

COLUMBIA SEENING FOR FILM DRAMAS

Edison Players to Act Amid Oregon Scenery During Coming Summer.

FLOOD HORRORS DEPICTED

Motion Picture Reproductions of Recent Disasters in Middle West States Being Shown on Portland Theater Screens.

Columbia River scenery is to be filmed by the Edison players, with the beautiful Miss Laura Sawyer, one of the most accomplished photo-players in America, heading the company.

This work, which will mean much to Oregon and the Northwest, will be undertaken by the Edison players, now quartered at Del Monte, Cal., about June 1.

The object of the Edison players' company in coming here is two-fold, and the advertising for the company will be brought into requisition for rugged and gorgeous backgrounds for illustrating photo-plays of the Waverly novels.

There are 22 members in the Edison Players' Company, all of whom are recognized as among the best in the business. Miss Laura Sawyer, the leader, is one of the most talented screen actresses in filmdom and commands a large salary. F. P. Rothermal is the director of the company.

Rev. Oswald Taylor, rector of Grace Memorial Episcopal Church, East Nineteenth and Welder streets, bears the distinction of being the first pastor in Portland to install a standard motion picture outfit in his Sunday School. He testifies to the wonderful results to be obtained by the use of films in this class of work, and says that it has proved so effective that he can get along without teachers, if necessary. He has operated the equipment for more than a year and would not think of running a Sunday School without it, he says. Other churches of the city have had the use of it, but the owner insists upon it being kept in his own church.

Motion pictures of flood scenes in Ohio, vividly portraying the horrors of the situation there, are now on the screens in Portland. A number of manufacturers have sent out their productions on this feature. They are already released and will be the chief attraction in Portland this week.

The flood is now before the people of Portland in all its vivid realism at the Star Theater. While the picture gives many of the horrors of such a catastrophe, showing the utter weakness of man in combat with the elements, yet it teaches also its lesson of resource and ceaseless energy of the human race to rise above its direst calamities, and with indomitable will and courage, rebuild upon the very ruins stronger and better, profiting by experience.

C. P. Merwin, assistant manager of the General Film Company, with headquarters at Seattle, is visiting in this city.

Among the beautiful playhouses being constructed in the Northwest is one by James B. Bacon, at Boise, Idaho. It will seat 1100 persons and is said to be one of the finest theaters in this country.

Flo LaBade and William Russell do some very daring horseback riding in "Zanbousher's" "Won at the Rodeo," which appeared recently at one of the theaters of the Peoples Amusement Company.

Opis Read, the novelist, has signed a contract with the Reliance company to play the role of Jack Stubble in his book, "The Starbucka," which this company is producing. Other of Mr. Read's books are to be made into photo-plays.

Kathlyn Williams, leading woman for the Selig Company, recently was married to Frank Allen, an actor, who is said to have written the leading role in the scene called for her entrance into a den of wildcats.

Victor Hugo's "Notre Dame de Paris" is undertaken by one of the large film producers, has just been completed.

Constance Crawley and Arthur Maude, recently in vaudeville on the Pacific Coast, have been engaged by the Universal Company to pose for Maeterlinck's "Pelleas and Melisande."

A life target demonstration recently was given. It is an adaptation of the cinematograph as an ideal target for shooting, rifle and revolver practice, providing the marksman with objects to shoot at under almost lifelike conditions. A screen is set up, consisting of three thicknesses of the world, behind which is fixed a brilliant light. A bullet piercing the screen causes the picture to appear as a bright spot of light on the screen. Film subjects, such as running animals, flying birds, a charge of cavalry, moving soldiers, etc., are thrown on the screen. It is most fascinating sport, and interesting. In reality, the shot is taken, and the hole is obliterated automatically and the picture restarted for the next shot.

Mr. Hubert von Herkomer, the distinguished painter, recently has started a new film company, known as the Herkomer Film Company.

L. G. Chiozza Money, the English financial expert and Parliamentary critic, is an enthusiastic picture fan.

Martin Johnson, the young American traveler, arrived in London recently with a unique record of travel among the primitive tribes of the world. His record is a 2,500-mile trip, on which he secured over five miles of moving pictures, illustrating in their most intimate and startling phases the lives and habits of the South Sea Islanders. Mr. Johnson accompanied Jack London and his wife and the experiences of the party were most interesting. In speaking of his trip, Mr. Johnson said: "To be among these folk is an extraordinary experience. It is living the life that was lived before the creation of history, before mankind had thoughts as well as bodies to clothe and disguise. We lived with the terrible head hunters, we witnessed barbaric sacrifices, we were initiated into mysteries of war and religion, which pass the comprehension of civilized man."

There is a little town in Norway, of 2000 inhabitants, where a picture show holding 150 gives an hour performance five times a day. It is run by the Municipal Council, who devote all the

TRIO OF POPULAR PHOTO-PLAYERS KNOWN TO PORTLAND SCREEN FANS.



Gertrude Robinson, Reliance Stock Company.

Mignon Anderson, of the Thanhouser Company.

Arthur V. Johnson.

STATE 'MAKES GOOD'

Oregon Will Pay Obligation to Indian Fighters of '56.

DEBT IS HALF CENTURY OLD

Legislature Sets Aside \$50,000 for Use in Paying for Horses Furnished and Used by Veterans in Rogue River Uprisings.

A state's belated effort to make good an obligation incurred more than half a century ago was witnessed when \$50,000 was appropriated by the last Legislature to reimburse surviving veterans of the Indian wars of 1855-56 for horses furnished and used in those wars, and Adjutant-General W. E. Finzer is making an effort to see that those entitled to compensation are not overlooked.

As fast as information reaches him of those who consider that they have claims against the appropriation, he is forwarding blanks to the claimants on which they are to set forth their claim, giving the name of the company in which they served and the name of the Captain commanding the company.

It is his intention to enable all surviving veterans to obtain the amounts which may be found to be due them, without any delay on the part of the state, and without expense to them. With that end in view, he is requesting all claimants to write me, giving the company in which they served, the name of their commanding officer, and the number of horses furnished. I would also like to have two affidavits from comrades or others who know that the services were rendered as claimed.

Act's Provisions Cited.

The act as passed by the Legislature is based on an act of the Territorial Legislative Assembly of 1856, which provided that "whenever volunteers are called and received into the service of the territory by virtue of this act, each non-commissioned officer and private shall be entitled to receive \$2 a day and rations, and \$2 a day for the use and risk of horses, except for horses killed in action, unavoidably lost or reported unfit for service and turned over to the quartermaster, in which case the owner shall receive the appraised value thereof."

The act further provided that commissioned officers should receive the same pay as those of the same rank in the regular Army, and that "said volunteers should, as far as practicable, furnish their own arms and clothing, horses and equipment."

The Territorial Legislature of 1856, while it acted with the best and most patriotic intentions, failed to make any provision for the payment of the obligation incurred by the act, and the men who subdued the Rogue River Indians in Southern Oregon, having "furnished, as far as practicable, everything necessary to fight the savages, have gone without compensation to this day. Many of them, returning from the campaign, found themselves at a serious disadvantage in their farm work by reason of the loss of their horses.

8100 Maximum Claim.

The act passed by the last Legislature provides that no claim shall be allowed for more than \$100, and that no claim shall be allowed unless it is presented within two years after the approval of the act by the Governor.

There are in Oregon many of the men who took part in the Indian campaigns of 1855-56, and it is anticipated that claims will be filed at a rapid rate when once the news of the state's tardy resolve to make restitution becomes known.

SALEM, Or., April 6.—(Special.)—

ITALIAN MISSION OPENED

BAPTISTS DEDICATE CHURCH ON EAST SIDE.

Pastor Is Installed and Boys' Club Formed, While Girls' Have Class in Sewing.

Opening and dedication services of the Italian Baptist Mission, at the corner of East Eighteenth and Thirtieth streets, were held yesterday, under the auspices of the Oregon State Baptist Convention, with Rev. O. C. Wright as chairman. The flags of Italy and the Home Mission Society were placed above the altar. Rev. J. N. Monroe delivered the invocation and Rev. W. J. Beaven read the scriptures.

Rev. W. O. Shank, of the East Side Baptist Church, delivered the dedicatory address. H. W. Stone spoke for the Baptist City Union and Dr. Haycock represented the Portland Ministerial Association, welcoming the new mission.

Dr. C. Visetti, vice-consul of the Italian Nation at Portland, delivered an address in which he commended the mission and offered his hearty congratulations. Rev. E. A. Leonard, who raised the money with which the property was purchased, made a brief talk.

Rev. C. S. Bergtresser, representing the Evangelical Association from which the property was purchased, extended the benediction. Rev. C. A. Woody, in behalf of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, sent a letter of congratulations. The Women's Baptist Home Mission Society was represented by Mrs. O. P. M. Jamison, and Mrs. G. Johnson spoke for the Women's Evangelical Board. Music was furnished by Italian musicians.

Rev. P. Sannella is pastor of the mission. Miss Arabella Davis is assistant. The property consists of a lot valued at \$3000, George B. Lewis, said by Mrs. Lewis to be a racetrack gambler, was arrested for the offense in Chicago yesterday and is held pending the action of the authorities here. As Mrs. Lewis departed soon after making her complaint, it is improbable that she can be traced in time to cause the issuance of the necessary papers to bring him here for trial.

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RAYMOND WILL CLEAN UP

Washington Town to Make Arbor Day Serve Double Purpose.

RAYMOND, Wash., April 6.—(Special.)—The double observance of Arbor Day, Thursday, April 10, in Raymond was suggested by Mayor A. C. Little in a proclamation issued yesterday, in which he urges the citizens to plan on Arbor day as "Raymond's general 'Clean-Up' day."

This proclamation was issued in response to an appeal from the Women's Civic Club for a cleaner city, for which the club is striving and has already initiated at considerable expense their organization in the way of providing garbage cans, publicity and actual demonstrations.

Merchants Agree on Bargain Day.

CHEHALIS, Wash., April 6.—(Special.)—Winlock merchants have perfected arrangements for a regular bargain and sales day on the first Tuesday of each month. The first will be held May 5. Practically every merchant in town has joined the organization.



As your teeth open and close upon the delicious morsel, the friction brightens them—the mint juice preserves them. You create digestion-aiding saliva—offset the effects of hasty eating. You sharpen your appetite by digesting your food.

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WILLAMETTE BREAKS EVEN

University of Idaho Debaters Win at Salem at Lose at Moscow.

WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY, Salem, Or., April 6.—(Special.)—While the two Willamette Debaters, Ailey and Ohlms, members of the "home" team, were going down to defeat before Evans and McAdams, of the University of Idaho, in Salem Friday night, the other division of the Willamette team, the roadsters, McCaddam and Smith, won out easily in the contest staged at Moscow. In each case the visitors carried off the laurels, arguing on the negative side of the question. "Resolved, That the naval policy expressed in the last annual report of ex-Secretary Meyer should be carried on by the United States."

Willamette University students and faculty are greatly encouraged over this even break in debate with the strong team from the State University of Idaho in the first important contests held in years. After the debate here Saturday 165 students attended a banquet given in honor of the debaters. It is believed here that a separate department of de-

bate for women will be organized shortly, as under the existing conditions they are denied the privilege of publicly representing the university in a debate with other colleges.

GAMMA SIGMAS GATHER

Oldest Literary Society in West Banquets at Pacific "U."

PACIFIC UNIVERSITY, Forest Grove, Or., April 6.—(Special.)—The annual banquet of the Gamma Sigma Literary Society was held last night and it was quite an event in the history of the Pacific University, as this is the oldest society in the West that has been a permanent organization since the year 1883.

The entertainment commenced at 8:30 P. M. in the Knights of Pythias Hall and was attended by a number of Pacific alumni. The members then gathered at the Laughlin Hotel, where the banquet proper was served.

Some of the alumni who attended were: E. F. Peters, of Portland; Hugh Sparks, of Forest Grove; T. B. Denny, of Reedville; Donald E. Lamsfeld, of Amity; F. Wabb, of Cornelius, and Robert Loomis, of Forest Grove.

Morton-Mineral Road Wanted.

CHEHALIS, Wash., April 6.—(Special.)—Business men of Morton and Mineral have taken up actively the matter of securing the early opening of the state road between these towns. Under the law, this is a portion of the National Park highway, which extends from Tacoma to the Rainier National Park, via Mineral, Morton, Rifle and Chehalis to Raymond and South Bend.

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