

# Medical Authorities Plan Institute Here

A number of prominent and nationally known medical authorities will be in Jackson County Tuesday through Friday to bring recent information to an institute on the principles of epidemiology to be held at Southern Oregon College.

The Jackson county health department and the Jackson County Health association are making arrangements.

One of four to be held in Oregon, is being sponsored by the Communicable Disease Center, U. S. Public Health Service and the Oregon State Board of Health. Purpose of the institute is to bring most recent knowledge in the field of communicable diseases and diseases affecting large groups of people to public health personnel. Lectures and discussions will center around the newest trends and general principles of epidemiology with emphasis on the team approach to communicable disease control, according to Dr. E. A. Merkel, county health officer.

The institute is open to public health workers, physicians, nurses (including school nurses, industrial nurses and teaching staff) sanitarians, laboratory workers, statisticians, veterinarians, social workers, nutritionists and clerical personnel in the medical field.

**Teaching Staff**

The teaching staff will include Dr. Leonard M. Schuman, associate professor of public health, University of Minnesota; Dr. Carl Eklund, medical director, Rocky Mountain Laboratory,

Montana; Dr. Wallace B. Gidd, laboratory and epidemiology section, Washington State Health Department; Dr. James Lieberman, communicable disease center, Dr. George Adams, chief civil defense training section, Atlanta, Georgia; Dr. George Adams, U. S. Public Health Service; Atlanta; Eugene Lehr, chief department health education and welfare, Washington D. C.; Hazel Shortal, B. N., public health nurse, San Francisco; Charles V. Wright, sanitary engineer, public health service, Seattle; Dr. William Levin, Dr. Sam B. Osgood, Dr. Robert M. Heilmann, Miss Christian Ling, Dr. Monroe Holmes, Dr. Ralph Sullivan, Dr. Verne Miller and Dr. Robbin Moser of the Oregon State Board of Health.

**Discussion Topics**

Dr. David Miller, associate chief operations research heart disease control program, Washington, D. C. will discuss new trends in heart disease; Dr. John Dunn, cancer control officer, Berkeley, Calif. will discuss cancer control and Dr. Edward Blomquist, chief tuberculosis control officer, Washington, D. C. will present a discussion of the epidemiology of tuberculosis and chronic diseases. Some of the other topics include insect and rodent borne diseases, food diseases, occupational hazards, enteric and virus diseases.

Similar institutes held at the same time and using the same faculty are being held in Portland and Eugene with attendance limited to 150 at each session.

## Is That So?

A bootblack once told me that by looking a person's shoes, he could tell a great deal about the wearer's habits. So, too, can the woodsman by studying the feet of strange animals.

Generally among swift-moving animals, like the pronghorn, antelope, the tendency is toward small feet with few toes. But animals living on soft ground — such as sand (gazelle), or marsh (moose), or snow (lynx) — go to other extremes and develop a wide, long, snow-shoe-type foot. Those on rocky terrain evolve skidproof feet.

Sand dwellers have developed comparatively wide feet, usually extended even farther by stiff hair, so that they can move over the sand like water striders on the surface film of water.

The porcupine, a desert rat, developed heavily-haired hindfeet which act as snowshoes, or rather sand-shoes. As a result, this 7-inch fellow can skim over the sand lightly, and quickly, making 15-foot long leaps without sinking into the sand.

Of those animals living among rocky terrain, such as the Dall sheep, mountain goat, and big-horn sheep, their skidproof hooves are marvelously adapted for rock work, to the envy of every mountain climber. The sole of each cloven toe is concave with sharp edges so that each one, when pressed down hard after a jump, acts as a suction cup. To help even more, the clefts between the two toes on each foot open toward the front and when descending a steep rock surface, the weight of the animal spreads the toes wider and they clamp down, even more firmly on the smooth rock.

For the snow dwellers, even larger feet act as their natural snowshoes. The lynx as contrasted with its southern cousin the bobcat, wears a snowshoe that is formed by a thick growth of hair on the sides and soles of the already large feet.

For a large animal, the car-

By EUGENE BURNS  
Ranger-Naturalist

## FPC Said Unaware of Idaho Tax Write-Off

Washington — (UP) — Chairman Jerome K. Kykendall of the Federal Power Commission said today he had "no indication" the Idaho Power Co. would get fast tax write-off privileges when the commission approved licenses to build two Pacific Northwest dams. At the time the licenses were issued, in August, 1955, he said, he was "led to believe" the company "didn't need and didn't expect" the benefits.

Kykendall told a Senate Judiciary Subcommittee hearing that T. E. Roach, president of Idaho Power, had said the firm had "faint hope" of getting write-offs for construction of the Brownlee and Oxbow dams.

### STAR GAZER

By CLAY R. POLLAN

Year Daily Activity Guide  
To develop message for Sunday, read words corresponding to numbers of your Zodiac sign.

ARIES	Taurus	Gemini	Cancer	Leo	Virgo	Libra	Scorpio	Sagittarius	Capricorn	Janus	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
11-16-19	2-18-14	3-20-14	4-20-14	5-14-14	6-14-14	7-14-14	8-14-14	9-14-14	10-14-14	11-14-14	12-14-14	1-14-14	2-14-14	3-14-14	4-14-14	5-14-14	6-14-14	7-14-14	8-14-14	9-14-14	10-14-14

1. A. 2. B. 3. C. 4. D. 5. E. 6. F. 7. G. 8. H. 9. I. 10. J. 11. K. 12. L. 13. M. 14. N. 15. O. 16. P. 17. Q. 18. R. 19. S. 20. T. 21. U. 22. V. 23. W. 24. X. 25. Y. 26. Z.

## NEWS NOTES from Medford High School

**Edited by James Boyd**

**Hectic** is the only word that can describe the seniors as they scurry about wearing last minute make-up time, paying library fines, or cramming for final exams.

The 280 member graduating class will attend baccalaureate services at Hedrick Junior High today at 8 p.m. At this service the class hopes to be inspired

## Miller, Marilyn Have No Comment On His Conviction

Washington — Playwright Arthur Miller and his actress wife, Marilyn Monroe, celebrated her 31st birthday Saturday in seclusion with "no comment" on his contempt of Congress conviction.

The Pulitzer Prize winner, free on \$1,000 bail, and his blonde wife left their New York home Friday by car. A few hours earlier Federal Judge Charles F. McLaughlin here found Miller guilty on two counts of contempt for refusing to identify persons at a 1947 Communist writers meeting.

"I will have no comment at this time and neither will my wife," Miller said after hearing the judge's verdict.

**Sentence Delayed**

Miller may not be sentenced for two or three weeks or longer while McLaughlin awaits receipt of the usual pre-sentencing report from the probation office. In that time, the case might be complicated by a Supreme Court ruling on a similar case involving Illinois Labor Leader John T. Watkins. The high court is expected to hand down a decision on the Watkins case before the close of its current term expected in mid-June.

McLaughlin cited an appeals court ruling in the Watkins case in his 15-page decision. It said the fact that an inquiry "may reveal something or 'expose' something (one's) friends is incidental and without effect upon the validity of the inquiry."

"However commendable" Miller's motives were in refusing to inform on his associates, that had no bearing on the legal points of the case, McLaughlin said.

## Americans Feared Held by Hungary

Vienna — Austrian authorities report two American students who disappeared while taking a tourists' peek at the heavily-fortified Austro-Hungarian border were feared kidnapped by Hungary's Communist police.

Austrian police identified them as Myron A. Gilbert, 20, and Warren William Hair, 20. Their home towns were not known immediately and the U.S. Embassy had not yet been officially notified of their disappearance.

An official attached to the state police in Burgenland Province bordering Hungary said the two Americans had been missing since Sunday. He said police were notified of the disappearance by an Austrian girl tentatively identified as Buy de Peron.

They quoted her as saying Gilbert told her to go to the police and to the U.S. Embassy if they failed to return from their visit to the border.

## Illinois Valley Lions Hold Installation

Cave Junction — Bill Roling, Grants Pass, Lions club district governor, installed new officers at the Illinois Valley Lions club ladies night banquet Tuesday evening.

Officers who were later welcomed by Deputy District Governor Larry Sheehan of Rogue River, are Dr. Joseph Meyer, president; Will Benjamin, first vice-president; Walt Colpitts, second vice-president; Carroll Banks, third vice-president; Marshall Burrows, Lion tamer; Claude Reinhold, secretary-treasurer; Frank Knight, tail twister; and Wes Peters and Vernon Larson, directors.

During a short business meeting, plans were made for a Lions golf tournament this summer, to be held at the Rancho park course. Lions are also forming a softball team for competition in the summer recreation program.

## Mayflower II Reports Progress in Voyage

London — The Mayflower II was reported sailing on her northwesterly course at six knots Saturday by Commander Alan Villiers.

The replica of the Pilgrim ship has made 47 miles west and 70 miles north during the last 24 hours.

Friday the ship was reported within 1,500 miles of Plymouth, Mass.

## Sinatra, DiMaggio Sued for Big Damages

Los Angeles — Singer Frank Sinatra and former baseball star Joe DiMaggio have been sued for \$200,000 damages by the victim of the "Wrong Door" raid on Nov. 5, 1954, which was aimed at film star Marilyn Monroe.

Mrs. Florence Ross, 39, charged Friday she had suffered a nervous disorder as a result of the raid initiated by DiMaggio in which private detectives broke into her apartment, mistaking it for one in which Miss Monroe was staying.

At that time, DiMaggio had just been divorced from the blonde film star and according to testimony at a State Senate

## Phoenix Boy Admits Part in 'Y' Burglary

A 15-year-old Phoenix boy was released to his parents early last week after he was taken into custody by sheriff's officers in connection with a burglary at the Ashland YMCA.

They said he admitted participation in the theft of approximately \$100 from the Y, along with three other Ashland juveniles. One youth is in jail and the others were returned to their homes, deputies said.

The arrests cleared up a number of other Ashland crimes, it was reported.

hearing into activities of private detectives was keeping tabs on his ex-wife.

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