

MADAME MODJESKA DIED AT LOS ANGELES EARLY TODAY

America's Most Famous Tragedienne Succumbs After Long Illness.

WORLD FAMED FOR HISTORIC ABILITY

Body Will Be Taken to Early Home in Cracow, Poland, For Burial.

(By Associated Press.)
LOS ANGELES, April 8.—Madame Helen E. Modjeska, the famous Polish tragedienne and one of the most noted actresses on the American stage, died at 10 o'clock today at her island home at Bay City in Orange county, after an illness of two months. She was 65 years old. For several days she had been unconscious and her death was hourly expected. Bright's disease complicated with heart trouble was the cause. She was surrounded by her family.

The body of the actress will be embalmed and taken to Los Angeles where it will remain in a vault for some time. Later County Bozenta, Modjeska's husband, will take the remains to Cracow, Poland, the early home of Modjeska, for burial.

Madame Helena Modjeska, the Countess Bozenta Chlapowski, whose eventful and brilliant life is terminated, was born in Cracow, Austrian-Poland, October 12, 1844. Her father was a Polish patriot named Benda, a man of great refinement of character and education and a musician of ability. He died while Helena was yet a child, leaving the family in moderate circumstances.

At an early age Helena gave every evidence of a singular intensity of feeling and when, at the age of seven she was taken by her mother to the theatre for the first time, her excitement over the mimic performance was so evident that her mother decided not to permit her to see another theatrical performance in many years. The stage career of Modjeska began in the small but historic town of Bochnin. It was conceived in charity, and in all her life on the stage she exercised the noble impulses which caused her to adopt the player's life. She was still in her teens when she went to Bochnin and there soon after her arrival she married M. Modjeska. A son was born to the couple, Ralph Modjeska, who hastened recently from Chicago at the news of his mother's illness. Soon after his birth the husband and father was killed in a catastrophe at Bochnin.

It was immediately following this disaster that the widow organized a theatrical company to give performances throughout the district, the proceeds to be given to the widows and orphans of the men who were killed. The play, "The White Camellia," was a success from the start, and the author, attracted by Modjeska's remarkable acting, used his influence to start her in theatrical work in a larger field.

The success of Modjeska on the stage in Poland was immediate. She was received with acclaim whenever she appeared and gained a wide reputation.

Mme. Modjeska married in 1868 Charles Chlapowski, the Count Bozenta, a man of aristocratic birth, and a journalist of wide reputation. Count Bozenta offended the Russian government with his writings in 1876 and so unpleasant was it made for him that in company with other gentlemen of family, he came to the United States and with them founded an Utopian colony near Anaheim in Southern California. The count took to mining in Silverado Canyon and there he built the beautiful home called "Arden," where many years of the life of Mme. Modjeska were spent. The colony failed and Mme. Modjeska, in need of funds turned to the American stage. She made application to John McCullough, who was manager of the

WANT MEN TO JOIN MILITIA

Adjutant General Finzer Ready to Organize Coast Artillery Company Here.

Adjutant General Finzer of the Oregon National Guard who has been delegated by the United States War Department to organize a coast artillery company on Coos Bay, has written Walter Lyon that he is ready to come down and muster in the company as soon as the requisite number of enlistments can be secured.

Mr. Lyon is now conferring with local men who are interested in the proposed company and will endeavor to secure names of all who are likely to join.

When Mr. Finzer comes down and the organization of the company is assured, negotiations for the erection of a suitable armory building for the company will be closed. There are several sites under consideration and the owners of all are willing to erect a suitable building if assured that the government will take a five-year lease on it.

RUSSIA WILL SHUT JEWS OUT

Governor of Caucasus Orders Them Denied Admission at Springs.

(By Associated Press.)
ST. PETERSBURG, April 8.—A dispatch from Pyatigorsk, a watering place in Ciscaucasia, says the governor of that province has issued orders that Jews be denied admission to health resorts in Caucasus the coming season. Jewish musicians are also barred from playing in government orchestras.

California Theatre in San Francisco, and was given a place in his company in July, 1877. Her first appearance on an American stage was at the California. It was at this time that her name was simplified to "Modjeska," by Barton Hill. Modjeska toured the United States with great success later and in March, 1860, she went to London and appeared at the Court Theatre under the management of Wilson Barrett. In the audience were the Prince and Princess of Wales, and royalty applauded with the rest. The play was "Heartseuse," an adaptation of "Camille," and for two years she repeated it in England, always with the same measure of success.

Mme. Modjeska returned to the United States in 1882, and since that time her home has been in Southern California though she has toured the country on several occasions. Some years ago a throat trouble compelled her to give up the stage forever. Her last appearance was in the character role of Lady Macbeth, at a benefit performance in this city for the Italian earthquake sufferers, about three months ago.

Prominent among her characterizations were Juliet, Cleopatra, Ophelia, Rosalind, Katharine, Beatrice, Portia, Imogene, Mary Stuart, and Lady Macbeth. In all, she played more than 200 characters. It was, however, as "Lady Macbeth" and "Sweet Lady Constance" that she won most of her fame.

LADIES of Coos Bay should not miss seeing the superb line of EASTER MILLINERY at the Clarke Millinery. New styles and reasonable prices.

WHEAT REACHES NEW HIGH MARK

May Delivery Sells Up to \$1.26 3-8 in Chicago Today But Drops Back a Cent Before the Close.

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, April 8.—Wheat for May delivery again established a new high record, touching \$1.26 3-8 but closed over cent off from this. July

advanced to \$1.12 7-8. Trading was comparatively quiet. The prices of wheat sagged today at the opening owing to quite general selling by commission houses and leading holders. May opened at \$1.25 1/2; July \$1.11 5-8 to 7-8; May sold off to \$1.24 7-8 and July to \$1.11 3-8. The closing wheat prices were: May, \$1.24 7-8; July, \$1.11 3-4; September, \$1.04.

COOS RIVER RANCH SOLD

W. S. Chandler Disposes of Tract to Christian Herrmann and Wife.

Christian Herrman and wife, this morning closed a deal for the purchase of the W. S. Chandler ranch on Coos River below the forks. The ranch consists of 133 acres of which about 65 acres is bottom land. It is well improved and stocked. It is understood that \$15,000 was the price paid for the property, including the stock and everything. The deal was negotiated by the Stutsman agency.

The ranch is one of the best in this section. It was purchased a few years ago by W. S. Chandler for \$12,500 but he expended a couple of thousand dollars in equipment, buildings and stock so that he comes out a little better than even on the deal.

Irving Chandler has had the management of the property. He will return to San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Herrman will take possession of the place this afternoon. Mr. Herrman was an officer in the German army for fifteen years and is not familiar with agriculture. However, he brought Rudolph Rattey, an expert agriculturist, from Germany with him to assist him in conducting the place. While Mr. Rattey is not familiar with conditions in this section, he believes that the principles that have made farms and ranches in Germany among the most productive in the world will make a success here.

Mr. Herrmann's first wife was a Coos Bay pioneer, Mrs. John Norman. Mrs. Norman returned to Germany after the death of her first husband here and there married Mr. Herrmann. She died several years ago, bequeathing him considerable property on Coos Bay. Mr. Herrmann married again a few years ago and Mrs. Herrmann is here with him. This is their first visit to this section but they are enthusiastic over it.

ALLEY TALKS OF FRANCHISE

Roseburg Man Intimates Company Plans On Electric Line Here.

Frank E. Alley, a well-known Roseburg attorney and capitalist who has general charge of the C. A. Smith land holdings in Oregon, passed through Marshfield last night en route, from Curry county where he had been on business. While here, he made inquiries of a number concerning the possibility of a company, in which he is interested, securing a franchise for an electric railway. He said that his company had made application for a franchise in Roseburg and expected to secure it soon. He said that the company would put up a bond for \$5,000 as a guarantee of their good faith.

Mr. Alley, while he did not definitely state so, intimated that his company would shortly make application here. From the fact that the company is negotiating for the Roseburg franchise and wants one on Coos Bay, it would seem that the linking up of the two systems by a trolley line to be known as the Roseburg and Coos Bay road would be the next move.

Coquille Is Enthusiastic. The electric line fever is rampant at Coquille, according to parties coming over from the Valley. They declare that the air is full of railroad talk and many roads have been built on paper within the last few days.

Manager Smith of the Coquille Mill and Mercantile Company which was last week granted a franchise for an electric light and power plant and also for an electric railway in Coquille said that his company had not even intimated that they would build an electric line from Coquille to Roseburg. He said that someone had asked him about it and he had told them that his company would furnish the electric power for the road if someone else would build and operate the line. He said that they would be able to furnish the power cheaply.

CHAMPION COW PASSES AWAY

Padro Estella Who Produced 712 Pounds of Butter in 12 Months, Dies.

(By Associated Press.)
COLUMBIA, Mo., April 8.—Padro Estella, the champion Jersey butter cow of the world is dead. She died at her home at the Missouri Agricultural College last night. In twelve months she produced 712 pounds of butter.

FREE! FREE!
For the remainder of the week we will present each of our Boys' Suit Customers with a pair of Side-walk Roller Skates.—The Woolen Mill Store.

DANCE SATURDAY night, April 10, at Knights of Finland hall.
DANCE at SUMNER APRIL 10.

IS KILLED BY AN AUTOMOBILE

Samuel Lauber Run Down On Streets of Portland Today.

(By Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, Ore., April 8.—Samuel Lauber, a tailor, was run down and killed by an auto driven by J. H. Ponnay today. The machine is owned by a real estate firm. Lauber leaves a widow and two children.

WILL SHUT SALOONS.
Santa Fe City Council Votes to Close Them December 31.
(By Associated Press.)
SANTA FE, N. M., April 8.—The city council of Santa Fe by a vote of 5 to 4 last night passed an ordinance closing all saloons in the city December 31, 1909. In the meantime, the license fee of saloons will be doubled.

LUNATIC TERRORIZES AURORA IN BLOODY CRUSADE TODAY

ORDER CASTRO TO GET OUT

France Decides to Expel Him From the Island of Martinique.

(By Associated Press.)
PARIS, April 8.—The French government decided to expel Castro from the Island of Martinique on the ground that his presence there is likely to foment a revolution in Venezuela. About the only course open for Castro is to take refuge on one of the Dutch West India Islands or returning to Europe.

CASTRO IS ILL.
(By Associated Press.)
FORT DE FRANCE, April 8.—Shortly after returning from a drive this morning, Castro became ill and is suffering great pain. The scar of the operations performed at Berlin has opened for a distance of several centimetres. His condition is undoubtedly grave. He did not believe the news that the French government had decided to expel him from Martinique.

JAS. COSTILLO IS STRICKEN

Former Ship Owner and Oregon Pioneer Succumbs at Coquille.

COQUILLE, Ore., April 8.—James Costillo, familiarly known along the coast as "Jimmie the Corker," died at the County Infirmary last week. Mr. Costillo came to this coast from New York 60 years ago, and at one time was the owner of four or five vessels two of which were lost in one storm and fate followed the others soon which broke him in spirit as well as financially, and for many years he followed the avocation of corker about the shipyards along the California and Oregon coast. He was a man of education and good raising, well informed on most subjects of general interest, and bore the friendship of all with whom he became acquainted. His remains were laid to rest Saturday in a casket furnished by Arthur Ellingson, who had known the old gentleman since he himself was a child, and they had worked many months side by side in the shipyards of the lower river, from which many crafts are now sailing with seams securely corked by his hands. The deceased was about 85 years of age.

EAGLES WILL ABSORB MARSHFIELD ACME BAND
Entire Membership of Musical Organization to Be Initiated and Name to Be Changed.
The Acme Band will be absorbed by the Eagles and will shortly become "The Eagles Band." In order to do this, it will be necessary to initiate all members of the band. All of the members who have been seen so far have signified their willingness to wear the feathers and the date for the big doings will be shortly fixed.
The executive committee of the Marshfield Aerie has also started negotiations to lease the first floor of their proposed lodge building on South Second street to the government as an armory for the proposed coast artillery company here.

Cracked Corn \$2.25 at HAINES'.

Kills Best Friend, Wounds Another and Ends His Own Life.

STARTED OUT WITH GUNS AND BOMBS

Hallucinations of Weakened Mind Lead to Awful Slaughter.

(By Associated Press.)
AURORA, Ill., April 8.—John Anderson, a plumber whose mind had become affected, today armed himself with two pistols, a shotgun and three bombs which he fastened to his person. He then started out to kill the inhabitants of a city block in which he said malicious gossip concerning himself had been circulated. He killed one woman, narrowly missed slaying her husband, wounded another woman and then committed suicide. The dead Mrs. John McVicker and John Anderson, the murderer. The injured woman is Mrs. John Belford.

Anderson's violent manner and insane armament terrorized a score of persons to whom he had announced his intentions. That his already weakened mind had completely given way was obvious. Doors were locked and women and children fled to cellars and attics as the maniac walked along the street scrutinizing the houses as if he was undecided where to begin. The first stop of Anderson was at the home of Mrs. John McVicker, probably his oldest and best friend. With a pistol in each hand, Anderson began firing. The first bullet grazed McVicker's scalp. Mrs. McVicker ran toward the kitchen where her children were playing but received a bullet in the heart and fell dead on the threshold.

Anderson then went to the home of John Belford where Mrs. Belford and her mother, aged eighty and blind, were alone. Mrs. Belford was shot twice but Anderson paid no attention to her mother. By this time, the neighborhood was aroused, Anderson went to the window, peered into the street and returned to the center of the room and blew off his own head.

FIRE IN NEW HAMPSHIRE. Sixty Buildings in Four Blocks of Manchester Burned.

(By Associated Press.)
MANCHESTER, N. H., April 8.—Fire which started in a large tenement house this morning destroyed wholly or partially over sixty buildings in four blocks. The damage will exceed \$100,000.

MESSINA SHAKEN AGAIN.
(By Associated Press.)
MESSINA, April 8.—A violent earthquake occurred last night. It was accompanied by subterranean rumblings and almost caused a panic.

TO VOTE BONDS FOR NEW SCHOOL HOUSE

Bunker Hill and Bay Park Residents Vote On Question at Special Election This Afternoon.

A special election is being held in School District No. 85, which embraces Bunker Hill and Bay Park Additions, south of Marshfield, to vote a \$10,000 bond issue to defray the cost of a new school building. It is believed that the bond issue will carry by a large vote as the sentiment has seemingly been greatly in favor of it.

If the bonds are voted, it is planned to start the new building at once and endeavor to have it ready for occupancy when school opens in September.
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