

# Society and Clubs

Edited by Eva Nealon Hamilton

## California Critics Praise Harold Ayres

California music critics have been eloquently praising the playing of Harold Ayres, University of Oregon pianist, since his spring tour took him into the southern state. Mr. Ayres, a student of Louis P. Artur, will be presented in concert at the Baldwin shop on South Grape street here, Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Wednesday morning at 10:15 he will play at the Ashland Normal school. "Musical West," published in San Francisco, printed the following about Ayres' concert in San Francisco this month:

"Harold Ayres, brilliant young American pianist, appeared before a large and appreciative audience Friday evening. . . . Mr. Ayres proved himself to be an artist with an elegance of touch and style and a musical sobriety that was lightened by his own exuberant vitality."

Another California paper said: "The possessor of superb technique, Ayres seemed to have every device at the tips of his hands—artful gradients of pace and force, keen phrasing, and deft hesitance, with a complete command of the mechanism, and what is more, the rhetoric of piano playing.—Selma (Calif.) Enterprise."

## Mrs. Holt Hostesses

Mrs. W. W. P. Holt was hostess for Crater Lake chapter Daughters of the American Revolution on Saturday afternoon, with Mrs. M. M. Morris, the regent, presiding.

## Mrs. Eleanor Curry sang two solos

"The Pickaninny Kid" and "The Linnett," with Mrs. Theodore Sims accompanying.

## Mrs. M. M. Morris, H. P. W. Spiller, Volney Dixon, B. G. Harding and G. Q. D'Albin gave a report of the activities of the state conference which was held in Portland last month.

Guests of the chapter were Mesdames N. C. Howard, E. P. Stone and J. F. Gillings.

## The hostess, Mrs. Holt, was assisted by Mrs. H. E. Armstrong, Mrs. Helen Steadric and Miss Anna Detweiler, with Mrs. B. G. Harding and Mrs. J. O. Grey pouring.

## Mr. and Mrs. Kem Entertain

Mr. and Mrs. Huxley Kem entertained members of the Medford Movie club Saturday evening at their home on West Main street. Officers were elected for the coming year, and a committee appointed to secure ideas for a motion picture to be produced by the club.

## Following the business session bridge was enjoyed the remainder of the evening, with prizes going to Mr. and Mrs. Don Runyard and George Tucker.

Supper was served in a room decorated in true Hollywood style.

## The new officers named were D. A. Runyard, president; Mrs. O. A. Eden, secretary-treasurer; Stanley Jones, property manager; and Mrs. George Tucker, script girl.

## Mostletoe Club Meeting Wednesday

Neighbors Grace Pruitt and daughter Margaret will be hostesses at their home on Crater Lake avenue tomorrow to members of the Mostletoe club. Assisting them will be Margery Pearson, Katie Palen and Cora Lewis.

## Benefit Bridge Tomorrow Evening

Benefit bridge party will be given Wednesday evening at the Parish hall by St. Ann's Altar society, at 8 o'clock.

## Little Sylvia Smith Has Birthday Party

Sylvia Sidney Smith celebrated her second birthday Friday, April 20, with a joyous Toyland party, at her home, Ranch Greenleaf, on the Old Stage road. Dolls of other nations were used for favors. Toyland motif was carried out in the games, decorations and brightly-colored balloons.

The small guests were: Jackie Perrault, Ann Thornley, Glenn Davis, Ann Jane Jeldness, Patty McCallister, Lorraine Kell, Joe Logan, Charles Logan, and the tiny honor guest, Sylvia Sidney, also Mesdames Jerry Smith, W. L. Greenleaf, McCallister, Perrault, Davis, Jeldness, Logan and Miss Kathryn Smith.

## Mr. Ditsworth Honored At Birthday Dinner

McLEOD—A birthday dinner party was given by relatives and friends, honoring F. J. Ditsworth, Sr., 88th birthday anniversary, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Ditsworth, April 22.

Attending the party were: Mr. and Mrs. Cobbleigh and three children of Phoenix; Mrs. Ulrich Vaughn of Medford; Mrs. Ada East and friend, Miss Hall of Sams Valley; Mrs. Carl Richardson of Prospect; Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Ditsworth, Jr., of Laurelhurst; Mrs. Robert Ditsworth and three sons of McLeod; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Richardson and son Edmund, Jack Vaughn, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Ditsworth and children, and the honor guest and wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Ditsworth, Sr.

## Charter Members Given Reception

EDEN PRECINCT—Honoring the charter members of Oak circle, No. 242, Phoenix, members gave a reception at the hall Thursday. The rooms were attractively decorated with spring flowers, and lighted tapers added to the table arrangements.

Mrs. M. E. Hamlin and Mrs. Mary O. Carey were the honor guests present. Mrs. Carlotta Furry being in Los Angeles.

Th entertainment was in charge of Mrs. Lula Roberts, and included piano and vocal solos, also readings. Thirty-five were present.

## Girls' Party At Club Wednesday

Regular monthly social of the Girls' Community club will be held tomorrow evening, April 25, at 7:30 o'clock, in the club rooms, according to announcement made today. All girls in the valley interested in attending are invited. Entertainment and refreshments will be included in the evening's program.

## Plan Card Party, Dance Wednesday

A card party and dance have been planned for tomorrow evening at the Knights of Pythias hall. It was made known today. Several special entertainment features have been arranged for the evening, and refreshments will be served. The public is invited to attend.

## Lady Kwanians Do Welfare Work

At the meeting yesterday afternoon of the Lady Kwanians, at the home of Mrs. O. C. Boggs, sewing as a part of the welfare program was enjoyed by the 18 members present. Tea was served by the hostess.

## Covered Dish Dinner at 6:30

Reames chapter, O. E. S., will have a covered dish dinner tomorrow evening at 6:30 o'clock, as it is the birthday party for the chapter. A social evening will follow the regular meeting.

## Western Auto in Eighteenth Anniversary



The eighteenth anniversary of the opening of the first Western Auto Supply Company store in the West, recalls the tremendous improvement in automobiles and automotive accessories since the founding of the company in 1916. With streamlines and modern conveniences on today's automobiles, have come modernized accessories such as tires and horns with lines suggesting speed. This is in decided contrast to auto supplies which were popular in the early days of Western Auto service to the motoring public. George Peppertine, founder and president, is shown above at the top. Hal R. Baker, vice-president and general manager of the company, below on the right, while S. G. Miles, secretary and treasurer, is in the circled inset.

## Mr. and Mrs. Corey Visitors from Colorado

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Corey of Olathe, Colo., were house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Huxley Kem the first of the week. Making a tour of the coast, they considered their visit to Crater Lake Thursday the most enjoyable part of their entire trip. Mrs. Corey is Mr. Corey's sister.

## Free Methodists Given Powerful Talk By McKay

Evangelist Elmer McKay of Greenville, Ill., who is conducting revival services at the Free Methodist church, 10th and Ivy streets, delivered a powerful message last night on the "Re-Crucifixion of Christ." He said in part: "Men are not reading their Bibles, but they are reading our lives, and from our lives there is going forth an influence either for or against Jesus Christ. How many lives," asked the evangelist, "have been wrecked because they have lost confidence in the professed followers of Christ? Judas betrayed his Lord for thirty pieces of silver, but the silver was only the result of a cause," declared the speaker.

Tonight Rev. McKay will use for his subject, "The Power of Choice."

## Oregon Weather Unsettled tonight with lower temperature east portion; Wednesday generally fair but overcast on coast; gentle, changeable winds offshore.

## PEWELTON, Ore., April 24.—(AP)—About .04 of an inch of rain fell over the parched Umatilla county wheat country during the night, and the precipitation continued today. It was a boon to wheat ranchers in the light land areas as the crop is greatly in need of moisture.

Dance at Rogue Elk Saturday night, April 28.

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## NEW JAP WARNING IS BOMBSHELL TO LEAGUE NATIONS

(Continued from page one)

ing in close collaboration with other Asiatic powers," was enunciated in the statement and Yokoyama gave the impression here that Japan is sure of herself in carrying out that doctrine.

"If armaments are sold to one party in China it will be dangerous," Yokoyama said in replying to questions concerning the declaration.

TOKYO, April 24.—(AP)—Confronted by Great Britain's demands for a clarification of Japan's statement of April 17 concerning the empire's China policy, official Tokyo today awaited indication as to whether the United States would follow suit in a sign of Anglo-American solidarity.

Thus far, no evidence has developed in Tokyo that the United States would follow Great Britain's lead. The Associated Press learned that the state department has not acted in that direction.

Great Britain's demand—which did not reach the foreign office, although foreign office officials were informed of it by newspapers—gave Koki Higa, the foreign minister, the task of explaining his policy in such a way as to appease British suspicions and, simultaneously, avoid the retraction of any essential feature of the statement in which the world was warned not to meddle with internal Chinese affairs.

Such a retraction, it was believed, would be likely to evoke a storm of protests within Japan.

## LONDON, April 24.—(AP)—Ambassador Robert W. Bingham of the United States conferred tonight with the Chinese minister to London in regard to Japan's new declaration of policy in the Far East.

The interview with Bingham was requested by the Chinese diplomat, and it was stated in American quarters that Bingham's activity was simply that of a listener.

## MRS. EMMENS NAMED AS ADMINISTRATRIX

An order was signed by County Judge Earl B. Day yesterday, naming Mrs. Fannie Emmens, widow of the late Dr. J. J. Emmens as administratrix of the estate and appointing Dr. Edwin R. Durno, E. W. Winkle and Miss Fannie Whitman as appraisers of the estate.

The petition sets forth that no will was left. The heirs are the widow and two sons.

## Warrant Call Notice is hereby given that there are funds on hand for the redemption of all School District No. 14 outstanding protested warrants to date. Warrants to be presented for payment at the First National Bank, Medford, Oregon. J. W. BIRKHOFF, Clerk, School District No. 14. For Garden Plowing Tel 912-J.

## Nandie's Grill Features Hop Gold Beer Sandwiches Delicious Dinners Fountain Service

## Mrs. Barkdull Has Seen Medford's Growth From Days Before Rails Came

(By Eva Nealon Hamilton.)

A lot of water has run down from the hills to supply the Medford thirst and a lot of pavement has been laid and re-laid since the first train whistled into the flat along Bear creek, which was to become a city, 50 years ago. And those progressions have been particularly evident to one, Mrs. J. W. Barkdull, who came to Medford before the railroad, although her lack of gray hairs and her youthful step would not indicate such a record.

To anyone who thinks that Medford hasn't grown much, she will display a birdseye view, photographed from Knob hill, she said yesterday, when coaxed into reminiscing about the very early days.

"You couldn't get lumber to build a house then. It was too muddy to haul it in, and the railroad, which was giving birth to the city, hadn't reached the local destination," Mrs. Barkdull recalled.

"Most of the people lived at the Empire hotel, Medford's first, which was located where the Jackson County bank building now stands.

"Others lived in the backs of the small stores, which later appeared on Front street, facing the railroad tracks."

The Barkdulls were fortunate in getting enough lumber from Williams creek and other sections to build on the Barkdull lot, purchased January 28, 1884. The Barkdull building now occupies the lot, and in it Mrs. Barkdull has her apartment, where yesterday she told the story of Medford's first school, first lodge, first hotel, first postoffice and the first train in.

The Empire hotel was operated by her state-in-law, Mrs. J. W. Cunningham. It was a two-story frame building, 25 by 26 feet in size, with rustic finish, and included front office, dining room, hall, kitchen, 12 bedrooms and wash-rooms. It was later destroyed by fire.

Railroad men and other visitors, who came to Medford, "put up at the Empire." Among them was the late Dr. E. P. Geary, then physician for the railroad.

Medford's first lodge, "The Good Templars," was a prohibition organization. Mrs. Barkdull stated, as all the first settlers were church people. The organization did give dances, however, and among those who attended, Mrs. Barkdull recalled John Jacobs, brother of Lee Jacobs, Port Hubbard and the late Miller Maury.

There was a skating rink where the fire hall now stands and it was a very popular gathering place. Box socials were also quite the thing and Sunday school drew a large crowd to the Lee Jacobs' house on Central, where the city's first school was also taught. The schoolmaster's name was Williamson, and he taught between 25 and 40 children before the first school building was erected.

Churches grew up rapidly in Medford. Mrs. Barkdull said, and she soon became follower of the Baptist faith, to which she is still true today.

Two saloons were going up when the Barkdulls came to Medford, one located on the present Brown's corner and the other near the present location of Hubbard Bros' store.

J. S. Howard, "father of Medford," who operated the city's first postoffice on Front street in '84, lived in the back of the building until he could get sufficient lumber to construct his home on North Central, now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Meador.

As soon as farmers got their crops in, they all started teaming to bring in the lumber and other of the city's needs. Mrs. Barkdull's brothers drove from Roseburg to Crescent City. The first mail was also brought in by team from Redding, where the railroad stopped.

When the first rails were completed into Medford, there was general celebration and the two trains a day were awaited with the same enthusiasm. Mrs. Barkdull related, as accompanied the arrival of the circus. All the buildings faced the railroad tracks, and so did all the people, every time the train came in. In the birdseye view of the city in '84, the windmill erected for loading the train with water is much in evidence.

The Barkdulls came into Medford from the country. They were married in Jacksonville, 55 years ago, where Mrs. Barkdull was born as Clara Ferguson, in 1861. Her father, Robert L. Ferguson, had come to the pioneer town from Portland, to blacksmith for the miners. He had been in Oregon for many years, having located in the northern section of the state. Mrs. Barkdull said, when Milwaukee was larger than Portland.

Medford was then divided into two farms, one owned by the Phelps family, the other by the Brobeks. Main street followed the line fence which

separated the two, when the town was laid out. Many pine trees covered the landscape.

"But few people remember those days," Mrs. Barkdull regretted yesterday. "Charley Strang and Mrs. J. E. Roberts are the only ones I can talk to about those times now."

Mrs. Barkdull makes her home with her son, Emmett Barkdull, whose old school nickname, "Moose," has followed him down to the present time. Mr. Barkdull died a number of years ago. From the time she came to Medford in 1884 she has lived on the same city lot.

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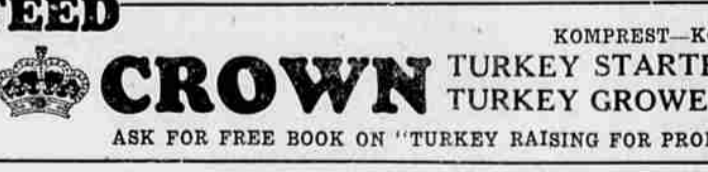
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