

# ASHLAND TIDINGS

## Redpath Lyceum Course at Lyric

Ashland is to have two series of lyceum courses this winter. In addition to the Ellison-White course, Manager Lawrence of the Lyric Theatre has booked the season's attractions of the Redpath Lyceum Bureau and announces the first offering for Friday evening, October 29, when the Orpheum Musical Club will be presented. There will be five numbers in all, scattered throughout the season. This series of attractions is one of the best offered in the way of lyceum attractions, and Mr. Lawrence is the only individual on the Pacific coast who has attempted to book a lyceum course alone—it being usually handled through some association. In view of the large amount of money involved and the limited amount of seating capacity in the Lyric Theatre, Mr. Lawrence takes a considerable risk. The following are the remaining number of attractions of the course, the dates of appearance to be announced later: Opie Reed in "Old Jim Jackson," the Old Home Singers in an evening of reminiscence. Their program takes the form of a sketch during which are introduced such songs as "Sweet Genevieve," "The Old Oaken Bucket," "When You and I Were Young, Maggie," and "Ben Bolt." Their singing is especially effective as it is presented in costume. The Kellogg-Haines Singing Party, another musical number, presents a program from the best known grand operas, light operas and from other musical literature. No one evening is given over to the presentation of one grand opera, but selections from a number are given in one program. A few of the selections from which their program is made up are: "The Bohemian Girl," "The Chinese Honey-moon," "Il Trovatore," "Dolly Van-den," "Penelope," "Lovely Galatea," "The Singing Master" and "Martha." The Manier Sisters' Orchestra completes the list. For versatility on musical instruments the parallel of the Manier Sisters is seldom found. They present a varied program on the violin, flute, piano, cello and cornet. Mr. Lawrence will sell no season tickets, and as there are only 250 reserved seats on each list, patrons should make their reservations early. These numbers will prove an excellent change from the Lyric's pictures and vaudeville and will no doubt draw well. They deserve it.

## Ashland Students May Win Big Prize

Every student in Ashland has an opportunity to win a prize of \$125 which has been offered by the Portland Ad Club for the best song poem submitted by a student of the Oregon schools, the subject to be loganberry juice. Two hundred and fifty dollars in prizes and possibly numerous merchandise prizes are offered by Portland merchants. The offer comes as a forerunner of a campaign inaugurated by the Ad Club to advertise the Oregon loganberry and loganberry juice. The contest is now open and closes October 31. The first prize is \$125, second \$75 and third \$50. The Ad Club intends to have the best song adopted as an official song for the public schools of the state. The prize-winning composition will be published for distribution in the schools, with the pictures of the song authors printed on them. Of course it won't be necessary for contestants to compose the music for their songs. The words and verses and swinging chorus are what the Ad Club wants. The young authors may designate the tune to which their songs are adapted. The winners will be selected by a committee of five of the leading educators of the state. Contestants should write on only one side of the paper and must inclose their name, address, age and school with their manuscripts. Address songs to Geo. E. Waggoner, chairman of committee, 805 Yeon building, Portland, Ore.

## New Irrigation System Is Done

The valves which have been holding up the new park irrigation system have arrived and are installed. The land which is to be put into lawn will be wetted down, rolled and seeded immediately.

## Luncheon at Oregon Hotel for Visitors

Rufus C. Holman, county commissioner of Multnomah county, J. E. Werlein, special agent of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, and Judge William Colvig, tax agent of the Southern Pacific Company, will be in Ashland on October 18 as representatives of the Manufacturers' and Land Products Show to be held in Portland October 25 to November 13. These gentlemen are touring the state in the interests of the show, which is to be held this year under the auspices and direction of the Portland Chamber of Commerce. They hope to create an interest in the show among the people of the state and get their cooperation in the work of making this year's exhibits thoroughly typical of the industrial and agricultural life of Oregon. The land show offers an unusual opportunity to exploit the products of the factories and farms of Oregon, and has, also, a great educational value to our own people by letting them see what we have as well as what we lack and ought to have. The Commercial Club, at the meeting Monday night, voted to entertain these visitors at luncheon, and a committee of three, consisting of President Newcombe, Secretary Norris and Director of Publicity Duryea, was appointed to make the necessary arrangements with Mr. Dobbins of the Hotel Oregon. It is hoped a goodly number of the business men of the city will help to show some courtesy to these men who represent the Portland Chamber of Commerce, by taking tickets for this luncheon.

## Find Cigarette Butts in Spring

A communication was read at Tuesday's council meeting from Ernest E. Starr and Mrs. A. A. Starr which was rather out of the ordinary. The petitioners stated that some years ago one of them had been troubled with stomach trouble and had obtained relief by drinking the water from the sulphur spring on First street near the Natatorium. It was now their wish to renew the treatment, but upon going to the spring the other morning a quantity of cigarette stubs, boxes, papers, cans and such miscellaneous trash was found in the water. The Starrs asked the council to take action which would prevent a recurrence of such pollution of the spring. While the city council recognized the infamy of such contamination, they were unable to take any action on account of the spring being on private property. If the complainants wish the spring cleaned up they should see the owners of the lot.

## Jewelry Stolen From Reed Home

About three weeks ago the house of M. C. Reed was entered when he was absent and his wife was in the yard, and a diamond ring, Mrs. Reed's engagement ring, two diamonds, one small gold ring and a solid gold necklace, highly valued as an heirloom, were stolen. The police have been working on the case but with no results. The front door was open and the jewelry was presumably taken from a handbag on a table. No publicity was given to the theft before in order that the police might have a better chance of locating the stolen goods. Mr. Reed will give a liberal reward to the person furnishing information which will lead to the recovery of the jewelry.

## Progress in the Development Work

Emory Smith of Smith, Emery & Co. arrived in the city last night and is overseeing the work on the water mobilization. Four pipes have now been laid in the trench through the main part of the city. Two more, the pipes which will carry the soda and lithia water to the Southern Pacific station fountain, will be laid before the trench is closed. A. L. Lamb has the contract for the erection of the bandstand in Lithia park and is making good progress. Frank Jordan is working on the fountains.  
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## Talk About Bargains!

The Ashland Tidings one full year and the Sunset Magazine for ten months, all for  
**Two Dollars**  
This offer good for ten days only  
If your subscription is not quite due, by paying two dollars the subscription will be extended from date of expiration.  
This offer is made for new subscriptions, but will extend to old subscribers on above basis.  
Subscription must be paid at the Tidings office to secure this bargain

## Explains Raise Of Ice Plant Rates

A request for information from Councilman Werth resulted in a statement concerning the supposed "high increase" in the rates charged the ice plant for electric current, by Councilman Ware of the electric committee. It seems that the new rate which the ice company is now asked to pay is just one cent per kilowatt, and is the same as is being charged other users of motor current in Ashland. In addition to this fact, Mr. Ware stated that the city was furnishing, free of charge, transformers which are worth approximately \$450. For five years the storage company has been paying 5.6 mills and the committee could find no reason for such discrimination, according to the report. After the raise to standard printed rates which have supposedly always been in effect here, the ice plant people threatened a move to Medford, where, said Mr. Ware, the Medford Ice Company was paying one cent per kilowatt for a much larger amount of current, and the transformers were not furnished by the company. The one cent rate is charged the Ashland schools and other consumers. Mr. Ware also stated that the company's figures had been accepted as a basis for the charge at the end of the month, no meters having been installed.

## Council Can Not Aid Needed Road

Expectations of aid from the council for the Dead Indian road proposition were rendered remote when the opinion of Attorney Moore on the matter of the city's spending money for road work outside of the city limits was read at Tuesday's council meeting. The city attorney's opinion was that the council could not legally spend money for such purposes, and his opinion was backed up with quotations from supreme court decisions on matters of like nature in other cities. No action was considered necessary on the matter by the council, the decision speaking for itself. However, the import of the opinion was ordered inscribed on the minutes to provide easy reference in future like matters.

## Jury Disagrees In Barron Case

For the second time the jury in the case of the State vs. George Barron, accused of reckless driving, disagreed and supposedly a new trial will be demanded unless the state grows tired of the disagreements and throws up the job. The trial was held yesterday at Medford and the jury and court were brought to the scene of the accident to obtain evidence and see the nature of the place where the accident occurred. The car driven by Barron collided with a buggy without lights near Frederick several weeks ago.  
The Duo-fold union suits are all wool outside and all cotton inside, thus causing no irritation to the skin. Price is \$3.50 a suit. Mitchell & Whittle.  
Standard legal blank forms of every kind may be procured at the Tidings office in any quantity.

## Ministers Back Lyceum Course

It is not generally known that last winter the Ministerial Association secured dates on six of the best lyceum attractions on the platform for Ashland this coming season. The best talent is always booked through reputable lyceum bureaus, and the Ellison-White Bureau, which furnished the talent for Chautauqua last summer, is one with the highest standing and their hearty endorsement of the coming course insures its quality. The Oxford Grand Opera Quartet, which is due December 4 and is managed and coached by Elias Day, is composed of artists of the highest type. They sing selections from the best composers and present a light opera in costume. The Apollo Concert Company, which is booked for November 23, is a company of instrumentalists and present a popular concert. Ye Olde Towne Male Quartet, February 1, comes with endorsements from many well-known people. Judge George D. Alden will lecture January 28 on the subject, "The Needs of the Hour," Ralph Parlette, the humorous lecturer, is the first attraction, dated October 21. Sidney Landon in his character studies of great men will be here March 7. The ministers propose to sell the entire course of six attractions for \$1.50, but it will be necessary to place an extra large number of season tickets in advance in order to bring the talent here. Every one who is interested in securing high-class, wholesome entertainment is strongly urged to place orders for season tickets soon, so that the guarantee may be raised.

## Monthly Reports Take Council's Time

Regular monthly reports of the various department heads occupied the early portion of last evening's council session. The usual city claims and bills were ordered paid. A requisition for several meters from the electric light department was allowed. A proposition relating to some land owned by Messrs. White and Miller was referred to a committee of three, including the city attorney. Jane M. Morgan asked permission to tear down and rebuild a barn on Mountain avenue. Permission already having been granted by the proper committee, the action was ratified. G. W. Mathes of 112 Maple street petitioned the council, stating that he wished sewer connections and would lay the pipe if the city would furnish it. About 150 feet of sewer pipe would be necessary. The matter was referred to the water committee with power to act. Councilman Cunningham voting no, assumedly because he believed the power to act instructions so broad as to establish a dangerous precedent. A letter from the Schoenen-Blair Granite Company thanking the city for their offer of road machinery to repair and build the road to their quarry south of the city, and expressing their appreciation of the city's good will, was read. A deed of the private sewer owned by D. Perozzi and the Chautauqua Association to the city, including certain exemptions and containing various minor conditions to safeguard the interests of the former owners, was read. The cash which would accrue to the joint owners under the terms of the deed is approximately \$175. The matter was discussed at length and finally laid on the table for further discussion at the next meeting. Other matters were discussed as reported elsewhere and the meeting adjourned.

## Masterpicture By Griffith at Lyric

Cyrus Townsend Brady, the Episcopalian rector whose novels have won him a host of followers, never devised a better story than the one used as a basis for "A Child of God," the latest of the popular Mutual Masterpictures. It tells a simple love story and recites how the straightforward love of a rough and ready man in the end conquered the affections of an eastern girl whose whole training had taught her to overestimate nonessentials—a girl who at first was too much affected by external.

## Penniston Dahlias Take Many Prizes

The Ashland Tidings office wears a festive air as the result of a vase of beautiful 1915 seedling dahlias which came as the gift of S. Penniston and which took first prize at the Portland dahlia show. Mr. Penniston had three exhibits at the Salem state fair and took first on each. He won the following awards: Best display gladiolus, first prize, \$10; best display peony dahlias, first prize, \$20; best general display show Peony, Cactus Decorative, Collarette, Pompon and single dahlias, first prize, \$25.

## Grand Jury in Session at Medford

The first grand jury ever held in the state outside of Portland is now in session in Medford and more than 150 witnesses, judges, clerks, deputies and court attaches are in Medford. The sessions are being held in the Medford Natatorium. The grand jury term will last two weeks. Upon its conclusion a petit jury will be called and the term of the federal court will last two weeks. A murder case and several bootlegging cases from the Klamath reservation will be among the cases tried.  
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## Commercial Club Plans Luncheons

A most harmonious spirit prevailed at the first fall meeting of the Commercial Club Monday evening. Probably the most important accomplishment of the evening was the enthusiastic reception received of a plan advanced by Secretary Norris and advocated by several members in lively speeches, of having a series of luncheons for get-together purposes during the winter. A committee was appointed to take the matter in charge, and the luncheon for the Portland land show men will be the first of the series. J. W. Dobbins of the Hotel Oregon was made a member of the club and five resignations received. Frank Jordan reported on the Billings hill proposition. V. O. N. Smith for the hotel committee reported progress. He stated that the committee had given the matter careful thought and deliberation and thought in the near future they would be able to give Ashland some very interesting news along this line. His remarks were received with hearty applause. Frank Jordan advocated the immediate clearing away of brush which intercepted autoists' view of the track at the Homes crossing south of the city, and while the matter was outside of the city, he believed that immediate action was necessary and stated that Mr. Graves would clear the brush for five dollars. A committee was appointed to look into the matter and endeavor to have the owner of the land clear the brush. Among the speakers of the evening was J. H. Dill, a newcomer from Carolina, who in a well-worded and direct speech gave his impressions of Ashland's faults and outlined possible remedies. His talk was well received. Publicity Manager Duryea reported concerning work which he had accomplished in the four months he has been in Ashland. An almost unbelievable amount of effective publicity matter has gone out in this time and the results received speak well for Mr. Duryea's effectiveness. The meeting closed with general discussion of the luncheon plan and the benefits in the way of closer understanding and co-operation which will accrue.

## Local Man's Folks Flee From Turkey

A dispatch from Petrograd under date of September 17 gives the following with regard to the finish of the mission station at Van, Turkey, where an Ashland man's brother was located. The hardships of Rev. Clarence Ussher and his wife and boy and the others have been recounted heretofore. He is a brother of W. W. Ussher, manager of the local telephone office. The telegram says: "Dr. Clarence D. Ussher, Mr. and Mrs. Yarow and thirteen other persons comprising the missionary staff at Van, Turkish-Armenia, passed through Petrograd today on their way to Bergen, Norway, having had to abandon to pillage and flame the result of seventy years' work at Van. "Aged, but dauntless, Mrs. Reynolds broke her leg in the hurried flight from Van, and died at Tiflis two days before her husband reached there from America. Mrs. Ussher died of typhus fever shortly before the flight. Dr. Ussher was attacked the same day his wife was stricken. He still is scarcely able to walk, although he has recovered from the disease. "The entire party suffered great hardships on the road. Already weakened through the long nursing of thousands of refugees, virtually all the members of the parties were scourged by disease and were forced to halt at Tiflis. There, fortunately, the board of missions had a fund deposited with the American consul. Dr. William A. Shedd, head of the Urumiah Mission, and Mrs. Labore, wife of one of the missionaries at Urumiah, and several other missionaries are here, homeward bound. "Dr. Shedd lost his wife and two other women of the Urumiah station died of disease, due to overwork in caring for 20,000 refugees." Think of it, a good heavy-weight fancy plaid Mackinaw for \$5, also many better grades, at Mitchell & Whittle's.  
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