

'MERRY WIVES' TO OPEN FESTIVAL AT ASHLAND TONIGHT

Shakespearean Series to Continue to August 17—New Seating and Lighting

The pleasant days of Merrie England, the rollicking Falstaff, and the immortal Bard will come to life in southern Oregon again, when the sixth annual Shakespearean Festival opens in Ashland's civic Elizabethan theater tonight and continues through Saturday, August 17.

Bowling on the green, archery contests, steeple-crowned hats and the royal crimson and blue of the illustrious Queen Elizabeth—all will be theoretically in vogue during the presentation of four of Shakespeare's best known plays, "As You Like It," "The Merry Wives of Windsor," "The Comedy of Errors" and "Much Ado About Nothing." Each production will be shown twice during the schedule.

Cottrell Director
Weeks of intensive preparation, and strenuous rehearsals have gone into the making of this year's productions. A new director, William David Cottrell, has guided the inexperienced but willing dramatic students and has molded the casts into what is now considered one of the best in the history of the Festival. Shakespeare has been modernized and streamlined this year with emphasis on the brighter, comedy strains of the four plays. One production, "Much Ado About Nothing" has been completely re-written by

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Dorothy Pruitt and is now—instead of a complicated, two-and-a-half hour show—a light, breezy and thoroughly enjoyable play.

Elaborate costumes for the plays have been completed by Lois M. Bowmer, art director and those who have seen glimpses of the new raiment are high in their praise. The costumes have been created with the idea of retaining the mood of the individual plays. If the production carried a sprightly tone, the costumes bear out this fact.

New Seating, Lighting
First nighters will find new seating and lighting arrangements this year. The reserved seat section has been brought closer to the Elizabethan stage and now forms a broad semi-circle, enabling all patrons a clear view of the stage. New lighting arrangements will greatly enhance the various sequences of the productions.

Sound amplifiers have been installed this season, aiding the acoustics. Previously audiences found "dead spots" in certain parts of the theater and the new amplifiers will entirely eliminate this difficulty.

While the majority of the players are from southern Oregon, the Festival has drawn a number of outsiders. Here from Hollywood and holding leading roles, is Richard Farmer, who was a member of the cast of "The Drunkard" in Los Angeles for three and one-half years. From Washington, D. C., and cast in major roles, is Harry Moses. From Spokane, is Doug Hubbard; from Los Angeles, Harriet Uecker. Delmar Solem hitch-hiked half-way across the continent from Tracy, Minn., to appear in the plays.

Local Veterans in Cast
Local veterans returning include La Murlie Beck, George F. Smith, John Reischer, Jimmie Baughman, Frances Schilling, Joe Beach, Doris Danford, Arden Hall, Richard Schuchard, LeRoy Lindner, and others.

Opening the repertoire is "The Merry Wives of Windsor," a comedy tale centering around the antics of an amorous old round-about seeking the affection of two of the wives of Windsor. The play is well known among Shakespeare's works and has been well cast. Holding major roles, are Richard Farmer, Don Hubbard, Delmar Solem, Douglas Hubbard, Don Shanahan, Guy Corliss, Harry Moses, Joe Beach, Burke Yaden, John Reischer, Richard Schuchard, Arden Hall, Dr. Clyde Dunham, Eldridge Gray, Manley Leggett, Maybelle Hotell, Kathryn Denzer, Laura Jones, Ninon King and James Glenn. Others are Betty Rhoads, Elizabeth Fouch, Gene Rhoads, Beverley Jones, Lois Gae Kurgel, Ada Davis,

Directors



Directors of the sixth annual Shakespearean Festival which opens in Ashland's outdoor civic Elizabethan theater tonight and continues through Saturday, August 17, are William David Cottrell and Lois M. Bowmer. Cottrell is a veteran member of the group, having been assistant to the founder, Angus L. Bowmer, for the past three years and is thoroughly familiar with all phases of theatrical production. Lois Bowmer is completing her sixth year as art and costume director and is responsible for the elaborate array of Elizabethan raiment used during the productions.

EARLY PEACHES READY TO PICK

Early Crawford peaches are now ready to pick, according to Horticulturist C. B. Cordy, and Hales and Elbertas will be ready for harvest in a week or ten days. The last two species are the largest crop. The crop is of good quality, but not as large as last year, Cordy said.

Ideal weather prevails for all crops, and predicted cooler weather will add benefit, it was explained.

The tomato crop, which will not be ready to pick, is coming along fine.

TOURIST FINED ON THEFT OF SHEETS

Ethel Irene Norton, 29, of Long Beach, Cal., was fined \$35 and costs in Ashland justice of the peace court yesterday on a charge of larceny under \$35 value.

State police, who arrested the woman at Roseburg, said that she stole several sheets and other property from the College Inn auto court at Ashland August 7. The property was returned to the auto camp.

SLOT MACHINES, WAR SPUR COIN MOVEMENT

Washington, Aug. 9.—(AP)—Slot machines, the war, defense taxes and better business combined again last month to expand cash in circulation to new record figures.

Unsurpassed except for a few days during the 1933 banking holiday, money in circulation, the treasury said today, reached \$7,833,223,517 or an average of \$59.63 per person on July 31.

A month earlier the average was \$59.39, and a year ago \$53.71.

Radio Highlights

Time Is Associated Press
(By Pacific Standard)
Speaking from London, Crown Prince Olaf of Norway has been scheduled for a five-minute talk over the MBS chain at 9 a. m. Saturday, in which he is expected to deliver a message directed to Norwegian sailors in American ports.

Tonight: Europe—CBS 4:55, 6:30 east; WJZ-NBC 6; MBS 6:15; NBC 8.
Saturday: Europe—NBC 4 a. m.; CBS 4 a. m., 2:45 p. m.; WFAF-NBC, 9:45 a. m.; MBS, 2:45 p. m.

Communications

Scores Game Commission
To the editor:
According to the Oregon farmer there are over 600 species of insect pests in the state. Medford pear growers must know American ports.

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Marilynn Ramsdell, Sue Parkinson and Emmy Lou Smith. Queen Elizabeth and her Shakespearean court, comprising Carol McCollum, Marilyn Sherlock and Phyllis Collier will be on hand to officially open the season. Complete schedule of productions appears elsewhere in this paper.

COUNTY JAILER LEAVES

Denton Clark, county jailer for the past year, has resigned to accept a position with the Webb Aviation association at Boise, Idaho. He left for his new post last night. Clark is a flyer and well acquainted with aviation details.

The position will be filled by Harry Ingling, former jailer, who held the position until about two years ago.

The symbol "R" at the start of a physician's prescription stands for the Latin "recipe," meaning "take."

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Vinegar bulk, gallon	15c	Potato Chips reg. 15c pkg.	10c	
Pork & Beans, Van Camp No. 2 1/2 can	11c	Tomatoes 5 lb. 10c For bringing 50 lb. 49c		
Shredded Wheat Original Niagara, box	9c	For bringing your boxes		
Pancake Flour Flapjack, 20-oz. pkg.	9c			
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what that means and now comes the filbert worm to threaten the vast filbert groves of western Oregon. It was formerly thought that the China pheasant was a useful bird on the farm for destroying insects, but now it is known that besides what few bugs it may eat it is an awful nest robber of any bird within its reach and annually kills thousands of our best insect eaters. Meadow larks, field sparrows, chowwinks or ground robins and other ground nesting birds are its chief victims. I have first hand evidence to that effect.

The state game commission of Portland has in a most brazen manner ordered the farmers of the Willamette valley to allow the pests to increase on their farms for three years for the benefit of sportsmen. Judging by the depreciation that the chink has made on garden crops and young birds this year, the only thing left for the farmers to do is to declare political open season on the game commission and drive that outfit out of office, for they have proved themselves about as useful to the farmer as a swarm of clogging moths.

I have just received a letter from the commission, of August 2nd, in which they boost the chink as an insect eater but ignore his nest robbing thievery. Now let us look at the facts. This year, due to last year's closed season, there are enough chinks in this valley to have eaten all the bugs as fast as they hatched, but the chink preferred digging up sweet corn and other garden crops and rob bird nests whenever he could find any.

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Heavy Prune Shipments
Salem, Aug. 9.—(AP)—Sixty-four carloads per day of U. S. No. 1 fresh prunes are being shipped from the Milton-Freewater district during the marketing agreement shipping period which began August 6 and which will end August 28, the state department of agriculture said today.

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