

DOBB'S PROGRAM ANNOUNCED FOR FRIDAY CONCERT

Program numbers which Ralph Dobbs, American pianist, will present in his concert here Friday night at the high school auditorium, were announced today. Mr. Dobbs, whose appearance here is sponsored by the High School Music department and the Medford Musical society, is especially noted for his authoritative interpretation of Liszt, Brahms and Chopin.

"Introduction and Fugue" by Vivaldi-Casella and "Handelian Rhapsody," Scott, will be the opening concert numbers. Next Dobbs will play the five movements of Liszt's "Sonata B Minor," playing without interruption.

Following will be "Intermezzo E Major—Op. 116," Brahms; "Scherzo B Minor," Chopin; "Nocturne" by Griffes and "The Gypsy Chorus" from "Carmen," Bizet-Moszkowski. Closing number will be "El Vito" by Infante.

A survey of Dobbs' press notices show him to be a most popular concert artist. The New York American wrote of him: "Dobbs revealed unusual talent. He has muscles of steel and can get a tremendous tone from a piano. Besides his strength and bravura, he can play with delicacy and grace. The audience was exceedingly enthusiastic." The New York World Telegram wrote "Dobbs has a solid and brilliant technique, a resourcefully used tone, a high degree of physical endurance and the ability to pile up tremendous climaxes of tone."

Dobbs was born in Chicago and received most of his training there with Alexander Raab. In 1931 he won the Frederick Stock award and an invitation to appear as soloist with the Chicago Symphony orchestra. His musical career since then has been a succession of highly successful concert appearances in New York, Los Angeles and other musical centers and he now enjoys a reputation as a particularly colorful and dramatic pianist. A desire to help others in their musical development led him into piano teaching and he is now head of the piano department at Willamette university.

Court House News

Divorce Decrees
Christina Collins vs. Howard D. Collins.
Janice L. McMullen vs. Richard L. McMullen.

Veteran Becomes Agent Here For Equitable Life

New Medford agent for the Equitable Life Insurance Society of America is R. J. (Dick) House, veteran of four and one-half years of army service and former resident of Kansas City, Mo. House arrived in the city last week and with his wife and six-months-old daughter is making his home for the present at 1109 West Main street.

House stated that he is receiving mail and telephone calls at the public stenographic office of Mrs. M. T. Edwards in the Liberty building, room 404. The newcomer, who is making his first venture in the insurance business, is enthusiastic about both his company and the Rogue River Valley. House said he had traveled over almost every part of the United States and decided that he would rather live in Medford than anywhere else and "looked around for a way to making a living here." The young man believes the climate, recreational possibilities and nearness to both mountains and the sea-shore is an ideal combination.

Mr. and Mrs. House are anxious to rent a house or apartment for permanent living quarters.

P.-T. A. Activities

Washington P.-T.A.
Washington Parent-Teacher association will hold the annual Dad's Night meeting Friday of this week. The affair starts with a potluck dinner at 6:30 p. m. in the school gymnasium and will be followed by community singing and a program.

Feature of the program will be a discussion of "Universal Military Training" with E. H. Hedrick, superintendent of city schools, in charge.

A room prize will be given for attendance.

Oakgrove P.-T.A.
Mrs. Ben Schmidt will speak at the meeting of the Oakgrove Parent-Teacher association set for Friday at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. Schmidt will speak on China, where she lived for a number of years, and will also have an exhibit of Chinese articles.

Junior High P.-T.A.
The January meeting of the Junior High School Parent-Teacher association set for this week has been postponed until later in the month.

MORE CHICKENS IN 1945
Auburn, Ill. (U.P.)—Alabama farmers have produced an estimated 14,375,000 young chickens during 1945, an increase of eight per cent over the 13,310,000 raised in 1944. However, the number is 19 per cent short of the 1943 record.

WAR II VETERANS DECIDE TO MERGE WITH POST NO. 2

World War II veterans behind the plan to organize a new American Legion post in Medford met with officers of post 15 in Medford armory last night and emerged with a decision to drop their plans and to unite with post 15, according to Alfred Hagerty, one of the instigators of the plan for a new post.

In the absence of Commander Dick Baize, Merle Jarmin, second vice commander, presided over the meeting. Other post 15 officers to take part in the meeting were Alfred Anderson, post chaplain, and Carl Tengwald, a past commander.

Another joint meeting has been called for the armory Jan. 23 at which time all World War II veterans are urged to be present to hear plans for the consolidation.

Hagerty said post 15 officers presented plans for a new home to be made available to Medford Legionnaires. The plans again will be available for inspection at the Jan. 23 meeting, Hagerty said.

Livestock

Portland, Ore., Jan. 15—(U.P.)—Livestock: Cattle 150, calves 25. About steady after Monday's slow close. One truckload good fed steers 17.00; light dairy type heifers 7.50-8.50; canner-cutter cows 6.00-8.00; sheels 3.50 down; fat dairy type cows 9.00-10.00; one lot medium-good 11.00 lb. beef cows 12.00; good 14 lb. vealers 15.00; choice quotable to 15.50.

Hogs 250. Butchers steady, largely 15.00; odd 340 lbs. 15.00; sows not moving, demand extremely narrow; good-choice feeder pigs about 85 lbs. quotable 15.00-15.50.

Sheep 100. No reliable outlet for lambs early. Sellers asking up to 14.00 for good-choice grades; eight deers for 14.00; good ewes salable around 4.50-5.00.

South San Francisco, Jan. 15—(U.P.)—Livestock: Cattle 30; five ears now unloading; steers scarce; package common 900-lb. steers 13.75; mostly shee-stock; few 1200-lb. dairy cows \$11; common 10.00-10.50; cutters 8.50-9.00; canners 6.50-7.50; common-good sausage bulls 10.00-12.00; broad clearance; calves 10, steady; good-choice vealers quoted 14.50-15.00.

Hogs 50; steady; few good-choice 200-300 lb. barrows and gilts 15.00; odd good sows 15.00.

Sheep 100; steady; about 100 head north coast 84-lb. good lambs 14.25; good heavy pelted ewes quoted up to 6.50; untested.

Chicago, Jan. 15—(U.P.)—(WFA)—Livestock: Hogs 4,000. Active, steady; good and choice barrows and gilts 180 lbs. and over at 14.85 ceiling; sows at 14.10 ceiling.

Cattle: 5,000. Calves: 400. Erratically uneven, strong to 25 cents or more higher market on fed steers, yearlings and yearling heifers; eastern order buyers took bulk crop, big packers confining their buy to meager supply, cows and heifers; largely steer run and liberal proportion receipts grading good to choice brought 18.00; most steers 16.50 to 18.00; heifers 15.00 to 17.00; most beef cows 10.00 to 13.00.

Sheep: 1,000. Active, complete early clearance; shipping demand for slaughter lambs much broader than available supply; slaughter lambs fully 25 cents higher for two days; sheep strong, spots 25 cents.

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Dec.	1.74	1.74	1.74	1.74

S. F. DAIRY PRICES

San Francisco, Jan. 15—(U.P.)—Dairy market:
Butter: 93 score, 48 1/2c; 92 score, 48c; 90 score, 47 1/2c.
Cheese: Loafs, 28.2c; triplets, 27.2c.
Eggs: Large grade A, 50 1/2c; medium grade A, 45 1/2c; small grade A, 41 1/2c; large grade B, 45 1/2c.

Wall Street

New York, Jan. 15—(U.P.)—Transactions on the stock market crossed the 2,000,000 share mark for the sixth full session today and the general average rose to a new 16-year high.

The rise was not as consistent as yesterday's. At intervals during the session profit-taking developed and some of the leaders lost early advances. However, this realizing failed to bring a general reaction and new support developed on each recession from the highs.

Automobile shares were in demand early in the day on word that the industry was stepping up production with Packard calling men back to work, and on rumors that Ford was about to sign up with the union a wage agreement around the level suggested by the General Motors fact-finding board. New highs were set by General Motors and Graham-Paige while Studebaker and Packard equaled their tops.

Preliminary closing Dow-Jones stock averages: Industrials 202.97, up 1.04; rails 66.44, up 0.30; utilities 40.25, off 0.05; 85 stocks 76.01, up 0.32.

Sales totaled 2,700,000 shares compared with 2,740,000 yesterday. Today's closing prices on selected stocks:
American Tel. & Tel.193 1/4
Anaconda48 1/2
Chrysler138 3/4
Curtiss Wright8 1/2
General Electric48 1/2
General Motors78 1/2
Montgomery Ward70 1/4
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Standard Oil of Calif.48 1/2
Texas Gulf Sulphur51
Transamerica20 1/2
United Aircrafts36 1/4
U. S. Rubber73
U. S. Steel89 3/4

EX-ASHLAND WOMAN IS TAKEN BY DEATH

Ashland, Jan. 15—Dr. and Mrs. Walter Redford have received word of the death of Mrs. A. C. Strange, former well known Ashland woman who passed away at the home of her sister in Portland Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Strange resided in Ashland for many years where he was on the faculty of Southern Oregon College of Education. He passed away about a year ago.

GOLD HILL METHODIST TO RESUME SERVICES

Gold Hill, Jan. 15—Morning worship services will again be held at the Gold Hill Methodist church commencing Sunday Jan. 20, at 11 o'clock. Dr. J. P. Bray of Medford has been appointed to fill the pulpit vacancy for the remainder of this conference year.

QUEEN HAS STROKE

Rome, Jan. 15—(U.P.)—The Rome press reported today that Queen Helen of Italy has suffered a serious paralytic stroke that left her blinded in the right eye. The newspaper Italia Nuova said the queen was stricken recently when she learned that her daughter, Princess Mafalda, had died as a result of malnutrition during imprisonment in the Nazi concentration camp at Dachau.

FILM ROMANCE

Hollywood, Jan. 15—(U.P.)—Screen cowboy John Wayne and Esperanza Baur, Mexican film actress, will be married Thursday afternoon, Wayne said today. The ceremony, originally scheduled for late spring, will be performed at the Long Beach home of Wayne's mother, Mrs. Sidney Preen, with only families of the bride and bridegroom present.

There are about 1,000 meteorites in museums all over the world, ranging in weight from a fraction of an ounce to more than 30 tons.

First Aid Expert Arrives to Teach

Chester Schwartz, first aid, accident prevention and water safety representative of the American Red Cross, Pacific area, arrived yesterday from San Francisco to teach first aid instructors class in Medford and Ashland.

George Davis, accident prevention chairman of the Jackson County Red Cross chapter announced that Schwartz will be guest speaker at the Kiwanis Club luncheon Wednesday at the Holland Hotel.

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