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ABLY PRESENTED CANTATA

The Royal Intermediate School Demonstrates Musical Talent.

The great sacred cantata, "Saul, King of Israel" was presented at the armory theater Wednesday and Thursday evenings to fair sized and very appreciative audiences by the chorus club of the Royal Intermediate school, there being about forty-five voices in the chorus. The costumes, while prepared at home, were attractive and very appropriate and a notable feature of this difficult cantata was the prompt and clock-like regularity in which the scenes were shifted and the very short intervals between acts. Another noticeable feature was the absence of a director with his baton in front of the stage as usual in such productions. Prof. G. E. Johnson, the director, having so thoroughly drilled his chorus and cast that his presence beneath the footlights was not required.

The characters, considering that this was their first experience in many cases in this line of work, were ably sustained, particularly creditable being A. E. Owens in the role of King Saul. Mr. Owens has a good strong bass voice and had his lines committed perfectly.

David, a difficult tenor role, as interpreted by J. P. Wheeler was very pleasing and effective.

Jonathan, Saul's son, was one of the very best and strongest characters, in which Hiram Wheeler seemed equal to the task. He has a good clear voice and his solos were very tuneful.

Samuel, as sustained by F. P. Wheeler, was another difficult character very acceptably impersonated.

Michael, Saul's daughter and David's wife, was a character which Mrs. Gertrude Emmerson Wheeler, impersonated very cleverly. Mrs. Wheeler is possessed of a sweet soprano voice and her solos were very pleasing, especially the lullaby song in act four when Prof. Johnson's baby daughter tripped lightly across the stage and nestled in her arms during the song.

Abigale, was a character well suited to Mrs. Alice Wheeler-Gildersleve and her solo work was also very pleasing.

Archie Wilson was assigned the role of Messenger of Comfort, a tenor which he handled very creditably. A pleasing feature was the chorus of ladies—Grace Innis, Ethel Cox, Mrs. A. A. Wheeler, Altha Gildersleve, Faye Deardorff, Mrs. D. A. Estes.

Worthy of special mention was the tuneful choruses and graceful drills of the chorus of damsels led by Miss Ethel Francis Rogers and also the chorus of witches, Miss Rogers, Witch of Endor, assisted by Olive Parmele, Blanch Johnson, Elyda Mow, Etta Wilson, Nina Randolph. Miss Rogers has a very strong and sweet soprano voice and her singing was very favorably commented upon.

The Herald, Lloyd Owens; David's attendants, Roy Wheeler and Paul Barquette carried out their parts well, as did also the members of the soldiers chorus.

Much credit is also due the piano

accompanist, Josie Shryock, for the able and efficient manner in which she presided at the piano.

Taken all in all the presentation was a most successful one and reflected much credit upon the students of Royal school and its efficient instructor, Prof. G. E. Johnson.

WEST SHIVERS IN A FRIGID BLAST.

Portland, Dec. 22—Reports to the Associated Press tonight from many points in Oregon, Washington and Idaho, indicate today to have been the worst clear cold snap with in a decade or more. A mantle of frost covers the ground from the Siskiyou mountains in northern California as far north as Grays Harbor, Washington, and from the coast line to central and northern Idaho.

Only the Puget Sound country seems to have escaped the freeze which in most places was accompanied by high wind that caused the snow to whirl and drift in real Dakota fashion. Temperature in many places dropped to twenty above zero and in some places zero weather was recorded. Snow fall occurred at only a few places and did not reach the Willamette valley only a trace fell and this turned to frost. Owing to the unusual severity and earliness of the cold snap some apprehension as to its effect upon fruit and stock was felt, but the Associated Press reports indicate that so far there is no serious damage to the stock, that spuds for the most part have been harvested and the early sown grain is unharmed. Should the cold wave continue, however, stockmen may suffer losses.

There is indication that the cold weather will soon abate.

Marriage Licenses Issued.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday to Charles M. Emery and Miss Nellie Quinby, two well known Eugene young people; J. Floyd Dibble and Miss Pearl Davis, two well known school teachers of Walton; James M. Johnson, and Bertha E. Buell of Eugene; John J. Murray of Melbourne, Washington, and Miss Bessie Cox of Junction.—Register.

Go to Parkers Bakery and see the candy heart they will give away Christmas.

The Booth-Kelly company is shipping out an average of from 15 to 20 cars of lumber every day.

FURNACES ARE SAFE

In School Buildings and Sanitary Conditions Are Very Good

To the honorable Board of Directors, District No. 45, Cottage Grove, Oregon:

Dear Sirs—Having been requested by Prof. Barnes to examine the heating, ventilating and sanitary conditions of the east and west side school buildings also if any existing danger of fire from furnaces, pipes or flues, I wish to report that I have examined same and find no danger of fire from furnaces, pipes or flues, that at present the sanitary conditions are good, the heating and ventilation of east side building is slightly defective on account of lumber in building having shrunk, thus admitting cold air which retards the proper workings of the furnace. Would recommend that a cold air duct be placed on west side furnace facing the south which would materially assist to circulate warm air in rooms, also recommend that a vent pipe be put on sewer in east side building.

A. NELSON,
Heating and Ventilating Eng.

Junction Team Wins.

Junction City, Dec. 18.—In an interesting game of basket ball played here, Friday evening, between the Cottage Grove Nesmith county team and the Junction City Pirates, Junction won out by the score of 28 to 10. At the end of the first half the score stood 8 to 6 in favor of the Pirates. The last half was much faster than the first, and Junction succeeded most of the time. Both teams did excellent work.

Arrested on Charge of Bootlegging.

G. B. Hansard and his son G. E. Hansard of Springfield, were arrested Wednesday on complaint of selling liquor contrary to the local option law. They appeared before Justice R. S. Bryson and each gave \$300 cash bonds for his appearance on the 27th and 28th respectively for their hearings.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA

Will be Presented Saturday Evening by M. E. Sunday School

On Christmas night the scholars and friends of the Methodist Sabbath school will give the cantata entitled "Santa Claus, Junior," in the armory. This entertainment furnishes a very pleasant way of closing the festal day. Santa Claus Junior learns of the proposed visit of Santa Claus, and in a spirit of mischief delays his coming an hour in order that he might cause some excitement. He succeeds.

CAST OF CHARACTERS.

The cast of characters follows: Aune, Mrs. W. C. Conner; Mary, Lillian Lewis; Thomas, Clare Conner; Sue, Edna Johnson; Elizabeth, Marion Hooper; Ethel, Hildred Hall; Robert, Victor Kern; John, Clarence Wilson; North Wind, Mrs. H. Harry Hart; Spirit of Christmas, Lottie Whitsett; Ragged Dick, Santa Claus Junior, Ren Sanford; Santa Claus, Mr. J. H. Harris, Chorus by Sunday school.

Those wishing to place presents on the tree please have them at the hall by three o'clock. The program commences at eight o'clock.

Ten cents admission will be charged to assist in paying the rental for the armory. Children of the Sunday School, free.

At The Eugene Theater.

"In Wyoming," one of the finest productions of the present day will be seen at the Eugene theater Xmas matinee and evening. Perhaps not since "The Virginian" has the stage been offered a hero at once so human, so manly and so irresistible as Mr. Mack's "Bob Richards." The glorified cowboy has appeared in fiction and stage again and again with his sombrero and his wild antics with a six-shooter. The thing about Mr. Mack's cowboy, that has appealed so forcefully is that he is real. He is a man. He does some things that society does not sanction as proper, but his instincts are

sound, his heart is big, he is generous and honorable and a man to be trusted with a woman. He has lived the wild, elemental life of his kind, but he knows and loves the better way when he sees it.

METHODIST BROTHERHOOD HOLDS MEETING

A pleasant and profitable evening from a social standpoint was spent by the members of the Methodist brotherhood in the church parlors Tuesday evening. The attendance was large and all entered into the spirit of the occasion. After the business session the following program was rendered:

Song, selected, Brotherhood.
How the Brotherhood may help to make Cottage Grove a better place to live, A. J. Armstrong.

General discussion.
Vocal duet, selected, Messrs Van Winkle and Harris.

How Brotherhood may assist in building up and maintaining men's classes in the Sunday schools, J. B. Simeral.

General discussion.
Violin solo, selected, Gilbert Tyson. Clarence Morss accompanist.

Ways in which Brotherhood may benefit and be helpful in a literary manner, W. C. Counter.

General discussion.

Quartet, selected, Messrs Van Winkle, Harris, Counter and Conner.

General discussion.
System by which Brotherhood may aid humanity in sickness and distress, L. A. Ralston.

General discussion.
Bless be the Tie, Brotherhood.

At the conclusion of the program the members all repaired to the gymnasium or banquet hall in the basement and were served with a splendid luncheon, George Hall serving in the capacity of chef admirably. At the close of the luncheon a literary or debating society was organized and the first debate set for early in January, dates to be announced later.

The Eugene G. A. R. elected new officers Saturday night as follows: L. P. Tallman, commander; William Sherman, senior vice commander; G. E. Kress, junior vice commander; H. V. Darling, officer of the day; Frank Bowers, quartermaster; O. Stoel, chaplain; Carlile, officer of the guard.

Christmas delicacies at Kerr & Silby's.

NEW BRIDGE IS WANTED

Dorena People Will Improve and Open New County Road.

An enthusiastic road meeting was held at Dorena last Saturday for the purpose of voting an additional tax upon the taxable property of that road district for the purpose of improving the roads, and the two miles of newly opened road from the Currin bridge down the river through the Currin farm, thence west through the Stocks and Nelson or Spray farms to the river to connect with the old Row river wagon road at a point at the corners of the Love Allen and Harms places about two miles east of this city. It is proposed to expend \$650 of the amount raised by this special tax on the two miles of new road mentioned above, and providing the county court will give assurance of the building of a bridge over Row river on the line of this new road during the year 1910, it is proposed to use \$950 more in spreading crushed rock on this road and thereby establishing a good permanent road bed. John Spray was appointed a committee of one to interview the county court in regard to securing a rock crusher to be used in the improvement of this new county road. He visited Eugene Thursday and interviewed the county judge and commissioners and informs the Leader that he was assured that a rock crusher would be furnished by the county as soon as wanted on this road work, which would be operated free, providing the farmers or the supervisor of this road district would supply teams, wagons and drivers to haul the rock and place it on the road without cost to the county. Mr. Spray looks upon this as a liberal proposition and says he will furnish teams to deliver the crushed rock on that part of the new road laid out through his farm free of charge. He says a good ledge of solid, brittle rock is located by the side of the new road at the east side of the Stocks farm near the center of this new road section and that teams could haul both ways from the crusher, thereby assuring speedy progress in the work. Petitions are being circulated and are being numerously signed by the Row river valley people and citizens of Cottage Grove requesting the county court to build a new bridge across Row river on this new road the coming season. This road shortens the distance between Cottage Grove and the Row river valley and the Bohemia mines at least 1 1/2 miles and would be more passable at times of freshets. The road and bridge will both fill a long felt want and the county court should promptly grant the request of our citizens and farmers.

F. E. Smith who recently purchased the Roseburg job printing office of Mrs. J. W. Strange, has launched a new weekly paper, "The Douglas Leader." It is a neat five column eight paged paper and well patronized by the local merchants. We must compliment Editor Smith upon his choice of a name for his paper. May the Leader lead.

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