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## Chautauqua's Opening Day is Friday, July 18

This year's Chautauqua program is so completely filled with good things that one cannot afford to miss any of it. The opening day, July 18, is to be the biggest opening day ever known. Think of it! A great picnic in the park all the forenoon where you can bring your lunch and enjoy the cool refreshing breeze from Mt. Ashland. Groups of meetings will be addressed by various speakers: A meeting of the women in the Chautauqua building at 11 o'clock with addresses by Mrs. Jennie M. Kemp, Mrs. Mattie B. Sleeth and Mrs. Lee Davenport. Singing led by Walter Jenkins, the Portland War Camp Community Song Leader. Great lecture at 3:00 p. m. preceded by the McDonough-Eagleton Company in a musical fun program. Dr. Joseph Clare, the afternoon lecturer, has been right in the thick of the war and the revolution in Russia. He was the British and American Pastor at Petrograd. What he

says is first-hand. His story is "The Riddle of the Russian Revolution." Don't miss it! Friday night, if you want to know how people can really sing, come early and join that big Victory Chorus. It's going to be a whopper and if you don't get enthused over the singing program, Mr. Sunday will probably be able to give you a slight thrill. Any way it's worth trying. Friday afternoon, Mr. Fuller, the President and Manager, will outline the work for the entire week's program. He does not purpose to weary the audience with announcements or speeches. Watch the programs and papers. There will be something good at every session from the start Friday until the close Thursday night. It is urged that you call at the office in the Camps Building opposite Hotel Austin and purchase your tickets. It will insure you a seat to hear Billy Sunday. Don't delay.

## U. S. Will Resume Trade With Germany

Trade between the United States and Germany will be resumed immediately, acting Secretary Polk of the state department, has announced. Mr. Polk said blanket licenses would be issued, but that dyes, chemicals and potash would be excepted. Control over trade in these commodities will be exercised by the reparation commission under the terms of the peace treaty. A formal announcement regarding resumption of trade relations was promised within 48 hours. Secretary Polk made it clear that resumption of trade relations with Germany did not abrogate the trading with the enemy act nor was it to be taken as meaning that the state of war was at an end. Germany will need immediately from the United States, according to department of commerce officials, large quantities of cotton, copper, kerosene oil and increased amounts of foodstuffs and wearing apparel. Trade with Germany has been at a standstill virtually since August, 1914. Germany's total imports from the United States in 1913 amounted to \$467,246,000. Cotton, copper, raw fur skins and kerosene oil were the principal commodities together with foodstuffs, wheat being the largest of the latter. In that year Germany imported \$109,896,000 worth of cotton, \$69,981,000 of copper, \$15,827,000 of skins, \$12,612,000 of kerosene oil and \$39,243,000 of wheat. American imports from Germany consisted principally of toys, potash, dyestuffs, chemicals and drugs, and delicate precision instruments, also pottery and porcelains and granite-ware. Cut off from German supplies, American firms began the manufacture of many commodities previously obtained from Germany and legislation to protect these industries from "dumping" by German firms is now in congress.

Mills and logging camps generally closed during Fourth of July week; a large number of plants to remain closed or in only partial operation during July and August, in order that needed repairs may be made.

## NOTICE TO WATER USERS:

All water shall be turned off on the sounding of the fire alarm. Don't let faucets or other fixtures leak. Don't run water on to streets or other property. Don't run water between the hours of 10 p. m. and 5 a. m. For irrigation of 10,000 sq. ft. or 20,000 sq. ft., use sprinklers or nozzle only. Your water receipts will show whether you are paying for sprinkling or acreage. Useless waste of water is not necessary. Fines for any of the above violations will be from \$1.00 to \$20.00. E. R. HOSLER, Supt. Water Works. 46-3t

## Robber Sentenced to Ten Years in Prison

Chester Clark, alias Conley, pleaded guilty to robbing the Beaverton bank of \$3800 on June 10 and Thursday was sentenced by Judge Bagley to serve ten years in the penitentiary. When confronted by the mass of evidence against him Clark broke down and talked freely of the holdup. The car he drove to Beaverton was stolen from a Portland shipyard and left in Vancouver. Instead of entering Portland thru Lovejoy street he took a narrow side road which led to Willamette Heights. He said that had he been followed immediately after the robbery he could not have escaped, as he was delayed 15 minutes on the road by engine trouble.

## BELLE ROUSE BURNED BY STRIKING MATCH

According to Mrs. Anna Rouse, mother of Belle Viola Rouse who met her death Thursday, July 3, by fire at her home on Fifth street, the accident was not caused by a lamp being overturned as was first supposed, but was due to the little child striking a match and in some manner setting fire to her clothing. The little girl was conscious before she died, and made this statement to her mother.

The first person to observe the fire was Mrs. J. P. Wolf, who resides near the Rouse residence, and who saw the blaze and heard the screams of the child. Mrs. Wolf ran to the house and on entering saw the little girl standing at the head of the stairs with her clothing on fire. With great presence of mind Mrs. Wolf rushed upstairs and wrapped the little girl in a woolen shawl and carried her down and out of the burning building.

After being taken to the hospital Belle stated that she had come home from the park and had entered her mother's bedroom to see if the latter was present. In order to avoid waking her mother in case she was asleep the little girl struck a match, there being no lamp in the room. "I don't know how my clothes got on fire," she said, but it is presumed that a portion of the burning match fell on the little girl's gown, which was ignited that way.

"I can never repay Mrs. Wolf for what she did for my little girl," the grief-stricken mother remarked. "But for her little Belle would have been burned without our ever knowing how it occurred." After rescuing the child Mrs. Wolf gave the alarm that brought the men who extinguished the fire in the house.

E. G. Owen of Weed, who with his wife were in Ashland during the roundup and celebration, in a letter to the Tidings, has the following to say complimentary to the city: "Mrs. Owen and I were delighted with our visit to Ashland. The park and lithia water are a perfect success, and the fireworks were grand. Anyone cannot say too much for Ashland. It is the best city for a home on the coast."

## Stolen Auto Left On Liberty Street

A fine big Cadillac touring car was abandoned on Liberty street last Friday night at the home of E. K. Hall by three men, who had evidently stolen it and were trying to make their escape into California. The car was found to belong to P. A. Bounds, a banker in Yakima, Wash., and had been stolen a short time ago.

About 11 o'clock Friday night, according to the Medford police, three men in this car arrived in Medford and inquired of the night policeman where they could procure gas. After they were directed to a garage, the policeman's suspicions were aroused, and stepping into the station they looked up the number on the strange car in the state auto license book and found that it belonged to a car of a different make in Salem. This seemed to confirm their suspicions, and on going out to the men they found that the latter had pulled out for Ashland.

Chief Hatcher of this city was notified that the car was headed this way and to look out for it, while the deputy sheriff secured a car and started in pursuit. Arriving in Ashland the deputy caught up with the strangers on the Plaza, and called to them to stop, but the latter sped up and by taking a circuitous route managed to evade their pursuers.

E. K. Hall, who lives on Liberty street, was aroused by the inmates of this car, at a late hour, who asked if that street was the highway. On being told it was not the men stated that they would leave the car there for the night, and then disappeared.

Saturday morning, Mr. Hall telephoned to Chief Hatcher about the car being left there, as no one came to claim it. The latter and Charles Lindsey went out and drove it down town, and notified Medford police of its being found. They in turn had learned of the Cadillac belonging to Mr. Bounds being stolen, and on investigation it was discovered that this car was the missing one.

It is supposed that the men in order to make an escape had taken up Liberty street with the idea that it led directly over the Siskiyou. On arriving at the end of the street they learned their mistake and were afraid to go on over the highway as they probably feared their pursuers had got ahead of them and were awaiting their coming. No further trace of the auto thieves has been found.

## Ex-Soldiers and Gobs, Come Out Tonight

All men who saw service in either army or navy during the war are requested to be at the Commercial club room at 8 o'clock tonight. State Chairman Rivers of the American Legion is here with the complete "dope" necessary to complete the organizing of the Ashland Post of the Legion. Mr. Elvers started out his war career as an enlisted man in the old 3rd Oregon and is a live wire. He states Oregon has got the jump on most of the western states in organizing and that practically all of the service men in the north-

## Echo is Improved Under the Big Dome

Efforts are constantly being made to work out some scheme whereby the acoustic properties of the big Chautauqua building are improved. This building has the largest dome unsupported by pillars in the United States, and considering its size the sound of the voices of speakers and entertainers is fairly well distributed over the room. There are some spots, however, where an echo is quite pronounced, and a committee headed by S. Patterson has been making various experiments this season to try and remedy this.

Mr. Patterson has worked out a plan that presents a great improvement over anything heretofore tried. This is an arrangement of the large flags hung to break the echo. Last year the immense city flag was stretched across the dome from the center to the back, and later from the center to the front in an effort to improve the hearing facilities. This year the flag has been suspended from the dome directly down, and it is found that the echo is greatly eliminated by this process. As sound is equally as plain in the back of the building as it is in the front the committee looking after the acoustics has decided that the break in the expanse of the room must be from the center to the sides, and to improve this another large flag, 44 by 17 feet has been made and stretched beside the large city flag. Two tricolor pennants have also been made and stretched across the front sides, and these have made a noticeable improvement in doing away with the echo.

It was the intention of the committee to make two flags of the same size, but material could not be obtained. This will be done, however, as soon as this can be arranged.

## STRANGERS WANT TO KNOW ABOUT ASHLAND

The following calls have been made for sample copies of the Ashland Tidings of a late issue from people who are interested in this locality: H. O. Willworth, Umatilla, Oregon; C. E. Gordon, Hotel Stanford, San Francisco, Calif.; J. A. Frentress, Danbury, Iowa; Peter Conklin, Monmouth, Oregon; J. J. V. Howe, 3263 Benner St., Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. M. Clayton, 200 Walnut St., Fayette, Mo.; Mrs. W. A. Hyder, Signal Mountain, Tenn.

Dayton.—Oil drilling will be under way soon.

## Chautauqua Week Opens With Community Sing

If the fire whistle hadn't demoralized the community sing at Lithia park last night at about 9 o'clock the people there would probably be singing yet, as the inspiration started by Walter Jenkins, the city song leader in the War Camp Community Service of Portland, was just beginning to take effect. The masses gathered at the park were only beginning to be awakened and to realize what a great part singing has in a community to arouse social enthusiasm and awaken public interests.

Early in the evening as the crowds began to gather at the park the Ashland band played some delightful selections from the stand, which helped attract people to that section and put them in the mood for taking part in the community sing that was to come. The evening was propitious for such an event. The heat of the day had somewhat subsided, and the evening breeze blowing down the canyon over the green lawns brought a refreshing coolness and comfort.

A piano was wheeled into the open near the fountains, and when Walter Jenkins stepped up on the auto truck in which the piano was stationed, everyone knew immediately that song would be in the air. Miss Mary Young presided at the piano, and the songs selected were those arranged by the leader for the community sing at the Rose Festival in Portland.

While the majority of people present showed a tendency to listen to the voice of the noted song leader rather than lift up their own in song, Mr. Jenkins' personality and enthusiasm led them soon to realize that his mission was not to entertain but to lead others to entertain themselves, and when Captain Frame led the members of Company B, O. N. G., up to the grounds, the interest in the community sing began to

warm up. Among the out of town people who had come up to assist in the sing was Fletcher Fish of Phoenix, whose singing from an automobile near by attracted the attention of Mr. Jenkins, and the latter called upon him to come and sing for the audience. Mr. Fish, who is a well known musical man and a general favorite throughout the valley, responded, and made the welkin ring with "Jada," which was most enthusiastically received. Just then the fire whistle sounded its ominous blasts and the citizens with visions of dire calamity visiting their homes in their absence began to make a rapid exit from the park, and the singing was over for the night.

After the sing was over Mr. Jenkins said that Ashland hid herself proud in the first attempt. He went on to say that community singing is a matter of education. During the war period almost every large community and many small ones had song leaders. The fact that people are doing one thing all together at the same time when they sing has marvelous results, said Mr. Jenkins. The psychology of the whole business is seen best in the college spirit, the victorious army. We should be a singing nation and we will be if our folks all get into the game.

Co-operating with the War Camp Community Committee of Medford, a great outdoor sing is planned for tomorrow night in the city park at Medford. Mr. Fuller is appointing a committee so that Ashland will have at least fifty cars in a parade that will go to the sing. The cars will be decorated with the Chautauqua banners. Everybody that can possibly get away is urged to make the trip. The cars will meet at 7:30 at the Plaza. Let's all get better acquainted and go to Medford to help put this sing across. The Medford band will also play for an hour.

## Big Forest Fire At Anderson Creek

The first forest fire of large proportions started Monday afternoon between Anderson and Coleman creeks near the old Anderson mine. The blaze caught from a sawmill in that district and soon spread over the mountain at a terrific rate. Deputy State Supervising Fire Warden Garrett of Medford put on 35 fire fighters and every effort is being made to control the flames before they do any more damage. This fire is outside the boundaries of the Crater National forest, but is in the state fire patrol association territory.

## HEAT OF NEW YORK IS HARD TO ENDURE

Mrs. Frank Stevens of Ashland was summoned to New York City recently by the sudden death of her mother, who succumbed to apoplexy in that city. Mrs. Stevens wired for them to hold the body until her arrival for the funeral, and immediately started on the trip which consumed five nights and four days by the short route. Having been living in Ashland for the past three and one-half years Mrs. Stevens writes back that she finds the heat in New York something she can hardly endure. She will remain for two weeks at the large New Mammoth Hotel at Spring Lake, N. J., to rest prior to her departure for her home in Ashland which she dearly loves.

Previous to her leaving Ashland on the day she was notified of her mother's demise, Mrs. Stevens was consoled and helped by numerous friends and acquaintances, whom she will never forget for their kind consideration for her comfort while traveling. Mr. Stevens has had charge of all the immense stores at Hill for the past six months and was unable to accompany his wife on the journey on account of the heads of the Fruit Growers' Supply company being away, which entailed considerable work upon him.

Echo.—Hay selling for \$16 a stack in this vicinity.

## Men Arrested For Bringing In Whiskey

While up on the Siskiyou looking after business there, Friday, Sheriff Terrill and Policeman Adams of Medford stopped a car in which Percy G. Mims and C. M. Bell were riding, and made a search for liquor which they suspected the two Medford men of having concealed in their car. Two cases of pint bottles of whiskey were brought to light, and the men were arrested and taken to Medford where they gave bail of \$500 each pending a hearing.

The case was tried before Justice W. H. Gowdy at the city hall in Ashland Saturday afternoon. Mr. Mims pleaded not guilty, but at the trial was found guilty and was sentenced \$150 fine and sixty days in jail. Justice Gowdy then made a statement in court that the jail sentence will be suspended if the fine is paid. Mr. Mims' attorney later gave notice of an appeal.

Mr. Bell pleaded guilty at the trial and was sentenced to a fine of \$200 and six months in jail. The jail sentence was also suspended by paying the fine.

## MEDFORD SCHOOL BUDGET DEFEATED

At a special election held in Medford last Thursday the school budget was again rejected. Only 60 votes were cast in favor of the budget, while 2441 votes were cast against it. On the question of increase of the tax levy to 17 mills, 233 votes were against and 69 for; eight blank votes being cast. At the first election 48 votes favored the budget and 235 against, with six blank ballots. The school board claims that the lack of increase in the funds will necessitate the closing of two of the city schools and the remaining three will be badly crowded. The school enrollment last year was about 1,300, and the superintendent has stated that it will probably be not less than 1,400 the coming year.

Standard Oil Co. spending large sums prospecting for oil in several parts of the state. Large testing rigs going up in Yamhill county.