

### ASHLAND GETTING READY FOR SHRINE MEETING MEDFORD

ASHLAND, March 6.—"Meet me in Medford!" is the Shrine slogan in vogue here, and one that will be emphasized from now on until Friday, May 26, when Hillah Temple will stage a ceremonial in that city. Various other towns were mentioned in this connection, including Grants Pass, Marshfield and Klamath Falls, but the greater interest centered upon Medford, at a stated session of the Temple held in this city the 3rd inst. On the roster of Hillah Medford is represented by an allegiance greater in numbers than any other town, not excepting Ashland itself. Furthermore, it always furnishes novices in liberal numbers, and it was deemed the graceful thing to do in designating it as the ceremonial center next May. More significance is attached to this event than ordinary, due to the circumstance that it immediately precedes the gathering of the Imperial Council of the order, at San Francisco, next June, to which annual reunion Hillah will send its uniformed patrol, the personnel of which includes 27 men, recruited from Ashland, Medford, Grants Pass and Jacksonville. The temple has voted the men \$50 each on expense account. Rooms are already being reserved in San Francisco for members of Hillah, the conditions being a deposit of \$5 as a preliminary in order to clinch a contract for lodgings. The dates of the council session are June 13, 14 and 15, but occupancy of reservations is implied on a four-day basis in order to more conveniently arrange all details. A series of social dancing parties, given for patrol benefit, will be held in various towns of the valley, preliminary to the ceremonial at Medford, the first to occur in that city, March 24; the second, at Grants Pass, April 21; and the concluding event in the series at Ashland, May 12. These jolly gatherings will be given in behalf of the various Masonic lodges, and are held under Shrine auspices. Committees of arrangements include Dr. J. D. Rickert and J. F. Hittman, Medford; Geo. S. Calhoun and O. S. Blanchard, Grants Pass; G. W. Dunn and T. H. Simpson, Ashland; George R. Chapman, Jacksonville. The tariff as applied to these social events will be two dollars, including war tax, extra ladies \$30.

The chamber of commerce primary election is being held March 6, returns to be available at 7 p. m. Of the candidates in a selection of twelve names, specifying the highest number of votes, will be placed on the final ballot, the names of which will be held on or about the middle of March. The names of the candidates on the ballot, however, only six are to be elected, there being already six hold-over members of the chamber. Only members of the chamber can vote, but those in arrears can cast a ballot provided they pay up by Monday evening, March 6. Hold-over directors are: A. C. ...

### High School Play at Page Tonight



The girls from left to right are: Ruth Billings, Rowen Gale, Rose Billings, Lola Rubenstein.

The high school opera "Miss Cherryblossom," under the direction of Miss Bherwood, which will be presented by the students of the high school at the Page Theatre this evening at 8 o'clock promises to be one of the best and most artistic musical theatrical performances ever produced by local talent. The cast, which numbers about 15, has been working for over two months, perfecting the various parts. The principal feature of the performance will be neither the acting nor the plot, but the costumes and stage effect. Miss Lydia Deane and Tom Swen have been instrumental in the perfection of the details which assure the success of the above mentioned effects. Four different choruses of high school students assisted by a chorus of tiny tots from the grade schools, form the support for the principals. The cast of principals is as follows: Billie Rippey, Miss Cherryblossom; Wm. Walker, John Henry Smith; George Stewart, Harry Foster; James Young, ...

Marjorie Skeeters, Jessica Vanderpool, Francis Prescott, Horace Worthington, Mike Jacobs, Kokomo Bob Johnston, Toto. The high school orchestra will accompany the singers and from all reports they have all the musical numbers well in hand. Principal O. H. Campbell is business manager of the affair and reports that the house is nearly sold out. The construction of scenery is being supervised by Tom Swen and the sewing class under Miss Carroll is assisting him in the actual construction. Jimmy Henon, advertising manager, is largely responsible for the clever and effective advertising methods which have been employed. The large advance sale is a result of the effectiveness of these measures. Only a very few seats are yet available. The performance begins at 8:00 o'clock tonight and the people in charge state that all tradition and precedent will be broken and that the performance will start on this as here announced.

### TO PLANT TREE AT FAIR GROUNDS IN HONOR SARGENT

There are to be five trees planted in the county fair community grounds in the name of the Rogue River school. The Civic Improvement club of Rogue River will have a tree planted in their name and also one in the name of the Rogue River library. Mrs. Sam L. Sandy was chairman of the committee in charge and requested a preference for the Green Mountain Maple for all of the Rogue River trees.

Miss Frances Greb of Trail sent in a request for an elm to be planted in the name of the Persial school as the pupils there wanted their school to be represented at the fair grounds. George T. Collins has directed that a tree be planted in honor of the late Col. H. H. Sargent. Mrs. Grace Stenson wishes a tree to be planted in the name of Donald Stenson and Mrs. G. M. Winn sent in a request for a tree to be planted in the name of the 5th regiment of the marine corps. There is a total now of 264 trees for which requests have been made for planting this spring.

### Mother and 4 Children Drowned Minnesota

WINONA, Minn., Mar. 6.—Mrs. Gunder Midboe and four children were drowned while her husband, and George Westland, a negro escaped when their sleigh drawn by two horses overturned in fording Beaver creek near Caledonia late yesterday. Midboe made a vain effort to save two of the children, but lost them from his grasp in the swift current. Westland clung to the line and was drawn ashore by the horses. The children were 6, 4, 2 years and four months old. The bodies of the mother and the infant were recovered shortly after the accident, while those of the three other children were being sought today. They had reached the middle of the creek, according to Midboe when they apparently struck a stone or root.

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