

# \$35,000 Remodeling Program For Craterian Theatre Is Announced

## SHEARER COMPANY WILL BEGIN WORK ABOUT SIX WEEKS

### Childers Awarded Structural Contract—Plan Of Decorations Outlined By Tom Shearer.

Beginning early in November, the Craterian theatre will close its doors to the public and a small army of skilled craftsmen will begin the task of completely remodeling this popular show house. This ambitious program, which was announced Saturday by George A. Hunt, president and active director of George Hunt Theatres, Inc., will entail an expenditure of approximately \$35,000 and will make the Craterian one of the most beautiful and modern theatres on the Pacific coast. The re-opening has been tentatively set for the Christmas holiday season.

Contracts were signed last week with Thomas Shearer, a member of one of the coast's foremost decorative firms, the B. F. Shearer company of Seattle and the entire remodeling program will be handled by this firm. The B. F. Shearer company has decorated leading theatres throughout California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana during the past twenty years and is recognized as one of the leading concerns of its kind in the United States. It was this firm which decorated the Craterian theatre in 1924, a job that was considered outstanding at that time.

Mr. Shearer announced yesterday that contracts for reconstruction and structural changes in accordance with the remodeling plans have been awarded to Edmer Childers, well known Medford builder and contractor.

Simplicity, in line with the modern trend of building and decorating, marks the striking interior plans for the new Craterian. Deep carpets, richly hued draperies, mirrors, chandeliers and scores of innovations of the decorating art will make this theatre a veritable showplace in southern Oregon. Comfort for Craterian patrons will not be overlooked. Deluxe loge chairs—the newest in Heywood Wakefield opera chairs—will be installed both on the main floor and on the balcony. These chairs will be finished in rust and chrome, fully upholstered with heavy Chase mohair. The cushions have deep full springs with edges upholstered in gold Chase mohair.

The redecorating program, was outlined by Tom Shearer, yesterday. The present box office will be replaced by a smaller one made of Formica in china blue and black, with chrome metal ceiling and plate glass all around. The interior will be lighted indirectly. An unusual balance of chrome and silk will be used.

The entire exterior lobby floor will be replaced with new quarry tile. New birch doors with chrome design on the face of doors with operating hardware all concealed.

Karagheulian Wilton carpet in a combination of shades of rust green and black in new design will cover entire floor. The draperies will be Cheney silk plush in a shade of green to harmonize with the carpet.

The new doors in the foyer will be made of sand blasted glass, which gives a frosty effect particularly pleasing with the indirect lighting scheme carried throughout the foyer. The furniture will be made by Heywood Wakefield company and is of the latest type, being covered in a damask in keeping with the rest of the decoration.

The foyer itself will be painted and decorated in bone white. Mirrors large and small are used to conceal the light fixtures, giving a most unusual effect.

The main auditorium walls will be covered in fabricoid and chrome metal strips to the dado line. From there to ceiling they are upholstered in a rust colored damask in a modern design.

The ceiling will be decorated in harmonizing shades and from it will be suspended six very large light fixtures made of frosted glass, chrome metal and gold. They are so large it will be necessary to arrange chinchere to lower them when necessary.

The proscenium arch will be remodelled to conform in shape and design with the rest.

The Craterian theatre has long been one of southern Oregon's most popular amusement centers and word of the extensive remodeling program made public yesterday by Mr. Hunt will be enthusiastically received here. The policy of the management to feature the very newest of screen attractions in this theatre simultaneously with their release in metropolitan centers will continue to be followed. Plans are already under way to make the Craterian's brilliant opening this winter a gala occasion in this city.

## NEW STAR MAKES DEBUT AT RIALTO

A new star makes her debut at the Rialto theatre today. She is Simone Simon, acclaimed as the most refreshing find in years. The picture is "Girls' Dormitory," opening a three day run at the Rialto theatre today on the double feature program that also has Somerset Maugham's "Secret Agent" on the same bill.

With Herbert Marshall and Ruth Chatterton sharing star honors, a supporting cast that includes Dick Durrer, J. Edward Bromberg, Constance Collier, John Qualen and Shirley Deane, "Girls' Dormitory" shows Simone Simon (pronounced see-moan see-moan) as a student in an exclusive boarding school. All students are young girls in their teens, all daughters of wealthy families and beyond walls, barred to men, they are schooled in everything except what the rules forbid—love and love.

A short time before graduation, a romantic love note is discovered by one of the teachers and Simone is discovered to be the author. Then she confesses to Ruth Chatterton that she is in love with Marshall, one of the teachers who, after he learns of this revelation, finds that he, too, loves the girl. In their romance, they find temporary happiness but Simone over-hears a conversation that makes her believe Marshall to really be in love with Miss Chatterton.

From this foundation, the film moves swiftly to its climax, replete with drama and suspense.

"Secret Agent," on the other hand, is an adventure and thrill film fare. Madeleine Carroll, Robert Young and Peter Lorre have the featured roles in this Somerset Maugham story of a famous novelist turned spy, a society girl in search of a thrill, a killer who boasts of his conquests as a lady-killer, and a reckless young playboy.

The story moves from London, where the orders are given to capture the spy, to Geneva, the Swiss Alps, the Balkans and aboard a speeding train that is finally wrecked by bombs dropped from war planes.

## SCORES INSPECT MODEL TRAILER OF LOCAL PLANT

With Roger Babson, world famous economist, predicting that half of the American population will be living in house trailers within 20 years, a new Medford industry based loosely on that prediction has sprung up—the standardized manufacture of the mobile homes by the Mann Auto Body works here.

Edwin H. Mann, owner of the company, announced yesterday that the firm had completed the first stock model, and that production would carry on regularly with a capacity of one trailer every 10 days, in addition to the regular production of commercial auto and truck bodies.

The model was on display yesterday and last night on the Southern Pacific right-of-way on Main street, directly across the street from the Western Union office. Mr. Mann estimated that more than a thousand people have viewed the compact 1600 pound trailer during the day. It will be on display again today, with visitors welcome.

The wood framing is cut from ash grown in the Rogue valley, which Mr. Mann declared to be the strongest and most resilient ash to be found. Local products are embodied in all possible points of construction. The trailer has its own water system run by compressed air, a built-in ice box, an ironing board, washable cupboards and shelves, storage space, and an inner-spring bed which will comfortably sleep two people. Space has been left for installation of another single bed if desired.

The two-wheel home has dual wiring to accommodate a 6-volt auto electric system or the conventional 110-volt house circuit, with a radio, lights and other conveniences installed.

At the front of the trailer is a novel jack system designed in the Mann plant for leveling purposes, and an ingenious attachment to hook the trailer to the automobile. Another Mann invention is an automatic brake which sets the trailer when the brakes when momentum carries it forward against the mechanism when the car ahead slows.

The unit is built to sell at about \$200 under comparable trailer homes made in other factories along the coast. Mann said, with the retail price set at \$575. The Mann company has built eight other units, of varying sizes, for commercial firms and others.

## LOCAL POST WILL ATTEND JOURNEY TO PASS AFFAIR

A large delegation of local Legionnaires and auxiliary members is expected to journey to Grants Pass tomorrow night to attend the joint installation of Grants Pass post and auxiliary unit. An enjoyable social evening has been planned by the Grants Pass veterans and their ladies to follow the installation ceremony. Dancing and supper will be the principal diversions of the affair, which will be held in the attractive club-rooms of the Fruttdale grange. Full information regarding the meeting may be obtained by calling Lee Garlock or Horace Bromley of the local post.

Members of Medford Post, No. 15, of the American Legion will welcome their newly elected officers at Tuesday night's meeting which will take place at the K. P. hall on North Grape street. Post Commander Joe Fliegel will announce his committees for the year and will outline a tentative program of activities, including plans for a big celebration program on Armistice Day. All local Legionnaires are urged to be on hand Tuesday evening to officially greet the new officers and to participate in the discussion of coming activities.

## FLIEGEL RESIGNS AS COUNCILMAN; HOGAN 'DRAFTED'

Declaring he had decided to make his permanent residence outside the first ward which he represented, J. P. Fliegel yesterday resigned as a member of the city council.

His resignation was accepted by the council at a special meeting yesterday noon and subsequently M. N. Hogan was drafted to run for the office in the general election November 3.

In his letter of resignation, Mr. Fliegel said he was grateful for the confidence placed in him by the people of the first ward who elected him to office. He stated that he had served the city to the best of his ability and had found it a pleasure to be of service. The work on the council, he added, was very pleasant because of the co-operative personality of the mayor and the other members of the council.

"I have never served on any board where the conduct was more orderly and conscientious, pleasant and harmonious and probably never will again find such pleasant association to serve the community," Mr. Fliegel said in his resignation.

"As much as I have served with Mr. Fliegel and as much as I regret his resignation, I move that it be accepted," Councilman W. W. Allen said.

"The council," stated Mayor George W. Porter, "is also thankful to Mr. Fliegel for his excellent service to the city and we sincerely regret that he finds it necessary to resign. He has been exceedingly helpful to the administration and the council is sorry to lose his services."

Mr. Allen was granted permission to include the mayor's remarks in his motion of acceptance, whereupon the motion was adopted.

The council then adopted a resolution formally accepting the resignation and declaring the office to be vacant.

A resolution was approved amending a previous resolution calling for a city election on November 3. The amended resolution provided for the election of councilman from the first ward to serve two years or the unexpired half of Mr. Fliegel's term of office.

## PORTER, MOSS AND LESLIE FILE FOR MAYORALTY POST

Medford mayoralty election developed into a three-cornered contest yesterday when a trio of candidates filed for the office. The filing period closed at 8 p.m. and the list of candidates is now complete.

In the mayoralty race are Mayor George W. Porter, who was persuaded to seek re-election by friends and associates; Ira C. Moss, owner of Unique Cleaners, Inc., and Elmer Leslie, plumber.

This will be the only contest in the city election unless a write-in campaign is launched. There will be no competition in the other offices to be filled as only one candidate filed for each position.

Recorder M. L. Alford and Treasurer Gus H. Samuels filed for re-election. Councilmen J. F. Erickson, first ward, H. S. Deuel, second ward, and W. W. Allen, third ward, also filed.

George T. Frey, banker and member of the city planning commission and budget committee, filed for councilman from the fourth ward in place of Fred Heath, Jr., who decided not to seek re-election. Mr. Allen, who twice has been a member of the council through appointment, is running for the office for the first time.

M. N. Hogan filed for councilman from the first ward for a two-year term to replace J. P. Fliegel who yesterday resigned because he had taken up permanent residence outside the ward. If elected he will fill the unexpired half of Mr. Fliegel's term of office.

With the exception of the trio seeking the mayoralty, all candidates who filed yesterday were considered assured of election. Observers agreed that it is unlikely any of them would be defeated by write-in votes.

## TOMATO EXHIBIT AT TALENT FAIR IN COMPETITION

Pears will be displayed on a non-competitive basis while tomatoes will be exhibited on a competitive basis at the southern Oregon pear and tomato show to be held in Talent, October 2 and 3, it was announced yesterday by Ray Schumacher, general chairman.

With growers, shippers and state and federal agents co-operating, the committee plans a very extensive display of pears, Mr. Schumacher said. Prizes will be offered for the tomato exhibits and the printed program list will be available the latter part of this week. Mr. Schumacher stated. Maurice Spatz is working on the pear display while Ralph Kooser is lining up the support of tomato growers for exhibits, he added.

William Boyd, general chairman of the pear and tomato displays, yesterday named the following sub-committee on tomato exhibits: Ralph Kooser, manager of the Bagley Canning company in Ashland; Ted Plan of Phoenix, Otto Bohner of Central Point and Prof. F. C. Reimer of the southern Oregon experiment station in Talent. Anyone desiring to enter a tomato exhibit was requested to contact any member of the committee.

The following sub-committee on pear displays was announced by Mr. Boyd: Maurice Spatz, Walter Leverette, George Hiles, Olen Arnsperger, Chase Gardner of Talent, Robert G. Fowler, county agent, and Steve Yee of Talent. Persons interested in pear exhibits were asked to consult any member of this committee.

Mr. Fowler and C. B. Cordy, assistant county agent, will co-operate with both committees, Mr. Boyd said.

OAKLAND, Cal., Sept. 19.—(AP)—Bounced from a rumble seat, Robert Vermillion, 23, was run over and killed by two other automobiles here today.



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## High School News by STUDENT REPORTERS

By Dorothea Hawkins

For the last two weeks students have been buying and selling books at the book exchange. The book exchange makes them to acquire books at a much lower price. They do not only get the use of the books, but may sell them when the course is finished.

Miss Barrett, librarian, reports that this has been an unusually good year. Over 400 books have been sold and there are still many left. There has been approximately \$300 refunded to the students and it is expected that about \$200 more will be refunded before the semester is ended.

Full prices of the books is given to the students upon presentation of their receipt.

By Janice Shreve

At ten o'clock Friday morning an assembly was held in honor of Constitution Day.

As the students filed into their seats, general assembly the band played a march. Mr. Wait, leader of the band then led the assembly in the pledge of allegiance, after which "America" was sung, led by Miss Gray, music supervisor. The student body president, Ardo Stocks, introduced Frank P. Farrell, of the American Legion. After discussing problems of congress, Mr. Farrell urged the students to take an interest in the forthcoming election.

A large picture of Abraham Lincoln was unveiled to the eyes of the students. This picture was presented to the student body at a convention held last June by the ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. The assembly was closed with a march from the band.

Approve Coos Dredging

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—(AP)—The army engineers announced today approval of a contract award to the Tacoma Dredging company, Tacoma, for dredging Coos Bay and Istimus Slough, Oregon, at \$179,214.

Blank Spider Plague

LUSK, Wyo., Sept. 19.—(AP)—For once, black widow spiders were welcome at least to the pupils of a grade school here. A "school" of the dangerous little creatures invaded the building. Authorities ordered a holiday so it could be closed and fumigated.

## Perry L. Ashcraft Has New Packard Model On Display

With its larger cars so completely redesigned as to be in fact new cars, the One Twenty greatly improved throughout and an entirely new car with which a lower priced field is being entered, the Packard Motor Car company announces its cars for 1937, according to Perry L. Ashcraft, local Packard dealer.

The newest member of the "family" is the Packard Six, which is now on display at the Packard show room at 192 South Riverside.

Although it has a five-inch shorter wheel base and is somewhat lighter than the One Twenty, the new six has many parts identical with those used in the One Twenty.

The new six has the semi-centrifugal clutch, the quiet transmission, steering gear, safe T-flax front wheel suspension, springs, rear axle and many other parts which have met with success in the One Twenty.

It has a six cylinder L-head engine which develops 100 brake-horsepower, which is claimed to give the car an unusual ability. Powerful hydraulic brakes are provided. Gasoline and oil economy both are declared to be unusual for a car of the size of the new six.

Mr. Ashcraft says, "In appearance the Packard Six so closely resembles the 1936 One Twenty as to make it difficult to distinguish between them. It possesses that same big car look. It has the same big car comfort and ease of handling."

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## REPUBLICANS OFFER CASH IN PRIZES FOR BIGGEST SUNFLOWERS

Sunflowers are worth cash at the local Republican headquarters, recently opened in the new building erected by the Southern Oregon Gas corporation. Joe E. Wood, secretary of the Jackson County Republican Central committee, who announced the yearning for the Landon emblem Saturday, declared the Republicans want sunflowers—a lot of sunflowers—and are ready to shell out good money for them.

To the woman voter, who is registered as a Democrat, and who brings in the tallest sunflower, the committee will pay \$2.50. The same amount will be paid the man voter, registered as a Democrat, for the largest sunflower; the woman voter, registered as a Republican, for the tallest sunflower, and the man voter, registered as a Republican, for the tallest sunflower.

The committee requires that the flowers be brought in by registered voters of Jackson county between September 18 and October 10.

While the sunflower has been adopted as a typifying Kansas, Governor Landon's state, Mr. Wood stated southern Oregon can also boast some sizeable specimens of the emblem blossoms and expects to have a surprising display at the Republican headquarters when word gets around of the cash offer.

## SET CANDLE LITE FOR SEPT. 25-26

Friday and Saturday, September 25 and 26, have been announced as dates for the annual "Candle-Lite" sale of the Humane Society. The sale will open at 10 o'clock Friday morning in the Hotel Holland building, corner of Fir and Sixth streets.

A large crowd is anticipated for the annual event, which comes at an opportune time to combat depression. The quality of garments offered at the sale last year will inspire many to attend. Clothing for men, women and children will be included in the sale and all clothing is in good condition, clean and made of very good materials.

Come early and equip the family with their winter needs.

Wood Workers Stand Pat

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 19.—(AP)—Delegates to the Pacific coast meeting of wood workers voted here today to remain with the parent organization, the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America.

Texas Sailor Wounded

EL PASO, Tex., Sept. 19.—(AP)—Kenneth Pich, 21-year-old member of the crew of the U. S. destroyer Kane, wrote his mother here that he received a shrapnel wound in the leg when the warship was bombed by an unidentified plane in Spanish waters last month.

Coast Locks Fog

EUREKA, Cal., Sept. 19.—(AP)—Lack of fog drove a motion picture party and its two fishing schooners northward today, in search of the weather conditions needed for filming a story of the Newfoundland fishing banks (Rudyard Kipling's "Captains Courageous.")

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## NEBRASKA SOLON OPENS CAMPAIGN

OMAHA, Sept. 19.—(AP)—Avoicedly against his will but with expressed confidence that he would win, the veteran Nebraska Independent Republican, U. S. Senator George W. Norris, opened a campaign today for reelection over Democratic and Republican opponents in November.

Emerging last night from a summer's retirement at his Wacoastin vacation home, he asserted in a radio address that "the reelection of President Roosevelt is an absolute necessity if we are to save our country from the dangers of bolshevism and from ultimate dictatorship."

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