

### FINAL REHEARSALS IN PROGRESS FOR ASHLAND FESTIVAL

As final rehearsals were held in Ashland this week for the three plays to be presented by the Oregon Shakespearean Festival association, August 2 to 7, the drive for sponsoring members continued in Medford and a number of new names were added to the list.

Sponsoring memberships include a book of six 41 tickets and sell at \$5. Meanwhile, 50-cent general admission tickets for the three shows have been placed on sale at Pruitt's Music and Radio Center in Medford, and

at the Chamber of Commerce in Ashland.

Following are the new sponsoring members:

Dick Brusell, Brophy's, Lange Motors, Huson's Confectionery, Webb & Carlon, Mrs. Young, Los Angeles, Hubbard Brothers, Pruitt's Music and Radio Center, C. M. Hurd, Frances and Elizabeth Ferry, Walter Prazier Brown, Mrs. Margaret Fabrick.

Dress rehearsal for "Twelfth Night" was held in the outdoor theater in Ashland last night, and both Director Angus Bowmer and his assistant, William Cottrell, were enthusiastic over the results. The three plays, "Twelfth Night," "Romeo and Juliet" and "Taming of the Shrew," have already reached a high point of perfection and by the opening night Monday, should be in perfect shape.

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## SOCIETY and CLUBS

By Janet Wray Smith

### Miss Watson to Leave Tonight for Stay in Scotland

Among Medford residents planning extensive travels is Miss Elizabeth Watson, who will leave this evening by train with Scotland as her destination.

Miss Watson will go to Fifehire, Scotland, to visit her mother, and other members of her family. She will be joined in Scotland by her brother, George Watson, who will journey with her to the family home.

The two will leave Portland by train Sunday evening for New York, where they will sail on the Cameronia to the Anchor line. They plan a three month stay away and expect to visit points of interest in the British Isles and parts of the continent while away.

A number of affairs have been arranged in farewell to Miss Watson preceding her departure. Mrs. U. B. Inch arranged luncheon for eight at her home Wednesday for Miss Watson, who was also guest of honor at a no-hostess swimming and dinner party in Ashland Tuesday evening. Miss Helen Dugan being the other honoree. Other affairs have been arranged for Miss Watson during the past several days.

### Mrs. Hines to Return to Home

Leaving for her home in the north tomorrow will be Mrs. William B. Hines of Yakima, Wn., who has been a Medford visitor for the past few weeks.

Mrs. Hines has been a guest of her mother, Mrs. Volney Dixon, during her stay here. She was formerly Miss Jane Dixon of this city. Mrs. Dixon invited a number of friends to her home for buffet supper Thursday evening for her daughter. Also entertaining for the visitor this week was Miss Gertrude Haskins, who was a dinner hostess Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Hines will be met in Portland by her husband, the two continuing to Yakima together.

### Mrs. Salade is Dinner Hostess

Among hostesses this week was Mrs. L. Salade, who entertained Wednesday evening at her country home for Miss Pamela McConnell of Los Angeles, Calif.

Mrs. Salade invited twenty for dinner, which was served under the trees on the Salade lawn.

Miss McConnell is the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred S. V. Carpenter at their home here. Mr. and Mrs. Martin Lindgrobe and their son and daughter, Roger and Barbara, of Morrisstown, N. J., who have also been recent guests at the Alfred Carpenter home, left earlier this week after a several days' stay here.

### Visitors Guests at Summer Home

Out-of-town residents vacationing in the valley include Mr. and Mrs. George Goodrich and daughter, Carol, of Portland, who arrived recently from the north.

They are guests at the summer home of Mr. and Mrs. Scott Davis, Rogue Oaks on Rogue river, and are spending several days enjoying recreational activities of the valley.

Mr. Goodrich is associated with the Portland Oregonian.

### Complete Plans for Sunday Event

Arrangements are being completed for members of the Theta Rho club Sunday at the summer cabin of Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Rickert on Rogue river.

Members planning to attend are to meet at the I. O. O. F. hall at 8 o'clock Sunday morning. A cordial invitation is extended to all members and those going are requested to call Jeanne McKay at 365-J before Saturday noon.

### Portland Guest at Owen Home

Arriving here this morning from the north was Mrs. Samuel F. Owen of Portland, who plans a few days' stay in the city.

Mrs. Owen is a guest at the home of her brother-in-law, J. H. Owen, on Sixtiy Hights. She will be greeted by Medford friends during her stay.

Mrs. Owen is prominent in music circles of the northern city.

### Chapter Members Breakfast Guests

Mrs. R. W. Sleeter was hostess to members of Chapter AA, P. E. O., at her east side home Wednesday for a special gathering of the group.

Mrs. Sleeter arranged breakfast for the group at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning. Colorful gardens at the Sleeter home provided an attractive background for the affair.

### Auxiliary Plans Installation Rite

New officers of the American Legion auxiliary, headed by Mrs. O. L. Overmeyer as president, will be installed by the Medford unit Thursday evening.

The ceremony will take place in the armory club rooms at 8:30 o'clock. Entertainment and refreshments are being arranged to follow the installation.

All members and visiting members of other auxiliary units are extended an invitation to be present.

### WOMAN USES SHOVEL IN ENTERING OFFICE

Grace Wilson Gillmore Clark, 35, of 1017 West Tenth street, was fined \$10 in city court this morning after pleading guilty to a charge of drunk and disorderly conduct, according to city police.

Mrs. Clark was arrested at 2:30 this morning after allegedly breaking into the Keeney & Clark architect office in the Fluhrer building with a shovel. Arresting city officers reported that she broke the glass door of the office with the shovel, and then refused to leave. She was taken to the city jail and held until this morning.

### School Bonds Sold

HOOD RIVER, July 30.—(AP)—The directors of the county school unit system sold a bond issue of \$7,400 at 2 1/2 per cent interest this week at a premium of 36.9 cents on \$100. E. M. Adams & Co. of Portland made the purchase. The issue will supply half the sum required for school expansion projects. Cash on hand and next year's budget will supply the remainder.

### More Tourists to Japan

SAN FRANCISCO.—(UP)—With American tourists to Japan averaging 1000 monthly for some time past, Isamu Ohya, newly arrived director of the Japanese board of tourist industry, predicts that this number will be greatly exceeded during the present year.

## AMERICANS SAFE AS BATTLE RAGES IN PEIPING ZONE

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ing to force the crossing of the Yungting river at Wanpinghien and the Marco Polo bridge.

More Troops Ordered.

To support the 37th and 142nd divisions of the 20th army, which are entrenched on the west bank, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, premier and commander-in-chief of the Chinese army, was reported to have ordered up 50,000 highly-trained and well-equipped troops of the central army.

Japanese sources declared they had learned an attack in force had been ordered against their positions around Peiping with the main body of the Chinese army, supported by the Nanking government's modernized airforce.

The Japanese seemed to be preparing to meet such an offensive on a major scale. Troops, tanks and armored cars were pouring into the western hills, just a few miles from the city, in large numbers.

A new airbase was said to have been built in the vicinity of the old summer palace of the Manchu emperors about midway between Peiping and the low-lying hills. Twenty Japanese planes were reported to have landed there today.

Plan "Second Steps."

(The Japanese cabinet decided on a series of "second steps" in the undeclared war. After a secret meeting the proposals were placed before Emperor Hirohito. Japanese reported the capture of Taku, one of Tientsin's two ports.

(At Tokyo, Japanese officers said "Japan must attack" if the central Chinese army moves into the so-called demilitarized zone.)

While new fighting broke out at Peiping, a two-day Chinese attack on Tientsin, 70 miles east, ended in apparent complete failure.

The Chinese did not follow up the advantage gained in their surprise

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above the roar of the flames. Passengers begged for help as those in the smaller boats were driven back by the fierce heat.

An unidentified man picked up a rope, tied one end to the railing and pitched the other overboard. The flames swirled closer. Some grasped the rope and slid down to the water.

Mrs. William Klecka, wife of United States Marshal August Klecka of Bay-side, who first notified authorities of the disaster, said lifeboats were not lowered from the burning vessel until 15 minutes after the fire broke out.

## NUGENT AND PAGE ON VACATION HERE TALK FOR PRESS

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Nugent's latest picture opened a two-day run at the Rialto today. Page was in a film here two weeks ago. The two actors will make a personal appearance here tonight provided they catch any fish today. Mr. Leverette always with an eye to business, said they would catch fish if he had to tie them to their hooks himself.

So they will appear on the Holly stage tonight at 9 and on the Rialto at 9:30. They promised to toss their fish to the audience. At the Holly they will appear with Delmar, the Great Hypnotist. They want to see if he can hypnotize them. If not, they will hypnotize him. If they fail in that they will hypnotize each other.

The visiting thespians have been engaged by Mr. Leverette for the Ashland Shakespearean festival down in the Lithia City next week. They are going to take tickets at the gate. They've been signed for the run of the production and they'll be hereabouts all next week.

If Page wears the clothes he had on today, he'll be able to portray the Merchant of Venice on his upper.

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As the passengers jumped, the small boats piled about, picking them up.

The Sanner, pilot boat, rescued 61. Max Stein, a Baltimore fruit broker, said that when he jumped into the water a Negro, swimming without a life preserver, took him from him and swam away. Stein said he swam until dragged from the water.

L. S. Harvard of Newport News, Va., said he and Capt. Charles O. Brooks, the ship's veteran master, were the last to leave the ship.

"I was eating dinner," he said, "when I heard the call of fire. I went outside and stayed with the captain until the deck was empty."

Capt. Paul E. Tyler, federal steamboat inspector, postponed the start of a formal inquiry until tomorrow but said he would interview as many members of the crew as he could find today.

Air Liner Enroute.

FOYNE'S Irish Free State, July 29.—(AP)—The British air liner Cambria took off at 7 p. m. (2 p. m. E.S.T.) today for a second Imperial Airways experimental flight to Botwood, Newfoundland.

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