



RECEIVE TROPHIES—Archbishop Edward D. Howard, Portland, last week awarded Mary Ann Carnegie (third from left) and Linda Metz trophies for winning the second annual Catholic Charities essay contest for western Oregon. Miss Carnegie's entry was judged the best of 150 received, and Miss Metz accepted the trophy for the first place school. The Very Rev. Carl Mai, pastor of Sacred Heart Catholic church, watches the presentation.

Dr. Stevenson Compiles Special Report on Scholarship Awards

Ashland - Scholarship aids, both academic and athletic, to designated Southern Oregon college students have been compiled in a special report by Dr. Elmo N. Stevenson, college president, to Dr. Earl M. Pallett, secretary of the state board of education.

"There are three points to be brought out in connection with this report," Dr. Stevenson commented. "For one, the sum received for such scholarship aids is largely concerned with tuition and fees. We need additional monies for the able students who are forced to drop out of college each year for lack of sufficient loan funds for board, room, and other emergency contingencies."

"A second point to be considered," Dr. Stevenson continued, "is that we rank among the lowest of all the state institutions in the receipt of both academic and athletic funds for scholarships."

Third observation: "My third observation," he pointed out, "is that there is a wide disparity between academic and athletic scholarships. We can by no means be accused of over-emphasizing athletics at the expense of scholarship at Southern Oregon college."

"As previously pointed out," he concluded, "we need and will welcome contributions in either category. Scholastic standards are observed, of course, for every student receiving a scholarship at our college regardless of the type or amount involved."

State scholarships for 1958-59 totaled \$21,558 with 408 awarded. Of this number, 15 were for foreign students and 27 for Hawaiian and Alaskan students. It is anticipated that this fund will be increased in 1959-60 to \$23,518, it was stated.

Local scholarship awards that have been established on a yearly basis include: Ashland Elks 10 at \$100 each; Oregon Congress of the Parent-Teachers association nine at \$186 each; Ashland Rotary one at \$186; Delta Kappa Gamma, Epsilon Chapter one at \$186; Ashland Soroptimist club one at \$186; Mills Award one at

\$100; Bernard Daly Educational Funda seven at \$600; Amalia Britt four at \$250; a total of 34 students given help from this source.

The combined funds from these sources this year, including \$23 in excess of the \$1,000 presented by the Ashland Elks, came to \$8,555 with an anticipated \$9,132 available for the following year.

Additional awards of a less predictable nature such as those received from Standard Oil, the Amalia and Emil Britt loan fund, Oregon high schools, Parent Teachers associations, alumni groups, Dad's and Mother's clubs, totaled \$3,621.46 from 29 such sources. Relying upon an equal sum from these sources during the coming year, the combined monies available for academic scholarships will approximate \$36,271, it was reported.

During the current year, athletic scholarships totaled \$2,632. Of this sum, the Southern Oregon College Booster's club contributed 12 scholarships at \$186; the Ashland Elks club two at \$100; and individuals two at \$100.

For the coming year, the SOC Boosters plan to raise their contribution from 15 to 18 scholarships, the report stated, thus bringing the anticipated sum available for such scholarships to \$3,190 for the next year.

High School Band Concert Scheduled

The Medford High school band will present its annual spring concert in the high school auditorium Tuesday, April 14, starting at 8 p.m.

Featured this year will be the "senior symphony band," a recently organized group composed chiefly of seniors and advanced students from the junior and sophomore classes, according to I. R. Mirick, director of instrumental music for Medford public schools.

The concert band numbers 105 pieces, and the senior symphony band has 66 members, he said. The senior symphony band will be featured during the first portion of the program.

Other features of the program will include a swing trumpet trio, "Trumpets Wild," composed of Ted Lawson, Bob Sheldon and Dick Hildebrand; selections from the "Music Man," the second movement of the Nordic symphony by Howard Hanson, a saxophone quartet which received top rating at the recent music contest, Eric Leiden's "First Swedish Rhapsody," Frescobaldi's "Toccata," the finale of Kallinikov's Symphony No. 1 in G minor and others.

10 Acres Annexed to Ashland by Council

Ashland - The city council last week annexed 10 acres of land owned by Our Lady of the Mountain Catholic church in the southwest area of the city.

The annexation ordinance stipulates that only five acres of the property be supplied with city water.

Welfare of People One of Major Concerns of Religious Culture

(Editor's note: This is another in a series of articles by Rita Holmes, Oregon state director of Senior Citizens of America, in which she discusses the problems of senior citizens. It was prepared as part of the national observance of Senior Citizen Week.)

By RITA M. HOLMES
The welfare of people - in all walks of life - has been one of the major concerns of the religious communities of our culture since their very beginning. Within these communities older people have long been treated with respect and cared for with love.

Today, in keeping with the spirit of compassion and service which is at the heart of the religious life, an increasing number of churches and synagogues are turning their attention to the well being of their senior citizens.

Leaders in the churches and synagogues are well aware that there has been a change in the age structure of the population of the United States. The increased proportion of older people and lessening of younger ones, will affect practical application of their program.

With the aging of our population, there has not been a proportionate increase in facilities, opportunities, and rights of the old. Expanding industry has drawn young people to the cities and to smaller living quarters; a surplus of younger workers has brought about the unemployment of older people long before their ability to work has lessened. In many other ways society has not kept pace with its new population structure.

Because the basic faith of churches and synagogues includes concern for the worth of human beings, churches and synagogues have always exercised a special responsibility for guiding and protecting every individual, they concern themselves with persons in every age group.

Churches and synagogues offer a view of life which will enable many, if not most persons as they approach the later years, to continue as normal human beings, meeting the stress and strain of modern every day life successfully.

Aging is a part of the life process. No group in the life

Phoenix High to Produce Play

Phoenix - "Bull in a China Shop," a three-act mystery-comedy by C. B. Gilford, will be presented by the Phoenix High Mask club in the high school gym, Friday and Saturday, April 24 and 25, at 8 p.m.

A cast of 12, including four with previous experience, have been working on the play for four weeks and will be supported by a production staff of more than 30.

The play revolves around Dennis O'Finn, played by Eldon Mitchell, and six elderly women living together in a boarding house.

Others in the cast include Jack Hoffbuh, Nedra Harris, Nancy Stewart, Joyce Stockstill, Darilyn Popow, Karen Golding, Gail Glidden, Darlene Palmer, Leon Small, Don MacKintosh and Bill Oldham.

"Bull in a China Shop," is being directed by Bob Myrick, advisor to the dramatic group. He is assisted by student director, Tom Troxel. A large production staff is headed by several student chairmen. They include: Sandy Skinner, publicity manager; Margaret Bolz and Sharee Skipworth, make-up managers; Roger Kelson, lighting director; Lola Good, house manager; Joyce Hunter, property manager; and Ernie Bolz and Don MacKintosh, managers of the stage crew.

Tickets may be purchased at Phoenix High school.

TALKS TO RESUME
Geneva - U.S. Ambassador James J. Wadsworth arrived by plane yesterday for the nuclear ban conference which reconvenes Monday after a three-week recess. Wadsworth heads the U.S. delegation in the talks with Britain and Soviet Russia. He is lined to make any statement at the airport.

process lives in a vacuum or away from God's interest and care. Aging cannot be separated from the whole process of living.

In the field of the aging, the churches and synagogues have a distinctive contribution to make through pastoral care. Preparations for aging begins with birth. Churches and synagogues should deliberately include instruction on aging in their educational practices, educating youth and middle-aged persons upon the subject of aging.

The churches and synagogues can play a significant part in changing the popular attitude toward older people - they should lead the community to see all men as children of God as many of the personal problems of the aging arise from the community's failure to provide properly for its older citizens in the area of health, housing, education, recreation and worth while things to do.

Loss of Roles
One of the most tragic aspects of old age for many people is the loss of useful roles, resulting in the lack of a sense of being needed and wanted, even the feeling that the very purpose of their existence has vanished. Loneliness, withdrawal, and frustration steadily increase under such circumstances and

deterioration of both mind and body is the inevitable outcome.

Churches and synagogues with their traditional emphasis on fellowship, mutual concern, group activity, and altruistic outreach, have an unmatched opportunity and obligation to help in the eradication of these twin enemies of the aged. No other agency in the community, including the family, is in a position to do a more effective job of role-restoring of role-rebuilding in the isolated and defeated among the elderly.

Another step in the involvement of older citizens could be the actual organizational approach, with all the older people sharing in the planning. Included in this program might well be a committee on the aging to work along side other committees. Give them an opportunity to be active contributing members of the community, a feeling of belonging and the dignity of being members of mankind.

Geared to Youth
Economically, socially, psychologically and ecclesiastically our country continues to be "geared to youth." In churches, families, factories and communities older maturity has largely been pushed aside and its assets disregarded. To further complicate mat-

ters youth has customarily promoted many prejudices and fallacious notions as regards the "proper role" for older people, and, strangely enough, elders have acted as if it were true. The churches and synagogues with the help of other community forces, could lead the way in breaking down this attitude.

There should not be an elevation of one age or group in the life of the church and community, but a dynamic balance of these human resources, plus the use and experience for the good of all. Every congregation might well embrace the slogan "No

shelves in this church - for any age."

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