

Dance All onlookers at the square dance in the Phoenix Community club will be admitted free, club officials announced. Only dancers will be charged. Dance starts 8 p.m.

Chickies Pre—The Ladies auxiliary of the Gibson Acres Pentecostal Church of God will hold a chicken fry and bazaar sale Saturday, May 7, from 11:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Central Point American Legion hall. The public is invited.

Locals

Recommendations—Firemen making annual home inspection calls yesterday issued 113 recommendations for correction of fire hazards. They inspected 162 homes and noted no hazards at 90. Occupants at 17 residences refused the inspection offer. Stops were made at 318 homes.

Meeting Monday—Dr. Leonard B. Mayfield, superintendent of Medford public schools, will speak on his trip to Russia at the Monday, May 9, meeting of the Jackson County 4-H Empire Builders' at 7:30 p.m. at the courthouse auditorium. Guests will be members of the Grants Pass Empire Builders club.

Eagles to Meet—Crater Lake aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles, and the auxiliary will hold a Mother's day program Sunday, May 8, at 3 p.m. in the Eagles hall. Gold Star Mothers and the auxiliary past mothers will be honored. Presidents Jack Caterline and Mrs. Violet England have asked that members attend. Last week end Jack Weber, past president, placed first among junior past presidents at the zone convention in Prineville.

Weather

FORECASTS
Medford and vicinity: Generally cloudy tonight and Saturday with occasional light rain. Partial clearing and showers late Saturday. Low tonight 42. High Saturday 48.
Western Oregon: Intermittent rain tonight and Saturday. Cooler Saturday. Low tonight 43-50. High Saturday 45-55.
Northern California: Showers tonight and Saturday morning, but fair otherwise. Night and morning fog near coast. Little temperature change.

LOCAL DATA

TEMPERATURE Mean yesterday 54, below normal 3. 24 hours to midnight, none. Midnight to 10 a.m., none.
Total this month 38 in. 36 inch above normal.
Total since Sept. 1, 14.43 inches, 1.4 inches below normal.
HUMIDITY Lowest yesterday 28%, highest this a.m. 85%.

CITY Yesterday's high and low

City	High	Low
Brookings	56	36
Crater Lake	54	33
Grants Pass	77	47
Klamath Falls	64	41
MEDFORD	73	47
Portland	68	38
Seaside	65	32
Spokane	62	34
Yakima	71	31
Eureka	58	48
Red Bluff	79	52
Sacramento	80	59
San Francisco	62	31
Los Angeles	72	57
Phoenix	77	58
Denver	46	35
Chicago	78	62
Miami Beach	81	63
New York	69	54
Washington, D. C.	76	51

FIVE-DAY FORECAST
Western Oregon—Western Washington—Temperatures average near or slightly below normal and precipitation more than normal with two or three shower periods. High generally 53-63 in western Washington and 58-68 in western Oregon. Minimums mostly in 40s.
Northern California—Occasional rain extreme north Friday night and Saturday and possibly again early in week. Temperatures near normal.

Over-the-Counter Western Stocks

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Common Stocks	Bid	Asked
Bank of America	43 1/2	45 1/2
Calif. Pacific Utilities	19 1/2	19 1/2
Cascades Plywood	31 1/2	34 1/2
Cons. Freightways	17 1/2	19
Copco	34 1/2	37
Cyprus Mines Corp.	23 1/2	25 1/2
First National Bank	52 1/2	53 1/2
Northwest Nat. Bank	21 1/2	22 1/2
Northwest Nat. Gas	20	21 1/2
Pacific Pwr. & Lt.	30 1/2	32 1/2
Permanente Cement	22 1/2	23 1/2
Portland Gen. Elec.	27 1/2	28 1/2
U. S. National Bank	69	70 1/2
United Utilities	42 1/2	43 1/2
West Coast Tel.	24 1/2	26
Weyerhaeuser	36 1/2	38 1/2

Investment Funds

Noon quotations on selected funds:

Fund	Bid	Asked
Pfund	12 1/4	13 1/4
Chem Fund	11 1/4	11 1/4
Colonial Ener.	11 1/4	12 1/4
Eaton Howard Stk.	11 1/4	12 1/4
Fidelity	14 1/4	15 1/4
Group Sec—Avia-Elec	8 1/4	9 1/4
Group Sec—Core Stk	11 1/4	12 1/4
Group Sec—Fetr	8 1/4	9 1/4

'The Birds' Found Entertaining; Play Slated Saturday

Sometimes a production doesn't live up to its advance publicity. But in the case of "The Birds," the reverse is true. The advance stories on the play didn't, and probably couldn't, convey how very entertaining and amusing this Greek play is.

The advance stories said "modern audiences find Aristophanes' plays delightful." The audience which saw the play produced by The Thespians, Medford High school honor group for drama students, last night in the auditorium seemed to find this true and laughed unrestrainedly many times as the cast romped through the comedy.

Of course, the hilarious version presented last night was "modernized" by Walter Kerr, New York critic and playwright married to Jean Kerr of "Don't Eat the Daisies" fame. Without research we aren't prepared to say how far the modernization goes. But whatever the combination of Greek and New Yorker—the results are truly delightful.

Seem More at Ease
"The Birds" is done in costume and strangely enough, the high school boys and girls seem more at ease on stage in the short Greek tunics, sandals and colorful bird costumes than they have in the past wearing jeans and shirts. The cast has great fun with "The Birds."

Terry Wick and Jim Pool play Pithetaerus and Euphides, the two young Greeks who leave Athens to seek a less empty and boring life with the birds, and who decide to build a city of their own in the sky with the birds ruling in the place of the long-established gods. They are aided by Epops, king of the birds played by Mark Goodman, and Procne (Marty Wyatt) his pretty nightingale wife, various other birds and a "bird chorus." Young

Wick's role is that of the "straight" man while Jim Pool is the comic. Both are excellent.

They name this utopia "Cloud Cuckooland" but no matter it is finished than the lawyers, inspectors, prophets, poets and real estate men move in (the latter plan a subdivision on the spot) and begin to spoil everything.

To see "The Birds" is to realize that many of today's tried and true comedies were known in the year 414 B.C. A couple of messengers enter and leave, by way of the audience, with the declared intention of finding the wash room and then Iris, "a small time Goddess" enters in a puff of smoke.

Iris, played with skill by Beverly Gubhard, walks with a provocative slink, talks in a rich Brooklyn accent, says she is "just out for a flap" and when Pithetaerus wants to call the buzzards and have her thrown out, declares she knows all about buzzards and how to manage them.

Members of the cast and chorus often lean over the footlights for a chummy "aside" to the audience, and the audience is admonished that if you don't like us, you can pan us during intermission; if you do like us, go home and tell your friends.

There are even a few lines addressed to the critics which this reviewer enjoyed enormously; we noted, too, that the Greeks knew about "pygals."

As we watched the performance last night, we decided that Sullivan's Wayne and Schuster were missing a bet by not producing Aristophanes. "The Birds" would be their meat and drink.

The Thespians and their director, Mrs. Lenore Zappell, have combined this comedy with a bit of ballet routine, bright costumes designed by student Penny Lion and made under her supervision, an imaginative stage setting and mood lighting. Stanley Zappell, the director's husband, designed and helped make the set which gives the illusion of the point where earth and sky meet. Colleen Hope supervised the dance interludes.

The play is being presented again Saturday at 8 p.m. in the auditorium.

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Obituaries

ANNIE L. MILLER
Annie L. Miller, 89, former Medford resident, died in Portland Tuesday.

She was born June 24, 1870, in Mt. Vernon, Ind., and moved to Oregon in 1909. A few years later she moved to Medford with her husband, George W. Miller. They lived at 145 South Oakdale ave.

They returned to Portland in 1956. Survivors include her husband, a daughter, Mrs. Edna M. Johnson, Portland, and two granddaughters.

C. C. BISH
C. C. Bish, former valley resident, died in a Seattle, Wash., hospital Wednesday following a short illness. His home was in Enumclaw, Wash.

He was born in Ashland about 1887, and moved with his parents to Washington and later to Canada. He returned to Washington about 1932.

Survivors include two sisters, Mrs. Don Anderson and Mrs. Harry Barneburg, both of Medford; four sons, four daughters, two brothers, several grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Mr. Bish lived with his sisters here at various times for many years.

Funeral services will be held in Enumclaw, Wash., Saturday, May 7.

CHARLES S. KEEN
Funeral services for Charles Everett Keen, 52, of Fowler rd., White City, who died Tuesday in Portland, will be held at Hillcrest Memorial chapel on the North Phoenix rd. Saturday at 11 a.m. The Rev. Ray E. Nelson of the Berean Baptist church, White City, will officiate. Committal will be in Hillcrest Memorial park, with Conger-Morris, funeral directors, in charge of arrangements.

Casket bearers will include Leo Crouse, Dayton Glenn, Donald Glenn, Richard Glenn, James Keen, and Lioner Keen Jr.

Mr. Keen was born Aug. 4, 1907, in Logan, Kans., and had lived in southern Oregon since 1942. He was married Nov. 7, 1926, in Phillips county, Kansas, to Alta Iris Howell, who survives.

Other survivors include two sons, Ralph Keen, Keating, Ore., and Jack Keen, White City; a daughter, Mrs. Francis Poole Jr., Eagle Point, Ore.; two sisters, Mrs. May Cooper, Indianola, Neb.; and Mrs. Leslie Howell, McCook, Neb.; two brothers, Emmett Keen, Deer Trail, Colo.; and Lionel Keen, Eagle Point; four grandchildren, and a host of nieces and nephews.

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