rehearsal schedule. Mr. Lampl is anxious to contact both instrumental and vocal musicians in the area who would like to play in the festival orchestra or sing with the large chorus or madrigal group. Except for a small group of "resident" musicians, the rehearsal and appearance schedule will not be demanding. It is understood that the director plans to use various musicians and various groups at intervals through the season.

The box office at the festival theatre goes on a 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. schedule beginning Saturday. Reservations may be made by writing "Shakespeare," Ashland, by calling 2-8636, or by calling at the box office during those hours. A heavy advance sale has already been reported.

STEEL COMPANIES FAIL TO GRANT CLOSED SHOP

The negotiating committee representing six major steel companies this week submitted a final offer for prompt settlement in the wage case which was rejected by the United Steelworkers of America, CIO.

The offer went far toward meeting the economic demands of the union, but rejected the union's demand for compulsory union membership.

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Angus Bowmer, producing director of the Shakespearean festival will meet most of his staff and many of his young actors this weekend, on the eve of preparations for the annual theatrical event here.