

CHURCHES PLAN BIG PROGRAMS

Summer Activities Get Under Way With Many Events Upon Schedule

Vacation time finds the churches planning educational and sports programs for their young people. The most popular type of program for such activity has come to be the summer camp where outstanding leaders of the denomination take charge of classes and the various events that go to make up a week of recreation and study for any group of young people. Oregon is not lacking in these camps and Salem churches will be them at various times throughout sending their young folk away to the vacation period.

The Presbyterian Christian Endeavor have already held their camp at Hillockburn, near Estacada, meeting from June 17 to 23. The Christian church held its meeting at Turner but a week ago. The Salem churches sending delegates were the First and Court street Christian churches.

The Baptist Young People's union assembly at Linfield college in McMinnville convenes from July 16 to 26.

The Friends' young people's assembly will be held at the coast the South and the North Salem from July 24 to August 5. Both Friends will probably send delegates.

The Evangelical groups will meet at a camp site on the Willamette river three miles north of Oregon City from July 25 until July 31.

The Methodist Institute is held at the Epworth League grounds at Fall City, August 5 to 11. Delegates from First, Jasan Lee Memorial, Leslie, Ford Memorial and the Mill street churches will send delegates.

In all, these groups will include hundreds of Oregon young people scores of whom will go from Salem.

SMEDLEY BUTLER IS GIVEN PROMOTION

WASHINGTON, July 13. (AP)—Smedley D. Butler—whose peppy career has been featured by adventures as a marine and as a while director of public safety in Philadelphia—is now a major general.

President Hoover approved his promotion from brigadier general of the marine corps today on the recommendation of Secretary Acams. He is the youngest general officer of the corps, celebrating his forty-eighth birthday July 30.

Butler's first rank was that of of volunteer second lieutenant during the Spanish American war. He now commands the marines at Quantico, Virginia, which post he will retain. The promotion was to fill the vacancy caused by the recent death of Major General Eli K. Cole. Major General Logan Feland succeeded the latter as commandant of the marine forces on the Pacific.

General Butler's rank as brigadier was taken by Colonel John T. Myers, president of the marine corps examining and retiring board.

Both promoted officers have long and distinguished records in action. Butler wears two congressional medals of honor as well as both army and navy distinguished service medals and many decorations from foreign powers. He has taken part in virtually every marine expedition since the Spanish-American war.

General Myers, who is president of the marine corps examining and retiring board, is 59 years old. He was advanced twice for heroic conduct in battle. He took part in the boxer uprising and during the World war served with the Atlantic fleet.

General Butler was promoted to captain for heroism in the boxer campaign in China. Since then he has served in the Philippines, Cuba, Nicaragua, Panama, Honduras, Mexico, Haiti, Santo Domingo, and again in China—where he commanded the latest marine expeditionary force.

Not the least spectacular incident in his career was his command of the Philadelphia police force as director of public safety in 1925. He undertook "to clean up" the city while on leave from the marine corps and, was dismissed after he had declined a request by the mayor that he resign.

BUSINESS WOMEN SELECT RICHMOND

MACKINAC ISLAND, Mich., July 12. (AP)—The National Federation of Business and Professional women's clubs will hold its 1931 biennial convention in Richmond, Va., the second week in July. It was decided today at post-convention meeting of the board of directors. The Lena Maresin Phillips building fund which is to be used to secure permanent headquarters in Washington, D. C. will be held open until January for charter membership. A total of \$30,000 was pledged by the pioneer convention. The fund is named in honor of the immediate past-president whose recommendation it was that the federation establish in Washington.

The Week's Events In Salem Theaters

RICHARD DIX IS NOW SHOWING ON SCREEN

Richard Dix in his first all-talking dramatic smash, "The Wheel of Life" is the current attraction at the Elsinore theatre.

"The Wheel of Life" is said to offer Dix one of the best opportunities of his screen career to put forth a heavy finished dramatic role. Local theatre-goers will remember seeing and hearing the popular screen star in his first all-talking comedy, "Nothing But the Truth," which put Dix in the fore front with his excellent re-creating voice.

Beautiful Esther Ralston, who has supported Dix in a few previous productions, is seen to good advantage as his leading lady, O. P. Heggie, famous Broadway stage star, who will be remembered for his good work with Jeanne Eagles in "The Letter" is also cast to advantage.

On the same bill will also be a new issue of the Pathe Sound Talking News, in which one will be able to view the non-stop flight of Reinhardt and Mendell. Ruth Eiting, famous phonograph artist, has a songologue, in which she sings, "Glad Rag Doll."

L. Carlos Meier, premier organist, has arranged a unique novelty surprise, which he promises will prove very popular with local audiences.

CALIFORNIA CAPERS WILL BE STAGE IDEA

The initial elaborate Fanchon and Marco "idea," which will be seen on the Elsinore theatre stage, commencing Wednesday is the "California Capers idea." According to advance reports this show is considered by many to be one of the most artistic yet staged and conceived by Fanchon and Marco.

Featured in this stage presentation will be the 16 famous Sunkist Beauties, which are known far and wide, wherever a Fanchon and Marco show is offered. These girls will offer some excellent ensemble work, together with a fine selection of vocal numbers.

Ray Samuel, who is known as one of the stage's most versatile dancers, is on the same bill, while others include the Gaines Brothers, Ann Carter and many others.

These Fanchon and Marco shows are the same identical shows that are seen weekly in such big metropolitan theatres as Loew's Warfield, San Francisco, Loew's State, Los Angeles, Broadway, Portland, and the Fifth Avenue, Seattle.

BARGAIN MATINEE WILL BE OFFERED

The management of the Elsinore announces a unique admission price.

Starting with the first Fanchon and Marco "idea," known as the "California Capers idea," which opens at that theatre Wednesday, for a one day engagement, there will be a special matinee known as a "bargain matinee."

The price will be 25 cents up to 2 p. m. The doors will be open at 1:30, and patrons may enter the theatre any time from 1:30 on for 25 cents.

These prices will prevail only on Fanchon and Marco shows.

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Dix Playing Here Now



Richard Dix and Esther Ralston in the Paramount Picture "The Wheel of Life"

Huge Setting is Built to Handle "Desert Song" in Warner Brothers Studio

The largest setting ever built for a talking picture was constructed at the Warner Brothers Studio in Hollywood for the current Vitaphone production at the Capitol theatre, "The Desert Song," the first operetta adapted in its entirety to the motion picture screen. Only at this studio, in fact, could such an extensive set have been constructed, since it entirely filled a new sound stage which has just been completed, and which is by far the largest structure of its kind in the world.

This magnificent setting represents a rocky mountain pass on the edge of the Moroccan desert, and it is here that the band of Riffs headed by the mysterious Red Shadow make camp when they are hiding from the French cavalry.

The set is an exact duplicate of a location used by the company on the edge of the famous Death Valley in California, and so remarkable is the reproduction that it is impossible to tell where the studio setting is substituted for the actual location in the desert.

The cast appearing in "The Desert Song" includes John Boles, Carlotta King, Louise Fazenda, Johnny Arthur, John Miljan, Myrna Loy, Marie Wells, Jack Pratt, Edward Martindel, Robert E. Guzman, Otto Hoffman, Del Elliott and others, and a magnificent chorus of one hundred voices.

Roy Del Ruth directed, and Harvey Gates wrote the screen adaptation of the original stage play by Otto Harbach, Oscar Hammerstein, 2nd, Lawrence Schwab and Frank Mandel, with music by Sigmund Romberg.

The picture will be shown as a feature extraordinary at the Capitol throughout this entire week.

'HEARTS IN DIXIE' IS SOON AT CAPITOL

When "Hearts in Dixie," Fox Movietone 100 per cent dialogue production, is seen and heard on the screens of the world, it is almost certain that the singing of spirituals and folk songs will linger in the memories of auditors for a long time.

Particularly will this be true of "Lonesome Road," the strains of which bring the story to a close. It is a masterpiece of its kind.

The history of "Lonesome Road" is somewhat vague. Evelyn Cary Williams of Lynchburg, Virginia, who has made extensive researches on the subject of folk songs, was unable to trace the origin of "Lonesome Road" other than to find it was taken down from the singing of Charles Gallo-way, an uneducated worker on roads in Virginia. It is not unlikely that the song will become widely popularized through its use in the picture, as, perhaps, will several others.

This production will be the next at the Capitol following the "Desert Song."

RELIGIOUS DRAMA PRESENTED TODAY

Of more than usual interest is the announcement for this morning service at the First Congregational church when the religious drama "Peter, the Rock" will be presented by a group of California players, headed by Rev. Charles E. Evans, pastor of the Congregational church in Corona, Calif. He also takes the leading role. Assisting him are several others, among them his wife and Dr. Bunnell who has had leading roles on several tours with the Wright California Players. The play, as the name indicates, is a dramatization of the life of Peter, the Apostle.

The same group of players will present "St. Claudia" at the afternoon Willson Park services, 3:30 o'clock. This play, fully as dramatic and intense as the morning's production, deals with scenes in the trial of Jesus, when Claudia, wife of Pilot intervenes in the cause of the Christ. This play will take heavy endorsement of Rev. Schrock, formerly pastor of the Salem First Congregational church a man who knows both the plays and the players.

'THE DESERT SONG' ATTRACTIVE FILM

It is the old story of the court fool who loved the lovely lady but the lady loved the handsome fool turned out to be no fool at all and upset the handsome but naughty young man and won the lovely lady. Though retold again and again in all sorts of disguises it always holds.

One of the loveliest version of all is "The Desert Song" with its picturesque desert settings in color and music. Riff horsemen racing against the sky on the rim of a sand dune, harem dancers and the brass buttons of French Army post all go to make it a classic of desert pictures.

As for comedy—the Parisian society reporter with his beret and the inimitable Louise who finally achieves "it" is the answer to a maiden's prayer for comedy.

SMUGGLERS TO BE DEPORTED, WORD

SAN FRANCISCO, July 13. (AP)—Deportation seemed in prospect tonight for Mrs. Susie Kao, in whose baggage 2299 lbs. of opium were found; her husband, Ying Kao, former Chinese vice consul here, and Suen Foon, chancellor, or secretary, of the consulate.

A telegram from W. D. Mitchell, U. S. attorney general, was received here today by government officials. The message directed that no further action be taken in the case pending decision of the attorney general's office in the matter. It was indicated the trio might be turned over to the Chinese government for prosecution under the laws of that country. A decision was promised for Monday.

Transfer of the charged from the United States to the Chinese courts would be a highly diplomatic move, it was asserted by those best informed on the attitude of Chinese residents here, for, it was assumed, it would satisfy the San Francisco branch of the Kuomintang and would restore prestige to the consulate, which has felt that arrest of the Kaos and the chancellor has been contrary to consular etiquette.

"Chinese, in Esan Kfo," said Hugh K. McVitt, attorney for the Kuomintang, "feel the same courtesy should be shown them as any other nation."

"This usual procedure in cases of this kind is to hand the persons under their passports and let their home governments decide their guilt or innocence."

The new ordinance forbids parking more than an hour, or two hours depending on the zone, within a space of 300 feet. For the first few days after it went into effect, the city reaped a harvest of overtime parking fines.

Result Of Turtle Egg Is Awaited

A delicate point in the argument of pre-natal influence is about to come up for trial. The laboratory experiment soon to make or wreck the theories of many doctors involves one turtle, found by Fred Perin three weeks ago while he was on his way to King's Valley.

It was only a common mud-loving turtle but according to Biblical reference, even as the birds of the air are numbered this turtle had its individuality. On the top of the shell was carved "I. W. 1904," and on the underside further engravings revealed "C 1906."

Fred brought the mud bather back to Salem with him, and after drilling a hole in the side of its shell to permit a cord, staked it out in the creek by his South Winter home.

What at first seemed a hunger strike proved Saturday to be the result of undivided attentions on the part of a mother in perpetuating her race. Seven very milky, long, conical eggs lay in the shallow water. The proud mother lay by and observed with no mean pride the result of her efforts.

Now the crisis of the affair is at hand. Tones of long scientific research may prove futile and utterly worthless if within the next few days seven little turtles come into the world with "I. W. 1904," and "C 1906" irrevocably scratched upon their backs.

PARKING ORDINANCE IS BEING OBSERVED

The problem of overtime parking and the new regulations with respect thereto, appeared last week to have adjusted itself satisfactorily.

At that time there were actually fewer overtime parking tags coming into the recorder's office than there had normally been when the less stringent rules were in force.

The explanation, according to Chief Frank Minto, apparently is that persons who made a practice of flouting with the old law, have found that it can't be done under the new one, and have decided to observe it instead of "beating" it.

When the police formerly marked tires with chalk, it was possible for the owners to watch for the marks and move their cars before necessary. Now the police are simply jotting down the license numbers, then checking up an hour later, and there is no way to tell whether one's license number is "written there" or not.

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