

Young Australians Here This Week

Thirty-five young musicians and entertainers from far-off Australia will arrive in Ashland Wednesday and will appear at the Chautauqua building Thursday, August 5. The Australian boys will be the guests of the Woman's Civic Improvement Club, the entertainment being held under the club's auspices.

These lads represent the Young Australian League, which has for its motto, "Education and Travel." This American tour is under the auspices of the government of western Australia. The league numbers over five thousand, and the thirty-five members who are touring the Pacific states at the present time have been selected by the government by competitive examination. They thus represent some of the cream of Australian youth.

The party consists of thirty-five members, including an all-brass band of thirty-one pieces, a stringed orchestra of twelve pieces, Lieut. J. J. Simons, the commander, Mr. Arthur Coyne, the financial secretary, and Prof. Harold Betteridge, the musical director. The band is famed throughout the commonwealth of Australia and ranks with the foremost boys' bands of the world. Many of the lads hold scholastic records, and each one is a star in mental and physical proficiency. The boys have played at both California expositions.

All of Ashland remembers with pleasure the visit of the Australian boys several years ago, and look forward eagerly to the coming of this second contingent from the "Land of the Kangaroo."

Fire Destroys Koehler Home

While the family was at the union service in the Chautauqua building Sunday evening, the home of J. F. Koehler at 447 Woolen street was completely destroyed by fire. When neighbors discovered the fire the house was almost completely in flames and nothing was saved. The fire company made a fast run but were unable to get any of the furniture out and, owing to low pressure, saved little of the house. The fire is thought to have originated from the kitchen stove. The house was insured for \$450 with the Billings agency and the furniture for \$250. E. G. Davis, son-in-law of Mr. Koehler, and who is now living near Talent, had some valuable furniture stored in the Koehler house, which was also destroyed. Mr. Davis' furniture was insured for \$300.

Are you insured? If not, better call the Billings Agency now. It

Valley Week At The Exposition

August 10 has been set aside by the commissioner of special days at the Panama-Pacific exposition as Rogue River Valley day. The Southern Pacific is arranging to have on sale round trip tickets for the occasion on the 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th, with fifteen-day limit, at the rate of \$16.50 from Ashland. All the towns in the valley are making an effort to send a goodly number to the exposition on these dates and Ashland should be well represented. Appropriate exercises will be held in the Oregon building and you will enjoy being there on this date. If you can possibly arrange to go on either of these days you should do so. The exposition is right at its best now and the weather is very pleasant in San Francisco, probably better than it will be later on.

Those going should notify the secretary of the Commercial Club not later than August 5, in order that reservations may be made and arrangements completed to make you comfortable during your stay.

J. S. Huntley and wife of Ukiah, Cal., have been making a short visit with G. W. Dodson of Ashland and G. A. Gardner of Jacksonville. Mr. Huntley is a brother of Mrs. Dodson and County Clerk G. A. Gardner. He was a bugler on the U. S. battleship Baltimore at the battle of Manila under Admiral Dewey. Since retiring from the navy Mr. Huntley has taken up the nursery business, and at this time is energetically pursuing that occupation.

Noted Dancer May Appear Here Soon

Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Carville, official dancers at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco, and son-in-law and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Watson of Ashland, will arrive in this city early next week, on their way to Chicago and New York for a season of special entertainment, on arrangement perfected by William Randolph Hearst personally. They will stop at Ashland for a visit with Mrs. Carville's parents.

The latter, whose stage name is Barbara La Marr, was formerly the moving picture actress so frequently mistaken for Mary Pickford on the screen. Her popularity as a success at classic dancing have, for a time at least, and perhaps permanently, taken her out of the "movies." In one of her own dances at the San Francisco exposition she has received as much as \$100 for thirty minutes' work.

In the Examiner of July 15 the following, under a large picture of Mr. and Mrs. Carville, is quoted from an extended reference to their remarkable dancing in that city:

"Miss Barbara La Marr, a pretty and graceful young western girl, quietly and modestly has been smashing into little bits all records for creating and producing new dances. And she has been doing this in San Francisco, where new dances grow as fast and furiously as nasturtiums in a sunny back garden.

"Since coming to San Francisco a few weeks ago with her dancing partner, Robert D. Carville, Miss La Marr has created or invented or composed something like a dozen dances. It would probably be more correct to say that Miss La Marr and Carville have done this, for they collaborate in some of their productions.

"The Zone Prenade, described by Miss La Marr as a 'flirtation one-step,' has been captivating visitors to the exposition, where Miss La Marr and Carville have been dancing."

Mr. and Mrs. Carville have expressed a willingness to appear once in Ashland in some of their favorite dances while visiting their parents here.

Dr. Mary Ellen Anderson has arrived from Los Angeles to be associated with Dr. Bertha E. Sawyer in the practice of osteopathy. 20-2t

New Auditorium In Lithia Park

There seem to be some mistaken ideas prevalent in relation to the auditorium to be constructed in the park. Some citizens gleaned from the published notice in the last issue of the Tidings that this building was simply to be constructed for dancing purposes. This is an error.

The building will be 90 by 100 feet, built of logs, and will be arranged with a design of accommodating conventions and other gatherings of all kinds.

It is believed that Ashland can be made a popular convention city and it is very necessary that some such building be constructed to accommodate such gatherings as may desire to convene here.

Says Springs Worth Millions in East

Clark Sanford of Syracuse, N. Y., visited last week with Mrs. B. H. Hatch, an old-time friend of over forty years' acquaintance. He is on his way home from the exposition. Mr. Sanford was taken out to the lithia springs and over the park and says: "If the lithia spring was in Syracuse, N. Y., it would bring a million dollars in a minute." He has traveled over nine countries in the old world and says he has seen nothing like it. He left Friday for the north.

The Southern Pacific Company has completed arrangements by which the "Sound special," or train No. 64, which passes through this city at 6:30 p. m. and reaches Portland at 8:30 a. m. the following day, will connect with the Oregon-Washington Railroad and Navigation train for Seattle. This means that practically a through service from San Francisco to Seattle is furnished.

Sign Diverts From Highway

A big sign, 16x20 feet in size, has been placed at Ager, Cal., at the forks of the road on the Pacific highway, directing tourists to take the inland route to Crater Lake via Klamath Falls, thence through eastern Oregon and to Portland via the new scenic Columbia highway.

The sign is expected to divert a large portion of the tourist traffic by way of Klamath Falls. The sign was placed by A. J. Gordon of the White Pelican garage and E. B. Hall of the White Pelican hotel, both of Klamath Falls.

It would appear that it was now up to the hotel and garage men of Ashland and Medford to place another sign 20x30 feet on the opposite side of the road directing the automobilist to take the Pacific highway up through Oregon, traveling over the Siskiyou grade, universally acknowledged to be the most beautiful and perfect piece of scenic highway on the coast. Jackson county's paved highways, the excellent roads with unrivaled scenic attractions in the Rogue, Umpqua and Willamette valleys, the side trip of a day from Ashland or Medford to Crater Lake, and a visit at Ashland, the Carlsbad of America.

Says Hill Will Soon Be Paved

State Highway Engineer Cantline was up from Portland the last of the week inspecting work on the Siskiyou grade. He states that the engineers hope to have work on the Siskiyou grade moving along faster in the near future.

According to the state engineer, work on the Billings hill will commence as soon as the state railroad commission agrees to the road passing under the railroad culvert. The commission now has the data and will no doubt take action soon.

Open House During Retail Buyers' Week

The Portland Press Club will keep open house during Buyers' Week in Portland, August 9-14 inclusive. The members of the club will extend hospitality to every merchant and his family who may be in Portland at that time. The club rooms, stationery and writing desks will be at the visitors' service.

Says State Should Control R. R. Land

Roseburg Review: "I cruised the greater share of the timber in the Oregon-California land grant, and if the state should finally open it to settlers after the timber has been taken off, not 5 per cent of it would be taken up in the next fifty years."

Such was the statement made by State Forester Elliott, who, accompanied by his wife, arrived last night in a roadster. They came from Ashland by way of Crescent City and Coos Bay.

For eighteen years, between 1889 and 1906, Mr. Elliott was with the railroad company. He knows the timber of the southern Oregon counties extremely well, having for years been engaged in cruises in these parts.

"And I firmly believe that the state ought to get control of it," he declared. "There are 14,000,000 acres in this state now in forest reserves. That is enough.

He believes the western part of Oregon should derive the benefits from the 2,300,000 acres after the railroad has been paid for its equity. "Put it into the roads and the school fund is my idea," he said.

He also expressed the belief that the only way the timber can be made use of in any way is through operation of the big lumber companies and their mills. "I don't believe that 10 per cent of it would be fit for agriculture. It's too much up and down."

The Western division team is leading the Southern Pacific baseball league. They have a record of eight wins and one loss. Oakland store is second with seven wins and two losses. San Joaquin division is third and Shasta division fourth. Sacramento store department fifth and Stockton division sixth.

Bootblack Fined And Flees City

George Patton, a bootblack employed at the Valley barber shop next door to Rose Bros., skipped the city Saturday after a series of erratic escapades. Friday night Patton blacked his face and hid in a young lady's room at the Park hotel. When the girl went to her room about 10 in the evening she discovered Patton in the clothes closet. She ran from the room shrieking, her cries attracting a man who is boarding at the hotel. Patton ran from the room and met the boarder in the hall. Flourishing a revolver, he threatened to shoot anybody who interfered with him and made his escape. Saturday morning Officers Wimer and Johnson hunted him up and haled him before the justice court, where he was fined for disturbing the peace. A warrant was then issued against Patton for carrying concealed firearms and threatening to kill, but the young culprit got out of the city before he could be located.

Since his disappearance Rose Bros. have discovered that the young man had been in the habit of picking the lock between the barber shop and their store and helping himself to candy and other stuff.

French Beauty In Tale of Intrigue

Rita Jolivet, a French beauty of the most striking type, will be shown at the Vining Theatre Tuesday night in a romantic drama of daring and intrigue, "The Unafraid." Associated with this noted French actress is Housé Peters, recognized as one of the biggest stars of the motion picture world.

The action varies from Paris to Montenegro, and the atmosphere of the play is redolent of old castles, dungeons alternating with the gay dance halls of Paris.

Bulldog Run Over And Killed by Auto

Blitz, City Electrician Strickland's bulldog, suffered an untimely death today, being run over by an automobile and receiving injuries which necessitated his being shot. Blitz has been a familiar sight around the Plaza for many weeks and will be much missed both by his master and by the host of friends which his happy facility for making friends had secured him.

Metallic Tie Was Blue Sky Dodge

Two years ago some \$30,000 worth of "Universal Metallic Tie" stock was peddled to residents of the Rogue River valley between Ashland and Grants Pass. An assessment is now being made on the stock with threats of lawsuits if the stock owners refuse to pay. District Attorney Kelly makes the following statement in regard to the stock:

"The Metallic Tie Company, a Utah corporation, which has sold considerable of its stock in Jackson county, and which has never complied with the corporation laws of Oregon, is now making demands upon some of the Jackson county subscribers for payment upon assessable stock bought by local citizens. The statement made by this corporation to the corporation commissioner of the state was so unsatisfactory that no permit was granted by that department to do business within the state and stock sales made by them since the enactment of the Blue Sky law are in violation of the law, and, as I view the matter, the company can not lawfully collect on its assessments. I examined the statement submitted the corporation commissioner and am of the opinion that the whole scheme was purely a blue sky promotion dodge, and I advise the citizens of Jackson county who have been threatened with legal proceedings for non-payment of assessments to not be frightened by threats of suit, as this concern has no capacity to sue in this state.

"E. E. KELLY, District Attorney."

Commercial Club meets tonight, 8 o'clock. Important.

Vocal and Band Music At Exposition

San Francisco, August 2.—Splendid music by world-famed artists is one of the big features of the mid-summer and autumn season at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco. The daily program contains band concerts by internationally known organizations, organ recitals by many of the world's masters, and choruses of unexcelled merit.

Popular music at popular prices is one of the greatest drawing cards at the exposition. Not that grand opera and ponderous compositions have been slighted, but the exposition realizes that the masses want music that can be understood by an untrained ear—something tingling and enjoyable without the expenditure of too much brain work in the effort to absorb it. At no theatre or opera house in American can the same high class music be heard for anything like the price in vogue at the fair. Ten cents secures admission to the majority of the organ recitals and the band concerts go with the admission ticket. The prices at special concerts and musical festivals range slightly higher in price.

Festival hall, where most of the musical activities take place, is a magnificent auditorium in the heart of the gardens, and it cost nearly a half million dollars. It contains one of the largest pipe organs in the world, a magnificent instrument with wonderful tone. Famous masters will give recitals on this organ each day until December 4.

Edward Lemare of London, recognized as the world's foremost organist, will give 100 recitals beginning August 25 and ending December 4. Others who will give recitals daily during that period include William J. Gomp of Buffalo, Charles Galloway of St. Louis, Daniel Philippi of New York, J. Warren Andrews of New York, T. Tertius Noble of New York, P. D. D. Comey of Boston, W. Lynwood Farnum of Boston, Arthur S. Hyde of New York and Frank S. Adams of Boston.

The famous Philippine Constabulary Band is on the schedule for daily concerts throughout the exposition year. Sousa's band is now entertaining thousands daily and the great Boston Band of 85 players has been giving daily concerts. Other organizations which are to be heard daily include Cassasa's Exposition Band and the Miramba Band of Guatemala.

Picture Contains Lively Scrap

The moving picture goers of Ashland who witnessed the Mutual Masterpiece, "On the Night Stage," at the Lyric Theatre last evening unanimously pronounced it to be the best picture which has been in Ashland for many weeks. The dance hall fight was especially realistic, and after seeing the terrific swings exchanged by the participants one does not wonder that most of the actors who took part were unable to work for several days afterwards. The picture will be shown again tonight.

Bryan Speaks To Ten Thousand

Several hundred Ashlanders went to Medford and made part of the crowd of 10,000 people who heard William Jennings Bryan speak in the Medford park. The great war and a plea for the United States to keep out of it was Mr. Bryan's theme. Mr. Bryan and his party were taken from the train at Ager by Medford citizens and taken to Crater Lake by way of Klamath Falls and then to Medford. The distinguished visitor was enraptured with the beauties of the lake and of the Rogue River valley and highly complimented the hospitality of the Medford people.

A bank clerks steals from his employers. Who Pays?

F. S. Foltz and family stopped over in Dunsuir for a visit last week while en route home from the San Francisco exposition.

Be served with a delicious sundae or an ice cream soda in the new "silver service" at Rose Bros., 19-4t

Phone news items to the Tidings.

Miss Joorfetz Receives Diploma

One of the most successful of the hundreds of conventions held at San Francisco during 1915 closed last Saturday, when the seventy-five women delegates to the convention of corsetieres, which assembled from eleven states, returned to their homes.

Miss Emma Joorfetz of McGee's store attended and took the final examinations following a week of lectures and demonstrations, passing with a very high average. Her diploma places her in a class with professional women, for she is now a graduate corsetiere.

Mr. Frank E. Fehiman, director of sales and advertising for the H. W. Gossard Company, who was in charge of the convention, states that this was the most representative gathering from the large stores and shops and the most interesting fitting clinic he had ever attended or planned for the organization.

Medical fittings, regular corset fittings, special lectures on salesmanship, advertising, "turn-overs," alterations, etc., were features of the week. In addition to this the delegates were entertained with many sight-seeing excursions, enjoying special privileges at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition.

White and gold were chosen as the colors for the Gossard convention, and the slogan adopted, "Work for the Love of Your Work." Miss Joorfetz finds herself busily engaged since her return telling her friends of the remarkable things she saw during her stay in "The Jewel City."

Popular Girl Will Tell of Hawaii

A full house is anticipated at the Vining Theatre tonight to greet Miss Francis Hamlin, who will tell of Honolulu and sing Hawaiian songs. Miss Hamlin and her singing need no introduction to the people of Ashland. During the past year she has been teaching in the Priory, a school in Honolulu, and has had an opportunity to become intimately acquainted with the life and customs of the heterogeneous collection of races which make up the population of the Hawaiian Islands. Interspersed with her story and description will be several beautiful songs. Miss Hamlin is one of Ashland's most popular young ladies, as her host of friends will bear witness. The regular pictures will be run in connection with Miss Hamlin's entertainment, which will take place between the first and second run of pictures.

Buyers' Week at City of Portland

With 107 leading jobbers and wholesalers banded together at Portland for "Buyers' Week" and an invitation having been sent broadcast throughout the states of Oregon, Washington, Montana and Idaho for the week of August 9 to 14, it is practically certain that many of the retailers of the northwest will take advantage of the opportunity to become familiar with the great stocks of goods maintained in Portland. On purchases of bills of goods amounting to \$500 or more the cost of railroad tickets will be refunded to the visiting merchant. A splendid program of entertainment will be provided, and it is designed for the amusement of both the merchant and his family.

Ford Band Is Frost in Roseburg

The Ford Motor Car Company band which passed through Ashland Wednesday in three special cars bound for the exposition was more or less of a disappointment along the line. They were supposed to be taken from Medford to Ashland over the highway in cars but did not make the trip. At Roseburg, where announcement had been made from Superintendent J. M. Scott that the band would play, several hundred people gathered. The band leader claimed that he had received no notification of the stop, and although the railroad men offered to hold the train the leader refused to play.

Phone job orders to the Tidings.