

FILM ACTOR IS SEEKING HOME HERE

Ned Sparks Wants Rogue River Place, Suitable for Fishing Retreat and Country Home—Tells of Modern Movie Progress.

It now develops that Ned A. Sparks, the well known stage veteran and film comedian, who has been in the city from Hollywood since the middle of last week, came here primarily for the purpose of purchasing a country home along the Rogue river and not for fishing alone, and has been busy for days looking over various prospects, dealing only with the owners, as he wants nothing to do with real estate men, he says.

Mr. Sparks, who came here from New York City, an old theatrical stamping ground of his where he won fame as a successful stage comedian years ago, yet remain here for several days, yet according to his present plans, before departing for New York.

Mr. Sparks is enthusiastic about the new talking movie picture "The Devil's Holiday" which comes to the Craterian theatre Wednesday for a four days' run, starring Nancy Carroll and in which he takes the leading comedy part, as he says, it is one of the better class of moving pictures and that Miss Carroll therefore featured as a screen comedienne, does the best work of her career in it, this time winning much deserved commendation in her emotional characterization.

Quiet Gentleman

So quietly and tastefully dressed, and of quiet demeanor, soft spoken and user of choice diction, and well informed as to the general events of the day Mr. Sparks would be the last man a stranger would take for a theatrical man, and much less one of the best of the legitimate droll comedians of either screen or stage. His exceptionally solemn visage, together with his modesty, quiet manner and that earnest, appealing look which has won him so many ardent followers among the moving picture goers of the day, throws off one completely.

There is nothing of the slapstick about him either off or on stage or screen—his laughs being gotten over to the audience by legitimate means. Contrary to the belief of the stage goers of the past, and theater goers for the past eight years, basing their belief on his

theatrical appearances. Ned Sparks can smile too, and frequently, as was shown when he became much interested in his subject during an interview in the Hotel Medford lobby this forenoon.

Well Informed

Yet Mr. Sparks is essentially an amusement man, and as for many years past is entirely wrapped up in the stage or screen, but not to the extent that he cannot keep up with the general news of the world. He can talk intelligently on any general news subject—politics, literature, marbles or what. He has a wealth of interesting reminiscences and experiences, gathered during his eighteen years on the stage and eight years in moving pictures.

But he especially loves to dilate on the great advancement that has been made in recent years in moving pictures—deplores the fact that while in general, pictures are becoming better there are still too many mediocre or worse ones. He has interesting ideas as to the future of the moving picture.

Mr. Sparks declared that making of talking moving pictures from the actor's end, is much easier than the making of silent ones, for the reason that the screen player in talking knows just what "he is shooting at"—has a conception of what his part requires, how it fits into and coordinates with the whole, and the screen player to bring out the best that is in him or her. In the taking of silent pictures the individual actor generally was drilled in his or her part, without knowing the picture, and how his part was to be fitted in. The best companies now hold regular rehearsals of talking plays or stories before they start shooting them, he says. It was so with "The Devil's Holiday," which was rehearsed a number of times.

Mr. Sparks, who was born in Canada, has been a featured player in the movies for the past eight years. He has been a contract player with the RKO producing concern for some time past, has saved his money and has reached the happy stage where he can take life rather easily, making only six plays a year. He works 25 weeks of the year in moving pictures and has the remainder of the year to himself.

Seeks Country Home

That is why he desires a country home along the Rogue river in Oregon, although he maintains a sportsman's cabin near Quebec. He has plenty of time during the year for recreation and a change of location.

Mr. Sparks would probably be on the Broadway stage yet had it not been for the fact that he was one of the actors who led the first famous strike of the theatrical profession about 19 years ago, in New York, out of which grew the Actors' Equity association.

In revenge for his leadership in the strike, the metropolitan producers and theater owners put him on the black list, making it difficult for him to make a living at his chosen profession. For this reason he entered moving pictures—a good move for him it proved to be—and has been a featured player since.

SUNDAY'S BOGEY RESULTS IN TIE

L. P. Wilcox and H. McMahon tied for first place, six up, in the match against bogey, with handicaps half of the holes up. These two men played close to par. The match attracted quite a field of entrants to the Medford Golf club links yesterday and may be repeated in a short time.

The entrants included the following: D. G. Tyree, George Phyllis, Robert Hammond, Sr., Robert Hammond, Jr., D. R. Wood, E. E. Kelly, M. Weston, G. Robinson, C. J. Seaman, D. Clark, T. Prinkle, H. Parsons, Bayard Getchell, H. McMahon and Wilcox.

URGE ATTENDANCE LEGION MEETING

Every member of Medford post of the American Legion should be on hand at the assembly tonight to attend one of the most important meetings of the year. Final plans for the airport celebration and the northwest air tour will be discussed and arrangements made to assure the success of this big event Monday, August 4. A report on the Legion airport dance last Friday will be submitted by Chairman Seeley Hall and preparations made for the next affair of this kind which will take place a week from tonight in connection with the airport dedication. Plans for the state convention at Baker, August 14-16, will be discussed.

ITALIANS BURY BANDIT TRIO WITH CEREMONY

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 28.—(AP)—The three bank robbers who were hanged here last Friday for the murder of Traffic Patrolman James H. ("Happy") Smith were buried today with pomp and ceremony.

Flowers in profusion draped the caskets of Tony Mangiaracina, John Messino and Carl Nasella as hundreds from the Italian colony attended the funeral at the Holy Romy church.

Fire Threatens Plant

BALTIMORE, Md., July 28.—(AP)—Fire was spreading through a building of the United States Industrial Alcohol plant at Fairfield this afternoon threatened the entire industrial section of Curtis Bay. Firemen's lives were endangered as drum after drum of alcohol exploded.

Society

Miss Phy to Marry

Mr. Ager September 2

Of interest to local society is the announcement of the approaching wedding of Miss Marion Phy, daughter of Mrs. Edith W. Phy, to Paul Ager, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Ager of Bend.

Miss Phy and Mr. Ager are well known in the local University of Oregon set and Mr. Ager formerly lived in this city, when his father was school superintendent of Jackson county. He was here again last year to work with Representative John Carlin on the state tax commission.

The following announcement of the marriage date appeared in the society columns of the Sunday Eugene Register:

"The marriage of Miss Marion Phy, daughter of Mrs. Edith W. Phy, to Paul Ager, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Ager of Bend, will be solemnized on Tuesday, September 2, at the Methodist Episcopal church at Union, Ore. Dr. Philip A. Parsons officiating.

Announcement of the wedding date was made on Saturday afternoon at a tea for which Misses Marion and Margaret Phy were hostesses, complimenting Mrs. Ronald Bennett, (Robert Wilcox) whose marriage was a recent event.

"Dainty corsages containing small cards bore the news of the wedding. About 25 guests were invited for the tea. Mrs. G. W. Ager poured and Misses Opha Ager, Dorothy Belet and Delilah Endicott served.

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Miss Phy is secretary to Dr. Arnold Bennett. She was graduated from the university in 1925 where she was a member of Delta Gamma, Kwama, glee club and the Emerald staff.

Mr. Ager is comptroller of the university. He was also a member of the class of 1926. He is affiliated with Phi Sigma Kappa, Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi, Order of the Beta, and won the Spaulding and Albert cups while in school.

Miss Margaret Phy will be maid of honor at the wedding. The couple will live in Eugene.

Return From Portland

Mrs. Rose Elfert and daughter, Mrs. Edna Isaacs, have returned to this city from Portland, where they have been guests of Mrs. Elfert's other daughter, Mrs. M. E. Schonover. Mrs. Isaacs left Medford last week to join her mother, who had been visiting in the northern city for several weeks.

Miss Mercer To Be Honored At Club Dinner

Plans are being completed for the dinner party at Blue Flower lodge, to be given tomorrow evening by members of the Business and Professional Women's club, honoring Miss Marion Mercer, who will leave soon for her home in the east.

Arrangements for the dinner and program are in charge of Mrs. Winnie Welshaar and Mrs. Grace Voss. Thirty-five guests are expected.

Return From Coast Trip

Mrs. Rose Elfert and daughter, Mrs. Edna Isaacs, have returned to this city from a several days motor trip to coast points. They were accompanied by Mrs. O. T. Wilson and daughter Betty and son Dean, and visited beaches at Crescent City, Harbor and Bandon.

Wakefields On Vacation

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Wakefield left Medford yesterday by motor for Spokane, Wash., and other northern points, where they will spend two weeks' vacationing.

Attend Republican Committee Meeting

Some of the Medford people who were in Portland last week on pleasure and business and who attended the meeting of the Republican state central committee that nominated a governor were C. E. Gates, M. S. Armstrong, County Judge Alex Sparrow, A. E. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Weeks, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Orr, Newton Chasney, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Doones, Mary Weber, Mr. and Mrs. Will H. Wilson and children, Ralph Cowgill and S. S. Smith.

Mrs. Sparks Is Hostess Sunday

Mrs. Katie Sparks and son Fred entertained at their home at Jacksonville Sunday morning Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Fields and daughter Doreen and son Roger Harlan, of Lake Creek. Mrs. Fields is remembered as Margaret Sparks.

Dinner Party Enjoyed At Chandler-Egan Home

Mrs. H. Chandler Egan entertained at dinner, followed by cards, at the Egan country home on Romy Ann and Saturday evening.

Covers were placed for Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln McCormack, Dr. and Mrs. Alister MacKenzie, Mrs. Frank Preston, Mr. Chas. Newhall, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Ruhl and Mr. and Mrs. Egan.

Spend Sunday Lake of the Woods

Lake of the Woods was a popular resort with Medford people over the week end. Among those who spent Sunday there were Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Gore and daughters, and Miss Alberta Gore, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Newbury and Fred Wahl.

Phi Mu Plan House Party

Members of Phi Mu sorority from the University of Oregon, Eugene, are making arrangements for holding a house party at Lake of the Woods next week-end. It will be attended by members from Medford and Klamath Falls chiefly.

Miss Beulah Gore of Medford and Miss Mary Ellen Bradford, of Klamath Falls met with other representatives at the lake yesterday to complete plans for the affair.

Mrs. Geo. Launsbach and daughter, Margaret, of 397 South Oakdale, returned Saturday morning from Stockton, California, where they have been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Launsbach for the past month. While there they enjoyed auto trips to San Jose, Santa Cruz, Modesto, Vallejo, and San Francisco.

Charming Portland visitors

This week have been Mrs. George Roberts and Mrs. Ralph Bardwell, well known in Medford society circles.—Spectator.

Mrs. Allen B. Drury, who has been visiting her father in Oakland, Calif., for some time, returned to her home in this city today on the Shasta.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Weeks and Mrs. M. Bert Orr are expected home this evening from a 10-day trip, visiting in Tacoma and Portland.

GOSS RANCH FIRE NOW CONTROLLED

The fire which broke out Saturday in the Crater national forest at the Goss ranch, about 12 miles east of Butte Falls, is under control today, according to reports at the forest offices in this city. It has burned over an area of 250 acres, covered chiefly with brush, and very little timber damage is reported.

H. B. Rankin, forest supervisor, and E. J. Rogers, ranger, have been 20 and 40 men working on the fire, which is believed to have been man caused. It is burning at the base of Rautler peak.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS BECOME FEATURE OF BROADCAST BY KMED

A feature of KMED, The Mail-Tribune-Virgin radio station that is attracting general attention throughout southern Oregon is the daily morning broadcast from 8 to 8:30 during which time birthday greetings are extended to persons whose birthdays occur on the respective days—the programs are given.

Local residents through this period are enabled to extend birthday greetings to friends or relatives on their natal day. Seven greetings were recently extended during one period and the number is expected to show continued growth. Often in addition to being wished a happy birthday, the persons, whose births are the cause of the greetings, are also told to look behind the davenport, under the porch swing or any other part of the house or yard for a gift.

The period is sponsored by the Economy Groceteria.

Radio Program KMED (Mail Tribune - Virgin Station)

- Monday
- 8 to 8:15—Popular recordings
- 8:15 to 8:45—Scherer Motor Co.
- 8:45 to 9—News and markets by Mail Tribune
- 9 to 9:15—Fruit dispatches by Myron Root
- 9:15 to 9:45—"The Toggery"
- 9:45 to 10—Ceel and Sally presented by Standard Oil Co. Va.
- 10 to 10:15—"Equal-fractionated program" by Associated Oil Co.
- 10:15 to 10:30—Popular recordings
- 10:30 to 10:45—Earl Bradfish, Jeweler
- 10:45 to 11—Mona Motor program
- TUESDAY
- 8 to 8:15—Breakfast broadcast of news of Mail Tribune
- 8:15 to 8:30—"Kybo Hour" by Economy Groceteria
- 8:30 to 8:45—Mary Ambitious and Harry Industry
- 8:45 to 9—Gold Seal Creamery program
- 9 to 9:15—Popular recordings
- 9:15 to 9:30—Texaco Motorists musical moments
- 9:30 to 10—Medford Domestic Laundry presenting Glen Fabrick, on "A resume and Summary of Microbe Research"
- 10 to 10:15—Crowson's Cafe & Confectionery
- 10:15 to 10:30—Swem's Gift Shop
- 10:30 to 10:45—Pierce-Allen Motor Co.
- 10:45 to 11—News flashes by Mail Tribune
- 11 to 11:15—Monarch Seed & Feed Co.
- 11:15 to 11:30—Brunswick Brewery
- 11:30 to 11:45—People's Electric Store
- 11:45 to 12—Popular recordings
- 12 to 12:15—Kindle Union Service Station
- 12:15 to 12:30—News and markets by Mail Tribune
- 12:30 to 12:45—Fruit dispatches by Myron Root
- 12:45 to 1:15—Palmer Music House
- 1:15 to 1:30—Ceel and Sally presented by Standard Oil Co.
- 1:30 to 1:45—"Equal-fractionated program" by Associated Oil Co.
- 1:45 to 2:15—Popular recordings
- 2:15 to 2:30—R. V. Williams
- 2:30 to 2:45—Freestone One Stop Service Station
- 2:45 to 3—Popular recordings
- 3 to 3:15—California Oregon Power Co.

TRAFFIC MEN NAB TEN AUTOISTS IN SUNDAY ARRESTS

Traffic officers were busy yesterday and their efforts resulted in the arrest of 10 motorists on various charges.

F. L. Boone, Medford, was fined \$10 and costs, in Judge Taylor's court this forenoon for failure to purchase 1930-21 license plates. He was arrested by State Traffic Sergeant C. P. Talent.

State Traffic Officer Herb Moore arrested Joe Grinch, proprietor of a California-Oregon freight line, and three drivers for failure to have Oregon licenses. Mrs. Grinch was arrested for driving a touring car without an Oregon license. They are to appear in the Ashland justice court this week.

Joe Moezle, Medford, is to appear Wednesday in the Medford justice court on a charge of reckless driving, following arrest yesterday by Sergeant Talent.

Three, arrested for void license plates and other charges are also to appear in court this week, Pete Mathew, Medford, and Otto Barner of Beagle, will appear in the Gold Hill justice court tomorrow evening at 7 o'clock. Mathews is charged with void licenses and Rutzor is charged with operating a motor car with no lights. A. H. Brysons, Jacksonville, will appear in the justice court of that city on a void license charge.

COURT OF HONOR AT LAKE O' WOODS

A number of local people yesterday attended the court of honor conducted at Lake of the Woods scout camp by President Lamb of the Klamath council. Awards were made the boys who had met requirements in several lines.

Five or six boys will leave for the camp tomorrow to spend the last week of camp there. Three hikes have been announced for the week by Executive Wm. Leo Becker, which will include one to the Sky Lakes, one to Lake Harriet and Mt. Graylock, and the other to Fish Lake, Mt. McLaughlin and 4-Mile lake.

OVER 100 AT PICNIC OF KNIGHT TEMPLARS

Over 100 yesterday afternoon attended the picnic of Knight Templars of Malta Commandery No. 4, which was held in Lithia park at Ashland. The members and families arrived at the park about 3 o'clock when lunch was served. No program or special features were planned for the occasion.

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