UNIT IN ASHLAND WILL BE FORMED BY YOUNG DEMOS

Steps were taken by the Young Democratic club of Jackson county last night to organize an affiliated unit in Ashland. If success is attained there, units will be formed in other communities of the county so that it will not be necessary for members in distant centers always to come to Medford for meetings, it was indicated.

Three Ashland residents joined the club at its regular meeting in West Main street headquarters last night and they agreed to take immediate steps in testing the support likely to be obtained in their city. They were Norma P. Russ, H. H. Garriott and E. E. Stearns. Jack Murray, president, and Joe Winkler, statistician, emphasized the importance of organizing young Democrats throughout the county and in unifying the various clubs in southern Oregon, especially those of Medford, Grants Pass and Klamath Falls.

Jeanne Fabrick, treasurer, reported that dues were being paid with increasing celerity and Marjorie Kelly, vice-president, told of the progress that is being made in preparation for the presentation of a one-act play concerning the New Deal.

Moore Hamilton, state representative and past president of the club, said he was highly gratified with the club's progress. He predicted that the Jackson county unit would eventually receive recognition as one of the largest and most active clubs in the state.

Reference was made to the state convention to be held in Salem April 24, 25 and 26, the club having been urged by U. S. Burt, state president, to send a large delegation.

SCHOOL CONCRETE JOB IS DECLARED FAULTY

SALEM, March 20.—(AP)—E. C. Bushnell, Salem city building inspector, yesterday mailed an order to the contractors for the new high school building here, for the removal of 200 feet of concrete in the building, alleged faulty.

The order charged the concrete had failed to meet city code requirements for a 28-day test sample. Bushnell said the city code specified a minimum strength of 1,500 pounds per square inch for plain concrete tested after 28 days of curing, and that the material in question had cracked at 1,130 pounds pressure.

MESSAGE FROM IOWA IN BOTTLE HELD HOAX

LONGVIEW, Wash., March 20.—(AP)—A message purporting to have been written by the first engineer of the wrecked freighter Iowa was definitely branded as a hoax last night by the Pacific county sheriff's office after comparing the note with handwriting of Valentine Claherty, first assistant engineer of the ill-fated craft.

Al Huitgrun, chief deputy of Pacific county, after scanning the three samples of writing, expressed the opinion the note, picked up in a sealed bottle floating in the waters of Willapa harbor, was the work of "some schoolboy."

Some very unusual bargains can be had at the Auction Sat., March 21st.

JAFSIE BACK FROM HOLIDAY

Ready "to receive Governor Hoffman (New Jersey) at my home in the Bronx" to discuss the case of Bruno Richard Hauptmann, Dr. John F. Condon, "Jafsie" of the Lindbergh kidnaping, is pictured descending the gangplank on his return to New York from a vacation in Panama. He had no direct comment to make on the famous case, however. His daughter, Mrs. Myra Hacker, is directly behind him. (Associated Press Photo)

CANNERY INSTALLATION PLANNED IN ROSEBURG; PACK TOMATOES FIRST

ROSEBURG, March 20.—(Spl.)—Fred Hurd of Salem, well known in the canning industry in Oregon, is expected to arrive here soon to complete arrangements for canning approximately 25 carloads of tomatoes at Roseburg during the coming season.

Mr. Hurd plans to open a local cannery, which for this year will handle tomatoes only. If successful, the plant, it is expected, will be eventually expanded to handle various fruits and vegetables grown in the Umpqua valley.

Arrangements have already been made for tomato acreage to afford the cannery a pack of 25,000 cases. Mr. Hurd will this week, it is expected, complete arrangements for a site and for installation of necessary machinery and equipment.

Mr. Hurd, a son of the late C. J. Hurd, for several years agricultural agent for Douglas county, was employed for many years in the cannery business at Eugene, and is now serving with a large Salem cannery.

He has been in communication for the past three years with the Roseburg chamber of commerce, which has been aiding him in the local arrangements now nearing completion.

PORTLAND COUNCILMEN TIE ON TOWNSEND PLAN

PORTLAND, Ore., March 20.—(AP)—Mayor Joseph K. Carson and three city commissioners tied two to two in a vote on the proposal to ask congress to pass the Townsend old-age pension plan. Carson and Commissioner Bean said such a program was not city business. Carson joined a Townsend club last week. Commissioner Riley was not present for the vote.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF SOUTHERN OREGON IN SESSION AT ASHLAND

ASHLAND, March 20.—(Spl.)—A notable gathering of Knights Templar was held at the Masonic temple in Ashland Wednesday evening, the occasion being a district convention representing the southern Oregon Commanderies of the order, which are located at Ashland, Grants Pass, Roseburg, Marshfield and Klamath Falls, to receive an official visit from Grand Commander Carl W. Evertsen of Marshfield and his staff.

Dinner was served at 6:45 o'clock at the temple dining room, which was filled almost to capacity.

Malta Commandery, after opening in full form, officially received the distinguished visitors and this was followed by exemplification of the temple degree, the visitors highly complimenting the work of the degree team of the local commandery.

Members of his staff who accompanied Grand Commander Evertsen on his official visit included L. L. Scott, deputy grand commander, of Portland; E. O. Potter of Eugene, grand captain general; D. R. Cheney of Portland, grand recorder; D. F. Robertson of Marshfield, grand prelate; C. Bruce Stewart of Corvallis, grand generalissimo; Geo. J. Walton of Klamath Falls, grand guard; Arthur Molesworth, Portland, E. E. Magee of Klamath Falls, and G. W. Dunn of Ashland, past commanders.

Other visitors included D. J. Van Fleet, commander of Calvary Commandery, Klamath Falls; Jas. Hume, commander Ascalon Commandery of Roseburg; L. B. Hall, commander Melita Commandery, Grants Pass; Stowell Dawson, Albany; Stanwill Davidson and E. M. Wilson, past grand masters of A. F. & A. M.

PORTLAND, Ore., March 20.—(AP)—Portland's annual spring opening drew thousands of people to downtown streets last night. The windows will remain unchanged until Sunday.

CREDIT CLAIMED FOR ORIGINATING MOVIE DRAWINGS

PARIS (UP) — Contending that Emile Cohl, 80-year old French artist, is the real creator of animated screen drawings, the French press had adopted an air of injured dignity in regard to the naming of Walt Disney, father of Mickey Mouse, as Knight of the French Legion of Honor.

Several French journalists have banded together to right "this injustice" and to give Emile Cohl the "honor, financial recompense and security against old age that is his right." Various stories, dwelling chiefly on the tear-filled eyes and trembling voice of the white-haired artist, bewail the fact that his pioneer work has been forgotten.

Two sketches, primitive in style, illustrate one of the defensive articles. Cohl, who named his characters "The Pantoches," made sketchy black and white drawings in which arms and legs were indicated by scanty lines without any of the clever detail work shown in the Disney drawings.

Interviewed recently, the veteran artist explained, "I had been successful in newspaper work and fell into cinema work by a streak of luck, having got my inspiration for cinema cartoons from an advertising signboard I happened to pass in the street.

"I sold my idea to a film director, who first made fun of me and then gave me a contract. I made still drawings for a while and then got the idea of making an animated cartoon for the screen. I had much success between 1908 and 1912, when I was called to America, where other people began to copy my work. The war came along and I returned to France, where I found that I could get no financial backing. I threw up the sponge. I had to live.

"I have made a living, but I shall protest to the last against those who disregard the truth, and refuse to admit that I am the first to create animated drawings for the cinema. What people thought was a joke at first has given something fine and noble to the cinema. I don't expect recognition, for France always has a tendency to recognize her artists and scholars only when they are resting beneath marble stones."

Although the artist feels that he has been abused both by France and the United States, and that his original crude animated cartoons have been ignored, he will receive recompense from friends and journalists, who will make sure of his comforts for the rest of his life.

WILLIAMS TO RUN HE TELLS DORRIS

EUGENE, Ore., March 20.—(AP)—Ralph Williams reconsidered and will be a candidate for re-election as Republican national committeeman for Oregon, he notified Ben Dorris, Lane county candidate for the same position.

Dorris, who went into the race only after Williams said he would not be a candidate, will stay in the race.

"I cannot turn back now," said Dorris. "My papers were filed some weeks back. A great many prominent and active Republicans have assured me of their support."

Dorris said Williams wired that he was sincere when he stated recently he would not be a candidate, but changed his mind in view of the widespread draft movement in his behalf."

Meteorological Report

Forecasts

Medford and vicinity: Increasing cloudiness tonight and Saturday, becoming unsettled; cooler Saturday.

Oregon: Increasing cloudiness tonight and Saturday; unsettled in west portion; cooler west portion Saturday.

Local Data

Temperature a year ago today: highest 44; lowest 38.

Total monthly precipitation, trace; deficiency for the month, 1.10 inches.

Total precipitation since September 1, 1935, 16.34 inches; excess for the season, 2.59 inches.

Relative humidity at 5 p. m. yesterday, 24 per cent; 5 a. m. today, 89 per cent.

Observations Taken at 5 A. M., 120th Meridian Time

CITY	High Temp. Past 24 Hours	Lowest Temp. Last Night	Precipitation: Past 24 Hours	Weather
Boise	62	34	.00	Clear
Boston	52	40	.02	P Cloudy
Chicago	36	32	.14	Cloudy
Denver	54	38	.00	Clear
Eureka	66	46	.00	Clear
Helena	54	36	.00	P Cloudy
Los Angeles	82	58	.00	Cloudy
Medford	79	35	.00	Clear
New York	54	38	.06	Clear
Omaha	52	30	.00	Clear
Phoenix	90	54	.00	Cloudy
Portland	66	44	.00	Clear
Reno	68	40	.00	P Cloudy
Roseburg	70	38	.00	Clear
Salt Lake	58	30	.00	Clear
San Francisco	76	52	.00	Cloudy
Seattle	58	42	.00	Clear
Spokane	58	32	.00	Clear
Walla Walla	66	....	....	Clear
Wash., D. C.	46	36	.06	Clear

VERNAL EQUINOX, SPRING, TRA-LA, MAKES ARRIVAL

Spring began officially at 10:58 this morning.

It is a popular understanding that spring begins March 21 and that is very nearly correct. Meteorologists and astronomers, however, are much more precise, and are not satisfied with anything that is not absolutely correct. Any meteorologist or astronomer worth his salt will not tolerate generalities. Although they deal with infinite time and space, they do not hesitate to split a second or divide a millimeter.

So the eminent scientists state that precisely at 10:58 this morning, Pacific standard time, spring began. At that moment the sun crossed the equator on its swing to the north. That is the vernal equinox.

Today, the sun strikes all parts of the earth from pole to pole. Everywhere it rises due east and sets due west. Everywhere it is above the horizon 12 hours.

In winter the sun appears low in the south, but in summer is very high. This is due, scientists explain, to the earth's annual trip around the sun and the fact that the pole tips 23½ degrees from an upright orbital position. From December to June the sun's daily path across the sky gradually moves farther north.

Ancient methods allowed the beginning of spring to wander widely throughout the calendar. Leap years were finally adopted as a means of keeping the vernal equinox near a fixed date.

BILL DAY, VETERAN MASONIC OFFICIAL, MARKS BIRTHDAY

ASHLAND, March 20.—(Spl.)—William Day, veteran Masonic secretary and one of Ashland's grandest and most beloved old men, celebrated his 85th birthday Thursday convalescing from an attack of illness which has confined him to his home for several days.

Widely known among the members of the Masonic fraternity in Oregon, nearly all the Knights Templar from upstate in attendance at the district convention in Ashland Thursday evening were personal acquaintances who familiarly refer to him as "Bill" Day. Those who did not call on him while here joined in a written birthday greeting message to their friend and frater.

Mr. Day has been a Masonic lodge secretary for more than half a century, his career in this line beginning in Iowa and continuing in Oregon, more than half of that period covered as secretary of Masonic bodies in Ashland. He still carries on as secretary of the three York Rite bodies here.

Mr. Day was born in Canada but nearly all his life has been spent in his adopted land to which he has always been loyally devoted. He served an apprenticeship as printer in early youth and followed the trade for many years in the good old days of hand typesetting. "Bill" has always loved to write, too, and he has done a lot of that part of newspaper work both in Iowa and Oregon, besides keeping up a voluminous correspondence in connection with his lodge secretaryships.

With Mrs. Day, who outranks him in age by two years, Mr. Day has made his home in Ashland for some 30 years, interested and active in community welfare and in the welfar of their many personal friends and acquaintances.

Legislature Candidate

PORTLAND, Ore., March 20.—(AP)—Samuel S. Jackson, Portland attorney, announced he will be a candidate for the Republican nomination for state representative from Multnomah county on a platform calling for old-age pensions, unemployment insurance, state retention of power sites and greater compensation for injured workers.

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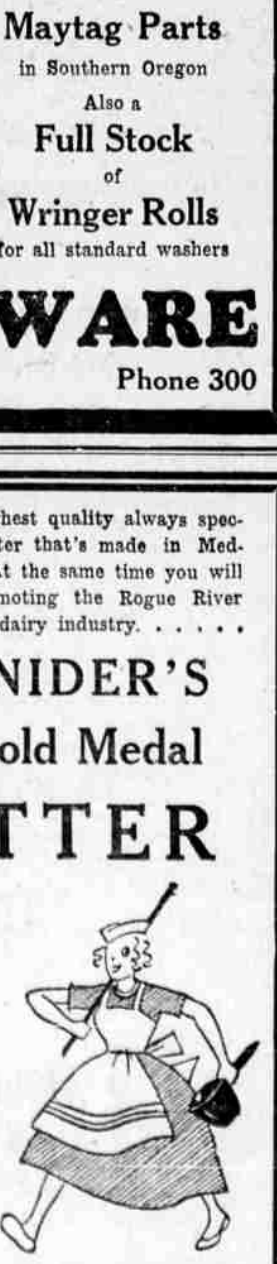

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