

LEADERS WILL AID BIG BENEFIT LOS ANGELES THEATERS GIVE BEST TALENT

Entire Force of Best Playhouses Join in Effort to Relieve San Francisco Earthquake Sufferers

The largest orchestra that ever played at a benefit in Los Angeles will assist at the big performance at the Mason tomorrow afternoon. The entire force of all of the theaters of the city will play, and the director of each will lead the orchestra which will be composed of more than fifty pieces, when the act from his particular theater is on. For instance, when Artie Hall from the Orpheum gives her songs and line of talk, A. F. Frankenstein, director of the Orpheum, will lead the orchestra, and when the second act of the "Message from Mars," which is at the Mason this week, is on, Harley Hamilton will be the director. This is distinctly a new feature and has never been attempted before in Los Angeles.

Mrs. George Goldsmith (Lillian Burkhardt) was to have given a monologue, but it was decided to have her take charge of the work of selling flowers. Working under her direction will be Misses C. B. McCutcheon, Fred Maier, Jr., O. H. Burbridge, John Kahn and the Misses Lottie Seligman, Adele Louis, Mary Chapman, Tessie Brownstein, Lella Jacoby and Rose Germain. Eleanor Haber, recently of the Alcazar theater company in San Francisco, will replace Lillian Burkhardt on the program of the benefit performance to be given under the direction of the combined managers of the theaters of Los Angeles tomorrow afternoon at the Mason opera house. Miss Haber, who is well known in this city by reason of her numerous relatives who are prominent in the city's social circles, will give one of Beatrice Herford's amusing monologues. Miss Haber has selected one of the best of Miss Herford's writings, "At the Theater Box Office Window," which describes the experiences of a young woman who endeavors to purchase tickets for a matinee performance.

At a meeting of the managers of the different theaters of the city yesterday it was decided that owing to the fact that no provision had been made for taking care of the worthy distressed actors who lost their possessions in the San Francisco fire, the proceeds of tomorrow afternoon's benefit will be devoted to looking after these professional people. The majority of the receipts of the performance will be sent to either Manager M. Herford of the Orpheum or to Messrs. Gottlob & Marx, managers of the Columbia theaters, officers of the San Francisco Theatrical Managers' association, under whose direction the moneys will be expended.

The program tomorrow will begin at 12 o'clock, noon, and the performers will occupy the stage of the Mason opera house until well after 6 o'clock. The bill is unquestionably the best that has ever been arranged for any similar entertainment in the west, and is the first time the combined managers of the local theaters have ever given a benefit for any cause.

Miss Artie Hall of the Orpheum will appear at the benefit. She said "I never have had a chance to appear at a benefit where I was as anxious as I am at this one. I can realize how the San Francisco actors are placed with their wardrobes and all their trunks destroyed. I have given my act at benefits for homes for the feeble minded and to provide orphan children with suitable underwear, but never has it seemed to me that the object of my benefit was so very deserving of help as is this one."

The benefit for the San Francisco earthquake sufferers given yesterday afternoon by the Maccabees at the Burbank theater was unqualifiedly a success from both the standpoint of dramatic excellence and monetary results. While the exact figures of the amount derived from the benefit have not as yet been made public it has been announced, however, that several hundred dollars will be available for relief work as a result of the performance.

The Maccabee minstrels, the first part of the performance, were par excellence. All the jokes were new, or else dressed in such a manner they appeared new. The work of the soloists and endmen was pleasing and satisfying. Every member of the minstrel troupe is deserving of praise for his work. The second part of the program was in the form of a vaudeville olio. The numbers for this were furnished by the various theaters. Hugh Callender, in a tenor solo entitled "Be Like a Soldier Fair," was good. Henry Stockbridge and Fay Bainter in a clever stunt called "My Merry Oldsmobile" were roundly applauded. Carl Unger, "the one man orchestra," displayed wonderful musical versatility. Taken all in all the performance was well worth while. J. J. Cooke acted as director of the entertainment. Oliver Morosco donated the use of the theater and orchestra.

Alleged Thief Calls at Doctor's Office for Attention and Is Taken to Jail

Otto Spiegel, whom the police caught with robbing W. Garland Monday night in the latter's room at the Delaware, 434 1/2 South Broadway, and who was shot in the foot by J. H. Gillespie, Garland's friend, was located yesterday by detectives and locked up in the city jail on a charge of robbery. Garland said that he was trying to help Spiegel by taking him to his own lodging, when the ungrateful man turned on him and demanded his money. Gillespie, who occupied an adjoining room, heard the altercation and sprang into the room just as Spiegel made his escape. Gillespie, however, winged him in the foot with his pistol and the wound led to his identification. The alleged robber called at a physician's office yesterday to have the bullet wound treated and this led to his arrest.

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PRETTY GIRL WILL AID AT BENEFIT AT THE MASON TOMORROW



ARTIE HALL AT THE ORPHEUM

OUTLINES DUTIES OF CLERGYMEN

SECOND DAY'S SESSION OF BAPTIST CONFERENCE

Dr. Woelfkin Speaks on "Points of Emphasis in Minister's Life and Work"—Dr. Walker Tells of Problems

"Points of Emphasis in the Minister's Life and Work" was the topic of Dr. Woelfkin yesterday morning at the session of the Southern California Baptist conference of Evangelism at the First Baptist church, following the devotional exercises led by Rev. Mr. Brooks.

"The point of emphasis of a minister's life," said Dr. Woelfkin, "consists in a spiritual experience. First, be, and then say."

"The point of emphasis in a minister's message is to center in the cross of Christ."

"The point of emphasis in the minister's method is to follow his own plan as led by the Holy Spirit."

"The point of emphasis in the minister's study is to read broadly and to articulate the divine supply according to the human needs."

"The point of emphasis in the minister's work is to be permeated in the spirit of prayer."

At the afternoon session devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. D. Thomas.

Tells of Local Needs

Rev. W. H. Walker, jr., spoke on "The Problem of Our Coast Cities." He made special application to the situation and plans in Los Angeles. He spoke by the way of introduction of the growth of this city, its spiritual destitution and what is being done by other denominations to meet it. He then gave statistics of the Baptist churches in Los Angeles, consisting of eighteen congregations with an aggregate membership of 4500.

The speaker emphasized the following points: The lack of concerted effort, the want of continuity and perseverance, meager facilities and equipments, hasty recognition of new churches, the suburban difficulty and "trunk Baptists" and the lack of vision.

The speaker closed with a plea for a change of denominational policy and outlined preliminary steps looking to the organization of a Baptist city mission society.

The principal address at the evening session was made by Dr. Woelfkin. The sessions will continue today, to close this evening with addresses by prominent ministers.

CONFERENCE COMES TO CLOSE

Universals Elect Officers and Adjourn—Addresses Made by Prominent Ministers and Laymen

The closing session of the Universalist conference was held yesterday at the Church of the Unity. Rev. E. L. Conger was elected president, Rev. H. L. Canfield vice president and C. H. McKeet treasurer. The secretary will be elected by the executive board.

At the afternoon session addresses were made by Rev. H. E. Benton of Riverside, Rev. H. L. Canfield of Pasadena and Prof. James Chamberlain of the normal school.

At the evening session Rev. F. S. Forbes, pastor of the East Los Angeles Congregational church; E. H. Conger, former American minister to China, and Rev. E. G. Dunham made interesting addresses.

BAD MONEY IN CIRCULATION

City Assessor Warns Against Counterfeit \$5 Gold Pieces—Says Some Are Being Passed

"Counterfeit five dollar gold pieces are in circulation and the public is cautioned to carefully weigh every gold piece of this denomination bearing the date 1935."

This warning was issued by City Assessor Lavis yesterday after one of his deputies had taken in a five dollar gold piece supposedly minted in 1935. In every particular, except weight, the gold piece appears to be genuine, but it is light, weighing scarcely more than a nickel.

The city assessor believes there may be a number of these same gold pieces in circulation, and while they have some gold in them and are not absolutely worthless, they have not the value stamped on them.

BANK DECLINES TO PROSECUTE

POLICE TRACE MANY SMALL FORGERIES

Pasadena Man Accused of Passing Worthless Checks on Women. Wife Makes Good to Some Victims

Although Howard Smith Rogers of Pasadena is believed by the police to be guilty of the forgery of several small checks cashed at local banks, it was stated yesterday that no prosecution would follow, owing to the reluctance of bank officials to institute proceedings.

Mrs. M. Burg, residing at 527 West Seventh street, informed the police yesterday afternoon that she had a check for \$5 in her possession that purported to be signed by Mrs. Eleanor Rogers, but was returned by the German-American Savings bank as a forgery.

Mrs. Burg said she cashed the check for Rogers and then presented it in the usual way at her own bank, the German-American Savings bank. It was sent to the First National bank of Pasadena for collection and came back with the word "forgery" written across its face in red ink.

Mrs. Burg wrote to Mrs. Rogers and later received a letter from Albert S. Van Ertin, a Pasadena lawyer, as follows:

Says Man Is Guilty

"Mrs. Rogers has referred to me your letter of the 25th, just received. I regret to say that you are not the only victim of Mr. Rogers' moral obliquity. Mrs. Rogers paid these checks as long as she could, but has reached her limit and I fear that the law will have to take its course. He has caused Mrs. Rogers a great deal of annoyance and trouble, and I think is hardly responsible mentally, though whether the court would take that view of it is a question. I am sorry that you have suffered in the affair."

Mrs. Burg also showed the police a letter from the German-American Savings bank, stating that her account had been charged with the amount of the alleged forged check which she cashed for Rogers.

Mrs. Burg wanted the police to arrest Rogers on the evidence she had secured by her own exertions, but was informed that "detectives were working on the case."

Rogers recently roomed at the Chester apartment house, 454 South Spring street, but is now believed to be in Pasadena.

Owing to the small amounts of the alleged forgeries, the bank people seem disinclined to prosecute.

Detectives said that under the law of this state it would be almost impossible to obtain a conviction of a husband charged with forging the signature of his wife.

Mrs. Rogers is a professional nurse at Pasadena and has had much worry over numerous unpaid bills, and worthless checks of her husband, says the police.

Owing to the rush of business the Talk-o-Pop department of the Southern California Music company will be open Wednesday and Saturday evenings for the accommodation of Herald subscribers.

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ACCUSED WOMAN APPEARS BORED

CRIMINAL CHARGE FAILS TO INTEREST HER

Wife of Vaudeville Actor Said to Have Forged Checks to Buy Fine Gowns Scorns Witnesses in Court

Stylishly arrayed in a lavender gown, a big picture hat in the same shade, blue silk hose and dainty slippers, Mrs. Grace O'Brien, wife of a vaudeville actor, sat in the prisoners' dock before Justice Rose yesterday while depositions were taken in the two forgery cases pending against the young woman.

She appeared unconcerned and a trifle bored as two witnesses swore to written statements of their accusations against the graceful young blonde.

Mrs. O'Brien is charged with securing several hundred dollars' worth of expensive silks and laces at several of the largest stores in the city. It is said by the detectives that Mrs. O'Brien rode in a fine coupe to the different stores and with a haughty air wrote out checks in large amounts signed "Mrs. Emma Goets" or "Mrs. J. Borne." If there was any hesitation on the part of the saleswomen to accept the checks, the manager would be asked to call up the Angelus hotel and telephone messages made it evident that women of the names used by Mrs. O'Brien were guests at the hotel.

Checks Returned

The accepted checks were returned from a local bank as forgeries, and the daring young woman was arrested by Patrolman Botteroff on April 14. Her room at 430 East Fourth street revealed a chaotic collection of valuable gowns, laces and lingerie.

She was evidently of fastidious taste and only purchased the best of everything. Detectives believe that she stole to gratify expensive desires. She courted admiration, they said, and wished elegant garments to set off her blonde beauty.

The depositions of Mrs. Borne and Mrs. Goetz were taken yesterday in order that their testimony might be used later at the preliminary examination.

The two women expect to leave shortly for the east, and on their testimony rests an important part of the prosecution.

Owing to the succession of legal holidays Mrs. O'Brien has been hanging fire for two weeks, but as soon as the courts are once more open for trials Mrs. Grace O'Brien, alias Aldine Edelman, will be given her preliminary examination on two separate complaints of forgery.

TAKE WOMAN TO MONROVIA

Mrs. Alberta Storrs, Charged With Murder, Will Appear Before Justice Northrop Today

Mrs. Alberta Storrs, who was arrested last Saturday on a charge of having murdered her husband, Rowland Storrs, at their Monrovia home last Thursday, will be taken to Monrovia this morning to appear before Justice Northrop.

Attorneys Rogers and James will attempt to have bail fixed for Mrs. Storrs, so that she can be released from custody. At present the justices will take no action in the case because of the legal holidays, and District Attorney Fredericks and the attorneys for the defense will meet today to discuss what immediate action can be taken.

BUYS IN PROPERTY

Bankruptcy Case of Barca Oil Company—Creditor Buys in Property

The bankruptcy proceedings in the case of the Barca Oil company were concluded yesterday by the sale of the Standard, the property of the defunct concern, to George E. Whitaker of the National Supply company, one of the creditors. The Meridian Oil company, a new concern composed of Santa Maria men, is ready to buy the plant and, if the sale is approved, will take over the property and begin operations on its holdings near Santa Maria. The proceedings were held before Referee H. P. Starbuck.

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ISSUES THE TUNNEL PERMIT

Board of Public Works Grants Stimson Estate Permission to Dig Under Third Street

Attorney H. J. Gouge, acting for the Stimson estate, yesterday secured the consent of the board of public works for a permit for the tunnel under Third street that has already been constructed. The board will recommend to the city council that the permit be issued.

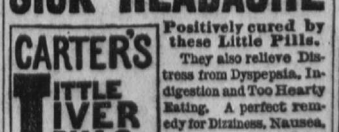
This tunnel has been a bone of contention among city hall officials for several days. Last week Chief Inspector Hanley discovered that a tunnel was being built under Third street, connecting the Stimson building, corner of Third and Spring, and the new building being erected at Third and Main for the Citizens' National bank. The tunnel was nearly completed but the records failed to show that any permit had been issued for it. Inspector Hanley ordered the work stopped. Monday Attorney Gouge appeared before the council and asked for the long neglected permit. The case was referred to the board of public works.

Railroad Conductor Run Over By Associated Press.

CHICO, May 1.—William Lautenschlager, for years conductor on the Sacramento division of the Southern Pacific but of late employed by the Butte County railroad, jumped from a car loaded with logs and fell in front of the wheels. His body was horribly mutilated.

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