



IN MARINE AMATEUR SHOW—The Medford phase of the state-wide talent show and amateur contest will be held at 8 p.m. Saturday in the auditorium of the Medford high school. Patsy White, 16 (above) will be one of some 35 performers who will compete to represent Medford in the state finals in Portland in July. A number of local and state officers of the Marine Corps League, which is sponsoring the show, will be on hand tomorrow night. Proceeds will go to the Marines' rehabilitation fund.

Spud 'Famine' Seen For Another Month

Washington—(U.P.)—The current potato "famine," which has driven the price of spuds sky-high will probably not end for another month, according to Ag-

riculture Department officials. Their estimate is based on the fact that early crop potatoes from the Southwest will probably not start flowing into markets until June in sufficient quantity to relieve shortages and drive down prices.

Early Crop May Help
The early crop potatoes may help relieve some of the widespread market dislocations which have resulted in potato shortages in certain areas. For instance, the late-harvested Maine potatoes were diverted for the first time this winter to scarcity spots on the West Coast, causing shortages in Eastern markets.

The agriculture experts however foresee no permanent end to the potato famine. They pointed out that farmers intend to plant only about the same number of potatoes this year as in 1951. They cut back production about 100,000,000 bushels last year, the first time in eight years there were no government price guarantees for their crops.

The Agriculture Department had requested a 7 per cent boost in potato production but farmers balked, partially because of the lack of government price supports and also in resistance to government price ceilings.

Despite rising potato prices and unofficial reports of "black markets" in some areas, government price officials claim ceilings have not been pierced in any of the various pricing areas. The latest Agriculture Depart-

GOP Headquarters Opened Yesterday In Jacksonville

Jacksonville — The youth of the United States must realize they have a country to save, according to Ralph Moody, noted Salem constitutional lawyer. Moody, a former resident of the Rogue valley, spoke yesterday at the formal opening of the first Republican party headquarters to serve the Jacksonville and Applegate areas in almost 50 years.

The people of the United States must think for themselves and their country this general election, the speaker stated. "Our country is in very dangerous times because we have allowed demagogues to lead us astray," Moody said. He added that the people are becoming indolent because of government handouts.

Not Matter of Expediency
Moody urged election of a man "who will insist on a constitutional government." He warned that election of a Republican president is "not merely a matter of expediency" and ability to get votes.

Moody paid tribute to Jacksonville as one of the outstanding and most historic cities of Oregon. He recalled his acquaintance with many of the city's outstanding early day residents, including C. C. Beckman, banker and Republican candidate for governor of Oregon in 1878, William Colvig, district attorney and later judge, and H. K. Hanna, judge and father of the present Jacksonville circuit judge.

The Salem attorney also recalled having met President Rutherford B. Hayes during the president's trip to Oregon. He stated that Hayes was the first president to visit Jacksonville and was the president who had the well-known dispute over a hotel bill with the owner of the U. S. hotel.

Also on the program was Gus Newbury, Medford attorney and long-time resident of this area. Newbury told of arriving in Jacksonville by stagecoach in November, 1881.

Others on the program who spoke briefly were Albert Hackert, mayor of Jacksonville; Mrs. Curtis Hopkins, Jackson county GOP chairman and candidate for delegate to the national convention from the fourth congressional district; Bob Elliott, Republican state chairman and candidate for delegate to the national convention from the state at large; Walter Nunley, candidate for district attorney, and George Carter, candidate for reelection as county clerk and recorder.

Attorney Emcee
Edward Hanley, Medford attorney and member of a pioneer Jacksonville family, acted as master of ceremonies.

The ceremony was held in the historic Jacksonville city hall, which was constructed in 1856 as the Maury and Davis General store.

Hanley told the audience that the party headquarters, at 111 California street, will serve the entire Jacksonville and Applegate areas as a Republican central station. The headquarters will remain open until the November 4 general election, he stated.

University Students Plan Mock Convention

Eugene—(U.P.)—The University of Oregon's "Operations Politics," a mock Republican national convention which student leaders hope will name as presidential nominee the man actually to be chosen at Chicago in July, is to be staged here in McArthur court Friday night.

Gov. Val Peterson of Nebraska will give the keynote address, highlighting a week of preparation by campus factions for the major GOP candidates.

ment price report showed that farmers received an average of \$2.31 a bushel for potatoes during the month ended April 16—over the legal level at which price ceilings are set.



CONVENTION SPEAKER—Judge George Rossman, associate justice of the Oregon supreme court, is shown at right, above, talking with Harold Miller, (left) Eugene, second vice-president of Active International; James Shelton, (center) Grants Pass, governor of Active Club District 3, and George Schuler, (right) president of the Medford Active club. Judge Rossman was the principal speaker at a District 3 Active club convention held here recently.

—(Brainerd photo)

25 SOC Students Leaving Tomorrow For Tour in S.F.

Ashland—Twenty-five Southern Oregon college students will leave Ashland early tomorrow for the spring culture tour to San Francisco, according to Dr. D. E. McAuley, director of the activity. The quarterly trip will supplement classroom work by offering a variety of programs not available on campus.

Highlight of the tour will be attendance at a Monday evening piano concert by Arthur Rubenstein to be presented at the San Francisco Opera house. The group will also witness the regular Sunday evening performance of the "Standard Hour."

To Inspect School
Accompanying students will be four Lincoln Laboratory school staff members who will spend Monday visiting the Comodore Sloat school. Dr. McAuley said the institution is one of the most modern on the Pacific coast and the Ashland group will observe administrative organization, curriculum development, personnel guidance and community relations.

Other points of interest to be visited will be the zoo, Cliff house, Palace of Legion of Honor, China Town, the DeYoung museum, aquarium, and Fisherman's wharf. A boat trip around San Francisco bay is an innovation of the spring tour.

The group will leave Ashland by chartered bus at 4:30 a.m. tomorrow, stopping at Shasta dam on the way south. The return trip will be made late Monday night. Expense for each student for the three-day trip will be only \$30, Dr. McAuley said.

Navy Added to List Of Margarine Users

Washington—(U.P.)—Stand by, sailor, and prepare to take on oleomargarine.

The Senate Armed Services Committee has approved a bill which would make margarine a permissible part of the Navy ration.

Air Force and Army Quartermasters may now use margarine. The Navy can not now use it because it is not included in the ration which was fixed by law.

The bill, sponsored by Sen. J. William Fulbright, D-Ark., would simply permit—not require—the Navy to use oleomargarine. It has not been approved by the House.

Perl Funeral Home Has New Staff Member

Walter Smith, recently of Salem, is now on the staff of Perl funeral home.

Smith, a licensed director and embalmer, has had 30 years' experience in the business. He previously operated a funeral home at Independence.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith are residing at the mortuary.

Mass Meeting Set To Explain Plan For Weather Law

A mass meeting to explain the campaign of the Moisture Conservation League Inc., to outlaw weather control and cloud seeding in Jackson county has been scheduled for the Eagle Point Grange hall at 8 p.m. today, according to league members.

Initiative petitions are now being circulated by the league and will be explained at today's meeting, according to Jim Miller, president. A total amounting to eight per cent of the voters in the last election must sign the petitions to place the measure on the ballot at the November 4 general election.

Provisions Listed
The measure is entitled "an act prohibiting weather control and cloud modification in Jackson county." It would make it unlawful for any person, firm or corporation other than the United States government or the state of Oregon to use any mechanical device or chemical substance within the county for weather control or cloud modification, or production or prevention of snow, rain, hail or moisture precipitation.

The proposed measure would make violators guilty of a misdemeanor and would subject them to one year in the Jackson county jail, or a \$500 fine, or both.

According to Miller, any persons interested in signing the petitions and unable to attend today's meeting, may do so by contacting Attorney Edward Hanley at Room 212, Leverette building, Medford. Hanley and Bruce Hanley are attorneys for the Moisture Conservation league.

Red-winged blackbirds outgrow the nest 12 days after hatching. Albatrosses and condors remain nestlings for six months.

Responsibility Denied In Indian Land Suit

Portland—(U.P.)—E. Morgar Pryse, area director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs here, Thursday denied responsibility for the transfer of interest in 800 acres of Indian trust lands at Gold Beach.

Testifying in federal court before Judge Gus J. Solomon, Pryse declared he had been misled by his staff and that he would not have signed the transfer papers if he had known an Indian woman, Mrs. Ernestine C. Siniscal, was acting as the agent for a white man, Henry B. Taylor, The Dalles.

"It is a pure fraud," Pryse said. The sale is the subject of a suit brought by the federal government in an attempt to cancel the transaction.

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If flower lovers want to see a beautiful bed of azaleas, they should look at those in the yard of W. A. Gates, 31 Crater Lake avenue, according to C. B. Cordy, county horticultural agent. While only a small planting, the azaleas are now a flaming mass of color and an unusually beautiful sight, Cordy said yesterday. Gates planted the azaleas about 18 years ago, and has given them unusual care, keeping the bed soaking wet in the summer and combining peat moss with the soil about once in three years. The red azaleas in the foreground, Gates said, are "flaming azaleas" and two additional colors were planted at the

back for contrast. Agent Cordy pointed out that since azaleas require soil with little lime and a moist, humid climate for best results, gardeners haven't had much success with them here. "People like Mr. Gates have just enough success to keep the others trying," Cordy concluded.

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