

CONVENTION OF LEGION HERE IS GIVEN A BOOST

The following item from Sunday's edition of the Oregon Journal is typical of the excellent publicity being received throughout the state in connection with the American Legion convention which takes place in this city early in August:

Three Days' Program Set for Medford.

The first Thursday, Friday and Saturday in August will be celebrated in a strenuous fashion in Medford this year.

This much is certain, judgment from reports coming from the southern Oregon metropolis which will be host to the annual state convention of the American Legion. Paul McDonald, a past commander of Medford post and now chairman of the general convention committee, has been keeping in close touch with the Legionnaires to see to it that everything is prepared for the thousands of visitors expected to attend.

Negotiations were completed last week to have 21 city blocks beautifully decorated for the occasion. F. F. Ellis of Portland, president and general manager of the American Flag and Decorating company, who has had charge of the decorating for four annual Oregon State Legion conventions, including the LaGrande affair last year, returned to Portland late last night after a conference with the Medford officials. He reported that the Legion is going to "outdo itself as never before."

"Nothing is being left undone to properly entertain the Legionnaires and their friends who journey to Medford August 7, 8 and 9," declared Ellis, "and it looks to me that the 1928 event will eclipse anything yet attempted as far as entertainment is concerned. The three days will be crammed to the limit with plenty of activity to keep everyone busy."

Ellis said that it would require at least two weeks to decorate the streets and buildings for the occasion.

Portland Post No. 1 already has nominated its delegates and the final election is set for the club rooms in the Chamber of Commerce building, Fourth and Stark streets, on Monday night, July 23.

Screen's First Talking Moving Picture at Hunt's Craterian



Scene from 'Tenderloin' starring Dolores Costello with Conrad Nagel

The premiere local presentation of Dolores Costello in "Tenderloin," which takes place at Hunt's Craterian theater today, takes on an importance that is all its own. Since "Tenderloin" is the first of the "talking movies," its introduction is being awaited with a tremendous amount of interest.

During the action of the picture, and particularly in its dramatic scenes, the voices of the players are heard through the medium of Vitaphone.

In selecting "Tenderloin" as the first of the full-length feature pictures to have spoken dialogue in it, the producers were influenced by two facts. One was that the story contained a number of highly melodramatic scenes and the other

was that in depicting the heroine Miss Costello would have abundant opportunity to bring into play not only her beauty and emotional talents, but her delightful speaking voice.

As for "Tenderloin," it is, as its name implies, a story of the underworld. It deals with gangsters and enemies of the law in general. Its heroine is a dancer in an East Side cafe.

In the cast Conrad Nagel plays "Chuck." Other players are Mitchell Lewis, Dan Wolheim, John Miljan, George Stone and Pat Hartigan, all of whom by the way, have played on the legitimate stage. On the same bill are two exceptionally fine acts of vaudeville.

HAM LEWIS ASKS DEMOCRATS NOT TO STRADDLE IT

CHICAGO, June 21.—(AP) The democratic party was advised by former Senator James Hamilton Lewis today to "avoid trick phrases," and take a clear stand on the issues of farm relief and prohibition. Mr. Lewis addressed the Press club of Chicago on the eve of his departure for the democratic national convention at Houston.

The former senator condemned what he called "indirection of voters by misunderstanding and misrepresentation."

"The republican party managers at Kansas City," he said, "evaded the farm issue and to catch votes of the unwary, announced false principles to escape responsibility for a clear statement of their intentions. The democratic party in certain sections now gives promise of a similar deception. It is proposed to condemn President Coolidge for the use of the veto of the pretended farm relief bill. Democracy must not descend to the trick of arousing prejudice by an un-American position to gain mislead votes."

If democracy sincerely opposes national prohibition, Mr. Lewis said, it must denounce the eighteenth amendment and advocate its repeal; if democracy favors the amendment it must demand its enforcement.

"There must be no avoidance of issue on principle by presenting doctrines of modification for the Volstead act," he declared.

Culberson Is Appointed

WASHINGTON, June 21.—(AP)—The appointment of William S. Culberson of Kansas as ambassador to Chile to succeed William M. Collier of New York, resigned, was announced today by Secretary of State Kellogg.

GIRL LINDY ON SHOPPING TOUR NEARLY MOBBED

LONDON, June 21.—(AP) Miss Amelia Earhart went shopping again today in company with Mrs. Frederick Guest, sponsor of the trans-Atlantic flight of the Friendship, while a crowd stood vainly trying to catch a glimpse of the young woman who flew the Atlantic.

Miss Earhart already had bought a thousand dollars worth of clothes but needs some more. She has been proceeding with her shopping scientifically, buying newsy socks first and then doing miscellaneous purchasing.

While Miss Earhart shopped Wilbur Stultz, pilot of the Friendship, and Louis Gordon, mechanic, spent several hours at Croydon aerodrome where they inspected the British airplanes used in the London-Paris service. Gordon—who had never seen a British airplane previously, was particularly interested and asked the airway officials and mechanics many questions.

Following on the heels of hundreds of letters, poems have now begun to flock in upon Miss Earhart. One begins:

"Good bye of the air, glorious woman fair, and then goes on in praise of the flyer.

The American woman has now recovered from the first strain of the flight and the tumultuous welcome which the crew of the Friendship received in Southampton and London and said today that she felt much better.

Notice, All Eagles

Meeting for this week only, Friday, June 22nd, instead of Thursday, June 21st.

P. O. E. Notice

Regular meeting, Thursday, W. O. W. hall. Reports of district delegates.

SEALY CONCERT BEGINS TONIGHT AT 8:15 SHARP

Inquiries from Ashland and Grants Pass indicate that a representative audience from the whole valley will hear Frank Sealy in organ recital tonight at the Peace Lutheran church.

Mr. Sealy, who is official organist for the New York Symphony orchestra, the New York Glee club and president of the Guild of American Organists for this country and Canada, will play a most interesting and varied program.

By special request he will play the "Song Without Words," one of his own compositions. Dr. Frank Evans of the University music school having written the committee in charge that it should without fail be included on the program.

James Stevens of this city will be assisting artist, singing two groups of songs, new to Medford. The concert will begin promptly at 8:15 p. m.

CORVALLIS.—First Presbyterian church will build \$23,500 addition.

FLYING FORTRESS IS TESTED OUT BY ARMY EXPERTS

NORFOLK, Va.—(AP) America's "Flying Fortress" is undergoing varied tests here to determine its value as a war weapon for America. The Flying Fortress is a giant bomber plane with four engines and carrying 2,300 pounds of bombs.

The B-24 is capable of a speed of more than 120 miles an hour when fully loaded and was built to make bombing raids at an altitude of 14,000 feet. The air demonstrator has a wingspread of 75 feet and is equipped with engines developing 1,650 horsepower.

For defensive and offensive purposes the latest type of bomber is armed with five machine guns, has a complete radio equipment, flares for night landing and carries a crew of five men.

The tests of the plane are being made by the entire flying personnel of the second bombardment group of the army, stationed at Langley Field. Each pilot is required to make a written report on the flying qualities of the plane, its speed, ease of control, rate of climb and the distance necessary for a take-off.

EMERGENCY AIR FIELDS COMPLETED NORTH OF MEDFORD

After completing two emergency airways, at Grave Creek and Cow Creek, near Grants Pass, M. W. Wilson, inspector of airways with the department of commerce at Washington, D. C., who was transacting business here yesterday, left today for Lane county. Emergency fields are being constructed all along the airline as near as possible to the main route at a distance of about 30 miles apart as landing places for planes in case of engine or bad weather conditions. Next week work will be started on fields at Cottage Grove and Yoncalla under the direction of Mr. Wilson.

'Alex the Great' Is Rialto Hit Today

"Alex, the Great" opened this afternoon at the Rialto theater. It is a great mixture of chuckles, giggles and plain old-fashioned roaring laughs, and has its serious moments, too, when a great ambition and a great love seem to be hanging in the balance.

The central character is Richard "Skeets" Gallagher, a new-comer to pictures, but an old-timer as far as vaudeville and legitimate stages are concerned. He has also had plenty of picture experience. "Skeets" leaves a Vermont farm determined to show his talents to New York. Lots of others have done it and have had the conceit knocked out of them, but "Skeets" accepts the kidding and the knocks and has his baseball manager, brother-in-law (Albert Conti) gasping for air before he knows anything is wrong.

Louise Brooks Divorced

LOS ANGELES, June 21.—(AP)—Louise B. Sutherland, known on the concert stage as Louise Brooks, was granted a divorce late yesterday from A. E. Sutherland, film director, known as Eddie Sutherland, on charges of extreme cruelty.

"He said he couldn't be annoyed taking me out—he was always 'too busy' or 'not interested,'" her complaint stated.

Mrs. Sutherland also said that her husband stayed away from home all night on many occasions and that he brought home noisy friends who kept her awake.

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