

Graduation Exercises End School Year

PLANS COMPLETED; REHEARSALS MADE FOR PARK FESTIVAL

80 Normal School Students Under Direction of Instructors Will Present Symbolic Dances For Cycle Of Day, At Alumni Day, June 11—May Become Annual Affair

First presentation of symbolic dances in Lithia Park in a Spring Festival, which Ashland boosters hope to make an annual event—to grow in beauty and size, will be made Saturday evening, June 11, in connection with Alumni Day of the Southern Oregon Normal School Association.

Rehearsals are held daily under the direction of Miss Virginia Hales, physical culture instructor and Miss Leona Marsters, instructor in music at the Normal School.

Approximately 60 people will take part in the presentation. The Spring Festival, as planned by Miss Marsters, Miss Hales and Miss Marion Ady, of the art department, is a series of symbolic dances, representing the cycle of a day, dawn, sunrise, noon, afternoon, twilight and midnight.

Costumes, designed by Miss Ady, are symbolic in color and design of the representative time. The girls are making their own costumes of georgette.

Members of the dancing groups who are included in the cast and who are rehearsing under the direction of Miss Hales are:

Dawn—Ruth Triplett, Marie Boleau, Artie Stockdale, Lois Knapp, Arleen Robertson, Cheryl Smith.

Sunrise—Ruth Aitken, Susanne Jenkins, Eldred Damewood, Eloise Upson, Eleanor Brown, Garnet Burkhardt.

Noon—Mella Brandon, Eloise Upson, Irene Peck, Hazel Hiett, and Laura York.

Afternoon—Ruth Aitken and Garnet Burkhardt.

Sunset—Margaret Hammerbacher, Margaret Lauspeck, Jennie Grover, Gladys Cross, Lois Joy Hanson and Eleanor Brown.

Twilight—Gladys Johnson, Lollita Pierson, Jessie Nelle Evans, Anna Cossmann, Margaret Hammerbacher and Lois Joy Hanson.

Midnight—Dora Sparks, Esta Gardner, Ora Offield, Susanne Jenkins, Eloise Upson and Ruth Aitkens.

Miss Lorraine Brookmiller is acting as accompanist for rehearsals. It is not yet definitely determined whether an orchestra or pianist will furnish music for the festival in the park.

Members of the chorus, training under the direction of Miss Marsters are:

Jessie Nell Evans, Betty Brown, Gladys Johnson, Margaret Lauspeck, Jennie Grover, Miria La Plant, Vivian Smith, Helen Detrick, Margaret Hammerbacher, Doris Applegate, Artie Stockdale, Aubrey Haan, Albie Beck, Victor Phelps, Lester Gardner, Lois Joy Hanson, Lynda Oeder, Hazel Leonard, Sara Westler, Ber-

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VISITORS LIKE THIS TERRITORY

From Montana and Washington Tourists Come To Ashland

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Loeh and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Harrell of Missoula, Montana, spent Thursday night and Friday at the Ashland Tourist camp.

The Montana folks are looking through the west for a suitable location for a poultry ranch, and expressed themselves as pleased with the possibilities which Ashland presents.

BAND LEADER COMING HERE

"Sharkey" Moore, Prominent Pacific Coast Musician To Locate In Ashland

Ashland Community band is to be revived this summer after several months of inactivity.

Band concerts in Lithia Park will be held as is customary.

Delbert "Sharkey" Moore, one of the best known musicians on the Pacific coast, and assistant director of the symphony orchestra at the University of Oregon at Eugene, comes to Ashland to direct the local musical organization.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore are establishing their home at 100 Union street. Mr. Moore will direct the Merrimac orchestra, an organization of Eugene musicians which will locate in Ashland this summer, and will make their initial appearance at the Lithia cabaret, June 16.

Mr. Moore also plans to teach privately.

REHEARSALS PROGRESSING

Dramatic Club Will Present "Smilin' Thru" as Commencement Activity

Rehearsals for the play, "Smilin' Thru," which is to be presented by the Alpha Tau, dramatic society of the Southern Oregon Normal School, in connection with the activities of Commencement, are progressing nicely under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Richardson, head of the English department at the college. The production is to be presented Monday evening, June 13, at the college auditorium.

The play is a clever, three act vehicle, well suited for an amateur production.

Members of the cast are John Churchman and Margaret Lurna, taking the leading character roles; Isabelle Murray, John Galey, Ruth Aitken, Bob Wright, Warren Doremus, Eileen Gamwell, J. O. Mercer, Ann Fedor and Aubrey Haan.

Scenery is being painted at the school.

Ashland Native Dies In Frisco

Grover Nell, Ashland native, who left here 12 years ago and located in San Francisco, died Thursday afternoon, June 2, 1926, at his home in that city as the result of paralysis.

He was a brother of Fred Nell of Ashland, who left Friday for San Francisco. Funeral services will be held Sunday and the body cremated, according to word received by relatives.

Grover Nell was born in Ashland 38 years ago, a son of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Nell. He engaged in the stock buying business until his marriage to Mrs. Lottie Carmen of San Francisco, when he moved to that city and became interested in the bakery business.

A blood clot on his brain caused paralysis several days ago.

His widow and his brother are the only surviving relatives.

Starts Atlantic Flight Tonight—Berlin Is Goal

Washington D. C., June 3—In the face of unfavorable weather reports from Newfoundland and the North Atlantic, work is being done on the Bellanca plane "Columbia," for a start this evening on a non-stop flight to Berlin, which will eclipse in point of time and distance the achievement of Capt. Lindbergh.

Clarence Chamberlain will take off in the attempted flight this evening at 6 o'clock, according to Charles Levine, backer of the Bellanca plane, who requested officials of the National Aeronautical Association to supervise starting records.

MOTHER OF FIVE TAKEN BY DEATH

Mrs. D. E. Bush and Infant Daughter Die At Community Hospital Thursday—Family Moved To Ashland From Canada Five Years Ago.

Mrs. D. E. Bush, 44, died Thursday afternoon, June 2, 1927, at the Ashland Community hospital following the birth of a daughter. The baby lived only a few minutes after birth.

The death of Mrs. Bush is extremely sad as she was the mother of five children, four of whom reside at the Bush home, 264 Garfield street.

Melvina Webb Bush, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elliot Webb was born in Ironton, Ohio. Following her marriage to D. E. Bush she moved with her husband to Canada where the family resided until five years ago when they moved to Ashland.

Surviving Mrs. Bush is her husband, her aged father, Elliott Webb, who resides at Grand Rapids, Mich., and the following named children: Dorothy, aged eight;

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CLASS OF '31 IS GRADUATED THIS MORNING

Flowers in Abundance Bank Stage—Good Attendance Of Parents And Friends Marks Initial Grade Commencement Exercises.

One hundred and one boys and girls in Ashland this morning completed work in the eighth grade of the junior high school and received their diplomas from Miss Ma Myers, principal at the junior high.

Attorney Wm. Briggs delivered the commencement address, pointing out to the boys and girls the need of their continued struggle to gain the knowledge which will equip them for their life work.

The commencement exercises were held in the Chautauqua building. Teachers accompanied the boys and girls who marched in to the building together. The girls wore dainty frocks of pastel shades.

Music was furnished by the grade school glee clubs, and the high school orchestra both under the direction of Miss Laura Raguse.

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LAST DAY OF SCHOOL IS ENDED

Kids Welcome Vacation Period With Great Joy—Free 'Til September

"Hooray Skinnay, school's out." School bells in Ashland will not ring again until in September and it was a happy group of boys and girls who gathered at the school buildings today to get their grades—breathlessly awaiting the results of examinations.

For today was the last day of the 1926-27 school year. More than 1,200 boys and girls are free for the summer.

Some will go to work. Some will play. They were all glad when the "last day" came but they will await with no little anticipation the arrival of the first day of school next September.

At the senior high school only was the parting tinged with sadness—for the seniors last night completed the second period of their scholastic life—and it meant the severing of school day ties.

Teachers leave for their homes and vacation is really here.

Two Crews And Plow At Work

C. G. Thompson, of Medford, manager of the Crater Lake Lodge company, was in Ashland, Friday. Two crews of men are working on the highway to the lake, where snow varies from three to six feet in depth, according to Mr. Thompson. The use of a monster snow plow is making this work easier.

The conditions this year are in direct contrast with those of the spring of last year, when without any clearing away of snow it was possible to drive to the Lodge May 23, over the regular road.

Every effort is being made to have the way cleared by July 1, official opening date.

MOVIE STAR DIES

SANTA MONICA, Cal.—(AP)—Elmar Hanson, Swedish screen star died today from injuries received early this morning in an automobile clash near Inceville.

62 SENIORS RECEIVE DIPLOMAS THURSDAY AT COMMENCEMENT

"Keep Your Dreams" Marshall Dana, Portland Newspaper Man Tells Boys And Girls Of Class—Superintendent Briscoe Presents Diplomas—Geraldine Gunn, Honor Student.

"Finis" was written to school days of the Ashland high school class of 1927 at the annual Commencement exercise held Thursday evening in the Armory.

The 62 boys and girls were presented with their diplomas and become members of the Ashland High School alumni association.

The impressive graduation ceremonies took place before a capacity crowd, of relatives and friends of the class members.

"Hold to your dreams, to your ideals" Marshall Dana, Portland newspaper man, urged the boys and girls of the class in delivering a masterly commencement address.

Expressing faith in the youth of today, and asserting that their so-called speed was simply a shadow of the speed shown by their parents, Mr. Dana said ideals are just as high and just as much sought for by the present day youth as they were high and sought for in the past.

NAME OLD ENGINEER

Newly Created Reclamation Commission Employs Rhea Luper

SALEM, Ore., June 3.—(AP)—The newly created state reclamation commission, successor to the state desert land board, meeting for the first time today, re-elected Rhea Luper as state engineer and increased his salary from \$3600 to \$4200 per year.

Luper will also serve as secretary of the commission. Fred C. Show was named assistant secretary and Miss Clara Bomyer was appointed clerk.

SHAKE-UP IN DRY FORCES

Old Oftedale Of California Is Made Special Assistant Commissioner

WASHINGTON, June 3.—(AP)—The first big shakeup in the federal prohibition machine since Dr. James M. Doran became prohibition commissioner, came today when Old Oftedale of California, succeeded James E. Jones as deputy dry commissioner.

Oftedale who has been special supervisor on the Pacific coast will have complete charge of all administrative work of the bureau. Jones was made special assistant commissioner to act as liaison officer between dry headquarters and the civil service commission.

"Antiques" Will Be Shown On Alumni Day, June 11

Memories of school days will be recalled by Alumni of the old Southern Oregon Normal school, when they view a collection of "antiques" which is being collected for Alumni day to be observed June 11.

Alumni of the old and new schools combined their associations and will unite in welcoming the members of the graduating class into the association.

The collection of mementos of school days which is being made includes class rolls, photographs, annuals, newspapers.

The Alumni members and their families are to gather at the Old Normal school grounds on the morning of Saturday, June 11, for a reunion and a basket picnic lunch. Short talks are to be made by several of the "old timers" during the picnic luncheon and at 2:30 will be followed by a more formal program in the auditorium of the Normal school.

As a grand finale to this event will come the Spring Festival to be presented at Lithia Park at 8:30 in the evening. A registration booth will be maintained by the girls of the Normal school under the direction of Miss Pearl Duran. From all sections of the state, replies to the invitations sent out are being received, and from Coos Bay, Seaside, Elsie, Hamlet Falls, California and Idaho, Alumni are planning to return for the reunion day.

Charley Chaplain Says Lita Is Cold, Calculating Lady

LOS ANGELES, June 3.—(AP)—Charles Spencer Chaplin, the man who made millions laugh at his screen antics, assumed the role of tragedian Thursday as he broke a five months' silence and filed an answer, and a cross-complaint to his girl wife's suit for divorce.

Throughout the 73-page answer and the 22-page cross-complaint, the man with the funny feet and the baggy trousers painted Mrs. Lita Grey Chaplin as a cold, calculating woman of the world. She cared for at least two men more than she did for her husband, he said.

Himself he characterized as a man "eminent in his profession," a loving husband and a kindly and considerate father.

While he had nothing to do with other women, Chaplin said in his cross-complaint, his wife was infatuated during their married life with a "young man" first, and a "Hollywood automobile salesman" secondly.

While he denied coming home intoxicated and claimed he was not addicted to the use of liquor, she persisted in going to parties without him and becoming intoxicated to the extent that she acted in an "unseemly, undignified and unwomanly manner."

Chaplin, in his counter complaint, seeks custody of his two sons, Sidney, and Charles, Jr. His allegation maintained that he offered his wife one half of their community property, valued by himself at \$256,134.62, but says that Mrs. Chaplin demanded \$1,250,000 in cash.

