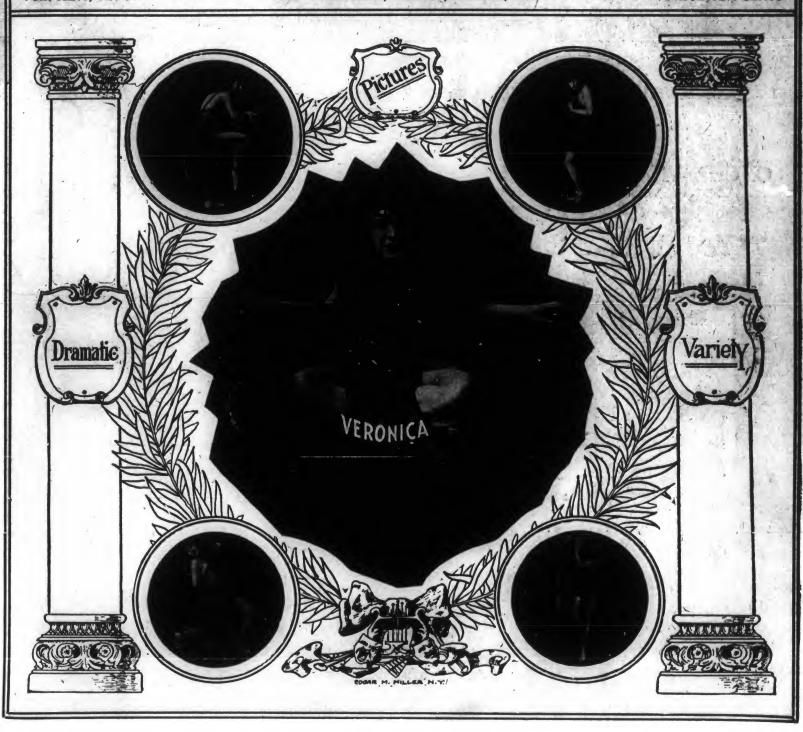
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MANAGERS AND ACTORS READY TO "DO THEIR BIT" FOR NATION

Patriotic Spirit Sways Profession. Friars Organizing Company To Be Offered to President. Vaudeville Contributing Its Share of Men. Bentham in Naval Patrol.

The speech of the President Monday night found a hearty measure of approval in places where those of the profession are wont to congregate after the theatres close. The general tenor of the talk of those who are actors was to the effect the men on this side would show up the "slackers" of other countries and immediately enlist.

Last Sunday 1,000 letters were sent out to Friars by John Pollock, inviting them to become a special squad. By Tuesday he had received 75 replies, each one bearing the information that the writer stood ready to "do his bit," but only 15 of the total were within the age limit prescribed by the Government as eligible for military service. As soon as 60 members meeting with the age and physical requirements are heard from the company will be formed and drill instruction started.

So far vaudeville is still in the lead as So far vaudeville is still in the lead as far as actual army activities are concerned. Capt. Ray Hodgdon is with the 71st, also Sergeant Wm. Woolfender. Acting Sergeant Harold Kemp and Danny Flynn, Leo Robinson and Allen Ryan, privates. Tony Ferri, John Daly, Paul Dempsey and Jim Robinson are with the 22d Engineers. Last week Sidney Bodenheim enlisted in Battery D of the 1st Field Artillery. Frank McKee is expecting to be called almost daily to his command, the 1st Cavalry.

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M. S. Bentham has been given a commission as a naval lieutenant of the junior grade, and his yacht has been accepted by the Government for scout duty. It is now known as Harbor Pa-trol No. 9. The crew will comprise one officer, a radio operator, a gunner's one omcer, a radio operator, a gunner's mate, a boatswain's mate, a quartermaster and four seamen. There will be a 3-pounder mounted forward and two machine guns astern. The yacht is now at the navy yard being fitted.

"MODEL" ENFORCED COMMISSION.

Tuesday the principals and choristers of John Cort's "Masked Model," now in rehearsal, sent a wail of complaint along Broadway, through, as they said, having been obliged when signing, that day, contracts for ten weeks to have

to agree that they would also sign a commission agreement for 5 per cent of their salary weekly, or else lose the engagement. Some of the chorus girls are reported to have balked, but were told unless they signed for the deduction of the commission they would be "let out" at once.

The name of the person to receive the commission payments was mentioned in the agreement. Hardly any one in the company had ever heard of

him.
"The Masked Model" is "Molly O."
revived by Mr. Cort.

"PATRIA" SOON OVER.

Vaudeville will only have to stand for the "Patria" serial film until April 29, when the last week of the first runs of the chapters will conclude the

So far, the big time vaudeville managers have seemingly given no thought to any film successor for it.

N. V. A. MAY SHOW.

The first or second Sunday in May there will be held at the Metropolitan opera house, New York, a special show by the National Vaudeville Artists.

The affair will have the sanction of the Vaudeville Managers' Protective Association, which stood behind the N. V. A. when the latter some time ago received the proceeds from the Palace received the proceeds from the Palace and American, New York, perform-ances for a day.

VERA MICHELENA AFTER DIVORCE.

Vera Michelena has started a suit for divorce against her husband, Paul Schindler, the musical director. Herman Roth is the attorney for the prima

OLIVE TELL ENGAGED?

Olive Tell, a young leading lady who has had rather remarkable success on Broadway during the last two sea-sons, and Montague Love, who has been devoting the biggest part of his time to picture appearances, are re-ported as engaged. According to inti-mate friends they are to be wed late

PAID FOR LAYING OFF.

The date for the continuance of the Sarah Bernhardt show has not as yet been appointed, but the company is still being held in readiness to await the managerial order to report. The show is being temporarily held up because of the star's illness, but it is expected to resume the scheduled tour within the next week.

Wm. F. Connor, who is conducting

the present American Bernhardt tour, has been paying salaries to the six acts engaged during the lay-off period, although there are no contractual obligations to that end.

Mme. Bernhardt is also paying salaries to her 25 players notwithstanding their idleness. Bernhardt contracted with her artists by the performance, and every evening they assemble at a little French restaurant on 44th street and receive their daily stipend, averaging from \$10 to \$50 each

HOLY WEEK'S GOOD START.

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Holy Week started off Monday night as if business all over town would be the best for that period in years. The average drop in receipts of the legitimate houses all over town over the previous Monday night was approximately \$50.
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The holding up of the takings is believed to be due to the number of peo-ple around the bulletin boards during the evening awaiting war news, many of whom eventually drifted into the

FORREST'S LAST SHOW.

Philadelphia, April 4.

When "Miss Springtime" leaves the Forrest that playhouse will pass out of existence to make way for a huge office building. "Miss Springtime" leaves the Amsterdam, New York, Saturday, plays a week in Baltimore and then here for at least four weeks.

EDITORS PLAN "BLACKLIST."

The city editors of the New York daily newspapers, formed into the Press and Advisory Committee of the Newsboys' Benefit, to be held at the Hippodrome Sunday, April 15, have decided to blacklist all volunteering to appear at the benefit and failing to do so. The ban will be effective for one year, during which time the offenders will have their names stricken from all "copy" sent to the papers.

ALHAMBRA CLOSING.

The first of the B. F. Keith vaude-ville theatres in New York to have its closing set for this season is the Alhambra, the week of May 14 (May 20).

No closing time has been yet settled upon for the other Keith houses.

JORDAN GEMS SEIZED.

Chicago, April 4.

Special agents of the Department of the Treasury have seized 33 pieces of jewelry, valued at between \$100,000 and \$200,000, from Mrs. Joseph Jordan, the white wife of the colored song writer. writer.

Suspicion the gems had been smug-gled into the United States resulted in the Jordan collection being taken pending further investigation by the government.

One of the pieces is a pearl neck-

One of the pieces is a pearl neck-lace, stated to have once been the property of Princess Louise of Belgium. It contains 816 pearls and is estimated worth about \$60,000.

Iordan lives on the south side and is best known for his composition of "Sweetie Dear." His wife, a former actress, is the daughter of R. B. Dobell, known as the "nitrate king in England." Dobell is believed to be in the States now, and the government agents are seeking his whereabouts. agents are seeking his whereabouts.

AMERICAN HOSPITAL OPENING.

The new American Theatrical Hospital will be opened during April. The hospital will cost about \$200,000 when completed, to which sum the theatrical and amusement people have contributed about \$15,000.

The annual benefit for it will take place May 20 in the Auditorium when a huge vaudeville show will be given.

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Dr. Sarantos A. Tremulis has been added to the American Hospital staff.

SKETCH CAST OF FILM PLAYERS.

Chicago, April 4. Chicago, April 4.

Jos. Byron Totten, who plays
"Muggs" in the Chicago company of
"Turn to the Right," has written a
crook comedy playlet called "Getting
Away With It," which will be seen here shortly with five Essanay players

in the cast.
They are Edwin Arnold, Harry Dunkinson, Royal Douglas, Granville Bates and Jos. McDonald. All have appeared in the spoken drama.

WAR CAPTAIN MARRIES.

Owing to having been called into service by his regiment (71st), Captain Ray Hodgdon and Katherin Quinn were married in New York March 30, somewhat before the date they had anticipated.

Their engagement was recently an-

White-Cavanagh Partnership Off.

George White and Lucille Cavanagh will dissolve their partnership June 1, until which date Mr. White says he has

Miss Cavanagh under contract.

The team recently canceled some
Western time to return to New York
and play around here while Mr. White receives medical treatment.

LONDON TO HAVE THREE WEEKS **REVIVAL FOR WAR BENEFIT**

Sir Forbes-Robertson and His Supporting Company to Appear in "The Third Floor Back" for Scottish Hospital Fund. Practically an All-Star Cast. Theatre and House Staff Donated.

London, April 4.

The Playhouse, where "The Misleading Lady" was being presented, is closed owing to the illness of the female star, Gladys Cooper. It will reopen April 9, with a revival of Forbes Robertson's "The Passing of the Third Floor Back," for a season of three weeks, the entire proceeds going to the Scottish Women's Hospital Fund.

All the artists and house staff are giving their services gratis with Frank Curzon donating the theatre. It will have an all star cast, including Forbes-Robertson, Athol Ford, Ben Webster, Wilfred Foster, C. France, Gertrude Elliott, Winifred Emery, Haides Wright, May Whittier, Laura Cowie,

Janette Steer,
The same company secured over \$13,000 at a war fund matinee at the Coliseum recently.

LEARNS SONG OVER WIRE.

When the Shapiro-Bernstein Music Co. decided to release their new number, "Rolling in His Little Rolling Chair," Ed Morton indicated a desire to add the number to his repertoire. Morton opened in Easton, Pa., last Monday and in order to alleviate the necessity of jumping to the town, Dave Oppenheimer, professional manager of the firm, called Morton on the long distance phone and taught him the lyrics and melody over the wire.

Morton added the number to his list the same afternoon, and in addition pulled a number of front page stories on the stunt in the Easton dailies.

SANG WHILE IN DANGER.

Toronto, April 4.

The Daily Mail of this city received a despatch last week anent the sinking of the British transport ship "Tyndareus," which struck a mine while carrying a battalion of the Middlesex Regiment to the front.

The men, when transferred to the lifeboats, staged an impromptu concert, continually singing the lyrics of an American song, entitled "There's a Long Long Trail," until picked up by the patrol boats. The song is said to have succeeded "Tipperary" as the march song of the Allied troops.

MRS. CASTLE CAN'T.

Mrs. Vernon Castle has said she can not play vaudeville. A recently entered into contract between her and the Pathe firm for picture prevents.

William Morris (Morris-Casey Agency) made Mrs. Castle a large sized offer to try vaudeville alone. the dancer was in the twice-daily it was with her husband.

HITCHCOCK'S "DEFENSE" A HIT.

Chicago, April 4.

Raymond Hitchcock continues to do is "defense of the stage" act via his curtain speech, which is now getting to be famous and which he has extend-ed to well over 20 minutes. "Hitchy," at the opening performance of "Betty"

Sunday night, had the house in an uproar over his remarks. The reviewers paid a deal of attention to the speech, one paper saying while all of his words were not printable in a daily, all were funny.

"I may not be much of an actor myself," "Hitchy" began violently, "but
Mr. Sunday is a great one. An actor
is judged by the bogus manuscript he
can cash, and Oh, and 15 bottles of rum
for the number series that Sunday seahes. can cash, and Oh, and 15 bottles of rum for the punk script that Sunday cashes. Sunday said: 'The stage leads straight to hell,' so I add that's where all good actors go." After declaring his pro-fession just as honorable as Sunday's

he continued:
"We are both actors, Bill and I, but Bill got \$55,000 for seven weeks' work in Boston and that's more than I got. Bill is the greatest showman in the world; he is the P. T. Barnum of the hymnbook; he knows how to make the suckers come across. 'Git the dough out of 'em, boys,' says Bill to his gang.
'Hold 'em up by the heels and shake
it out of their pockets; comb 'em, frisk 'em, soak 'em; git the dough, boys, git the dough.'"

And then Hitchcock went down on his knees and imitated Sunday praying to the Devil way down deep in the ground somewhere and daring him to come up and fight. As one daily put: "His onslaucht on Sunday was received with frantic delight by the audience and will probably do much to stimulate the interest of theatre-goers

in the performance of Mr. Sunday scheduled for Chicago next fall."

"Hitchy" pulled a new stunt by playing on the tuba horn, squatting in the footlights with the instrument hanging into the orchestra pit. into the orchestra pit. He has been practicing on the tuba for several months. His playing isn't what might be termed proficient, but by paying close attention some idea of the tune attempted is gotten.



VAN HOVEN

"Excelsior." I have sipped the cup of success. I have tasted of the wine of life, but ah, woe is me, Cupid has given me the most wretched of service.

Twice, and e'en thrice, have I ordered from him, but he has only proven a mirage in the distance and I still thirst for love.

However, I still have my ICE, my silk socks, my billing and my recollections of the Gus Sun cifcuit; so why worry?

ORGANIZING FOR SOUTH AMERICA.

The Baxter and Willard American Ragtime Revue, with 25 people, will start for Buenos Aires April 26, to make a South American tour.

Among the company engaged is Anna Held's daughter. Willard, "The Man Who Grows," will also go with the troupe bearing his name, while Mr. Baxter, of the firm, formerly was interested in dancing ensemble acts with Paul Durand.

DISTURBS GABY'S FIRST SHOW.

London, April 4.

"Suzette" had its London premiere at the Globe March 29. It is a bright musical play written around Gaby Deslys, with reminiscent music by Max Darewski. Gaby, as usual, wears many striking dresses and grotesque headgear.

Gaby met with opposition on her first song by four men who threw pennies from the gallery, and some women in the pit hissed her. It is believed the disturbance was organized by a costumer whose dresses were returned without payment. The disturbers were

ejected.

The star is supported by Harry Pilcer and Stanley Lupino.

COLISEUM'S ENORMOUS BILL.

London, April 4.

At the Coliseum this week Adeline Genee, assisted by Gordon Cleather and Carlotta Mosetti, is presenting 'La Dance."

On the same bill Lillah McCarthy

and Fred Ross are appearing in J. M. Barrie's "Half an Hour."

Also on the program are Ellaline Terris, Malcolm Scott and the Irish Players—an enormous bill of import-

POTATOES FOR PRIZE.

London, April 4.

A prize singing competition for amateurs was held at Camberwell Palace last week. The prize was a bag of potatoes, which have become almost unobtainable.

Kate Carney presented half a ton of them to soldiers' wives at the Stratford Empire March 28.

MAY CUT DOWN NIGHT SHOWS.

London, April 4. It is rumored the government pro-poses curtailing the length of evening performances in theatres to save electric light.

The collieries are short-handed and most managers are increasing the number of their matinee performances.

VAN HOVEN'S VIEW.

London, April 4. Frank Van Hoven, on reading a cable concerning himself, published in Varietr, said: "I deny ever being engaged to one of the Sylphide Sisters, Miss Sousa Hinton or Odette Myrtil. Whoever started those rumors flattered those ladies. I also deny ever appear-ing as a prize fighter, excepting in amateur bouts, and then only for charity."

Successful Musical Sketch. London, April 4.

Mile. Ratmirova successfully presented a new musical sketch, "Anthony's Dilemma," at the Chelsea Palace, March 25.

John Humphries in New Palace Revue. London, April

John Humphries, whose striking Bairnsfather characters have been so highly successful, has been engaged by Alfred Butt for the new Palace revue.

Miss Grossmith Marries.

London, April 4.
Ena Grossmith, daughter of George
Grossmith, was married to Captain Mawson March 28.

REVIVING PATRIOTIC SONGS.

London, April 4.

Hayden Coffin has revived a number of his old patriotic songs, including "The Queen of My Heart" and "Tommy Atkins." He is singing them this week at the Finsbury Park Em-

STEELE COHEN KILLED.

London, April 4.
The only son of La Belle Atalanta,
Sergeant Harry La Place, professionally known as Steele Cohen, a Hebrew. comedian, has been killed in France in an aeroplane-accident.

SHAFTESBURY CLOSED HOLY WEEK

London, April 4.

The Shaftesbury is closed Holy Week and Harry Lauder, the principal star of "Three Cheers," is visiting his home.

The second edition of the piece will be presented there April 7, with many additions.

SOLDIERS ACT A PLAY.

London, April 4.
A production of "Man and Superman" was presented "somewhere in France," with both male and female roles enacted by English Tommies.

ENTERTAINING SOLDIERS.

London, April 4.
John Coates, a Covent Garden tenor,
has gone to France with several variety artists as a concert party for the soldiers.

OPENING DAY TUESDAY.

London, April 4. All touring companies are expecting to drop Monday performances, hereafter opening on Tuesday matinees, owing to difficulties in railway transportation.

"SOME" HAS SUCCESSOR.

London, April 4. Andre Charlot's production of "Some" at the Vaudeville, now in its ninth month, will shortly be withdrawn.

Its author, Harry Grattan, is writing a successor to it.

Chorus Girl's Verdict for Negligence. London, April 4.

Hilda Duff, a chorus girl, has secured a verdict against Moss Empires for \$1,835 for alleged negligence at a Drury Lane rehearsal of "Razzle Drury Lane rehearsal of "Razzle Dazzle," when a staircase buckled and she was thrown upon the stage, injur-ing her ankle.

The court granted a stay of execu-

tion, pending appeal.

"Behind the Scenes," Clean and Bright. London, April 4.

At the Putney Hippodrome there was presented last week "Behind the Scenes," one of the best and brightest touring revues extant. It has plenty of clean humor, well placed. Cast includes Babs Trevor, Doro-

thy Brett, Happy Atwood.

Cochran Has "Gods" Film Rights. London, April 4.

Charles B. Cochran has secured the right to William Fox's "A Daughter of the Gods" big film feature and will present it at a West End theatre for

"Petticoats" Now on Provincial Tour. London, April 4.

"Petticoats," a piece with an all-women cast, has been sent on tour by Arthur Gibbons, and opened Monday at the Royal Plymouth.

Writes His Own Show to Return.

London, April 4. Harry Randall, recently retired, returns to the stage in a new revue written and composed by himself.

DOCKSTADER CENSORED BY SAN FRANCISCO'S MAYOR

Vaudeville's Comedian Threatened With Arrest for Slighting References to Army and Navy. Former Minstrel Star Denies Any Intent to Offend.

San Francisco, April 4.
When at the Orpheum, Oakland, Lew
Dockstader was theatrically censored by the Mayor, who, after listening to some humorous remarks concerning army life, threatened arrest if he did not cease referring to the United States

not cease referring to the United States army and navy in his monologue.

The remarks referred to by the Mayor was the "canned beans given to the boys down in Mexico, and the only reason for them being there because they were left from the Spanish-American War." After appearing before him Dockstader agreed to discontinue the use of all comment on the army, and the next matinee delivered an entirely the next matinee delivered an entirely

new monologue.

It was stated the remarks by Dockstader might interfere with the present recruiting campaign all over the
coast. It happened the Mayor is very
interested in it.

Dockstader stated: "Everything is said to amuse the public, but it was the first time I was ever brought before a high official for my quips, which were simply misunderstood in Oakland."

MOSE GUMBLE GONE WILD.

Mose Gumble has jumped into the bard class, having contributed a spring poem to a music trades journal, entitled "In the Spring." The trade paper gave Mose unexpected prominence by illustrating the sonnet and placing it on a cover page.

The poem deals with the spring, air, etc., and is descriptive of the season's signs, explaining in perfect rhythm how the ice cream soda signs appear, among other things. Mose recently took a course of physical culture. It is believed the relaxation, following his series of stunts, brought on the inspiration. In order to complete the atmosphere Mose has ordered a canary bird installed in his private sanctum.

O'BRIEN "PROTECTING" CORBETT.

During the present strike the various agents franchised to book attractions agents franchised to book attractions through the Loew and United Booking Offices are instructed to accompany their acts to the railroad stations every Wednesday and Sunday evenings in order to protect them against the overtures of the White Rats agitators.

Last Sunday George O'Brien of the Harry Weber agency (weight 135) was delegated to accompany and protect his

delegated to accompany and protect his assignment of acts to Boston. He had one turn scheduled to leave from the Grand Central Station. It was James J. Corbett, the ex-champion heavy-weight. O'Brien gave him the necessary protection.

HARMS AND THE LAW.

The T. B. Harms & Francis, Day & Hunter music publishing concern has concluded to protect its song property by recourse to the law in future, it hav-ing recently won its suit brought in Chicago against the Ted Browne Music Chicago against the 1ed Browne Music Co. (Harold Rossiter and Ted Browne), restraining that firm from issuing a song called "Somewhere a Voice Is Calling, Calling Me Back to You," or under any title similar to the Harms recognized publication, "Somewhere a Voice Is Calling."

While the Harms Company is on the legal warpath against infringers, it may go into the local courts against a New

York music publisher who is quite apt to pile up an unsavory reputation in the trade for himself by the indelicacy of his methods. The Harms people believe they have a trade case against this concern for making palpable use of the word "Butterfly" in connection with a song title having the same word in it, as a play in words on "Poor Butterfly," published only by Harms.

Last Sunday night Max Dreyfuss of Harms had a beefsteak birthday party at his home. The table was decorated

with an immense cake, in the centre of which was a large candy butterfly with very good paper mache likeness of Mr. Drevfuss catching it with a net.

ORPHEUM'S FIRST CLOSING.

The first of the season's closings along the Orpheum Circuit will be the Orpheum, Winnipeg, week April 22, with Calgary, Seattle and Portland to follow, each one week later.

The Orpheum, Oakland, will be the first Coast Orpheum town to shut down for the summer, ending May 12.

WESTON QUITS GARDEN SHOW.

Tuesday Willie Weston quit "The Passing Show of 1917," now rehearsing for a Winter Garden showing. The same day Mr. Weston was booked by Max Hart to open at the Palace, New York and the Palace, New

York, next week.

The cause of Weston's withdrawal is said to be "too much show."

Friedman Goes with New Music Firm.

George Friedman, for several years business manager of the Broadway Music Corporation (Will Von Tilzer), has resigned and will assume the business supervision of McCartv & Fisher Publishing Co. seplecting look Edwards lishing Co., replacing Jack Edwards, who inaugurated that department with the latter firm

Henderson's, Coney Island, Opening.

Henderson's, Coney Island, will reopen for the season May 5, first playing vaudeville about May 28, when the cabaret revue will start in the restau-

Carleton Hoagland will again be in charge of the place and its bookings.



EDITH MAE NELSON HOMER CAPES and SNOW Presenting
"BITS FROM THEIR TREASURY"

TINNEY NOT SUED.

Notwithstanding the statement of Max Hart, which was recently published in Variety, that he intended to sue Frank Tinney for commission on sue Frank Tinney for commission on salary due him (Hart) under a con-tract, no suit as yet of that nature has been brought against Tinney. Hart says his attorney, Nathan Burkan, and Tinney's lawyer are now

attempting to settle the matter with-out going into court. At Mr. Burkan's office this week it was said nothing of

office this week it was said nothing of late had come up in connection with the Hart-Tinney matter.

Mr. Tinney remarked when VARIETY first printed Hart's statement of his intention to sue that there would be no suit brough. against him. Tinney claims he owes Hart nothing, that Hart has no claim of any kind against him and that he would like nothing better than to see Hart try to prove to the contrary. to the contrary.

MAURICE GOODMAN ENGAGED.

The engagement has been announced of Maurice Goodman, the United Booking Offices attorney. His fiance is Pauline B. Hoffman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hoffman, 39 West 89th street.

Mr. Goodman is a young man who has been uniformly successful in

Mr. Goodman is a young man who has been uniformly successful in directing the complicated legal machinery for the B. F. Keith and other large U. B. O. circuits. Mr. Goodman joined the Keith offices as its legal adviser some years ago. His offices and staff are in the U. B. O. suite in the Palace theatre building.

ORPHEUM'S 10 SPECIAL WEEKS.

With next week, another "Request Week" for the Orpheum, Brooklyn. it will mark the tenth special program held at that big time vaudeville theatre this season.

The number of special weeks indicates the success of the featured bill that relieves the house from depending upon a headline atraction for the

The programs are increased in number of acts for the "special weeks."
Others of the Keith local houses have tried the plan, but none has repeated as often with it as the Orpheum.

DICKEY'S VAUDEVILLE PROFIT.

An action in equity was on in the Supreme Court last week, the plaintiff being Paul Dickey, who sued the Metro Film Corporation for using the title "The Come Back" on one of the Lockwood-Allison releases.

On cross-examination, Dickey testified he received \$600 a week for his sketch of that name in vaudeville, out of which he paid five assistant players his commissions, railroad fares and approximately \$2,000 a year for personal advertising, after which it still left him a net income of \$350 a week for himself.

Chicago Pals Club.

Chicago, April 4.
The Pals have at last hit Chicago.
With the arrival here of James Hathaway and Al Fisher, and the leasing of club rooms at 104 West Monroe street, the campaign for members has been inaugurated.

The Chicago Pals, under the same bonds of fraternalism as the San Francisco club, are getting members at the rate of 50 a day. With at least 500 San Francisco members living in Chicago, plenty of impetus has been given the local movement.

RICE WANTS DIVING GIRLS Experienced diving girls for six acts.
Top salary; no layoff. Address W.
H. RICE, 203 Schiller Bldg., Chicago,
until April 13. Then 608 Lyceum
Bldg., Pittsburgh.

INTERPOLATED SONG TROUBLE.

Pittsburgh, April 4. d song in "The Little An interpolated song in Widows" at the Duquesne is causing a controversy between the writer of the comedy, Rida Johnson Young, and the manager of the Four Healy Sisters, who are with the production.

who are with the production.

The Healy girls, especially engaged for the George Anderson show, through Joe Shea of New York, have been singing since the piece opened here last week "What Are They Going to Do When the Animals Are Gone?" It's a rag number by Tommy Gray, music by Melvin Franklin. The Healys and the songs are the hit of the show. and the songs are the hit of the show. Miss Young wanted the number re-moved, when Mr. Shea is reported to have advised the management if the number left the Healy girls would go with it. That's the way it stands to-

Also among the successes of the cast are Robert Emmett Keane and Harry Tighe. Muriel Hudson, another prin-cipal, is reported to have given in her notice.

The show has been nicely com-

mented upon here.
Early this week the date for the opening in New York of "His Little Widows" was decided as April 30 at the Astor theatre.

McKINLEY CO. EAST.
The McKinley Music Co. of Chicago, one of the largest commercial music houses in the country, will shortly en-large its professional staff and make a direct play for professional prominence. Heretofore the McKinley organization has centralized its attention on the

has centralized its attention on the mail order industry.

The McKinley Co. has leased five rooms in the Exchange Building on West 45th street, adjoining the offices of the Kendis Music Co., and next month an Eastern staff will take possession, to compare the present professional song market.

BRADLEY APPEALING.
Chicago, April 4.
George Bradley, who donned burnt George Bradley, who donned burnt cork and did a monolog in vaudeville before he was given a nine months' sentence in the House of Correction for adultery, is making an appeal for aid from his professional friends.

Bradley is his mother's sole support the letter being ill at the second of the letter being ill at the letter being ill at the letter being ill at the second of the letter being ill at the letter bei

the latter being ill at the present time. Bradley's right name is John E. Cochrane, under which name he was sent-Bradley's physical condition is also bad.

Efforts will be made to have Judge Fisher acquainted with Bradley's condition and what his release means to an invalid mother, so that Bradley may possibly be released on probation.

VERONICA.

Veronica, the Dillingham-Ziegfeld star, is presenting her series of Ha-waiian dances each morning at 1:30 at the Cocoanut Grove, where she has been appearing for the past ten weeks,

been appearing for the past ten weeks, having replaced Gertrude Hoffman in "Dance and Grow Thin."

Prior to the Cocoanut Grove engagement Veronica danced for sixteen weeks at Rector's, in a series of revues presented there. This was following a vaudeville tour in "The Garden of Aloha." She has toured England playing all of the larger cities with Toby Claude in "La Petite Cabaret," and was at the Coliseum, London, with Theodore Kosloff as his premiere danseuse in a repertoire of classical dances. classical dances.

Veronica's early training was with the Ballet Russe, in which she was tho understudy for Gertrude Hoffmann. Her present ambition is to be a dancing prima donna, a type most rare in musical comedy, and Veronica is tak-ing a course in vocal instruction toward achieving that height.

"PICKETING" IN NEW YORK **BECOMES HUMDRUM AFFAIR**

"How Long Can the White Rats Last?" Only Topic Left of Defunct Rats' Strikes All Over. Hebrew Unions Reported Withdrawing Support Upon Finding They Had Been Deceived.

The White Rats "strike" in New York and elsewhere, which has been reduced to a matter of "picketing." has grown to be a humdrum affair, even for the Rats who picket. The nice weather of the past week has been favorable to the Rats on the street, and is about the only break the organiza-tion has had in its favor since Harry Mountford started to turn over the show world with his "power."

The active Rats about, bearing in mind the speech of Edwards Davis last week at the clubhouse, that the final battle of the Rats against the managers is now being fought between them in the citadel of both (New York), wondered how the Rats expected to win

anything after their showing to date.

The actual "strike" talk has been su-The actual "strike" talk has been superseded by the question, "How long can the Rats last?" which is heard all over daily. The financial condition of the Rats seems to be generally understood, and this, with its utter lack of visible support from working artists, causes the question. No one steps forcauses the question. No one steps for-ward qualified to answer it, and the im-pression seems to be the Rats are dying a slow death, through the grim way its leaders are hanging on to have sympathizers send them money.

The Hebrew Trades Union support, which would have been considerable in the districts largely Jewish, and where some of the Loew theatres are located, seems to have disappeared, through the Hebrew unions being convinced they were inveigled into the strike as pickets under false repre-

sentations.

The Hebrew papers late last week appointed a committee of journalists to investigate conditions in the Loew theatres, also the statements made to the Hebrew unions by Rats representatives. The committee unanimously reported against the White Rats, when all the against the White Rats, when all the Hebrew papers wrote editorials denouncing the Rats for attempting to deceive and take advantage of the Hebrew population. The Warheit, the Socialist paper, was among those which edi-torially upheld the Loew Circuit. The East Side papers did not mince words

in expressing their opinion.

At a meeting of the Hebrew unions

Sunday night it was reported a delegate from one of the trades asked the committee before going further with the Rats-Loew matter to ascertain from the stage hands' and musicians' unions why they had not interested themselves in the strike, and to find out from the Rats why the Rats had asked the Hebrew unions to assist them, instead of their theatrical allied unions. The He-

five to investigate, with full power.

No report of the outcome of this committee's investigation has been heard, although it has been noticeable no Hebrews of the downtown unions have been picketing of late. notifications of the sympathetic move-ment by the Hebrew unions still have some effect, however, as up to Wednes-day a large number of Hebrews in the picketed neighborhoods stated they were afraid to go in the Loew the

Rats pickets carried signs reading "There are 25,000 White Rats and 11,-000 of us are Hebrews. Don't go in a Loew theatre." Acts working on the Loew time have received within the past week anonymous letters and postcards reading "You are working on a lousey Jew's circuit. Why don't you quit?" These anonymous letters and postcards have been systematically sent out to any number of people during the past month.

At the Delancey Street (Loew's) this At the Delancey Street (Loew's) this week Harry Cooper is the headliner, and has proved a strong drawing card, loaned to the Loew people for the week by the United Booking Offices, where Mr. Cooper is booked up. At the Palace, Brooklyn, Julian Rose is also packing the house there nights. Mr. Rose has been placed for 10 weeks on the Loew time by Irving Cooper.

Several arrests of pickets were made during the week, three being taken into custody in one evening at the National. The Boulevard was also added to the picketed list within the week, but the large majority of the Loew theatres reunpicketed, the Rats seemingly depending wholly upon the Hebrew support and only selecting Loew thein the Jewish communities.

At the Loew offices no concern was given the strike, and it was said any effect upon business had not disturbed the serenity of the Loew executives.

Business at the Loew theatres affect ed by the picketing is up to its normal point at the evening performances, but the matinees are somewhat off in atthe matinees are somewhat on in at-tendance. The Loew people credit the Lenten season with a large percentage of the drop, claiming the total business is far better than it was at this time in any previous year since the opening of the circuit.

At the Delancey Street several pickcts patrol the frontage, carrying signs written in English and Hebrew announcing the Loew theatres are principals in a strike. The pickets are all Christians, which indicates the Hebrew Trades Union has decided to pull away what support they originally gave the theatrical organization.

The pickets walk slowly up and down repeating in a low voice, "Please help us win our strike. Marcus Loew employs non-union actors. We are affiliated with the American Federation of Labor." Labor.

The pickets work in squads with a captain in charge, each being promised either \$2 or \$3 for his time.

At the National Tuesday night the house was but a few short of capacity, although several pickets working under the supervision of Lillian McNeil paraded up and down in front of the house all afternoon and evening. Mart Fuller, one of the Rats' ardent workers, wagered with a bystander the National was half empty. He was taken inside and, to his astonishment, saw the size of the attendance, and audibly expressed his surprise.

There has been no disturbances of any note in any of the Loew theatres, guards being placed in conspicuous spots throughout the theatres and the adjoining neighborhood to prevent any attempt on the part of Rats sympa-thizers to break up a performance.

CHICAGO MEET—CONFESSIONAL.

Chicago, April 4.

In the old Whitney opera house, now known as the Central Music Hall, on East Van Buren street, the White Rats held an open meeting last Thursday night, and from the negative developments of the evening, it is believed a long time will elapse before that one

time large membered organization will hold such another session. From the admissions of the speakers the Rats, as far as the West is concerned, must be listed in the also-ran class.

Harry Mountford, adorned in his favorite dinner clothes, which he kept carefully in press by extending his legs while the preceding speakers were in eruption, was present, probably at the insistence of the Chicago labor chiefs, who demanded he come on to make a last attempt to ginger up the local sit-uation. Mountford said he had come on more important matters than to speak at the meeting, but as he left the city at noon Friday, he apparently was kidding nobody but himself. John FitzPatrick, president of the Chicago Federation of Labor, had said just previously Mountford had come to "tell" the truth about the Eastern situation."

The speakers beside Mountford, who closed the bill, were FitzPatrick and D. L. Winkler (of the musicians' union). Their remarks acted as a confirmation of the belief that the V. M. P. A., headed in this section by "Tink" Humphrey, held the situation absolutely safe. Perhaps most significant was the point touched on by FitzPatrick and Mountford, which was that if the "fight" was not won this year, it would have to be waged again next year or in 1919 or 1920. This was coupled with an appeal to stick together. It seems improbable either speaker would have hinted at a future contest, if not cognizant of the fact the Rats strike was a flivver in all quarters. Another point was that Mountford was not greeted with the enthusiasm that has marked his appearance in other open meetings. Mountford smiled when the committee walked on the stage to the hand clap-ping of the "martyrs," but he could have said he expected more, without being out of order. FitzPatrick was given more noise when he arose to talk.

The meeting was called to order well after midnight by Ernest Carr, whose opening speech was "Gentlemen and burgiars—" There was not a real act recognized in the gathering. The house holds about 700, mostly on the lower floor, which was two-thirds full. Eliminating the managers' and agents' representatives and their wives and the stage hands present, the meeting would

have been puny.

Winkler in his remarks told of the musicians' union having obtained a promise from the managers in answer to a request for a higher wage scale made recently, that beginning Aug. 1, the musicians would enjoy an increase of 12½ per cent, which would give them the highest wage of any musicians' body in the world. He said his body was in sympathy with the strike, but that they could do more for the

cause by staying on the job. But just how Winkler did not explain.

That seemed to be the keynote of the sympathizers' sentiments. Fitz-Patrick also said the labor federations were "with" the Rats, but as regards to concrete help there was nothing said. He simply established a perfect alibi by admitting the picketing injunction

was unassailable.

It was 1 A. M. when Mountford arose, being introduced by Carr as "the stormy petrel," but here again the warmth of greeting was lacking. warmth of greeting was lacking. Mountford said that he was glad to be able to tell the meeting the truth about having to depend on the lies printed by Variety. But the "lies" he barked about turned out to be two insignificant errors in the V. M. P. A. advertisements in Variety. One of those had read that the Chicago strike had been called March 9, when as a matter of fact, it was called March 8. The other error was the misprint of a name. Mountford then mentioned two other publications, which brought a retort from a woman correspondent of a weekly. For five minutes the speaker allowed his cohorts to boo the woman's attempts at heckling, by quieting the

meeting long enough to answer what few remarks could be heard from her. Mountford spoke of the claimed de-predations worked by the Rats strike on the lower East Side Loew houses in New York, with the help of the Hebrew Trades Union. When Mount-ford alluded to the claimed statement the Rats were opposed to Jews, Rats in the meeting applauded. Later, when he told of how the Jews had helped on the East Side, the same crowd applauded again.

Near the close of his spiel Mountford pulled a brand new one by de-claring that certain agents had applied to him for a charter to organize, and that he was the fellow who alone was empowered to give out such charters in New York and Chicago. Near the close he admitted defeat in the West

by saying:
"Don't judge by Chicago, St. Louis
and Oklahoma City." Then Mountford practically confessed the cause
was a lost one all over by asking for a "conference with the managers—for arbitration. If they have a good case they would win easily."

Mountford said he was glad to have been on hand, for he knew that "The Player" was not easily obtainable. Yet as a matter of fact, there were more copies of that sheet left on the local news dealers' hands last week than at

any time since it began reissuing.

E. N. Nockels, secretary of the Chicago Federation of Labor, was also on the stage, but did not talk.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY CALLS CLARK.

The United States District Attorney The United States District Attorney for New York has had Eddie Clark, vice-president of the White Rats, before him a couple of times within a week, with Mr. Clark attempting to explain to that official's satisfaction the recent letter writing by Clark, wherein he advised vaudeville acts, if

wherein he advised valueville acts, if they valued their personal safety, to "obey orders."

What success Clark met with in convincing the District Attorney of his innocent participation in the reign of terror the Rats tried to inaugurate in connection with its strike against the Loew Circuit has not been re-

ported.

Last week New York District At-torney Swann sent for the White Rats attorney, also the executives of the or-ganization, and informed them more "rough work" in theatres would be fol-lowed by a presentation of the matter to the Grand Jury."

CHICAGO MUSICIANS SATISFIED.

Chicago, April 4.
The musicians' union had its representatives meet a committee of managers late last week. The musicians asked for an increase of salary in the theatres, claiming they had not re-ceived any raise since the war started, although the cost of living had ad-

The musicians and the managers agreed upon a 12½ per cent. increase, to take effect Sept. 1.

The understanding is reported satisfactory to both sides.

STENCH "BOMBS" COUNTERACTED.

Chicago, April 4.

A special preparation now used by the managers to counteract stench bombs was invented by a local taxicab company who some time ago had a strike on its hands. At the time stench pellets were squashed on the floors of the cars, but application of the preparation absolutely counteracted the odor. Since then a quantity of the preparation has been sent theatre managers east and west so that almost every house is now equipped with it.

RATS SHOW, 1ST HALF

The bill the first half at the White Rats theatre, Columbia, (not the burlesque house), had Carl Lambe, Brown and Hacket, Alpine Musical Four, Goot and Gray, Stadium Trio.

ARTISTS' FORUM

Confine letters to 150 words and write on one side of paper only.

Anonymous communications will not be printed. Name of writer must be signed
and will be held in strict confidence, if desired.

Letters to be published in this column must be written exclusively to VARIETY.

Duplicated letters will not be printed. The writer who duplicates a letter to the
Forum, either before or after it appears here, will not be again permitted the privileges of it.

Montreal, March 27.

Editor VARIETY:

The last VARIETY, dated March 23, in "In and Out" column I noticed an article concerning me, and my future, very much.

Reading "Athena, a cooch dancer, was too strong for the Jefferson bill and was out after the first show Monday."

I am not a cooch dancer and I was

not put out after the first show on Monday, and I was not too strong for

monday, and I was not too strong for the Jefferson audience. Jefferson audi-ence was too strong for me.

Mr. Cornelius Keeney, the manager, told me that my act was too refined for his audience. I was paid in full for

my engagement.

This article has no doubt hurt me, for on my arrival here the manager apfor on my arrival here the manager approached me and wanted to know what had happened in New York and told me to go easy here. After he saw my act he was greatly pleased, as was his audience. I hope you will be fair and correct that article in a noticeable way, as my dancing is my "bread and butter" and it is strictly classic.

Baltimore, April 1.

Editor VARIETY:

Am awfully sorry that article appeared in VARIETY last week. It was entirely uncalled for. Am referring to Savoy and Brennan's lines, to wit: "I'm glad you asked me" and "You don't know the half of it."

Everyone in the city knows the lines, and it was not done with intent to lift, as Mr. Bostock said in the article.

I just want to correct the idea. Sometime or other we all of us take a line or phrase. I wish I had a dollar for every one lifted from me. But in this particular case it is different, and I don't like the idea of being branded as a lifter. Hence this note.

Florence Moore.

RATS N. Y. MEETING.

Still another of the open meetings held by the White Rats in New York occurred Tuesday night, instead of the regular weekly closed meeting the organization always previously held on that evening. It is reported that the rank and file of the remaining active Rats are undeniably expressing discontent at this weekly condition, an open meeting preventing questions being asked or argument or comment, and also does not inform the membership anything regarding the various mathematical and the condition of the ters that affect the condition of the Rats order in which they are concerned. The belief these open meetings are

held to draw a larger attendance no long lingers with the faithful Rats, and the murmurings are said to have been conveyed to the leaders.

Tuesday night, although an open meeting, there were plenty of vacant seats, so many Eddie Clark, who presided, asked those in the rear to move forward to occupy them. Mr. Clark said it would be "dressing the house," which failed to draw any laughter from those who were thinking to what depths had the Rats fallen in the estimation of outsiders, when an open meeting couldn't draw.

The meeting opened at 12.15 and closed at 2.30. No representative of

the Hebrew Trades Unions was present. Appearing on the platform was a brother of Eddie Clark, who said he had organized the waiters' strike in London three years ago, and that he had been instrumental in the hotel strike over here of recent time, Clark explaining how the strike on this side had failed. This Clark spoke disparagingly of Marcus Loew. It was said around the club rooms Eddie Clark thought his brother should be leading the Better of Eddie considerate his the Rats, as Eddie considered his brother a better labor man than any of the present leaders. Eddie Clark is reported more disgusted than ever at the outcome of his efforts to prevail upon the Hebrew Trades to sympathetically picket with the Rats, and the personal credit he received from it.

During the meeting many personaltites were indulged in by the speakers, especially against VARIETY and members of its staff. The Rats talkers, particularly Harry Mountford, attempted to give the impression VARIETY publication. lished only misstatements concerning the Rats and its various strikes, but all of the speakers apparently overlooked their own paper, "The Player," as though it had never existed, nor did Mountford make his usual plea for members to read and believe in it.

Mountford when talking mentioned ARIETY'S statement the White Rats VARIETY'S statement the White Rats strike in St. Louis had been a failure, and to disprove it, read an affidavit filed by Frank Tate in a St. Louis court action against the Rats. Mountford added: "Which will you believe, VARIETT'S lie or Frank Tate's sworn affidavit?" Mountford very lightly touched upon the Edward Davis speech of last week at the Rats open meeting. It was conspicuous Mr. Davis did not speak Tuesday evening. Mountford alluded to VARIETY'S report, which said he left the platform while Davis was speaking. He did not permit the gathering to get a line on how he felt re-garding Davis' speech, and in the judg-ment of many members present Mountford wisely refrained from attacking it.

Mountford mentioned that in Wilkes-

Barre (Poli's) Monday 17 pickets had been arrested.

Another speaker was Sam Cramer (or Kramer), said to be an acrobat, who upheld the intelligence of acrobats and said they weren't getting a fair break. Mr. Cramer used some big words.

When Ernest Carr commenced to speak he went after Joe Erber of East St. Louis, called him names and said Erber had broken a pledge made to him (Carr), although Carr during his talk, perhaps absent-mindedly, referred to an offer Erber had made and which was on the call board that the Rats post \$5,000 to guarantee Erber's theatres proper vaudeville bills. (This is in line with Erber's statement of the affair.)

The meeting failed to turn out any thing new to evoke enthusiasm. Little was said excepting the personal attacks the Rats had all heard before, although one statement made was that a vaude-ville house in Oklahoma City had only-taken in \$5,000 gross since last July, as though the speaker was adressing a collection of idiots and expected them

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., April 4.
Poli's theatre in this city has never been picketed by White Rats or any one else, either before or since the Rats called a strike on the Poli Circuit.

RATS DEPUTY WANTS MONEY.

San Francisco, April 4.

At an open meeting of the White Rats, held here last Thursday night, the main burden of the remarks made by Barry Connors was money. Connors wants money and wants it badly, according to his statements. Although he did not say so in so many words, Connors gave the impression he had been left flat by the Rats in New York.

Connors is the deputy organizer of the Rats for the coast. The meeting appears to have been called for Connor's benefit, as it was divulged during the meeting he has not been reing the meeting he has not been receiving weekly checks from the East with any regularity of late. It is related in inside circles Connors was instructed to deduct moneys due or needed by him from amounts he might collect at this end from "levy" payments and dues. This would keep him going financially, he was told, and take care of personal bills. From the same information it seems Connors same information it seems Connors hasn't been able to collect enough to pay himself, and has fallen behind so far many outstanding accounts have been rolled up.

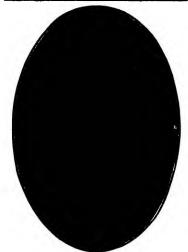
Other than the money affairs nothing developed at the meetings of any consequence. Those present were regaled with pipe stories, which come from the East more regularly than the checks of the progress of the Rats "strike" in New York city and Chicago.

JUDGMENT AGAINST RATS.

A suit instituted by VARIBITY against the White Rats Actors' Union for an unpaid advertising bill of \$490 was heard before Judge Murray in the West 54th Street Municipal Court last Thursday and judgment was given for the

full amount, with costs.

The organization made no defense on the bill proper, but Attorney Meyers conducted a cross-examination for several hours in an effort to procure a dismissal on technical points. Arthur Driscoll, of O'Brien, Malevinsky & Driscoll, represented VARIETY.



A NEW AND NIFTY TRIO.

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Three young fellows from Broadway trying to bust into show business. The likenesses are on a post card photo, probably taken at Atlantic City.

To the left is Jack Curtis, who at one time thought he was funny but reformed and is now an agent (Rose & Curtis). Mr. Curtis is in the pose he formerly assumed when about to exit. In those days he always smoked a lighted cigaret.

The central figure is Irving Berlin, a song writer who wants to add to his annual income by grabbing off another job. Berlin was once quite well known around Chatham Square but of late years has dropped out of sight. Another good song, like "Aching Tooth," might bring him back.

On the extreme right is Max Winslow, commonly known as a "song plugger." Winslow buys plenty of clothes but lorgets to wear them. He is on the blacklist of the barbers' union. Max was born in Boston but left there early by request, walking to New York, doing a blacklace turn on the way. He played Pastor's one day.

RATS BEGGING BENEFIT.

Boston, April 4.

The White Rats are on their last legs here, even the pickets failing to appear at many of the houses since the Central Labor Union's locals have ceased contributing funds to provide "scoff and a pad" for them. Deputy Organizer Geoffrey Whalen, however, is still seen in a rented Packard at various intervals, and a new scheme for raising a small amount of ready cash

raising a small amount or ready can has been put into operation.

The proposition is a White Rat—vaudeville show to be given in Wells Memorial Hall at 987 Washington street, Thursday night, with tickets selling at 35 cents. This is the hall selling at 35 cents. This is the hall used by organized labor and for public dancing parties, the seating arrangement consisting of settees.

The tickets are not numbered in any way, nor are they signed. They merely provide for admission. No person can check the receipts or sales. Organized labor has been approached to buy.

Pickets have apparently been given tickets in lieu of pay, and are engaged in holding up pedestrians outside of theatres for 35 cents each rather than trying to picket the houses. In the of tickets has become a sort of a chari-

table plea proposition.

At the last week-night meeting of the Boston Central Labor Union, James W. FitzPatrick made a half-hearted at-tempt to induce the members to put the screws on the picture operators, stage mechanics and musicians to force them to throw up perfectly good jobs and join the lost cause of the Rats. Fitz-Patrick was given such a frosty reception on this proposition he soon

dropped the plea.

The theatre owners are remaining passive on the matter of the Rats, appreciating that the matter is expiring through sheer lack of momentum and disappearance of sympathy. They feel any display of hostility on their part might create a little sympathy for the

C. F. U. DENIES RATS.

At the Labor Temple in New York last Friday night a White Rats committee, asking for the privilege of the floor during the weekly meeting of the Central Federated Union that evening Central Federated Union that evening, was turned down in no undoubted terms, according to a report of the affair. Besides being told they would not be recognized or given the floor, the White Rats are said to have been informed by the C. F. U. men they were not wanted there and not to apply again.

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The story says the Rats committee (there were three) knocked on the closed door of the C. F. U.'s meeting room for admission. The C. F. U.'s Committee on Outside Relations went cutside to meet the Rats. The Rats demanded admirance on the place the demanded admittance on the plea the Rats was the only union actors' union organization, that it was affiliated with the American Federation of Labor and entitled to speak before any A. F. of L.

organization.

The "demand" appears to have nettled the C, F. U. committee. Its spokesman told the Rats that before it. obtained the A. F. of L. charter the C. F. U. and all other affiliated union bodies were on terms of friendship with the Actors' International Union, No. 1; that that union had adjusted all No. 1; that that union had adjusted anits differences amicably and was well thought of in labor circles, but since the advent of the White Rats as a union, the Rats had been a source of annoyance and trouble with every union it had come into contact with, and the C. F. U. had grown tired of it. The committee is reported to have then made known its final decision, when the Rats committee retired, greatly discomfited.

The Actors' International Union, No. 1, referred to by the C. F. U., is the organization known as "The Harry De Veaux Union."

CABARETS

The Winter Garden's, Chicago, new revue has made the biggest kind of a local impression. It bears a Western brand by way of production. It is about the snappiest and entertainingest aftertheatre show in town. The revue is "The Winter Gardenettes," by Bowers and Alford, staged by Al Laughlin, with a corking good bunch of principals. Heading the revue are Coral Melnotte, Gladys Lanphere, Gilmore and Romanoff, Jack Kraft and Eddie Mortan. The music is under the direction of F. Wheeler Wadsworth and his gold saxophone. The "Gardenettes" include Misses Robb, Early Nelson Koles Allen Maria Stanley, Nelson, Kalas, Allen, Merideth, McIntyre and Norvall. The costuming is most attractive. Three shows a night are given, with a varia-tion in the numbers by the principals. Some novelty numbers by the principals.

Some novelty numbers have been devised that just fit into the Winter Garden space. This revue followed an eastern show in the Garden and there was some doubt as to its success, but returns went away beyond the most sanguine expectations. Miss Melnotte is not only sweet and attractive to look upon, but has comeliness and personality to help her become the biggest kind of a favorite imaginable. Miss Arms is another principal who dresses well and commedes in a manner the crowds around the tables like. She's young and full of pep. Perhaps no young woman in Chicago has come as rapidly to the front of late as has Miss Lanphere. She's of the beauti-ful blond type. She has an excel-lent voice, and dresses for each number in a distinctive and becoming style. Kraft and Mortan work very hard. Kraft's individual dancing is a feature. Gilmore and Romanoff, fancy stage dances, their "Adagio" number being dances, their "Adagio" number being especially well received, with the woman doing some splendid toe work. Miss Melnotte's pink pajama number is very popular. Another surefire number is "Good Old Songs of Other Days," led by Miss Lanphere, with the diners permitted to join in the choruses flashed on a screen on the stage. This is a copy of the Claudius and Scarlet act on the Amsterdam Roof, New York. The Egyptian Girl dance, led by Gilmore and Romanoff, is a novel-For the first time this year F. W. Wadsworth takes the stage and leads a number with his saxophone. Dancing by patrons during intermissions. The revue is doing big business for the Garden, with the patronage away up during Lent.

Healy's at Long Beach will have an ice rink for this summer. It will be a replica, perhaps larger, of the one at Heaiy's Goluen Glades. An ice performance is to be given there on a par with that at the uptown Healy's, which jumped into popularity with a speed that stamped ice as about the Uberall will again have charge of Healy's-at-the-Sea. It will open shortly before Decoration Day and will probably be the first Long Beach resort to start the season. Healy's at sort to start the season. Healy's at Hartsdale (Westchester) opens May 1, with elaborately decorated grounds and several innovations completed that the first year of the Healy country place suggested. The Healy establishment in New York, including the Golden Glades and the Balconnades, will continue through the summer, according to present plans, this calling for a double complement of professional ice skaters to furnish the enter-tainment on both ice rinks. At Healy's (66th street) now is a new revue, "A Night in America," with six or seven principals and eight chorus girls. It was put on by Joe Smith for the downstairs dining room, also the Balcon-

nades, giving three shows nightly, starting the last performance in the Balconnades at 12:30. It's a nifty little show, considering, and Mr. Smith has made it move along at a fast gait. The Swanson Sisters (Nettie and Lettie) are easily the features of it. They do a lot with their nice appearance and get-over ways. The Swanson girls are new over here. They were of the Rigoletto Troupe in England. Most of their time in the revue is coupled with Maxwell Dinus, the trio making a good looking three-act. Piatov and Lelland are dancing, doing a fast Texas Tommy to insure applause. Helen Gardwick, Henrietta Wilson and Vincent Moore, with a couple of Spanish dancers, are also in it. There is a pa-triotic finale that gets something. After the revue are a couple of single women singers. One of these is altogether too flashy with her skirts for a cabaret stage. She should keep on recollecting where she is now and also keep her skirts down.

The new popular dance music of the Broadway cabarets for the past month

Broadway cabarets for the past month as reported by Earl Fuller in Fuller's Orchestras, Rector's, is:

FOX TROTS.—"I Love My Billy Sunday" "You Don't Have to Come from Ireland" (W. B. & S.), "Hawaiian Butterfly," "Jazz Band" (Feist), "Dixie All the Time," "Black Eyed Susans" (Remick). "Indiana," "Asia Minor" (S. B. & Co.), "Sweet Hawaiian Babies" (K. P. & A.), For You a Rose" (Edwards), "A Pal Like You," "Till the Clouds Roll By" (Harms), "Cute Little Wiggling Dance," "Sun "Till the Clouds Roll By" (Harms), "Cute Little Wiggling Dance," "Sun Goes Down in Dixie" (Broadway), "Slavery," "He Will Understand," "Only Dreaming" (Schirmer), "Kilalo" (Ricordi), "Don't Leave Me, Daddy," "The Camel Walk" (Triangle), "Some Where in Delaware," "Love Is a Wonderful Thing" (Stern)

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ONE-STEPS.—"Let's All Be Americans Now" (W. B. & S.), "Oh, Johnny" (Forster), "Hong Kong" (Feist), "Pickens," "Bob" (Schirmer), "It Wasn't My Fault," "Honeymoon Inn" (Harms), "Back to Childhood" (Stansy), "Crossing the Bar" (Vandersloot),

NALTZES.—"A Wonderful Thing" (Remick). "Oriental Nights" (Harms), "You're Mine" (W. B. & S.), "Dodola" (Ricordi), "Moonlight Blues" (McKinley).



The Hawaiian classical dancer, now under engagement to Dillingham & Ziegfeld for the Century roof show, "DANCE AND GROW THIN."

V. M. P. A. MEETING

Tuesday was held the regular monthly meeting of the Vaudeville Managers' Protective Association.

As the V. M. P. A. is practically

operated by committees, nothing of general importance beyond routine

general importance beyond routine matters came up.

A letter received from Messrs. Shea and Weber of the I. A. T. S. E. and Musicians' Union, respectively, was referred to a committee of six. It is reported the letter from the two leaders asked for a conference with the V. M. P. A. The indications early in the week pointed to the association being favor of granting the Shea and favor of granting the Shea and Weber request, through the friendly feeling entertained by the managers for the unions Messrs. Shea and Weber represent.

"RATS," VERY COLD.

Chicago, April 4. Up to yesterday there wasn't any interest in the Rats here and the subject

has lost debative interest everywhere.

About the only local interest was attached today to the scheduled trial by jury of the arrested pickets who were arrested prior to the issuance of Judge Baldwin's injunction.

PICKETS DISCHARGED.

Chicago, April 4.
Today before Judge Trude 27 White
Rat pickets arrested during the recent White Rats strike, and before Judge Baldwin issued his sweeping injunction against picketing in this city, were dis-

Harry Munns of the Lowenthal law firm represented the defendants. City Attorney Hammond prosecuted. evidence came mostly from police of-ficers. The trial was reached at noon, though set for 10 a.m. had asked for a jury trial, but later waived it.

Since the Rats started the local labor troubles 140 pickets have been arrested. The 27 pickets discharged today thought themselves fortunate to escape a fine.

BIRTHS.

Mr. and Mrs. Rose (Rose and Moon), in New York, March 12, daughter.
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Reynolds, in Chicago, a daughter.
Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Lowe (Charlotte Parry) March 22, son. All three are progressing favorably.

MARRIAGES.

Marie Warren Gore (Marie Warren), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Gore, of Philadelphia, and Carlton P. Foss, Jr., non-professional, were mar-Foss, Jr., non-professional, which indered recently at the home of the bride-groom's parents, in Methuen, Mass., by This in the state of the bride-groom's parents, in Methuen and the bride-groom's parents of the bride-g a woman Universalist minister. The bride is character woman with the Cecil Spooner Stock Co., which has just closed a season at Lawrence,

Dixie Seifried (Dix and Dixie) was married in Portland, Ore., last week to Gerald B. Cheatem, non-professional. Miss Seifried will continue with her present partner.

LATE BROOKLYN CLOSINGS.

The Casino and Empire, Brooklyn, will close their seasons June 16, which is the latest date that either of these houses have remained open since burlesque was installed.

The houses, will remain open five weeks over the regular Columbia wheel season; the shows for the additional time, all of which will be wheel attractions, being booked by the houses themselves.

BARTON STOCK SOLD. The stock of the late Charles Barton, of the old burlesque firm of Ricc and Barton, who died Feb 22 at his home in Northport, L. I., in the Columbia Amusement Co. and the Casino, Boston, Gayety, Baltimore and the Gayety, Cincinnati, was sold last Saturday at public auction for \$20,000.

N. V. A. NEWS.

A golf tournament for the champion-ship of the N. V. A. is now being ar-ranged by the club's golf enthusiasts.

It looks like old timers' day at the club when Jim McIntyre and Geo. Primrose start swapping yarns about the old days.

The photos of the N. V. A. Club which were recently taken are now on view at the club rooms.

Ivan Bankoff is going to fill up a few spare moments by producing several big dancing acts.

A new mail department has been recently added to the offices, and mem-bers are requested to ask daily for

Emma Stevens recently entertained several friends at a club luncheon.

Harry Wright, who hails from Chicago, says: "The only thing the windy city lacks is an N. V. A. club room."

The N. V. A.'s protected material department is proving one of the club's biggest features.

Dave Nowlin drops in occasionally to give the boys a treat with some marvelous cue demonstrations.

Robert T. Haines is among the club's constant visitors.

When Clark and Verdi start a game of billiards they are always sure of a good sized audience.

Julia Nash says that each Thursday night dance is better than the preced-

When the new billiard parlor is opened it is suggested that one table be set aside for Johnny Ford and another for Willie Solar, the club's two most devoted billiardists.

A committee is now handling the launching of the N. V. A. cigarette, which is to make its appearance on the market shortly.

Porter J. White, one of the youngest of the club's old boys, is a regular at the Thursday dances.

IN AND OUT.

Viola Duval dropped out of the American bill the last half of last week owing to a death in her family. Alice Hamilton secured the spot.

When Ellis and Bordoni were obliged to leave the Palace, New York, program last Thursday, the Skating Venuses were substituted.

Brown and McCormack, dancers, left the Rialto show, Chicago, March 29, owing to illness. A juggling act substituted.

Carson and Earl were unable to open at Loew's Orpheum Monday as Miss Earl was ill. Forrest and Church replaced them.

Pisano and Bingham canceled the first half at the Delancey Street owing to Miss Bingham not having sufficient-ly recovered from her recent illness.

Burns and Lynn secured the spot.
Kennedy and DeFrance were placed at the Bijou, Brooklyn, the first half, replacing Greenly and Drayton, who were unable to appear.
"The Very Naked Boy" did not ap-

pear Monday at the Colonial, replaced by the Three Sullys.

Kitty Watson has recovered from her illness, and the Watson Sisters have returned to their route, remaining until the middle of July.

Long Island Managers' Meeting. A meeting of the theatre managers of Long Island, outside of Brooklyn, will be held next Tuesday at the office of Fally Markus for the formation of a protective association.



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A. H. Woods has a play entitled "30 ays." It will be tried out during the summer

Victor Morley and Co. in "A Regular Army Man" open on the Loew Cir-

The initial performance in New York f "His Little Widows" has been set for April 30 at the Longacre.

When it comes to the art of terpsichore Mercedes is talented in other ways than thought transmission.

Dr. A. P. Loesberg, a dentist to the theatrical profession, has resigned as a lay member of the White Rats.

Harry Bryant's home at Cold Spring Hill, Huntington, L. I., received its second visit from a band of burglars last Saturday.

Fred G. Weis has been made manager of Loew's Lyceum, Memphis,

Tenn., with Ben. Stainback as his as-

Ruth Oppenheimer has severed her connection with the Arthur J. Hor-witz office to marry a Brooklyn physi-

Henry Miller is to make a trial production of "Among Those Present," controlled by George C. Tyler, on the coast this season.

Mary Nash and Julia Dean are looking for plays. Each wants to go astarring, but the necessary vehicles are not in evidence.

A. H. Woods will try out four shows before July, with a view to determin-ing their value for metropolitan premieres in the fall.

Frank Gerard has been appointed resident manager of the 81st Street theatre. Gerard was formerly manager of the Orpheum, Brooklyn.

Maurice B. Haas, creator of ideas and prominently known along the Rialto, has signified his intention to list in the Navy. He may pass.

Schooler and Dickinson have been placed by Charles Fitzpatrick with the Singer Midgets road show, opening this week at the Majestic, Erie, Pa.

"Here Comes the Bride," which went into rehearsal again this week, may be the attraction to follow the short en-gagement of "Lilac Time" at the El-

Maurice Abrahams, of the Kalmar-Puck-Abrahams combination, returned to New York this week after an ex-tended stay in Chicago, representing his firm.

Recent arrivals at San Francisco from Australia on the "Sonoma" were Montambo and Wells and The Arleys. The Littlejohns stopped over at Hono-

Bob O'Donnell has resigned as treasurer of the Orpheum, Brooklyn, and has been succeeded by Henrietta Barge, moved there from the Bush-

Comstock & Gest are casting another "Oh Boy" company, scheduled to open in Boston in July, the present organization remaining in New York in-

"The Great Divide" opened at the Standard to \$870 Monday night, with Tuesday matinee and night complete sell-outs in advance. Looks like a \$10,000 week.

L. A. Earl of the Earl Stock Co., playing Sandusky, O., was granted an absolute divorce from his wife, professionally known as Kitty Kirk, by Judge Williams of Eric County.

The annual ball of the Theatrical Treasurers is to be held at Palm Garden Sunday evening, April 21. Vess Ossman's jazz band has been engaged to furnish the encouragement for the steppers.

Jane Evans, who played in support of Billie Burke, has just returned from London. She is an Englishwoman by birth, but recently renounced her loyalty to the king to become an American "citizeness."

"Mother Carey's Chickens" is the attraction which is scheduled to open the season at the Cort. New York, in the fall. The production is John Cort's own and the house is also under his

"The Melting of Molly" is in rehearsal again. In the new cast are Vivian Wessell, Earl Brown, Helen Tracey, Grace Carlisle, Wallace Ers-kine. Edgar MacGregor is staging the

The Wm. Jerome Music Co. will be represented in Chicago hereafter, Al Leyton having been delegated to establish a Middle Western office there. assuming the management himself. Heretofore the Jerome Co. has operated solely from New York.

Josephine Stevens, daughter of the late B. D. Stevens, is to be married to Edward Ellis, of Chicago, as soon as "The Butcher Boy," a picture in which they are both appearing, is completed. The engagement was announced Monday.

The vaudeville road show headed by Lubowska to make a tour of South America under the direction of Carl Carlton has been declared off. The company was to have sailed March 17. An advance man for the company was sent to South America several weeks

Bud Bernie, arrested in the Loew's Orpheum, New York, disturbance by White Rats March 20, was discharged when arraigned in night court. In VARIETT last week it was stated Bernie had been convicted with sentence suspended.

Jennie Jacobs has had an offer of a vaudeville tour before Clara Kimball Young for several weeks, but the proposition was finally declined, the star stating Lewis J. Selznick (films) would not permit her to accept the engage-

A triangular booking proposition involving three brothers in three different angles was manipulated when ent angles was manipulated when Rufus Lemaire arranged to place Dawson and Lemaire with "The World of Pleasure," replacing Conroy and Lemaire, who retired from that organization after a 72-week run.

The first edition of "Comment," The first edition of "Comment," a new publication edited by Faul Scott, the dramatic agent, made its appearance this week. The publication, to be issued monthly, is to exploit the people booked through the Scott office and to give a complete resume of plays produced in stock theatres.

Judge Manton has denied the application of Charles Gerard Eichel and Eugene A. Colligan for an injunction to restrain the further production of "Cheating Cheaters," on an alleged claim of plagiarism. He says the play resembles that of the plaintiffs' only in minor instances, which are unimportant.

Winchell Smith and John L. Golden have definitely decided not to organize any more companies of "Turn to the Right" than the two now playing in New York and Chicago. These have been booked solidly for the next two years, by which time they will cover practically every city of importance on the North American continent.

The various booking offices and newspapers are being flooded with postal cards at regular intervals, calling attention to a new candidate for vaudeville honors in the person of one Caroline Cantlen. It is claimed she is a woman with a "remarkable" triple voice. No name is attached to the antipourcements indicating who is soonnouncements indicating who is sponsor for the newcomer.

"drys" lost their first battle to make Illinois prohibition, when a measure to put the question up to the public by a referendum vote was defeated in the lower house of the State Assembly last week. The Bruce bill, which aims to do away with whisky but permits malt liquors and light wines, is

due to come up for a third reading within the next few days.

Mose Gumble returned to New York after a flying trip to several cities, where Mose found his concern, J. H. Remick & Co., was nicely represented. The perennially youthful Gumble boy liked the idea of slipping away through the good time he has in each town. Mose says he's going to make it a monthly stunt hereafter. Nobody ever gets Mose so well as when they get him alone. His good nature then is contagious.

The Hippodrome has booked its Sundays until the middle of May. Next Sunday the Junior Patriots will have their second benefit. The Newsboys' Summer Camp benefit the Sunday following and the anniversary of the Jewish Forwards is set for April 21. (This will be a special invitation performance). John McCormack is sletch formance.) John McCormack is slated for an appearance April 29 and the first Sunday in May will be given over to the Jewish Central Relief Society.

John Faulhaber, former manager of the White Rats clubrooms and at pres-ent acting in a similar capacity at the National Vaudeville Artists' headquar-National Vaudeville Artists neauquarters, was given judgment for two weeks salary against the White Rats last week before Judge Murray in the West 54th Street Municipal Court. Arthur Driscoll, of O'Brien, Malevinsky & Driscoll, represented the plainstant

A hearing was held in Commissioner Bell's offices Tuesday morning on the matter of reviving the old blue law regarding the printing on all theatre tickets of the box office prices and the carrying of a sign at box offices with the scale of prices for current performances. It was attended by a number of theatrical managers. The Commissioner suggested they take 48 hours in which to devise some definite ruling on the subject which might tend to avoid further complaints.

Alex Pantages denies the allegation of William K. Saxton, who claimed his Pantages contract calling for 12 weeks' engagement on the coast circuit with "The Redheads" was not properly fulfilled by the circuit. Mr. Pantages avers the act played its full 12 weeks and would have been exceptioned. and would have been continued on the circuit had it proved its worth, but claims that even Saxton himself admitted the act was a "lemon" for the figure (\$925 weekly) and graciously agreed to accept the cancellation when tendered.

A photographer put in his appearance at the Minneapolis Orpheum accompanied by a process server, armed with a writ of attachment, to seize the drops and other properties of Wright and Dietrich as the singers were about to go on. While in St. Paul the couple were induced to pose for some pictures at the instance of for some pictures at the instance of a local music salesman. The proofs submitted were excellent and an order for \$47 worth of photos was forthcom-ing. The work was delivered at the Minneapolis Orpheum and was nothing like the samples submitted. The woman who called to deliver the order admitted the naper was faulty and did not insist upon delivering the pictures. She said she would have the work done over. Next day a burly collector called and threatened the artists if they did not accept the work. Saturday Wright and Dietrich were compelled to pay for the pictures to gether with attachment costs in order Minneapolis Orpheum and was nothing gether with attachment costs in order to make their train to Winnipeg. Lee Bros., the St. Paul photographers, did not put their usual imprint on the pictures and the Orpheum press agent said the photos would not be acceptable for Orpheum lobby display. This is one of the results of artists on the road taking chances with commercial firms unknown in the profes-

WITH THE PRESS AGENTS

Lee Supert and John Craig have accepted a play by Mrs. Justine Lewis, entitled "Madge," which will be added to the repertoire of the John Craig-Mary Young organization.

Special features will be added to the Hippo-drome show Easter week in celebration of the 12th anniversary of the big playhouse. There will be a street parade on April 12.

The title of "The Master of Arms," Ather-ton Brownell's play, to be produced Easter Monday, has been changed to "En Garde," the former title having been used several

George Arliss will revive "Disraell" at the Knickerbocker Monday, with Margaret Dale as his chief support, and Jeanne Engels, Mrs. Arlies, Edgar Kent, Arthur Eldred and others in the cast.

William Collier, Jr., is to have the part of Willie, and John O'Hara also will be in the cast of the revival of "Get Rich Quick Wailingford," by Haie Hamilton and Edward Eills, this spring.

Mrs. Henry B. Harris has lent the Hudson theatre for the afternoon of April 13 to a new society, the War Relief of the Women of the American Stage, for a mass meeting. Admission cards may be obtained at any of the theatrical agencies.

Al Strassman, the general press representa-tive for Winchell Smith and John L. Golden, is lesting a press sheet fortnightly entitled "The Smith-Golden News." It contains two pages, and looks much like a small town weekly.

Jack Spurgeon, of the Philadelphia Ledger, and a former New York World man, attended the World's annual dinner, given last Saturday at Healy's. He was asked, during the course of his speechifying, which was the best paper in New York and he replied: "The Philadelphia Ledger."

"The Awakening of Spring," the Wedekind play produced Friday last at the 39th Street, will not be allowed another performance in a Shubert theatre. The Shuberts say that the only reason the single performance was given was because it was under the suspices of the same medical journal which stood sponsor for "Damaged Goods."

"The Grasshopper," the adaptation of E. V. Keyserling's play by Mra. Washburn Freund and Padraic Colum, which opens at the Garrick tomorrow night, has in its cast Elicen Huban, Jane Ross, Lillian Jago, Mrs. Dudley Diggs, Evelyn Roeder, Warren F. Hili, and Ashton and Philip Tonge.

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Sanford E. Stanton, of the William Harris,
Jr., office, has turned out a small time table
advertisement for local distribution in the
suburban towns regarding train time and "The
13th Chair." It contains information in detail as to the train, theatre and supper. One
of the cards reads: Leave Portchester, 6.52;
arrive New York, 7.52; taxl to 48th street
theatre, 8.02; curtain rises, 8.30. For the return trip the schedule reads; Play ends, 10.40;
supper, 11; leave New York, 12.27; arrive
Portchester, 1.26. The entire list is presented
in tabulated form.

About the best press work of the season is the Hippodrome's participation in the "Brighter Sixth Avenue" movement, that started Wednesday night with an illuminated display of the block between 48th and 49th streets. It is to end April 12, the day the Hip has its anniversary, when there will be a parade. The affair was commenced by Mark A. Luescher of the Hip, as an ordinary publicity propeller to lighten up Sixth avenue for comparison with Flifth avenue and Broadway. The city authorities sanctioned it and the merchants took it up in all seriousness, with the Hip benefitting. This week Mr. Luescher entertained for press work a proposal to send "The Big Show" out under canvas this summer as a circus. A circus man was said to have proposed it.

While the White Rats Loew Circuit strike has been on, N. C. Graniund, the Loew press man, has been making the rounds of about 12 Loew theatres daily, speaking to the audiences from the stage, explaining the strike and the present White Rats organization to the public. Graniund has also spoken in one Keith house, the Royal, Bronx, opposite Loew's National. At the Royal Graniund is sinroduced by Charles Egan, the house manager, who states that through the strike condition existing against the Loew houses a Loew representative has been invited to present their side of the controversy. Last Saurday Mr. Graniund received a present of a 6-cylinder Overland roadster from Nick Schenck, the Loew Circuit's operating executive, who probably took compassion on Graniund's feat in doing 12 daily. Now Graniund will be able to tell driving stories sbout his own car instead of biaming them upon others.

PRESS OPINIONS.

The Awakening of Spring.
An English translation of the tragedy from

the German of Frank Wedekind. Presented at the Thirty-ninth street theatre, March 80, 1917.

The play in its entirety is unpresentable in the theatre, and certainly there is no shadow of szcuse for the present tasteless production of a badly translated version—Times. Adolescent sexual perversions of unmention-able nature are discussed and depicted in this drama with coarse freedom.—Herald.

ENGAGEMENTS.

Larry Williams (James (Fat) Thompson's act).
Edith Lyle and Harris Mitchell (Herman

Edith Lyle and Harris Mitchell (Herman Lieb's stock.)
George C. Tyler has engaged Florence Coakiey, now with "Daddy Long Legs," and (Miss) Kemble Cooper, together with several others, for an immediate production, the nature of which is being kept secret.
Claude Ailen ("Passing Show of 1917") (Roehm & Richards).
Charice Wilson (leads Mozart Players, Elmira).

mira).
Jane Evans "Very Good Eddie" No. 2, re-placing Margaret Armstrong).
Edward Everett Horton (stock lead, Poll's,

Scranton).

Mabei Wilbur, Alonzo Price, Robert Knight (musical stock, Parson's, Hartford).

JUDGMENTS.

Benjamin Teal—T. A. Martyn, \$839.74.
Progress Theatrical Co.—City of New York, \$39.68.

Star Exhibition Co., Inc.—A. Selden, \$358.22. Jos. M. Gaites Management.—A. Waid, et § \$134.87. ai, \$134.87. Mittenthal Film Co., Inc.—Erbograph Co., \$698.57.

\$686.57.

Jeannette Dupre.—J. L. Bauland, \$47.66.

Interoceanic Amusement Co.—City of New York, \$61.13.

SATISFIED JUDGMENTS.

M. Witmark & Sons.—W. F. Peters et al, \$541.20 (Nov. 13, 1914). Physico Studios, Inc.—Madison Glue Mfg. Co., \$60.41 (Nov. 6, 1916). Charles K. Harris.—E. Laska, \$4,247.83 (Feb. 25, 1916).

FAIR AND BURLESQUE.

The activities of the people of burlesque in the interests of the forth-coming Actors' Fund Fair have al-ready shown remarkable results. Several thousands of dollars have been raised and every effort is being put forth to increase this amount as much as possible before the fair opens.

Voting in the popularity contest is

now in progress and will be continued until the fair comes to an end. This part of the work, it is calculated, will receive its greatest momentum upon the opening of the Burlesque Booth, where the men and women of the Columbia and American Circuits will be in hourly attendance. A number of donations have already been received, many of which are costly and beau-tiful. At many of the theatres on the circuit the women of the various companies have for the past two weeks been going through the audiences collecting money following announce-ments from the stage informing the people in front of the objects of the collections. In this way sums ranging from \$350 to \$1,200 have been secured by several of the shows. Among those who have made the greatest showing up to the present time are Eileen Sheridan, Florence Mills, Flor-ence Bennett, Gertrude Hayes and ence Bennett, Gertrude Hayes and Martha Pryor. General Manager Sam A. Scribner,

who has taken vigorous charge of the undertaking, and Mrs. T. W. Dinkins, who is devoting all of her time to the work in her office in the Columbia Amusement Co. building, are leaving, nothing undone in their efforts to make the burlesque end of the business loom large when the final results of the Fair announced.

No definite decision has been reached as to the make of the seven-seat paswinner of the popularity contest, to which both the men and women on the burlesque stage are eligible. Sethe burlesque stage are eligible. Se-lections are also being carefully made of the prizes that will go to the indi-viduals who turn in the largest sums as the result of personal collections.

BILL POSTING RATES UP

Chicago, April 4.
The American Bill Posting Co., which is alone in its field here, served notice on all theatrical managers of a raise of rate, the price being lifted to

five cents per sheet.

With the increase goes the arbitrary rule that attractions and houses "must take what we give them" in the matter of locations. The former rate was four

cents per sheet.

The posting people contend they are given but a week's notice of discontinuance by theatrical interests, and therefore incur a loss at times because it takes one month to sell and fill a given space. They also claim that they can make more money with commer-cial paper, as that class of advertising is an all-year proposition.

It seems that the posting company

It seems that the posting company proposed some time ago that the theatres contract for board space by the year. If that is done, a rate will be fixed and locations guaranteed.

The only house in a position to contest the raise in rates is the Grand, as Harry Ridings controls 300 locations and employs his own bill posters.

CENSORS WON'T PASS IT.

The announcement the Shuberts were to stage a play based on the life of Schubert, the composer, has come in for discussion generally. The mistake for discussion generally. The mistake the Shuberts were about to stage something that might be termed a relationship led to many humorous remarks being coined anent the production.

At a vaudeville house the other ternoon the leading woman of a afternoon the leading woman of a sketch, and a single on the bill, both of whom have at one time been under the whom have at one time been under the Schubert management, were discussing the announcement. The leading lady saying "I see the Shuberts are going to do a play on Shubert's life," and the single rejoined by remarking "I don't care whether it's Lee's or Jake's, I'll bet the National Board of Censors won't pass it."

BOSTON BARS LEVAN.

Boston, April 4.
Harry Levan, principal comedian with "The Big Review of 1917," was this afternoon forbidden to play on any Boston stage for a period of one year by Mayor Curley.

The show played here week March

The show played here week March 12, and the opening matinee was covered by John Casey, official municipal censor, who characterized the show as smutty. He cut out nearly a score of phrases and situations after the mat-

inee and also complained to the Mayor. The Committee on Public Amusements, which is an offshoot of the Drama League locally, also filed formal complaint with the Mayor. After a hearing Manager George Lothrop was this afternoon formally notified of the ban, and instructed to see that Levan was notified he is not to play in Boston for the next twelve months.

It is the most drastic action ever taken in this city as punishment for

The Howard is practically a "stag house" and has always had the lid off a trifle more than the other burlesque houses on the wheel.
"The Big Review" is Harry Dixon's.

BASEBALL TEAM FORMED. A baseball team has been formed in the Watson and Wrothe Co. (Columbia Circuit) and issues challenge to any theatrical company playing the same town with them, the burlesque people

town with them, the burlesque people stipulating the proceeds shall go to some worthy cause.

The lineup is: Herman Gibson, c. f.; Fred Gardner, l. f.; Fred DeSilver, 1st b.; Billy Watson, 3d b.; Sid Rankin, r. f.; Gus Rober, c.; Owen Martin, p.; Ed. Lee Wroth, 2d b. Curley Johnson,

s.s.
The Loew baseball team, which is to be managed by Arthur J. Horwitz,

had its first practice Sunday.

The White Studio has placed a baseball team in the field.

STOCKS OPENING.

Summer musical stocks are to be played in Elmira, N. Y., and Williamsport, Pa. Companies are being re-cruited by Roehm and Richards. Stock (direction Harry Somerville)

Stock (direction Harry Somerville) will open at the Chicago Heights theatre April 9.

Frank North opens a tent show at Overland, Kan., May 1.

Glenn Beveridge will open a summer show under canvas about April 25.

Chester Bishop has severed connections with the Columbia stock, Grand Rapids Mich. and his interests have Rapids, Mich., and his interests have been taken over by Clyde Gordinier.

Jack Lewis is organizing a stock for Jamestown, N. Y., opening next Mon-

day.

Jay Packard will install a dramatic
Newark, Monstock in the Orpheum, Newark, Mon-day. The house has been dark since day. The house has been using such the International shows were discontinued.

tinued.

The Mabelle Estelle stock, to have opened at the Majestic, Jersey City, Monday, has been called off. The house, playing picture for several weeks, will continue with that policy.

The Grand, Brooklyn, will inaugurate a special spring stock season Easter Monday with Broadway stars heading its productions for four heading its productions for four weeks. The first star reported is Robert Edeson, who it is understood will appear in "The Great Divide."

will appear in "The Great Divide."

Fred Belasco has completed the arrangements for his Alcazar stock, San Francisco. The company is to open late this month. Lee Kolker will head the organization, to include Bessie Barriscale, Mabel Montgomery, Walter Baldwin, Jr., and Ethelbert Hale

The summer season of stock at the Star, Buffalo, is to open May 15. Eileen Wilson has been engaged to head the company.

The members to form the stock company at the Alcazar, San Francisco, for the summer leave for the coast next Wednesday. The party will include Reginald Denny, Bessie Barriscale, Walter Baldwin, Jr., Ethel Bert Holt and Beth Franklyn.

Worcester, Mass., April 4.
The dramatic stock season at Poli's is to open next week. The company will have Grayce Scott as leading woman, Ivan Miller leading man, and also Louise Sanford, Jane Stuart, Pete Raymond and Ward Williams.

Portland, Me., April 4.
The Sidney Toler stock opens at the Jefferson Monday for four weeks. "In Walked Jimmy" will be the starter.
Alma Tell and Jack Roseleigh will open their summer stock at Keith's Monday with "The House of Glass."
The Miller Musical Comedy Co., this week at the Greeley, opens Monday at the Academy of Music, Lowell, Mass.

Portland, Me., April 4.

STOCKS CLOSING.

Thurston Dallas closed his stock at Shawnee, Okla., March 26, and intends taking out a summer show May 1.

Kelly Brothers closed their stock in Lansing, Mich.

SHOWS CLOSING.

"The Cinderella Man" closed in Chicago last week.

The Beautiful Unknown" celebrated its second closing this season in Philadelphia last Saturday. The show was slated for the Casino, New York late this month. The production is in New York and the company has again been called for rehearsal, with a view to trying for the third time.

BEDINI'S "40 THIEVES."

Next season, on the American Wheel, Jean Bedini will have a new production named "The 40 Thieves."

It will be Bedini's second show. His present one is "Puss Puss" on the Columbia Circuit. Mr. Bedini has left the organization for a few weeks to

RICE DECLARES PROHIBITION IS GOOD FOR POCKETBOOKS

Carnival Manager Talks to Chicago Dry Association. Had Two Cocktails Before Coming to Meeting. More Money and Work When Show Plays Towns With No Booze.

Chicago, April 4. W. H. (Billy) Rice, the can nival manager, who is preparing a number of diving acts (several for vaudeville), caused quite a stir when he spoke at a meeting of the Chicago Dry Association, held in the Auditorium Hotel Friday night last and incidentally gase his day night last, and incidentally gave his friends a good laugh. Rice told the meeting that it was the first time he had ever attended or spoke at such an affair and curiously enough he was applauded when he advised his hearers that he had just had two cocktails before coming to the meeting.

Although not a temperance man, he and his associates advocated prohibition, because it was good for the pocketbook, which he proved by the increase in business done in certain disincrease in business done in certain districts which had gone dry. Rice quoted his gross takings in Scattle at \$3,120 before prohibition came and \$5,714 after it had arrived. His figure for Portland (Ore.) showed even a greater percentage of increase. There the gross takings were \$3,264, as against \$8,206, the latter being taken after the town had gone dry. Rice also said that he could get twice as much work out of his people when the shows played dry towns. played dry towns.

SHOWS IN PHILLY.

Philadelphia, April 4.
The Broad, Adelphi and Walnut were "dark" this week (Holy Week). "Treasure Island" will play a special matinee ure Island" will play a special matinee and night at the Broad Saturday and then close. It met with very light response here. The same can be said of "The Beautiful Unknown," withdrawn from the Adelphi after two weeks instead of remaining three, as originally scheduled. The piece is a failure and it is reported it is to be rewritten and recast.

written and recast.

"Have a Heart" is doing very well at the Forrest and goes to Atlantic City for Easter week. The Mask and Wig Club of the University of Pennsylvania plays the Forrest Easter week, after which "Miss Springtime" comes in for a run. Elsie Ferguson opens at the a run. Elsie Ferguson opens at the Broad Easter week, while "Fair and Warmer" remains at the Garrick. "Katinka" is playing to light busi-ness in its final week at the Lyric. "So

Long Letty" comes in for Easter, and "Getting Married" will be the Adelphi

attraction.
"Peg o' My Heart" comes to the Walnut for three weeks, after which "Her Unborn Child" is to return.
The John Cort musical show failed to rouse any enthusiasm among West Philadelphians and has been withdrawn the Knickerbocker, which is to from the Knickerbocker, which is to have another try with stock with "A Pair of Sixes" as the opening attraction Easter Monday.

SHOWS IN CHICAGO.

Chicago, April 4. Chicago, April 4.
Raymond Hitchcock, who has been cutting up all kinds of didos in the Middle West with his Billy Sunday curtain speeches, opened with "Betty" at the Illinois Sunday night, amid weather that could be blamed on the fact that April Fool's Day and Palm Sunday ware created with each other Sunday were crossed with each other. At show time it was hailing, snowing and raining, but the usual capacity and raining, but the usual house was there for the opening.

Another show braved Holy Week and opened Sunday. It was "His Ma-jesty, Bunker Bean," with Taylor

Holmes, the attraction having a two weeks' booking at the Princess, to be succeeded by "Pierrot, the Prodigal." This is a return engagement for "Bunker Bean," the show having had five months of popularity here last

As to be expected for Holy Week. the box office takings all around are at the season's lowest ebb. Of the four the season's lowest edd. Or the rour shows, which left the local field last week, but two are to continue on tour, "Chin Chin" and "The Lodger." The latter decided to lay off rather than latter decided to lay off rather than risk Holy Week, but opens in St. Louis Sunday. The other two, "The Cinderella Man" and Nora Bayes are headed for the storehouse.

But two changes will be made for the coming week. "The Passing Show of 1016" passes on to make room for

coming week. "The Passing Show of 1916" passes on to make room for Anna Held in "Follow Me" at the Gar-The last two weeks of the former uction are losing ones. "Potash production are losing ones. "Potash and Perlmutter" closes for the season at the Olympic, succeeded by Chauncey Olcott in "The Heart of Paddy Whack," which stays two weeks. "Very Good Eddie" continues to

"Very Good Eddie" continues to draw at the unenviable Chicago theatre, but the takings last week were not as high as the opening week "Search high as the opening week. "Sere-monde" in its second week at the Blackstone won several commendable notices, but success is just as indefinite as in New York.

SHOWS IN FRISCO.

San Francisco, April 4.

"Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea" (film), opening at the Cort is week, is assured a bright future. the Sea" Continuous capacity prevails at the Alcazar, with Kolb and Dill in "The High Cost of Loving" the attraction. The Columbia is doing but medium business, with Wm. H. Crane in "The Happy Stranger."

SHOWS IN NEW ORLEANS.

New Orleans, April 4.

"Intolerance" (film), the only attraction in town during Holy Week, is doing lightly at the Tulane.

RING IN "CLINGING VINE." Blanche Ring is to play the leading role in a new musical comedy, "The Clinging Vine," to be produced on the Coast this spring.



FIELD SISTERS Big Success in Vaudeville.

OBITUARY

Melville Ellis died April 4 in the New York Hospital of typhoid fever. He was taken to the hospital March 29, york, program that day through illness. His last theatrical engagements were with Irene Bordoni, who is appearing this week at Keith's, Providence, with Anatol Friedland replacing her former partner. Melville Ellis was about 41 years of age. He had been a unique figure in theatricals for several years, was an accomplished pianist, and had a highly developed sense of the artistic which he employed often to design entire productions, including costumes, having done this mostly for the Shuberts. Mr. Ellis appeared in vaudeville off and on, mostly as a single turn when not engaged in production work. The deceased was born in San Francisco.

James W. Morrissey, formerly manager for Mme. Adelina Patti, Sir Charles Wyndham, Mary Anderson, Anton Rubinstein and others, died in the lobby of the Normandie Hotel, March 29, from heart disease. He was of years old, and had no home. He supported himself by the sale of "Noted Men and Women," a compilation of his own, describing leading tion of his own, describing leading people of the stage with whom he had had business dealings. He was the first general manager of the Madison Square theatre, and formed the English Grand Opera Company, later known as the James W. Morrissey Grand Opera Company. Among his other activities he was treasurer of the Grand Opera House under the regime of Jay Gould and James Fisk. He is survived by his wife and two daughsurvived by his wife and two daugh-

In Loving Memory of My Dad B. C. HART who left us April 11, 1916 LILY DEAN HART. BERRICK and HART.

Charles Kahn Morton, a comedian, died March 28. at the home of his daughter, in Brooklyn. He was 62 years old and lately had managed actors' agencies. He is survived by his wife (Lillian Cameron) and two daughters.

Charles B. Ward, a song writer and publisher, died in Roosevelt Hospital March 21. He was born in London in 1865, and made his first appearance on the stage in 1871, as a singer in the juvenile "Pinafore" company, in Chi-

Mark Price, a veteran Shakespearian actor, died March 31, in the Presbyterian Hospital, New York. He was born in Ireland and came to this country in 1865.

Daniel Shea, carpenter with "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch" for the past ten seasons, died March 27 at a private sanitarium in New York of a complication of diseases. He was about 60 years old and a bachelor.

Mrs. Charles Oro, wife of Charlie Oro (Oro and Whelan) died suddenly in San Francisco while her husband was playing the Kellie-Burns Cir-

Channing Ellery, manager and owner of the Ellery Band, formerly the Banda Rossa, died in the Brooklyn Hospital Marci. 30. He was 60 years

Mary E. Frost, unmarried, sister of Richard C. Rollinson (Johnson and Rollinson), died March 28 at the Frost home in Cairo, Ill., of heart trouble.

Ray La Forge (Knapp and La Forge) died at Bellevue Hospital, New York, April 1, from pneumonia. His home was in Indianapolis.

The father of Fred Moore (Moore, Gardner and Rose) died from pneumonia at his home, Cody, Wyo., at the age of 69.

F. Siegfried, for some time a stage hand at the Elliott, died March 30 of tuberculosis. A wife and three children

The father of May DeLaire died March 25 at Columbus, O., of heart failure. He was formerly a bandmaster of note in New England.

"OUT THERE" TIMELY.

George Tyler expects to go to London shortly—if a way can be found to get there with reasonable safety—to produce in the English metropolis the J. Hartley Manners play, "Out There," now running at the Globe, New York. He has disposed of the Australian rights to Tait Bros., and is also organizing a company to tour Canada.

The current week (Holy Week) "Out There" bids fair to be bigger in receipts than the second week of its predecessor, "The Harp of Life." Monday night, as the war news was com-

day night, as the war news was com-ing in over the ticker and the newsing in over the ticker and the news-boys shouting their extras along Broad-way, the audience at the Globe ran patriotically mad through the lines and business of the play. It's a war piece with recruiting made prominent in it, and this phase of the story had the au-dience almost standing up.

Monday night also was made a sort of a celebration in a way, several bands of young men who had visited several bars going along the main thoroughfare announcing they were out for Ger-

MANTELL AT 44TH ST. Robert B. Mantell in a Shakespearean repertoire is to play two weeks at the 44th Street theatre, commencing

"The Highwayman" was originally slated for the 44th St., but the difficulty attending the securing of a prima donna to play the leading role in the revival has necessitated the postponement for several weeks. Blanche Ring was approached for the role, but refused.

'PHONE PLAY.

The new Broadhurst-Shomer play title has not yet been decided upon, the choice resting between "On the Tele-phone" or "Coffee for Two."

About three-fourths of each part will be played by the actors off-stage, their voices being heard through the phone by the audience.

Youngstown's G.O.H. Sold by Albaugh Youngstown, O., April 4. The Grand opera house, the oldest theatre, and for many years the most popular house in the city, has passed from the management of T. K. Albaugh and is now being operated by E. E. Miles and associates. An effort will be made to restore it to popularity

Jas. A. Shesgreen with Wm. Harris, Jr.
James A. Shesgreen will become a
member of the William Harris, Jr.
staff next week, and will take charge of
the business affairs of "The 13th Chair" at the Playhouse and look after the general publicity department for the manager. Sanford E. Stanton is to retire for the present and later will return to the picture publicity field.

BILLS NEXT WEEK (APRIL 9)

In Vaudeville Theatres

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(All houses open for the week with Monday matinee, when not otherwise indicated.)

Theatres listed as "Orpheum" without any further distinguishing description are on the Orpheum Circuit. Theatres with "S-C" and "A-B-C" following same (usually "Empress") are on the Sullivan-Considine-Affiliated Booking Company Circuit.

Agencies booking the houses are noted by single name or initials, such as "Orph," Orpheum Circuit—"U B O," United Booking Offices—"W V M A," Western Vaudeville Managers' Association (Chicago)—"P," Pantages Circuit—"Loew," Marcua Loew Circuit—"Inter," Interstate Circuit (booking through W. V. M. A.)—"Sun," Sun Circuit—"N N," Nixon-Nirdlinger.

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New York
PALACE (orph)
Gertrude Hoffmann Co
White & Cavanagh
Elisabeth Murray
Perry ('Neill Co
Willie Weston
Chinese Duo
(Two to fill)

COLONIAL (ubo)
"America First"
Clark & Hamilton
Dyer & Faye
Paul Dickey Co
4 Entertainers
"The Change In the Colonial Inches In the Colon

Paul Dickey Co
4 Entertainers
The Shanecks
Margaret Young
Two Caritons
"Patria" (Sim)
ALHAMBRA (ubo)
Rock & White
H B Toomer Co
Scotch L & Lassies
Gerard & Clark
Lancton & Gaylord
J W Kenne Co
The Brightons
"Patria" (Sim)
ROYAL (ubo)
Daisy Jean
Arthur Suillvan Co
"Firitation"
Frankie Heath Co
Jimmie Hussey Co
Stuart Barnes
Burlington 4
Chiya & Chiya
"Patria" (Sim)
(One to fil)
RIVERSIDE (ubo)
Nan Halperin
4 Husbands
Alea & Howard

A Husbands
Allen & Howard
Watson Sisters
Al Herman
Ragel & Bender
Apdale's Animals
"Patria" (film)
(One to fill)
HO H (ubo)
2d haif (5-8)
Gallande
3 Tivoli Girla
Valentine & Bell
Leach Sisters
Hugh Herbert Cotiertrude Barnes
"Memorles"
Clark & Verdi
"Surprise Party"
1st haif (9-11)
Thornton & Thornton
Jane Ware Co
B McKensie Co
Lucille Cockatoos
Roy & Arthur
(Two to fill)
2d haif (12-15)
Torcat's Roosters
Fletcher Driscoil Co
Leavitt & Lockwood
Billy K Wells
Winston Roselle & D
Miller & Lyle
(One to fill)
5TH AVE (ubo)
2d haif (5-8)
5 Kimdela
Maurice Woods
Leavitt & Lockwood
Corse Payton Co
Alvin & Williams
Bert Howard
Cartmell & Harris
Toney & Norman
Diana's Modela
125TH ST (ubo)
2d haif (5-8)
The Yaltos
Will Archie Co
Roy & Arthur
The Solimudes
Billie Reeves Co
Valerie Sisters
Kane Bros
(9,11)

(9-11)
1st half
Scranton B & S
Leavitt & Lockwood Nainoa Nolan & Nolan Billy K Wells
Master Gabriel Co
Austin & Balley
5 Emigrants
(12-15)
2d half
Ctimore & Castle

Eldridge B & E Thornton & Thornton "Check Baggage" K Emn.y'a Pets

"Check Paggage" K Emn.," 2 Pets
Southern Serenaders
(Two to fill)
58TH ST (ubo)
2d half (5-8)
Dunedin Duo
Betts Chidlow & H
Dorec's Belles
"What Hap Ruth"
Glimore & Castle

23D ST (ubo)
(5-8)
2d half
Frank Wilbur Co
Austin & Bailey
Yoomes Garrick Co
Thornton & Thornton
Delmore & Fox
Brenda Fowler Co
B McKensie Co
Hawthorn's Minatrela
Jim McWilliams
Anleta
(9-11)
1st half

(9-11)
1st half
Glimore & Castle
Eddridge B & B
Ida Brook Hunt Co
Fietcher Driscoll Co
"Check Baggage"
(One to fill)
2d half
Payton & Hickey
Roger & Rocksway
Alvin & Williams
Kelly & Galvin

Brooklym ORPHEUM (ubo) (Request week Lobse & Sterling Libonati

Libonati
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Nina Payne Co
Dooley & Sayles
Santly & Norton
Mrs T whiffen Co
W H Wakefield
Carus & Comer
Ellinore & Williams
Nat Wills.
"Patris" (film)
BUSHWICK (ubo)
Mark's Lions
V Bergere Co
Santly & Norton
Will Morrisey
3 Sullys Sullys 'Vacuum Cleaners''

Enna Stephena Kitanina Jape "Patria" (film) HALSEY (ubo)
2d half (5-8)
Ted & D Donner
Catherine C Ward
Nordstrom & Potter
Hess & Hyde
Miss Matched Miss

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GREENPOINT (ubo)
(5-8)
2d haif
Scranton B & S
Marika & Carmen
Farrell Taylor 3
Earl & Curtis
Keliy & Galvin
John Lavier
(0.1)

John LaVier

(9-11)
1at haif
P Brennen & William
Geo Howell Co
Miller & Lyle
Austin Webb Co
K Emmy'a Peta
(One to fill)
2d haif
Nolan & Nolan

2d half Nolan & Nolan Davis & Walker "Memorles" E & E Adair J Lucas Co (Twe to fill)

J Lucas Co
(Twe to fill)
PROSPECT (ubo)
(5-8)
2d half
White 3
Groulee & Drayton
Richard Carle Co
Skipper & Kastrup
Austin Webb Co
Frankle Heath
Hill & Ackerman
(Easter Carnival)
(9-11)
1st half
T & S Moore
Cartmell & Harris
Ash & Shaw
Orth & Dooley
DeDios Circus
(Four to fill)
2d half
V & C Avery
1st Eller's Cockstons
Master Gabriel Co
J & B Morgan
(Four to fill)

Albert N. Y.

Albany, N. Y.
PROCTOR'S (ubo)
Ist half (Troy split)
S & K Morton
Bill Bonea Co
"Consul"
Ralph Connor
Hager & Goodwin
Skating Venuses

Allentown, Pa.
ORPHEUM (ubo)
2d half (12-14)
Dufty & Dalsy
Fred Rogers
Creighton Belmont Co
Josle Flynn's Mins

Altes, Ill.
Altes, Ill.
HIPP (wva)
Banvard Sisters
McLelian & Carson
2d half
Julian Hall

Julian Hail
(One to fill)
Altoona. Pa.
ORPHEUM (ubo)
Reynolds & White
Chase & La Tour
Moon & Morris
LaFrance & Kennedy
Miera' Divera
2d haif
Marle Sparrow
Cecile Weston Co
Miers' Divers
(Two to fill)
Atlanta
FORSTHE (ubo)
Leon Sis Co
Al Shayne
Will Oakland Co
Force & Willams
"At the Party"
Stan Stanley 3
Dunbar's Bell Ringers
Aubaura. N. Y.

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Auburns, N. Y.
JEFFERSON (ubo)
Adelaide & Hazel
Wm. Lytell Co.
"In Mexico"
(One to fil)
2d haif
Leona Heggi
Wm. Cabill 'o.
Sampson & Douglas
Bobby Heath '>o.
Austin. Tex.

Demarest & Collette
H. Tate's "Flabling".
Kenny & Hollis
C Groha & D King Co

C Groba & D King Co
Battle Creek. Mich.
BIJOU (ubo)
(Sunday ouly 8)
Danelng Kennedys
Bill Robinson
'School Playgrounds''
(Two to fill)
2d half
Harold Yates
Middleton & Spellm'r
"Lingerle Shop"
Jack Baxley
Royal Tokio Tr.
Bay City. Mich.

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Bay City, Mich.
BIJOU (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
Harold Yates
Middleton & Spelim'r
"Lingerie Shop"
Jack Baxley
Royal Tokio Tr
2d half
Pictures
Wilson (was)
(14-15)
Rennington & Scott
7 Colonial Helles
(Three to fill)
Blaghamton, N. Y.

Binchamton, N. Y. STONE (ubo)

STONE (ubo)
Olga
Morlarty Sisters
Merry Men
2d half
Carbrev Bros
Mr & Mrs Allison
White'a Circus

White's Circus
Birmingham, Aln,
LYRIC (ubo)
(Nashville split)
1st haif
Lovenberg Sls Co
Chas F Semon
Rooney & Bent
Al Fields Co
Fink's Mules Fink's Mules

Bloomington, Ill. MAJESTIC (wva) MAJESTIC (WVa)
Permsine
Howard & Fields
Williams & Wolfus
Lucy Gillette
(One to fill)
2d half "Suffragette Revue"

Reith'S (ubo)
McIntyre & Heath
Brice & King

Lady Agnes Co Ward & Van Leigh & Jones Conrad & Conrad Lillian's Dogs 3 Hickey Bros (One to fill)

Baffale
SHEA'S (ube)
'Petticoata'
Eddie Leonard Co
Fenton & Green
Lightners & Alex
Mabel Russell Co
Boganny Troupe
Rath Bross
LYMPIC (sun)

OLYMPIC (sun)
TO Mermalda
Geo Lovett Co
Cross & Doria
Three Spirellas
J Russell Barry Co
LYRIC (aun)
Mile Paula
Jarvis & Harrison
Paden & Read
Skipper Kennedy & R
"Mammy Jenny's
B'day"
Butte Mant

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Butte, Mont.
PANTAGES (p)
(18-18)

Azard Bros
Wilton Sis
Earbier Thatcher Co
Roach & McCurdy
"Girl from A'dam"
Harry Sydell

Chicage
MAJESTIC (orph)
Hyams & Mointyre
Chas T Aldrich
B Seeley Co
"Age of Reason"
Mme Chilison Ohyman
Mullen & Coogas
Burdella Patterson
"Patria" (film)
(One to fill)

Chicago

(One to fill)
PALACE (orph)
Eddle Foy Co
Eliis & Bordon!
Bert Baker Co
McKey & Ardine
DeWitt Burns & T
Brennan & Powell
Young & April
ACADEMY (wva)
Dave VanField Co
Dawson & Dawson
Marcena Nevaro & M
(Two to fill)
2d half
T*mpson Benedict & L

2d half
T'mpson Benedict & L
(Four to fil)
AMERICAN (wva)
Dressler & Wilson
Curley & Welch
Rucker & Winifred

Curley & Welch
Rucker & Winifred
2 Pikers & Winifred
2 Pikers (One to fill)
2d half
Misses Nelson
Black & White Rev
Jno T Ray Co
The Seebacks
(One to fill)
Arkie (wwa)
Archie Nicholson 3
James Grady Co
Mason & Murray
(Two to fill)
2d half
"Finders Keepers"
Curley & Welch
Frank Stafford Co
(Two to fill)
D'Amore & Douglas
McConnell & Simpsor
Carson & Willard
Colonial Belles
(One to fill)
2d half
Gallerini Sisters

THE CORNELL Professional Rates

Housekeeping Apartmen Single and Double Ross

Calgary
ORPHEUM
Belle Story
Rosalin Loghlan Co
Johnson & Harty
Bert Kenny
Barry Girls
Monroe Bros
.ne Recital
PANTAGES (p)
Bevan Flint Co
Queenle Dunedin
Foley & O'Neil
Harian Knights Co
Al Golem Tr
Canaden, N. J.

At Golem Tr
Camden, N. J.
TOWERS (ubo)
2d haif (5-8)
DeVoe & Starsa
Two Adnards
Howard & White
Strand 3
Morrell & S'aide Girls

Canton, O.
LYCEUM (ubo)
Seymour Family
Greater City 4
Ed Cieve & O'Connor
Jean Adair Co
Nellie Allen
"Dining Car Girls"

"Dining Car Girls"
Cedar Rapida, Ia.
MAJESTIC (wva)
(Sunday opening)
Millard Bros
Gallerini Sisters
Kelly & Fern
"Petticoats"
Coakley & Dunlevy
2d half
"Night Clerk"
Champaign. III

"Night Clerk"

Champaign, Ili.

ORPHEUM (wva)

Billy & Ada White
Frosini
"Garden of Mirth"
Jno T Ray Co

2d haif

Max Bloom

Charleston, S. C. ACADEMY (ubo) (Columbia split) Daisy Leon Coyle & Morrell Edmonds & Leedom Mazie King Co

Kola
Chattanooga, Tean,
ARCADE (ubo)
(Knoxville split)
1st half
Harry Stirling
M Montgomery Co
Fox & Ingraham
Diving Nymphs
(One to fill)

HOWATSON
"A Case of Pickles"

James Grady Co
Cook & Lorenze
Mrs Eva Fay
(One to fil)
LINCOLN (wva)
Black & White Revue
Cook & Lorenze
3 Bartos
(Two to fill)
2d half
Dressler & Wilson
Eckhart & Parker
(Three to fill)
WILSON (wva)
"Finders Keepers"
Fred Sosman
Bert Levey
(Two to fill)
Mitchell & Mitch
Bert Levey
Tation of fill
WINSOR (wva)
"He's in Agali"
2d half

WINDSOR (wva)
"He's in Again"
2d haif
Carlita & Howland
Archie Nicholson 3
Ward & Raymond
Balzar Sisters
(One to fill)

Raizar Saymond
Raizar Staters
(One to fill)
Cincinnati, O.
KEITH'S (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
"Girlies Gambol"
Harry Green Co
"Jasper"
Harry Carroll
Page Hack & Mack
"Du For Boys
(One to fill)
EMPRESS (abc)
Rice & Newton
Flood & Erna
Hiatt & Geer
Don & Patty
S Novelty Minstrels
Harma Trio
Cieveland
HIP (ubo)
"Creation"
Montgomery & Perry
Toots Paka Co
Robt T Hanes Co
Britt Wood
McCarthy & Faye
Francis & Ross
Ishakawa Japs
Columbia, S. C.
KEITH'S (ubo)
Cal Boys Sand
Edna Aug
Kelly Wilder Co
Helen Page Co
The Criess
Asahi Troupe
Maximilian's Dogs
"Patria" (film)

nd SWAVRFI

and SWAYBELL LAUGH BROKERS

GRAND (ube)
(Charleston spit)
1st haif
Hill & Bertina
Ward & Wilson
3 Avoles
Kennedy & Burt
The McIntyres
Pallan Tex

Dallas, Tex. MAJESTIC (inter) Flying Russells
Anthony & Adele
Gray Trio
"In the Trenchea" Milo? Merrians Swiss Can-(One to fill)

(One to fill)

Denville, Ili.

PALACE (ube)
(Sunday opening)
The Olmsteads
Brooks & Bowen
Gracie Emmett Co
Ollive Briscoe
Slatke'a Rollickers

Revo

Rexo
Mullen & Coogan
Mr & Mrs N Phillips
Gautier's Toy Shop

Gautier's Toy Shop
Davenport, Is.
COLUMBIA (wws)
(Sunday opening)
"Song & Dance Rev"
Ward & Raymond
Gonne & Albert
Correlli & Gillette
2d half
Marcena Nevaro & M
McConell & Simpson
Cockley & Dunlevy
Williams & Watkins
(One to fill)

Dayton. O.
KEITH'S (ubo)
Sophle Tucker Co
Hayward Stafford Co
Lydell & Higgina
Eadle & Ramsden Leipzig Reed & Wright Girls Carson Bros Brengyk's Modela

Decentur, III.
EMPRESS (wva)
(Sunday opening)
Max Bloom Co
2d haif
The Lampinis
Louise DeFoggi
Gracle Emmett Co
John Gelger
"Lawn Part" 'Lawn Party"

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Desvep

ORPHEUM

Derothy Jarden

Hallen & Fuller

Corbett Shepp & D

Wheeler & Dolan

Pat Barrett

Retter Bros

Beatrice Herford

PANTAGES (p)

Kinkald Kittles

Travitt's Dogs

Jones & Johnson

Great Leon

Fickhoff & Gordon

Margaret Ford

Des Modines

ORPHEUM

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Des Weitnes
ORPHEUM
(Sundav opening)
Cressv & Dayne
Wm & Marg Cutty
Benny & Woods
Harry L Mason
Sam Roff & Sonia
Roy Harrah Tr
Kouns Sisters

Temple (ubo)
Templ

Easton, Pa. Shietz & Eldert Rakoma Sheetz & Eldert Beaumonte & Arnold Scarpioff & Van Vara Josie Flynn's Min

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Ft. William, Can.
ORPHEUM (wya)
2d haff
Cook & Rothert
Dot Marsell
Putman & Lewis
Monte Carlo 6 2d half Moore & Gerald "Motor Boating" "Ice Man" 4 Bolses

E. Liverpoel, O. AMERICAN (sun) 2d haif (14-16) Laveed & Cross Raynor & Beli F & L Bell (One to fill) E. St. Louis, Ill. ERBERS (WVs.) Ywary
Ywary
Sidney & Townley
James Thompson C
Gordon & Ricca
(One to fill)
2d half

Martin & Fabrini
Grand Ferks, N. D.
GRAND (wva)
2d haif (12-14)
Hector & Pals
Gorman Bros
Mile Luxanne Ballett

"Mise-Up-to-Date"
(Two to fill)

Edmentom
PANTAGES (r)
Pederson Bros
Oleson & Johnson
Kijiyama
Stephens & Hollister
6 Peaches & Pear
Elmstra, N. V.
MAJESTIC (ubo)
Tosetti & Bennett
Earl & Sunahine
Frolickers
'Van Baldwin 3
Jac Suo Tai
Van Baldwin 3
Jack Rose
Jenks & Allen
Henriette DeSerris Co
Erie, Pa.
COLONIAL (ubo)
Maryiand Singers
Dahi & Gilien
J & M Harkins
Stone & Hayes
Ed Dowling
Emille Sis
Evanaville, Ind.
GRAND (wwa)
Alvarez Duo
Walters & Walters
Raymond Bond Co
Mayo & Taliy
"Miss-Up-to-Date" **INTELLIGENCE**

Al Wohlman Co
"Miss-Up-to-Date"
(Two to fill)

2d half Adroit Bros Valand Gamble "Holland Romance' Mack & Earl (One to fill)

(One to fill)
Farge, N. D.
GRAND (abc)
"Girl from Starland"
Reiff & Murray
Hazel Leona
"Save One Girl"
"Richard Great"
2d half
Jule Jane & L
S Miller Kent Co
Zemater & Smith
(One to fill)
Fillat, Mich.

(One to fill)

Flint, Mich.

MAJESTIC (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
(Saginaw split)
1st haif
Transfield Sisters
H & M Gilbert
Wm Armstrong Co
Green & Pugh
Fredk Bowers Co

Freek Bowers Co
Ft. Dodge, Im.
PRINCESS (wva)
(Sunday opening)
Frawley & West
Gladys Vance
Orpheum Comedy 4
(One to fill)
2d bait
Harris & Nolan
Mr & Mrs Melbourne
Dave Roth
Lunette Sisters
Ft. Wayne, Ind.

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Ft. Wayne, Ind.
PALACE (ubo)
Kawana Bros
Wanzer & Palmer
Gladys Correli
Mr & Mrs N Phillips
Ray Samuels
2d haif
The Olmsteads
Stein Hume & T
Holmes & Wells
Lona's Hawalians
Francia Murphy
Rayno's Dogs

Monte Carlo 6
Galvesten, Tex.
OPERA H (inter)
(9-10)
(Same bili playing
San Antonio 11-15)
Thompson's Terriers
Frank Crummitt
Mr & Mrs G Wilde
Dorothy Toye
Alien Dinehart Co
Bert Fitzgibbons
Martin & Fabrini
Grand Feabre, N. D.

Mile Luxanne Ballet
Grand Rapida
EMPRESS (ubo)
Adelaide Boothby Co
Delainty Marie
David Saperstein
Hull & Durkin
Geo Rosener
Arnold & Florence
Chas Ahearn Co

Arnold & Florence
Chas Aheara Co
Gray, Ind.
ORPHEUM (wva)
(Sunday opening)
Rucker & Winifred
3 Bartos
G & L Garden
2 Pikers
(One to fill)
Gt. Falls, Ment.
PANTAGES (p)
(10-11)
(Same bill playing
Anaconda 13)
Jerome & Careon
Stoddard & Haynes
Freddie James
Andersoe's Revee
Ed & Jack Smith
Capt Sorcho Co
Greem Bay, Wis.
ORPHEUM (wva)
2d half (12-14)
Meinotte Due
Lewis & Leopold
(Two to fill)

MISS CRANE
The Occult Planist **MAHATMA** Cabalistic Pho

Hamilton, Can.
TEMPLE (ubo)
Herbert's Dogs
Winchester & Clare
Cole Rusell & D
Ponzello Sis
M Courtney Co
Rockwell & Wood
Imperial Tr
Harrisburg, Pa,
MAJESTIC (ubo)
2d half (12-14)
Chase & La Tour
Ed Esmond Co
La France & Kennedy
"Miracle"
Hasleton, Pa.

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FEELET'S (ubo)
2d haif (5-8)
Juno Salmo
May & Billie Earl
Rosale DeVoc Co
Reiser & Welsor
Town Hail Foilies
Homston, Tex.
MAJESTIC (12tor)
Eiray Sisters
Fisher. Luckie & G
Inez McCauley Co
Dorothy Granville
Smith & Austin
Loney Haskell
Gladiators
Indianapolia, Ind.
KEITH'S (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
Avon Comedy 4
Rogers Gray Co
H & E Puck
Sylvia Loyal Co
Bert Melrose
Nelson Waring
4 Amaranths
(One to fill)
LYRIC (ubo)
Paul Pedrini
Roth & Roberts
"The Explorers"
Guerro & Carmen
KoKo Carnival Co
Ithaca, N. Y.
STAR (ubo)
Carbrey Bros
White's Circus
2d haif
Adelaide & Hazel
Merry Men

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LOS ANGELES and SAN FRANCISCO Shanley and Farneas ("Fifty-Fifty")

Jackson, Mich. ORPHHUM (190) OKPHHUM (400)
(Sunday speaking)
Will & Kemp
Willison & Bherwood
Froeman Dunham Co
Harry Hines
"College Girls Frolic"
2d half
August & August
Coryo Cervo
"School Playgrounds"
Bill Robinson
Dancing Kennedys

Lacksonville,
RhaltTO (ubo)
(Savannah split)
ist haif
Stuart Darrow
Adelaide Conly
Warren & Conley
(Neil Twins
Robinson's Elephanta

Robinson's Elephan

Jersey City

KEITIFS (ubo)

2 d haif
Rosa Ray

Millington & Pauli
Geo Howell Co

"The Intruder"
Von Hampton & 8

"The Dramer"
In the half
Lulu Coats Co

"Memories"

Billie Reeves Co
Be Ho Gray Co

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Conners & Foley

B Snowes Co

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3 Snowes Co

4 Soey

3 Snowes Co

4 Snowes Co

5 Soey

5 Snowes Co

6 Soey

6 Snowes Co

7 Snowes Co

8 Snowes Co

8 Snowes Co

9 Snowes Co

E Snowden Co B McKenzie Co 'Bon Voyage (Two to fill)

Jehnstewn, Pa.
MAJESTIC (ubo)
(Pittsburgh split)
1st half
Adelyme Lowe Co
Tudor Cameron Co
Wright & Davis
Nanking Tr
Zinka Panna

Jeliet, Ill.
ORPHEUM (wva)
2d half (12-14)
G & L Garden
Hahn Weller & M
Harry Beresford Co
Dishesses & Desgos
(Happy Harrison & D

Kalamasoe, Mich.
MAJESTIC (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
(Lansing split)
"Maid to Order"

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Kameas City
ORPHEUM
(Sunday opening)
Adele Blood Co
Imbeff Conn & C
Hans Hanke
Maurice Burkhart
Wallace Galvin
3 Jahns
Riggs & Witchle
"Patria" (film)
PANTAGES (p)
(Sunday opening)
Gaston Palmer
Metro & Wilson Bros
Gruber's Animals
3 Melvilles
Kemeaka, Wis.

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Kemosha, Wis.
VIRGINIAN (wva)
2d half (12-14)
3 Lilliputs
Ray Snow
(Three to fill)

Kmoxville, Temm.
GRAND (ubo)
(Chattanoaga spilt)
Ist half
Holden & Graham
Gualona & Margaret
"Cabaret Girl"
Von Bergen & Goaler
Thomas Trio

Lascaster, Pa.
COLONIAL (ubo)
2d half (5-8)
Chartres & Halliday
Ed Blondell Co
Street Urchin
Camille 3

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Lamsing, Mich.
BIJOU (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
(Kalamazoo split)
Ross Bross Silbor & North
Madm Marion Co
Sherman Van & H
Colour Gems

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Colour Gems
Lisse, O.
ORPHEUM (sun)
2d half (12-14)
Whipple Houston Co
Victoria 4
Fred Zobedie Co
(Two to fill)
Lincolns. Neb.
ORPHEUM
C Gillingwater Co
Thos Swift Co
Maria Lo
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Ames & Winthrop

ORPHEUM (wva)
Degnon & Clifton
Buil Bear Indians
Ross & Ashton
Jalleti's Mankeys
(One to fill)

(One to fill)
Little Reek, Ark.
MAJESTIC (inter)
Mystic Hansen CoHarris Varlety 4
Chief Little Elk
Dinkins Barr & E
5 Hayashi Japs
2d half
The Geralds
Carmen's Minstreis.
Mito Picco
Dancing Mars
(One to fill)

(One to fill)
Loganapert, Ind.
COLONIAL (ubo)
"Mr Inquisitive"
(Two to fill)
2d haif
Harry LaToy
"The Tamer"
Brooks & Bowen

London, Can, MAJESTIC (ubo) Melody Four Pictures

Los Angeles ORPHEUM Competition of the competition o

Louisville KEITH'S (ubo) KEITH'S (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
Wilfred Clark Co
Primrose 4
Clifford & Wills
Clara Howard
Walter Brower
Dancing Layars
Fantina Tr

Fantina Tr
Lowell, Mass.
KEITH'S (ub)
Mang & Sayder
Marie Domahue
Jack Rennedy C;
Musical Johnstone
Weich's Minstres.
Cooper & Ricarin
Barnold's Dugs

Mineses, Ga.
GRAND (ubo)
(Augusta split, Augusta not playing
list haif)
"Girl Worth While"
2d haif
Roda Crampton
Kerr & Berko

Kerr & Berko Chas Delano Tom Mahoney Rondas Trio

Rondas Trio
Madison, Wis.
ORPHEUM (wva)
Geo & Lily Garden
Lewis & Leopold
Caeser Rivioll
Eckert & Parker
Mrs Eva Fay
2d haif
Frank Hartley
Dae & Neville
Frank Bush
"Win Gar Revue"
Manchester, N. E

"Win Gar Revue"

Mameheater, N. H.

PALACE (ubo)
Yamomola Bros
Billy Kelgard
Milton & DeLongs
Pistel & Cushing
Tiebor's Seals
2d haif
Valdon & Co
Tyler & Crohins
Thomas & Hall
Scott & Wilson
Royal Hawaiian Tr
Mariem, Ind.

LYRIC (ubo)
Patricola & Meyers
Bijou Mins Misses
2d haif
Basil & Allen
(One to fill)
Marshalltown, In.

Basil & Ailen
(One to fill)

Marshalitown, Ie.
CASINO (ubo)
Edith Mote
Nettle Carroll
Keene & Foxworth
2 Jewels
4 Colinis
Mason City, Ie.
REGENT (wva)
(Sunday opening)
Will Morris
Bu'll Bear Indians
(Two to fill)
Lexey & O'Connor
Curtis Canines
(Two to fill)
CECIL (abc)
The Kelloggs
Wolfe & Zadella
2d half
Leopard & Dempsey
Callahan & Callahan

McKeespert, Pa.
WHITE'S HIP (ubo)
2d haif (5-8)
Frances & Ross
Herman Leipsig
Richard Wally Co
Dunley & Merrili
1st haif (9-11)
Melody Six
Jimmy Lucas Co
The Vivians
Ubert Cariten 2d half Kawana Bros Wanzer & Paimer Carson & Willard Pauline Saxon "Garden of Mirth"

Jimmy Lucas Co
The Vivians
Ubert Cariten
P & P Houlton
2d half (12-14)
"Miss Hamlet"
Wur Sisto
Mur Shy & Barry
(Two to fill)

(Two to fill)
Memphis
Memphis
ORPHEUM
Mason-Keeler Co
Stone & Kalles
The Volunteers
Kitner H & McKay
Geo Lyons
J & W Hennings
Marlo & Duffy
"Patria" (film)
Middletown N

"Patria" (Rim)
Middletown, N. Y
STRATTON (ubo)
2d half (12-14)
Musical Ciovers
Norrie Sisters

Morrie Sisters
Milwawkee, Wia.
MAJESTIC (orph)
Grace La Rue
Muriel Worth Co
J C Morton Co
Mr & Mrs Cappelin
Marie Stoddard
Martinetti & Sylves
Silver & Duval
Flying Henrys
PALACE (wwa)
(Sunday opening)
Melnotte Duo
Dae-& Neville
Bart MoComber
Frank Bush

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Frank Bush
"Win Gar Revue"
2d haif
Herbert Germaine 8
Singing 4
6 Coloniai Belles
Correlli & Milette
(Two to fili)

Minneapelia

"Sept Morn"

Montreal
ORPHEUM (ubo)
Roland Travers Oo
Knapp & Cornalia
R & G Dooley
John B Hymer Co
Louis Hardt
(Three to fill)
FRANCAIS (wbo)
(Ottawa split)
Berry & Berry
Brooks & Oakley
Svengali
Carmetçitta Bros
(Two to fill)
Moose Jaw. Can.

Carmeteitta Bros
(Two to fili)

Moose Jaw, Cam.
ALLAN (wva)
1st haif (9-11)
Hector & Pals
Jonathon
Gorman Bros
Mils Luxanne Ballet

Mt. Vermon, N. V.
PROCTOR'S (ubo)
2d haif (5-8)
Nip & Tuck
Bob Yates
Frances Ring Co
Hyams & McIntyre
Bowman Bros
Torcat's Roosters
1st haif (9-11)
Leighton & Kennedy
Hugh Herbert Co
Winston & & D
Kelly & Galvin
2d haif (12-15)
Swain's Animals
T & S Moore
"Hero of St Marie
Sylvester & Vance
Orth Dooley
Roy & Arthur
Munkegon, Mich.
REGERNT (ubo)

Roy & Arthur

Muskegon, Mich.

REGENT (ubo)
(Sunday only 8)

John Higgins
Vera Berliner
"The Tamer"
Jimmy Jucas Co
Princeton 5

Mashville
PRINCESS (ubo)
(Birmingham split)
1st haif
Kitaro Jap 8
Al Tucker
"Vanity Fair" (tab)

Newark, N. J.
PALACE (ubo)
2d haif (5-8)
Pullett Proof Lady
Helen Jackley Helen Jackley
Honoiulu 6
Billy K Wells
Bernie & Baker
Sharrocks

Sharrocks
Norfolk, Va.
ACADEMY (ubo)
(Richmond split)
1st hair
Quinn & Laferty
Chas Oicott
"Fireside Reverle"
Bison City 4
Aerial Shaws

Aerial Shaws
Oakland
Oakland
(Sunday opening)
Linne's Giris,
Paifrey Hall & B
Ethel Hopkins
The Norvelles
"The Cure"
Cross & Josephine
PANTAGES (p)
"Jungle Man"
Amoros & Mulvey
Harry Rose
"Motor Madness"
Nan Grey
Owden

Nan Grey
Ogden
FANTAGES (n)
(12-14)
Mahoney & Auburn
Chinese Due
Anthony & Mack
Mr Chaser
S & L Burns
Bob Fits & Bob Jr

Omaha, Neb. ORPHEUM (Sunday opening) Orville Harrold

Adams & Murray
Lord & Fuller
Leo Bears
Long Tack Sam Co
(One to fill)
WM PENN (ubo)
2d half (5-8)
Fred Rogers
vice Voras
Carson & Willard
"Roseland"
Let half (9-11)
Elkins Fay & E
"Late Van Camp"
Andy Rios
Crawford's Fas Shop
2d half (12-18)
Camilie 3
"7 Little Darlings"
Duffy Gelsler & L
"Oh Doctor"
ALLEGHENY (ubo)
3 Alex
Burt Johnson Co

ALLEGHENY (upo) 3 Aiex Burt Johnson Co "Models Abroad" (One to fill) BROADWAY (ubo)

BROADWAY (ubo 6 Saiaros Harris & Lyman "7 Little Darlings" Bowman Bros "Oh Doctor" "Oh Doctor'
2d haif
Frank Le Dent
Mudge Morton 3
Wlimer Waiters Co
Andy Rice
"Fashlon Shop"

Pistaburgh
DAVIS (ubo)
Eva Tanguay
'Discontent'
Mitt Collins
Spencer & Williams
Oscar Lorraine
(Three to fill)
HARRIS (ubo)
Capt Powers Co
Keane & Deane
Felix Haney
'Maids of Music''
Jaffoll & Arnold
''Act Beautiful''
Watters & Cliff Sis
Caron & Farum
SHERIDAN SQ (ubo)
(Johnstown split)
Ist half
''Kisses''
Francis & Kennedy

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Geo Nash Co Foster Bali Co Henry Keane Co Witt & Winter Howard's Ponies Pilcer & Douglas EMPRESS (wv

Minneapelia
ORPHBUM
(Sunday opening)
Paylis N Terry Oo
Frances Nordstrom
Herbert Clifton Oo
Emerton & Baldwin
Dorothy Breamer
Wood & Wyde
Zeda & Heet
PANTAGES (p)
(Sunday opening)
Fong Choy
Aerial Petis
Gilliegie Girls
Jes Shirley Co
Duty & Mestague
GRAND (wva)
Boillinger & Reynolds
Klass & Walman
Inas Troupe
Karl Karl
Work & Ower
Mildred Hayward
John T Doyle Co
Smith & Kaufman
"Sept Monri-"
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Montreal
ORPHETIS (in-ba) Piloer & Douglas
EMPRESS (wva)
(Sunday opening)
Hooper & Burkhart
Green McHenry & D
Neal Abel
4 Novelty Pierrotts
2d haif

Will Morris
London 3
Strasslers Animals
(One to fill)
Oshkesh, Wis.
MAJESTIC (wva)
Bessle Lester
(One to fill)
The Von Der Koors
(Two to fill)
Ottawa. Cam.

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DOMINION (ubo)
(Montreal split)
Ist half
Clare Atwood
Louis & Feiver
J L Browning
"Maids of Philiy"
(One to fiii)

Passaie, N. J.
PLAYHOUSE (ub)
2d haif (5-8)
Bee Ho Gray
Miller & Lyle
Marle Sparrow Peoria, Ill. ORPHEUM (wva)

Peeria, ill.
ORPHEUM (wva)
2 Blondys
Hahn Weber & M
Harry Beresford Co
Dickinson & Deagon
Cycling McNutts
2d half
Lucy Gillette
Josie Heather Co
Howard & Fields
Willams & Wolfus
(One to fill)
Philaticiphia
KEITH'S (ubo)
"Forest Fiss"
Hale & Pathrson
Mack & Walker
Craig Campbell
Bansee & Baird
Joe Towie
Lewis & White
Gaudsmidts
(One to fill)
J&A Francis
KEYSTONE (ubo)
(This week 2)
Wanda
Mary & Jack
Box Car Duo
Ali Sparks Co
Conroy & O'Donnell
"Ridling School"

Richard Wally Co Jack Mariey Claudia Coleman

Pittsfield, Mass.
MAJESTIC (ubo)
2d half (5-8)
Eikins & Eikins
Baily Hoo &
4 Haymakers
Willard & Ryan
Rogers & Rogers

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Portiand, Orc.
ORPHEUM
(Sunday opening)
Honey Boys
McWaters & Tyson
"Garden & Aloba"
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Alice L Doil Co
La Gracioea
Una Clayton Co
Artie Mehinger
PANTAGES (D)
B "Swede" Hail Co
Patricola
"Bachelor's Dinner"
Tabor & Greene
Samoya Samoya Ed Price & Pals

Pd Price & Pals
Reading, Pa.
HIP (ubo)
1st haif (9-11)
Moore & Gerald
Bonner & Powers
Ed Esmond Co
Creighton Beimt & C
The Miracle

Richmond, Ind. MURRAY (ubo) 2d half (12-14) Frank Carmen 3 Lyres
"School Days"
(One to fill)

(One to fill)
Richmond, Va.
BIJOU (ubo)
(Norfolk split)
1st haif
Henry & Adelaide
Helene Davis
Dugan & Raymond
Monarch Comedy 4
Ruth Budd

Ruth Budd
Resmoke. Va.
ROANOKE (ubo)
Von Cello
'Futurist Revue''
Mabel Johnson
Lawrence & Edwards
Dufin Redcay Tr
2d half
Judge & Gail
Wilkens
Gray & Graham
Venita Gould
Durkin Girls
Rochester. Minn.

Rochester, Mian.

METRO (wva) 2d half (12-14) The Schultzes
Mansfield & Fiddle
McGoods-Tate Co

Rochester, N. Y. TEMPLE (ubo) Chip & Marbie Grace De Mar. Whitneid & Ireland Whitfield & Ireland & Readings Derkins' Animals Bradley & Ardine Hallen & Hunter Seabury & Price FAMILY (sun) 5 Musical Hodges Rogers & Hart Dave Rafael Co Lucler Trio Cycling Brunettes 2d half Azemas

2d half Azemas Wright & Davis Grant Gardner "Top of Roof" (One to fil:)

Rockford, III. PALACE (wva) 'Suffragette Revue' 2d half 2d half
3 Bartos
3 Moran Sisters
Great Lester
2 Plkers
(One to fill)

One to fill)
Sacramento
ORPHEUM
(9-10)
(Same bill playing
Stockton 11-12 and
Freeno 13-14)
Clara Morton Co
"Double Exposure"
Lydla Barry
Brent Hayes
Whiting & Burt
Newhoff & Phelps
Kullervo Bros
Sagrinaw, Mich.

Kullervo Bros.
Saginaw. Mich.
JEFFRAS-G'ND (abo)
(Sunday opening)
(Filint split)
Ist half
The Bimbos
Gracie DeWinters
Hoyt's Minstrels
Wood Melville & Princess Kalama Co
Salt Lake

Princess Kalama Co
Sait Lake
ORPHEUM
(Open Wed Night)
(11-14)
H & A Seymour
Morgan Dancers
Caltes Bros
Walter Weems
Everest's Monks
Rice Elmer & Tom
Flanagan & Edwards
PANTAGES (p)
Pauline
Evelyn & Dolly
Hugo Koch Co
Marie Russeli
Goldsmith & Finard
San Antonie, Tex.

Marie Russeil
Goldsmith & Pinard
Sam Antonie, Tex.
O H (Inter)
(11-15)
(Same bill playing
Galveston 9-10)
Thompson's Terriers
Frank Crummitt
Mr & Mrs G Wilde
Dorothy Toye
Allen Dinehart Co
itert Fitzgibbons
Martin & Fabrini
Sam Diego
FANTAGES (p)
Elizabeth Cutty
"Telephone Tangle"
Beliciaire Bros
Bobble & Nelson
Daisy Jerome
Morton Bros
Sam Francisco

ORPHEUM
(Sunday opening)
French & Els
Halligan & Sykes
Hirschel Hendler
Casnios
Chas Grapewin Co

Hirschei Hennist Casnios Chas Grapewin Co Casnios Chas Grapewin Co Nonette Medin Watts & T F & A Astaire PANTAGES (p) (Sundav opening) Elizabeth Otto The Langdons Klein Bros Reynolds & Donegan Seeley & McCloud Savannash. (Jacksonville split) 1st haif John Reynolds Eugenia Le Blanc Parilla & Frabita Honolulu Girls Wilson & Lawson Seilen Lewson & Lawson & Lawson & Lawson & Lawson & Lawson & Lawson & Louis Columbia (orph) Louis Mann Co Aveling & Lloyd Eva Taylor Co Marlon Weeks Willing & Jordan Vallecita's Leopards Lambert & Fredericks Aus Creightons EMPRESS (wwa) 3 Moran Sisters Al Wohlman Fremont Benton Co Bernard & Scarth Gautiers Toy Shop 2d haif Mystic Hanson 3 Sidney & Townley Raymond Bond Co Gordon & Ricca (One to fill)

GRAND (wva)
Dumais & Floyd
Puncs Howard
Ziska Co
Billy Beard
Weber & Elliott
Leila Shaw Co
"Miss America"
PARK (wva)
Clown Sala
Julian Hall
Madm Sumika Co
4 Bards
(One to fill)
Dancing Msrs
Edward Marshall
Jas Thompson Co
Dixle Harris & 4
(One to fill)
St. Paul

St. Paul
ORPHEUM
(Sunday opening)
Nat Goodwin
Dahoemaker Co
DeLeon & Dayles
Frank & Toble
Adair & Adelphi
Boyle & Brown
Leach Wallin 3
HIPP (abc)
Zemater & Smith
Wyndham & Moere
Anderson Duo
Joe Whitehead
Melrose
2d haif
J & V White
Foillis Sis LeRoy
Hobson & Beatty
Richard Great
(One to fill)
PALACE (wva)
Herbert Germaine Co
Lewis & Norton
Nora Kelly Co
Canfield & Barnes
"Fashion Shop"
Adelpha
EMPIRE (wva)
Three to fill)
Saskatoon, Can.
EMPIRE (wva) St. Paul ORPHEUM

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Saskatoom, Can.
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Grace Hanson
Bowning & Dean
Crossman's Enter

Schenectady, N. Y PROCTOR'S (abo) (Anniversary week)

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B E Cilve Co
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Webb & Burns
Kramer & Kent
Crawford & Broderick
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Bruce Duffett Co
Adler & Arline
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(Sunday opening)
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"Pettiooats"
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ORPHEUM (wva)
(Sunday opening)
Janis & West
Mr & Mrs Melburne
Dave Roth
Novelty Clintons
2d haif
Tossing Austins
VanPerre & VanPerre
Santos & Hayes
Nighton's & Statues
Spekame
PANTAGES (p)
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Paul Decker Co
Vitr onl Bros
(Sunday opening)
Happy Harrison
Anger & King Girls
John Geiger
"Lawn Party"
The Seebacks
(One to fill)

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Springfield, O.

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Fred Zobedle Co
Hall & Francis

Whipple Houston (Charile Wilson
Miss Hamlet
Hohn & Bohn
Vine & Temple
"Top of Andes"
Hope Vernon
(One to fill)

Stamford, Conn

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ALHAMBRA (ubo)
2d half (5-8)
Bon Voyage
Ruth Howell 3
Seymour's Family
Hugo Lutgens

Hugo Lutgens
Superior, Wis.
PALACE (wva)
DeWitt Young & Sis
Miller Scott & F
Bennington & Scott
Bonomer Arabs
2d half
Tiny Trio
Chadwick & Taylor
Prince & Deerle
"Echoes of Bway"

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2d half
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Kelly & Sawain
(Two to fill)
CRESCENT (ubo)
Leona Heggi
Musical Clovers
Bobby Heath Co
Sampson & Douglas
Lamb & Morton
(One to fill)
2d half
Miller & Trainey
Morarity Sisters
Wm Lyteil Co
"In Mexico"
(Two to fill)
Trecema

Tacema PANTAGES (p)
Miftary Elephants
Francis Renault
John P Wade Co
Wells Northworth & M
"Smart Shop"

Terre Haute, Ind. NEW HIPP (wva)

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Adroit Bros
Voland Gamble
"Holland Romance"
Mack & Earl
(One to fill)
2d half
Waiters & Walters
Nestor & Swhearts
Mayo & Tally
Ambier Bros
(One to fill)
Toledo
KEITH'S (ubo)
Beile Baker
Macart & Bradford
Laurie & Bronson
DePace Opera Co
Sid Lewis
Erna Antonia
Mechan's Dogs
"Patria" (film)
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SHEA'S (ubo)
"Night Boat"
Lillian Shaw
Swor & Avery
Shannon & Annis
Ward & Cullen
Connelly Trio
Gordon Highlanders
(One to fill)
HHP (ubo)
La Toy's Models
Mack & Lee
Davenport & Raffels
Noodle Fagan Co
Niobe
Troy, N. Y.
PROCTOR'S (ubo)
(Albany split)
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Bob Albright
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Will Ward Girls

Doc O'Neill

(Two to fill)

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(One to fill)

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NEW ACTS THIS WEEK

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Initial Presentation, First Appearance or Reappearance in or Around New York

Peggy O'Neill and Co., Palace. Paul Dickey and Co. (New Act), Colonial. "Flirtation," Royal.
Burlington Four, Royal.

May Irwin. Songs and Talk. 21 Mins.; One. Palace.

The applause greeting May Irwin at the Palace Monday afternoon upon her reappearance in vaudeville prolonged itself into a record reception at that house. It attested to Miss Irwin's unquestioned stage popularity. If those in front knew Miss Irwin in private life they would have readily recognized May Irwin; on and off is the same. Miss Irwin speaks as easily and softly on the stage as she does off. In fact, there is no difference. She doesn't make a stage of it. The opening ap-plause seemed to somewhat disconcert the comedienne, also her world's cham-Pion piano accompanist. Cliff Hess. Mr. Hess wanted to be very nice to Miss Irwin. He must have routined it, but after the recention noise Cliff seemed to go up in the air and whatever he started to do Miss Irwin just beat him to it. Otherwise, however, the kid piano player and music composer did himself proud, for if there's one piano player in the universe who knows what to do with a piano as a side line to a singer it's voung Hess. Miss Irwin, looking exactly like May Irwin always looking exactly like May Irwin always looks, started in to tell the audience she had always had a yearning to sing "Home. Sweet Home" but never could get the chance until this Palace engagement. Then she sang "No More Harmony at Home. Sweet Home." a comic. Preceding each of her four numbers Miss Irwin had a few explanators remarks in a humorous wein. The tory remarks, in a humorous vein. The other songs were "Huckleherry Finn."
"Albie" and "Buzzing the Bee." They were all new and all good, or at least Miss Irwin made them sound good, hoth the melodies and the lyrics, the latter containing numerous pointed lines. Toward the finish Miss Irwin anid she miessed she would tell an old ioke and she did, one of the oldest, about the hisband getting home late, rocking the emoty cradle for a stall, to be informed by his wife the haby was in hed with her. It must have to be informed by his wife the paby was in bed with her. It must have been new to the Palace bunch for they heartly launhed at it probably much to Miss Irwin's surprise. It was 4.40 when Miss Irwin appeared, pretty late, but she held the house without any trouble at all and conclusively proved that as often as May Irwin may wish to return to vandeville just so often vandeville always welcome her with open arms, for a vandeville andi-ence regardles of what else may be said of it, never fails to recognize an artist.

Rvan and Tovce. Piano and Songs. 14 Mins.; One. Colonial.

Tack Rvan and Billie Joyce (male) have constructed a rather good double piano and song turn with Jovce aiding the vocal section as well as looking after the musical department. Jovce is red-headed with a fair voice and a hetter appearance. Rvan's capabilities are too well known to need comment. The routine shows good judgment, Joyce breaking the string nicely with a solo anent his hair. The turn shapes up placely and with a little work should develop into big time timbre. Wynn.

Lola Wentworth. Song Revue. 15 Mins.; One (6); Full (3); One (6). Alhambra.

Something lacking in Lola Wentworth's new act causes it to fall just short of achieving a big success. That "something" may be the aeroplane number she does in full stage. With the proper lyric, full of the red fire of patriotism, this number should be the biggest thing in the act. Miss Wentworth, with her exceeding blond beauty, enhanced by an extensive display of clothes, and a satin drop that forms a pretty background for her work, opens with a little number that recalls her to the mind of the audience as the prima donna of "The Bride Shop." This is followed by a revue of the pop-Something lacking in Lola Went-This is followed by a revue of the popular songs from the early '90's, ranging from "The Little Boys in Blue" and "On the Banks of the Wabash" down to the present day hits, the melodies being utilized for the introduction of connecting lyrics with a line or two from each of the songs. This is a surefire applause winner because of its powers to resurrect memories. For the aeroplane number, which follows, she appears clad as an aviatrix, appearing in "one" in the costume and then, ordering the drop lifted, displays the machine. The number might be improved by having Miss Wentworth seated in the machine when the current relativistic instead of first speaking has tain rises instead of first appearing be-fore the curtain and climbing into it. The light opera revue, with which the act is brought to a close, is the best thing in it. It gives the little prima donna a chance vocally that seemed to surprise the audience, and her efforts in this section won for her unqualified approval. A little more "pep" injected

Elinore and Williams. Songs and Talk. 20 Mins.; One and Two. Colonial.

This well-known combination have added a rather unique "bit" to their former specialty, Sam Williams soloing to his own accompaniment on the piano for two numbers, while Kate Elinore is completing a costume change off-stage. One of the numbers, the opener, is a gem, but the Leonard im-pression is all wrong for Williams. The pair open in "one" as formerly, with Miss Elinore making a noisy entrance to the announcement four men are in to the announcement four men are in the alley insisting on paying her board. Then to the time-worn "One fool at a time" gag, after which they proceed through a very good routine of cross-fire patter. The points are good, all original (beyond the two above mentioned), and manage to con-nect with the desired laughs. Then to the piano "bit" and finally back to one another portion of their duolog.
s Elinore is dressing "straight." Miss Elinore is dressing "straight," having discarded the comedy costume, Williams working in full dress. turn runs a bit long and would fit just right with the Leonard song eliminated. And they might conclude the act in that section, for the return to "one" breaks up the even action. They earned their usual mark and well deserved it.

Millington and Pauli. Songs and Talk. 13 Mins.; One. Fifth Avenue.

The customary style of mixed two-act where both talk and sing. In this the man also dances. They open with the girl a Red Cross nurse, the man soused, afterward changing. The open-

NEW SHOWS NEXT WEEK

Legitimate Productions Announced for Metropolitan Premiere.
"Colonel Newcome," Amsterdam (April

"Disraeli," (Revival) Knickerbocker (April 9). "Bosom Friends," Liberty (April 9).
"The Very Minute," Belasco (April

9).
"The Knife," New Bijou (April 12).

Billy Gould. Song and Talk. 14 Mins.; One. Colonial.

Billy Gould, after 15 months in the Billy Gould, after 15 months in the war zone, has returned to American vaudeville with a choice collection of comicalities anent the humorous side of the European struggle. Gould looks better than ever, retains his individual style of breezy delivery, sings as well as he did prior to his departure and gets his points over in masterly style. As it stands now Billy Gould's act is As it stands now, Billy Gould's act is better than ever and Gould always was better than ever and Gouig always was a good showman, regardless of whatever Kelly of the Northwest might contend. He pulled down one of the few big hits of the evening at the Colonial.

Wynn.

Martha Russell. Monolog. 14 Mins.; Two (Special Drop). 23d Street.

Martha Russell, who formerly appeared in a sketch, has essayed a single which, while very neat and "artistic," isn't vaudeville, for the reason that it borders too closely on lyceum entertainment. She presents three contrasting characters in the form of recitations annuancing sech one with the ing characters in the form of recita-tions, announcing each one, with the announcements so worded that she de-liberately reveals the denouement of each recitation with pantomiming. The first is that of an extravagant wife talking to an imaginary husband whom she wants to wheedle out of the price she wants to wheedle out of the price of a new hat; second, a society woman, married, meeting her former sweetheart from whom she was separated by another jealous woman who had misrepresented things and broken off their engagement; third, a midnight scene in "any home," hubby arriving and being upbraided by wifey who is jealous. "And you didn't forget my birthday?" (present). "I didn't mean it, please forgive me." All of which is the A B C of lyceum enertaining the the ABC of lyceum entertaining, the material for which is purchasable. Miss Russell does it neatly though, but it's not vaudeville, nor has it any ment of originality.

"The Punch" (4). Comedy.

16 Mins.; Full Stage. American Roof.

"The Punch" is a comedy by William "The Punch" is a comedy by William Huberman, with three men and a young woman. The female member, Peggy Coudray, is the leading worker and is deserving of being billed as Peggy Coudray and Co. The drift of the piece deals with a promising playwright who has been unable to land one of his pieces. The scene is in the office of a producing manager. The author asks about the chances of his latest work and is told that it, like the latest work and is told that it, like the others, lacks the punch. The manu-script is upon the desk when a young woman desiring a position puts in an appearance and is given a speech in the manuscript to read. She does it convincingly and is engaged for the part. The manager wishes to seal the contract with a kiss when a struggle ensures during which the author enters sues during which the author enters and delivers a punch on the manager's and delivers a punch on the manager of jaw, the young woman being his wife. In addition to the clever work by Miss Coudray, the playles is one of the best sketches of its kind on the small time in many a day.

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FINN-HEIMAN CIRCUIT (Richard Kearney)

ALOZ CIRCUIT (Gas Sun)

ALOZ CIRCUIT (W. S. Mose)

RICEARDS CIRCUIT (Australia)

(Chris. O. Brown)

into that three-minute section in full stage will make the act right for a trip around the big houses.

Beatrice McKenzie and Co. (2). Songs

16 Mins.; One (Special Drop). Fifth Avenue.

Beatrice McKenzie and Co. compose a single turn. Where the "company" may be is a mystery until near the finish, when an old war vet arises from an aisle seat to sing in the "Big Boy Blue" number that is red fire, while immediately following, in an upper stage box, a girl also sings, besides whistling. This girl must have whistled before, from the wings, the "Mocking Bird" number and a "Firefly" bit, while Bird" number and a "Firefly" bit, while Miss McKenzie was making changes. For the finish Miss McKenzie wears tights. Why isn't obvious. She starts the act with "Just Be Glad," then sings a lyrical number about "Boxes," throwing small boxes to the audience at the finish of it, and does the "Boy Blue" song from the stage with the plants. There isn't maken to the act, in material or people. In the plants can carry it, then vaudeville should be blamed, not then vaudeville should be blamed, not the act. It's very tiresome to watch an act try to get over only on its finish by work in the audience. If vaudeville will stand for this other acts should try it.

Sime.

ing number is a lyrical song, then the girl sings alone "Come Over Here," girl sings alone "Come Over Here," which could have been better handled by her partner. They have a medley of parodied old marches toward the finish. They seem almost surefire. Some of the talk is good and some is not. Two gags, "Oh, Lord, make me a man," and the "Stars and Stripes" might go out. Both are familiar and the Stars and Stripes ag should never a man, and the Stars and Stripes might go out. Both are familiar and the Stars and Stripes gag should never have been told on the stage in the first place. The man could improve his cutaway dress at the opening. His evening dress was all right. The girl dresses nicely in her second change and is rather a good looking young woman. The act seems possible and could build itself into a big timer. Now it doesn't reach that far. Sime.

Maleta Bonconi. Violiniste. 16 Mins.; Two. Colonia.

Pleasingly plump, pretty and brunet, Maleta Bonconi, accompanied by Harry Simpson at the piano, offers five classical numbers on the violin, the quintet going unusually good for a classical repertoire. Miss Bonconi has tact-fully arranged her specialty, calling for "two" as a stage space and dressing "two" as a stage space and dressing the platform in a decidedly becoming manner. For those who like their music heavy Bonconi is highly recommended. She scored substantially.

BARNUM-BAILEY CIRCUS.

Baraum-Ballay Circus is the small boy's delight as it ever was and probably always will be. This encouse above deem't appear to have been hooked up for any especial acuit attention. It's like the circus of least year and the year before that, and so on back to the time when a "thrilles" or a hig freak was made the circus. Without either it is just ding determine. Without either it is given over soledy to but two acts.

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rooms.
In another display Bird Millman was featured, but it looks as though Bird insisted upon it, for she stailed until all others had left the rings, when she started on her fast work. In this display were Van and Belle, who caught attention with their hoomerang throwing. They seem to have dunlicated their act for the circus, as another couple at the further end did the same thing. Mile. Nadje made something out of her figure, which

is programed, and Ruth Budd was also billed, but did not appear.

The show looked abort of canvamen. Opening so quickly after starting rehearsal could have accounted for anything out of the normal routine that occurred the first show. A few things of minor importance did happen, a couple of waits being particularly notice-able.

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Other acts in the circus (taken from the program) are Prof. Carter (and his mule). Bradna and Derrick, Lady Alice's Peta, William Moser, The Davemports, Pear Vulyistakes, 4 Merrillo Sistera. The Silbons, The Paidrens, 5 Brunco, Four Comrades, The Pandows, Hart Bros., Martens and Arens, Tiebor's Seals, Pallenberg's Sears, Miss Canay's Bears, Capt. Well's Asimals, Redriques Bros., Weless Troupe, The Millieth, Parofi Troupe, The Arieys, Burson and Jones (becmerage throwers), Dakon Troupe, Plochiani Troupe, Bigart-Silbons, Six Naspolitans.

The closest the clowns got te funniaces was when operating a steam roller.

The BB Circus seems framed all right if real war arrives.

20TH CENTURY MAIDS.

"The 20th Century Maids," under the direction of the Theatrical Operating Co., present a two-act burlesque, with an attendant pan-

two-act burlesqua, with an attendant pantomimic noveity, more or less of a revised edition of the Apache Dence, the whole being entitled "The Aviator." The piece was produced under the direction of John G. Jermon. The show, from a reproduction standpoint, is entirely adequate in scenic end cocatume investiture, end the cast is particularly strong on principal men, who handle their portion in a most satisfactory manner. Nine principals and a chorus of 18 girls and six men. The male voices strengthen and give the production the appearance of being a big show.

Of the women principals Drena Mack, the prima donna, stands out because of ability, looks and werdrohe. In all of these essentials he is right up with the procession of prima donnas in the greater part of the \$2 productions on Broadway. There is lacking, however, a good gingery souhret who can put numbers over. A rilne Donaire attempts the role that would naturally be designated as that of the souhret, but it is too large for the girlish costumes she effects. Merie Donia is the other of the souhret, but it is too large for the girlish costumes she effects. Merie Donia is the third woman principal. She carries a couple of numbers over in the early section, but shines to greetest advantage in the partice but he sarobatic feature dance.

James Barton is the principal comedian, ahly assisted by John Barry, the dancing specielty of the two in the first act being one of the features. A capahle straight is played by James Howell, and the juvenile leed is carried by Waiter Morrison, who displays a voice to great advantage. Two minor roles in the first pert are played by Arthur Young and Jules LaBarbe.

"The Aviator" is divided into two acts. The action centers shout the efforts of en American confidence man to engineer a fraud by having a pair of American tramps impersonete a world famous aviator and hie methanician, so the con man nen onten the methanician, so the con man nen onten the methanician, so the con making any number of girls. A little clog attached to t

PALACE.

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The Palace has quite a heavy hill this week, in so far as a couple of the star turns run very long, making a late performance. The Monday sttendance was hig, albeit nice weather and Holy Week were against a how office showing.

May Irwin (New Acts) is the attraction Mins Irwin appeared second after intermission and on this program, next to closing, Marck's Lion closing the show. "Patria" opened.

An act piaying the Palace for the first time is "The Headliners," with Henry B. Toomer featured. It is a Lewis & Gordon production, first showing at the Fifth Avenue some months ago, than going west on a route that has kept it out of town until about now. It's a comedy bare stage act by Aaron Hofman, staged by Al Lewie. Mr. Toomer and Mr. Lewis seem to have done the most for it. Mr. Toomer gives an excellent performance of the blick ector in a vaudeville two-man act, while Mr. Lewis put on the pleos very well. It's about Gawn and Lunn, "refined song and dance artists," headlining at Markowitz' Heppy Hour theatrs. On the same program according to a three-sheet outside are "The Giris from the Morgue" and Joe Miller. Gawn and Dunn rehearse a "goat" geg outside the house, but when appearing upon the stage Dunn forgets the point and Gawn, who says he always makes a speech after the third bow, gets the hird while talking. They ere then canned, hat afterwards word is sent there was a mistake—it was May Blossom, a soubret, who got the air. Miss Blossom meets the couple outside. Her husband is Dunn. They had split a few months before because Dunn remained out until 12.40, and upon returning home told hie wife he had been to a spaghettl party. Then comes a reconciliation. Mr. Hoffman has employed about all the sure fires hare stage acts have ever had. There are one or two new lines, but there is nothing original or novel in the turn, it depending solely upon the manner in which it is played. Certain houses have not seen too many of this type and they will enjoy it. Written technically of the small time, all big time andiences will not get all of it. Marty Woodward is Dunn and Esther Drew the sonbret, while the soft pert of a stage manager is taken by Frank Mitchell.

Closing the first part were Maud Lambert and Ernest Ball in their spring reunion for vaudeville. Miss Lambert sang popular numbers and Mr. Ball sang his own compositions, besides which the act is running too long, one of its first fauits. The main principals

ALHAMBRA.

Two things proved at the Athambra Monday night. They are that an acrohatic ect with an unusual routine can go into a hill in the third position and become one of the applicate hits of the evening, and that Jim and Betty Morgan, in second half, in a house slightly more intimate than the Colonial, can clean up a solid success.

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Incidentally the Athambra was one of the host there in some time. It was a show that ran smoothly, beginning with a thrill and cuiminating with a terrific laugh supplied by Savoy and Brennan. Monday night there were a couple of rows at the rear vacant.

The Hearst-Fethe news weekly opened, the portion of the film that is recruiting propaganda meeting with an enthusiastic reception, end the fing wave at the finish was the signal for cheers. Noack, who opened, ren through aix minutes of chair belencing thet hrought applause. A brief announcement there ere no catche a reference of any sort employed on the apparatus could be made. Noack tries to convey this by pantomime, but it does not seem to drive the impression home. Lola Wentworth (New Acts) seemed a little too good for the second spot while the audience was still waiking in on her.

The Reth Brothers in the third spot occupied exactly five minutes, but those five minutes were enough. They work with en cane and skill that instantly wins the admiration of the sudience, and the feet that they run through their feats of strength without ony misses or stailing hrings them unlimited applause. They were one of the genuine hits.

Grace Leigh and Deve Jones in "Love Gambiers" were a distinct bit, the work of Jones standing out to adventage. He has improved to a remerkable extent in the least few years, end now hids fair to step hard on the laurels that heve heen bestowed on Sam Bernard as a creetor of eccentric German characters. The act was a lauth from sert to finish, but Miss Leight's delivery of lines was faulty et times. Mrs. Thomas Whifen and Co. closed the first part, scoring.

The Morgans, opening the second half, waiked right on efter a iengthy intermission, which gave the audience a chance to get comfortably sected, and they were there from the start. Salile Fisher

ROYAL.

Holy Week in the strike zone failed in any visible manner to effect business, the neighbood houses carrying their usual severage attendance, with Kelth's Royal getting the breaks on husiness, possibly because of the program which registered strictly up to big time calibre from heginning to end. There were standees aplenty at the Royal, the house filling rather early with the "sold out" sign

coming into sight before 8 o'clock. And the Royal business was not accidental, because just across the street et Loew's National, thoroughly picketed, the attendance was right up to the normel point.

The Royal show this week is a genuine treat for the Bronxites for the edmission fee, carrying a trie of specialities that could individually topline any big, time house in America. Nen Halperin is given the top honors, but Sam and Kitty Morton and Lubowske could have shouldered the responsibility with little worry.

The hill opened with the customary Pathe pictorial and through the patriotic views received a flying start that never lost its speed. Frank Le Dent with his familiar juggling turn was in the first vaudeville spot and went through his routine without a single miss. Le Dent has added some smart comedy to the act, and this helped to a degree. He is a good opening turn and was fully appreciated. Caryl and Flynn, a planist and male tenor singer, drew a safe hit with a group of fairly well picked numbers, the tenor cinching the returns with his closing medley. "Hewalian Butterfly" does not belong in the repertoire, for it takes away from the clessic impression registered prior to its introduction, it may be a good song in its own wey, hut not for an ect of this nature. An Irish tenor and a Hawaiian "rag" numbey don't jibe well. Otherwise the turn as played should carry this couple through. Rice and Worner (New Acts) came next in order and then followed a hit in Dyer and Fay. The hilling is deceptive for the third member of the combination, a decidedly pretty girl with a good voice, does much to eld in its success. Fay's comicalities soon connected end the house went through a continual laugh during their stay.

Lubowske closed the first division of the hill with a preparance of the two youngsters at the finale signaled continuel appleuse, and from that angle the Mortons earned all honors. Nan Helperin ceme next and she, too, went exceptionally well. The Nicholas-Neison Troupe, e combination of hoopists, clos

FIFTH AVENUE.

The Fifth Avenue had a middling bill the first haif. Some of the acts were new, others not, with the stand-by of the house, Mabei Burke, in illustrated songs still there. It's two years Miss Burke has been the ill. song singer of the theatre. She's es popular with the audience as the house itself. This week Miss Burke is singing "Let's Ali Be Americans Now" to an animated picture. Sund the singer is a riot with it. Of nice personelity and owning a voice Miss Burke is the Fifth Avenue's permanent ettrection.

The show opened with the White Trio, two men and a woman on the rings. They did some good tricks in that line and would heve a hetter effect if working in a semi-light throughout, as all are dressed in white with white apparatus. The principal male member does one remerkehe lifting trick. Millington end Pauli (New Acts) were next, followed by Hill and Ackerman, the comedy acrobats.

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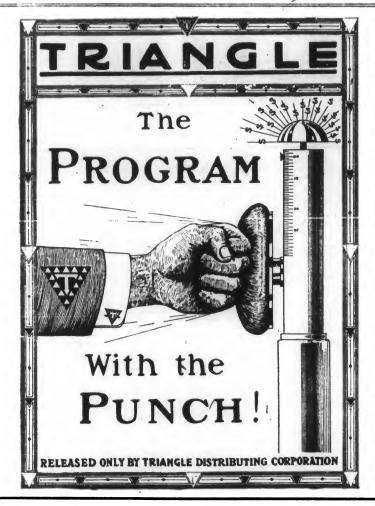
Hill end Ackerman are the first humpstiect to hold taik, but they have gotten so fareway from the Rice and Prevost idea the turn can't he so classed. It's e pure comedy ec, and with hut little change is going to be a corking good one, good enough for any hill. The woman in the turn suffered from a bad cold Monday night. She is important and works well Little things in the act show the men are giving it considerable thought and they ere certainly huliding up a very laughable turn. Their wire acrobatic finish got them roars of laughter.

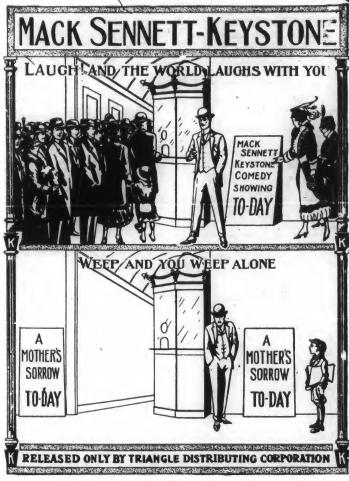
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AMERICAN ROOF.

The American show the first half was one of the oddeat that house has ever had. The predominating feature was the number of turns which dealt with the inner workings of show business, three sets heing devoted entirely or in part to e certain phase of theatre life. From coneral annourances the sudience enjoyed the idea, but it was served up in too large a quantity to garner the hest returns. Jack Onri, a juggler, opened. He is a juggler along original lines this work is clean cut and routined in a snappy manner. Morria and Braun, two girls, in "A Professional Tryout," a dressing room skit with songs, were No. S. The girls, both of whom are large, have a goodly smount of person-(Continued on page 30.)

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With the filing of incorporation papers in Delaware with a capital of \$3,000,000 last week, the big merger of accessory and supply houses which has been in the process of forming took another step toward final organization.

This merger will be the first honest-to-goodness one in the film industry, and will include practically every sup-ply concern in the country of any prominence.

In addition to the supply houses themselves, several machine manufac-turers are known to have participated in the final arrangements and may become an integral part of the new corporation. Almost every participant in the combine is a holder of an exclusive franchise in his territory on Power and Simplex machines, which in itself would practically sew up the situation as far as Power and Simplex are concerned.

It is known other manufacturers have requested consideration in the plans when formulated, but whether or not it is the intention to handle other makes is one of the details that remains to worked out. This is virtually true of National carbons, who have exclusive agents among the participants in the merger, and whether this means

that National carbons will be solely handled by the amalgamation is another point to be decided. In the latter case, however, it is hardly probable that the National Carbon Co. will become a part of the combine, while the machine manufacturers may, so that it would not be working at cross purposes to handle other makes of carbons. The exclusive agencies are virtually a monopoly themselves, as no other supply house in the same territory can handle them, and National carbons, since the war started and excluded the imported makes like Electra and Bio, have been enjoying the largest sales of their career. There are other carbon makers in this country, but their sales are insignificent in comparison, so that the new combine will practically handle the entire output.

Among exhibitors it is agreed that Among exhibitors it is agreed that the merger is a step forward in the industry, especially those who have theatres in outlying sections, miles away from the nearest supply house. In the event of a breakdown or the in-stallation of new machines the suburban exhibitor is handicapped by his lack of knowledge on the subject, and often keeps his theatre dark while the trouble is being adjusted, which usually takes

from two to three days, depending upon the distance of the theatre from the nearest supply house.

One of the plans of the new corporation calls for the establishment of numerous depots all over the country for just such a purpose, and it is this that meets with the exhibitors' approval.

The film manufacturers are also watching the progress of the merger with considerable interest, and according to one of the prime movers they are ready to combine in the same way just as soon as every detail is com-pleted. Considerable credit for the success of the plan should go to Harry Edwards, president of the Picture Theatre Equipment Co., who is one of the prime movers in the scheme. Mr. Edwards will probably be elected president of the new concern.

NEW SELZNICK COMPANIES.

Boston, April 4.

The Lewis J. Selznick Enterprises Corporation has been formed here, with a capitalization of \$400,000, to handle the future Selznick pictures other than the Clara Kimball Young productions, tory is in the hands of Hiram Abrams. The latter will have no financial connection with the new concern.

Des Moines, April 4.
The Lewis J. Selznick Productions
Co. of St. Louis, capital stock \$300,000, has been formed for the handling of the Selznick releases in the territory in and surrounding Kansas City, Des Moines and St. Louis.

Asked about the new concerns, Mr. Selznick stated he was dissatisfied with the manner in which the Clara Kimball Young pictures were being distributed in conjunction with other pictures handled by the same concern, and that he proposed to release through his own exchange in New England, and if he could show that other stars he controlled, of possibly minor repute, could command better prices, he would apply to a court of equity to have his present

Abrams contract canceled.

Regarding the new St. Louis corporation, he stated that A. H. Blanke, of Des Moines, had purchased a half interest in the Sclznick releases for that territory and the new corporation was formed for that purpose.

New Policy of General Film Meets Hearty Reception

Beginning January 1, 1917, General Film Company adopted these new policies in the method of distributing film:

1—The system of renting weekly programs, so many reels for a given amount, was abolished. Each subject issued after January 1st is rented individually and at a given rental.

2—It is not necessary for any theatre to book any number of subjects in order to get the products it desires.

3—Theatres can book any General Film production desired independently of other releases handled by us.

It is a gratifying indication of the dawn of a better day in the motion picture industry that this new policy has met with the hearty approval of theatres throughout the country. A closer relationship and a more genuine and satisfying co-operation between General Film and its customers is already apparent.

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MOVING PICTURES

TRIANGLE'S INNOVATION.

It has been learned from authorita-tive sources that the new Triangle Triangle booking policy, as exclusively fore-casted in last week's VARIETY, is in the casted in last week's VARIBTY, is in the nature of a compromise between program and open bookings, designed to afford the exhibitor a choice of both. An official statement, giving the details of the plan, will probably be issued by Triangle before the close of the current week.

Instead of releasing eight program pictures a month the new plans call for the release of seven and one superpicture of a national character, which will be s.!d on the open market, giving Triangle franchise holders first option. These pictures will probably be on the order of Thomas Ince's "Civilization," or Mabel Normand in "Mickey," which is slated to be one of the early super

Triangle still has several Bessie Barriscale and Mae Marsh pictures on the shelf scheduled for early release.

Marie Empress Denies.

Marie Empress denies the report that she is to return to pictures. She has contributed her services as an English Red Cross nurse and sails for London in about ten days to take up that work.

EDITH STOREY FILM CORP.

The Edith Storey Film Corporation is in process of formation, organized for the purpose of exploiting Miss Storey as a film star, the pictures to be put out as special releases. Report has it the pictures will be-come part of the Selznick releases.

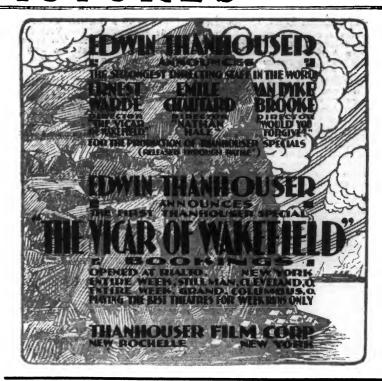
OBJECTS TO REBATE TICKETS.

Arteraft shot a hot letter to the manager of one of the leading circuits of theatres last week threatening to cancel all contracts if rebate tickets were issued in connection with the showing of "A Poor Little Rich Girl." This action was taken after vigorous protests were made by exhibitors, who decried the action of the big circuits in mak-ing possible a nickel admission on such an attraction. The circuit promised not to issue rebates in the future.

Constance Talmadge Coming.

Los Angeles, April 4.

Constance Talmadge is en route to New York, and it is understood she has commissioned her sister Norma to secure for her an eastern engagement as a screen star.



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MOVING PICTURES

COMPOSERS ISSUE EDICT.

The American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers sent another letter to the aghibitors on Wednesday setting April 8 as the final date on which the motion picture theatres could use the music of its members.

After that date the society threatens to institute proceedings, alleging infringment on the copyright law, to recover damages of the rate of \$10 per performance, unless the exhibitor took out a license.

The Brooklyn exhibitors at a meeting held last Saturday decided that if necessary they would discontinue using the music of the "Society," preferring, on account of the national importance of the question, to defer action until the National Convention in July at Chi-CREO.

NEW KEYSTONE SCHEDULE.

Triangle sent an announcement to its exhibitors this week that all new contracts on the Mack Sennett Keystone comedies would be moved back three comedies would be moved back three weeks, on play days after eight weeks from release date. This was made necessary by the big demand for play dates at the \$10 a day schedule, virtually 90 per cent. of all bookings being at

Under the new arrangement Triangle has extended the \$10 period for an additional 21 days, which will enable it to take care of all this class of business without having to buy additional prints, as would be necessary under the previous schedule.

"PATRIA" COMPLICATIONS.

As an aftermath to the International-Pathe combination, International finds suits, the result of contracts being placed on "Patria" by Pathe aftir International had prior contracts in the

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"SPOILERS' " UNUSUAL POLICY.

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Following a two-year withdrawal of
"The Spoilers" in New York State, it
is announced that the "De Luxe" edition of same, which has only commenced booking in New York State,
will be completely withdrawn following the expiration of six "available"
months beginning April 15. It will not
then be available for booking for a
two-year term, to wit: until Oct. 15,
1919. The 1917 showings commence
with the Keith, Proctor and Moss circuits in Greater New York and up-

State at Proctor's, Albany, and the Family, Buffalo. Explaining the withdrawal policy, C. C. Leftus, representing the owners, states:

"A 'complete withdrawal' policy is in the interest of the attraction owner and the attraction booker. It has been

figured that no large attraction—film or otherwise—should stay continuous-ly on the market, and that a withdrawal from one to two years is the proper duration. The proof of this is that in the State of Pennsylvania. The Spoilers, as originally launed, played every picture house in the State down to the five and ten-cent houses, and that a year and a half later the owners booked the second edition into the largest legitimate theatres as a show, with big publicity, on a percentage basis, and did a business that is still the talk of Pennsylvania. 'The De Luxe Spoilers' enters the New York field under the same conditions of previous 'complete withdrawal.' And after six months it will exit with a 'constitute withdrawal' until Oct. 15, 1915.



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COAST PICTURE NEWS.

By GUY PRICE.

William Desmond was fined \$10 for speeding.

Jack Henderson, a movie actor, was probably fatally injured when a scaffold on which he was standing collapsed. Two other players ward burt.

Dorothy Dalton has taken a bungalow.

Clara Kimbail Young is in town.

Don Meaney has returned from New York,

W. E. Keefe, Griffith's right-hand publicity

It is planned by several stars now in the movies to repeat the open-air production of "Julias Caesar" this summer.

Roy Stewart has gone back to Universal

Mary O'Connor expects to affiliate herself rith a large picture concern. She has been conario editor for Fine Arts.

The Corone Flim Company has completed "The Curse of Eve."

William Parker has signed to write for Fox.

Kenneth O'Hara has resigned as Ince publicist. J. Keeler aucceeds him.

Carmen Phlilipa has returned from San Diego.

Haroid Lockwood and company of Yorke-Metro players have returned from Arizona.

Fay Tincher is back from a trip to El Paso. Margaret Gibson has joined the Christie comedy company.

Rex Beach did not come to see the initial roduction of his film, "The Barrier," in the rest, as was expected.

Someone broke into the home of Helen Hoimes and stole valuables to the extent of several hundred dollars.

William Fox has taken personal charge of his local studios. He intends to be in the West several weeks more.

Herbert Standing had a birthday party this week. Several dozen guests were present.

T. L. Taily is to give free concerts at his Broadway theatre on Sunday mornings between 11 and 12.

Woodley's now changes bill on Sunday in-ead of Monday since Manager Holland took

John Jasper has resigned from the David Horsley studio.

Anita King escaped injury when her autowas wrecked a few nights ago.

The cameramen of Los Angeles gave their annual ball at the Alexandria Saturday night

House Peters has quit the Pallas.

Frank Eliiott has "acttled down" in Holly-wood, having taken a lease on a bungalow.

Donaid Bowies is vacationing, having quit Lasky's.

It is rumored W. H. Clune will erect a big movie house at Broadway and Ninth, on prop-erty owned by him.

GIRL IN THE CHECKERED COAT.

GIRL IN THE CHECKERED CUAL.

Mary Graham

"Flash" Fan
Ann Maitland. Mrs. A. E. Witting
Hector Maitland. Lon Chaney
David Norman. William Stowell

"The Girl in the Checkered Coat" is a Bluebird release acheduled for April 23, story by
E. Magnus Ingleton, acenario by Ida May Park,
directed by Joseph DeGrasse, photographed by
King Gray, featuring Dorothy Philips. Miss
Phillips has two roles, a good and a wayward
sister, and the contrasting characterizations
are the points of the production. The story,
is distinctly melodramatic in plot and treatment, very well produced and photographed,
but not unusus! in theme. It is interesting
and will satisfy on almost any program.

HARRY LEONHARDT TO BUILD.

San Francisco, April 4. Harry Leonhardt arrived here last week from Los Angeles, where he completed arrangements for a new incor-poration to be known as the Strand Amusement Co., with a capital stock of \$50,000. The directors are Harry Leon hardt, Fred A. Miller and Roy G. Mil-

It is the intention of the new cor poration to erect a picture house in Los Angeles with a very large seating ca-pacity. Other information could not be learned, although the site selected is within the downtown district,

PICTURES MOVING

NEW INCORPORATIONS.

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Peter Ibbetteen Ce., Heo., \$12,000; A. A. Raphael, E. Brettenfeld, B. Sholes.

Ince Prednetiens, Inc., Brightwaters, \$10,000; J. E. and R. W. Ince., J. Gorman.

Commercial Feature Films, Inc., Bronx, \$10,000; H. W. Kiralfy, L. F. Kunis, C. M. Seay.

The following corporations were chartered at Albany in the last week:

The Commenwealth Commedy Ce., Inc., Bronx: theatrical, motion picture films, \$10,000; G. Mukenback, A. A. and J. S. Kieln.

Breadway Metion Picture Films Sales Corp.: motion pictures; \$10,000; W. Breisacher, A. Feier, A. Sharp.

H. Gressman Distributing Ce., Inc., motion picture films, apparatus; \$25,000; H. Ginsborg, W. G. Killer, Jr., C. H. Hunter.

Players Predneing Ce. of America, Inc.,

motion picture films, apparatus: \$5,000; H. Ginsborg, W. G. Miller, Jr., C. H. Hunter.

Pinyers' Preducing Co. of America, Inc.; theatres, motion pictures photo viays; \$5,000; S. E. Ginsburg, H. R. Hechheimer, F. M. Smith.

Percupine Publishing Corp.; printing, publishing, motion pictures; \$35,000; P. E. Adams, D. W. Morgan, J. L. Ford, Hamilton Motion Pictures service Corp.; spotlight diffusers, motion pictures, non-ficker projector devices, mechanical devices, etc.; \$500,000; E. J. Hariam, T. J. Meehan, F. C. Hamilton.

The Grace Amanement Co., Brooklyn: theatre proprietor; \$3,000; Morris and Bessie Isenfeld, M. Falk.

Aheadoft Pictorial Co., Inc.; motion pictures; \$5,000; N. R. Green, G. E. Mossel, H. J. Simon.

B. C. Phote Mountings Co., Inc.; film, photographic work, etc.; \$5,000; H. M. Weissfield, S. Esert, B. Chaikovsky.

J. N. W. Syndicate, Inc.; moying pictures, matter for publication; \$10,000; H. M. Weissfield, S. Esert, B. Chaikovsky.

J. N. W. Syndicate, Inc.; moying pictures, matter for publication; \$10,000; H. B. Revnolds, N. M. Stern.

Brenx Exposition Co., Inc.; multiple amusement resort, permanent exposition, restaurants, etc.; \$5,000, shares, \$100 each, 100,000 shares, no par value; active capital, \$1,000,000 (tax paid \$5,250); C. W. Hobbs. F. V. Peterson. W. Andrus.

Sheer's Amusement Enterprises, Inc., Queens; motion pictures, theaters: \$25,000; S. Gallucci, D. and S. Eheor, Jr.

Advanced Metion Pictures Corp.; motion pictures; \$30,000; A. J. Wolff, A. B. Stokes.

Perfection Slide and Pictures Corp.; sildes for lanterns, moving picture ma-

000. M. E. O'Brien, W. B. Robinson, E. A. Stokes.
Stokes.
Perfection Slide and Pictures Corp.; slides for lanterns, moving picture machines, posters, advertising novelties, theatrical accessories; \$10,000; A. S. and F. A. Apfelbaum.
Ra-Ta-Plan Comic Opera Co., Inc.; produce comic opera; \$10,000; J. P. Beal, M. O'Connor, J. J. Griffin.
Lea Herrick, Inc.; theatres, amusement resorts, restaurants, motion pictures; \$10,000; F. M. Quigley, H. Nifet, J. J. McManus.
New York Film Producing Corpn., motion pictures; \$10,000; N. Akst, W. Breisacher, J. F. Cody.
Authorizations:
Beltine Syndicate, Inc., Wilmington, Del.; moving pictures, talking and projecting machines, photography; \$135,000; representative, E. E. Borcham.

"BIRTH CONTROL" PASSED.

"Birth Control" was passed by the National Board of Reviews last Fri-day afternoon and the delicate subject was handled with such deft touch and intelligence that the censors passed the picture without so much as an elimination of a sub-title, not to speak of a

SELZNICK'S BROTHER BUSY.

Cincinnati, April 4.
Phil Selznick, brother of the inimitable L. J., has opened an office in this city to give publicity to film actors. His stunt is to have them appear in person at theatres. He will bring Christine Mayo to the Middle West, April 22, in conjunction with the showing in this vicinity of a feature in which she is starring.

Film Corporation Dissolved.

Portland, Me., April 4.

The Famous Film Players, which was organized in this city on May 15, 1915, with a capital of \$2.500.000, has been terminated and dissolved by the order of the Supreme Court.

CAPELLANI WITH PATHE.

Albert Capellani, one of the Selznick directors, will shortly retire and is about to sign with Pathe.

DISCUSSING OPEN MARKET.

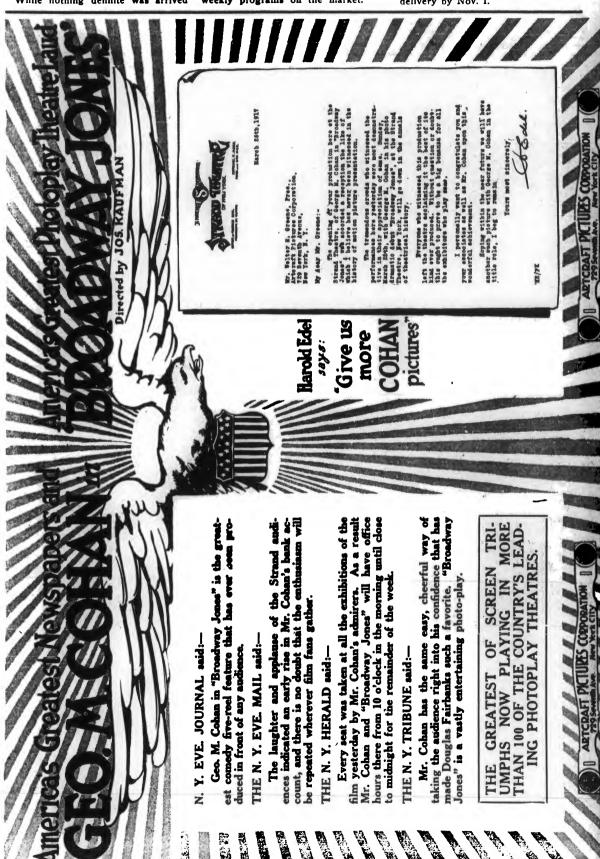
An important conference of the executives of one of the principal weekly program release companies took place last week. The conference was called for the purpose of determin-ing the advisability of changing the policy of the company.

While nothing definite was arrived

at, it is known that the open market was thoroughly discussed, and that im-mediate action was forstalled by the mediate action was forstalled by the fact that negotiations are pending to merge with other companies. A remarkable fact brought out at the conference was that business had dropped over 25 per cent. since last August. This concern is making one of the best weekly programs on the market.

NEW ONE IN YOUNGSTOWN.

Youngstown, O., April 4.
Contracts have been awarded by the Federal Holding Company for the erection of a \$250,000 photoplay theatre at Federal and Hazel streets, in the heart of the shopping district. Frank Farrington Co., of Detroit, is to build it, the terms of the contract calling for delivery by Nov 1 delivery by Nov. 1.



FILM REVIEWS

HER GREATER LOVE.

Oulda's "Moths," a novel which attracted a lot of attention forty years ago, and is still widely read, Theda Bara has a chance to get away from her vampire roles, and makes the most of it. The play was directed by J. Gor-don Edwards, from the scenario by Adrian Johnson, and the picture of the Fox star as an innocent young English girt, Vere Her-bert, introduced for the first time to the de-

lights and allurements of a southern France watering piacs and the mysteries of a enepiece bathing suit, reveals a new phase of her art. In the story she, while in love with Correst, an opera singer, is invelgied by her ambitious and untruthful mother into marriage with a Russian Prince who has a noble name and nothing size noble. She finds the Prince still retains a former mistress in the castle, and there is a dramatic scene in which Vers is given her choice of allowing the mistress to remain, or going to the Prince's Siberian estate (in which case the mistress would stay on just the same). She chooses Siberia, and is followed by the singer, who urges her to divorce her husband and marry him. While they are arguing the Prince comes in, having arrived in a hurry without notice. Lord Jura, the friend of the

singer, knocks the Prince down, there is a duel, both the Prince and the Lord are killed, and the Princess is free to marrry the singer. While it takes some stretch of the imagination to see Russia in some of the Russian scenes, there is no doubt about the bathing beach episodes, and through it all there is avidence of conscientious work on the part of the piayers. The settings are beautiful—some of them—and the lighting effects issue eaching to be desired. The piece belongs to the better class of program offerings, and is a shade above the average Fox release. One good point about it is the change of the ending from the Ouida story, in which the Prince is not killed in the duel but Vers leaves him and goes to live with the singer, regardless of the conventions, and is depicted as being ideally happy.



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Diana CurranMarguerite Sno
WrenshawRobert Clugate

EVEN AS YOU AND L

Carrillo Bea Wilson
Selma Mignon Anderson
An Artist Bertram Grassby
His Wife Priscilla Dana
Saturniska Harry Cartee
Cleo (a Harpy) Meud George

Saturniska Harry Carter Cloo (a Harpy). Harry Carter Cloo (a Harpy). Heavy Carter Cloo (a Carter Cloo) and the source of artists may be a bit pesselling to those who witness this serven-part cinema allegory, but the fact that he does serves as a peg on which the hann the moral tucked away in the story. Lois Weber has produced a play which will interest fully as much by its speciacular effects, its skillful handling of the camera ha double and triple exposures, and its lurid scenes in the infernal regions, ea by the hinly disguised lesson that dripk will ecosmiplish what poverty, toust and suspicion fall to do. The devil sends imps to try and bring Carrillo and Selms to the lower regions, but they are guarded by Love, Youth end Honor, and the efforts are failures until Drink stacks them, when the couple give way. Wisdom and Experience cannot save them, but Coyalty finally works a regeneration, and the couple start life over again, minus Lova, Youth and Honor, but with Wiedom and Experience. The whole production is reminiscent of "Everwoman" and similar plays, and some motion pictures which heve preceded it, notably "The Warning," in which Henry Kolker was the victim of drink, but he went to Hell (in his vision) and returned sadder and wiser. All this is no discredit, and there is no hint of plagtarism, for Maud Grange's scenario of the story by Willis Woode has been handled in marterly fashion, and the production, while a little long for the sverace program, is worth all the time it takes, and should be a good drawing eard.

FORGET-ME-NOT.

WOMANHOOD.

Mary WardAlice J	OTOS
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Marshal Prince DarioJoseph Kil	ROUP
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Alice RenfrowPeggy Hy	land
Philip WardJames Mori	Leon
Jane StrongNaomi Chi	dera
Julia StrongMary Mary	rice
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THE BOND BETWEEN.

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Pierre Duvai
Hans von MeyernickJohn Burton
Feole ZeinarNigel De Bruiller
Carl RiminossPaul Welgel
Jacques DuvalColiu Chase
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Raoui Vaux. Eugene Pailette John Fownes. W. H. Bainbridge Eilen Ingram. Vola Vale
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A Pallas-Paramount production that has
George Behan as its author and star. The
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latter fact is enough to assure a picture worthy of consideration by the managers of
the best, and in this case their confidence will
not be abused. Beban is playing a role of the
tens that might well be expected from a
type that might well be expected from a David Warfield or a Louis Manu, and playing
it in such manuer that it will win him praise
wherever the production is shown. The story
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cipal theme the father's love for his son, who
is rather a wild youngster, but who finally
settles down, marries and justifies his parent's
belief in him. The scenes are laid in the Red Ink Restaurant district of New York,
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where many little innovations in a comedy
way are offered under the guise that this is
Bohemian life as practiced in the artist quarter of New York. There is also a melo-
ter of New York. There is also a melo-
dramatic tings to the story, furnished by an
art collector, who works mainly at night
with the aid of a sharp knife, and his scheme
to discusse the masternicess until such time
as the hubbub over their loss has subsided
and he can safely offer them on the market.
The police of two continents are after the
this and the American secret service is in-
cluded in the mad scramble to catch him. A
little American girl, one of the S. S. oper-
atives, is assigned to handle the case. She
falls in love with the old music teacher's son,
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and when the bungling police officers accuse him and the father of being the crooks she
manages to be on the job and clears them by
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landing the real offenders, and all ends hap- plly. The technical detail of the picture is
splendid and the characters in the old Italian
table d'hote are well selected types. It is a good feature and will entertain in any locality
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and any type of audience. Fred.

JOHN L. INCORPORATES.

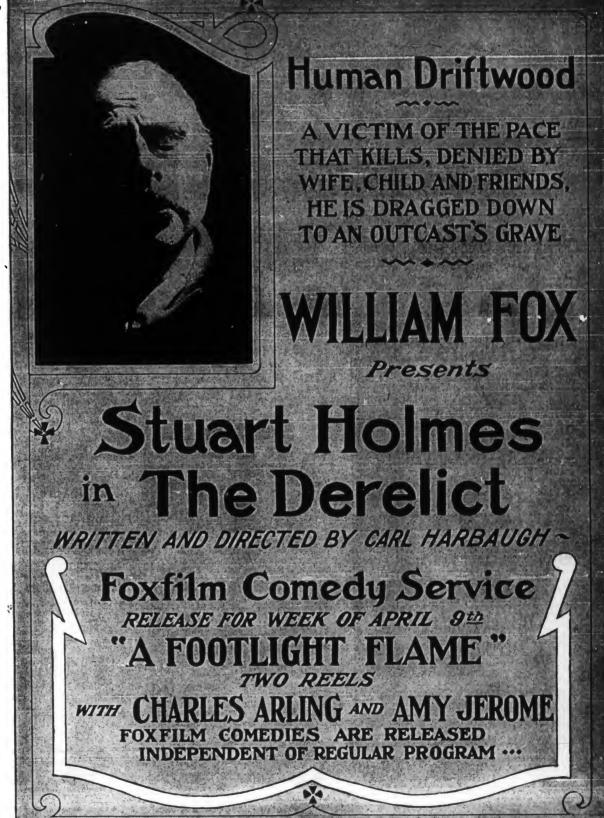
Boston, April 4.

John L. Sullivan, the retired pugilist, has received a charter incorporating himself as a \$60,000 motion picture company under the Massachusetts laws. It is announced he intends to produce in New York with Jake Kilrain, and

possibly Jim Corbett, several pictures reproducing their historic battles. He then intends to route a lecture tour for himself, talking with the pictures and carrying several small acts that will make the entire performance run over two hours.

Sullivan is president of the corporation and Attorney Clarence W. Row-

ley is treasurer. Sullivan is now living on a farm in North Abington, Mass., is in excellent health, and elated at the receptions he has received in his intermittent vaudeville ventures as a single. He is an ardent temperance advocate, and his story of his battle with John Barleycorn makes his act capable of being played up in the small dry towns.



FILM REVIEWS

GOD'S MAN.

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Carol Caton
Mrs. Pickens
Hugo Waldemar
John Weidemer William Frederics
Tom Duscoughe
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SORIE Chanelli
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"Reau"
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"Bertle" Barbara Castleton Eunice Jarbara Control Haus Sydney Vorsimer Archie Hartogensis Edward Earle Hartogensis, Sr Harry Sytinge Carol Caton Marion Fouche Mrs Pickens Ricca Alien Hugo Waldemar William Frederics The Philosopher Tom Burroughs The Philosopher's Niece Marion Cumming Mother Mybus Maud de Vere Sonia Jean Stuart "Pink" Dan Jarrett Quimby Quivvers. Sydney D'Alhrook In this pretentious production by the Froh- man Amusement Corporation, an attempt has
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THE WAR ON THREE FRONTS.

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Under this title there have been prepared for release, through the exchanges of the Seiznick enterprises, six reels of war pictures, selected from many thousands of feet of negative taken by Capt. F. E. Kleinschmidt from the inside of the Austrian lines on the Russian, Balkan and Italian fronts. There have been many scalied war pictures shown, but these are genuine, and their very authenticity is one reason why the attempt to spread them broadcast through the motion picture theatres of the country at this time is an example of extremely had taste, if not worse. Entirely aside from the question of the horribly gruesome scenes shown, or the scientific value of the submarine and aeropiane pictures, if they have any, the pictures show nothing but triumph and success for the Austrian and German troops, and there is a weil-grounded opinion that they are in fact propaganda of a kind designed to strike terror to the hearts of those who would oppose the might of the Central Empires. They make no appeal to anything American, and they will certainly antagonize everyone who is not pro-German. From a business point of view, it would seem had policy to put them out, and there is no other reason, artistic, ethical, educational, military or scientific, why they should be exhibited. On the contrary, reasons why they should be barred from exhibition are plenty and walld. America is not the place and this is not the time for the exploitation on the screen of the doctrine of German "frightfulness" of which this group of pictures is a shining and shocking example, unless those responsible for their display do not care how violent a storm of indignation they arouse.

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While Vitagraph is to be commended for having sitempted a really artistic production, and carried out the project to a nicety, it is to be regretted that "The More Excellent Way" is too delicate for general popularity with picture patrons. It is a story by Cyrus Townsend Brady, directed by Perry Vekroff, with such sterling actors as Anita Stewart, Charles Richman, Charles A. Stevenson, etc., in the cast, it is a twist in the eternal triangle situation, the psychology of which is altowether too subtle for picturizing. It belonks more to the prevince of the novelist, Miss Stewart was never seen to better advantage and the prevince of the novelist, was viewed by a Varlety representative in a popular-priced vanderline house in New York, where the audience failed utterly to "get" the fine points.

THE WEB OF LIFE.

Kitty Trent	Hilda Nord
Tom Wilson	James Cruse
The Grandfather	Geo. Mess
The Father	Redfield Clarke
Vincent, his sonGe	o. Soule Spencer
The Valet	Billy Ouirk

Names of the author and director are omitted from the announcements of this five-reel photopiay by the Gold Medai Photoplayers, who present it, and perhaps it is just as well, for what was evidently intended to be the story of a wayward boy wou back to decency and clean living develops into an obviously padded spectacle in which "mellerdrammer" rivals the

unnecessary dragging of scenes, and points which should be well acted are made ludicrous by overacting. Vincent, spoiled as so many others have been by too much money, tries to put over a fake marriage with Kitty Trent, but the marriage is made legal through the persuasion of a revolver in the hands of Tom Wilson, who really loves the girl. Vincent speedily begins neglecting his bride, and when, after a child was born, she is compelled to ask Tom to help her out, there is a big mixup. Vincent's father abuses the girl verb-ally, denounces her as an adventuress, slams her to the floor with the baby in her arms, and departs glorying in his work. Tom comes

to the rescue, and is waiting on the girl when Vincent, in a fit of remorae, comes home and sees them. Result, a fight, Vincent's friend (Frank Holiand) rushes in, a shot, Tom hit. The friend rushes out, fails down the steps and dies, Vincent goes back to his grandfather, his father finds out his mistake, takes girl and baby to his home, Tom dies, and there is a general reconciliation, son, wife and child being installed in luxurious surroundings, and the dove of peace brooding over a household which it took two deaths to put on a right footing. No doubt there are some audiences to which the play will appeal, but it is to be hoped, for the sake of the general intelligence of the public, they are few. The play isn't worth while, even on a cheap program.

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SENSATIONAL SUCCESS

(N. Y. Journal).

"The Whip" is one of the most sensational melodramatic photoplay pictures that has ever been produced.

"The Whip" was played at the Manhattan Opera House for many and many a month, and undoubtedly thousands upon theusands have seen the speaking melodrama. I want to say right here that the thousands and thousands who have seen the production of "The Whip" must for their own satisfaction see "The Whip" in pictures, for surely everyone is interested in the fourth greatest industry in the world in the world.

There is one shot in this picture that is absolutely marvel-ous, and that is when the Saraous, and that is when the Saratoga Express hits the freight car containing the horse called "The Whip." But luckily "The Whip" has been removed before the Saratoga Express hits the

"THE WHIP" THRILLS

(N. Y. Times.)

It is said that eight months were consumed in making the film, whose numerous scenes do embrace a vast amount of de-tail. Some of the scenes of country life -of the training of the Whip, of the hunt club with its pack in full cry-are espe-cially fine. Then there are the exciting automobile smash-up, the stirring events preceding the race, and the race itself.

But most thrilling of all is the collision of the express train with the car in which the Whip was being transported. Those who saw the melodrama will recall the race between the motor car and the train, the removal of the horses in the nick of time from the car detached from the train by the villain, and the crash when the express caught up with the car. A real railroad and train were rented, and there is no doubt about the reality of the crash.

"THE WHIP" IN THE FILM IS ENTICING

(N. Y. American.)

Two record successes have aland two record successes have almedodrama, "The Whip," and yesterday afternoon it began what will surely be a third.
"The Whip" began its phenomenal career with a two years run at the Drury Lane

Theatre, London. Next came a one-year season when William A. Brady presented it at Manhattan Opera House in this city. Yesterday afternoon it was presented as a film play at the Park Theatre. * * *

All the great scenes are re-produced with telling effect, and many cases more thrilling than they were given on the stage. There is a fox hunt, for instance, which for dash, extent and actuality exceeds any-thing that can be shown in the confined area of the boards and make-believe scenery.

THE SCENE OF THE RAIL-ROAD ACCIDENT, TOO, IS NO PASTEBOARD THING. IT IS THE ACTUAL SMASH OF ONE TRAIN INTO AN-OTHER, A WILD THUNDER-ING RUSH, AND THEN THE BLAZING WRECKS ON THE TRACK-SIDE. * * *

ALTOGETHER "THE WHIP" IS A CLEAN WHOLESOME, STIRRING FILM PLAY OF THE GOOD OLD MELODRAMATIC SCHOOL THAT SENDS ONE HOME FEELING HEALTHILY EXCITED AND WITHOUT THE LEAST SUSPICION OF A BROWN TASTE IN THE MOUTH OR A DRAB THOUGHT IN THE BRAIN.

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FILM REVIEWS

ON RECORD.

Helen Wayne	te Murray
Rend CaiderTo	n Forman
Martin Ingleton Henry A	. Barrows
Frederick MansonCh	arles Ogle
Detective DunneLouis	Morrison
Mrs. CalderBliss	Chevalier

Through four and a half reels of this fivepart Lasky-Paramount production Mae Murray is the victim of a mistake, and there is a lot of film wasted in telling the story. In the last half-reel it is all cleared up, and the designing villain is thwarted, with satisfaction to all the othere in the dast except his employer. Padding is patent to even the most casual observer, and detracts from what would otherwise be an interesting production. Helen Wayne comes to New York from the country, gets a job, but is arrested by an oversealous detective, escapes confinement, but has her finger prints and photographs taken and placed on record. She becomes engaged to Calera a young inventor, and Manton, a rival inventor, gets an attorney (Ingleton) who knows of the court proceedings, to attempt the ruin of Calder by beating him to the patent office. Helen checks him in this, and in revenge he gets the girl and her mother, with Calder, whom he has induced to employ him as his attorney, to go to the Night Court, to see the wheels of justice go around. While there he

confronts the group with the story of the girl's arrest and record, hoping to break up the attachment between her and Calder. The judge listens to the whole atory, tears 4D the finger prints and photographs, orders the lawyer aut of the room, and the sun shines again for the persecuted but faithful girl. While hardly in accordance with court proceedings, the scene where the papers are destroyed is a dramatic moment, and there are some good lighting and photographic effects, but there is a drag through the early scenes which weekens the inserest and makes the play tirsome in places. The star's good work helps a jot, but on the whole it is only fair program material which would be improved by condensation and re-editing.

THE HIDDEN CHILDREN.

Euan Loskiei Harold Lockwood
Lois da Cqutrecoeur May Allison
Mayando Henry Herbert
Amochoi George MacDaniei
Lieut Boyd Lester Cuneo
Calvart A B Ellis
Gengral Sullivan Howard Davies
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There is a wealth of fine acting and beauti-[µl, "locations", in this five-part Yorke-Metro adaptation of Robert W. Chambers' novel of the same name, and the spirit of the storys has been followed with fidelity. Adapted and directed by Oscar Apfel, and photographed by Antonio Gaudio, the work of Harold Lockwood and May, Allison has been put on the acreen in adequate fashion, with a meritorious production as the result. The Indian scenes, the flight before the American troops, the Peast of Dreams, the White Bridal, and the fights, realistic and impressive, bear the stamp careful study and portrayal, and are, in their careful study and portrayal, and are, in their way, artistic achievements. The story is based on the Indian custom of adopting alfen childen into a tribe, and when they have, reached maturity sending them back, to implant new strains among their own people. Stan Lossiell, whose mother is in danger. From the St. Regis Indians, gives her sen, to have a sagamore of the Monicans, while the implant of Lois makes her a "Hidden Child", by sending her to a colonist as she is about to be sacrificed by the Iroquois. Each year the mother sends a little pair of mocasins to Lois, as a token that she is a "hidden child" by the Iroquois. Each year the mother sends a little pair of mocasins to Lois, as a token that she is a "hidden child" have sending the Mohicans, and in the expedition to faust the Iroquois enlists the services of Mayaro as guide to the headquarters of the Ooafederacy, in Catherines-town. Lois, every seeking her mother, who she has lawred her as a sorcerees, disguises herself as a camput follower, and trails after Mayaro and Ettail Mayaro reads the message of the mocasins. No learns that she is a "hidden child" and protects her from the mischances of the journey. Euan falls in love with her, finally wins her come fast friends, the two men being united by the bond of blood brotherhood. They will, not consent to her going on the dangerous journey to the hostile camp, but she follows them, and when discovered he Indians instet that, the ceremony of the White Bridal be performed over the two "hidden child" and protects her bed sacred. Reaching Catherinestown in time to witness the Feast of Dreams, for the Vale Yndisk, but Euan and Mayara fulfilled by the warriors of the Six Nationare fulfulled by the warriors of the Six Nationare fulful way, artistic achievements. The story is based on the Indian custom of adopting allen chil-

Motion Picture Drury Lane Production READ THE UNANIMOUS APPLAUSE

"A THRILLER" OUT-THRILLED

(N. Y. Mail.)

A thriller "outthrilled" best describes the screen version of "The Whip," and which will now go on the four-a-day schedule. And that is considerable thrilling, as will be attested to by those who saw the melodrama during its season run at the Manhattan Opera House.

It is said to have required eight months in preparation, and judging from the elaborateness there must have been a heavy "overtime" charge against the production to have crowded in the eight reels.

For downright thrillingness the railroad collision, which was meant to destroy the "dark" horse in the big race, and the actual running of the race the next day, have taken their places among the film's most exciting moments. In the first incident a full-fledged train is employed to crash into the boxcar, go over an embankment and then burn up.

BIG AND EXCITING

(N. Y. Globe.)

"The Whip," a stirring melodramatic photoplay, had its first screen production yesterday at the Park Theatre, and judging by the enthusiasm it aroused during the afternoon and evening another winner has been produced. The screen version is bigger and more exciting than the stage presentation.

HAS PLENTY OF SNAP

(N. Y. Tribune.)

"The Whip," shown at the Park Theatre yesterday, certainly has plenty of snap. The picture was directed by Maurice Tourneur, so one naturally expected it to be good, but one would be justified in using the superlative. * * *

One of the most gripping things that has ever been shown on the screen is the race between the motor car and the Saratoga Express, which is rushing on with certain death for The Whip.

The horse calmly walks out

of the boxcar just as the collision occurs, and it is a regular collision, too.

Add to this perfection of staging and detail an excellent cast and you have a few of the reasons why "The Whip" is one of the best photo-dramas produced this season. * * *

"The Whip" runs for two hours and is quite as fresh at the finish as at the getaway.

COMPLETE TRAIN DESTROYED

(Morning Sun)

"The Whip" will be known for its train wreck and racing scenes. It is probably one of the best train wrecks to be used in a motion picture play. It was staged recently at Greenwood, Md., and a complete train equipment was destroyed in the rear-end collision. The train at full speed crashes into a car which is lifted clear of the tracks, the boiler of the engine explodes and the train tumbles over an embankment and takes fire.

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Chicago, April 4.

Not in many moons has a feature film received such a panning in the Chicago dailies as was given "The Black Stork," which opened Sunday night at the LaSalle. This is the film in which Jack Lait of the Herald scenarioed from the Dr. Harvey J. Haiselden refusal to onerate upon a defective child. The doctor also appeared in the film.

Mae Tines, the film critic of the Tribane (the paper by the way to which Lattroots in September), lambasted the Haiselden film to a frazzle and declared it was as pleasant to the

and declared it was as pleasant to the

eye as a running sore.

The Herald let the film down lightly and did not go into any long comment, as it generally does on other films.

NO "SUNDAYS" AT OAK PARK.

Chicago, April 4.
Oak Park, a suburb, voted yesterday
to abolish picture exhibitions within
its confines on Sundays.

Marguerite Clark in "The Amazons."
Marguerite Clark's next feature is to be "The Amazons," which was originally produced in New York at the Empire by Charles Frohman.

Joseph Kaufman will direct it.

PATHE AFTER ALLISON.

Hollywood, Cal., April 4.

May Allison has left the YorkeMetro studio here and is reported to
be on her way to New York to conclude a contract to enter the Pathe employ.

LILLIAN WALKER'S CONTRACT.

Ogden, Utah, April 4.
Lillian Walker's contract with the
Ogden Film Corporation is for six
months at a salary of \$650 per week.

George M. Cohan's second picture appearance is to be in "45 Minutes from Broadway," which he originally wrote for the starring of Fay Templeton and Victor Moore. Cohan will play "Kid" Burns. The feature will be directed by Joseph Kaufman.

Riesenfeld to Compose.

Hugo Riesenfeld, the conductor of the orchestra at the Rialto, has signed a contract to compose the scores for two light musical offerings of the "Very Good Eddie" type, based on two farces that were successes on the legit stage. In addition he is to do a score for Arthur Pearson for a popularpriced musical comedy.



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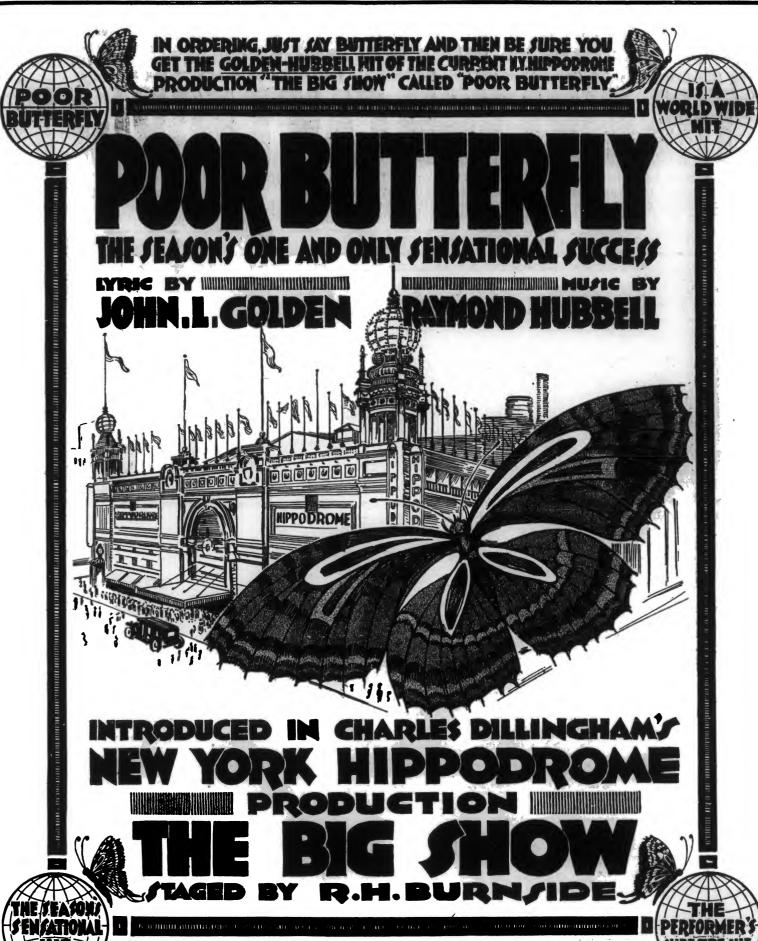
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Direction, JAMES E. PLUNKETT



SHOW REVIEWS.

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ality, with the larger of the two a sure comedienne. Daniels and Walter preceded them in the No. 2 epot. The man does a stage hand bit at the start and later goes in from the No. 2 epot. The man does a stage hand bit at the start and later goes in from the No. 2 epot. The man does a stage hand in the start and suffices in these times. The young woman is a capable handler of a violia, and with the eppertualities afforded her gets over some satisfying results. Knight and Carlyie, another mixed team, have such matter which is not sew. The girl possesses a voice of some value with a little dancing finish letting them off nicely.

The Creois Band closed the first haif, taking down a sure fire hit, the colored boys bringing forth some eyncopation that just hit right. The act appears to increase its popularity every time it plays this house.

O'Neil and Galiagher opened after intermission. Miss O'Neil is a large woman and an untiring worker. Her genial comedy had little trouble in scoring for the couple, with Galiagher, a diminutive chap, being a plaything in her hands. "The Punch" (New Acts) scored a long line of laughs, after which Morris and Alien in their familiar "During the Intermission" skit hed little trouble with a productive talk results. Jack and Feris closed the show.

COLONIAL

With Adelaide and Hughes topining a fairly good program, the Colonial played to capacity Monday night, the standing room privilege being invoked to accommodete the overflow. This might indicate the house has "come back," for earlier in the season business was alarmingly poor and the neighborness

hood seemed "vaudeville dead," but a con-elstent line of good programs has appearently had the desired effect, and the west elde in-habitants are again making the Colonial a "habit propesition."

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A Pathe pictorial opened with a string ef
patriotic views. The present unsettled condition of the country makes it pretty coft
for the news reels, and with war declared
they will probably develop into feature attractions. The house vigorously asserted their
patriotism with each successive seered their
semi-wild at the sight of the flag. The
first position with a continuance of the secalled "red-firs" entertainment, arranging views from a collection of
rags. They offered views of Lincoln and Wilson to insure their success, but this was unnecessary, for the nevel proportions of the
specialty practically guarantees its success.
It's a good opener.
Ryan and Joyos (New Acts) held the second spot and brought the baby grand on for
its initial canter. The plane is overworked
this week, four different specialties including
it in their prop list. After Ryan and Joyos,
the Three Sulys were introduced, the Sulys
being delegated to substitute for "The Very
Naked Boy," which disappointed. The Sulys
comprise the youngsters of that well known
family, and with their singing, dancing and
cross fire chatter easily made good. The girl's
baliad, excellently rendered, scored individuaily, with the dancing of the boys gathering
its full returns. It's too bad circumstances
necessitsted the dissolution of the family
partnership, for the Sulys were an asset to
vaudeville for years, but the trio combination seem thoroughly capable of holding up
the reputetion established by the quintet.

Billy Gould (New Acts) followed next in
order, with Adeiaide and Hughes closing the

first section. The bailet arrangement at the finale was particularly well liked and won a sure hit. Maleta Bencosi and Elinore and Williams (New Acts) were in the second half of the program, with Santly and Nortos closing the show proper. After all the piano acts had their inning this pair walked on and pulled down the hit of the show. The "Patria" film completed the bill. Wyss.

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Chicago Automobile Club will produce at the Strand April 8.

Marcus Heiman and Herman Fehr returned the first of the week from a five weeks' stay on the Pacific Coast.

Harry Blaundin, who formerly managed the

Victoria, has accepted a position with the Schoenstadt Theatres Co.

Several members of the W. B. Patton com-pany of "Lazy Bill" returned to Chicago last week, having closed their season.

Sam Tishman's mother was operated upon

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White City will open its gates May 19. The Logan Square is offering six acts Sun-

Bert Melville plans a long repertoire tour next season, and is lining up new plays.

Dollie Burnham, Ill for some time, has re-covered and joined the Max Bloom company.

The Victoria is now using the "try out" plan as a feature of its Friday night shows.

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for gall stones last week, and the operation was reported most successful.

Fred Lowenthal, sick and away from his office since last week, is once more on the rounds.

Dwight Pepple is slowly recovering from a severe cold which affected his right eye and had him in the hospital taking treatment.

The Southern Pacific has announced it will hereafter furnish side trips to Stockton, Cal., on all coast trips embracing return tickets.

Chester H. Rice is one of the most patriotic agents now away from his fireside in New York, and he will enlist if the necessity demands.

The last date of tabs this season on the W. V. M. A. time is around the middle of June, with one company perhaps playing up to July 4.

A bunch of Chicago agents are planning to attend the Derby Day festivities at Churchill Downs, Louisville, Ky., May 12. A special train will be run to the Derby.

There is much talk that the city's million dollar Municipal Pier—one of the show sights of the lake front—is to be converted into a city market.

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"The Suffragette Revue," the new W. B. Friedlander tab, will make its first Chicago appearance at the Avenue the first half of the week April 23.

A "froitc" will be given at the Strand theatre April 9 under the auspless of the Chicago Automobile club, with the Brown University Glee club as a special attraction.

Waiton Pyre has accepted a contract with the Lincoln Lyceum Bureau for the summer of 1918, to tour its consecutively booked time, Pyre very likely producing the play, "Our Children."

The Chicago Arena continues to do business, and the new north side skating rink is making inroads into the business of all the north side places of entertainment and amusement.

The Chicago Local No. 2, I. A. T. S. E., does not hold any meeting this week, but will have a session next week, when a number of important matters will come up for discussion.

Paul Goudron has tacked on two new houses to his association books, the Opera house, York, Neh., starting April 15, with a two-act show, and the Auditorium, Ripon, Wis., a four-act show March 29.

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Louis Henry, of the S. L. & Fred Lowenthal offices, has been in New York for the last ten days attending to a number of important legal matters, several theatrical cases among them.

Mort H. Singer has consented to let "Honey-moon Trail" through A. Mile Bennett be played during next season by Billy Allea in reperiore. The Allea company is now playing through Pennsylvania.

The United German Societies held their annual songfest in which 600 maie voices join in at the Auditorium on Sunday last. A capacity house was present as expected, the prices being \$1 top.

The Eiks of Chicago have a carnival and field day planned for the Coliseum May 1, the Eiks moving into the place for one day following the withdrawal of the Ringling circus to the road.

Mort H. Singer no sooner returns from New York than he found it necessary to make a quick return to Manhattan this week. He is very busy attending to the preliminary build-ing arrangements for the new State street theatre.

The National is closed this week in order that teh house might be prepared for the 'Birth of a Nation' film which will open Sunday, for one week. International shows will resume after the 'Birth' picture.

The new Palace, Superior, V. s., was opened March 26. The theatre is vaudeville, booked

by the W. V. M. A., under the direction of Dick Hoffman. It has a seating capacity of 1,200. The property is valued at \$200,000. It is under the management of Frank N. Phelps.

C. L. Bartholomew, for 26 years furnishing a daily cartoon for the Mineapolis Journal under the name of Bart, is in Chicago, and ha and Edward Marshall, chalkclogist, have been mingling with the local cartoonists. Bart is now teaching stage cartooning and giving chalk talks throughout the country.

The Temple, Ironwood, Mich., has changed hands, Owner Kelly withdrawing from its management. Under the new regime the Temple returns to the W. V. M. A. fold and will have a five-act show booked in by Paul Goudron, starting Apr. 23. The house has been offering films of late.

"The Never Born," which Robert Sherman icased to Waiter Lindsay and Roy Barker, is playing a two weeks' engagement at the Orpheum, Milwaukee, and doing astonishingly large business. This house, formerly on the International Circuit, falled in expected returns and went into pictures.

A number of Chicago's vaudeville colony will go to Milwaukee April 7 to attend the opening of the new Miller theatre there. William B. Gray is to manage the new Saze house. He formerly had charge of the Crystal. This is the same Gray who once had out an "Ole Oleson" show on the road.

Madama Schumann-Heink, who was palnfully injured in an accident in St. Louis, and is now at her Chicago home receiving surgical and medicinal treatment, will be offered several local vaudeville date by the association. E. Louis Goldberg, manager of the American, is especially desirous of engaging her for a week or four days.

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James and Lillian Murray, implicated in the loss and recovery of jewels belonging to Hattle Lorraine, the former show girl, were released on probation last week. Attorney Ben Erhlich interested himself in the case, The Murrays, who have since wedded, have promised to be good, and will report accordingly. They may return to vaudeville under a new name.

Harry Ridings, president of the Chicago Theatre Managers' Association (legitimate), has received a letter, inviting a committee of the association to attend a legislative committee meeting in the matter of the proposed theatre censorship bills, still pending. Chicago delegation will be sent to Springfield when the matter comes up for consideration

Arrangements have been consummated by Sam Thall, representing the Association, and F. W. Shapert, traffic agent of the Chicago, North Shore Railway Co. (electric) whereby the railroad will put on a theatrical train between Chicago and Milwaukee and Milwaukee and Chicago. This train will carry baggage. The electric cars runs into Evanston and from there into the city, auto trucks will meet the trains and cart the baggage.

Alleged gangmen are reported as having severely beaten H. Marohm, owner of the Queen picture house. Des Moines, last week, the men setting upon him in front of his theatre. No arrests were made, as Marohm was unable to identify any of his assallants, who were many. Marohm has been using non-union operators in the Queen, and efforts have been made to have him employ union men. His face, back and neck were cut and bruised.

A. J. Kavanaugh, who operates the Grand, Grand Forks, N. D., and the pop house in Crookston, Minn., was in Chicago Monday and confirmed the taking over of the Orpheum, Clinton, Ia., from E. G. (Manny) Newman, who returns to the operation of the theatre in La Salie, III. The Clinton house will hereafter play full-week vaudeville instead of the last half only, which Newman has been offering, with acts booked by Paul Goudron of the Association.

As far as known the Imperial and National theatres will play International Circuit attractions next season. The National will run shows until about the middle of May before closing for the summer, while the Imperial will run to May first or later. "The Birth of a Nation" opens a two-week engagement

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at the National next Sunday and will be followed by "Pretty Baby," while the Griffith film goes to the Imperial from the National, where it has two weeks booked.

Gray B. Towler, now playing vaudeville dates down East, who was once attached to the local offices of A. Milo Bennett, writes Bennett from the East that he has been communicated with by the United States Army Department, Towler being asked, as an exarmy officer, to answer a call if his services are needed. Towler writes that he will join the colors if the emergency demands. Towler was formerly a captain in the engineering corps during the trouble in the Philippines. He is a brother of Jeanne Towler, the actress.

Another new show by Arthur J. Lamb is planned for a Chicago premiere, a Loop theatre being in view for the first production. Joseph Rose, musical director, has incorporated a company to produce Lamb's new musical comedy entitled "The Teasers," being lined up for an opening here this spring. Lamb has leased the play on royalty. Tom Powell, after closing his Powell's Minstrels, returned to Chicago and obtained an agency booking franchise on the U. B. O. and Association floors. Powell is arranging to put a minstrel first part, with eight people, into vaudeville.

The Strollers Club is putting on a '49 Camp in its club rooms on Apr. 13 and it will be complete in every detail. That is almost anything native to the gold rush days, goes in the camp. The dance hall section will be in charge of Mrs. Ed Rowland and Mr. Gonzoles. It will cost nothing to gain admittance, but it will be a problem to figure the least amount any guest will manage to operate with. The photograph gallery of the Strollers is still referred to with much interest. Most of the pictures used in the autolography of Charles Frohman, which ran in the Cosmopolitan, were supplied from the club room walls.

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GARRICK (Sam Gerson, mgr.).—"Passing
Show of 1916," sixth and final week.

GAYETY (Robt. Schoenecker, mgr.).—"Social Follies" (burlesque) (American).

HAYMARKET (Art H. Moeller, mgr.).—"The Dainty Darlings," stock burlesque.

ILLINOIS' (Rolla Timponi, mgr.).—"Betty,
with Raymond Hitchcock, opened Sunday,
IMPERIAL (Will Spink, mgr.).—"Linger
Longer Lucy, with Billy "Single" Clifford
(International).

IMPERIAL (Will Spins, mgr.).—Linger Longer Lucy." with Billy "Single' Cilfford (International). NATIONAL (John Barrett, mgr.).—Dark; next week, "Birth of a Nation" (dim). OLYMPIC (George Warren. mgr.).—"Pot-ash and Perlmutter in Society," tenth and

ash and Perlmutter in Society," tenth and final week.

POWERS (Harry Powers, mgr.).—"The Boomerang." twenty-first week.

PRINCESS (Will Singer, mgr.).—"His Majesty Bunker Bean," with Taylor Holmes, opened Sunday. Stays one more week.

STAR AND GARTER (William Roche, mgr.).—Hastings' "Big Shew" (burlesque) (Columbia).

ENGLEWOOD (J. D. Whitehead, mgr.).—"Beauty, Youth and Folly" (burlesque) (American).

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MAJESTIC (Fred C. Eberts, mgr.; agent, Orpheum).— The Majestic show Monday groaned and sagged under its weight of singing. The tag end was all singing and the bill sang itself to death. The audience was a patient one, and notwithstanding the availanche of songs and the lack of something new and novel showed splendid appreciation. The show seemed usually short, with seven acts and another ep of the Castle film. The Blazer Sisters opened. It's circusy and aerialistic, with two of the women doing some rapid-fire spinning in midair suspended by their teeth. The act held attention. Bisett and Scott were second. Not a spotrelished by the original Hello George from Brooklyn, but one that the dancing boys made the best of. It doesn't matter who the "Bissert" is any more as the act is the petchild of Scottle's which, of course, include the purple-backed-made-to-order chairs on which the pair dances. J. C. Nugent and Co-offered "The Meal Hound." The sketch is typical of the type Nugent is identified with in vaudeville, has some snappy, bright dialog and a touch of dramatics. There is too much left to the imagination in "The Meal Hound." Admitting Nugent makes a play on the imagination, there is too much to be imagination,

In his offering. However, the skit is capitally written and up-to-date. Both Nugent and Miss York enact the two leads most acceptably, and Nugent is a master hand at putting over his quips and timely satire. Marion Weeks has made wonderful strides within the year and this winsome, young woman—still a girl in looks despite her more matronly attire—has a voice bound to carry her to even greater heights than vaudeville following the vaudeville experience. The girl registers the high notes with wonderful case, and expression Her voice and personality grow upon one and she has made noticeable stage progress since last seen and heard at the Palace. It goes without saying that "The Bride Shop," with Andrew Tombes, Ellen Boyle, Basil Lynn, Evelyn Dockson and Selma Marlon, were a happy, big hit. This is one of the best dressed acts in vaudeville and has a cast from Tombes down that cerries it along to big laughter and continued applause. Mayo and Taily have their act in bully good shape and their singing was especially well received. They still retain their talk, the phonographic

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reproduction and finish up strong with some close harmony, but are introducing a new bit as an encore that was sure fire comedy Monday. Following came Stella Mayhew and Eillile Taylor, with the same act hereabouts before. Miss Mayhew didn't seem to be working overtime with songs, but perhaps she realized that there had been about enough numbers prior to her appearance. The Mayhew-Taylor combination did well though, all things considered.

MCVICKER'S (Jones, Linick & Schaefer, mgrs; agent, Loew-Doyle)—The show Monday appeared to give a packed house great satisfaction. Bill as a whole a whale for the popular prices. The Lelands opened and held attention, although the early spot mitigated. The Singing Four did as well as could be expected under the circumstances, but the act could stand improvement. P. George offered a musical oddity—appearing as a chef in a well-stocked kitchen and carrying a special setting that helped immeasurably—in which he extra-ted music from the majority of things to be prepared for a meal. George may not to the world's greatest musician, but he



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talk is the piece de resistance. Owen Me-Giveney 'did a scene from "Oliver Twist" in which he impersonates all the roles. The McVicker's crowd showed appreciation of the McVicker's crowd showed a large-sized hit with a routine that had 'em rooting hard for the young player. Harry Breen was next, and his eccentric style of nuttishness caused big laughter. Miss De Peon and Co., woman and two men, offered strong arm lifting of weights and human beings. The woman had human beings. The woman does comparatively little, though she is featured. The boys do nearly all the work, one in particular making some excellent lifts. Act needs a lot of stage work to polish it up, and some of the present stalfing could be omitted. Turn seemed slow and full of short walts. The woman is a contortionist and would look a whole lot better on the stage in some other attire besides lights. After 2 o'clock appeared Volante Brothers and "Hello Japan!" Mork.
PALACE (Rose Behne, mgr.; agent, Orpheum).—Rather a subdued entertainment this week which might be accounted for because it is holy Week—that bugaboe of the show business, and which may have been the reason there were only eight acts instead of nine. The show was less productive of hits than usual and that cannot be illumed on the stendance, which was practically capacity. The war was touched on twice on Mondar night once when Louis Mann in a curtain speech made a sort of plea for universael peace, which was greeted with applicue. Then directly after him, when Aveling and Lloyd were horned to the sone of the stage of the world war, which it does not, but because it placed the artistle in comparity of the went of war of war of war of the stage of the world war. And the stage of the wor

week. LaRue and Gresham in a sketch and the Weilington Four were also on the bill.

WINDSOR (D. L. Swarts, mgr.; agent, W. W. M. A.).—The usual good dive-act bill was offered for the last half last week. And in spite of the fact that attention has been brought to the White Rat show across the street in the old Columbia by means of a humpty dumpty parade, the marchers in which looked like striking garment workers who had been promised admittance to the show free, the Windsor was almost filled for the first performance. Jimmy Smith and Waiter Kaufman, the former once of Smith and Smyth and the latter formerly of the Three Rascais, pulled down a hit with their cop and "drunk" characterisations, next to closing. Both men have good voices and got most with a sort of operatic medicy. Elsie Williams, with two assisting players, more than upheld her right to headline with the laugh producing skit, "Who was to Bisme!" The playlet is brightly written and brightly played. It is built around the idea that an overturned sait-cellar forecasts a quarrel and a lively argument results between bride and groom, who are seated at the dinner table. Miss Williams possesses a little squask to her voice that reminds one of Billie Burke. Del W. Sherrard, as the busband also does clever work. McLellan and Carson, with special set and nifty dressing, closed the bill excellently with their roiler skating act, which is quite above acts of the class. A real musical noveity was furnished by Oddone. The man is an accordionist that also employs two other instruments on stands, probably electrically wired to the keys of the accordion, for he plugs the latter with cables from the stands and all three combine in making melody as he operates the keys. Small electric lamps light up as each bed ir ings, adding to the effect. Oddone went very hig and was called out for several encores. Cataiano and O'Brien were also well liked with songs and plano, chough one man seemed to suffer from a bad cold.

CROWN (Ed Roiland, mgr.; agent, J. C. Matthews).—This

CROWN (Ed Rolland, mgr.; agent, J. C. Matthews).—This is a typical neighborhood house, believed to be one of the try-out pieces for the Pantages, and as there is no class to the neighborhood there is naturally none to the house nor the show, although when it was one of the Doyle atring, it held pretty good bills. The Crown is one of Chicago's outlying theatres, which when the audienes is in holds an atmosphere that is thick, in fact so thick that if a steach bulb were burst (as has heen done in other houses lately by "low life" agents or sympathleers of the

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house has not often viewed the very familiar "Trip to the Moon." Gene Elsworth and Edna Lindon presented a skit dealing with a domestic squabble, with the "husband" devoting most of his energies in heaving glasshard biacuits, "not like mother used to make," at a motto "Home, Sweet Home." Loeffer and Vernon did little with a 'alking act in one. Neither did Catherine Vernon, a comedienne. Wilson and Snyder, two apparently young acrobate routine, including the falling tables for a finish. That got something, as it always seems to do.

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AMERICAN (E. Louis Goldberg, mgr.; agent, W. V. M. A.).—Although there were two feature acts among the five that constitutes the bill, the show for the last half last week was devoid of a hit, and something seemed to be lacking. Frank Stafford with his out of doors, "A Hunter's Game," gave his

usual excellent and clever performance. Several new members were present, but these really formed a sort of background for his "life like" bird imitations. The Stafford novelty closed the bill. John T. Doyle and Co. with the playlet, "The Danger Line," was the other feature and it, too, went over well because of the rather good acting and the comedy finish. Between these two offerings was Hope Vernon (next to closing), who has a voice of good tone but of remarkably small power for ease of her build. Miss vernon apparently fooled some of the house with a violin imitation, working a "bilind" fiddle, but her imitation seemed more to resemble a "cello. An escentric couple, Tower and Darrell, both doing "nut" comedy, did fairly in number two, and might have started something but for a weak finish. Pero and Wilson, with a comedy acrobatic and juggling routine, opened the show nicely.

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ORPHEUM (Fred Henderson, gen. rep.; agent, direct).—Four holdovers and a similar number of new acts marked the Orpheum bill this week. The newcomers were headed by Nonette, and the Cansino. The little violinist was tendered a hearty reception. Ethel Hopkins, a versatile vaudevillian, opened the show nicely. John Webster and Co. in "A Double Exposure" proved enjoyable. The

playing of Bert Wilcox in the sketch was noticeable. Holdovers included Whiting and Burt, Linne's Classic Dancers, Cross and Josephine and "The Cure."

PANTAGES.—"Motor Madness," sensational specatele, closed the show well. Friend and Dewning, passed. Harry Rose, as nut comedian, scored applaues hit. - Amoros and Mulyer, pleased. American Opera Soxtet, scored. Grew, Pates and Co. in "Solitairs," interesting. Browning Giris opened acceptably. PRINCESS.—A pleasing small time program at the Princess last week. Carl Frederick opened, in a xylophone turn of considerable merit. This young fellow has a neat appearance and appears to possess sufficient ability with the sticks to warrant his pregressing. Better judgment in dressing, with change in his routine (especially the second number played too slowly) should help him.

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taking into consideration other turns on the same order, Mme. Ellis is a bit outdistanced by many. Poor "feeding" by her partner, who works the audience for the necessary questions. Helen McKelvey followed with three numbers, the closing one being the inevitable Hula with a dance that passed her through the efforts of a few movements with her well developed hips. Miss McKelvey was probably working in some chorus when she reached the conclusion she might attempt a single with a Hula dance and get away with it. This she will probably continue to do on some of the pop circuits, but even then she will have to improve. The Arleys closed the

show with their perch work, faring exceptionally well in that position. The boys did some corking head to head balancing, with the final perch trick being a risky affair that brought the bouse down. The comedy afforts of the top man could be discontinued.

HIPPODROME.—Donnor's Circus closed show. Love and Wilbur, opened well. Ed. Beach and Co., ordinary. Spanish Goldinis, pleased. Allen and Moore, passed. Billy Joy, enjoyed. Baker, Sherman and Brannigan, applause winners.

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PRINCESS (Bert Levey, lessee and mgr.; agent, Bert Levey).—Vaudeville.
MAJESTIC (Ben Muller, mgr.).—Jim Post Stock Co. (10th week).

Mike Rosenberg of Seattle was here last week.

P. N. Brinch, special representative for Triangle, stopped here a few days on his tour of the coast offices from New York.

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The Theresa DeMatienzo Co. closed an 11-week engagement at the Liberty and left immediately for New York. They will in all probability return for another stay next

Sam Gordon has sold a half interest in the Lyric to Theo. Rothchild, who retired from the business for the past few years, pre-

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FIFTH AVE. NOW

Idora Park, Oakland, is to open around May 1, with Joyland Park, Sacramento, about the same time.

Howard Langford in "Katinka" scored a success here upon the opening night, with the reviewers giving the show the best notices of the season. It played to big business.

If arrangements now pending are consumrated between Sam Biair of the A. H. Woods office and one of the local downtown houses, the latest New York successes, including Barney Bernard in "Potash and Perimutter In Society." Dolly Sisters in "Her Bridal Night," "Cheating Cheaters" and "Common Clay," will be brought to the coast for a run of 20 weeks or more at \$1 top. It was the intention of Blair to send the companies out to open the new Casino, but Charles Brown was unable to entertain the proposition through completing arrangements with Ackerman & Harris to play vaudeville.

Howard Sheehan of the Savoy was also taken into consideration, but mainly through the percentage basis refused to go further into the subject. Something may be accomplished with the other downtown houses, but hardly possible on the first quoted basis, and if the deal is finally closed it is stated the shows can open within two weeks from that date.

Herman Fehr was here last week.

B. C. Whitney, the Detroit manager, witnessed the opening of the William X. Crane production at the Columbia.

By a decision rendered in the local court last week Pauline Lord must pay damages amounting to \$5,000 to Mrs. "Billy" Roche, wife of "Billy" Roche, the fight manager, for alienating her husband's affections.

Cyril Maude will make his initial appearance at the Columbia shortly in "Grumpy."

The Hippodrome turned in exceptionally heavy box office receipts last week, due to a recruiting station in front of the house, with a machine gun to add to the attraction. The theatre also ran a special film depicting army life in an endeavor to gain recruits for the local National Guard. The station was held there for the entire week. At any hour of the day a crowd was standing around.

The Tivoli had an automobile running



viously handling the managerial position at the Novelty, Stockton, when playing the S.-C. shows.

The Empire, Napa, Cal., has changed bookings to the Ackerman & Harris office, playing four-act bills for Saturday and Sunday.

Alec Kelser has resigned as manager of the Empress, Sacramento, the opening being filled by Tom Conlon, until recently handling the Hip in Portland. The new Portland manager has not been announced as yet.

Daisy Jerome closed her Pantages tour here last week, declining to accept a cut in salary at the expiration of her contract.

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The Cunning Co. will play this week at the Sait Lake theatre, Sait Lake ("Conference Week").

Al Nathan has returned from a trip through Nevada, during which time he was handling Sol Lesser's features.

Homer Curran returned from New York last

BALTIMORE.

By FRANCIS D. OTOOLM.
MARYLAND (F. C. Schanberger, mgr.).—

Hale and Paterson the only real good turn on the bill. Hale is in a class above any other of his line here for some time, and the girl is unmistakably pretty. Florence Moore and her brother, well liked, soore nicely. Other acts below the average. Frankin Ardeli in "The Wife Saver" lacked per Florence Millership sings. Frank Shields does some stunts with a ladder and a rope. Spencer and Williams have notsy turn. Local "Spring Fashion Show" tiresome to all. Scarpioff and Leon Varvara and "America First" concluded bill.

FORD'S (C. E. Ford, mgr.).—Nazimova does not score the great hit in the photo-drama interpretation of her former one-act sketch as she did in vaudeville, probably because of the strong sentiment in this city against the idea of the play; at any rate it will draw poor houses during its stay.

ACADEMY.—Dark.

GARDEN (Geo. Schneider, mgr.).—The Diving Venuses live up to their billing. Poggy Brooks, holdover, repeats her former hit. Jack Polk, clever parodies. Lengdom Trio, dance. Roberts and Lester sing and whistle. "A Western Union Filtration," cheerful skit. Waiter D. Neaiand and Co. in "The Fixer."

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attractive little woman, defes any one to lift her from the floer. Several try but fall. She is the center of attraction this week. Hoey and Lee amuse, Grace Hazard sings; Parise Duo, Musical; Grindell and Cory, please; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thomes in "The Dog Thief"; Merkett and Bondhili also.

BOSTON.

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BY LEN LIBBEY.

KEITH'S (Robert G. Larsea, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Aithough Nat Wills and Violet Dale are the two featured acts on this week's bill, the most enthusiastic reception of Monday afternoon was tendered to Raiph Dunbar's Tennessee Ten, which had so much pep it woke up the house. Wills has some new stuff which has improved his act greatly. Valerie Bergere in "Little Cherry Blossom" went as well as ever, aithough it is well known here. Wyatt's Sootch Lads and Lassies went well, while Sylvester and Vance were fair. Weber and Rome opened, and Archie and Gertie Falls (closed. "Patria" held the house exceptionally well.

BOSTON (Charles Harris, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Excellent bill, playing to a fair house. Picketing has practically been abandoned.

BIJOU (Raiph Gilman, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Pictures, featured in subway advertising, going will be a strong Holy well attraction.

BOWDOWN (A. Somerbee, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—The Pathe "Passion Play" headed the bill, and proved a strong Holy Week attraction.

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Loew).—Pictures, daily unst bloomers. Smith factory.

ORPHEUM (V. J. Morris, mgr.; agent, Loew).—Pop. Good.

SCOLLAY OLYMPIA (James J. McGuinness, mgr.).—British war pictures and Theda Bara releases are booming business.

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PARK (Thomas D. Boriero, mgr.).—Pictures. Good.

MAJESTIC (E. D. Smith, mgr.).—Opening of "The Beautiful Unknown" has been changed to next Saturday night. House dark. WILBUR (E. D. Smith, mgr.).—Last week of "He Said and She Believed Him," which is expected to do better in New York than it did here, where it was characterized as a trifle raw. The Doliy Sisters open here Monday night in "His Bridal Night."

SHUBERT (E. D. Smith, mgr.).—Last week of "The Blue Paradise," which has had a phenomenai run here. Next week brings "The Woman Thou Gavest Me," with Mabel Taliaferro and Edmund Breeze.

PLYMOUTH (E. D. Smith, mgr.).—Guy Bates Post in "The Masquerader" now on its second meanth to good business. Boston was just ripe for a drama.

PARK SQUARE (Fred E. Wright, mgr.).—Kinth week of "Fair and Warmer 'stiff going big.

COLONIAL (Charles E. Rich, mgr.).—"Joan

Ninta were of the big. COLONIAL (Charles E. Rich, mgr.).—"Joan the Woman" not going as well as had been anticipated.

HOLLIS (Charles J. Rich, mgr.).—Last
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week of "A Tailor-Made Man" at this house.
Will be jumped to the Tremont next week to

make room for John Drew in "Major Pen-dennia."

dennis."

TREMONT (John B. Schoeffei, mgr.).—
After dropping "Eleven P. M." as not being heavy enough for the cast, Blanche Bates and Wilton Lackaye revived "East Lynne" to carry the booking through this week, Received fairly well, drawing from the oid-timers mostly

carry the booking through this weak, averalized fairly well, Jawaing from the old-timers mosily.

BOSTON OPERA HOUSE (Lawrence McCarty, mgr.).—"The Garden of Allah" will open this house Monday night after twe months of darkness. Should go well, as stage is one of the largest in the country and the top price is to be \$1.

CASTLE SQUARE (John Craig, mgr.).—
Last week of "Thurston the Magiclam" drawing heavily to juvenlies. "My Irish Cinderella" (international) opens next Monday.

COPLEY (George H. Pattee, mgr.).—"The Passing of the Third Floor Back" was revived this week, doing a surprising business. Next week, "Bhe Bloops to Conquer" will be produced by Henry Jewett English Players.

CASINO (Charles Waldron, mgr.).—"Milion Doilar Doils." Good.

GAIBTY (Charles Batcheller, mgr.).—"The Bon Ton Girls." Excellent.

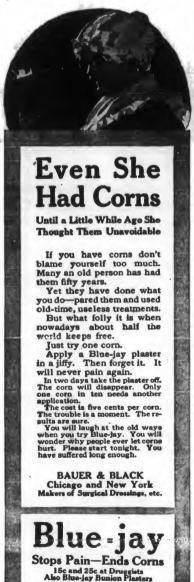
HOWARD (George E. Lothrop, mgr.).—
"Parisian Fiirts," with Scott and Wilson heading the house bill. Capacity.

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Elisabeth Murray did not show this week at B. F. Keith's, because of a shift in booking. The local house has had poor luck with her from the booking end, as similar shifts have occurred before.

John Craig in a few weeks will assume personal control of his Castle Square stock house which has been leased all season to the International circuit with fair success. His first personal production will be "The Year of the Tigsr," by Kenneth L. Andrews, this being the long expected Harvard prize play.

Manager George Pattee of the Copley the-atre, whose stock venture of putting in Henry Jewett and a company of English Players has been really successful, is planning to en-large his house, which was formerly the Toy, and of the intimate type. Pattee claims that \$25,000 in real money has been turned away this season because of the limited capacity of



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The record of the Riverside likely stands unparalleled in American vaudestands unparameted in American vauge-ville of later years. Opening but a few months ago it upset all precedent by going over almost from the start, fore-going that usual long siege of building up that vaudeville seems to require as a

There are two marked reasons for it, bookings and management. Eddie Darling has been sending some remarkable bills into the Riverside, and the turn came with the installation of Eugene L. Perry there as permanent manager. The Riverside is a big thea-tre, but not so big for Mr. Perry, who handled the Metropolitan, Philadelphia, at one time.

The Riverside shows rank with the Palace bills and at a lower scale. In a populous neighborhood the house was bound to attract with these sort of programs plus managerial direction, and the combination won out so well Mr. Perry built up the matipee business, about which there had been some doubt for this vicinity, in jig time.

The Riverside program this week is a fair sample of the weekly bill there. It's full of names, as much so as the

Palace's current program is.

The show grows harder and harder The show grows harder and harder with each succeeding position after No. 3, when the Tennessee Ten completely stopped proceedings with their jazz band finale. It was the biggest hit made by the colored group, Monday night, that ever happened in that position in a New York vaudeville house. And right on top of it, in the next spot, Nat Wills repeated, then came Florence Moore and her brother, Frank, closing the first part, doing 38 minutes, and they did it again. After intermission was Elizabeth Murray, who had no sinecure by any means, but she held to the universal applause but she held to the universal applause thing and Dooley and Sales, next to closing, also stopped the show. If there was a tough vaudeville position on a New York bill this week Dooley and Sales had it. They not alone followed all the talking and singing, but had to repeat their "nut stuff" after that in the Moores' turn. Closing the vaudeville and of the program was "America First," the Rolfe & Maddock

America First, the Rolle a Massessian patriotic production that perfectly fits in now, red fire, flag and everything. At the conclusion of the Dooley and Sales act and after Mr. Dooley had been really forced to a speech of thanks, mentioning their recent return Transis, mentioning their recent returns from a long English engagement, Dooley announced to the audience Capt. Kelly of the Aviation Corps was seated in the front left hand stage box. The audience applauded rapturously and they had no difficulty in identifying the Captain, as he immediately shielded his face and would not remove his hands until after the lights went down for the closing turn. Dooley said Capt. Kelly had been instructing the English filers and had re-turned home to do the same over here. It appeared as though the Captain had come back on the Lapland with the Dooleys and that Jimmy put something over on the modest Captain by intro-

ducing him.

The Dooley and Sales turn has not materially changed, unless the song fil's a Long Way from Home" has been placed in the act to fit the cirbeen placed in the act to fit the circumstances of the return. Also Dooley has a finish that isn't remembered, playing an air with his finger nails on his teeth. Taking no chances at the start of the turn, probably appreciating what he was up against, Mr. Dooley cut loose a couple of gags that made them laugh hard, and he wanted this, for it made it easier. Corinne Sales was in fine form and get the howl of was in fine form and got the howl of the turn with her "punk" bit. A new drop seems to have been secured. It is lettered "Hotel De Casserole." The Dooley and Sales team hadn't a kick in the world after their showing, which in the world after their showing, which must have been as surprising to them under the conditions as it seemed to be impossible before they appeared, for it's a miracle how an audience can applaud every act as warmly as the Riverside did and keep it up to the 6-1-k.

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By GUY PRICE.

The Church of the People has presented Frederick Oiney, the city jail singer and organist, with a brand new organ.

Harry Clement has resigned as manager of the Woodley.

The Mason will run to the male of the species in April. John Drew, William H. Crane and Cyril Maude are the only stars booked.

The Express-Tribune have moved into new quarters on Broadway, just below the Herald.

Mabel Baker is considering an offer to go to

A large number of out-of-work actors have enlisted here.

Russell Powell has joined the Burbank

The Ad Club entertained in honor of Frances Carson of the Daddy Long Legs company.

Manager Morris Great was there and made a

The Red Cross is taking daily subscriptions in the Mason lobby.

Quinn's Rialto is almost completed.

Joe Galbraith is around again after his serious iliness.

Walter Hearn of the Mason will spend his summer vacation on his ranch near Fresno.

R. M. Nichols, a local advertising man, is critically ill at the Alhambra Annex.

Local newspapers are conducting a crusade against the biliboards. The fight is now before the city council and it looks as if the boards were doomed.

W. F. Fitzgerald, Majestic treasurer, has resigned to become secretary to H. H. Allen, business manager at Inceville.

NEW ORLEANS.

BY O. SAMUEL,

ORPHEUM (Chas. E. Bray, southern rep-

resentative).—Diverting bill with Rooney and Bent earning the applause honors. Myrl and Delmar, opening, gained favor. Chief Caupolicon, who carries a blanket, scored. Norine Carmen Minstrels pleased in No. 3 spot. Joseph Bernard (a native son) and Hazel Harrington showed some martial satire to advantage. Nelle Nichols went along swimmingly until she offered her sand hog interpretation, which is not impressive. He nationality song reinstated her in favor. Alaska Duo closed the show.

TULANE (T. C. Campbell, mgr.).—"In-

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CRESCENT (T. C. Campbell, mgr.) .- Dark. LAFAYETTE (D. L. Cornellus, mgr.).-

ALAMO (William Gueringer, mgr.).—"Jimmle Brown's Revue."

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Mabelle, in thought transference, is at the Alamo.

"Civilization" opens at the Tudor Sunday.

For its summer policy of feature films, the name of the Lyric will be changed to the "Diamond." The front of the theatre is being altered.

Not enough people assembled to pay homage to the Mickey Markwood musical show, and its members discovered it would be financially hazardous to continue, withdrawing from the pathway of art at Columbus, Ga.

Herbert Brenon's company departed for New York, after completing the exteriors of "The Lone Wolf" here. While making a scene on the bascule bridge, near the Southern Yacht Club, an automobile used in the picture slid back and slightly injured a local citi-zen. The camera man kept working, and the scene of the accident will be used in the pic-ture.

"Daughter of the Gods" begins an engage-ment at the Crescent next week.

A. J. Xydias has taken over the Gem, Hattiesburg, Miss.

Anita Stewart and a Vitagraph company arrived in New Orleans Sunday to film the exteriors of "Rebellion," a forthcoming release, written by James Oliver Curwood. Members of the company include Rudolph

Cameron, Brinsley Shaw, William Dunn, Julia Swayne Gordon and Joe Donahue. Wilfird North is directing, with Phil Quinn as assist-ant. The camera man is Tom Mulloy, while the properties are being loaked after by Joe McLean. Miss Stewart is accompanied by her mother.

St. Louis Symphony Orchestra plays at the Athenaeum 30.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

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By JIVWEWIT.E.

B. F. KEITH'S (H. T. Jordan, mgr.).—The newest crase for "lagmanis" seems to have taken a strangle hold on vaudeville. It is not the eccentric sort, but the draped effect which the so-called classical dancers are showing us almost every w.k. There has been considerable of it lately, and it is all very attractive to those who delight in the study of beauty unadorned. The most recent exponent of this branch of the art of dancing is Evan-Burrows Fontaine, who furnishes one of the black type feature offerings of this week's bill. Miss Fontaine, who furnishes one of the black type feature offerings of this week's bill. Miss Fontaine deserves some credit for her endeavor to get away from the besten path and showing at least something unlike what we have had from neveral of the others. There is not a great feal of real dancing to Miss Fontaine's production, but it is all nicely staged and the contuming—what there is of if—is in kreping with the rest of the picture. Miss Fontaine is assisted by J. Sheldon and a ballet of young girls, and with the exception of the first number, slit their work shows the effect of careful drilling, in the closing position of the vandeville portion of the bill the Fontaine dancers did very well without causing a great amount of interest, for it will need something real startling these dava to create a furore in classical dancing, and Miss Fontaine hasn't quite hit that mark. The act, however, was one of a generally pleasing lith of acts surrounding the headliner, Emily Ann Wellman & Co.. in the "flash" drama. "Young Mrs. Stanford." While Edward Elsner has not contributed a bit of writing that rises above the ordinary class of melodrama, this sketch is a surefire hit for vaud-ville because of the novelty of its presentation and the clever manner in which it is treated by the nrincinals. There are two or three spots in the story which have a tendency to augreest a comedy touch, through the way some business is handled, but there is at all times a gripping



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stood and every line heard. It furnished a very entertaining half hour. Joe Howard is back again with a new partner and is offering about the same act he did with Mabel McCane, with Ethelyn Clark as his latest associate. There are several minutes at the start, given over to "cute" repartee, after which Mr. Howard sings a medley of his well-known songs while Miss Clark changes several gowns. She does not sing until aimost the final number, but lends able sasistance in helping Howard to get over a nice hit for an act of this kind. Stuart Barnes—another standard favorite here—scored one of the biggest hits of the hill. He has a capital line of talk for his monologue and one song that is a gem. Few singing comedians are able to get the value out of a song or story that Barnes does owing to his facial contortions, and he is better this time than ever before. Pietro, as usual, fairly stopped the show with his raggody stuff on the accordion. He also works in a classical number or two, but it is the way this fellow plays the popular stuff that makes him a real hit, and he left them appisuding for more. George Rolland & Co. have a real old-time "hokum" act in "The Vacuum Cleaner." a sketch that is oa-ried along th: "4 th th. comed, talk of the two men and the burlesque blita with a prop horse. We had almost forgotten what one of those "Byrne Bros." stage horses looked like until Rolland resurrected this one, and it is still good for laughs. Lew Reed and the Wright Giris did very nicely in their spot after getting away rather slowly, and the Four Newsomes were above the average opening act with some nicely handled acrobatic work in which the women take an active part instead of "stalling." The Pathe Weekly News shows a fair lot of pictures, and "Patria," with Mrs. Castle, held the majority of the audience seated to the finish.

NIXON F. G. Nixon-Nirdlinger, mgr.).—The Scoter Pilght of Meiody" is the title of a musical tabloid offered as the headliner this week with Betty Nixon in the principal role. Final Pilght Pilanno, (Address VARIETY, New York)

"KAR-MI GETS THEM IN"

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WILLIAM PENN (G. W. Metzel, mgr.).—First half: Frank Morrell; Jim and Marion Harkins; Stern Trio; Charles H. Smith and Co. in "Just For Instance"; film feature, "A Wommen's Awakening." Last half: "Roseland," a musical tabloid with Joe Phillips and Margaret Van Buren; Carson and Willard; Welpand Casino, and the photoplay, "The Good Bad Man."

ST. PAUL.

ORPHEUM (E. C. Burroughs, res. mgr.).—
Le Roy. Talma and Boaco certainly entertained the audience highly: McKay and Ardine
are very good indeed; Josie O'Meers was well
liked; Marion Harris won favor with the audience also; Donohue and Stewart were well
liked; King and King are pleasing; Vivian
and Genevieve Tohin in "The Age of Reason"
please: Orpheum Travel Pictures also good and
well liked.

well liked.

NEW PALACE (Harry Micks, res. mgr.).—
Split week: First half—Chas McGood & Co.;
Miller, Scott and Fuller; Alice Nelson & Co.;
Smith and Kaufman; Dewitt Young and Sister; photoplays.

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HIPPODROME (Geo. Bovyer, res. mgr.).—

Mgr. Bovyera' innovation, that of the "Bonedry Cabaret," is proving more popular every week. Before the show and while motion pictures are being shown and also between shows those in the audience who are inclined mount to the stage and dance to their heart's content to music furnished by the orchestra. Especially does the Bonedry Cabaret appeal to the younger generation. The bill fer the week onended to good houses yesterday and includes: Jule, Jane and Lewis were well received; Edith Mote was appreciated; Martin and Martin were very well liked; Empire Comedy Four please; Nettle Carroll is good and was liked; pictures complete hill.

METROPOLITAN (L. N. Scott, mgr.).—"The Pird of Paradise," the always welcome, returned last night for a week's stav and opened to a house almost filied. It lacked nothing to make it perfect, and the audience showed their hearty approval by much real applause. Next week the Walker-Stovens Opera Co. will be seen in Robin Hood and "The Serenade."

SHURERT (Frank Priest, mgr.).—Shubert Stock Company in "The Confession." Next week: "Blindness of Virtue," STAR (John P. Kirk, mgr.).—Harry Fields and the "French Frolles" hurlesquers are at the Star for a week. The show is possibly one of the best of the secason and started out by pleasing a big house yesterday afternoon.

Mgr. Bert Goldman, who is in charge of the picture houses of Rubens & Finklestien, in St. Paul, has had several offers to manage vaude ville houses again since the Princess ceased to show acts, but he has decided to stay with the picture end of the business and also Rubens & Finklestien.

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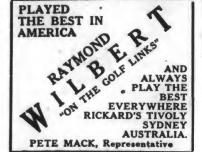
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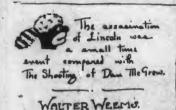
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WHITE RATS ADMIT DEFEAT; ORDER FACES BANKRUPTCY

All "Strikes" Called Off at Closed Meeting Tuesday Night in New York. Mountford Pronounces Death Knell of His Organization. Members Stunned After Having Been Fed With Misstatements of "Victory" All Rats Forces Called Off and "Player" Discontinued.

The White Rats organization, per its leader, Harry Mountford, admitted thorough defeat by the vaudeville man-

thorough defeat by the vaudeville managens at the Tuesday night closed meeting in New York this week, and declared all "strikes" of the White Rats against vaudeville theatres off. The stunned members, following this declaration by Mountford, also heard their leader say the organization faced bankruptcy, with a statement it would be forced out of the clubhouse through foreclosure proceedings within a month.

a month.

The indications from Mountford's speech were that a play would be made for patriotism in the abandonment of the Rats strife against the managers, but this carried little weight with those

but this carried little weight with those assembled, who could not reconcile the statement of bankruptcy and the abandonment of all agressiveness with a "patriotic move."

The assemblage was informed a message was to be sent President Wilson and Samuel Gompers to the effect the Rats, in view of the nation's war declaration, would not proceed with the strike. This message had been framed by the Rats executives Monday and strike. This message had been tramed by the Rats executives Monday and voted upon Monday night. A motion at the Tuesday night meeting to indorse the action of the International Board met with violent opposition and was only concurred in after two hours of argument in which several members. of argument, in which several members made strong statements concerning the

made strong statements concerning the organization and its operation.

During a violent speech one of the members said "the charter of the American Federation of Labor isn't worth the paper it is written upon" and this same speaker designated Samuel Gompers as "the greatest labor faker in the world." President James W. Fitz-Patrick of the White Rats, who occupied the presiding chair, during remarks later in the evening claimed he knew the labor union leaders and the leaders of the trades unions had betrayed the Rats. traved the Rats.

The no-strike order went into effect

yesterday. Deputy Rats all over the country received wires of the discon-

tinuance Wednesday and were instructed to withdraw all of their forces. "The Player," the White Rats paper which cost the organization \$60,000 when first published, is to be suspended once again, after having caused another loss to the organization having them. loss to the order, it not having been placed upon a paying basis since its revival by Mountford, who wanted his own organ, without regard to the exchequer of the Rats.

Mountford, who pronounced the death knell of the Rats, said in his remarks he would leave the organization a poorer man than when he re-joined it, and if he went into another line of activity he (Mountford) wanted the members to retain confidence in

Wednesday along Broadway, when the faithful Rats commenced to realize the full import of the abandonment of the strike, and what it meant to those who had fed on the Mountford promises for the past three months, there were many heated arguments. Some of these turned toward the point when Pates demanded these the point when Rats demanded that a committee be appointed to investigate and examine the books of the White Rats for the past 15 months, particularly within the last 25 weeks. This point seemed to bear heavily upon the members, since Mountford had stated the Rats when he assumed charge was overburdened with debt and should then have gone into bankruptcy, al-though several of the Rats on the inthough several of the Rats on the inside seemed to know that, while the organization has received thousands of dollars since Mountford returned to it, very few of the debts the Rats were obligated for when Mountford returned in October, 1915, have been paid.

That the White Rats is a "dead" proposition seems to be universally accepted and that the organization laid down without an agreement of any

down without an agreement of any kind or nature that would have protected its faithful members with the managers was another source of depression for those Rats affected.

Mountford's glib manner of mention-

(Continued on page 7.)

MANN SKETCH CANCELED.

The Louis Mann sketch, "Some Warriors," has been canceled on its Orpheum Circuit routings and will end the tour at the Columbia, St. Louis,

April 14.

Martin Beck ordered the cancellation through, it is reported, Mr. Mann having failed to obey the instructions of sthe resident manager of the Orpheum, St. Paul, to refrain from further answering criticisms of the sketch made by the newspaper reviews of that city. "Some Warriors," written by Sam Shipman and Clara Lipman, seemed to Shipman and Clara Lipman, seemed to give somewhat of a linc on German communities, when playing the Majestic, Milwaukee. It was expected the Mann playlet would prove a big draw in that German populated city. Instead the business during its stay fell considerably below the normal of the house. The Milwaukee returns were accepted by the theatre management as indicating a reversal of feeling by German-Americans, caused through the Zimmerman-Mexican letter, and this revulsion was so pronounced, at least in Milwaukee, it was claimed the lack of interest in Mr. Mann's war playlet (that is a satire with the German composer Strauss introduced into it) could poser Strauss introduced into it) could be traced directly to the German attempt to intrigue against this country through Mexico.

WILD WEST IN BROOKLYN.

The Buffglo Bill Wild West with The Buffalo Bill Wild West with Jess Willard will have its metropolitan showing in Brooklyn week April 30. The show will play a week at Washington Park, the old Federal League grounds. The Brooklyn date will be the first that the Wild West has played around New York since Willard joined it as the feature attraction.

JULIA ARTHUR'S NEXT SHOW.

Chicago, April 11.

Julia Arthur, who closes here next week in "Seremonde," is preparing a new comedy drama, with a modern setting and theme of current times.

Miss Arthur is to star in the piece,

which may be put on late in the spring.

The new play may be presented anonymously, as it is the author's first attempt at playwriting, although he is well known as a writer.

The title is kept under cover for the

present, as it has not yet been copyrighted.

NEW KEITH'S CINCINNATI.

Cincinnati, April 11.

new theatre reported for this city will be Keith's, replacing the present house of that name and continuing

to play big time vaudeville.

It is to scat about 3,200 and will be ready by Jan. 1 next.

"HITCHIE-KOO REVUE."

Chicago, April 11. "Hitchie-Koo and His Revue" is the name of the summer show Charles B. Dillingham will produce and which will have Raymond Hitchcock and Grace La Rue.

It is settled the show (now running London under the title of "Some") will go into the Globe, New York, the opening date being June 4. Efforts are being made to have Leon Errol and Tom McNaughton join, which, in addition to Rock and White, will lend an all-star complexion to the cast. The Globe will be billed as "Underneath the Stars" because of that house's moveable roof, which will be opened in clement weather. A certain amount of "fixing" is being applied to the original play by Ray E. Goetz and Glenn MacDonough.

Mr. Hitchcock said that word had accounted him that Billy Sunday and

reached him that Billy Sunday's son said the revivalist had promised to "lay off" attacking the theatres during his New York meetings. Also it seems Sunday is perturbed over the panning administered by Hitchie every night in his curtain speech.

A SON ON BOTH SIDES.

Chicago, April 11. Mme. Ernestine Schumann-Heink was able to be up last week for the first time since her recent automobile

accident.

The singer is almost distracted over The singer is almost distracted over the possibility her sons may be fight-ing each other before peace is declared. She has one son in the German navy, another in the United States navy, one in the National Guard of New Iersey, and a fourth in the Culver Military

LORRAINE AND MORAN WEDDING.

A wedding announced as on the tapis that of Lillian Lorraine and Frank Moran, the latter an aspirant for the heavyweight championship title.

Moran has been attentive to Miss Lorraine for some time, they having often been seen about together.

RE-ENLISTS IN NAVY AT 48.

Joe Edmunds, who originated the hick role in "The Belle of New York" several years ago, re-enlisted in the navy Monday as a boatswain's mate. Edmunds, who is 48 years old, was in the navy before going on the stage.

Sang "America" in German Cafe. Eddie Marshall, the vaudeville car-toonist, started a riot here Sunday in a German testaurant, when he cang. "America."

The Marshall party was ordered out of the place, and it is said only fear of the Secret Service agents stopped the cafe people from attacking the singers.

IN LONDON

London, March 26, 1917.
Arthur Hardy, who since the death of Lewis Waller, has been concerned in war work, is returning to management. In addition to presenting Nina Boucicault in a sketch, "When the Clock Strikes Nine," with the Variety Con-trolling Company, he has secured two new piays by Major W. P. Drury, par-author of "The Flag Lieutenant."

Gladys Cooper, who was recently operated on for appendicitis and is progressing favorably, is joining Frank Curzon in theatrical management. They will start business with Cyril Harcourt's comedy, "A Lady's Name," played by Marie Tempest, but since renamed "Wanted, A Husband."

Before the war musical comedies enjoyed longer runs than any other class of entertainment. At present "Ro-mance" and "A Little Bit of Fluff" enjoy the distinction of scoring hundreds of performances more than any other kind of play. Both have been given more than six hundred times and are still going strong.

The Army Service Corps at Grove Park has a splendid concert party of its own. The party includes Lance Corporal George Glover (Betty Barclay's baritone), Gene Gerrard and Rebla (from "Some"), Bert Errol, Jock Mc-kay and Jay Laurier.

Sergt. Eddie Reed, who has seen two years hard fighting in East Africa, while on sick leave from his regiment appeared for a week at the Tivoli, Cape Town, before rejoining.

Arthur Melrose, known in vaude-ville as "The Whistling Waiter," has joined Lena Ashwell's concert party at the front.

Alec Gee, of "Gee Whiz," has returned from France and is now in a London hospital.

The "Two Tom Boys" are touring the Moss Empires with their "trumpstibumpsti" tumbling act—Bumps and

Charles B. Cochran has acquired a new one-act play by Robert Hitchins, entitled "Black Magic." It will be presented in the Pot-Pourri at The Ambassadors with Lillah McCarthy in the leading part.

Alfred Butt, following the excellent example of Seymour Hicks, has arranged to give a series of Sunday evening concerts free to soldiers and sailors in uniform, no civilians being admitted.

Laurie Wylie and Alfred Parker are new sketch entitled "The writing a new sketch entitled "The Side of Mr. Bacon" for George Graves, to be presented on the variety stage in

Mertz and Whittle, formerly wellknown comedians, by special permission of their commanding officer recently topped the bill at the Regent Theatre, Chelmsford, for one week. These popular artists are in great demand for camp and hospital concerts; and received a wonderful welcome on their return to the stage for one week

lack Delaine, when discharged from the army as physically unfit last May, put on a new act and changed his name to Earle Foxe. He has now resumed his old name and is doing well.

Arthur R. Lemis, late of the Minerva Troupe, who was badly wounded on

the Somme last October, is progressing favorably in a Manchester Hospital.

Mai Bacon, late of the Alhambra, whose husband—Lieutenant Lionel Calvert-was killed in action ε few weeks ago, has just lost her aunt, a talented amateur actress, in a distressing motor

Ernie Lotinga was granted a decree nisi against his wife, professionally known as Hetty King. Jack Norworth, the co-respondent, was cast in five hundred dollars damages. Neither of the defendants appeared.

IN PARIS.

Paris, March 18. The French government has repealed the orders relative to the closing of all places of amusement for four days weekly, and caterers can now open nightly, with only two matinees each week (Thursdays and Sundays), pro-vided no coal is used for heating purposes and the lighting is restricted to vaudeville theatres and cinemas are playing daily again, as well as the majority of the legitimate houses. A few close one day, which is optional.

The Casino de Paris is doing quite well for the feet time into the trace.

well for the first time since the transformation several years ago, and the hall is making a good profit with the revue mounted by Mme. Rasimi. Prices are low, ranging from 1 fr. to 3 frs., with a universal price of one france for matinees (except Sundays) on the lines of the Olympia. The daily matinees will be renewed as soon as the present regulations allow. Certain present regulations allow. Certain managers are fighting hard for the old regime of twice daily, but the authorities do not seem disposed at present to encourage too much amusement in Paris. The boulevard picture palaces feel this restriction, as do the small cafe concerts which are wont to give matinee rehearsals at reduced admission.

Mme. Ercole, widow of the late C. M.

Ercole, states she is running the agency herself, awaiting the liberation of her son, at present a picture operator with the Russian army. Carron, formerly assistant in the office, has left the

Mme. Medrano issues a warning that in future all contracts for her circus must be countersigned by engagements made on agents' signa-tures will not be valid.

The daylight saving law has again passed and went into effect midnight, March 24. It is not anticipated pushing on the clock for one hour will have any deleterious effect on the theatres at this season, any more than it did last year.

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In Paris theatres: "Within the Law"
(Rejane); "The Aviator" (Varietés);
"Cyrano de Bergerac" (Porte St. Martin); "Le Minaret" (Renaissance);
"Nouveau Riches" (Sarah Bernhardt);
"Petite Mariée" (Gaité); "Chichi"
(Athenée); "Madame et son Filleul"
(Palais Roval); "Jean de la Fontaine"
(Bouffes); "Mam'zelle Nitouche" (Ambigu); "Mam'zelle Vendemiaire"
(Anollo); "Monsieur Beverley "(Antoine); "Carminetta" (Michel): "Champignol malgre lui" (Scala); "Classe 36"
(Dejazet); "Miss Million" (Moncev); "Famille Pont-Biquet" (Empire); "Son Petit Frere" (Edouard VII): "La veille d'armes" (Gymnase); "Revillon au Pere Lachaise," etc. (Grand Guignol); repertoire at Opera. Opera-Comique, Comedie Francaise, Odeon. Revues at Folies Bergere, Arts. Capucines, Casino In Paris theatres: "Within the Law" Folies Bergere, Arts. Capucines, Casino de Paris, Mayol, Ba-Ta-Clan, Cigale, Caumartin, Cadet Rousselle, Eldorado.

CHEAPENING PRODUCTIONS.

London, April 11. gorgeous Recent strictures against

productions in these troublous times is causing a reaction.

C. B. Cochran's Ambassadors' revue entitled "One Hundred and Fifty Pounds" indicates its cost.

Andre Charles's revue

Andre Charlot's new vaudeville revue, named "Cheep," costs three hundred pounds (\$1,500).

TWO DEATHS IN LONDON.

London, April 11. Alexander Calvert, a well known ac-

tor, died here. Charles Owen, once famous clown, known as Professor Charles, at one time lessee of Sadlers Wells, was bur-ied here April 7.

OFFICIAL WAR FILM.

London, April 11.

"Sons of Our Empire," new official war film, was shown here April 5. It is the best yet seen and comprises ten reels, released April 9, as "Sea Isle," two reels was by the sea of the sea of the sea of the reels. two reels weekly.

BACK AT THE HIP.

BACK AT THE HIP.
London, April 11.
After a period of indisposition Shirley Kellogg and Daphne Pollard have returned to the Hippodrome.
A replica of the Hip revue, "Zig Zag," was presented at the Olympia, Liverpool, April 9, with Deane Tribune as principal comedian.

2D "VANITY FAIR."

London, April 11.
The second edition of "Vanity Fair" at the Palace has three new scenes and

much good new matter.
Fred Groves had replaced Arthur Playfair and the revue is going strong.

TATE'S "BILLIARDS."

London, April 11.
Harry Tate has returned to the va-

rieties and is this week presenting a revival of his "Billiards" burlesque, at the Stratford Empire.

TERRY-GLYNNE WEDDING

London, April 11.

Dennis Neilson Terry was married to Mary Glynne April 3.

Both are appearing at the St. James's theatre.

Malcolm Scott in Bard's Role.
London, April 11.
Malcolm Scott, brother of Admiral
Sir Percy Scott, has taken Wilkie
Bard's role at the Alhambra, April 9.



VAN HOVEN

"Boy, page Cupid. I want to slip him an order, for what is life without a wife? To be loved or not to be loved, that's SOME questions.

"Here I am willing to be a war widowr or any little thing like that, but still I am un-attached. Won't some P. M. (pretty mom-mer) take pity on a handsome, athletic youth who is a long, long way away from the Gus Sun circuit and making a lot of money?"

TRIPLE BILL GOES BIG.

London, April 11.
Dion Boucicault's triple bill at the New theatre opened April 7 and proved a big success.

It included J. M. Barrie's "The Old Lady Shows Her Medals," an artistic Lady Shows Her Medais, an artistic gem, with comedy and pathos blended, perfectly acted by Jean Cadell and G. Mulcaster. The second is A. Milnes Wurzel's "Flummery," well written and brightly played by Dion Boucicault, Martin Lewis, Helen Haye and Peggy Kurton. Barrie's other playlet proved to be the first act of "Leonora," artis-tically done by Irene Van Brugh and Gordon Ash.

POOR AND SUGGESTIVE FARCE.

London, April 11. At the Apollo, Lawrence Cowen's "Double Dutch," scene laid in Holland, is a poor farce, often suggestive.

"INTOLERANCE" BEWILDERS.

London, April 11. D. W. Griffith's cinema spectacle, "Intolerance," was produced at the Drury Lane April 7, and was voted stupendous but bewildering, the continual flashbacks proving disconcerting.

"Catch of the Season's" New Numbers.

London, April 11.

At Prince's theatre Madeleine Seymour has replaced Alice O'Brien.

Several new numbers have been introduced in "The Catch of the Season."

LIBEL ACTION OFF.
London, April 11.
Oswald Stoll and the Alhambra Company have withdrawn their libel and slander action against General Smith-Dorrien.

Billy Merson Again in London.
London, April 11.
Billy Merson, touring for several conths, reappeared in London this months, reappeared in Londoweek at the Holborn Empire.

SHAFTESBURY SOLD.

London, April 11.

The Shaftesbury has been purchased by Joseph Benson, a Liverpool mer-

Grossmith & Laurillard have a long lease of the house for musical comedy.
"Three Cheers" will continue its run

ARMY SATIRE UNAPPRECIATED.

Chicago, April 11.

The generally quiet, sedate and con-servative Wilson Avenue neighborhood was considerably worked up over an

was considerably worked up over an unusual happening at the Avenue last Thursday night. It is said the war started it, but the police finished it.

Jimmy Lyons, German monologist, using Lou Anger's former monolog, appeared for his "single." Comedy references to the army (Lyons wears a military snit) brought hisses from different sections of the house. Lyons made a speech that he was an American-born man and was not there to offend anybody. Then he continued.

When Lyons said "Useless Grant." a man down front passed some loud remarks. Manager Buhl endeavored to

a man down front passed some loud remarks. Manager Buhl endeavored to eject the disturber. He refused to leave. An old woman went to his defense and said if he was put out they could put her out too. A policeman was called and he took the man out, the house returning his money. The the house returning his money. The old lady left also.

Lyons finished the first show, and at

the second made a short speech prior to beginning his act, saving that he was a real American. There was no further interference.

MARINELLI GIVES CAR.
His 7-passenger car was presented
Monday by H. B. Marinelli to the
Home Defense League of Montvale, N. J., where Marinelli lives.

BILLY SUNDAY'S N. Y. REVIVAL FAILS TO HURT THEATRICALS

Played to Two Capacity Houses Opening, But Attendance Off Tuesday. Evangelist Peeved At Poor Showing. Theatres Do Not Feel Effect.

The advent of Billy Sunday into his new tabernacle at Broadway and 168th street, starting Easter when two capacity audiences were there to see him, has not affected any of the theatres in New York, in attendance, from reports

and observation.

The Sunday tabernacle holds between 15,000 and 17,000. After the Sunday

15,000 and 17,000. After the Sunday meetings attendance at the Sunday revivals dropped, and by Tuesday Sunday was voicing his displeasure at the showing from the pulpit.

The indications were, according to theatre managers, Sunday had had his early attendance practically guaranteed by the advance work, which interested a great many church workers in New York, they inciting an enthusiasm among their own classes that brought Sunday the good opening, but the en-Sunday the good opening, but the en-thusiasm did not seem to extend beyond those classes.

In the immediate neighborhood of the tabernacle the theatres reported no loss of business, and in the other sections the Sunday presence in New York was not felt at all. Easter Sun-day was one of the biggest days of this season in all of the theatres open in New York that day.

Sunday has secured quite some publicity, and at least one daily or more appears to be working in with him. Tuesday one of the afternoon extras that went to press before the Sunday afternoon meeting started gave his lecture for the afternoon almost in full, while mentioning an overflow attendance, whereas the tabernacle did not hold 6,000 people that afternoon. The story recited many details, either showing it was allowing its columns to be directed by the Sunday press staff or taking their matter without inquiry or investigation.

Sunday has sought to gain early favor in New York by a play for patriotism and also offering to devote his personal earnings of the present campaign

to war charities.

While some apprehension was felt in certain theatrical directions before Sunday arrived, by the middle of the week he was looked upon as only an inci-dent, not so inimical to legitimate theatricals as the circus at the Garden.

TWO SKETCHES AND STARS.

Lewis & Godron have two playlets Lewis & Godron have two playlets in rehearsal entitled "Soft Soap" and "Half and Half." May Buckley is to appear in the former with a cast of five people, and Lee Kolmar is to be the star of the latter, written by Clara Lipman and Samuel Shipman.

"The Good for Nothing" is the title of another sketch the firm is to produce shortly. There will be five people in

shortly. There will be five people in it. Jules Jordan and Stanley Jessup have been engaged.

Lewis & Gordon, heretofore productions.

ing for vaudeville, have accepted a three-act play by Dr. Nathan Kussey entitled "Cinderella of the Kitchen." The piece is to be tried out during the summer.

BAYES AT BIJOU.

The Norah Bayes show, somewhat augmented, may be seen around May I at the Bijou theatre on West 45th street (next to the Morosco). It is a new house of the Shuberts, originally intended for the French Players and lately named Bijou.

If Miss Bayes completes her arrangements with the Shuberts additions to

the Bayes company may be Al Fields in his vaudeville skits (one of which is "The Hansom Cab") and there is a report Harry Mestayer, now with "Come Out of the Kitchen" at the Cohan, may do a prolog for the Bayes show.

INA CLAIRE ENGAGED

A report that seems to be generally accepted is that Ina Claire is shortly to wed Lieut. Laurence Townsend of the United States Navy.

It is said the marriage will be has-tened through the possibility of the lieutenant being called away on duty

BERNHARDT REOPENING.

Chicago, April 11. H. M. Johnson, manager of the Auditorium, returned from New York with the news that Mme. Bernhardt is recovering and will restart her tour early in June.

The opening date will be at the Audi-

torium here, which she was compelled to cancel several weeks ago.

PLAYING RUSSELL BROS.' SKITS.

John Russell has offered all of the Russell Brothers sketches to Savoy and Brennan for presentation. The pieces are to be revamped and modernized.

The repertoire includes "The Romance of New Jersey," by George M.

BORDONI'S PIANIST.

Irene Bordoni may continue in vaudeville over the route originally laid out for the Ellis and Bordoni act. Leo Beers was being considered this week as the pianist for the turn to succeed Melville Ellis, who died last

Services for the deceased were held last Friday at Campbell's undertaking rooms, after which the remains were shipped to San Francisco.

"Passing Show" Opens in Pittsburgh. The opening date for "The Passing Show of 1917," originally slated for Buffalo at the Teck, April 16, has been switched to the Alvin, Pittsburgh, April 17.

Klein-Arbuckle Suit Settled.
The action for \$5,000 brought against Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle by Arthur Klein, alleging a breach of contract, was settled last Friday by Mr. Arbuckle for \$2,500. House, Grossman & Verhaus appresent Maio Vorhaus represented Klein.

Bob O'Donnell Goes Agenting.
The former treasurer of the Orpheum, Brooklyn, Bob O'Donnell, has become a booking agent, starting as assistant to Edward S. Keller this week.
Mr. O'Donnell replaced Capt. Ray Hodgdon in the Keller agency.

Nan Halperin's Season Over. This is the final week for this season of Nan Halperin in vaudeville. Miss Halperin will take a long rest, having declined further engagements before

next fall.

Mildred Elaine With Davy Jones. Mildred Elaine joined Davy Jones this week in the vaudeville act formerly played by Mr. Jones and Grace Leigh Miss Leigh left the turn to go with Dippel's "Love Mill."

Monday at the Orpheum, Brooklyn, it came out that four of the acts on the bill there this week expected to sing the same ballad.

The turns were Santly and Norton, Elinore and Williams, Carus and Comer and Nat Wills.

Considerable trouble was experienced by the house management in adjust-ing the matter. It was not finally settled until the management gave notice tied until the management gave notice that every act would be canceled, excepting Carus and Comer, if it insisted upon retaining the number for this week in its routine. Carus and Comer were adjudged to have the Orpheum rights through having first rehearsed it with the orchestra Monday morning. The incident was another of the

many of late that have accumulated in further substantiation of the recent movement among the large majority of popular publishers to abolish pay-ments to singers of songs, about which a decisive step will shortly be taken.

CIRCUS MAN LEAVES \$200,000.

Chicago, April 11.
When Charles D. Hageman, one of the owners of the Hagenbeck-Wallace circus, died unexpectedly in Mansfield, O., he had written a will on a piece of paper that became forgotten in the passing in a locker at the Scottish Rite Temple in Kansas City, Hageman leaving the entire Hageman fortune estimates. ing the entire Hageman fortune, estimated at \$200,000, to Sarah K. Wilson, of Kansas City. The fortune is mostly real estate in that city.

Hageman, aged 60 years, left no family, and it is believed that the Wilson

woman mentioned is an old schoolday sweetheart. An effort is being made to locate her.

NEW McVICKERS.

Chicago, April 11.

Arrangements have practically been consummated by Jones, Linick & Schaefer to build a new theatre on the present site of McVicker's on Madison street between State and Dearborn, but no definite date has been set for the work. Mr. Jones says plans are being drawn, but that work on it may not

drawn, but that work on it may not start for another year or so.

The report of the new building brought out the fact that Jones, Linick & Schaefer purchased McVicker's from the Sol Litt Estate and A. W. (Sandy) Dingwall interests about five months ago. Sol Litt died about a year ago and his half interest in McVicker's was left to the widow, who agreed to the left to the widow, who agreed to the J-L-S sale.

In the proposed rebuilding there will be an enlargement over the present site, the firm having purchased adjoin-

site, the firm faving points footage.

McVicker's, now seating 1,900, will house between 2,700 and 2,800.

Thomas W. Lamb, the New York architect, will draw the plans.

CLOWN AFTER DIVORCE.

Chicago, April 11.
David Clark, a clown with the Barnum & Bailey circus, has filed a petition in the Toledo courts for a divorce from Nellie Clark, circus dancer. Clark charges desertion. A. J. (Jimmy) Spriggs, clown, with the Ringlings, was a witness for Clark.

New House Opens in Providence.

Providence, April 11.
The Majestic, supplanting the Emery (same management) as the home of Loew vaudeville, opened here Monday, with Amelia Bingham headlining the

Pat Garyn in Auto Business.

Pat Garyn has resigned as manager of Keith's, Jerser City, to go into the automobile business.
His successor is William Milne, formerly treasurer of the theatre.

N. V. A. NOTES.

The club's beautiful furniture makes a fine background for the smiling face of Gene Green.

The installation of additional phone booths, together with the enlargement of the offices, will also prove much needed improvements to the club.

Capt. Adams found time on his recent dash from Chicago to look in at the club and vote it "O. K."

John Dunsmuir, the bulky Scot, recently tried out his voice at the N. V. A. and the crowd voted John "Some Canary."

Mrs. Willy Zimmerman entertained a party of friends at an informal luncheon Thursday.

William Stuart of the N. V. A., who recently tendered his services to President Wilson in the present crisis, received Monday from the President the

"The President deeply appreciates
your very generous and patriotic proffer of your services, and he wishes in
this informal way to express his grateful these?"

ful thanks."

Fred J. Ardath finds time from "farming" and his other rustic pursuits to fraternize now and then with "them city folks up to the N. V. A."

arry Reilly at the N. V. A. recently delivered this wise piece of informa-tion: "When the good Lord made the world it was such a sorry affair he wanted to cheer it up a bit, so he just sprinkled a few Irish around."

Chauncey Moore is among the regulars when it comes to Thursday's terpsichorean tournament.

The club's bulletin board holds some very attractive offers for unattached members.

It is predicted that all golf records will be smashed when E. E. Clive and Chas. Leonard Fletcher start out to settle the club championship.

Louise Agnese and her Irish colleens were among the glad sights of the Thursday dance.

Sam Ehrlich and Billy Smith put across a "live" number when they launched the song "N. V. A.," which follows:

Artists who play on the vaudeville stage

Formed a real organization;
All entertainers from here and abroad
Folks who delight every nation; Each member vows that they will do

their part
To make their profession a recognized

art, So let's get together in words very

plain, And tell what we are in this little refrain:

CHORUS.
N-V-A—N-V-A, we are here and we're going to stay,
Let us be brothers and sisters for life,

Stick to each other through gladness or

strife. Our motto shall be "JOLLY FEL-LOWS,"

When we are at work or at play,
So let's get together in all sorts of
weather,
And cheer for the N-V-A—"HOORAY."

O'ROURKE RECRUITING.

Steve O'Rourke, the Irish tenor, who will shortly invade the concert field, canceled a week's vandeville engagement last week to stimulate the recruiting around Philadelphia by singing the national source aboard the hattlethe national songs aboard the battleship Kansas.

VAUDEVILLE

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK. COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

Loew's Theatrical Enterprises, Plaintiff.

The White Rats Actors Union of America, Inc., Associated Actresses of America, the unknown members of said Union and Association, James William Fitzpatrick, as President of the Associated Actresses of America, and James William Fitzpatrick, Edward Clark, Harry Mountford, George Deimore, Robert Henry Hodge, Arthur Williams, each Individually and each as an officer and member of the White Rats Actors Union of America, Inc., and John Doe and Mary Roc, whose real names are unknown and whose designations are factitious, individually and as members of said Union or Association, Defendants.

Upon the summons and duly verified complaint herein, and upon the annexed affidavits of Nicholas H. Schenck, Louis Michel, Arthur E. Leopold, Sam Jedel, Theodore Asch, Dr. Joseph Lubliner, Louis Miller, Belle Natkiel, Frankie Tomicki, Emma Fredericks, Beila Levy, Carrie Cohn, Louis Hirsh, Samuel Willer, Arthur Wellin, Alexander Yokel, Charles C. Moskowits, Benjamin Mills, William J. Hamilton, Charles S. Meyerson, Abraham Sichel, Frank Goodale, George Schenck, Samuel N. Kuhn, Joseph Vogel, Henry Loow, Mosse M. Block, Mark Levy, Edgar J. Mannix and Waiter F. Keefe, ail duly verified herein, and the exhibits thereto annexed, let the defendants or their attorneys appear and show cause before a Special Term, Part I of the Supreme Court, to he held in and for the County of New York, on the 10th day of April, 1917, at 10:30 cilcok in the forenoon, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be beard, why an indunction should not be issued herein, enjoining and restraining said defendants and each of them, their officers, agents, employees, members and associates, pending the trial of this action, from doing the acts against which injunctive relief is prayed for in said complaint, and why the plaintiff should not have such other or further relief in the premises as to the Court may seem Just and proper.

proper.

And the plaintiff having furnished undertakings satisfactory to and approved by the Court as folicws:

And the plaintiff having furnished undertakings satisfactory to and approved by the Court as follows:

1.—An undertaking to the White Rats Actors Union of America, Inc., in the sum of \$10,000.

2.—An undertaking to James William Fitzpatrick, as President of the Associated Actresses of America, in the sum of \$3,000.

3.—Six separate undertakings, each in the amount of \$1,000 dollars, to James William Fitzpatrick, Edward Clark, Harry Mountford, George Delmore, Robert Henry Hodge, and Arthur Williams, individually and as officers and members of the White Rats Actors Usion of America, Inc., it is hereby ordered, that

In the meantime and until the hearing and determination of this motion for an injunction pendente life and the entry and service of an order thereon, the defendants and each of them, their officers, agents, employees, members and associates, and every and all persons aiding and abetting them in any of the acts hereinafter enjoined and restrained are hereby enjoined and restrained from interfering, with the plaintiff's property or with the plaintiff herein, or attempting to coerce or compel said piaintiff, either by threats, by intimidation or by interfering or threatening to interfere with its property or with its use or employment thereof, or hy any other illegal means, to violate or breach any contracts which it may have with actors or actresses to violate or hreach their contracts with the plaintiff, or to case to act or perform in the theatres owned, leased or operated or controlled by the plaintiff, and particularly from causing or attempting to cause crowds to assemble so as to hlock the entrance to any of plaintiff's said theatres, or to prevent the free ingress or egress of the patrons thereof, or to interfere with, annoy, vex, harass or impede patrons or prospective patrons, or make any statements or do any acts from which said patrons or prospective patrons, or make any statements or the plaintiff's said theatres or to threaten such patrons or prospective patrons, or make any statements or t

F. K. PENDLETON,
Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York.

PICKET INJUNCTION HELD OVER.

The argument upon the continuance of the injunction against picketing obtained by the Loew Circuit from Judge Pendleton in the Supreme Court against the White Rats and others last Friday came up for a hearing Tuesday before Judge Pendleton in his chambers.

The White Rats' attorney asked that the injunction be set aside or modified, both of which requests were refused by Justice Pendleton, who finally set April 24 as the date for the filing of briefs and final hearing.

This was accepted as a defeat by the Rats. It is reported Harry Mountford especially prepared the argument be-fore the court, Mountford obtaining affidavits (not used) from various peo-ple regarding the White Rats' trouble with the managers. None of the affidavits had direct bearing upon the matter in point, which is an action against the White Rats (not union labor) for conspiracy.

The conspiracy alleged was an attempt to injure the business of the Loew Circuit, through placing pickets outside the theatres warning the public not to enter upon the plea the houses were "unfair" to union labor, although having all of its stage hands and musi-

cians union men.

William Travers Jerome appeared for the Loew Circuit at both hearings. The manner in which Mountford was served with the injunction brought out a managerial smile. Mountford was phoned at the White Rats about 6.30 Friday night and was told Mr. Jerome, Nick and Joe Schenck were then in the Loew offices. The 'phone message, presumably with Mr. Jerome the speaker, said for Mountford to secure James W. FitzPatrick, Eddie Clark and Junie McCree and for them all to come over McCree and for them all to come over to meet the Loew people to see what might be done toward straightening out the situation, as the Loew people had grown tired of it.

It seemed Mountford was either too impatient to wait for the others or did not notify them, perhaps wanting to make the arrangements with Loew alone, for he went over unaccompanied, and in his haste to get there took a taxicab from the clubhouse in 46th street to the Putnam Building at 44th street. When about to step into the elevator on the way to the Loew offices. Mountford was served with the injunction papers. By 7.30 the same evening all pickets in front of the Loew theatres were withdrawn.

Oklahoma City, April 11. Oklahoma City, April 11.

The most recent important development in the strike of union stage hands, musicians, operators and the White Rats Actors' Union against the Oklahoma City Managers' Association was the closing late last week of the Metropolitan theatre, one of the two original union houses, and the only union theatre playing vaudeville until the Folly took it up.

Tucker Brothers, proprietors of the Metropolitan, say they were unable to renew the lease. Members of the Oklahoma Theatre Managers' Tssociation are convinced the reason was lack of patronage. The house is now for rent, the fixtures and all else having been moved to Dreamland, the other Tucker Brothers house, which is exclusively pictures. The Met is among the largest theatres in the city.

Strikers, most of them women, are again picketing in front of the Lyric, Liberty, Overholzer and Empress theatres, but the attendance at these houses remains good, capacity audiences being played to nearly all the time. The pick-ets wear their big badges, on which "picket" is printed in large letters.

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There is no semblance of disorder.
Regular patrons of the theatre ignore
the pickets entirely, while strangers
seldom listen to their arguments. The
strikers are congratulating themselves
on the appearance recently of a weekly
newspaper in Oklahoma City through
which they expect to secure a mouthpiece other than the organ conducted
by Tucker Brothers. The second issue of this publication hinted at hostility toward the managers, the latter
having given it no attention. It is unhaving given it no attention. It is un-derstood the strikers have offered their moral and financial support to the paper. The new publication seems to have gotten away to a bad start, and there is reason to believe it will be short lived.

The Folly, as the remaining unionized house, hopes to draw from the union sympathizers. It plays mostly

"The Love Squeeze" opened for its try-out at Allentown, Pa., April 7, playing Syracuse the first half this week. It's Eddie Rosenbaum's show, with Charles Dickson in the lead.

RATS' ROAD SHOW.

The White Rats vaudeville road show sent out Monday by Byrne & Kirby, the Rats official agents in New York, to the Lynn theatre, Lynn, Mass., struck the outsiders as about the biggest cause for internal dissension among the remaining faithful of the or-ganization Harry Mountford has yet

devised. Complaints were loudly voiced in New York from New England Rat acts, principally from Boston, against a Rats road show going into New England, with only New York Rat acts in it, ignoring the Boston faithful altogether, while Rats acts in New York, looking for work through having obeyed White Rat instructions and getting on the "blacklist," were not slow in noticing that in the first road show of the Rats were the leaders of the of the Rats were the leaders of the Rats forces rather than any of the rank

Rats forces rather than any of the rank and file who needed the work the most.

The Rats show opened in Lynn to about 100 people at the Monday matinee, and about 400 at the night show, those in the evening being the labor crowd there by invitation. The show is playing the house 65-35, with the acts to receive salary based upon that named in their last contract in a regular vaudeville theatre.

vaudeville theatre.

The Byrnc & Kirby agency has told Rats they would have eight split weeks in New England for them, mentioning the P. F. Shea houses, but up to Wednesday nothing beyond the Lynn stand had happened, while it was said P. F. Shea had turned down the Rats propo-

The vaudeville people along Broadvay gave the Rats road show proposition two weeks at the most. As far as the White Rats executives were conrned in it, the report was that Harry Mountford had approved the scheme in the hope the acts working would have to pay the five per cent. levy to him through having it deducted from what ever amount they might be able to se-cure from the Rats share of the gross at the end of the week.

The business connection of M. S. Epstin and Tom Jones is said to have been dissolved a few days after its for-mation. Previously Jack Mandel with Jones left that office. He intends opening an agency of his own.



WHITE RATS THEATRE-FOR RENT

The Metropolitan, Oklahoma City, taken over by the White Rats at the commencement of the Oklahoma City strike, to show to the vaudeville managers of that city what Harry Mountford could do as a manager.

It is now for rent, a complete failure as a White Rat house, after the Oklahoma City treuble caused many impocent and uninterested acts, bluffed or bullied by the White Rats methods, to be, placed upon the managers' undesirable list, either through refusing to play the regular theatres or appearing at this "White Rat theatre."

The Metropolitan, while playing under the White Rats direction, did four shows on week days and five performances Sunday.

DEFEAT ADMITTED BY WHITE RATS

(Continued from page 3.)

ing he might seek and obtain another position did not cheer up the Rats, who wordered who they might be able to secure work from, through being on the 'blacklist," and the repeated admo-nitions to the Rats in the trade press that Mountford at the finish would be no worse off than he was before re-turning to the order were forcibly brought to mind by Mountford's own star ments; also that he claimed he was poorer now than when he re-entered the order seemed to find some Coubters, as it was well known to Rats when Mountford returned he did not have a' dollar at that time.

The closed meeting Tuesday night brought out the largest attendance at the Rats clubhouse of any gathering there in months. Tuesday afternoon "the faithful" was told to tell every-body to be there in the evening, as matters of utmost importance were to be discussed. This information was given out by Mountford following a conference held by him in the club-house Tuesday afternoon, after Judge Pendleton had set the final hearing in the Loew Circuit picket injunction matthe Doew Until April 24, Judge Pendle-ton having rather clearly conveyed at the argument in his chambers Tues-day afternoon he would uphold the temporary injunction which he granted last Friday pending the trial for conspiracy against the White Rats, charged by the Loew Circuit and upon which the injunction was granted. The trial may be a matter of a year or more, although unlikely to ever come up.

The closed meeting permitted entrance only to those who held a paid up card of the Rats, excepting some who had been granted an extension of payment of dues for services rendered. During the meeting a "woman with the green feather" (wrongly suspected of being VARIETY's representative) was excorted from the hall by Mountford, although holding a paid up card, which was in direct violation of the laws governing a membership order. The woman was unknown to many members, but had been at several of the Rats meetings, and fell under suspicion through wearing a green feather in her hat. Her expulsion Tuesday night was the first time VARIETY had ever heard of her.

The meeting was called to order at 12.15 and closed about 4 a.m. Fitz-Patrick ruled the proceedings with a set determination. All of the recently active officers of the International Board were on hand. The minutes of the last closed meeting, over a month ment was given out. The sick report was heard.

Mountford took the floor and read the resolution to President Wilson and Gompers passed by the Board Monday night and wired to Washington Tuesday morning, before approved by the Rats body. This was done to assist in Mountford's "patriotic alibi." Its ap-proval by the meeting O. K.'d the ac-tion of the International Board, which sought in this way to have members believe it had listened to the statement of Gompers reported Monday that during the war the A. F. of L. would engage in no industrial or commercial strikes. Nothwithstanding Gompers' statement, many of the Rats present had heard in the clubhouse Monday the Mountford version of the Loew injunction, that whichever way it went the Rats would get the best of it, for if they

Friends were blamed by Mountford for the predicament of the Rats. He said foreclosure might be delayed 10 days, possibly until the end of this month, but that the failure was inevitable. Mountford stated that when he returned to the White Rats its liabili-

won then the Rats would resume pick-eting and if they (Rats) lost, the Amer-ican Federation of Labor would be

obliged to back up the Rats, to preserve

ties were \$250,000 and that if they had then gone through bankruptcy there would now be a well filled war chest. He stated 12,000 members had failed to pay dues in the past year and that the receipts at the clubhouse had decreased from \$2,000 weekly to \$700.

Mountford asked the order to express itself if they wanted him to continue and to give him a vote of confidence, notwithstanding his failure. Mountford thereupon left the hall and McGowan spoke, praising both Fitz-Patrick and Mountford, when Fitz-Patrick started to speak, saying it was after 3.30 and he had not had a chance to talk, but bespoke his confidence in Mountford. FitzPatrick called for a vote of confidence in the fallen idol, which was given.

It was observed by many about this time that although Edwards Davis was there and wanted the attention of the chair, he was not recognized, although Davis had spoken previously in the eveping.

Members had it suggested to them that they approach the managers for, engagements, but without any assurance they would be received, nor was any statement made that the Rats per Mountford before admitting defeat and giving up had attempted to secure pro-tection for the faithful who had followed their leaders to the very end, to see everything they hoped for disappear in a moment.

Closing the meeting, FitzPatrick assured those present the next meeting would be an important one, but did not mention where it would be held, with the inference it would not be in the clubhouse.

The opinion prevailing at the close of the meeting was that the Rats was through and that while a reorganization might be attempted with Mountford holding on through the vote of confidence received, to possibly have a berth with the actors continuing to support him, there seemed little in prospect in the future to the members.

A matter of much comment was caused through Mountford Tuesday night pleading patriotism, even though an Englishman known as a "slacker," and before an American audience with this country at war now with Germany, alluded to himself as Hindenburg." "Hindenburg" was the code name Mountford wished to be known by when he thought he was directing a strike in Chicago. Since then Mount-ford has had the choice of several Eng-lish names, particularly Haig, but still prefers to flaunt "Hindenburg" in the face of his American allies.

The White Rats movement under Mountford assumed definite shape early in December. It was Dec. It last Mountford decided to call a strike in the Middle West. He arrayed his forces like a battle line, from here to the Coat wherever the Pats had a the Coast, wherever the Rats had a deputy. The Vaudeville Managers' Pro-tective Association meanwhile prepared against the Rats. Dec. 15 VARIETY, for-merly the news medium for the Rats, editorially took a stand against the

proposed strike.

VARIETY pointed out the Rats did not have a chance of winning under Mountford, while Mountford did not have a chance of losing anything. It urged the vaudeville artists in the Dec. 15 and successive issues not to be mis-led by Mountford, not to obey any or-der of the White Rats to "walk out," not to permit themselves to be sacrificed, and to oblige Mountford to show members what the Rats could do for them before allowing the Rats to tell them what to do.

The managers continued their preparations and the Rats found themselves outmaneuvered at every point. Mountford started a guerilla warfare, attempting to incite Rats to violence, making misotetoments knowingly until those aware of the lengths he was going to lost what little respect they hitherto had held for his ability as a leader, and the Rats issue finally narrowed down to a strike against the Loew Circuit in New York, after the Rats had been decisively defeated at

every attempt elsewhere.

The Loew Circuit strike fizzled in line with the others, but gained some strength in certain sections of New strength in certain sections of New York and Brooklyn through the enlist-ment of the Hebrew Trades' Unions, the latter's aid having been gained by the customary Mountford deception. This support left them last week, and when the Rats defensive on the injunction proceeding appeared before Judge Pendleton, Emanuel J. Meyers (not the Rats regular attorney named Meyers) represented the organization, with no attorney present in behalf of the Hebrew Trades Unions.

The Rats movements first started when Mountford returned to the Rats late in 1915 ostensibly to rebuild the organization. He requested and re-ceived the support of VARIETY in so far as credit might be extended to the Rats to aid him in his work, and upon his declaration that he would not again "lose his head" (Mountford having been put out of the Rats about two years before for wildness in speech and action). Upon his return Mountford receased quietly until action have proceeded quietly until seeing he was gaining some headway, when he again ran wild, making absurd statements, using threats and going so far he could not withdraw, meantime having antagonized the managers, who revived their organization (V. M. P. A.) and prepared to forestall the Rats organization if it attempted to discuss a superior of the superior

it had tried to do before.

Mountford, unable to see the signs, nor apparently being able to realize the strength or weakness of his position at any time staggered along, preserving what forces remained in the order by gross misrepresentation at all times, misstating nearly everything he spoke about, and led the Rats up to the final moment Tuesday night, when he top-pled over the mansion he had himself erected, without foundation or walls.

BOSTON HEARS STRIKE'S OFF.

Boston, April 11, Boston White Rats heard today the White Rats in New clared off all strikes.

clared off all strikes.

Rats pickets here are angry and asking where the money due them for picketing is coming from.

Geoffrey Whelan, the Rats deputy for Boston, issued a statement this afternoon confirming the reputed action of the Rats in New York. Whelan invoked the patriotic spirit as the excuse. cuse.

Show people in Boston have understood for days the local Rats cause was doomed. It was unable to substantially interest the labor people of Boston, and the Rats had lost all prestige hereabouts long ago.

Chicago, April 11, Joe Birnes, the White Rats repre-sentative for Chicago, declared this afternoon he had received no advices from New York to the effect the Rats strike had been abandoned.

Everyone else about appears to have heard of it. Birnes said the notifica-

tion might be on its way by mail and he will receive it Thursday morning. Birnes will likely issue a statement along the lines of his instructions when received.

The Rats proposition here has been a dead issue for weeks.

St. Louis, April 11, George Serjeant, local deputy for the White Rats, can not be located. It is reliably reported in St. Louis the Rats has abandoned all of its strike actions.

Serjeant for several days has been dodging process servers who wanted to serve him in an action brought by Frank Tate to restrain picketing. The Rats has no other local official representative

"BLACKLISTED" ACTS IN NEED.

Vaudeviile acts in New York on the blacklist of the vaudeville managers are commencing to appear in the offices of agents for the regular circuits, making pitiful appeals to be remstated. In all cases they have been informed there is no hope.

One act stated to an agent it had played but two weeks since placed on the "blacklist." The act received \$175 weekly when on the Loew time. confessed the two weeks were played for an unathliated agent who cut its

salary to \$100 and gave it a \$45 jump.

Another act in pleading for reinstatement said it had walked out on the positive assurance at Rats headquarters every act on the Loew Circuit would walk out at the same time. It told its agent Harry Mountford is telling blacklisted acts the Rats have won. The agent suggested the act ask Mountford the next time he says it to tell what they have won, and the agent added that within his experience whenever a strike was won the strikers re-turned to work. The act as a con-cluding remark said the Rats were like an army obeying a general, when the agent replied that as far as he knew an army is always provided for, in food, employment and pay. He told the act to figure up what their general had given them so far in return for obe-dience, and what they could get from the Rats if asking for anything.

The agents who seem to come into closer contact with the acts they formerly booked than anyone else just at this time say it is heartrending to hear the stories of privation the "blacklisted" acts have to tell as their reward for "walking out." Some of these acts (and the same report comes from Boston, where the Rats also ordered an unsuccessful" walkout") are reported extremely bitter against those responsible for the same and the same state.

sible for their present plight.

RATS WORK-FOR GLORY?

Chicago, April 11.
Business at the Columbia (N. Clark, opposite the Windsor), where Rats bills are being offered, has dwindled to almost nothing, with the result that the Rats are chary of playing there, as it is work without real renumeration.

The Columbia seats about 650. The

The Columbia seats about 650. The management and the Rats on a "50-50" basis have nothing worth while to split. Weimer, who has the Columbia, cannot understand why the union hosts in the neighborhood haven't been flock-

ing to the house.
It is said the Rats are after the Alhambra on the south side. It is looked upon as a dead one. The bill at the Columbia the last half last week had Esther Duo, Goodwin and Goodwin, Clifton quartet, Berquist Brothers, Mack, Rolo and Mack.

BEATRICE LAMBERT OFF "LIST."

The name of Beatrice Lambert has been removed from the managerial un-desirable list by the Vaudeville Man-agers' Protective Association, confirm-ing Miss Lambert's statement she was unable to keep a theatre engagement through the death of an aunt.

PHONY DONATION.

The apparent intent to confuse with the "levy" list of subscribers published weekly in "The Player" (these subscrip-tions being designated mostly by initials or numbers) brought out last week an undoubted "padding" when under the heading of "Donations" it was listed the Carmen's Union, Division 589, had donated \$200. Investigation proved the listing was made without any basis, or any money resided from the carmen and the Determinant of ceived from that source by the Rats.

It is claimed the complicated listing of "levy" payments by the White Rats has an ulterior object that works two or three ways, the principal one of which would be to prevent any White Rat from obtaining an authentic list of

payments made.

ARTISTS' FORUM

Confine letters to 150 words and write on one side of paper only.

Anonymous communications will not be printed. Name of writer must be signed
and will be held in strict condidence, if desired.

Letters to be published in this column must be written exclusively to VARIETY.

Duplicated letters will not be printed. The writer who duplicates a letter to the

Forum, either before or after it appears here, will not be again permitted the priv-

Rockford, Ill., April 5.

Editor VARIETY:

I wish to mention the treatment given professionals by the proprietor of the Radway Hotel in Beloit, Wis. The town is on the W. V. M. A. circuit, and plays vaudeville the last half each

I played there Monday. March 26, for one night only, and went to the kadway. My brother carries a little dog as his pet. After having been registered at that hotel for about an hour, was informed by George Ihrig, the proprietor he did not allow dogs. hour, was informed by George Ihrig, the proprietor, he did not allow dogs in his hotel, so we left. On leaving, he demanded \$1.25 for my room; which I refused to pay. Whereupon, he became abusive of theatrical people in general, and grabbed me and tried to keep my grip, which I would not relinquish. He then swore out a warrant for our arrest, charging us with "willfully and maliciously removing our "willfully and maliciously removing our baggage from his hotel with intent to defraud." Had it not been for Chief defraud." Had it not been for Chief of Police Qualman, who would not serve me with the warrant because he realized I was in the right, we should have been unable to leave town with our company, and been put to a deal

The Chief told us it was a frequent occurrence, and that theatrical people always have trouble with that hotel. Gladys Brooks. ("Daddy Long Legs.")

Dayton, O., April 3.

Editor Variety:
Harry Weber stopped off here with his brother on a visit (this being his home town) and took in the show at

Upon his departure for New York he left an order with a florist to send to each of the eight acts on the bill a large bouquet, which was passed over the footlights at tonight's performance. Each was not less than two dozen flowers.

Never before have I known of an agent to do this to the entire bill and we are taking this means to thank Mr. Weber openly for his kindness. Mr. Weber has two acts on this bill under his management.

Jos. McShane. (McShane and Hathaway).

New York, April 7.

Editor Variety:
In this week's Variety is a story my partner, Geo. White, and I are to split, which is true. But it also says I was under contract with him until lune 1. Our arrangement was an equal partnership and it was by mutual agree-nent we decided to break up the team. Lucille Cavanagh.

Chicago, April 8. Editor VARIETY:

The Crown theatre, Chicago, report VARIETY mentioned Loeffler and

We did not appear at the Crown at that time. Were compelled to cancel our contract through the serious throat trouble of Miss Vernon.

Loeffler and Venon.

ILL AND INJURED.

Cecelia Weston was stricken with appendicitis while at the Orpheum, Memphia, Termia George W. Scott (Scott and Marke)

was struck by an automobile in Bay Side, L. I., April 5, and severely injured. He is confined to his home. The

auto driver left Mr. Scott lying in the

ollie Newman, wife of Harry L. Newman, was operated on at the West Side Hospital, Chicago, April 9. She will be at the hospital for about ten

days.
Slim Kellan, one of the featured comedians with "The Million Dollar Dolls" at the Columbia this week, was stricken with a sudden attack of rheu-matism Monday afternoon. Kellan continued active with the aid of a cane, but could not play his regular part, merely filling in during sections. of the comedy scenes. His role was divided among the other male prin-

w. A. Edwards, manager of His Majesty's theatre, Montreal, Can., is still confined to his home, but is slowly

Dave Montgomery is still gravely ill, in the Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago, and the doctors say that he has no better than a fighting chance to recover. Last week he was in a stupor, out of which he could not be roused for several days. The physicians are amazed at his vitality.

Frawley and West were compelled

to cancel their time through the illness of Miss West. Eugene Frawley will complete the season as a single.

Irving Simon is about again in Chicago after a ten days' siege of the grippe.

Madame Gabrielle, the "half woman" with the Ringling Brothers side show, was dropped during the dress rehearsal last week, the man in charge of her "exhibit" slipping on the steps while carrying her. The freak was badly shaken up and slightly cut in the face. Her husband flew into a rage over the

William Howland (Carlita and Howland) reported ill in Chicago Monday. He is confined to the Morrison Hotel there.

Elmer Jerome, ill in a Detroit hospital, reported convalescent.
Fred Ward is reported as ill at his

tome and in a serious condition. He contracted a severe cold while doing guard duty on the Hoboken docks with a New Jersey militia regiment.

Tez Weatherford became ill in Fort

William, Ont., and was removed to a hospital there. His time with Tommy Burchill's road show was taken up by Karl Karey.

Mrs. Frank Zehrung has been removed to a Chicago hospital.

Mrs. O. T. Fiske (Fiske and McDon-

ough) is convalescing at her home in New York City, having recently undergone a serious operation at a private sanitarium.

Louis Robie, the burleque manager, is spending a few weeks in Asheville, N. C., for his health.

John R. Gleeson (Gleesons and Houlihan) is at the Windsor-Clifton Hotel, Chicago, ill with pleuro-pneumonia. His recovery is expected.

Josephine Field, wife of George J. Field, property man at Keith's Royal theatre, who recently suffered a nervous breakdown and lost her mind, has been taken to the State institution at Elgin, Ill. She was last with "More Sinned Against Than Usual."

Miss Rae (Rae and Wynn) at Kalamazoo became ill and examination disclosed scarlet fever symptoms. Owing to Miss Rac's litness, all dates have been cancelled. Miss Wynn (Wynn Lorraine) returned to Chicago and will do a "single" until the recovery of her

MUST HAVE N. V. A. CARDS.

The Vaudeville Managers' Protective Association sent out instructions this week to all of its members to the effect that on and after April 23 all theatres of the V. M. P. A. must ascertain if acts billed for their houses are mem-bers of the National Vaudeville Artists. The instructions said no membership

The instructions said no membership could be recognized excepting the act held a paid up card of the N. V. A. from April 1 to October 1, 1917.

The purpose of the V. M. P. A. instructions, it is understood, is for the association, through its managers, to compile its own list of N. V. A. members who are playing in V. M. P. A. houses. The notice this week through the managers' association follows a rethe managers' association follows a recent one issued saying no act not a member of the N. V. A. could play a V. M. P. A. theatre.

"BREEZE" BLOWS.

The odoriferous "Missouri Breeze" and its money grabbing editor, Eddie Meredith, have blown out of Chicago. Although no one cared where Meredith went to as long as he left, he's probably returned to Fairmount, West Va., where his system of living will keep any bank account he has left intact while away.

Meredith became known as the theatrical newspaper world's cheapest little pen swiper. "The Breeze," under Meredith's direction, became a \$2 sin-gle or 3-for-\$5 notice rag. It was an excuse here for a theatrical weekly that was in reality a press sheet for those who stood for the Meredith gaff or touch. Meredith was in trouble several times through his picayune methods of nabbing any kind of a dollar. His regular rate was \$5 a week, about the same amount he paid in Chicago to live by the week (including room rent), but Meredith would take less money.

but Meredith would take less money.

He wasn't beneath accepting the lowest amount that might be offered him.

"The Breeze" of late had been leaning toward the White Rats movement as it couldn't obtain anything elsewhere, but, the Rats thing dying out, Meredith dropped off with it, although before he quit he won the questionable of acting as a special say for prestige of acting as a special spy for certain Rats, also as their press agent. Meredith claims to be ill. He prob-

ably is sick of the newspaper business, but not quite as disgusted with it as the newspaper folk are with him.



TOWER and DARRELL "Ain's they Hundingers?"
"Let's tell 'em another joke, Elmer?"
"Let's tell 'em another joke increit.
Tell 'em its Duluth on April 22nd, 1917.
Tell 'em that's no joke and we're book
solid by ROSE & CURTIS (Engineers). booked

IN AND OUT.

Lou Moltz left the Keeney, Brook-lyn, bill the last half of last week through illness. Donald Roberts re-placed him.

Cross and West, a sister team, re-tired from the Jefferson bill the last half last week after the first show. Kane and Faber were out of the bill

at the American the last half, replaced y Faber and Taylor. Hazel Muller notified the Loew office

she could not play the last half at the Orpheum. Dorothy Curtis secured the

Scheffel and Lewis replaced Stuart and Lewis at the Greeley Sq. the last half last week.

The Three Anker Bros. were out of the Hip, Chicago, bill Monday, their spot being given to the Arco Bros.

The Three Bartos could not play the Lincoln Hip, Chicago, because of an injury to one of the members, their place being taken by the Wille Bros.

Gertrude Vanderbilt and Sid Marion,

to have opened at the Majestic, Mili-waukee, this week, had to cancel through Miss Vanderbilt's illness, said to be a nervous disorder. The vacancy was filled from the Chicago office of the Orpheum Circuit.

The Kitamura Japs and not One the Bushwick, Brooklyn, Monday. One Dreumonia. Three The Kitamura Japs did not open at the boys has pneumonia. Alex substituted.

Capes and Snow were placed in the American, New York, first half bill Monday, vice Maria and Trevette, ill-

Bart Macomber, owing to illness, was unable to open at the Palace, Milwaukee, Sunday. Mitchell and Mitch stepped in.

Vallecita's Leopards had to leave the Palace, Chicago, last Friday night. Raskin's Russians substituted.

Hughes and Vokes left the Lincoln, Chicago, the last half last week, owing to the serious illness of Hughes' father in Pittsburgh. Mitchell and Mitch were substituted. Talford and Besslo were out of the Academy, Chicago, last half last week, owing to sickness. Johnson and Rollinson substituted.

Peggy O'Neil did not open at the Palace, New York, having objected to the position (third) assigned her on the program. It was to have been Miss Hughes and Vokes left the Lincoln,

program. It was to have been Miss O'Neil's metropolitan vaudeville debut. Sarah Padden and Co. in "The Clod" substituted.

Josie Heather replaced Ellis and Bordoni at the Palace, Chicago, this week.

MARRIAGES.

Josephine Stevens, leading woman for Roscoe Arbuckle in his picture comedies, and daughter of the late Ben Stevens, a veteran manager, was married to Edward Ellis April 5, at the Church of the Messiar, by the Rev. John Haynes Holmes.

Mary Louise Morrison and Frederick Perry were married April 5 at the Central Presbyterian Church parish house by the Rev. E. Blake MacDonadd. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Ellis, and after the ceremony the two couples went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hilliard, Central Park West, where the marriages were celebrated by a suppose celebrated by a supper.

JOE HOWARD'S BIG ACT.

The big act Joe Howard is produc-ing, with himself and Ethelynne Clark as principals, will have 35 people and be in five scenes.

It will be first shown April 23. Arthur Klein is directing the bookings.

Tuesday Mr. Howard was informed by a "committee" of colored people he has engaged for the show they refused to attend marning rehares is not find. to attend morning rehearsals, not finding it convenient to be at the theatre before one p. m. Howard is obliged to pay the colored people \$18 or \$20 a week against \$10, the former wage for the same services (charus).

The Department of Licenses will issue the licenses for theatrical agencies for 1917 on May 3.



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The expected has happened. The White Rats has floundered in its effort to tie up vaudeville to the satisfaction of Harry Mountford, its erratic leader, with the result Mountford has left his faithful followers stranded upon the vaudeville rocks.

It could not be otherwise. It was bound to happen. Mountford, with all his misstatements and misrepresentations, never deceived those who were aware of his limitations, nor did Mountford deceive himself.

Nor will Mountford deceive the vaudeville or theatrical world or anyone who has knowledge of the White Rats movement into placing any confidence in his brazen play for patriotism, and that from an Englishman who should have been months ago in his own country if there is any patriotism left in him. If there is, America doesn't want it. There are patriots over here we are certain of and we don't want the brass kind that can't display it at home.

The patent play for a patriotic finish for the Rats made by Mountford is as much an insult to the intelligence of the remaining members of that organization as have been the words and actions of Mountford all through this trouble. He is still trying to mislead them, to fool them even after the finish has arrived. About the only surprising thing Mountford has done is to confess the Rats bankrupt, that it has no money, only the brazen nerve of Mountford, about all it ever had, to continue the faith of the faithful.

Every move made by Mountford, right up to Tuesday morning (before it was voted on Tuesday night) when he sent the no-strike wire to President Wilson, also President Gompers, has been made with intent to fool the membership of the Rats. Mountford could fool no one else and he has been unsuccessful in fooling all of the Rats, for the members left him and the organization in droves during the past few months.

This self-confessed defeat, while complete, might have been recorded weeks ago, for surely the executives of the organization, particularly Harry Mountford, the self-styled "Hindenburg" of theatricals, knew down in his heart he was leading the actors to slaughter, but with that unexplainable super-ego deeply imbedded in his makeup he would not turn back or even hesitate, preferring apparently to go along week after week slowly sapping the strength of the organization, and rapidly sacrificing the future of those who blindly followed him on, for that measure of kind applause and enthusiasm with which he was bathed at every meeting. Mountford loved the cheers, the applause and the hand shakes, but how he must have squirmed when alone with his own conscience, knowing the truth and inwardly realizing his sin.

It was generally understood Mountford would try to find some soft man-ner to celebrate his exit, but what of those loyal followers who blindly obeyed his "walk-out" order, sacrificing immediate routes and the possibility of any future time? What of those men and women who, after consuming the weekly portion of Mountford's red fire oratory, walked out and trod the streets in the picket line, giving up their time, money and possibilities for a cause that Mountford knew was lost weeks and weeks before his strike beweeks and weeks before his strike beweeks and weeks before his strike began? Mountford's ego is slightly crushed, but leave it to Mountford to shift the blame to others. He will probably claim the strike would have been won had the membership stood loyally behind him. But when he knew it didn't, and he certainly knew it didn't, why did he continue in his mad course? Mountford may even find a way to answer that question. swer that question.

We are inclined to believe the managers, who are not quite as stony-hearted as the Rats leaders would have matter of those artists upon the under-sirable list. They should be con-sidered, not all of them, but there are those who were intimidated, misled, misinformed, men who had their wives plead with them not to do anything that would bring physical injury as a result, others who listened to their wives who had listened to other misinformed players, and there are any number of extenuating instances through which acts found themselves upon the "blacklist."

Now the important matter in sight is the poor deluded artists who followed Mountford, believing what he lowed Mountford, believing what he said, what he promised he would and could do, and, believing, got themselves into the bad graces of the managers through being placed on the undesirable list. Mr. Mountford can "walk out" now himself, look for another job, get anything anybody will give him, but how about those placed in the plight they are in through him? Mountford got nothing for them before laying down. What he might have done for himself the past few months only time will tell. He says he is poorer now than when re-entering the Rats. Maybe! That won't help the artists upon the "blacklist."

These acts will have to depend upon themselves to a great extent for re-instatement, we think. They must guard themselves in their future ac-tions, for these will largely count for or against them, and doing so, when the proper time comes, it is not with-out the range of reason that the managers will be lenient, thereby doing something for these acts the White Rats could not do, put them to work. So we tell the blacklisted acts to conduct themselves accordingly, not to be again misled, to appreciate the mis-takes of others which have placed them where they are, and to get away from that influence forever.

Vaudeville is well rid of the Mountford type. He is the worst kind of an agitator, for he is without sincerity, has no thought for aught but himself, cares for no one else, and how he has managed to delude some of the White Rats who stuck with him has always been beyond our comprehension. There is nothing complex about been beyond our comprehension. There is nothing complex about Mountford. He's as clear as daylight to those who know him properly.

But enough of Mountford. through, as far as vaudeville is con-cerned over here. There will never be another Mountford to drag the artists into trouble. The artists have had their lesson twice with this fellow, and it's enough.

Variety has stood with the working actor in this fight, that has been fought with no credit to the Rats at any moment of it. The working actor has won out. And he has won something tangible that will present itself in time, for the working actor is now on a

those loyal followers who blindly friendly basis with the manager. It beyond his "walk-out" order, sacrific- seems to us events have proved since vaudeville became an institution that friendliness with the managers will beget more than such methods as the White Rats tried ever can. It looks as though the National Vaudeville Artists is going to reap the rewards of friendliness between manager and ar-tist. We will have more to say upon this score in the future.

> George Felix is now appearing with the Dawson Sisters (formerly Moscrop Sisters).

The official opening for Brighton theatre, Brighton Beach, has been set for May 21.

Eddie Lewis (Shapiro-Bernstein's), is back to work after being home three weeks with rheumatism.

A recruiting station for the United States Navy has been established at the Hippodrome, New York.

The Kelth houses at Indianapolis, Cincinnati and Louisville will close May 19. Keith's, Dayton, O., closes May 20.

Creighton, Belmont and Creighton in "The Mudstown Minstrels" have been placed by Mark Levy for a tour of the Pantages circuit.

Sunday on Broadway below 59th street a man "skated" up the asphalt on rubber rollers, having a pair attached to both feet.

A meeting of music publishers was held Monday evening, with 22 present, at which it was voted to stamp all music rolls.

James Barton will head the burlesque stock at the Olympic, which opens May 12. Will Roehm will produce the pieces.

Excavation has begun for B. S. Moss's million dollar theatre at Broadway and 181st street. The theatre may be called the Wilson.

Aubrey and Rich have reunited. The act recently dissolved when Miss Aubrey was married. Estelle Rich has done an act with another girl mean-

Lauretta Seibel, of the Shubert offices, is to be married in June to Thomas Gorman, of Huntington, L. I., a wealthy building and real estate contractor.

Harry Von Tilzer has a new song entitled "Every Day Is Sunday for Billy," which makes more or less face-tious references to the famous evan-

Jerome Kern and Guy Bolton are writing a musical version of "The College Widow" for Henry W. Savage. A new title will be selected for the musical version.

George Nagel is now running a tab-loid dramatic stock company of five people, with vaudeville between acts, and doing well in the Northwest, with headquarters in Minneapolis.

The management of "Pals First" at the Fulton has issued useful souvenirs advertising its attraction, in the shape of paper matches and lead pencils, neither of which is likely to be discarded before being put to work.

Jack Norworth and Sam Shannon have completed arrangements with Stephen Le Coq. of McGill University, to produce one of his playfets as part of the entertainment "Odds and Ends" they are to present at the new Nor-worth theatre next fall. Montgomery, Ala., has postponed its vaudeville opening until April 23.

The agents and brokers on the fifth floor of the Palace theatre building have formed an "Anti-Cuss Club," the membership at present including Nat Sobel, Marl Monroe, Lew Golder and Billy Delaney. The penalty is a dollar

"The Story of 'The Sun'," which, if it justifies its title, will be practically a history of the rise of New York journalism, has been written by Frank M.
O'Brien, a "Sun" man, and the first installment will appear in Munsey's
Magazine for May.

Amelia Summerville is to be in charge of the Irish booth at the Actors' Fund Fair at the Grand Central Palace in May. The Barry Sisters will be there, and John Charles Thomas and other Irish singers will furnish vocal

Guy D'Ennery with Hugh Herbert and Co. at the Harlem O. H. last week was served with papers Saturday in an action brought against him by a dra-matic agent for alleged failure to pay commission for the engagement secured for him with the act.

"The Pawn," with Frank Keenan, will open at the Princess, Chicago, April 30. The piece is at present breaking in on the Middle West one night stands. Following the Chicago en-gagement the show will work East pre-paratory to opening at the Shubert in September.

Olly Logsdon, the dramatic agent with offices in the Putnam Building, was robbed Tuesday afternoon of a pocketbook containing \$40 in cash and considerable jewelry. The robbery occurred while Miss Logsdon was in a room adjoining her private office, dic-

Bert Cortelyou, former secretary to C. E. Bray, during the latter's reign as general executive of the Western Vaudeville Managers' Association, and now a partner of the Simon Agency in Chicago is spending a few weeks in New York in search of desirable attractions for his office.

At a recent meeting of the Retail.
Newspaper Dealers' Association of
New York it was voted that beginning
May I there would be a charge of ten cents per month for delivery of papers to residences. The reason advanced for this charge is to cover losses entailed through the general abandonment of return privileges on daily papers.

Richard Walton Tully left for Los Angeles this week. He will not return east until some time in the fall, when he will place the companies of "The Flame" and "The Bird of Paradise" in reheareal and attend to the details for rehearsal and attend to the details for the opening of "The Masquerader" (to be shown in New York at the Booth Labor Day).

William Delaney, of the U. B. O., received word from the superintendent of the hospital on Ward's Island last week stating Jos. Raymond, who is an inmate of Ward 52 at the institution. shows no improvement in his condition. His physical condition is fair and he is permitted to have presents of fruit and tobacco.

Lee Kohlmar is now firmly convinced that advertising pays. A fortnight ago he inserted a page advertisement in Variety—the first in his artistic career covering a period of over 20 years—and was immediately sent for by officials of the United Booking Offices and placed in touch with Lewis & Cordon, who have contracted to ster him in a dramatic playlet entitled "Fif-ty-Fifty," written by Clara Lipman ty-Fifty," written by Clara Lipman and Samuel Shipman.

WITH THE PRESS AGENTS

There has been a tendency by the pressagents to take advantage of an existing national crisis to break into print with their national crisis to break into print with their national crisis to break into print with their nations. While their real on behalf of their employers is commendable in a sense, it is a type of press work that can ship be sanctioned by the cuit of the theatry and newspaperdom at large, where the intend is the work when hitting type and ink will have some worth to the nation at this moment. All of this is merely a preamble to an incident which came to light during the past week where a pressagent for a former grand and comic operaprima donna, who is about to make her debut in capatel, took it upon himself to "bunk" the news editors of the new of the pressagent for "he had been issued by the U. S. Navy Recruiting Head-quarters and that he was the director of publicity for this branch of the service. The bottom of the page contained another line to the effect that "Dse of this story will be appreciated by the Navy Department. When the newspapermen started calling on Lieut-Com. Joan Grady at his office with the "Hinsy" he immediately denied the P. A. In question had any connection with the department and threw cold water on the project. Several of the press agents in fown have been active in the recruiting campaign and have, in a legitimate way, got into the news columns with their attractions and have sho anded the recruiting forces in obtaining space. The theatrical touch gave added flavor and news value to the copy. Theatrical tois will always be found in the front rank of those that desire to uo something for their country, and it would really prove a disaster if some more or less irresponsible individual, without accredited standing of any nature, either by the government or a reputable theatrical connection, is permitted to destroy this impression.

C. Hellig, who conducts the Hellig theatre at Portiand, Oregon, and who is one of the in-

C. Hellig, who conducts the Hellig theatre at Portland, Oregon, and who is one of the influential members of the Northwestern Theatrical Association, was a visitor to the Big City last week. He was under the guardian wing of "Hank" Smith of the John Cort staff during his nightly rambles about the town. The visitor ventures New York was something of a town. The latter speaks well for the bright light guiding abilities of "Hank" Smith, who is rapidly becoming known as "the 50-50 kid."

The new society, the War Relief of the Women of the American Stage, will hold a mass meeting at the Hudson theatre this alternoon (April 13) at 3 o clock. Rachel Crothers is national chairman of the society, and has sent an appeal to every woman in the country connected with the show business to help in the work. Elisabeth Marbury, Elsie De Wolfe, Mrs. Coffin Van Rensselser and Mary Histch Willard will be among the speakers.

Lee Shubert and Arthur Hammerstein have put in rehearsni "De Luxe Annie," a dramatization by Edward Clark of a story of that name by Scammon Lockwood. The cast will include Rita Jolivet, Mary Hail, Vincent Serano, Frank Glimore, Edouard Durand, Marcia Harris, Percy Pollock, Harry Burkhard, Jack McBride and Henry W. Pemberton. The first performance will be at the Shubert in New Haven, April 30.

Viva Burkitt, who makes her first appearance on an American stage in "Peter libbt-son," at the Republic, April 16, was one of the Trilbys to Sir Herbert Tree's Sveugali in his productions of "Trilby." The other Trilby was Constance Collier.

"The Little Missus," in which Christie Mac-Donald will return to the stage will have its premiere at Atlantic City, April 40. Among the cast are Grace Leon Moore, Roy Atwell, Edwin Wilson, Paulina French and Frank Bradiev

Mason Peters, at one time one of our best little publicity promoters and who is remembered as the founder of the 42d Street Country Club, has plunged into the limelight by organizing machine gun training squads throughout the city.

Col. Hinton, ahead of Otis Skinner, was called into the Federal service with the 15th Regiment of colored troops this week. He is lieutenant-colonel of the command and was the organizer of the regiment.

Leonard L. Gallagher has been appointed eneral manager of the production of "Peter bbetson," in which Constance Collier is to apunder the management of the Shuberts

Alan Edwards, of "Love o' Mike," bas or-ganized a club of young actors who can play the mandolin, gultar or ukalele, to furnish music for special society affairs.

Harry Bryant has been engaged as man-ger with the touring "Stop, Look, Listen"

PRESS OPINIONS.

"GRASSHOPPER."
A play in four acts, by Padraic Colum and

Mrs. F. E. Washburn Freund. Produced as the Garrick theatre, April 7, 1917. This mournful play is only fairly well acted at the Garrick.—Times. Those hideous weeds of the mind, super-sition and fatality, fill the play. It isn't a nice fairy story.—Herald.

"THE VERY MINUTE."

A play in three acts, by John Meehan. Presented at the Belasco theatre, April 9, 1917.

Aside from the fact that it is rather prolix, Mr. Meehan's play suffers chelly from the fact that he is apparently unable to create in detail the character he has in mind.—Times.

Much of the interest of the drama is pathological rather than moral and the author wisely leaves the ending to the imagination of the audience.—Heraid.

"BOSOM FRIENDS."

A play in three acts, by Frank Mandel. Presented at the Liberty theatre, April 9, 1917.

It is entertaining, and the audience received it with a great show of approval. There is much homely humor in the dialogue, humor which is of character and not injected merely for the laugh's sake.—Times.

Parental sacrifice and the great trial of an old friendship between two middle aged men wino suner with. the sufferings of their respective offspring form the serious themes of the play, but there are ten laughs to every tear.—Herald.

JUDGMENTS.

JUDUNETI J.

Judgments filed in the County Clerk's office.

The first name is that of the judgment deutor, the second the judgment creditor, and the amount of the judgment.

White Rats Realty Co.—J. M. Fauthaber,

White Rats Actors' Union—Variety, Inc.,

white Kats Actors' Union—Variety, Inc., \$532.16.

Luna Park Co.—City of N. Y., \$230.92

Atlantic Garden & Amusement Corpn.—
Manhattan Fire Alarm Co., \$237.66.

Karl John—Olin J. Stephens, Inc., \$145.53.
International Picture Machine Co.—City of N. Y., \$37.50.

Improved Feature Film Co. of Am., Inc.—City of N. Y., \$31.12.

Commercial Motion Picture Co.—Mallinckrodt Chemical Works, Inc., \$408.81.

Wonderland Amusement Co., Inc.—Springfield Fire & Marine Ins. Co., \$25.06 (costs).

Am. Biliposting Co.—J. H. Springer et al, \$02.07.

Alexander Carr—H. J. Goldsmith — ** xander Carr-H. J. Goldsmith et al.

Overseas Film Corpn.—L. Joseph, \$49.91. Reisenweber's, Inc.—L. Boardman, \$224.91.

SATISFIED JUDGMENTS.

Thomas W. Dinkins—W. D. Davies, \$1,774.-18 (Jan. 14, 1915).

ENGAGEMENTS.

Maude Odeli ("Beautifui Unknown"). John Charles Thomas ("The Highway-

Name State Induse (The HighwayThe Manney of 1917").

Verna Wilkins ("Love o' Mike").

Viva Burkitt ("Peter Ibbetson").

Pauline Lord (Shubert stock, Milwaukeereplacing Alice Bentley, leads). Gertrude
Ritchie (same company).

Mime. Blanca Soroya ("The Highwayman").

Mime. Swirkala: S. E. Potapovitch, Stafford
Pemberton ("Passing Show of 1917").

William Boyd ("Upstairs and Down"—replacing Courtney Foote).

CHANGES IN "COTTAGE."

Oliver Morosco is to make a number of changes in the cast of "Canary Cottage" before that piece ends its run at the new Morosco theatre, which is predicted to be in about four weeks, although early this week the manager stated that he might try to hold the piece here through the summer after strengthening the comedy element.

Lillian Boardman, who is reported as having been engaged to succeed Reine Davies and James Jos. Dunn, formerly of the team of Spiegle and Dunn, is to be seen in the role that was originated by Eddie Cantor on the Coast. It has been played as a white face part here, but with the advent of Dunn in the cast it will again be a black face part. Carl McCollough is also reported as being replaced.

Chinese Theatre in Montreal.

Montreal, April 11.
The Theatre Royal, Montreal's first playhouse which was closed a few years ago by the police department, will shortly reopen, this time as a Chinese

A Chinese stock company will be the attraction.

SHUBERTS RELEASING PLAYS.

The Shuberts are offering three of their productions on tour this season for lease for 1917-18. The pieces are "Just a Woman," "Alone at Last" and "The Blue Paradise."

It is the first time in seven or eight years these managers have permitted productions in which they hold the majority of the rights to be sent on tour under management other than their

The managers know that there is still considerable territory open for these pieces, but feel their activities during the coming season are to be centered on so many new productions it will be impossible for them to properly look after the pieces released and they are placing them on the market.

COMBINATION OF AUTHORS.

Four prominent playwrights are planning a joint producing company, having agreed to put on their own shows beginning with next season.

All four have experienced the condi-

in which the latter insist upon the author supplying the necessary cash or have had to "dig it up" before production is begun, and figure that if they have to finance their own plays might as well produce independently and enjoy the added profits when a success is registered. This new combination has not yet been

actually consummated, but has been brewing for the past five months. The names of the authors have been carefully covered, since all are said to have plays now running and they do not care to jeapordize their interests by announcing plans at this time.

SHOWS CLOSING.

The one night stand company of "Potash and Perlmutter," under the direction of Wash Martin and Fred Fleck, closed last week in Florida. The company was out for 16 weeks.

Boston, April 11.

"He Said and She Believed Him" at the Wilbur, and which was pronounced too suggestive for the stage, closed here Saturday. The production was sent to the storehouse.

Vogel's Minstrels wound up their season in Newark, O., Saturday.

STOCKS OPENING.

Stock will be installed in the Warburton, Yonkers, the middle of April.
The Orpheum, Montreal, will close its vaudeville May 7 and immediately open with a stock company for the summer.

Providence, April 11.

The Lyric Light Opera Co. is to play a summer geason of stock at the Providence opera house, opening in May. The company is being organized in New York. Manager Wendleschaefer signed the contracts through the Shubert office last week for the stock season. It has been announced that Florence Webber, Forrest Huff, Fritzi von Busing, Georgia Harvey, Jack Squires and May Francis are to be members of the company. Fred Bishop is to be the stage director.

"CLANSMAN" AGAIN.

The Rev. Thos. F. Dixon is making extensive plans for a revival of "The Clansman" next fall. It is the same piece Griffith's "Birth of a Nation" was based on. The present plans call for the presentation in New York late in

400-SEAT SALE.

After the Lew Fields show, "Bosom Friends," opened at Stamford. Conn. Saturday night preparatory to its premiere in New York this week, the ticket speculators decided to take 400 seats for the Liberty, nightly, for the

MANAGER AND AUTHOR DISAGREE

Laurette Taylor may or may not continue under the management of George C. Tyler next season. The ultimate decision on this point will probably rest with J. Hartley Manners, author, and husband of Miss Taylor.

thor, and husband of Miss Taylor.

Ever since the opening of "Out There" at the Globe, Tyler has been of the opinion the ending of the second act should come a little prior to the time it actually is rung down. In all of the Manners plays there is a sort of anti-climax, he being resolutely of the cpinion curtains should not be dropped at the "big moment" of a piece, but that there should be a few additional speeches.

additional speeches.

Tyler also disagreed with the author on the long speech in the last act, but again deferred to Manners' judgment on this point. Saturday night Tyler went back stage at the Globe and exercised his prerogative of ringing down after the big situation in the second act, following this with the suggestion to Miss Taylor the 15-minute speech in the last act be switched around so that all the comedy be bunched into the first three minutes, and then, after getting the audience in good humor, gradually working it up into the se-

Manners was absent and Miss Taylor, although very much upset over the short notice, attempted to revise the long speech, with the result during the first three minutes of it the cue for the final curtain was spoken and down

came the velvets.
When Manners was informed of what had happened by his wife he was furious. In due time Easter Sunday arrived. Miss Taylor went to church and listened to a sermon on "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men," whereupon she tactfully exercised her feminine wiles upon her husband in an endeavor to live up to the teachings she had absorbed. In this the star is said to have only partially succeeded, but up to Tuesday the manager and author hadn't

STOPS SHAW PLAY.

Commissioner of Licenses Bell informed the Gamut Club on Tuesday he would not permit the two performances of "Mrs. Warren's Profession," which the organization was scheduled to give at the Criterion this week. He also informed the theater week. He also informed the theatre were permitted he would revoke the license of the house. The Gamut Club is trying to obtain relief in the courts and has postponed the presentation until next week.

ALL-HAWAIIAN SHOW.

Mart G. McCormack and Dave Schneider, treasurer of Miner's, Bronx, have placed in rehearsal an All-Ha-waiian show with Princess Verona featured, which will open May 2 in Port-land, Me. The company will play a spring and summer tour.

Woods-Belasco-Mack Suit On.

The suit which A. H. Woods instituted against David Belasco and Willard Mack, to prevent the former from accepting and producing the writings of the latter, on the contract Woods holds with the author, came up for hearing before Former Justice La-combe, who will act as referee.

Marjorie Rambeau is to testify for

Woods

"Johnny" With Bands and Supers. Fred C. Whitney's revival of "When Johnny Comes Marching Home" is to open in New York April 30. The production is being staged by Fred Bishop. The present plans call for the opening of the piece at the Knicker-bocker theatre. In addition to the chorus and principals, there will be two bands, a fife and drum corps and 150 supers.

SHOWS OUT OF TOWN.

Chicago, April 11.

Raymond Hitchcock, with "Betty" Raymond Hitchcock, with Betty and his Billy Sunday curtain speech, have caught on here, as indicated by Holy Week's takings, which were around \$16,000, with a \$2.50 top Saturday night, when there was capacity. Regularly a \$2 top is maintained. One of the local critics advances the belief that Hischie's assach gives him a second control of the second of the local critics advances the belief that Hitchie's speech gives him a se-rious mission—that of defending his art—and has therefore added consider-ably to his histrionic ability. It looks as if "Betty" could stay on until the hot weather arrives, which has raised a problem as to just when the show will be closed so that Hitchcock's new revue can be started.

revue can be started.

Anna Held opened at the Garrick in "Follow Me" Sunday, there being another opening next door in the Olympic, Chauncey Olcott in "The Heart of Paddy Whack." The Shuberts again Paddy Whack." The Shuberts again pushed the Garrick's top price to \$3 for the first fifteen rows for the Held opening. This boosted scale was first ef-fected when the Jolson show opened here Christmas week, and again on the opening night for the "Passing Show." It is a question whether the advanced price practice can be continued, for al-though enough takers were at first in evidence, there has been a certain dis-satisfaction incurred. Mid-week matsatisfaction incurred. Anium of at the inees have been poorly attended at the Garrick of late, and last week the Thursday matinee for the "Passing Thursday matinee for the "Passing Show" was eliminated altogether. Only two matinees a week are announced for the Held show.

Current successes ran true to form in Holy Week business, which means about 20 per cent. off in the takings. "Turn to the Right" got around \$11,000 "The Boomerang" reached \$7,000, but there was an exception in the case of "Good Gracious Annabelle," which got nearly \$10,000, but 10 per cent. under the average for the past few weeks.
"Very Good Eddie" continues at the Chicago, to good business.

But one new show arrives the comwhich supplants "Bunker Bean" at the

Princess Sunday.
"Seremonde" leaves the Blackstone next week and will close. Nazimova in "'Ception Shoals" follows. "Seven Chances" is playing Mid-

Western dates, waiting to get into Power's, but as yet no definite time for "The Boomerang" to leave has been set, and that play may continue for another full month.

Philadelphia, April 11. The Easter holidays and the coming of four new shows, including the annual engagement of the Mask and Wig Club, of the University of Pennsylvania, boosted business in the legitimate houses this week. Crowded houses were reported everywhere Monday night and "Fair and Warmer," which is in its third month at the Garrick, received a liberal portion of the patronage

"Mr. Rip Van Winkle" is credited with being the best comedy show the Mask and Wig boys have ever produced, dancing being a particular fea-ture and the entire production being well played. The forest was elaborately decorated with national colors and with the theatre jammed, the opening was in the nature of a real patriotic celebration. The show stays out the

Elsie Ferguson began a two weeks' engagement at the Broad in Hulbert Footner's comedy, "Shirley Kaye." The piece was very favorably received by a capacity audience. Alexandra Carlisle in "The Country Cousin," April 23.

"So Long Letty" at the Lyric, and William Enversham Henrietta Cross.

William Faversham-Henrietta Crosman in "Getting Married," at the Adelwere warmly phi opened big and

greeted by the holiday crowds. The musical piece is here for a run, while "Mother Carey's Chickens" is announced for April 23 at the Adelphi. "Peg o' My Heart" began a three weeks' stay at the Walnut at popular prices and drew a crowded house for

the opening.

Stock was again installed at the Knickerbocker with "A Pair of Sixes" as the first show. Ruth Robinson is as the first show. Ruth Robinson is the leading woman and among the members of the new company are Howard R. Hall, Arthur Vinton, Charles Moore, Emma Carrington, Marie Reels, Peggy Conway, Jack Roche, Harry Greenwood, Frank Simonson, Earl P. Western and Billy Wells. Maurice Stanford is the director. "The House of Glass" next week of Glass" next week.

SHOWS IN FRISCO.

San Francisco, April 11. "20,000 Leagues Under the Sea" do-

ing nicely at the Savoy.

"Joan the Woman" at the Cort, and Kolb and Dill in "High Cost of Loving" at the Alcazar, drawing capacity.
"Daddy Long Legs" at the Columbia
doing medium business.

Barnes Circus playing to heavy business.

SHOWS IN NEW ORLEANS.

New Orleans, April 11. Feature films are concluding the le-gitimate season here. "Intolerance" in its second week at the Tulane drawing

"The Daughter of the Gods" doing very little at the Crescent. "Civilization" drawing big crowds to

"WAR BRIDES" PLAY OPENS.

"War Brides," in three acts, had its premiere at Atlantic City last night.

The company is headed by Adelaide French, playing the role created in vaudeville by Nazimova.

BAD CAST.

Syracuse, April 11.

Ed. Rosenbaum, Jr., produced here Monday evening at the Empire, a threeact comedy-drama by Charles Dickson, with the author also as star.

With the exception of Mr. Dickson and Erville Alderson, who contributed a splendid character bit, the cast was utterly incapable, and spoiled whatever chances the piece may have had. The dramatic scenes were handled amateurishly and the comedy portions with-out spontaneity. With some revisions and a different cast the play may get

BAND OBJECTION.

Chicago, April 11, The Chicago Federation of Musicians made a strong protest this week against the Great Lakes Naval band of Training station playing at the opening baseball game of the season at the Chicago National League park Wednesday afternoon.

The C. F. of M. claimed the naval

band was composed of non-union men, and wired a protest to Captain William A. Moffett, commandant of the naval station, Captain Moffett was openly peeved at the wire and ordered the band to play, declaring their presence would inspire patriotism and boom the recruit-ing movement. Moffett notified Presi-dent Weeghman of the Cubs the Federation's protest was most untimely and declared it suggested the non-existence of patriotism. The band was not paid for their part in the opening program.

Loew at Crescent, New Orleans. New Orleans, April 11.

It is reported locally Loew vaude-ville will be installed in the Crescent before fall.

CAROLINA WHITE IN REVIVAL.

The Shuberts have about decided the titular role in their forthcoming revival of "The Highwayman" (to follow Robert B. Mantell at the 44th Street) is to be sung by Carolina White, for-merly of the Chicago Grand Opera Company, who played in vaudeville for a brief tour.

The managers settled on Eleanore Painter, but later tried to obtain Blanche Ring.

The big tenor role of the piece is to be sung by John Charles Thomas, and Frank Pollock will also be in the cast.

FIFTH HARVARD PRIZE PLAY.

John Craig will present the fifth Harvard prize play at the Castle Square theatre, Boston, April 23. It is "The Year of The Tiger."

Josephine Victor will have the prin-cipal role, and in the cast will be Flor-

ence Martin, Mable Colcord, Elizabeth Hunt, Edwin Forsberg, Robert Lowe, Graham Velsey.

"P. & P. FILMS."

Chicago, April 11. A. H. Woods is to produce a new "P. & P." show in August and it is to be called "Potash and Perlmutter in

Films," it being the joint work of Mon-tague Glass and Jules Eckart Goodman. Barney Bernard and Alexander Carr are to enact the principal roles. It is expected the show will open at the Republic, New York.

STARRING ALEXANDRA CARLISLE.

George C. Tyler is to star Alexandra Carlisle in "A Country Cousin," by Booth Tarkington and Julian Street. The piece is slated to open at the Broad Street, Philadelphia, April 23.

The impression is the piece is a revamped version of "The Ohio Lady,"

which these same authors wrote last

DRAMA CLUB'S TRYOUT PLAYS.

The newly formed Drama-Comedy Club, a charity organization of men and women, founded by Edyth Totten, has as its object the public performance of untried plays by new and old authors.

The society also contemplates the publishing of a magazine and building a clubhouse.

ENLISTING WITH AUTO OWNERS.

Chicago, April 11. Harry W. Spingold has volunteered as a member of the Chicago Auto Club forces, Col. Thomas E. Howe commanding, and was assigned to a captaincy.

A meeting of the autoists was held

Wednesday to formulate further plans for immediate activities. Other agents, owning cars, are expected to enlist in the movement and join Spingold's com-

Miller's English Comedy Rights. Henry Miller received this week a cable from London giving him the American rights to a new comedy, as yet unnamed, which Sir George Alexander is to produce shortly in the Eng-

lish metropolis.

It will be the first piece Mr. Miller will try out for his stock engagement on the coast this spring.

Downtown House for Next Season. The Grand theatre on Grand street may be a stand on the International Circuit next season. The house is playing vaudeville and pictures at present. It has a seating capacity of 2,200. Beginning April 30 Gus Hill's "Mutand Jeff's Wedding" is there for two weeks, followed by "Hans and Fritz."

"Tailormade Man" Next Season's First. The first opening for next season is that of Cohan & Harris' "Tailormade ' at the C. & H. theatre Aug. 4.

SCRIBNER AGREES.

Boston, April 11. Samuel A. Scribner, secretary and general manager of the Columbia Amusement Co. has forwarded a letter to Manager George E. Lothrop, of the Howard Athenaeum here, commending the action of Mayor Curley in barring Harry Le Van, the comedian, from appearing in Boston for a period of one

The ban was placed on Le Van as the result of smutting up "The Big Re-view of 1917," when it played the How-

ard four weeks ago.

Mr. Scribner's letter was based on an outlining of the virtues of the cleanup order for the burlesque wheel shows and endorsing the mayor's action in punishing Le Van.

Sam Scribner, president of the Columbia Amusement Co., left for French Lick this week to spend two weeks at

FRISCO'S STOCK BURLESOUE.

Summer stock burlesque will open at the Savoy May 19, with a possibility of it continuing throughout the entire year. The show will be produced upon an elaborate scale with 35 people, to follow closely the style of shows now being played over the large Eastern

burlesque circuits.

The house has had a varied season, with its policy indefinite since taken over by Lurie & Sheehan, who spent considerable money in renovating it as a big picture house. The house at that

time was entirely refurnished.

Abe Shapiro, formerly with the American Wheel stock burlesque (holding a franchise in Toledo), is behind the project, and has already signed contracts calling for an approximate rental of \$30,000 for the year.

GARDEN, BUFFALO-AMERICAN.

The American Burlesque Association has completed arrangements for the adding of the Garden, Buffalo, and the Court Street Theatre, Wheeling, W. Va., to its circuit next season. The deals were consummated last week by General Manager George Peck.

The American shows will play Wheeling the first three days, splitting with Akron, O. Buffalo will play

ting with Akron,
a full week.
The American will continue to book
three days in Niagara Falls and may
play first in that city, then move to
Buffalo. William Graham, who has managed the Buffalo Garden for sevplaying on a percentage with the house. Ed E. Moore will manage the

house. Ed E. Moore will manage the Wheeling house.

Although contemplating eliminating as many of the one-night stands next season as possible, the American may still retain the one-night stand route in Pennsylvania known as the Penn Circuit. Towns slated to be dropped next season are Zanesville appl Canton, O. Ashtabula following the shows one O. Ashtabula (playing the shows one day before they reach Erie) will be retained, as the house has made money for practically every American show this season.

USHERS ENLIST.

Chicago, April 11. Eight ushers employed at the Columbia (burlesque) theatre have harkened to the call for recruits and enlisted in a body in the Illinois National Guard.

The boys were banqueted by Man-ager Wood Tues and in Girls have been engaged to make them at the theatre.

PATTEN AT BUFFALO.

The Columbia Amusement Co. trans-ferred Richard Patten Saturday from the management of "The 20th Century Maids" to the Gayety, Buffalo, where he assumed charge Monday, replacing Tom Henry.

BILLS NEXT WEEK (APRIL 16)

In Vaudeville Theatres

(All houses open for the week with Monday matinee, when not otherwise indicated.)
Theatres listed as "Orpheum" without any further distinguishing description are on the Orpheum Circuit. Theatres with "S-C" and "A-B-C" following same (usually "Empress") are on the Sullivan-Considine-Affiliated Booking Company Circuit.

Agencies booking the houses are noted by single name or initials, such as "Orph," Orpheum Circuit—"UB O," United Booking Offices—"V V M A," Western Vaudeville Managers' Association (Chicago)—"P," Pantages Circuit—"Low," Marcus Lowe Circuit—"Inter," Interstate Circuit (booking through W. V. M. A.)—"Sun," Sun Circuit—"N N," Nixon-Nirdlinger.

SPECIAL NOTICE: The manner in which these bills are printed does not indicate the relative importance of acts nor their program positions. The haste in which the bills are gathered prevents any attention being given these matters.

New York
PALACE (ubo)
G Hoffmann Co
Clark & Hamilton
White & Cavanauh
"Hit the Trail"
Dyer & Faye
Bankoff & Girile
"Patria" (film)
COLONIAL (ubo)
Florence Moore & Bro
Lambert & Ball
Jee B Bernard Co
Chinese Duo
Ward & Van
Lady Agnese Co
J Warrea Keane
Lacy Valmont Co
"Patria" (film)
ALHAMBRA
"Four Husbands"
Jane Connelly Co
Regal & Bender
Margaret Young
Apdale's Animals
Emma Stephess
Gruan & Newell
ROYAL (ubo)
Anna Chandler

Gruian & Newsii
ROYAL (ubo)
Anna Chandler
C & F Usher
Willie Weston
M Mentgomery Co
Jack Aifred Co
Zillier & Lyle
Small & Sisters
Hughes Musical 8
"Patria" (film)
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H & A TUIPIN
Illa Granton
Kully & Galvia
1st half (16-18)
Adannison
Rogers & Brockway
"Boute Hero"
Mae West
Southern Girls
(Two to fill)

Brookly ORPHEUM (ubo) ORPHEUM (ub Rock & White Marck's Lions H B Toomer Co The Sharrocks Cole Russell & D Florrie Millership

Abbott & White

Abbott & White
Two Carltons
"Patria" (film)
BUSHWICK (ubo)
(Spring Festival)
The Brightons
Weber & Rome
"Breath Old Va"
Gerard & Clark
Liopd & Britt
Ellinors & Williams
"Creation"
Savoy & Brennan

Elinore & Williams

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Careation Annual Carus & Comer Mit Collins
HALSEY (ubo)
2d half (12-15)
Schoen & Mayen
4 Comedy Flends
Southern Giris
Arnold & Taylor
Fullyama Japs
FROSPECT (ubo)
2d half (12-15)
Fierlot & Sooiled
Aubrey & Rich
V & C Avery
Lucilie & Cockie
Ryan & Joyce
M Gabriel Co
J & B Morgan
B'way Revue
1st half (16-18)
Reynolds & White
Thorston & Thorston
"Memories"
FATTEI Taylor 8
M Ameda
(One to fill)
GREENPOINT (ubo)
2d half (12-15)
Nolan & Nolan
Davis & Walker
E & B Adair
Tommy Haydn
"Memories"
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"Memories"
Linton & Lawrence

Linton & Lawrence
Jimmy Lucas Co
DeDois Circus

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Albeany, N. Y.
PROCTOR'S (ubc)
(Toy split)
11t half
Tennesses 10
"Matter With Ruth"
Coeper & Ricardo
Burke & Harris
Valerie Sisters
8 Parrettys

Allentown. Pa.
ORPHEUM (ubo)
2d haif (19-21)
Chas Aithoff
Ed Esmond Co
"The Miracle"
(Two to fill)

Alten, Ill.
HIPP (wva)
Edward Marshall
Dixie Harris 4
2d half
Howard & Sadler
Jimmy Lyons

Alteena, Pa.
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ORPHEUM (ube)
2d half (19-21)
Francis & Kennedy
Mahoney & Rogers
"Motor Boating"
"Ice Man"
Pipifar & Panlow

Atlanta, Ga. FORSYTHE (ubo) Atlanta, Ga.
FORSYTHE (ubo)
Rondas Trio
Venita Gouid
Roger Gray Co
Parlia Frabita
Felix Moscrop Sis
Rooney & Bent
Robinson's Elephants
GRAND (lowy)
Dave Kindler
Woman Proposes"
Alice Hamilton
Lucier Worth 3
Tyler & St Clair
Holden & Herron
Harold Belman Co
George Feoman
A Dias & Monks
Anbara, N. Y.

Amburn. N. Y.
JEFFERSON (ubo)
2d haif (19-21)
Carbrey Bros
"Around Globe"
Jack Rose
Girard & Gariand

Amagesta. Ga.
GRAND (ubo)
(Macon Split)
Ist half
Holden & Graham
O'Nell Twins
Von Bergen & Gosler
(Two to fill)
MODJESKA (losw)
Tylar & St Clair

Holden & Herron Harold Selman Co George Yeeman A Dias & Meaks 2d half Elks Trio Janet Allen Co Detsel & Carroll Camille Personi Co

Camille Persons Co
Austin, Tex.
MAJESTIC (inter)
(16-17)
(Same bill playing
Waco 18 and Ft
Worth 20-21)
Martin & Fabrini
Frank Crummit
Mr & Mrs G Wilde
Dorothy Toye
Allan Dinehart Co
Bert Fitzgibsons
Thompson's Terriers

Baltimere

Baltimore MARYLAND (ubo) MARYLAND (ube George Damerel Co Craig Campbell Valerie Bergere Co Richards & Kyle Herr Jansen Co Bennett & Richards Jordan Girls

Jordan Giris
Battle Creek, Mich.
BJOU (ubo)
2d baif (19-21)
Transfield Sisters
H & M Gilbert
Wm Armstrong Co
Greene & Pugh
Fred Bowers Co

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Binghamten, N.
STONE (ubo)
Earl & Sunshine
Finley Burton & H
Van Baldwin 8
2d half
Walters & Cliff Sis
Tom Brown's Min
(One to fill)

One to fill)

Birmingham, Ala
LYRIC (ubo)
(Nashville Split)
1st half
Stewart Sinters
Winorla Winter
Band Box Revue
Ruth Budd Co
Stan Stanley 3
BIJOU (loew)
Gliding O'Mearus
Fennell & Tyson
Camille Person! Oc Laurie Ordway
Old Soldier Fiddlers
2d half
Dave Kindler
Stone & Clear
"Woman Proposes"
Alice Hamilton
Lucier Worth 8
Bleomington, Ill.

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Bloomington, Ill.
MAJESTIC (wwa)
Banvard Sisters
Fields Keane & W
Harry Beresford Co
Gordon & Rice
2d half
Will & Kemp
Ywaxy
Hayward-Stafford Co
Nestor & Sweethearts
(One to fill)

(One to fill)

Besten
KEITH'S (ubo)
Mme Dorec Co
"Age of Reason"
Sallie Fisher Co
Dooley & Sales
Three Sullys
Andy Rice
The Gaudsmidt
Lewis & White
P Brennan & Bro
"Patria" (film)

"Patria" (film)
Buffale
OLYMPIC (sun)
Wright & Davis
S & H. Everett
Whirl Song & Dance
Glenn & Mets
(One to fill)
LYRIC (sun)
Dave Rafael Co
Holmes & Holliter
Fred Zebedle Co
"In Maxieo"
(Cne to fill)
Buttel

Butte, Mont. PANTAGES (p) PANTAGES (p)
(20-25)
Serome & Carron
Stoddard & Haynes
Freddie James
Anderson's Revue
Ed & Jack Smith
Capt Sorcho Co

Calgary ORPHEUM Leroy Talma & B

KEDZIE (wva)
Caritta & Howland
Sldney & Townley
J T Doyle Co
Brooks & Bowes
2d half
The Halkings
Billy Beard
Bert Wainwright
Wm White Co
(One to Sill)
LINCOLN (wva)

(One to fill)

LINCOLN (wva)

Pink Pajamas"
Daisy Harcourt

"Movie Giri"
(Three to fill)
2d half
Lelia Shaw Co
Balaar Sisters
(Three to fill)

WILSON (wva)
Lewis & Leopold
Vaiand Gamble
(Three to fill)
2d half
Sidney & Townley
Julie Bruer
Eckert & Parker
Gautier's Toy Shop
(One to fill)

WINDSOR (wva)

Jane Courthope Co
Ben Deely Co
Millicent Mower
Clars Aldo Randegger
Aerial De Goffs
Long & Ward
PANTAGES (p)
Pederson Bros
Oleson & Johnson
Killyams Kijiyama Stephens & Hollister 6 Peaches & Pear

WINDSOR (wva)
The Haikings

Nelson Sisters
McCormack & Wallace
Guriey & Welch
"Win Gar Revue"
2d half
Woolfolk's Mus Stock Nelson Sisters

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Cincinnati
KEITH'S (ubo)
(Sunday Opening)
Mercedes
R T Haines Co
Huffold & Chain
Clifford & Wills
Glue & Haw
Rena Parker
Britt Wood
B Bouncer Co

EMPRESS (abc)
Prevett & Merrill Co
Leonard & Dempsey
Donita & Pymerone
Aifred Farrell Co

THE CORNELL

Olive Brisco Orville Stamm

Housekeeping Apartm Single and Double Re

6 Peaches & Pear
Camden, N. J.
TOWER'S (ubo)
2d haif (12-15)
Lewis & Chapin
Mary Baiser Co
Alexander Bros
Richards & Kyle
Doree's Beaux & B's

Canton, O.

LYCEUM (ubo)
Lua & Anelika
Davenport & Rafferty
Bronte & Aldwell
"Bride Shop"
(One to fill)
Cedar Rapida, Ia.
MAJESTIC (wva)
(Sudday opening)
Curtis' Dogs
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Lucy Gillette
Mason & Murray
McConnell & Simpson
"Song & Dance Rev"

"Song & Dance Rev"
Champaigne, III.
ORPHEUM (wva)
Ollie Young & A
Gallerini Sisters
Mack & Barl
Mayo & Tally
McLellen & Carson
2d haif
Banvard Sisters
DeLisle & Vernes

DeLisie & Vernon
"Mr Inquisitive"

Charlestom, S. C.
ACADEMY (ubo)
(Columbia Spit)
Eugenie Le Blanc
Wilson & Larson
Mabel Johnson
Wilkins Willisin
Thomas Trio

Chattaneoga, Ten ARCADE (ubo) (Knoxville split) 1st half "Vanity Fair (tab)

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Chicage (Tab)
Eva Tanguay
Vanderbilt & Marion
Ponsello Sisters
Aveling & Lloyd
"Prosperity"
McCarthy & Fay
Wallace Galvin
The Crisps
"Patria" (film)
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PALACE (orph)
Grace La Rue
Clayton White Co
Odiva
Ames & Winthrop
J C Nugent Co
Diamond & Brennan
Clara Howard
Martinetti & Sylvester
(One to fill)

(One to fill)

AMERICAN (wva)

Ed Borden Co
Lelia Shaw Co
Ray Snow
Sextette De Luxe
(One to fill)

2d haif
"Pink Pajamas"
Prosini
(Three to fill)

AVENUE (wva)

AVENUE (wva)
Permaine
Boothby & Everdeen
Mr & Mrs N Phillips
Patricola & Meyers
Mrs Eve Fay
2d balf Luise DeFogie Mrs Eva Fay (Three to fill)

HOWATSON

"A Case of Pickles"

and

Herbert Lloyd Co Willis Gilbert Co

Cleveland
HIP (ubo)
"Forest Fires"
"Nurseryland"
Keliy Wilder Co
Fay 2 Coleys & Fay
J & M Harkins
Whinnia Huster Whippie Huston Co Correlli & Gliette Maxmillian's Dogs

Maxmillian's Dogs
"Patria"
MILES (loew)
Oven McGiveney
Frields & Wells
Amelia Bingham Co
S Fishers
E Pedriott Co
PRISCILLA (sun)
Two Mermaids
Roy Gilsey
Antier Trio
Seymour's Family
(One to fill)

(One to fill)
Columbna, O.
KEITH'S (ubo)
French Girls
Bowman Bros
Dancing Lavars
Laurie & Bronson
Oscar Loraine
W Ciarke Co
Montgomery & Perry
Hong Kong Mysteries

Hong Kong Mysteries Columbia. S. C. GRAND (ubc) (Charleston Split) 1st half Von Cello Durkin Girls Gray & Graham Lawrence & Edwards Kitaro Japs

Dallas, Tex. MAJESTIC (Inter) Lawton
Big City 4
J C Nugent Co
Jackle & Bille
Futuristic Revue Arthur Deagon Ministure Revue

Danville, Ill. PALACE (ubo) (Sunday opening) Paul Pedrini

SWAYBELL LAUGH BROKERS

Reiff & Murray
"The Tamer"
Basil & Alien
'Mr Inquisitive"
2d haif
Harry LaToy
Stien Hume & T
Harry Beresford Co
Bernard & Scarth
"Lingerie Shop"
Daytingers Y-

Davinport, Ia. COLUMBIA (wva)
(Sunday opening)
"Night Clerk"
2d haif
Mareena Navara & M
2 Storys
McCormack & Wallace
Dickenson & Deagon
"Movie Girl"

Daytem, Q.
KEITH'S (ubo)
Avon Comedy 4
Billie Reeves Co
Dahl & Gillen
Fern & Davis
Walter Brower
Walsh & Bentiey
(One to fill)

(One to Sil)

Decatur, Ili.

EMPRESS (wva)
(Sunday opening)
DeLiale & Vernom
"The Explorers"
Frosini
Orville Stamm
(One to fill)
2d half
Pero & Wison
Fields Keane & W
Archle Nicholson S
Ambler Bros
E & L Ford

Denver ORPHEUM ORPHBUM
Morgan Dancers
H & A Seymour
Cattes Bros
Waiter Weems
Everent's Monkeys
Rice Emmer & T
Finnagan & Edwards
PANTAGES (p)
Mahoney & Auburn
Chinese Due
Anthony & Mack
Mir Chaser
S & L Burns
Bob Fits & Bob Jr
The Meines, Le.

Des Meines, Ia. ORPHEUM (Sunday opening)
Nat Goodwin
Maria Lo
Henry Keane Co
Hans Hanke
Maurice Burkhart
Three Jahns
Riggs & Witchie

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Detreit
TEMPLE (ubo)
Eddie Foy Co
Lida McMillan Co
McKay & Ardine
Primrose & Olero
Meshan's Dogs
Bert Wheeler Co
Kane Bros
MILES (abc)
Flood & Erna

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MILES (abc)
Flood & Erna
Hlatt & Geer
Don & Patty
5 Novelty Minstreis
Harms Trio
Stien Hume & T
ORPHEUM (loew)
Scott & Tierney
Rice Bros
Ed Blondell Co
Joe Roberts
Fe Fong Foo
Oh! Mr Detective
COLUMBIA (sun)
Herakinds
Coi Jack George
Billy Mullen
Robins Lee & H
Carters Co
Asimas
Dminth, Minn.

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Asimas
Duluth, Minn.
ORPHEUM
(Sunday opening)
Dorothy Shoemaker Co
De Leon & Davies
Herbert Ciliton
Boyle & Brown
Novelty Clintons
Leach Wallen S
Nordstrocc & Pinham
GRAND (wva)
Emmett's Dogs
Chadwick & Taylor
Kelly & Fera
"Echos of Eway"
"Echos of Eway"
Ed haif
Burke & Broderick
Mildred & Hayward
Singing 4
Carlos Caesaro Co
Emsten Pa.
ABLE O H (ubo)
1st half (16-18)
Greenlee & Drayton
Ed Emmond Co
Marie Sparrow
"The Miracle"
Comfort & Kinz
E. Liverpool, O.
AMERICAN (sun)
Vine & Temple
Pedro Mammy Jenny's B'day
(Two to fill)
T & C Breton
Magazine Girls

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Edmenten
PANTAGES (p)
Alber's Polar Bears
Minnie Allen
10 California Girls
George Morton
Willie Hale & Bro

PROCTOR'S (ubo)
2d half (12-15)
Helen Jackley

Elmire, N. Y. MAJESTIC (ubo)

Evansville, Ind. GRAND (wva) Pero & Wilson A Nicholson 8 Nestor & Moore

Cook & Lorens Ambier Bres 2d haif John Geiger

Bowman Bros Billie Reeves Co Abbott & White

1462 Breadway Tel. 4665 Bryan

Jafollo & Arneld Grand Forks, N. D. GRAND (wva) 2d haif (19-21) Grace Hanson Willard

E, St. Louis, Ill.
ERBER'S (wva)
Howard & Sadler
Duffy & Dunn
Raymond Bond Ce
(Twe to fill)
2d half
Johnson & Arthur
Reiff & Murray
Dixie Harris & 4
Herbert Germaine 8
(One to fill)

Grand Rainide EMPRESS (ubo) (Spring Festival) Belle Baker Mrs G Hughes Co B Morrell 6 morrell 5
W'lliam Sisto
The Steadmans
Seabury & Price
Flying Henrys
Asaki Troupe
(One to fill)

Browning & Dean Grossman's Enter

(Oge to Bill)

Great Falls, Meat.

PANTAGES (p)

(7-18)
(Same bill playing
Anseconds 19)

Bevan Flint Co
quinte Dunedin

Foley & O'Neil

Harian Knigats Co
Al Goien Tr

Harian Knights Co
Al Golen Tr
Green Env. Wia.
ORPHEUM (wvs)
2d haif (19-21)
Minuse Nelson
Jue T Ray Co
Mins Happy Harrison
Vokes & Hughes
Emerisbarg, Pa.
ALJESTIC (ubo)
John La Vier
Mahoney & Rogers
Cecile Weston Co
Chas Howard Co
Moon & Morris
2d haif
Marie Sparrow
Chas Herman
Oh, Doctor
Hanleten, Pa.
FEELEY'S (ubo)
2d haif (12-15)
DeVoe & Stanta
Chartree & Hollday
"Just for Instance"
Finley Barton & H
Wonder Act Elimire, N. Y.
MAJESTIC (ubo)
Cyoling Brunettes
Sampson & Douglas
Mr & Mrs Alison
Noodles Fagan Co
Conroy's Girls
2d half
Moriey & McCthy Sis
Hess & Hyde
"Man Hunter"
Emile Sibers
COLONIAL (ubo)
"All Aboard"
"Kisses"
Claudia Coleman
Dooley & Neison
(One to fill)
Evansytile, Ind.

Finley Barton & H Wonder Act

Houston, Tex. MAJESTIC (inter) Merian's Dogs Anthony & Adele Gray Trio

John Geiger Dae & Neville Ed Borden Co "Win Gar Revue" (One to fill) **INTELLIGENCE** MISS CRANE **MAHATMA**

Farme, N. D. GRAND (abc) McGoods Tate Co Butier & Germaine Ware & Barr Melrose Mila

Ware & Barr Melrose
Folly Sis & LeRoy
2d half
8 Creighton Girls
Harvey DeVora 8
Knickerbocker 8
C & A Glocker
Ft. Rodge, In.
PRINCESS (wva)
(Sunday opening)
Hooper & Burkbard
Alice Nelson Co
Lexey & O'Connor
Strassier's Animals
2d half
Carlita & Howland
Frank Bush
Millard Peeg
(Cne to fill)
Ft. Wayne, Ind.
PALACE (ubo)
(Sunday opening)

Ft. Wayne, Ind.
PALACE (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
Cycling McNutts
Miller Bisters
Holmes & Wells
Gracle Emmette Co
Olive Briscore

'Lingerie Shop'

2d hai!
Paul Pedrini
Link & Robinson
Weber & Eilliott

"Miss America"
Sherman Van H
Geo Lovett Co
Fri. William, Ont.
ORPHEUM (wva)

2d half (19-21)
Mennetti & Sidelli
Ellinore Sherman
Claire Hanson & Vil 4

"Land o' Dreame"
Galverston, Tex.

"Land o' Dreame"
Galveston, Tex.
O H (inter)
(15-16)
(Same bill playing
San Antonio 18-22)
Elray Sisters
Loney Haskell
I McCaulier Co
Alexander O Sexton
Dorothy Granville
Smith & Austin
The Gladiators

Cummings & Shelly

Flying Russells

Indiananolis, Ind.
KEITH'S (ubo)
(Sunday Opening)
Cal Boys Band
C E Evans Co
Ray Samuels
Helen Page Co
DeForest & Kearns
8 Dafor Boys
Page, Hack & Mack
LVRIC (ubo)

LYRIC (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
Clown Seal
Shirley Sisters
Elsie Williams Co
3 Lyres
The Salambos

Ithaea, N. Y.
STAR (ubo)
Laton's Models
"Around Globe"
2d half
Wm D Hanlon Co
Finley Burton & H

Jackson, Mich. ORPHEUM (ubo) (Sunday opening) Transfield Sisters H & M Gilbert Wm Armstrong Co Green & Pugh Fred Bowers Co

2d half
The Blondys
Wanzer & Palmer
Mr & Mrs N Philips
Sen Francis Murphy
(One to fili)

Jacksonville, Fla
ARCADE (ubo)
(Bavannah split)
1st half
"Girl Worth While"
(tab)

Janeaville, Wis.
APOLLO (abe)
2d halfs(49-21)
Collier & DeWaide
Valentine Bros
"Girl from Starland"
(One to fill)

E. HEMMENDINGER 45 JOHN STREET
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Al Tucker Bison City 4 Chas Oicott

(Two to fill)
2d half

Chas Ledegar Helen Davis

Honolulu Girls

Rochester, N. Y. TEMPLE (ubo) "Rubeville"

Doc O'Neil Aerial Shaws

Jersey City
KEITH'S (ubo)
2d half (12-15)
Connors & Foley
Fisher & Rockaway
E Snowden Co
B McKensie Co Bowman Bros Scranton B & S

Scranton B & S
Jeliet. III.
ORPHEUM (wva)
2d haif (19-21)
The Lampinis
Santos & Hayes
John T Dojle Co
Harry Hines
Lona's Hawallans

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Lona's Hawalians
Jehnatowm, Pa.
MAJESTIC (ubo)
(Pittsburgh Split)
—ist half
Sylvia Loyal Co
Herh Hayward
Daley & Berlow
Kahamasse, Mich.
MAJESTIC (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
(Lansing split)
—ist half
The Olmsteads
Pauline Saxon
P & P Houlton
Carson & Willard
"Garden of Mirth"
Kanasse Litt, Mo. Kansas City, Mo. ORPHEUM

ORPHEUM (Sunday opening) C Gillingwater Co Haruko Onuri Howard's Animals Thos Swift Co De Rata Japs Benny & Woods Ryan & Loe PANTAGES (p) (Sunday Opening) Raymond Juhilee 4

Raymond
Juhilee 4
Herbert & Dennis
Aus Woodchoppers
Vera Mercereau Co
Knoxville, Tenn.
GRAND (ubo)

GRAND (ubo)
(Chattanooga SpHi
1st haif
Hill & Berting
Edwards & Leedom
Coyle & Mowell
Chas F Semon
"At the Party"

Natalie Alt
Lydia Barry
Brent Hayes
Whiting & Burt
Geo Kelly Co
Lew Dockstader
PANTAGES (p)
"Jungle Man"
Amoros & Mulvey
Harry Rose
"Motor Madness"
Nan Gray

Nan Grav

"Motor Madness"

Nan Gray
Louisville, Ky.
KEITH'S (ubo)
(Sunday Opening)
Honor Children
Water Lilies
H & E Puck
"Jasper"
Grace DeMar
Rayntond & Caverly
Nelson Waring
DeBourg Sisters
Macon. Ga.
GRAND (ubo)
(Augusta Split)
1st half
Al Tucker
Suzanne Recconnora
Kennedy & Burt
Ward & Wilson
"Cabert Girls"
Madison. Wis.
ORPHEUM (wya)
Melnotte Duo

ORPHEUM (wva)
Melnotte Duo
Adolpho
Ed Reynord Co
Jno T Ray Co
Mile Blanca Co
2d half
DeWitte Young & Sis
Mason & Murray
Guerro & Carmen
Great Lester
2 Pikers
Marion, Ind,

Marion, Ind. LYRIC (ubo) Victoria 4
Musical Charlottes
2d half
Brooks & Bowen (One to fill)

(One to fill)

Marshalltown. Ia.

CASINO (abc)
2d half (19-21)
Callahan & Callahan
Kaney Mason & S
Hazel Leona
Anderson Duo
"Save One Girl"
Mason City, Ia.
REGENT (wva)

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LOS ANGELES and SAN FRANCISCO Shanley and Furness ("Fifty-Fifty")

Lancaster, Pa.
COLONIAL (ubo)
2d half (12-15)
June Salmo
Adnards ,
Jack O'Brien
"Stampede"

Lansing, Mich.
BIJOU (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
(Kalamazoo split)
1st half

(Kalamazoo split)
1st half
The Bimbos
Grace De Winters
Hoytt's Minstrels
Wood Melville & P
Princess Kalama Co
Lima. O.
ORPHEUM (sun)
"School Days"
Weber & Redford
Esme Evans Co
(Two to fill)
2d half
"Top of Andes"
Thorndyke & Barnes
(Three to fill)
Lincoin, Neb.
ORPHEUM
2d half (19-21)

Lincolm. Neb.
ORPHEUM
2d half (19-21)
Dorothy Jardon
Hallen & Puller
Corbett Sheppard & D
Wheeler & Dolan
Pat Barrett
Retter Bros
Beatrice Herford
ORPHEUM (wwa)
Will Morris
Harris & Nolan
"Pettlocata"
Jack Lamey
Nightons & Statues
Lattle Rock, Ark,
MAJESTIC (Inter)
J & Kitty Demaco
Kenny & Hollis
H Tate's "Fishing"
Demareat & Collette
McIntosh & Mus Maids
Venetian Gypiels

2d half Venetian Gypsies Knapp & Cornella Rhoda & Crampten Force & Williams Clairmont Bros

Logansnort. Ind.
COLONIAL (ubo)
LaSalle Stock Co
2d half
Johnny Larkin
6. Colonial Relies

Colonial Relies

I.os Angeles
ORPHEUM
(Sunday opening)
R Marlo's Orchestra
Newhoff & Phelps

(Sunday opening)
Jack Lamey Co
Orpheus Comedy 4
(Two to fill)
2d half
Hooper & Burkhardt
Hahn Weller & M
(Two to fill)
CECIL (abc)

2 Jewels
Anderson Duo
2d half
Nettle Carroll Co
Wyndham & Moor

McKeesport, Pa. WHITE'S HIP (ubo) WHITE'S HIP (ub
Dunbar's Darkles
Creighton B & C
Tudor Cameron Co
Adelyn Lowe Co
Neher & Kappel
2d haif
Little Darlings
Geo Rosener
Novelle Bros
Zonks-Ponna
(Onato Bli)

(One to fill)

(One to fill)

Memphis
ORPHEUM
Mayhew & Taylor
Whitfield & Ireland
Eva Taylor Co
Kerr & Berko
Black & White
Willing & Jordan
Aus Creightons
"Patria" (film)
LYCEUM (leew)
Parise Du
Orindell & Esther
Lew Hawkins
"Resista" Co
Storm & Marsden
Middleton, N. Y

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STRATON (ubo)
Wieser & Rieser
(One to fil)
2d half
Dora Hilton
Grueb Kramer & G.
Milwaukee
MAJESTIC (uho)
Jack Norworth
Hyams & McIntyre
Mullen & Coogan
Vallecita's Lepards
Lombert & Fredericks
Frank Hertley
(One to fil)
MILLER (loew)
Yerho's Pogs
Semanon' Sisters

Yorthols Dogs Semaroff Sisters Schooler & Dickinson Leo Clark Singers Midgets Janet Allen Co

Milwaukee, Wis. PALACE (wva) (Sunday opening)
eWitt Young & Sis 3 Moran Sisters 2 Pikers Great Lester

Great Lester Dudley Trio 2d half Rose & Eilis Adolpho "Sept Morn" Clifford & Mack Hopkins & Axtelle Frank Stafford Co

Minneapolia ORPHEUM

Minnenpoils
Cressy & Dayne
Toby Claude Co
Neville Nichols
Forest Ball Co
Witt & Winter
Frank & Toble
Adair & Adelphi
PANTAGES (p)
(Sunday opening)
D'Armour & Douglaa
Will & Mary Rogers
University 4
"Hello Japan"
(Two to fill)
GRAND (wva)
Hector & Pals
Gorman Bros
Mile Luxanne Ballet
Jonathon

Jonathon
PALACE (wva)
Bonamor Arahs
Prince & Deerle
Bart Macomber Co
Detzel & Carroll
"Fashion Shop"

Detzel & Carroll
"Fashlon. Shop"

Mt. Vermon, N. Y.
PROCTOR'S (ubo)
2d half (12-15)
Swain's Animals
T & S Moore Co
Sylvester & Vance
Orth & Dooley
Roy & Arthur
Muskegon, Mich.
REGENT (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
Ross Bros
Willison & Sherwood
Hopkins Axtelle Co
Sherman V & Hyman
Colour Gems
2d half
Marlette's Manikins
Miller Sisters
Great Emmett Co
Basil & Alian
Tokio Troupe
Nambville. Tenn.
PRINCESS (ubo)

Nashville. Tenn.
PRINCESS (ubo)
(Birmingham Split)
Ist half
The McIntyres
Warren & Conley
Will Oakland Co

Will Onkland Co
Jas Cullen
Norfolk, Va.
Norfolk, Va.
ACADEMY (ubo)
(Richmond Split)
Ist half
Judge & Gait
Harry Sterling
Melody Six
Arthur Whitelaw
Carmen's Minstrels
Oakland. Cal.
ORPHEUM
(Sunday opening)

(Sunday opening)
The Cansinos
Hirschel Hendler Chas Grapewin Co Medlin Watts & T

Nonette PANTAGES (p) PANTAGES (p)
Elizabeth Otto
The Langdons
Klein Bros
Reynolds & Donegan
Seeley & McCloud

Ogden
PANTAGES (p) PANTAGES
(19-21)
Pauline
Everyn & Dolly
Hogo Koch Co
Marie Russell

Goldsmith & Pinard Omaha, Neb. ORPHEUM

Omaha, Neb.
ORPHEUM
(Sunday opening)
Adele Blood Co
Harry L Mason
Wm & Mark Cutty
Emerson & Baldwin
Meredith & Snoozer
Hayes & Rives
Wood & Wyde
EMPRESS (wva)
(Sunday opening)
Mossman & Vance
Mr & Mrs Melbourne
Chas R Sweet
Hayashi Japs
2d half
Harris & Nolan
Tosains Austins
Frederick & Palmer
"Song & Dance Rev"
Oshknab, Wis,
VIRGINIA (wva)
(Sunday opening)
Fox Reilly Co

(Sunday opening)
Fox Reilly Co
(Four to fill)

Bessle Lester

B Moran Sisters
Patricols & Meyers

Mori Bros (One to fill)

Passale, N. J.
PLAYHOUSE (ubo)
2d half (12-15)
Willie Smith
Four Earls
6 American Beauties

6 American Beauties
Paterson. N. J.
MAJESTIC (ubo)
2d half (12-15)
Sheppard & Ct.
Morkey. & McCarthy Sis
Austin Webh Co
Joe Cook
Jack Alfred Co

Jack Alfred Co
Peoria. Ill.
ORPHEUM (wva)
The Lampinis
Harry Hines
Lona's Hawaiians
(Two to fill)
2d haif
Princeton 5
Madge Maitland
Curley & Welch
Gordon & Ricca

Philadelphia
KEITH'S (pbo)
McIntyre & Heath
Lillian Shaw
"P-acock Alley"
Scotch Lads & L
Ed Morton
Bernle & Baker
Cooper & Riccardo
4 Earls
(Oze to fill)
GRAND (ubo)
Van Clere & Pete
Raymond & O'Connor
"Models Abroad"
KEYSTONE (ubo)
(This Week 9th)
Three Rainors
Burns & Foran
Betts Chidlow & H
Jack Gardner Co
Ann Sutter
"Roseland"

Plittaburkh Philadelphia KEITH'S (ubo

"Roseland"

Pittsburgh
DAVIS (ubo)
E Ann Wellman
H Du Kane Co
Harry Carroll
Bert Levy
Kimherely & Arnold
E Antoni 3
(Three to fill)
HARRIS (ubo)
Irene Latuer & Dog
Ann Suter
Wilson Comedy Co
Raymore & Belle
Amelda

Ameida
Town Hall Follies
Allen & Collins
Arts & Fashions

SHERIDAN SQ (ubo) (Johnstown Split) "Miss Hamlet" "Miss Hamlet" Alva & Partner Murphy & Barry Ubert Carleton (One to fill)

(One to fill)
Pittsfield, Mass.
MAJESTIC (ubo)
2d half (12-15)
Bolger Bros
Laidlaw
Will Dockery

Portiand. O. ORPHEUM (Sunday opening)
Cecil Cunningham
Edwin Arden Co
Chung Hwa 4
Gould & Lewis
The Berrens
Marmein Sisters
Togan & Geneva
PANTAGES (p)

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Military Elephants
Francis Renault
John P Wade Co
Wells Northworth & M
"Smart Shop"

Online"

Quincy. Ill. ORPHEUM (wva)

Rexo
Santos & Hayes
Princeton 5
(Two to fill)
2d half
"He's in Again"

Reading. Pa.
HIP (ubo)
Chas & La Tour
Jack Gardner Co
Kane & Herman
Oh! Doctor
2d half

Rakoma Chas & Lo Tour Moon & Morris Chas Howard Co

Regina. Sask., C REGINA (wva) 2d half (19-21) Harry Watkins Denny & Dunegan Christy & Griffin 5 Sweethearts Richmond. Ind. MURRAY (ubo)

MURRAY (ubo)
2d half (19-21)
Boothby & Everdeen
Musical Charlottes
Jones & Ross
Cycling McNutts
Richmond, Va.
LVRIC (ubo)
(Norfolk split)
Lubalf

Louis Stone
Ethel Van
"Petticoats"
Harry Joison
Diving Nymphs

ROANOKE (ubo)

Kola Daisy Leon Lovenberg Sis Co Al Shayne Dumn Rodcoy Tr

Al Shayae

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Dumn Rodcoy Tr

St. Louis

COLUMBIA (orph)

Orville Harrold

Blossom Seeley Co

"Age of Reason"

Mr & Mrs J Barry

Donohue & Stewart

Chief Caupolicon

Burdella Patterson

Zeda & Hoot

EMPRESS (wva)

Kay & Belle

John Geiger

"Holland Romance"

Jimmy Lyons

Imhoff conn & C

2d hair

Duffy & Dunn

Walter Howe Co

"The Explorer"

(Two to fill)

(GRAND (wva)

Taylor Triplets

Williams & Fuller

Julian Hall

James Grady Co

Emily Darrell Co

"Betty Bettys"

4 Bards

PARK (wva)

"Miss America"

Bernard & Scarth

Herhert Germaine

(Two to fill)

2d half

Lew Hoffman

Howard & Fields Min

"Miss Uptodate"

(Two to fill)

St. Paul

ORPHEUM

Rochester, N. Y.
TEMPLE (ubo)
"Rubeville"
Cap Anson & Daughs
Yvette
Harry Holman Co
7 Braacks
King Harvey
5 of Clubs
Salie & Monde
FAMILY (sun)
Wm DeHollis Co
Gross & Doris
Geo Lovett Co
Gaffiney & Dale
2d half
Great Marrs
K Clark & Girls
J R Barry Co
Mack & Lee
Rochester, Minn,
METRO (wwa)
DeAlbert & Gerva
London Trio
Work & Ower
2d half
Russell & Belle
(Two to fill
Rockford, Hi,
PALACE (wva)
MISS Happy Harrison
Ciliford & Mack
Frank Stafford Co
Explosion Co
2d half

2d half Melnotte Duo Andre Sisters Ed Reynard Co Lewis & Leopold Mile Bianca Co

Sacramento ORPHEUM ORPHEUM
(16-17)
(Same hill playing
Stockton 18-19 and
Freeno 20-21)
Linne's Girls
Ethel Hopkins
Halligan & Sykes
The Cure"
Cross & Josephine
Saginaw, Mich.
JEFFRES-STD (uho)
(16-18)
(Same bill playing
Filint 19-21)
August & August
Cervo

Cervo Lew Madden Co Billy Robinson "School Playground" "School Playground"
Sait Lake
ORPHEUM
(Open Wed Night)
(18-21)
Bert Leslie Co
Tempest & Sunshine
Moore Gardener & R
"Pouble Exposure"
Emhs & Aiton
Estelle Wentworth
Misses Campbell
PANTAGES (p)
Elizabeth Cutty

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PANTAGES (p)
Elizabeth Cutty
"Telephone Tangle"
Bellclaire Bros
Bobble & Nelson
Dalsy Jerome
Morton Bros
San Antonio, Tex.
O H (inter)
(18-22)
(Same hill playing
Galveston 15-16)
Elray Sisters
Loney Haskell
I McCauley Co
Alexander O Sexton
Dorotby Granville
Smith & Austin
The Gladlators
San Diege

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San Diege
PANTAGES (p)
Dix & Dixie
Grace Edmunds
Mystic Bird Frank Fogarty
Berlo Giris
Mack & Velmar
San Francisco
ORPHEUM
(Sunday opening)
McWatters & Tyson
7 Honey Boys
"Carden of Aloha"
Alice L Doil Co
La Graciosa
Paifrer Hail & B
Artic Medinger
Eis & French
PANTAGES (p)
(Sunday Opening)
Leo & Mac Lefevre
Oakland Sisters
Bernardi
Codora
Friend & Downing
Rawls & V Kaufman
Sasketeen, San, Ca
EMPIRE (wva)
1rt Hail Till.39
Harry Watkins
Denny & Donegan
Christy & Griffin
5 Sweethesris

Savannah, Ga. LYRIC (ubo) (Jacksonville Spilt) 1st half

(Two to fill)

St. Paul
ORPHEUM
(Sunday opening)
Geo Nash
Pileer & Douglas
Dorothy Brenner
Kolns Sisters
Samaroff & Sonia
Roy Harrah Tr
Farber Girls
HIP (ahc)
Reliff & Murray
3 Creighton Girls
S Miller Kent Co
Harvey DeVora 3
C & A Glocker
Annette

C & A Glocker
2d half
Annette
Butler & Germaine
Jas Thompson Co
Mr & Mrs Fk Casad
(One to fill)
PALACE (wva)
Burke & Broderick
Brown & Taylor
Mildred Hayward
'Sept Morn'
Jinging 4
Carlos Caesaro Co
2d half
Work & Ower
Morton Bros
Raskins Russians
Rucker & Winifred
Lucy Gillette
Londo 3
Seattle
Dibtailing

London 3
Seattle
ORPHEIIM
(Sunday opening)
Hermine Shone Co
Ashley & Aliman
Ethel McDonough
Wright & Dietrich
Olivatte Moffet & C
Billy Kinkald
Tate's "Motoring"
PANTAGES (p)
Kansyawa Japs

PANTAGES (
Kanayawa Japs
Knickerhocker 4
Paul Decker Co
Marconi Bros
Chris Richards
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Nellie Allen Co
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(One to fill)

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Toronto
Hill (ubo)

Kenne & Dean
El Cleve & O'Connor
Minerva Courtney Co
Darn Good & F
White's Circus
(One to fill)

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Lewis & Norton
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Chase & La Tour
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Sophie Tucker Co
Bert Baker
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Jack Marley
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NEW ACTS NEXT WEEK

Initial Presentation, First Appearance or Reappearance in or Around New York

"Hit the Trail." Palace. Nina Payne and Co., Riverside. Lady Agnes Co., Colonial. "Hero of Santa Maria," Royal. Jack Alfred and Co., Royal. Hughes Musical Trio, Royal.

Paul Dickey and Co. (5).
"The Lincoln Highwayman" (Melodrama). 28 Mins.; Full Stage (Special Set). Colonial.

Although there is no original:ty in the story of "The Lincoln Highwayman," written and played by Paul Dickey, this playlet is excellently written and constructed, and the stage setting depicting the interior of a garage so artistically carried out that the whole combination makes for absorbingly interesting melodrama for vaude-ville, and the sketch should enjoy a successful tour of the big vaudeville houses from coast to coast. The scene houses from coast to coast. The scene is on the Lincoln Highway near the state line between California and Nevada. Police of both states, as well as the Secret Service, are on the trail of a highwayman with a fast car who has been pulling off all kinds of nefaricus stunts. There is also a girl reporter who accompanies the police in an endeavor to secure a "beat" for her paper. A \$50,000 robbery has taken place and everything points to the driver of a fast Stutz who is in league with the owner of the garage, and who drives his car right into the place at apdrives his car right into the place at apparently fast speed (a corking effect, worked up from outside before the car dashes in). The dialog, action and every detail indicates unmistakably that he is the culprit; the reporter and the "bandit" fall in love at sight; he learns she is out to aid in his capture and upbraids her for her duplicity in luring him on; the police enter and it seems certain his goose is cooked; she now wants to help him escape (this sus-pense is piled on just a bit too long), and there is a surprise finish when the supposed bandit turning the tables on the police by revealing himself as of the Secret Service (badge and all), and that it is really the police who com-mitted the thefts. There's no question about its effectiveness as produced by Mr. Dickey and his competent supporting cast.

Calvert, Shayne and Bislane. Singing. 10 Mins.; One. American Roof.

Three boys doing mostly trio warbling in approved cabaret style, featur-ing a ballad with travesty recitation interpolated, and following it almost immediately with another "lonesome" immediately with another "lonesome" ditty. Dressed in green sack suits, white soft hats, brown waistcoats, tan shoes, etc.

Weber and Rome. Dancing.
7 Mins.; One. Colonial.

Two young men, opening with a song and then some simultaneous eccentric stepping and employing many original comedy steps. Neatly dressed in blue serge, with straw hats, canes, silk gloves, etc. They will fit on any bill in an early spot.

Alberto. Xylophonist. 10 Mins.; One. American Roof.

Man in dress suit, with long hair to throw about while executing. Plays popular songs, then Liszt's "Hunga-rian Rhapsody" (they still announce this number by card for fear someohe doesn't yet know it), back to popular numbers with dancing, and back to the xylor while sain stepping, " Rice little small time turn. Jolo. small time turn.

"Broadway Revue" (9). 19 Mins.; Full Stage (Special Set).

Fifth Avenue.
While the "Broadway Revue" may be new around lere, it doesn't look or sound new, particularly since a number is "There Is a Little Bit of Bad in Every Good Little Girl," a neat little song in its quick day of some months ago. Then it passed away and this "girl act" should have discarded it at the time or not used it at all. Other numbers are taken from musical com-edy, like "Pretty Baby," when it is announced "The girls from the Winter Garden are coming." The scene is a photograph gallery. A woman owns or the photograph gallery. A woman owns it and wants to sell. To fool a prospective male purchaser she has an assistant phone her often. In this way the audience is informed about the Winter of the process of the pro audience is informed about the Winter Garden girls, also "girls from Ziegfeld Follies" (doing a Hula number) and "girls from the Hippodrome" (doing a "skating" song). The leader of the turn is the proprietress, a comedienne who gets over easily in this act. Besides taking on herself all of the com-edy, she does "Walkin' the Dog" with the original lyric, saying it is a new dance but ten days old. A juvenile has a little to handle and the assistant takes one number. There are six fair looking chorus girls who change inexpensive costumes quite often. A num-ber where each chorister wears a dif-ferent dress looks very badly in the costuming. Until dressing of this sort can be made flashy it had better be passed up. The setting is mostly a flimsy curtain extending over the scene. timsy curtain extending over the scene.
The act seems built for the small time and even with only six girls will do very well there, because the leading comedienne, who works hard, carries the turn and gets it over. The act might even do on a small big time bill. Just enough of a story is used to hold the scene of the manner in which it together, and the manner in which it is run helps it.

Burlington Four. Comedy Quartet. 15 Mins.; Two (Special Drop).

Burlington is the capitol of Vermont, with nothing against its record up to now, excepting that it is near a lot of camps in summer. Why these four male singers picked it for a title is their own joke. A special drop of a country railroad station has on it, "The Hokenville P. P." Rue apparently it Hokenville R. R." But eventually it will make no difference. The four characters are all rube, including a storekeeper and a constabule. The biggest bit of fun is when two of the rubbes steel aggs out of the general. rubes steal eggs out of the grocer's basket and the constabule, hitting them with a stuffed club, breaks the eggs in their pockets. It must be very amus-ing to a child in arms. The opening is a rube chatter dance. There must be someone writing this chatter introduc-tion for dancers by the yard. It's all the "Cohan Revue." The Burlington Four sing now and then. They have rne Conan Revue." The Burlington Four sing now and then. They have trained for harmony and they train the nearer they will get to it. Their best song and about the only thing in the act that they will get to it. thing in the act that got them anything was "Rolling in His Rolling Chair," a new song that had some extra lines for each single at the finish. Toward the end of the turn, about the time for si-lent prayer, one of the rubes announced would become an Hawaiian string quartet, the only four in existence not Hawaiian playing all Hawaiian string instruments. They did, including the uke. It was said about the Royal Tuesday evening the boys lived in the Bronx. If they have any friends left up there by today, the friends might quietly inform them they are very much small time.

Mrs. Nick Hufford, her daughter, Mary, and son, Nick, Jr., have joined Mr. Hufford (Hufford and Chain), after spending the season at Daytona Beach, Fla. "The Dream Garden" (6). Musical. 14 Mins.; Full (Special). 58th Street.

Six girls who play strings and brasses in an act very pretty to the eye as to setting and dressing, but lacking slightly in "pep" as far as the present musical program is concerned. What they need is a single lively number in the center, their present second selection being too long and rather de-pressing in its effect. A little "jazz" at the finish would send the turn along to much better advantage. They open to much better advantage. They open with all six playing the brasses, the second number being a string and brass arrangement with three violins and the arrangement with three violins and the brasses muted. Later one of the girls plays a bass horn, and another offers a soprano solo, the sextet going to the brasses again for the finish. The girl with the trombone seems finished enough a musician to inject the necessary "live" girges which would never the property of t enough a musician to inject the necessary "jazz" ginger which would prove a closing wallop for them. When speeded up the turn should prove big fine class.

Fdith and Eddie Adair. "In the Shoe Shop."

15 Mins.; Full (Special). 58th Street

Fifteen minutes of flip talk, mostly about "kids" and "kidding," soles and souls, with a little touch of the "so you're the girl from my home town" love interest, all presented in a special set representing the interior of a shoe shop, with Eddie Adair as the fresh salesman and Edith as the prospective It is a rather cute idea and as soon as the comedy is speeded up a bit and a little more ginger injected into the first part of the turn it will for an early spot on some of the big time bills. At present there isn't a real hearty laugh in the entire turn the comedy bringing only a succession of titters, and the man makes a mistake in stopping cold on every one of the lines that he thinks is funny, evi-dently believing that there should be a laugh there and that the audience should give it to him. One of those more or less involved gags, with the theme bringing in the names of all of the different brands of shoes, brought something. The act at present should have three or four additional weeks on the small time to set the gags before anything better is attempted. Fred.

Helene Vincent. Songs. 10 Mins.; One. Jefferson.

A single that with another number added to the present repertoire will do nicely on any of the big time bills in an early spot. Helene Vincent and an early spot. Helene Vincent has looks, personality, a pleasing voice and clothes. Incidentally she has that all important factor, material. Three songs at present, with a change of costume for each. "Don't Give Me Any Credit," opening, starts her nicely. "Wonderopening, starts her nicely. "Wonderful Girl of Mine" is well delivered as her second offering, and for a closer she is using a number that is a combination of "Poor Butterfly" and "Broken Doll," and is very effective. Two minutes could be added to advantage. Miss Vincent was formerly of Miller and Vincent. Fred.

"The Joyriders" (8). Girl Act.

17 Mins.; Full Stage (Special Set). Jefferson.

Four corking girls, exceedingly well dressed, and four men. One is a fairly pleasing juvenile, the second man in importance is a comedian who does a near imitation of a Billie Reeves drunk, and there are two minor bits, one a chauffeur (perhaps plaved by a car-penter). The girls really hold up the act. The turn is just a flash for small time at present, but if the number were slightly strengthened and the comedy bolstered up to the standard set by the girls there would be a chance for the turn on better time.

NEW SHOWS NEXT WEEK

Legitimate Productions Announced for Metropolitan Premiere.
"Peter Ibbetson," Republic (April

"Flirtation" (6). Musical Comedy. 21 Mins.; Full Stage (Special Set). Royal.

Flirtation" is a youthful act. half dozen people in it, equally divided as to sex, were selected for their youth. It's a college piece, the boys flirting with the girls, when they are not singing or dancing. The dancing is quite the best thing. There are a couple, boy and girl, who run away with the act through their double dance, that is mostly done through both holding the cover of a large book, marked "Dancing Lesson." The boy immediately follows it with an encore with a single acrobatic dance that gets almost as much, while the young miss of the pair later does her pretty dancing steps with another of the youths in the "Campus Strut" number. The opening song is "I'm at Your Service, Girls." In story the skit appears to have been written for farcical comedy. While the farcical side can't hide itself, the comedy seems to have been mislaid. If the producer of this act thought he engaged comedians to play it there must have been a mistake somewhere, for the three young men are but straight juveniles. A couple can sing and dance, but if they can commede they are not doing it. The bench bit could be made full of fun, but it isn't, and there are a large number of other comedy opportunities overlooked, leaving but a laugh here and there. This, while perhaps not ma-terially hurting the act, which must depend anyway upon the youthfulness and dancing, doesn't push it into the big class. The three girls are good looking, one (the dancer) very pretty, and the boys will pass in their respective ways, although for the purposes of this turn each, excepting the acrobatic dancer, could be improved upon. A great many houses will enjoy this act as it is now composed in about the No. 3 position, but it is capable of being worked into a big act. About eight chorus girls and a good comedian ought to convert this turn into a corking tab.

Ted and Dorothy Doner. Songs and Dances. 10 Mins.; One.

City.
Ted Doner, the former dancing partner of Mazie King, has joined his sister in an offering which embraces sing-ing in addition to dancing. Doner is weak as a singer, with his partner lit-tle better in that line. As dancers they are both capable. Doner has good are both capable. Doner has good knowledge which is now serving him. Miss Doner is young and attractive. When the present turn is so routined a large portion of the singing is eliminated this couple will find the going much smoother.

Whitney and Wilson. Songs and Talk. 13 Mins.; One.

Miss Wilson, formerly of Wheeler and Wilson, with Miss Whitney, a comely young woman weighing about 250 pounds. Miss Wilson starts off a comely young woman weigning arounds. Miss Wilson starts off a piano solo, but is interrupted by Miss Whitney in the audience yelling for "Louis," with a German dialect. Upbraided for it, the usual "Go on, you're rotten. Didn't you used to work in Childs'?" Then the comeback, "Well, "I may see do something, why don't if you can do something, why don't you come up here?" Fun poked about you can do something, why don't you come up here?" Fun poked about big one's "shape." the crossfire ama-teurishly delivered. Stout one plays piano while other sings, then large lady does a laugh-making dance. Little one in kilts for neat dance, joined in for finish by the other in kilts for burlesque stepping finish. Should make an uproarious three-a-day turn. Jolo.

SHOW REVIEWS

RINGLING BROTHERS CIRCUS.

Chicago, April 11.
The Ringling Brothers Circus, its two features being the "Cindereis" spectacle and hay Writin, opened at the Colliseum saturday atternoon. It will remain there three weeks, the opening snow failed to draw capacity, the house being about two-thrids full, which can be accounted for by the fact that it was a matinee need on the last day of Holy Week, and that the newspapers, because of pressure of news regarding happenings of national importance, lailed to allow the customary space given such an event. kiven such an event.

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Aside from the Cinderella" spectacle this years show has one outstanding attraction, and that is May Wirth, the Australian bareback star. This is Miss Wirth's first year with the Ringings, and it was, too, her initial apearance in Chicago. She appeared aione in the centre ring, and displayed her brilliant wares without a miss to mar her periormance, more than living up to her billing as the feminine marvel of the tanbark. Added to her cieverness, Miss Wirth has youn, grace and appearance, and is perhaps the best individual attraction under the big top today.

The skinglings offer a clean show, but it lacks thrus. Certainly the circus of such size still has its strong appeal to the younger folk, and that, perhaps, is what it aims for anyhow. Still aiter viewing the show, one can understand the oner reputed to have been made several years ago by one of the brothers, and yet good, that they would give \$100,000 to anyhome who devised or imported a noveity equal to the "Loop the Loop." The show started on the minute with "Cinderella," this being given in six sections, with pantonime and pageant alternating. It was noticeable during the pageants that the show holds a considerable number of good looking girls, certainly more than the average citizen thinks there are in such a alow. Both "Cinderella" and her Prince Charming are peaciny lookers, especially the latter, a brunet (girl), who can gracefully stride a horse. Perhaps the good looks of the girls of the content of the good looks of the girls of the content of the good looks of the girls of the content of the good looks of the girls of

MILLION DOLLAR DOLLS.

Notwithstanding the sudden disablement of Siem Keilan, one of the featured principals

of "The Million Dollar Dolls," a product of the Burlesque Operating Co., gave a very creditable performance, the male members sharing the responsibilities formerly shouldered by Kellan in such a manner that mighty few, if any, realised the nature of the handicap. Kellan was stricken with acute rheumatism after the initial matinee, but gamely filled in small spots with the aid of a cane although his aliment preduced the possibility of descring or rapid movine.

This show, lists the majority on the first "wheel." is given in two parts with an one between. The opener, written by Hilton and Levine, is in a hotel set and consists mainly of "bits" with little or no direct theme to the book. The first part is broken by no less than ten numbers with as many consume changes and runs more to the musical division that the comedy, but there is sufficient of the latter to balance the affair nicely. In selecting his dialog, Lew Hilton has gone hack a considerable distance for many of the quips were conspicuous for their age. Hilton in Hehrew character is particularly clever, keeping well within the confines of legitimate comedy and adding considerable strength to the laugh end through his peculiar style of delivery, he is a bard, consciencious worker and covers much territory during bis efforts.

The belance of the comedy section is rather well divided between Bob Ferns, in hiackface, and Savo, a juggler with a degree of versatility that makes him a valuable burlesque acquisition. Savo substituted in many sections for Kellan and while the change was noticeable to ons familiar with burlesque at it is doubtful if anyone of the suddence realized the circumstances. Ferns was rather active throughout and closing the olio with a series of popular numbers and a small amount of comedy patter, scored the honors of that section with little competition, doing nicely at all times, particularly in the song end, where his previous experience makes nim valuane.

The femsle continent carried Alice Lazar, Patricia Baker and Grace Seymour, wi

the singing int of the show, the companying its rendition calling for no less than seven encores.

Patricia Baker has a good voice, looks good and wears some attractive gowns. Grace Sepanour as the souhert was lively, although shy on voice, and she too earned a creditable mark in the oilo with a true or comedy songs. The baiance of the oilo went to Savo with his juggling specialty. Savo was slightly nervous Tuesday night, but this was pardonable considering the additional duties assigned him. The cherus is well picked for appearance, sing reasonably well and come up to expectations in the dancing division. With the show in its regular running speed and barring such eventualities as occurred during the Columbia engagement it should measure up with some of the best comedy aggregations on the wheel.

PALACE.

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Easter Monday hrought a capacity rush to the Palace, where the revised Gertrude Hoffmann Revue is headdining and closing the program, the management baving shifted the "Patria" film to the opening spot. This developed into a wise move, since the hulk of the Palace audience straggies in long after curtain time, and with the serial film running 24 minutes the show broke just about right to give the whole attendance their money's worth in vauderille.

Daab's orchestra started proceedings with the "Star Spangied Banner" to a standing house, and after the "Patria" reel came D'Avigneuie Chinese Buo. This combination, a slager and planist, an attractive Oriental set, have perfected a really entertaining repertoire of vocal and instrumental selections, the planist (Fook Look) fully sharing the honors carned with Tang Cheong, whose "Pagliacci" in Italian nicely shades his Engilab mumbers. Mary Melville, assisted by George Rule, held second spot with comedy talk and songs, Rule essaying an English "Johnnie" character. The turn suggests the fine Italian hand of Bert Leslle, and if Leslie supplied the dialog be should be duly credited with it. If he didn't someone has been "listening" somewhere. Miss Melville, afways excellent on comedy angles, hes discarded her former eccentric make-up and now works on a light comedy hasis with even better results. The talk is bright and well handled. Rule foolishly drops his characterisation and dialog to offer a "streight" number, filting back and forth. He should maintain the "drew!" throughout, even if it is necessary to chenge numbers. The comedy song by Miss Melville is surefire and the disacing finale gives them a good sendoff.

The hill lecked comedy, for aside from the Melville specialty the only other turn running strictly under that classification was Al Herman, who preceded the closing ect. And Herman didn't get his usual results, for he "jammed" his opening with e patriotic song, offering it just a few seconds after the exit of Elizabeth Murray, who closed with a sim

knows how to handle them to their best value, but Willie didn't exhibit the customary professional ethics in apperently trying to conflict with Elizabeth Murray's songs through some side remarks on their subjects. The remarks were not productive of results. Weston was Weston when singing, and as Weston was excellent.

White and Csvansgh returns from the west with the popular (announced) Chicago disnot "Chemise Chiwabbie" ("Sbaking the Chemise") for a closer. They have their own style of randition, end it's well done too. Otherwise their routine is familiar to Palace pstrons.

Miss Murray was ons of the real hits with a number of good stories and some equally good songs. She never looked hetter, and was a welcome addition to the bill. Miss Murray, accompenied by Jack Stern at the pisno, and with a sextet of songs, eerned solid applause between each. The Hoffman art closed, keeping the large majority seated for the exit march.

ORPHEUM.

"Patrons Request Week" at the Orpheum etarted off to tremendous huelness and continued. Tuesday night the house had a seliout with not a seat available at eight o'clock. A large part of the house was taken by the employee of the Custom House, having their annual theatre party.

The ten-act bill contained turns all of a known quantity and there was little doubt

known quantity and there was little doubt but that each was popular locally. Loche and Sterling opened at an early hour with the audience still walking in. The couple move with great speed and those present showed appreciation. Libonati, No. 2, had little trouble in getting started with bis xylophone. Nina Payne in dancing displayed several novel ideas together with exceptionally attractive stage settings. Miss Payne has broadened out considerably as a dancer since she first gained prominence during the "Saciome" crase. Santy and Norton, who followed, were placed just right to make a clean sweep, the boys being the first to de any singing.

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Mrs. Thomas Whiffen and Co. in "The Golden Night," a home-like sketch, struck the Brookingnites effectively. In addition to the excellent work of Mrs. Whiffen the remainder of this cast has been selected to the best advantage.

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Dooley and Sayles, making their initial appearance in Erocklyn since their return from England, closed the first half, scoring their outcomery laughing hit. The couple have not through new material of any quantity with them, but proved one of the biggest comedy hits of the evening. Wills Holt Wakefield opened after the short intermission with a repertoire of exclusive numbers which she handles well. While additionally attention during the Wakefield offering, and the patrictle finish brought forth a volley of applicuse. Kate Elinore and Sam Williams with their hew act barpooned laughs with a steady stream of talk that was up to the minute with Larry Comer, next to closing, needed not inetantaneous approval. Miss Carus is now using "Rolling Chair" and "Maggle Dooley" for two of her best single numbers, with "Me and My Gai" leading in the double division. Nat Wills, who has not been seen in Brooklyn for some time, found the audience attentive to his talk, and aithough closing the show, bad little trouble in keeping them interested. "Patria" ended the evening.

COLONIAL.

Roife & Maddock, producers of "America First," at the Coionial this week, should be placed upon the payroli of the U. S. Government for their presentation of this timely patriotic spectacular tabloid, and their salary charged to recruiting expense. 'Iney must have had edvance information that President Wilson intended to declare war, for the act sits in now as if written yesterday.

Two Carltons, gymnasts, with the lasy manner of working, do a number of excellent combination tricks, and their original opening would be a perfect throw-off if they omitted the word "gymnaste" from their billing. It is equivalent to revealing the plot of the play. Weber and Rome (New Acts). The Sharrocks, in "Behind the Grand Stand," heve concocted a pleasing comedy frame for their startling "mind reading" act, the only criticism being that the man remains a little too long in the audience.

Clark and Hamilton closed the first part. The contemporaneous Miss Hamilton is a good toe dancer, but otherwise contributes little to the offering. Bert Clark is growing e triffe careless at times in his handling of the woman foil.

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foil. Those Four Entertainers ere a happy looking set of young men who sing well, not necessarily as individuals, but as harmonizers. Paul Dickey and Co. in "The Lincoln Highwayman" (New Acts). Dyer and Fay, with their nonsesicalities, came through strongly just hefore the "Patria" picture. Jolo.

ROYAL.

The Royal this week has a nest plan for affording the patriotic moment and at the same time disposing of it for the evening. It even worked to another advantage, showing the audience to become seated after inter-

mission.
Following a brief overture at the interval,
the drop went up revealing two of the ushers
bandaged up in the flag standing behind two
cards, headed by one reading "The March

of the States, by Jules Lensberg." The orchestra played different airs to the several states, the cards being passed from one girl to the other upon the cue of the music switch by the orchestra isolarly passed from one girl to the other upon the cue of the music switch by the orchestra lender, and at the finish the over." following that with and green control of the culture of the "Star Spangled and the bouse standing to the "Star Spangled Banner." As a matter of comment, that was the place for the "Star Spangled," and much preferable thers, also the fiag, than to see either as a part of a Dutch or Wop act (acrobate or others, also be the fiag, than to see either as a part of a Dutch or Wop act (acrobate or others, also be the fiag, than to see either as a part of a Dutch or Wop act (acrobate or others, also be the same and the work of the program, and this way keeps it away from acts on the bill. Together with the film weekly, the particule medium at each performance would be 'unity taken care of.

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vent reputation of the playlet will be a survilaugh anywhere.
Chiyo and Chiyo, Japs, opened the show It's Chiyo, the halancer, with a woman asistant, the couple dancing for the opening, with she again at the finish whirling about, Chiyo carrying the furn along with his perchand fastdening work, the latter with the barrel and the usual customary Jap comedy, it's a fair opening turn. The Burlington Four (New Acts) got in the second spot somehow, and "Flirtation," a production number, closed the show before "Patria."

CABARETS

Jack Coath, a Chicago sportsman, cated in the attempted fomenting of has aroused considerable interest in a revolution in India. skating and cabaret circles through his attempts to bring Billy McLean and Norval Baptie together in a match race. McLean appears nightly in the College Inn (Chicago), while Baptie is at Healy's (New York). Some time ago A. W. Wood of the Chicago Arena posted \$1,000 for such a contest, but McLean refused to compete. Coath, who comes out for Baptie, offered a similar purse at any distance, winner take all or the purse to go to charity. Saturday Coath challenged McLean to race Baptie three one-mile races, Bap-tie to skate the last quarter of each mile backward. What raised the ire of Coath and Baptie is that McLean advertises himself as the world's champion, when Baptie is considered both skater and holds the world's record of 2.34 for the mile. Recently at a tryout at the St. Nicholas rink, New York, Baptie was timed in three seconds under his record.

Cabaret engagements by Billy Curtis this week included Oakes and Delour, (Rector's); Patsy Praeger, Ann Warwick (Rector's, Montreal); Lady Galithia (Teck, Buffalo); Vern Griffin, Peggy Shaw (Boulevard); Delmar Sisters, Hilda Carling, Tina Campbell, Ruby Mentour, Mae Devere (Marleborough); Elsie Maines (Churchill's) Sherlock Sisters, Lillian Franklin, Harry Glynn, Bennett Sisters (Beaux Arts, Atlantic City); Shirley and Shirley, Kimmey and Hall (Martinique, Atlantic City); Mae Calesse, Mae Lockwood (Henking Hotel, Springfield, Mass.); Joan Cox (Lorber's); Irene Albeasca (Parisienne); Al Stern (Shultz's); Arthur Madden Revue, Lillian Calvert (Fleischmann's). Cabaret engagements by Billy Curtis

"Hello, Breakers" is on at The Breakers, Atlantic City. The show is in three parts, produced by Lea Herrick and staged by F. von Gottfried. The revue is given on the Egyptian Roof of the hotel. Eight chorus girls back up Grace Hoey, Patsie O'Hearn, Helen Kling and Dave Mallen as principals. The girls make five changes of costumes. There are five changes of costumes. 15 numbers, several of which are solos or dances, Miss Kling getting the hit of the revue with her dancing specialty in the second part. She does much bet-ter dancing than when singing. The show seems to be reproduced rather than newly produced, by Herrick. In two parts instead of three the show would look better.

Runcie Martin is one of the most interesting of the skaters at the College Inn (Chicago), and though he has been skating but seven months is one of the best. Martin is also well known as a professional golf player. His favorite stunt is to pick 12 national sports, with an opponent doing likewise, and a third party selecting 12 events out of the 24. Martin then bets his opponent he will beat him in eight out of the 12 events. Pop Anson is the only man known to have beaten Martin in such a contest, the latter only winning seven of the events at the time.

On Monday the Kaiserhof, one of the big Chicago Loop hotels, having com-pleted the building of a new section a ear or so ago, changed its name to the Atlantic, the management stating it desired to evade any injury to business that might have been incurred through use of the old name during the present international difficulty. Max Teich, one of the owners, also made a public statement, saying he was sorry he had signed the \$50,000 bail bond of Gustav Jacobsen, a German resident arrested last week, charged with being impli-

Kittie Hart stands out as the bright particular star in the cabaret in Dave Lewinsohn's Congress Cafe. Chicago. Not only does Miss Hart make a good Not only does Miss Hart make a good appearance, but she handles her numbers exceptionally well, appearing at equal advantage either with rag songs or ballets. Previous vaudeville work helps her, and she will probably find her way back of the footlights again. Others appearing here are Hattie Lurad, Wanda Hanvard, Marion Neilson, Margaret Dahquist (toe dancer), Frank Sherman and Monte Howard.

The Palais Royal, opening next Monday, will have a special invitation first night, with a cover charge of \$5 per person that will include dinner. The opening evening of the new Paul Salvain restaurant is expected to draw an exclusive trade from "The Avenue," the invitations having mostly been sent in that direction. The program will have the artists mentioned in VARIETY last week excepting Little Billy. In-stead will be the couple from "Pinkie," the vaudeville act.

Raymond Hubbell, of the American Society of Authors, Composers and Publishers, through the society's attor-Publishers, through the society's attorney, Nathan Burkan, has started an action against Sennett's Cafe (Bronx) to restrain the cabaret entertainers there from using "Poor Butterfly" without securing a license to employ the numbers controlled by the society's members. The plaintiff also asks damage of \$10 a performance. The case is the of \$10 a performance. The case is the first started through the society, which has several it is preparing to launch

The New Broadway front of the Vogue restaurant will, it is expected, be ready by April 23. In addition to the dining room on the ground floor there will be a club restaurant on the subway floor for after-hour patrons. William will be a club restaurant on the subway floor for after-hour patrons. William Leon, the manager, is arranging for a formal opening. Among the entertainers will be Johnny Dale, Mabelle Jones, Bessie Gros, Ethel Sinclair, Marie Gasper, Jack Galvin and Fischelli's Jazz Band.

Harry Kranz, Bob La Salle and Frisco was the hastily formed trio which stepped into the Wynn-Cliff Inn, Chicago, Monday night, when Fields, Salisbury and Davis were compelled to cancel the cabaret on account of appearing on the Majestic, Chicago, bill this week. Frisco made them sit up and take notice with his peculiar dance which he dubs as "jazz work." He wastes cigars with abandon, almost con-suming a whole one during his stunt.

That ice skating may be continued in many of the rinks throughout the summer is very evident, several of the ac-tive rinks at present announcing an intention to continue the ice policy throughout the hot months. The first to decide on its continuance is the 181st Street Ice Skating Palace, where skat ing classes and competition meets will be featured as a stimulant to the sport.

The show for the new Palais Royal, to be headed by Fritzi Scheff in a revue, will include Santley and Norton, Gene Green, Four Entertainers, Little Billy, John Murray Anderson and Cynthia Periot, the latter two acting as host and hostess in addition to danc-ing. The management is reported as having decided upon having a couvert

Jack Cornell is now with the Broadway Booking Bureau.

CONEY ISLAND DARK AT 9?

Will Coney Island be dark after nine p. m. this summer? It is a subject of much concern to the realty holders and concessionaires of "The Island."

The brilliantly illuminated point running into the ocean at the end of Brooklyn is a glowing ball of light at night that may be seen far out at sea. The developments of the war will de-termine whether Coney will go dark in the evening. Anticipating the pros-pect, leases at the Island for this summer given concessionaires provide for the no-light contingency by providing if the Island is to have enforced darkness, the concessionaires will not be

ness, the concessionaires will not be called upon to pay the full amount of rent stipulated in the agreements. The illumination at Coney during the season is led by the thousands of in-candescents that mark the Luna Park

Rockaway Beach is in the same quandary and all Atlantic coast resorts.

COPS MOUNTFORD AGAIN.

Little Rock, Ark., April 11. Last week while here Bert Levy was asked if the story of the White Rats meeting in Boston, published in VARIETY
Feb. 23 last, was correct, which stated
Harry Mountford had said:

"Bert Levy had once tried to patch
up things between Murdock and
Mountford, Levy asking Mountford
why he didn't go to lunch with Murdock, and Mountford replied he did not know Murdock. Mountford said it was only about 10 days before the meeting (Felf. 16, 1917) he had again spoken to Levy in Chicago, when Levy remarked it must be a wonderful thing to be at the head of an organization as powerful as the White Rats. Mount-ford said Levy had just returned from Germany."

Mr. Levy replied to his questioner that as Mountford makes so many misthat as Mountford makes so many mis-statements he had given the story in Variety Feb. 23 no personal concern and had not supposed any one else took it seriously. Had Mountford printed such a statement over his signature in Variety, Mr. Levy stated, he would have answered it at the time.

Later, thinking it over, Levy sent for the representative of VARIETY and asked that the following statement by him be published:
"Bert Levy desires to say he has

never spoken to or even laid eyes upon Harry Mountford since a month be-fore he (Levy) published his full page in VARIETY disagreeing with Mount-

ford's propaganda.

"Levy has never within his knowledge spoken to Mountford in Chicago and has not been in Germany in five

"The statement made by Mr. Mountford is false and was meant only to mislead the members of the order (White Rats)."

ANOTHER CHI THEATRE.
Chicago, April 11.
Plans for another Chicago theatre
are being drawn by Architect A. L.
Levy. It will be built at the southeast corner of 22nd street and Marshall boulevard by Louis L. and Meyer S. Marks, Julius Goodman and Louis H. Harrison. The Marks-Goodman-Harrison interests paid \$30,000 for the site.

The house will seat 2,600 when com-

pleted. In addition to the theatre the building will contain nine stores, eighteen offices, ten apartments and steam baths. The building will be of terra cotta and will cost about \$275,000.

TAUBER WITH KEENEY.

Sam Tauber, former manager of the Colonial, joined the Frank A. Keeney forces this week. Tauber will book the vaudeville in the Keeney houses supplied through the Amalgamated Agency, and will act as assistant to Keeney's general manager, Ray C. Ownes, who will devote a good portion of his time to the Keeney picture

NEW ACTS.

Edgar Atchinson Ely, single (piano) (Harry Weber).

Gertrude Vanderbilt and Sid Marian, two-act.

Chas. L. Douglas is reviving "Should a Woman Tell?" Cast will include Harold Reid and Frank Du Frane.
"Three Months Married," Comedy.

(Jas. Devlin.)
"The Panama Kid" with Taylor

"The Panama Kid" with Taylor Granville and Laura Pierpont. Harry W. Fields (late of "September Morn") and Jack Wells (formerly of Rathskeller Trio), two-act. Andy Lewis in a new act with Grace Knowles and Roy Lloyd. Elphye Snowden, assisted by Fred

Hildebrandt and George Byer, is break-ing in a new act in Jersey City the last half of the current week. It is a singing and talking act, written by Arthur

When "The Blue Paradise" closes its season Frances Pritchard and Ted Lorraine in two-act (M. S. Bentham).
Fiddler and Shelton in "The New
Cook and the Entertainer."

Earl Pingree in a comedy sketch, supported by Josephine Sachs. Frank Reddick, Jr., in "Some Kid,"

comedy sketch.

"A Regular Business Girl," comedy, with Mabel Montgomery (Olly Logs-

"The Funny Sheet," with five principals and eight girls.
Frank Morrell and Seashore Revue and "The Race of Man" (Bert La-

mont).

"Ben Voyage," musical comedy.

"Oh, You Devil" (10 people) by Ned
Dandy (Herman Becker).

7 Happy Minstrels with Happy Benway, Earl Holmes, Paul Le Londe, Joe
Andre, Bill Doran, George Faust and
John Mattick.

"Out of the Fog," produced originally at the Princess by Holbrook Blinn
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as a one-act play has been revised for vaudeville and will open shortly with Ernest Truesdale in the leading role. The act has a cast of four people.

HAS "PLAY OR PAY" CONTRACT.

Chicago, April 11.

Stagpole and Spier, who walked out of Poli's theatre, Hartford, Conn., March 12 at the strike order of the White Rats, have been notified to fulwhite Kats, have been notified to ful-fill their contract with the Pantages circuit, entered into March 7. The act opened at Minneapolis last Sunday, where it had reported pending the adjustment of the automatic cancellation

by Walter Keefe.

The act had been engaged under an Illinois State contract which is classified as a "pay or play" agreement, and unless the engagement had been fulfilling. ed the turn could have collected the full amount of the contract under liquidated damage proceedings. wenthal office, representing the act, arranged through direct communication with Alexander Pantages for the turn to play its route as booked.

CIRCUS SKIPS TWO TOWNS.

The Barnum and Bailey circus at the close of its engagement at Madison Square Garden will jump to Phila-delphia for a week, eliminating Brooklyn and Jersey City.

LEGAL ACTION TO STOP ACT.

Chicago, April 11,
Frances Nordstrom plans legal steps
to stop Hollister Pratt and Blossom
Baird from playing her act entitled
"Cats and Kittens."
Pratt was formarly in the second

Pratt was formerly in the act with Laura Nelson Hall, having played in the vehicle over the Orpheum circuit.

Belie Carmen Wants a Divorce

Chicago, April 11.

Belle Carmen (Carmen Sisters),
known in private life as Belle Zimmer, has filed a suit for divorce in Chicago against her husband.

MOVING PICTURES

TRIANGLE TAKES STEPS WHICH PROMISE TREMENDOUS REFORMS

Abolishment of the Deposit System to the Extent of Having a Bonding Company Secure the Company, Instead of the Exhibitor. Small Percentage of Total the Only Cost. New Arrangement With Producing Companies.

The Triangle Company has under advisement a step which, if successfully carried out, will undoubtedly bring about one of the greatest reforms in the dealings between the exhibitor and the distributor of program pictures. It has as its basis the practical abolishment of the deposit system, and the instituting in its stead a system of bonding with one of the biggest bonding and casualty companies in the country. Which will mean that the exhibitor will at a cost of one per cent. of the total amount of his deposit for four weeks' service insure the company against loss and give him the balance of the money for his own use. instead of permitting the distributing organization to handle it.

The innovation has been under con-

The innovation has been under consideration for several weeks, the details having been fully worked out, and it now only remains for the company to make announcement of its step to the exhibitor. This will undoubtedly be done in about a week.

This is quite the biggest jolt that the program feature distributors have received in some time, and its adoption by the Triangle company will mean

by the Triangle company will mean that all of the other companies will have to follow suit or lose a greater portion of their business to the rival concern which offers the more liberal

terms to the theatre manager.

Another of the innovations the company has on tap is that they will send all of their features into the open mar-ket after they have served sixty days' run after the first release in a certain territory. This will make it possible for independent bookers to obtain Triangle pictures without signing up for

exclusive service. The distributors be-lieve that entering the open market in this manner will give a longer life, ranging anywhere from 90 to 120 days, to each of their releases.

The arrangement the company has at present with its producers is that they are to release through them on a royalty basis. Several years ago and right up to the present time there has always been a cry against anything on a royalty basis in pictures. At one time the authors wanted to deliver their writing on that sort of an arrangement, and the manufacturers and distributors were all against the scheme. But now with the advent of the new basis on which the manufacturers and distributors are working it will only be a short step to the authors disposing of their wares on the same sort of business arrangement. The cry heretofore has been that the royalty arrangement entailed too much bookkeeping and that it was not practicable, but now it will be an easy matter to check against the producer's royalty to ascertain the amount of the author's share of the profits.

This will in a great measure work out to the advantage of the entire industry, for it will attract a number of writers to the picture field who have been holding aloof because there was greater recompense in other fields of endeavor. It will encourage them to write material exclusively for the films, much after the manner of the stage, and this will naturally prove an uplift to the entire picture world.

The Triangle company will also be in the market for negatives from outside sources other than their own producers in the future. The arrangement at present existing between the distributing organization and the pro-

ducers is to the effect that the former can turn down any picture which they do not believe comes up to the program standard, and in the event of this shoot one of the outside produced and purchased features into the program to replace the rejected picture.

The scheme of releasing a Super-Triangle feature has already caused a tremendous amount of talk in the trade since the announcement was made a week ago that the company intended adopting this idea. The first of these Super-Triangle's will undoubtedly be "Mickey," which is in eight reels.

A general campaign against the star system is to be made in these releases, the picture being featured instead of

any of the individuals of the cast.
Following the trend toward making special releases of "super" productions, the Fox Film Corporation has estabthe Fox Film Corporation has estab-lished a special booking department for its ten-reel feature "The Honor Sys-tem," covering New York City and State and the State of New Jersey. This territory will be in charge of Carey Wilson, with offices at 130 West 46th st., and bookings will be made direct. Winfield Sheehan will be in charge of the state rights proposals from other territories. Two of these have already been disposed of, and proposals for been disposed of, and proposals for others have been submitted, the total amount of the propositions so far received being, it is said, approximately \$400,000. High class exhibitors in the metropolitan district have been quick to realize the box office possibilities of the production, as they have been watching the drawing power of the big film at the Lyric, and this has resulted in some unprecedented offers for rentals, as well as plans by the Fox people for other big features.

Metro is also going in for heavy productions, which will be marketed by the Metro exchanges and not staterighted. The first of these is already completed under the title "The Call of Her Peounder the title "The Call of Her Peo-ple," with Ethel Barrymore starred. It is in seven reels. Metro has also en-gaged Emily Stevens for four big pic-tures, the length of which will depend on the exigencies of the stories, and

on the exigencies of the stories, and will vary from seven to nine reels.

This leaves the World Film practically alone in its strict adherence to the program idea, as its big feature, "Mothers of France," with Bernhardt as the star, is issued as a regular program offering, although some flattering bids have been made for exclusive territorial rights.

THE FAIRBANKS LUNCHEON.

Last Saturday afternoon the Arteraft Pictures Corporation tendered a farewell luncheon to its star, Douglas Fair-banks, on the eve of his departure for the West. The invited guests com-prised the representatives of the mo-

tion picture trade journals.

According to some of those present it was a very pleasant affair and the irrepressible guest in whose honor the affair was given, as was to be expected, made a speech. In the course of his remarks he is reported to have said to the trade journalists: "You are the finest bunch of fellows that money

can buy."
Of course "Duggy" was only kidding, but unless there existed a general impression that trade journals are swayed by advertising the facetious remark wouldn't be funny, and the proof that it was humorous was the uproar-ious manner in which it was received.

The newspaper men present however are reported to not have been internally greatly overjoyed at the reference,

for it is pretty well understood in the film trade any of its journals may be "gotten to" by advertising.

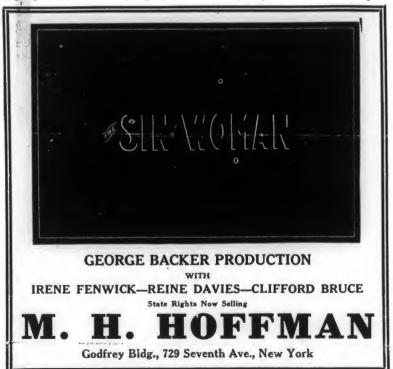
This has become so well known the trade papers prod each other with it whenever scrapping, while the exhibitors place little dependence upon any of the "reviews" of new films that are unblished in the "advertising-neticies" published in the "advertising-notices"

sheets.

Manufacturers were the first naturally to note what "an ad" would do for their film. It is only of recent date a manufacturer laughed when asked what he thought the trade press would say of a feature he intended to show. "They won't say anything I don't want them to," he replied. This expression of perfect inside knowledge sums up the entire situation.

If the condition does not exist, it's all the same while the trade believes it does, and past experience has taught them the affirmative, which might be one of the causes leading to Fairbanks' remark, with the notation that "many a true word is said in a jest."

INSURES STAR FOR \$225,000.
The Douglas Fairbanks Producing Company has just completed arrangements for the insurance of the life of its star. Last week the final policy for \$50,000 was added to the list the company holds, making a total of \$225,000 to be paid in the event of the actor's





MOVING PICTURES

SUITS AGAINST BRENON.

The Herbert Brenon Film Corporation had a trio of law suits started against it this week. One was by Jennie Jacobs, to ascertain her standing as a holder of \$25,000 worth of stock in the Brenon concern.

Another was by George Arliss for \$22,500, the amount an unfulfilled Brenon contract calls for, and the third action was the dancer, Golden (from the Dazie act), seeking to recover \$900 on his theatrical contract with Brenon,

personally.

personally.

Miss Jacobs promoted the Brenon-Selznick business association, and Joe Pincus, who was associated with her in that promotion, has joined in her suit. Miss Jacobs received some shares in the newly formed corporation as navment, but nothing further. as payment, but nothing further.

Mr. Arliss consented to appear under

Mr. Ariss consented to appear unuer Brenon's film direction in a screen production of "Faust," to be filmed within five weeks, for which Brenon agreed to pay the star \$22,500. The suggestion of "Faust" for his screen debut was by a conference when Arliss. Beyond the conference when this suggestion was adopted by Brenon,

Arliss has heard nothing.

In his career of many years upon the stage, this is the first time Mr. Arliss has resorted to the law. He feels much aggrieved at the treatment accorded him by Brenon, Mr. Arliss having refused to consider all kinds of film proposals before listening to the

film proposals before listening to the Brenon people.

The Dazie act was a vaudeville production, staged by Brenon, who is reported to have invested \$7,000 in it. The act appeared for one week in a big Eastern theatre (Palace, New York) when it was relegated to the storehouse, and its star, Dazie (under contract to Brenon for \$750 weekly), was said to have contracted a nervous

disorder and was resting in the coun-

try.

The Selznick concern, although a holder of Brenon Corporation stock, disclaims responsibility for the contracts made by Brenon.

FILM DEMAND FOR KID McCOY

The film demand for Kid McCoy, probably one of the best known and most popular of America's great pugilists, revives each time the champion

lists, revives each time the champion returns to New York.

Mr. McCoy is again in the city and has received two offers to pose before the screen since arriving from Palm Beach, where he spent the season following his return from the border with his regiment, the 71st. Down in Florida McCoy added to his popularity and fame by swimming against the world's champion, and also placed other laurels on top of his athletic accomplishments of the past

of the past.
"The Kid" has but six or seven weeks open before returning to the 71st for active duty once more during the present war. While away this winter he was divorced from his latest wife, nee

SYNDICATE FILM BOOKING.

The Long Island Managers' Protective Assn. was formed this week at a meeting held at the office of Fally Markus, a vaudeville agent, which was attended by theatre managers from 24 Long Island towns. The main idea of the organization is to protect its members from exorbitant prices charged by film exchanges for feature pictures by having the managers in rival towns bid against each other for the first show-ing. In the future the towns will be booked as a circuit, a picture being played for 24 days at a fixed rental for each day.

TO FIGHT AUTHORS' SOCIETY.

The New York local branch No. 1 held a big meeting Tuesday at which held a big meeting Tuesday at which was gathered practically every exhibitor in Greater New York. The meeting had been called for the special purpose of taking up the matter of the demands of the Authors' Society, that each exhibitor take out a license in order to be enabled to play the copyrighted works of the members of the Authors' Society.

After considerable debate it was decided that the decision of the Supreme

cided that the decision of the Supreme Court in the matter of Victor Herbert vs. the Shanley Company on which is based these demands was not appli-cable to motion picture theatres, and at-torney Rubin was instructed to defend whatever action was necessary in order

to test the law.

HOFFMAN BUYS "SIN WOMAN."
M. H. Hoffman, former Bluebird exchange manager, has purchased from the George Backer Film Corporation the world rights to "The Sin Woman."
Mr. Hoffman said:

Mr. Hoffman said:

"I announced on my retirement from Bluebird that I would take a lengthy vacation, but it only lasted an hour and a half, when I again jumped into harness. 'The Sin Woman' is only one of the many things I will handle that come up to Hoffman standard—state rights or otherwise. I shall open my own exchanges in New York and Chicago."

PATHE SIGNS MRS. CASTLE.

The Pathe Co. this week signed a long term contract with Mrs. Vernon Castle to appear in eight features and one of more serials at a salary claimed to be \$3,000 a week.

She will be under the direction of

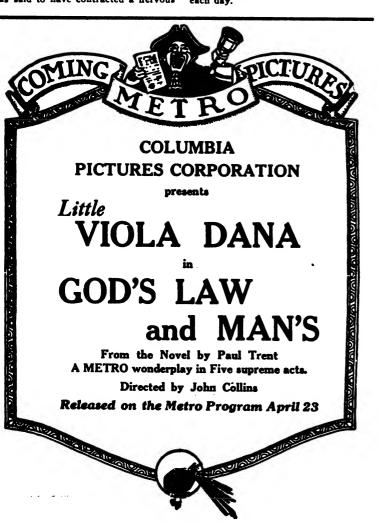
George Fitzmaurice, and it is intended to surround her with a strong support-ing cast. Mrs. Castle will begin work

for Pathe May 1.

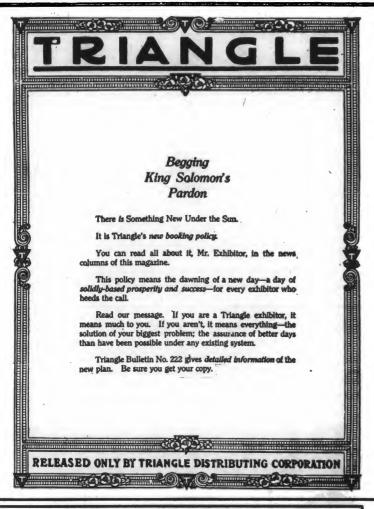
BACKER BUILDING STUDIO.
The George Backer Film Corporation will build its own studio on West 38th street, just west of Seventh avenue, which will be the most centrally located picture making edifice in the metropolis. It is designed along original lines by Mr. Backer, aided by General Director George W. Lederer.

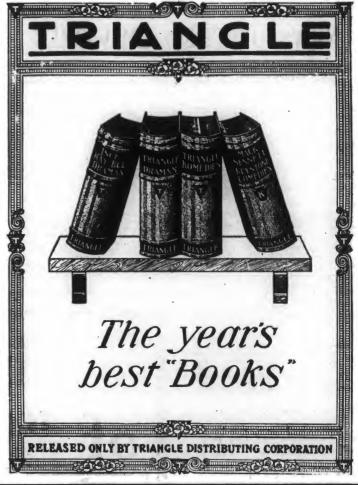
The next picture of this producing company will be commenced next week.

WORLD STARS TO SING.
Philadelphia, April 11.
In addition to contributing their
"Mothers of France" film feature for
the three days' benefit at the Metropolitan opera house here in aid of the American Ambulance Field Service, the World Film Corporation has brought over Alice Brady and Kitty Gordon to sing "The Marseillaise." Miss Brady will render the French national anthem Thursday and Friday nights and Miss Gordon Saturday afternoon and even-









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NEWS OF THE FILM WORLD

"The Neglected Wife," a story dealing with the complex problems of married life and based on Mabel Herbert Urner's famous stories, "The Journal of a Neglected Wife" and "The Woman Alone." will be Pathe's next scrial release. The release date has not been definitely set, but will be some time in the near future.

Muriei Ostriche, of World-Pictures Brady-Made, took her brand new automobile out for a spin the other day, and the fractious thing torpedoed an Amsterdam avenue troiley car. Miss Ostriche and her mother were badly bruised, but no bones were broken. The verdict at the inquest was that the auto committed suicide. It certainly is a dead one.

Tom Bret is a newcomer in the scenario department at the Metro-Rolfe studios. Mr. Bret until recently was with Vitagraph. Tom Bret is the author of "Acting for the Movies." He is the man who woke up one morning about two years ago to find himself famous as the first scenario writer to receive a curtain call on Broadway.

For the first time since "The Birth of a Nation" has been shown in Chicago, children are being admitted to the film exhibition at the National, Chicago, the top price being a dollar. The National has been playing the autractions of the International Circuit, but the house had a chance to get the film for two weeks and booked it.

That there is a healthy demand for good two-reel subjects as fillers is evidenced by the fact that Essansy will issue another batch of two-reelers, taken from stories of the Black Cat Maxazine. Vitaeraph recentiv made two two-reel pictures with Lillian Walker, and were astonished at the amount of booking done.

Ethel Barrymore has begun work at the Metro-Rolfe studios on her next photodrama, called "Her Greatest Power." Edwin Carewe, one of Metro's directing staff, is directing this production, his assistant being Harry Franklin. "Her Greatest Power" is the work of Louis R. Wohlelm, Prepared for the screen by Albert Shelby Levine.

The Chicago censors have ruled against "The Tiger Woman," with Theda Bara "vamplring" all over the screen, and the makers of the film have filed a petition for a writ of mandamus in the Superior Court to compel the Chicago chief of police to sign the necessary exhibition document so that the picture can be exhibited locally.

Thomas Achelis, better known professionally as Paul Gordon, a young actor who has apeared frequently in New York, has canceled his existing contracts calling for his services as a motion picture actor and enlisted in the Reserve Training Corps of the Field Artillery of Yale University, of which he is a graduate.

The World Film Corp. has secured the Metropolitan Opera House, Philadelphia, for April 12, 13, 14, together with the entire opera house organization, and will show there the Bernhardt feature, "Mothers of France." Leander Richardson, the World's publicity representative, has gone over to boost along the engagement.

Raiph Kettering has done some very efficient press work for the Geraldine Farrar film spectacle, "Joan the Woman," at the Colonial, Chicago, and the picture was reviewed by the dramatic critics of the Chicago papers as well as the regular m. p. critics. Percy Hammond (Tribune) went out of his way in a special review of the film.

Gladys Brockwell, the girl of a thousand expressions, is the star of "Her Temptation," a William Fox production, which will be released for the week of April 16. Richard Stanton was in charge of the direction, J. Dev. Jennings of the photography. The 'script was written by Norris Shannon.

Alice Brady in widow's weeds wiii be seen in an approaching World Picture Brady-Made. This photopiay at present is called "The Romance of a Self-Made Widow." Supporting Miss Brady are John Bowers, Herbert Barrington, Justine Cutting, Alexandria Carewe, Lila Chester and others.

Frank Powell, whose New York corporation, Frank Powell Productions, Inc., was voluntarily dissolved last week, has come back as the New York representative of a Delaware corporation of the same name, capitalized at \$400,000. The original corporation was for less than \$100,000.

-- Herbert H. Wan Lengt for the pert two end a half years publicity manager for Universal, has resigned effective next sarbiduly, April 7.

Robert M. Priest has been engaged by the Arrow Film Corp. to exploit the multiple recier "The Deemster."

Nellie Revell is the press representative for the Roscoe Arbuckle Film Co.

Houdini, the famous self-liberator, has accepted an offer from Williamson Brothers and will be featured by them in a drama of thrilis in the air, on land, and under water. An author has been secured to prepare the story and his name will be announced shortly.

A picture, "Our Navy," was shown in the Chicago theatre, Chicage, last week during off matinee time for the benefit of the young men and women who desired to see the working of the machine guns, etc. Jackies in uniform were on hand to lend color to the occasion.

Before the sub-committee on licenses of the Illinois state legislature recently Mrs. Alfred Hamburger, wife of the Chicago picture exhibitor, in vigorous manner contended that only films intended for children should pass under the critical eyes of intelligent censors.

On April 30 William Fox will release the third William Farnum special production of

the year. It will be called "American Methods," and is an adaptation of the theme in George Ohnet's novel, "The Ironmaster."

"The Deemster" will open at the Broadway next Sunday but can remain for two weeks only, the booking arrangements at the house beins set so the no matter how wreat the success of a picture is that is the longest time that it can remain there.

It is announced by Pathe that arrangements have been made for a new series of Gold Rooster features with Baby Marie Osborne, to be released at regular intervals for the next two years.

Eida Furry will be featured with Wilfred Lucas in "Her Excellency, the Governor," the Triangle yn now in course of production under the personal supervision of Allan Dwan at the new Yonkers studio.

Thirty-six well-known players have been engaged to support Ann Murdock in "Outcast," the Charles Frohman stage success, which is being produced at the Empire All-Star Studios for release through Mutual.

Billie Burke has been signed by Jesse L. Lasky to do a number of features when not engaged in the legitimate. They will commence the first one May 5, scenario by Gelett Burgess, entitled "The Mysterious Miss Terry."

A new Lionel Barrymore picture will be released on the Metro program April 30. This will be "The Millionaire's Double," written by June Mathis and directed by Harry Daven-

J. Edward Hungerford has been engaged as scenario editor for the Pollard Picture Plays Company, and will hereafter write the photodramas in which Margarita Fischer is starred

Negotiations have been completed by which the Mutual Film Corporation will release La-Saile comedies, produced by the LaSaile Film Company of Chicago and Los Angeles,

Marie Cahili wiil appear in three comedies for the Mutual Film Corporation. These comedies will be two reels in length and are scheduled for bi-weekly release starting April 30.

Norman Manning has been appointed manager of the David Horaley Studies to succeed John Jasper, and will take up his post immediately.

Frank A. Keeney will shortly close the Metropolis, Bronx, to renovate the house before reopening with straight pictures, which has been its policy for some time.

Mutual has placed their exchange managers and satesmen on a commission basis instead of a flat saiary in order to jog business up a bit.

According to the contracts now in, the Fatty Arbuckle comedies are now on velvet and are expected to make a tremendous profit.

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NEWS OF THE FILM WORLD

A co-operative scheme that will be a nation-wide advertising campaign for the O Henry series of two-reel pictures being distributed by the General Film Company has been planned by the executives of Doubleday, Page & Company, the Review of Reviews Company and the General Film. As the O. Henry pictures, which are all founded on the shert stories of this famous writer, argissued, Doubleday, Page & Co. will arrange window displays of the volume of O. Henry stories from which the current picture was taken in every book store in every city where the pictures are being shown. These displays will be changed from week to week to keep the window displays current with the pictures. The Review of Reviews plans even a more comprehensive campaign, as they will circularize every city of 100,000 and less where the pictures are shown with pamphiets containing scenes from the O. Henry pictures, and of course advertising the volumes of the stories. In addition the tremendous newspaper and magazine advertising campaign of these two publishing houses will from now on cover the O. Henry series will undoubtedly have more publicity and advertising than any cycle of short subjects ever placed on the market.

Goldwyn's latest technical acquisition is Philip E. Rosen, one of the best-known cameramen in the motion picture industry, who has left the Fox organization after three years of service to join this newer organization. Rosen is known throughout the industry as the president of the Cinema Camera Club and ikewise as Theda Bara's cameraman. He has photographed that star's most successful productions for Directors Brenon and Edwards. Rosen is working with Arthur Hopkins company, which is making the second Maxine Elilott picture for Goldwyn. Rosen has worked with Edison, Universal, Fox and now with Goldwyn.

Edwin Thanhouser, of New Rochelle, thinks he has found confirmation of his old theory that the right kind of star material can be developed over night in Gladys Lesile, who is to be featured in a picture being directed by Van Dyke Brooke. In this view he is supported by the director, who says: "Miss Lesile has that unexplainable charm which only needs development to get across. She has sense, and really feels her part. I think it is only a matter of 'part' so far as her success is concerned. She would never do as a vampire, but in this, her first feature, I think we have the right atmosphere and she will make a profound impression."

Arthur Hopkins is achieving the unusual in many difficult ways in Maxine Elliott's second Goldwyn Picture, which marks Mr. Hopkins entry into the field of cinema directorably. Film experts who have seen his work point out that, among other things, this picture will show a clear line of demarcation between the work of a dramatic or stage producer and those directors whose production work has been confined to screen players alone. One thing that will challenge attention of audiences is the absence of every form of title, spoken word conveyed in print, or explanatory text matter of any sort in more than 2,000 continuous feet of this picture.

J. G. Blystone, director general of the L-KO, has finished his Alice Howell picture and has left for a few days vacation. It has been a week of thrills on the L-KO lot, Noel and Dick Smith had a series of accidents in the taking of their last picture that would have given the strongest man a touch of nervous prostration. Robert McKenzle, the heavy man in the story, had to drive a Ford and, not being accustomed to driving, ran it into a frame house, seriously injuring Bessie Brewster, who was seated on the porch watching the action. Dan Russell is being featured in this picture.

"Our initial state right production. The Woman and the Beast' is melodramatic, but clean," states a representative of the Grapme Features. "We will even concede that it is in the class of so-cal.ed sensational films, but there is nothing in it that anybody would be ashamed to see; in fact, it simply deals with a pacifist who showed he could be bold in time of need. It is not a political story, as there will undoubtedly be a flood of political stories dealing with pacifists, but our pacifist is a peace-at-any-price husband who has a war-like wife, and the moral is pointed without the slightest reference to the present political situation of the United States."

Incorporation papers were issued at Albany last week for the Epstin-Jones concern, a combination of motion picture and vaudeville interests, including M. S. Epstin and M. and M. T. Jones. The papers not having been filed, and a disagreement having arisen, the project has been abandoned, and M. S. Epstin is going it aione in the motion picture end, as manager for players, producers, directors, scenario writers and others interested in the business with Jee Rothman, as his closed 23-sistant.

Bessie Barriscale will return to the Triangle program May 6. After an absence of several

months, during which she is said to have completed nine big productions, Miss Barriscale will be shown in an unusual Kay Bee drama entitled "The Snar!," written by Leons Hutton and Lambert Hillyer and directed by Raymond B. West under the personal supervision of Thomas H. Ince. On the same release data Elimo Lincoin and Carmel Myers will be featured in a Fine Arts comedy dramatic action, known as "Might and the Man," written by F. M. Pearson and directed by Edward Dillon.

Vaudeville is very strongly represented at the studios of the Comique Film Corp., where the "Fatty" Arbuckie two reelers are being made. Lou Anger, monologist, is studio manager; Herbert Warren, leading man for Varier Bergere, is chief scenario writer; William Jefferson, son of Joseph Jefferson, is one of the supporting actors, as are also "Buster" Keaton of the Three Keatons, and Al St. John, nephew of "Fatty," who has been supporting his uncle for several years.

The picture exhibitors of Chicago and Illinois are watching the state legislature and speculating on what will become of the Guernsey bill that is up for passage. The Guernsey measure provides for a state censorship body to regulate all films in Illinois, with the exception of those "produced without profit." It provides for a fee to be paid into the state treasury for every reel shown in that sec-

tion. The picture interests are opposing the bill most vigorously.

Our purchase of "Mothers of France," said William A. Brady, director-general of World-Pictures Brady-Made, "had an object very considerably beyond money-making. In the first piace, it enabled us to do something of very unusual value for exhibitors using the World program, and in the second, it placed us in the position to prove our contention that specials are no better than real program features—only sometimes longer."

A moving picture contest was held in Bay City and the three persons who won the most votes are to be featured in a film entitled "A Romance of Bay City." Misse Irene Hunsberger, who won by over 6,000 votes, is to be leading iady, George McLeod, leading man, and Francis Noonan as Baby Atherton. The picture is being filmed by the Hudris Film Co. of New York City, and will be shown over the Butterfield Circuit of Michigan.

Sir Rider Haggard's internationally known novel, "She," a welrd, fantastic story laid in the Africa of two thousand years ago, is announced by Fox Film Corporation as the next release, starring Valeska Suratt. The picture, which was many weeks in the making, will be released for the week of April 23 to exhibitors and to the public on the regular William Fox program, although it is an elaborate production.

Mabel Juliene Scott, who came into prominence as a motion picture actress through her excellent portrayal of "Necia" in The Barrier, and Mitchell Lewis, whose charming characterisation of "Poleon, in the Rex Beach picture, has been so well received, have signed with

Edgar Lewis, to appear in his new picture on which work will begin in June. Edgar Lewis directed The Barrier which is having such phenomenal success in bookings all over the country.

In a statement issued last week it was erroneously stated that the second American-Mutual release featuring Gali Kane would be a screen adaptation of "With Edged Tools," a novel by H. S. Merriman. The error arcse in a misconstruction of studio information. Miss Kane's second American-Mutual picture is entitled "Edged Tools" and is from an entirely different story by Forrest Halsey.

Director Coin Campbell is nearing the completion of "Caleb Conover," the latest of Selig spectacular features. There is said to be a large number of massive sets and spectacular scenes. George Fawcett will be the star. The cast announced in his support includes such players as Fritsi Brunette, Thomas Santsohl, Eugene Besserer, Harry Lonsdale, Goldie Cowell and others.

Damage estimated close to \$25,000, including studio, sets, costumes, etc., was the result of a fire recently at the Nevada M. P. Cornstudio in Pasadena, where the Herman Whitzaker's novel, "The Planter," featuring Tyrone Power, is being produced. The fire originated from crossed wires. No loss of time is expected.

Albert J. Roscoe, who has just returned to town after appearing as leading man with Marie Doro in the film versiqu of "Heart's Desire," which was directed by Francis J. Grandon, is to be seen in the lead in another Famous Players feature shortly.

The Warfare Of The Flesh

A BROADSIDE AGAINST SLANDERERS OF VIRTUOUS WOMANHOOD

Here is the Cast:—Sheldon Lewis, who starred in the Iron Claw; Walter Hampden, who starred in the Servant in the House; Charlotte Ives, now starring in the Morosco Broadway hit, The Brat; Marie Shotwell, appearing in Enlighten Thy Daughter; Harry Benham, of the Million Dollar Mystery, and Theodore Friebus, for years the idol at the Castle Square Theatre, Boston.

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REVIEWS

HIGH FINANCE.

Preston	Piatt	George Waish
Patricia	West	Dorls Pawn
Pringle		Willard Louis
T. More	an Jenks	Charles Clary
Jonathai	n Platt	ierschel Mayali
Mrs. Va	anderpool	Rosita Marstini
Ethelber	t Vanderpool	William Marr

other, and this they proceed to do in the most approved fashion of the film drama. The boy incidentally trimming his father and the girl's guardian by selting the mine, and because of this display of "shrewd business acumen" winning his dad's approval, the heart of the girl and the consent of her guardian to an immediate marriage. Williard Louis, in the comedy role of valet to the young martine to the process of the proces

THE PAINTED LIE.

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Crane Which could have been told in the star in this five-part David Horsiey picture, the story of which could have been told in three reeis with much better effect. Opposite him in the cast is Mae Gaston, who, playing the part of a foolish society girl, falls into the clutches of a libidinous portrait painter who, thinking he has a fresh victim, discards his old model, but is repuised by his intended victim. In revenge he takes a picture of his old model in the nude, and on it paints the head and shoulders of Diana (Mae Gaston), and then shows the picture (again a masterplece) in the club of which he and Grayton are members. Grayton honestly loves the girl. A duel follows. Von Efric, the painter, is wounded, but is killed later by his model. Grayton goes to Magico with his regiment, a sheriff goes after him on a charge of murder, and finds him wounded in a fight with the greasers. He is brought home, the mystery of the painted lie is cleared up by the confession of the model that she killed the preparedness parade in this city and the departure of the troops for the border, and the director, of whom better things might have been expected, allowed Grayton to be shot in the left breast by the Mexican, fall with his hand over his heart, raise himself up on his hospital cot on his left arm and reach for paper with his right, and then get out of the auto and go into his home with his left arm carefully tucked away in a silng. The picture will be little help to a program except as a filler, or to shoo people out of the house to make room for others.

CASTLES FOR TWO.

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Patricia Calhoun
Brian O'NeilElliott Dester
Patricla's Secretary Mayme Kelso
Brian's MotherJulia Jackson
Nanny
Dainty, winsome and full of charm, this
Lasky-Paramount feature is a distinct and
Walcome shance from the everege min of
welcome change from the average run of five-reelers. The story was finely directed by
nve-reelers. The story was ninely directed by
Frank Reicher, and barring one or two rather
everdrawn representations of Irish peasantry,
the acting reflects credit on the cast. Marie
Doro's eyes are much in evidence, but that is
to be expected, and they work havor with the
to be expected, and they work havod with the
heart of the young landlord and the plans
of his mother and sisters until the final clear-
ing up. The double exposure work introduc-
ing the dances and antics of the fairles and
elves is particularly well done, and the fan-
ciful idea is carried out in an attractive man-
ner. The story deals with the adventures of
an impulsive American beiress, who tires of
social life and its operous duties, and es-
capes to Ireland with her faithful Irish nurse,
capes to freignd with her taithful frish hurse,
who has filled her mind with stories of the "Ould Rod." In her new environment she
"Ould flod." In her new environment she
buya a castle, and disgulsed as a maid wins
the heart of a young Irish landowner who is
her neighbor and the possessor of an im-
not neighbor and the possessor of an in-
poverished estate. Her efforts to fill the part
of maid, while her secretary poses as the rich
American, furnish the comedy of the play,
and the piot is worked out in a charming
manner. It is noted that some of the gowns
worn by Miss Doro in her character as a
wealthy girl were designed especially for this
production. There is nothing of the mys-
terlous, gloomy, bloodthirsty or vampire sort
production. There is nothing of the mys- terious, gloomy, bloodthirsty or vampire sort of play in "Castles for Two," and its clean
wit and picturization should carry it far as
a program feature of a fine order.

THE MANX-MAN.

If it were possible for the Cosmofotofim Co., Inc., to secure two or three more such photopiay productions as "The Manx-Man," made by George Loane Tucker for the London Film Co., it would be one of the foremost contenders for first honors in the field of special releases. It is safe to state, however, that there are not two or three more such film productions in the entire world, and

Cosmofotefilm will have to "go some" to follow "The Manx-Man." The screen version of Hail Caine's masterplece is in eight reeis, magnificently and artistically directed, munificently staged" and ingeniously cut and assembled—the whole making for as nearly a perfect photodrams as it is possible to conceive. Such things as original double axposures, fade-ins and fade-out are mere details, and so frequent that it is well-nigh impossible to dwell upon them in detail. Then there is the cast of principals and the selection of types, and the delicate visualising of the story that couldn't offend the most fasticious censor. Elisabeth Risdon has the diminuit role of Kate, Fred, Groves enacts Pets, and no less a prominent personage than Henry Ainley pisys Phillip. Why Ainley, one of England's foremost stars, should accept a "second" role is difficult to understand unless one witnesses the picture and sees what he brings to the part. The self-sac-fiding part of Pete could not bave been better portrayed by the famous Ainley himself. In fact it is impossible to imagine anybody doing it any better. The acting of the three principals is a rare treat. The photodrama follows much more closely, and necessarily in much greater detail, it can be stated without fear of contradiction that this photoplay feature may be heralded by exhibitors as one of the best film entertainments ever put forward. Jolo.

SUNDAY BILL REPORTED OUT. Albany, April 11.

The Senate Codes Committee, of which Senator Lawton is Chairman, reported out the state wide Sunday motion picture opening bill. This bill provides that cities of the first class be unrestricted, cities of the second and third class to open after one o'clock and rural towns after two o'clock.

The bill will now be presented to the Senate for quick action.



COAST PICTURE NEWS.

By GUY PRICE,
Hampton Del Ruth, production manager at
Keystone, gave a party at Levy's Tavern reopening.

Kenneth O'Hara will take a long rest before signing up with another film company. He has just left Ince as publicity chief.

Film players are interesting themselves in the coming election. With several thousand actors and actorseas, all eligible to vote, the candidates cannot very well overlook the

Charlio Murray auctioned off the sliver oup won at the ball game between the comediane and tragedians and secured \$1,300 for the American Red Cross. Charley Warner hid \$300 for the cup and the rest was donated by the crowd at Levy's Tavarn. Murray soid kieses (his own) at a dollar per and in that way got something like a century note. Barney oldfield was the last to give the occulatory salute to the flag, and Charlie would probably have gotten more but Barney's soul kiss put him "out."

Anita King has purchased a new auto.

T. L. Tally is planning to build an annex to his Broadway theatre.

Sam Rork has wired that he will be in Los Angeles within two weeks. Sam, as Mack Sennett's personal representative, has been in New York almost two months—much too long.

Antonio Moreno icaves shortly for New York to play leads with the Vitagraph (east-

Albert E. Smith, president of the Vitagraph, is rapidly recovering from a poison-illness. He is still confined to a room at the Hotel Potter, Santa Barbara, however.

"Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea" is booked for the Majestic. This is the film'e first showing here.

W. E. Keefe, Griffith's personal representa-tive, wires from Kansas City that he is "up to his throttie" in the work of fighting the censors.

De Loyd Thompson, the aviator, has offered to train motion picture actors for the avia-tion corps in the event of war.

Jack Standing recently underwent an operation.

Mrs. Herbert Standing, wife of the eminent actor, celebrated her birthday last week by having a crowd of friends as her guests.

"The Barrier" did not draw as well at Clune's 'Auditorium as was expected. The second week was an improvement over the first, however.

Robert Daiy is now acting for Selig's west-rn company, however.

"Mickey," which Mabei Normand has been working on for several months, is practically completed. A releasing date has not yet been fixed.

The fact that Charles E. Sebastian has entered the mayoralty race is stimulating interest in the forthcoming political film of which he is the star. Sebastian was not so very long ago forced to resign as mayor of the city.

McClure's Syndicate, it is said, will take over the Fine Arts studio.

Roland Bottomley has gone to New York.

Walter Wright of Keystone is planning to take his company of comedians to San Diego shortly for special scenes.

Max Linder has taken a bungalow and will settle down while making films in the west.

Jack Henderson is recovering from injuries sustained in a recent accident at Edendais.

The Woodley is specializing on outing pictures taken by Keystone and showing Keystone beauties in back-to-nature attire.

HART'S BIG SALARY BOOST.

The news has drifted back from the coast that the salary of W. S. Hart the Ince star of the Triangle program, has been jumped to \$8,000 weekly. The reabeen jumped to \$8,000 weekly. The reason for this is that the head of another program releasing concern who recently visited the Pacific Slope made the same sort of an offer to the "Gunman" star. The offer once made was later intimated to Ince, who immediately met it and gave the star a long term contract at that figure.

When Hart first went with the Ince

When Hart first went with the Ince company he was receiving \$300 weekly as star and director. He had a long term contract with the company at those terms. Several months ago Ince voluntarily made a new arrangement with the star, giving him \$1,500 weekly for his services.

for his services.

THE CURE.

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If there should be any impression that Charite Chapiin has alipped the slightest in his ability to comically mime in the films, the once over of his iatest effort, "The Cure" (Mutual), should certainly "cure" any such idea. It has been stated before that succeeding pictures, which Chapiin has been making for Mutual for the past ten months, were better than the predecessors. That seems surely true about his latest effort, to be released on Monday next, and it may be that Chapiin fame will vote "The Cure" the best of the Mutuals so far. It has been a bit over two months since the last previous Chapiin ("Easy Street") was released and therefore the new one is coneiderably late. A reason for that probably ie the rather pretentious hotel setting employed, which looked good enough to have taken plenty of time fer construction. This set depicts the marble exterior and the interior of a hotel health resort and on the terrace at the foot of the steps is the spring of curative waters. This spring is shown as a hole about a yard in circumferance, nearly filled to the brim, and circular benches surround it, whereon sit "patients" taking the water. From the moment Chapiin arrives on the scene, presumably "haif pickled," he uncovers a series of new etunts, in which Vincent Bryant (said to be directing for Chaplin may have helped. Anyhow, it looked like Bryan's style. Charlle for the first time sports a etraw hat, also a "Pleadility" collarbut descent extends to contour of make-up. His trusk arrives and when opened discloses enough boose to stock a young saloon. In fact, nothing else is contained therein save a toothbrush (which he uses on hie nails) and his derby

hat, but that he does not use further. When the chief of the resort discovers the stock of fire water he orders the whole collection disposed of. Forthwith an attendant heaves the collection out of the window and all of the bottles fall into the spring. The result is the whole establishment goes on an unwitting spree. Aside from that there are a number of other very funny incidents, the funniest being Charile's antics in the steam and massage rooms of the resort. The chief rubber is built on proportions calculated to even throw a scare into some of our best wrestling mammeths. Chief foil and assistant in Chaplin'e fun making is Eric Campbell, who, if anything, ie better than in "Easy Street." Campbell playe a fierce old party with the gout and Chaplin devices a number of ways of failing on the affected foot that must bring the iaughter. "The Cure" is a whole meal of iaughs, not merely giggies, and ought to again emphasise the fact that Charlie ie in a class by himself.

PADDY O'HARA.

The Baikans, a London newspaper office, a wild Irishman, who might have stepped from the pages of Charles Lever's works, and a good looking but rather warlike and bloodinisty girl, are all mixed up in this Kay-Bee-Triangle feature, written by J. G. Hawks, and directed by Waiter Edwards, under the supervision of T. H. Ince. In spite of come manifest absurdities there is a rush and a swing in the picture which carry it over places where otherwise it might stick in the mud. Desmond is inclined to overdo his part, and a "star reporter," even on a war mission, has his limitations. A strap between Baikan states starts O'Hara off from hie

newspaper office to get the story. He carries with him a picture of Maryska, the aloce of Count Ivan of Darbaya. At Tarossa, the capital of ideria, he iserns that an invasion of Darbaya is starting. Through a series of interesting complications he reaches Darbaya in an Iderian uniform, and to save the girls marries her, changing his passport to read his wife instead of his servant. It is agreed that the marital yoke shall be severed as soon as they escape from the Iderians, who have won their war, and reach safety. They pass through a lot of adventures, Maryska being carried off in an seropine by Count Carlos, a rival to Paddy, while he is away sending his dispatch to the home office. Paddy gets back to London, is summoned to a fereign embassy, where a proposition is made that he surrender his bride for a big money consideration. His irish blood revolts at this, and his remarks are overheard by Maryska, who was taken there by Paddy's, rival, Carlos, and her uncie, Count Ivan. She has learned to love him during their trias with the wild men of Ideria and Darbaya, and as he is learned to love him during their trias with the wild men of Ideria and Darbaya, and as he is learned to love him during their trias with the wild men of Ideria and Darbaya, and as he is learned to love him during their trias with the wild men of Ideria and Darbaya, and as he is learned to love him during their trias with the wild men of Ideria and Darbaya, and as he is learned to love him during their trias with the wild men of Ideria and Darbaya, and as he is learned to love him during their trias with the wild men of Ideria and Darbaya, and as he is learned to love him during their trias with the wild men of Ideria and Darbaya, and as he is learned to love him during their trias with the wild men of Ideria and Darbaya, and as he is learned to love him during the remains with the wild men of Ideria and Darbaya, and as he is learned to love him during the love of the wild him to the wild him to the wild him to the wild him to the wild him t



FILM REVIEWS

THE POWER OF DECISION.

Margaret	Frances Nelson
Austin Bland	Richard Tucker
Duhanel	
Mrs. Duhanel	
Mrs. Hall	
The old artist	Fuller Mellish

There is a good story behind this Rolfe-Metro five-part production, and it is told in a convincing way. June Mathis, who wrote the scenarlo from a story by George W. Gunn, gave John W. Noble, the director, some worth while material, and Frances Nelson, the star, has a part which fits her and in which she makes good. Left alone when the old artist, who had befriended her dles, at the sale of his effects she attracts the attention of an illustrator (Duhanel), makes her home at his studio, poses for him, and they are married, he failing 40 inform her that he has a wife living from whom he is separated. When she learns this she leaves him, is taken as a model by a woman miniature painter (Mrs. Hall), and through her meets an author (Austin Biand), who marries her after she has told him of her past without mentioning names. She consents to pose for his book illustrations, and the artist who is to do the work turns out to be Duhanel, who tries to win her back. She almost weakens, but recalls a phrase in her husband's book saying that, while mortals

may not be answerable for the consequences, in time of crisis the power of decision between right and wrong rests with the individual. How she comes to make the right decision and convince her husband that she has made it forms a fitting end to the story, and reveals some fine settings and camera work. It seems a pity that the ever present pistol should have been forced into the scheme of things, for the result it accomplishes could have been brought about by other and better methods. But the pistol is convenient (nearly every desk has one), and that is probably the excuse for a blot on what would otherwise be a high grade screen play. However, it will rank well as an attraction on any program, and is a shade above the average.

APARTMENT 29.

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This five-part Vitagraph feature, written by Edward Montague and directed by Paul Scardon, features Earle Williams in the character of a dramatic critic who is believed by a producer to hold the future of a play in the hollow of his hand, or rather on the point of his pencil. He has witnessed the premiere of "Conscience and the Man," and the producer, Sammy Dean (Duston Vare), is so anxious about Ormsbee's (Earle Williams) verdict that he tries to argue with him about the possibility of the circumstances of the play happening in real life. Ormsbee declares it is impossible, and writes his criticism on that view. Dean gets some of his theatrical friends to take the parts outlined in the play. Ormsbee is decoyed to an apartment where a murdered man and his unconscious wife are found. He is discovered trying to help the wife, and from that time on the movement is rapid. Excitement and lively situations are plenty, Dean himself taking an active part in the proceedings, aided by his sister, who poses as his wife. The development of the plot is a good scoring for the acceptance of circumstantial evidence, and while credulity as to the possibility of sane men acting as Ormsbee did is sorely strained, the climax comps when the critic, having been black comps when the critic, having been black comps when the critic, having been black acked by a couple of thugs, is saved by the police and Ormsbee's sister, the thugs are found to be really old offenders, and the whole company is gathered around him. The plot is explained, Ormsbee rewrites his criticism, and gets the editor to announce his engagement to Deans slater. The plece is fairly well staged, although the lighting might be better in spots, and through its snappy action and good acting is up to the Vitagraph standard as average program material.

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Gittens Marc MacDermott Marle Mirlam Nesbitt Morton Wm Wadsworth The Servant" Robert Brower Rev James Filikens Edward Longman Mrs. Maguire. Jessie Stevens Fannie Fronce Stover Edison five-reeler featuring Marc MacDermott and Mirlam Nesbitt, directed by Ben Turbett and released via the K-E-3-E Service. Albert Henry Phillips wrote the story, which develops into a sermon against fake realy concerns. The main drift of the story deals with the swindling of the poor by a reality firm which promises good homes secured with small payments. A crooked member of the firm makes way with the Practically the leading part is that of "The Servant," played by Robert Brower, a worker among the poor, who with his long gray wilskers is perpetually upon the screen. Marc MacDermott plays the crook, with the role handled by Miss Nesbitt only of small dimensions. The remainder of the cast fit in with sufficient ability with Jessel Stevens being credited with a capable performance as a fat washwoman. The production just about passes for a feature, with no great expenditure being made in either cast or production. "Builders of Castles" is more than ordinarily uninteresting.

FILM REVIEWS

DARKEST RUSSIA.

Ilda Barosky	Alice Brady
Alexis 'Nazimoff	John Bowers
Constantine Karischeff	J. Herbert Frank
Ivan Barosky	Norbert Wicki
Count Paul Nazimoff	Jack Drumier
Katherine Karlscheff	
Olga	
Grand Duke	Frank De Vernon

If it may be taken for granted that everything pertaining to Russia is of interest at this juncture in international affairs, this Peerless-World five-part drama comes just in time. It was directed by Travers Vale from a play by H. Grattan Donnelly and Sidney R. Eills, and Max Schneider's photography goes a long way toward carrying it over. Ilda Barosky, a Jewish girl whose father was killed by Russians, is a violin student, and killed by Russians, is a violin student, and is in love with Paul Nazimoff, who loves her, and whose father is a high official. Karischeff, the Minister of Police, is ruled by his ambitious wife. Their daughter Olga is in love with Ivan Barosky, Ilda's brother, and is in love with Ivan Barosky, Ilda's brother, and in the Imbued with revolutionary doctrines. They meet and are married at the house of a friend, but their marriage is kept secret, and young Nazimoff is sent to a faraway post when his love for Ilda becomes known to his parents without consulting them. Ilda, asked to play "God Save the Czar" at the betrothair exeption, refuses, and she is whipped hefore the entire assembly. Alexis rushes in, protects her and has her taken home. Then follows a series of complications which show three of the lovers in Siberia, Alexis and Ilda having been sent there by Karlscheff a few minutes before his commission expires. Nazimoff takes his place, and in turn senences Olga Karlscheff to Siberia, in return for his own son having been sent there by Karlscheff. As an angel of mercy Ilda wins a pardon, but persuades Olga to take her place in the sledge hound home, as she prefers to stay in Siberia with Alexis. Olga on the way is selzed by her mother's men, who think they have caught Ilda. Her parents are overlyoed at her escape, but Ilda and Alexis, attempting to escape, are caught and are facing a firing squad when Nazimoff arrives with a pardon. They are taken home, reconciliations are effected between the warring parents, and the loving couples find their troubles ended, the old folks having learned that mercy is a blessing. The piece is not lacking in gripping situations, although some c' t'. accers w' 'ld stand hetter alone, without cut backs, and there is evidence of hurried and careless work in the direction, but as a whole it is well worth a place on the World program. is in love with Paul Nazimoff, who loves her,

THE COST OF HATRED.

Elsie Graves	Kathlyn Williams
Sarita Graves ; Justus Graves	Theodore Roberts
Ned Amory	Tom Forman
Robert Amory	J. W. Johnston
	Jack Holt
McCahe	Charies Ogie
Little Sarita	Louise Mineugh

The one outstanding feature from the standpoint of a moral that this picture seems to teach would seem to drive home the fact that one cannot believe what one reads in the Bible. Primarily the story is one of vengeance visited on the second generation, by the man who was the victim of a wrong at the hands of the first generation. The victim bases his right to exert his own form of vengeance on the teachings of certain paragraphs of the Bible, but finally falis a victim for the second time when the object of his attentions manages to steal his own daughter and elopes with her, making her his wife, in time to foil the pursuing father. Otherwise "The Cost of Hatred," a Lasky-Paramount production, with Kathlyn Williams and Theodore Roberts co-starred, turns out to be a very satisfactory program feature. Mr. Roherts name on a program assures one of a finished performance, and this production does not find the actor giving a characterization that proves an exception to the rule. Miss Williams, in a dual role, also gives an exceedingly interesting performance. The story is one of those "then and now" affairs, with the early scenes iald about a score of years ago, and the final scenes in the present hour. The opening is of the usual triangle sort. Justus Graves (Roberts) is married to a handsome young woman and there is a girl child. Rohert Amory (J. W. Johnston), a widower with a young son, invades the Justus home and wins the affection of the wife. Justus returns home after a business trip, finds his wife and Amory clasped in each other's arms and shoots, hitting the man. He then takes his daughter and hides himself in "peaceful Mexico," where eighteen years later the young son of Amory shows on the scene. The fact that the youngster is in trouble gives Justus the chance that he has been looking for, and he determines to take advantage of it. But it is always that "the best laid plans, etc..." and young Amory and the daughter of Justus fall in love, the aiding him to escape and finally marrying him. The production is exceedingly well staged, heautifully lighted and altogether a gatisfying feature picture. form of vengeance on the teachings of certain paragraphs of the Bihle, but finally falls

THOSE WITHOUT SIN.

Melante Landry	Blanche Sweet
Bob Wallace	Tom Forman
Richard Landry	C. H. Geldert
Henry Melion	Guy Oliver
Doctor Wallace	James Nelll
Coionel Dackins	Charles Cgle
Chester Wallace	George Berenger

This Lasky-Paramount five-reel story was written for Blanche Sweet by George DuBois Price, and directed by Marshall Neilan, who, from the picture point of view, has turned out a fairly creditable work. The story deals with the capital of the Confederacy during war times, and Miss Sweet appears to good ad-

vantage in the character of a young Southern girl, to whom the fortunes of war have entrusted a delicate and important mission, and who, after undergoing the torture of hearing shots she believes to mean the death of her lover, gives herself up as a sacrifice to enable her loved ones to escape from the beleaguered city. Aside from and more important than the picture point of view, however, is the utter lack of even the first ele-ments of common sense and national deceacy shown in putting out, at this juncture, or in-deed at any other, a picture which holds up to scorn the uniform of a colonel in the United States army. Guy Oliver, as Henry Mellon, the colonel, plays his part to perfection, but that an officer of the army should be depicted as a drunken, revengeful, refanly, murderous villain, willing to demand and try to force the sacrifice of a young girl's virtue as the price of allowing her relatives to escape, is revolting to everything decent in human nature. It is a pity that so good an actor should have so ville a part, and that it should be sent out as a picture of what Southern women had to undergo at the hands of Northern officers. If there are any unreconstructed sections still left in the South the picture will take, but only those with whom "everything goes in a picture" will accept it elsewhere. There is no excuse for it, especially at the present time, and self-respecting exhibitors will do well to let it alone.



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AN OLD FASHIONED YOUNG MAN.

This Fine Arts-Triangle five-reel picture, directed by Lloyd Ingraham, from a story by Frank E. Woods, presents a phase of life which will cause considerable comment, as it is rare in these rushing days to find a young man so thoroughly imbued with the old time ideas of courtesy and chivalry as the character entrusted to Bobby Harron. He fills the bill excellently, however, and while

there are a number of inconsistencies in the part they are due to the author and not to the In the story Frank Trent has been brought up in the old-fashioned school, goes to the city, and, using a letter from his father to the senator, becomes involved with some unocrupulous politicians who are determined to defeat the woman candidate for mayor of the place. They resort to slander, because there is a mystery about the parentage of her there is a mystery about the parentage of her adopted daughter, on account of which her husband had left her eighteen years before. The boy won't stand for that, and goes over to the faction headed by the woman candi-date. In order to get the evidence necessary to stop the slander and prove the legality of her foster daughter's birth Frank travels to New Orleans and then to New York. King sets a gang after him, and after a number of narrow escapes, including an attempt on his faithfalmess by an adventuress, played by Adele Clifton, he succeeds in finding the necessary evidence, in the shape of the diary of a physician, since dead, recording the facts regarding the taking of the girl when she was a baby on her mother's death, by the woman who is now a politician. This clears up the doubts in the husband's mind as to his wife's fidelity, and reveals an interesting state of affairs at the end, Trent, of course, winning the girl, and the woman heing elected mayor. The story itself is full of points which will show structural weakness, but it is told entertainingly, and photographed nicely, and will be fair program material.

THE SIN WOMAN.

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General Director George W. Lederer of the Gorge Backer Film Corp. offers as his first release a seven-reel photoplay entitled "The Sin Woman," written by Herbert Hall Winslow and Edward Corbett. As a production with an upilit motive, it teaches a highly moral lesson, and as dramatic film entertainment it is a magnificent production, well acted, capably directed and absorbingly interesting. It opens with an allegorical preface dwelling on evil-doers and explaining they are the victims of heredity and referring specifically to the sin of immorality. It visualizes Eve "passing the apple" to Adam, there is an elaborate depiction of the feast of Belshassar and so on, jumping then to 1602, showing the ancestors of the "wampire" in the story being tried for witchcraft! thence to 1840 and afterward commencing the present day story. A "vampire" with a "baby stare" (Irene Fenwick) ruins a number of men in New York. To escape the clutches of the law she goes to the mountains and puts up at a little hotei which is conducted by the mother of her last victim, Dan Morgan. On the way to the hotsi from the station her sieigh is overturned and she is placked up from the anow by a burly young married man, the father of a young child, who is living happily with his wife. He carries her to a hut and they are storm-bound for the night. She is attracted to him physically, and although under her spell he keeps aloof. Frequent cut-ins of a witch browing immorality are shown throughout, and atthough under her spell he keeps aloof. Frequent cut-ins of a witch browing immorality are shown throughout, who doesn't dare tell of his affair with the seps aloof. Frequent cut-ins of a witch browing immorality are shown throughout, who doesn't dare tell of his affair with the seps aloof. Frequent cut-ins of a witch browing immorality are shown throughout and goes to the hut to "fight for her brows in the story of th

THE EASIEST WAY.

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Laura Murdock. Clara Kimbail Young Effie St. Clair. Louise Bates Williard Brockton. Joseph Kilgour John Madison. Rockcliffe Fellowes Annie Cleo Desmond Jim Weston. George Stevens Burgess Frank Kingdon Neilie DeVere Mae Hopkins Jerry Waiter McEwan

titles to carry the progression of the tale, selection of star and supporting cast, atage direction and its atmospherio detail, selection of iocations, photography, etc., have all been combined into a composite of excellence that apelis success. The film version begins tar ahead of the legitimate drama, designed to show how Laura Murdock (Miss Young) was tempted to take up the life of case and luxury as the mistress of Willard Brockton. The "back stage" detail is shown, devold of all glamor; then her entry into the Bacchanalian orgica, her remaining for the night, with the difficulty of shaking it off. She arrives in Denver as the star of a traveling organisation—"as thief-rate actress with a first-class man behind her"—meets James Madison (Rockcliffe Fellowes), falls in love with him, and from then on the film version follows closely the Waiter play to the "tag" of the piece wherein Laura says to her maid: "Doll me up Annie—I'm going over to the Montmarte and to heli," and then continues, with the idea of preaching a strong moral icason. Laura goes to Montmarte and there sees Madison, who leaves at once and sees herenter a cah with a lecherous old man who attempts to embrace her. Laura gets out of the cab, seats herself on a park bench and plotures to herself her future as a common street walker, goes to the dock and jumps overboard. Madison is phoned for hy the police, they having found a letter in her pocketbook addressed to him. The note reads: "Why did you leave me sione? What chance has a woman to fall and rise again I love you. God bless you. Good-bye." He kneels by her cot in the hospital and she dies. When a photoplay can hold you for 7:400 leav after you are already familiar with the stry, it is the best test of worth, Miss Young has never done any finer film acting than in this picture. She is ides! for the

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from the excitement, is taken the next day for a car ride. An accident to another auto causes the chauffeur to leave Mary aloue in the big car, and she is captured by gypeles. In a fight among the tribe she escapes, and after some exciting adventures makes her way to the hut of an old man, crabbed and a recluse. Her winning smiles and loving waysovercome the old man's grouchiness, and he takes her in, even listening to her "Now I Lay Me," which is not quite so sober a proceeding as it should be, but that is not Mary's fault. It turns out that the old man is in reality her grandfather, James Andrews, who had taken his money and himself to this place in the backwoods because his son, Dr. Andrews, had married against his wishes. The old man goes down to the celiar of his hut (an unusual thing for a backwoods hut to

have) to count his money, and has an accident. Mary is awakesed by his groans, goes to the ceilar and comforts him, incidentally showing him the lovely slips of picture paper she has found. In the meantime the chaffeur, showing him the lovely slips of picture paper she has found. In the meantime the chaffeur, nearly crasy with anxiety, has informed her parents of her disappearance, and with her rather starts out to find her. He ands the car in the bushes at the side of the road, a dog harking attracts them, they go to the hut, hear the child cailing for help, father and son recognize each other, and with the help of ail three the old man is carried to the car and taken to his son's home, where the reconciliation is completed, and little Mary is again queen of the gathering. It is a play to the mind and iaughter to the beart, and wherever children are it will he welcomed. Released hy Pathe April 29.



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San Francisco, April 11.
The Orpheum, Oakland, is having a contest for a Chevrolet machine, the winner at the final drawing being entitled to the auto or \$450 in cash. The idea started by Manager Eby appears to be turning the trick from a business standpoint, and the form being used is bound to draw the business from any part of town. In order for the holder of the coupon to have it count, he must be present at the drawing of each show, at least for which show the coupon is deposited. A drawing is held at every show, and the final draw holds but 350 coupons, besides the ones deposited for that evening. It will be continued in-definitely, and the outcome is surefire, through the entire town being auto crazed through the new venture. Business has jumped greatly.

CITY LEASES THEATRE.

Chattanooga, Tenn., April 11. The Lyric, Chattanooga's only play-ouse for the legitimate, has been

leased by the city for an auditorium.

Howell Graham, the manager, has
made a contract with the city by which theatrical attractions may use the house when it is not required by the city.

Augusta Opening on Loew Circuit. The Modjeska, Augusta, Ga., opened April 12 under the management of F. J. Miller, playing a split week program supplied by the Loew Circuit.

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Musical Tabs in Syracuse

Syracuse, April 11.
The Bastable, which has been playing burlesque the first half of each week, and vaudeville the last, is now booking musical tabloids the last half instead of vaudeville.

OBITUARY.

Benjamin F. McCarton, Jr., known in the stage as Frank Carter, died on the stage as Frank April 5, at his home, 955 Flatbush ave., Brooklyn. He was 38 years old, was a playwright and actor, and is survived his father, two brothers and four sisters.

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> Friesde may think the weeze in healed,
> But little de they knew the secrew
> That lies within my heart, concealed.
> How can I live witheut year
> I, that yes leved so well:
> How and more each day I mise yes,
> I that we hisped year. HIS DEVOTED WIFE,

IN MEMORY OF

ALICE LITTLEFIELD

David Schiff, a pioneer in the theat-rical business, died at his home, 549 West 113th street, April 6. He was 65 years oid, and many years ago with with Leavitt's Minstrels.

Minna Jovelli, an opera singer, died at Belle Meade, N. J., April 5. She was 33 years old, and appeared last season with the Chicago Grand Opera Company.

The father of Allen Summers died at Prince Edward Island, Can., April 6 from a complication of diseases.

In Fond Memory of

GUY HOPPE

who passed away April 13, 1916.

James Lynch, formerly a circus per-former, died at the City Infirmary, Cincinnati, April 5.

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Gayety Brooklyn.
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Berchel Des Moines Ia.
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Standard St Louis.
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Academy Jersey City.
"Ginger Girls" 16 Howard Boston 23-25 Orpheum New Bedford 26-28 Worcester Worcester Mass.
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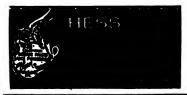


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Karl Hobiitzelle is looking over some of his Interstate connections in the south.

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The Atlas (47th street and State) will hereafter play Fam. Dept. acts from the Association, booked in by Walter Downie.

Walter Meakin says he will try his best and keep pop vaudeville running all summer at the Indiana theatre on the routh side.

The Eddie Shaynes have a wedding anniversary next week. The Shaynes have been married a long time.

Bert Cortelyou has gone to New York to pend a week. It is his first eastern trip in

Billie DeRex and Harry Wallace have been engaged by Boyle Woolfolk to replace Billie



Watkins and Gladys Williams in "He's In Again."

While Stan Stanley was here last week for a three days' lay-off he spent the time boosting his Cue Club proposition and added several hundred names to his roster.

Mandel's restaurant, widely known among professionals for its noodle soup, will move back to its original location at Madison and Clark streets May 1.

Harry Mitchell has recovered from a recent nd severe attack of rheumatism. "Mitch" blans to keep the Empress operating through-out the summer, unless the war prevents.

Fred Lowenthai seemingly got well and then had a setback which has him slated for an extended stay at French Lick Springs in the hope of benefitting his health.

Tink Humphrey has been doctoring a cold that almost had him in bed last week. For a day or so Tink was so hoarse that he could barely speak above a whisper.

The Pals have installed an electric sign side their clubrooms at the northwest co of Monroe and Clark streets. They taken the floor formerly controlled by Hamilton Club.

James B. McKowen may go to war with the volunteers as an officer. He wrote for a commission last week. McKowen attended a military school for two years and served with the army in the Philippines.

For the benefit of the vaud villians, Roy D. Murphy, Fuller's American booking ambasador, says there are no submarines in the Pacific Ocean; that the war is in Europe and in Australia.

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"Tink Humphrey has rented Lou Earl's bungalow at Muskegon and will move his family there for the summer, late this month. Tink will make week-end visits to the resort across the lake.

I. J. Allardt ways he does not plan to operate any snows at the American military camps this summer. He may reopen his Camp Hughes theatre, near Winnepeg, the latter

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The Enterprise stock, direction Norman Hillyard, now plays the Erie (Clark street) every Monday, two shows. The company draws unusually well. The bill for last Monday was "Why Girls Leave Home." The Erie offers four acts and five reels of pictures for 10 cents.

Attorney Ben Erhlich is a sadder but wiser man. It appears the theatrical attorney did some yeoman legal work to keep some alleged auto thieves out of prison, and io and behold Ben's car was stolen shortly after the a.t. were released by the court. Ben 's now using shank's mares for loop traveling.

Helen Lenhart, one of the popular young

stenographers in the S. L. & Fred Lowenthal offices, returned from a week's vacation last week, wearing a gold band ring which has the office men and women wondering if she was married while away. Miss Lenhart neither confirms nor denies.

Official English Government war pictures were shown at the Auditorium Wednesday and presented as speakers were E. H. Sothern and ian Hay, the writer. The proceeds are to be devoted to field ambulance funds. The Auditorium's 58 boxes were sold out in advance at \$50 each.

Harry Breen, at McVicker's last week, walked through the Sherman lobby Friday, consulting a card and calling off times, "12.84,
6.24, 8.34, 10.33." Someone asked him what
train he was leaving on and he replied that
he was not leaving, just memorising when he
was "on" the next day.

Roy D. Murphy has received word from Australia that the pantomime, "The Bunyip,"

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produced by Ben J. Fuiler, in Syndey, was a success. "The Bunyip" was written by Elia Airlie, an Australian, and produced by Nat Phillips, the music being written by Dr. De Pinna. In the panto are Roy Rene and Neilie Koile.

The Lyceum and Chautauqua Managers' Association of America in convention here last Saturday passed a resolution endorsing whatever war plans President Wilson may adopt in fighting Germany. The L. & C. M. A. conducta some 4,000 Chautauqua assemblies and 16,000 lyceum courses, and claims to reach at least twenty million people each year.

Edward Norwood is chief press publicist for the Ringling Circus during its Chicago engagement at the Collseum and notwithstanding that most of the space in the Chicago dailles is taken up by war news has managed to get a splendid showing for his people. Jack Lait, in the Herald, devoted a column one day to Norwood's dope.

Mystery surrounds the murder of Meda Verion, the young usber of the Chicago theatre, whose hody was found in an alley back of the Pickwick Cluh (3023 Cottage Grove avenue) early Saturday morning. Her jugular wein had been severed and her clothing was torn in the struggle with the murderer. T police think a degenerate did the crime.

Frank Clark, the western manager for Waterson, Berlin & Snyder music house, not only has made a hig bit with the soldiers by having an army of his singers warble the latest hits from the W-B-S catalogue, but has been getting publicity on the sunt. The singers have been visiting the camp in Grant Park each evening and regating the boys and crowds with the topical numbers.

Eddie Shayne, one of the W. V. M. A. bookers, bought four Japanese spaniel pups several months ago and lately sold two, taking down a profit on his total investment that went a long way in paying for an anniversary gift for his wife. The remaining pair of dogs are reported to he spiendid specimens and Eddie a soing in for breeding them, having large visions of wealth.

The Erie is one of a chain of houses now playing tah stock, there being seven houses in all and the different shows completing the circuit weekly playing one night in each house. Each show employs twelve people and the price per night is \$30, two performances heing given nightly (no matinees). The tabs are "Jesse James," "Ten Nights in a Barroom," "The Outlaw's Daughter," etc.

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Jess Wijiard has gone circusing again, leaving last week for Norfolk, Va., where he started a summer tour with the Buffalo Bill show. The show is to be hilled as the Buffalo Bill-Jess Wiliard show, with Johnnie Baker, the former Wild West shot, as ring master. Baker acquired the Buffalo Bill title when the famous scout died. Before leaving Chicago Jess got some publicity by wiring President Wilson he stood ready at any time to serve his country.

Lou Houseman accepted settlement in a suit against the Parmice Transfer Co., which resulted when "Her Market Value" production was damaged by the transfer men in moving it out of the Olympic Christmas Eve. The company settled for \$2.70, although the amount of damage claimed was \$4013. It seems that on the night in question the transfer men were drunk and scattered the sets and props along the street at various points between the theatre and the Wahash R. R. yards.

The speedy pleasure boats of many Chicagoans have been requisitioned by the government, they probably are to be used as submarine chnsers and stationed along the Atlantic Coast. A fleet of such craft has already started the trip through the lakes; the route taking them along the Eric canal and down the Hudson. U. J. (Sport) Herman, manager of the Cort Theatre, is one of the theatrical men who offered hoat and crew to the government and the Federal authorities immediately accepted his 43-foot "Swastika."

The controversy regarding the use of Lou Anger's monolog by Jimmy Lyons has again heen opened, "Senator" Francis Murphy claiming be owns the material. Both men went before Tink Humphrey, asking a settlement of the argument. It seems that Lyons has heen paying Anger a weekly royalty and Murphy showed receipts for \$5.00 in payment to Anger for the sole rights to the monolog, and, although he is not using it, objects to anyther chair making capital of ft. Mr. Humphrey has laid the facts before Anger and an answer is waited for.

An 19-year-old giri, Marths Woda, was shot and seriously injured Saturday night when

two union men were fired upon as they visited the White Eagle (picture) theatre at 1013 West 21st-street. The men shot at and who returned the fusiliade of three other men were Frank Brown (4205 Vincennes avenue), business agent for local 110, Motion Picture Operators' Union, and Morris Cohn (Ellis avenue), an inspector for the city electrical department.

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The Chicago Tribune (Sunday) in its realty department printed a layout of two new houses that will be ready for occupancy within another year. One was the new A. H. Woods' playhouse, to have a seating capacity of 1,250. The building will cost about \$600,000. The building will cost about \$600,000. The other was the new Broadway at the corner of Broadway and Lawrence avenue, seating 2,000, which Tom Chamales is having built. It has been leased to Jones, Linick & Schaefer at a reported net annual rent of \$25,000, said to be the largest theatre rent outside the Loop. The investment is estimated at \$500,000. S. W. Strauss & Co. have underwritten a bond issue of \$275,000 at 6 per cent.

What promised to stir up a little excitement in the local Rats' situation has vanished like vapor. Recently one Mr. Hand was arrested on a charge of having shot at E. J. Sullivan (the bear trainer) and when the case came up Judge Swanson continued it, after giving instructions for the compilating witness to pull himself together and to make sure his witnesses were all in court. One of the witnesses—a man named McFarland—disappeared completely. Lant week when the case was to have had its final hearing it developed that it was nolle possed through the complaining witness not desiring to prosecute. So the entire episode became a memory.

The new Miller theatre, Milwaukee, booked by Frank Q. Doyle, of this city, opened last Saturday. A special bill for the first two opening deys had the Sevene Troupe, Harvey de Vora Trio, Blossom Baird Co., Three Creighton Sisters Brown and Jackson and Eight Uveno Japs. The regular road Monday consisted of the Weilling-Levering Troupe, Wallace and Beasly, Singing Four, Owen Mc-

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gallery.

Work on the foundations for the Alwood, the new A. H. Woods theatre, has been going on for some time, but the buildings on the north side of Randolph street, west of Dearborn, will not be razed until May I, when all leases expire. It is now thought that the new house will not be turned over by the builders until Christmas time. The addition of the Alwood will practically "set" Chicago's Riaito, for there will be five theatres bunched along Randolph street, there to be on the same block and same side of the street, they being the Alwood, Garrick and Olympic. The other two are Power's and the Colonial. Then, too, directly in the center of things, are Cohan's Grand, the Palace on Clark street, and the Cort on Dearborn street, thus furnishing a compact group in a district measuring less than 200 yards from one extreme to the other. The further addition of the new vaudeville house to be erected at State and the Kohl and Castle interests, will, too, add in fixing tha theastrical neighborhood, add in fixing tha theastrical neighborhood.

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HAYMARKET (Art H. Moeiler, mgr.).—"Utopians," stock burlesque.

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IMPERIAL (Will Spink, mgr.).—"Pedro, the Italian" (International).

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ENGLEWOOD (J. D. Whitehead, mgr.).—
"Helio Girls" (burlesque) (American).

MAJESTIC (Fred Eberts, mgr.: agent, Orpheum).—Though shy of laughs and not running to hits, the show this week was good

entertainment, for it was speedy and held several favorites. In particular it signalized the return to vaudeville here of John Hyams and Leila McIntyre, who have always been well liked in Chicago. They closed their road show, "My Home Town Girl," about six weeks ago. "The Quakeress" is the name given their vaudeville act, but other than allow of a few jests in the vernacular of the Philadelphia sect and to give Miss McIntyre an opportunity to use her favorite color of gray, the title does not figure. They open in "one," the drop showing a stage-entrance, with Miss McIntyre appearing as a girl anxious to become an actress, and it gives her an opportunity to sing one of those dainty "kid" numbers she is so apt with. They go into here stage, but this is relieved by a back water drop after Johnny tells the fyman to "let down the Wabash." That they were welcome was demonstrated by the repeated encores to their dances, and in appearance and cleverness there is no question as to their value as headliners. Blossom Seeley, next to closing, was another favorite, assisted by the clever Bill Bailey and Lynn Cowan. That she did seven numbers speaks for itself. Mullen and Alan Coogan, sixth, went excellently and held the show up well with their laugh-getting nonsense. Coovan's stepping got large returns, and the finish number was surefire because of the lyric which lauded the President. A hit

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was pulled down by Fields, Salisbury and Davis, the trio being bodily lifted out of Harry James' "Wynn-Cliff Inn," with Al Thorps at the piano and Ray Hernandez, the jazz cornetist, working in the bit (bots of the latter are also from the Wynn-Cliff). The boys were on in No. 2 spot, and while they had a number of friends in the house Monday night, there is small doubt but they they put it over, for they work differently from the average cabaret singers. "Hesitation Blues" and "Rolling Stones" were niely done, but the hit came with "Strutter's Ball." This was featured at the finish by a "jazz dance" by Benny Fields, and here Hernandez materially helped. The peculiar stepping was encored three times. "The Age of Reason," with Vivian and Genevieve Tobin, was given here for the first time. This former playlet of the Washington Square Players is somewhat of a novelty, with its humor and treatment quite refreshing. Madame Chison Ohrman, the wife of a Chicago broker, and possessed of a soprano voice, was on fourth. Mme. Orhman presented a fine appearance, but was none too strongly received, being content with three numbers. Chas. T. Aldrich, the quick change artist and comedian, closed the show strongly. They liked his tramp pantomime best of all. Burdella Patterson displayed her curves in the opening spot, covered here and there by colored "cichtes" projected by a stereopticon operated from the orchestra pit. "Patria" concluded the show. McVICKER'S (Jones, Linick & Schaefer, mgrs.; agent, Loew-Doyle)—The bill was minus the usual girl act this week with an axira act added to the booking, making ten in ail. But the show was plentifully supplied with comedy turns, all of that class winning good returns and several registering hits. Moss

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and Frye, colored, repeated their Riaito success (where they played several weeks ago) nearly succeeding in stopping proceedings. Zeno and Mandeli ran a close second with a pleasing mixture of comedy and songs. Eva Mandeli handles songs cleverly and another single number by her might make them even stronger. The team can be considered standard for pop. Scott (not Agnes) and Tierney offered "Drifting," the former playlet done by Agnes Scott and Henry Keane and while it was a bit too quiet for this house, was liked. a bit too quiet for this house, was liked. Maidie De Long scored a success with breezy characterizations, first as a kid base-ball fan (after a straight number) and then as a Swede girl. Fields & Wells, two men with taik and songs, also did nicely, a parody on "Me and My Gai" getting the best returns. Dorothy Burton with three assisting players presented "Little Doctor Love," which was accorded several curtains and seemed to fit in well. Miss Burton plays a poor girl, who when she is hurt, is carried into the home of a well to do couple who felgn lilness and spend their time in squabbling. The little poor girl turns out to be a "love doctor" bringing the pampered pair together. Levent of the pampered pair together. Levent is liked, singing several numbers in foreign tongues, including his own native language and flashing a sense of humor. He does a sort of imitation of Harry Lauder, remarking that he can sing in Scotch as well as Lauder can in Chinese. Glimore and Romanoff a dancing act, opened the show Monday afternoon, creating a very good impression. The girl of the team is a clever toe dancer and the act is well dressed, also carrying their

own hangings. On the bill also were the Zeveno Troupe, wire artists and Howard and Sadler a sister team.

PALACE (Ross Behne, mgr.; agent, Orpheum direct).—The show Monday has plenty of comedy. Oille Young and April opened. They blow soap bubbles interestingly and entertainingly. Brennan and Powell made a bully impression. Singers they are but singers with good volces and prepossessing youth. The couple scored, substantially and with a rearranged routine will land greater vaudeville honors. Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Barry were in third position. The audience laughed long and loud at this amusing turn. On fourth was Eddie Foy and his Foys and their hit was of unusual proportions. Josie Heather was fifth and registered a hit of no small proportions. Miss Heather looked well, made some pleasing changes and showed some new ward-

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robe and each of her numbers was well received. Bert Baker had them laughing hard
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of funnakers seen before. The act appeared
drawn out considerably but once that howling,
laughing climax came everybody forgot the
rapiddre dialog between the principals had run
interminably up to that time. McKay and Ardine were next to closing and held the spot
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ACADEMY (Joe Pilgrim, mgr.; agent, W. V. M. A.).—Last week's last half show ran sight or nine minutes over an hour, though there were six acts. These included at least three try-outs, two of which came out of the latter was the Great Western Four, whose appearance did not belie the claim that they were formerly Montana cowboys. Wearing chaps and the gaudy colors sported by cow punchers off to town for a holiday, their appearance sure was picturesque—save that of the comic, whom somebody gave the wrong "steer" as to make-up. In the pictures out in front his face was given a sort of coarse-screen stipple effect. He told gags with a serious mein and they were so old Joe Pilgrim's faithfuis didn't recognize them and laughed. And they seemed to like the Western parties' harmony, too, and while that might be considered fine out in the tall grass towns of the rolling prairie country it is questionable whether it will pass in other but the small timers, and certainly not in the better class of those houses. A wise member, sitting in on the show dubbed them the "scarlet fever quartet." probably because of the pictures out front, but that was not exactly fair. Gypsy Meredith and Co. presented what she called "comedy addities," which developed into a rather acceptable acrobate urn in "one." Why the billing "& Co." is a mystery, for the excellently built man with her was really the act and showed he is possessed of considerable strength. The class of the thorm came at the fluish, with Herberta and Dare, who are extremely neat working work was not only cleverly done, but she showed at least one new stunt. They fit in for an opener very nicely. Hunter's Posing Dogs opened the show very well, a good flash here. Johnson and Rollinson, a colored due,

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with one doing eccentric, were very well liked. Rose Le Young hails for a cabaret, but showed nothing unusual.

RIALTO (Harry Earl, mgr.; agent, F. Q. Doyle).—For a pop-priced show the Riaito bill as paraded Monday gave 'em their money's worth in good measure. There was plenty of fun in the general makeup of the bill, and several acts in particular had the audience laughing heartily all the way. Herbert's seals went through their tricks and were applauded. Knox Wilson registered solidly. He is a natural entertainer, has a pleasing personality and understands the art of making his stage "bits" teil. Chinko and Kaufman held attention. After the Patheweekly appszred Chishoim and Breen in an absurdity the audience enjoyed hugely. The dramatic travesty at the close was good for much laughter, and the act never went better. There are some old wheezes, but they struck home. Joe Roberts had the audience in the hollow of his banjo, and he was a corking big hit. Edwards' "Schooddays" turnished good fun. One would think a school act was committing vaudeville suicide to appear hereabouts, but this one waded right out and chalked up the bigseet kind of a hit. The act has been embellished in many ways and song numbers are capitally introduced. The cast of boys and girls has changed considerably, and the young Hebrew comedian adda a tower of strength. The voices appear above the average for acts of this type. Madeline Saxe appeared with her violin and fiddled entertainingly. The Four Cook Sisters did arity well. Occurse Buck Weaver, Ed Scott and the comedienne of the Cooks are missing, yet the combined singing of the girls held attention. The girls are not using the baserball drop in "one," nor are they using any interiors, but hit up the singing from the start and finish it without prolonging the turn. The girls need new numbers before



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KEDZIE (Gus Bunge, mgr.; agent, W. V. M. A.).—A corking five-act bill of its class was offered for the last half last week, which might be considered surprising since it was the tail end of Holy Week. Several big time acts, probably just off the Orpheum time, were present. One of them, Frosini, furnished the class of the show and, in second spot, shot over a hit. They didn't seem to get enough of this corking accordionist, who really seems to have no peer in Yaudeville. Frosini's performance on his instrument, with its inlaid pearl stops, gold trimming and splendid tone, is most pleasing and his playing is that of an expert. McCormack and Wallace, with their dual ventriloquial turn, "The Theatrical Agent," is somewhat of a novelty. It fitted in nicely in the middle of the bill and was welf appreciated. Madge Maitland, lately resulted from A.straila, was on next to closing, where, after a dublous start, she held up her position and won out. Miss Maitland delivered several dialect numbers, one being a Yiddish song which was tar from being the goods in her hands, mainly because she could not handle the dialect. With her last number, just the opposite was true. She employed a graph-ophone horn in singing the chorus and that much increased the volume of sound and gave her voice all the best of it. Paul Gordon and Rica closed the show with their unique cycling act, holding attention and giving a thrill or two, though Gordon does seem to talk a bit too much. However, it must be classed as a standard turn. The Faynes, with a song or two and the man's contortionistic stunts, some of which are difficult, though not the most pleasing, opened the show.

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WILSON AVE (W. H. Bubl, mgr.; agent, W. V. M. A.).—Although Lent had its effect on the outlying theatres in Chicago, the Wilson did unusual business the last half. At the second show Johnny Lyons, in his Lou Auger monolog, announced he was an American and what he offered was not to be taken seriously, et cetera. Lyons got through the second show capitally and his Dutchy dialect caused laughter throughout. The show was opened by Howard and Sadler, a "slater icum," the women making. Quitc. a. 21s with their songs. Their turn was very well received. Lyons was second. Bert Kelly and his College Inn Jazz band, with Lillian Watson, scored a happy hit. Kelly's musicians played some snappy, lively numbers, while Miss Watson did several songs enthusiastically applauded. Both Kelly and Miss Watson are big local favorites, and

their combined strength made the turn seem unusually strong. Curiey and Welch found a most responsive audience. The show was closed by Mrs. Eva Fay and her mind-reading act. She was given close attention.

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WINDSOR (D. L. Swartz, mgr.; agent, W. V. M. A.).—The show the last half gave satisfaction. Business good. The Six Water Lilies were the principal feature and with sliver cups presented to the winners of diving contests following each performance more than passing interest was centered in the water feats. The divers closed the show. There was plenty of comedy on the bill, with Rucker and Winifred scoring the laughing hit. John T. Ray and Co., in "Check Your Hat," had no trouble in registering. Lee Barth got over. The Rambler Sisters opened in a pleasing manner.

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PANTAGES.—Harry Langdon and Co., big returns. Act Beautiful, closing the show, held audience. Elisabeth Otto, piannolog, liked. Klein Brothers, iaughs. Reynolds and Done-gan, pleased. Grace Sisters replaced Francis Renault, receiving passing attention. Feeley and McCloud opened the show nicely.

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HIPPODROME. — Brooks and Lorella, slightly vulgar. Pope and Uno closed show capably. Coleman Goetz and Co., impressed. Lancaster and Small, scored. Dusan and Chapman, passed. Dale and Weber, hit. Dare Brothers opened show fairly well. Six Provinis closed the show capably. CORT (Homer F. Curran, mgr.).—"Joan the Woman" (1st week).

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PRINCESS.—Figuring the close opposition the Princess is forced to contend with through the recent opening of the Garrick, adjoining it with a musical comedy stock policy, it did not appear to have any decided effect upon the recent increased husiness being done, the holdouts for the second abow upholding the predictions of the husiness returns. Dorothy Russell opened the proceedings last week seated at a plano for no reason at all. Bhe sang two numbers with an ordinary voice that passed her off rather quietly. Neither number was deserving of any particular reception, according to the way delivered. Waterail and Winifred followed with the usual interruption at the opening by the woman coming on in flithy, shabby clothes, supposedly doing a scrib woman hit. She did not linger iong, and the length of time before her return gave the does her confinement in the wash room was a necessity. The male member, sithough wearing evening clothes, might give his clothes a

'little brushing and occasionally send his trousers out to be pressed. The remainder of the turn amounted to little, with the talk being centered upon the usual thing of taking a young woman upon the stage if she can make herself appear presentable. After viewing ber with her first elaborate and stunning wardrobe, it was easy for anyone to withdraw and return looking neat, even if they doungd nothing hut an ordinary shirtwaist and skirt. A young feliow blied as Arnold siapped aturn together that proved a riot. He surely has looked over any number of single comedians, and has about every surefire gag possible, even going so far as to follow the style of work of some. He is a pleasing entertainer, however, and could hold his own upon somebetter bills, providing he reframed his entire monolog and inserted some original material. Wilson and Wilson closed the show, the colored boys easily sending the patrons away talking about the exceptionally good program shown them last Thursday evening. These boys will no doubt figure their possibilities within a reasonable length of time, and when they do, a turn of considerable merit could be framed. Both harmonize well, and they dance as well as the average, if not better. The rest of the turn is taken up by an overdose of comedy talk that could only pass in the smallest houses. Were it possible to retain the opening talk and song, and rebuild the baiance with singing and dancing, it is a pretty safe het they could make themselves a much improved act. The old southern genties

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men idea is cleverly handled, and could be retained, but the other talk and business might just as well be replaced immediately.

The Jim Post Stock is due to close its engagement at the Majestic shortly, the latest announcement coming unexpectedly upon the recent talk about the increased husiness. The show will move to San Diego for a run, while a No. 2 company under the same name will play the Plaza Airdome, Fresno. This house was recently renovated.

Eddle Magili, formerly with the local Wit-mark office, is now handling the Forster catalog.

Portoia Louvre recently changed hands.

"The Shooting of Dan McGraw" is now being prepared by Alaska Jack, to be pre-sented in vaudeville. It calls for eight people.

"Joan the Woman" follows "Twenty Thou-sand Leagues" at the Cort.

A deal was recently consummated through Chas. Rassmussen whereby Watter R. Marsh acquires control of the Sequoit (pictures), Oakland.

William W. Ely has resigned his government position to manage the Hippedrome,

Portiand. He previously managed the Hippodrome here,

Lois Josephine was again troubled during her local engagement with her leg, which forced her recently to lay off a couple of weeks. She suffered agony while working, and toward the closing of the second week was about to give up, although she continued to the best advantage. Miss Josephine will take an extended rest at the close of the present season.

Ed Love (Love and Wilhur), playing the Hippodrome Circuit, received his orders to report to the Detroit Militia within 60 days.

Aithough the opening of the Aicasar stock season has not been announced through the run of the Kolh and Dill show now there, Frederic Belasco returned from his New York trip and announced some members of the cast. Those engaged are Beatrice Ailen, Marie Hassell and Ethelbert Hale.

The Alcha Twins are at the Portela Louvre.

Hen Muller, manager of the Majortic, where the Jim Post Stock is, has started another idea, in the form of a Prolic Night, held Thursday evenings. The regular performance is given, besides some added attractions in the form of turns and a six-reel picture.

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EBITH'S (Robert G. Larsen, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Typically logs-handed Baster Bonday audience, enthusiastically appreciative. Litilian's Dogs opened fair. Eddle and Birdle Conrad went well, followed by Lady Louise Agases and her Irish Cellsons whe want overbig, although the predaction is similarly appreciative. Litilian's Dogs opened fair. Eddle and Birdle Conrad went well, followed by Lady Louise Agases and her Irish Cellsons whe want overbig, although the predaction is similarly into their "On Geard." Ward and Van, in their street musician act, almost stepped the show, the bleary-syed vielingt with his elapsing trousers getting the house solid. Brice and King really topped the bill. If this act would develop its dancing and cut down on some of the publisher's songs, they would be a positive knockout, as the meager bit of dancing submitted Monday night was as clever a two minutes of real grace that has been seen here this season. The Hiskey Brothers closed the show to see instant especity besses, proving a real riet. The 13th episode of "Patria" believed the season. The Hiskey Brothers closed the show to see instant especity besses, proving a real riet. The 13th episode of "Patria" believed the season. The Hiskey Brothers closed the show to see instant especity besses, proving a real riet. The 13th episode of "Patria" believed the season. The Right prothers closed by James J. Corbett. Excellent business.

BIJOU (Raiph Gliman, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Pop program heavily advertised as a "Preparedness Bill" with a squad of blue facts from the Navy Yary showing feats of strength, etc. for the purpose of encouraging chilsting. Capacity.

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PLYMOUTH (E. D. Smith, mgr.).—Guy Bates Post in "The Masquerader" on its sixth week to excellent business.

WILHUR (E. D. Smith, mgr.).—The Dolly Stelers in Miss Brides Night" opened Messay night to capacity house.

PARK SQUARE (Fred E. Wright, mgr.).—Guy William (Charles J. Rich, mgr.).—Gerthe Selwyns.

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a house afte with seats selling three weeks in advance. Will put the house on the right side of the ledger for the entire season fee the Selwyns.

COLONIAL (Charles J. Rich, mgr.).—Geraldine Farrar's "Joan the Woman" pictures picking up slightly.

HOLLIS (Charles J. Rich, mgr.).—John Drew in "Major Peadenis" opened Monday aight after a Holy Week lay-off. Drew a typical audience but it's a gamble as to whether business will hold up. Eisle Forguson in "Shirley Kaye" underlined for April 22.

TREMONT (John B. Scheeffel, mgr.).—Cohan and Harris" "A Tallor-Made Man" was transferred from the Hollas. Should ge big when it hits New York.

BOSTON OPERA HOUSE (Lawrence McCarty, mgr.).—The Garden of Allah" opened Monday night at a \$1 top. House has been dark fer a long peried and this big spectacle is an ideal attraction for the house which is ease of the largest and most coxity structures in the country, having been built by seelety for the Beston Opera Campaay.

CASTLE SQUARE (John Craig, mgr.).—Cooil Spoomer in "My Irish Ciaderella" (untyrnational) opened Monday night to excellent business and will held over through next week at least.

COPLEY (George H. Pattes, mgr.).—"She Steeps to Conquer" being used by Henry Jewett's English Players this week, being characterized as one of the best stock preductions ever staged in this oity. Next week "The Pillars of Seciety" will be used.

CASINO (Charles Waldren, mgr.).—"The Tourists" with Gue Fay, house bill headed by the Three Kundles. Capecity.

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SHEA'S (Henry Carr, mgr.).—Well built bill, with Sam Mann and Co. first honors; "Petticoats" running close second; the Raths open, exceptional; Russell, Ward and Co., fair; Fenton and Green, good; Lightner and Alexander, good: Boganny Troups, waual.

LYRIC (C. Lou Snyder, mgr.).—Six Sylvesters, successful; Mile. Paula, opens nicely; Cross and Doris, good: Paden and Read, good; "Billy a Tombatones," applauded; Jarvis and Harrison, do well.

OLYMPIC (Bruce Fowler, mgr.).—Very neat bill with Dottle Claire and Co. feature; Three Spirelias, clever; Suits and Clark, good; Two Mermalds, please; Skipper, Kennedy and Reeves, bit.



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GAYETY (Chas. Taylor, mgr.).—"Spiegel Revue," exceptionally well.

CARDEN (Wm. Graham, mgr.).—House stock offering "The Dixle Girls," with LeRoy and Mile. St. Clair doing fairly well.

ACADEMY (Jules Micheal, mgr.).—First half headed by Eiler's Novelty Circus, well applauded; "Romance of Old Ireland," good; George Taylor, hit; Oaks and Dunn, clever; Four Maximes, juggling, get across.

TECK (John Olahel, mgr.).—"Princess Pat," well reselved.

STAR (P. C. Cornell, mgr.).—"Ben. Hur," hearty ovation. Following, "The Yellow Jacket."

MAJESTIC (Chas. Lawrence, mgr.).—"The Katsenjammer Kids." snappy production, doing record business. Next, "Her Unborn Child."

HIPPOROME (Harold Franklin, mgr.).—

HIPPODROME (Harold Franklin, mgr.).— Film, "A Tale of Two Citles," drawing.

Joseph A. Ball has resigned from the Shea's Court street, house. Emmet Luedecke is filling the vacancy.

Swan Wood opens at the Frontenac, Detroit, April '16.

Von Kline and Gibson have joined the "Katsenjammer" company.

NATILENOX

"THE MAN WITH THE GRIP" Added attraction Howard, Boston, this week Black, Mack and Miller are at Fenton's Pekin.

LOS ANGELES

By GUY PRICE.
Bertha Mann spoke before the Ad Club on
"Can a Press Agent Make Success Out of a
Fallure?"

Etta Tindall is doing special press work for the Burbank.

The "Daddy Long Legs" company laid over here Holy Week.

Broadway is sitting up anxiously awaiting the return of Oliver Morosco from the East. No new plays have been produced here since the local producer went away three months ago.

Clarence Drown, Orpheum manager, is sightseeing at the Grand Canyon.

The production of "The Mikado," at the Bur-The production of "Ine Mikado," at the Bar-bank, was hardly up to expectation, but, con-sidering the low scale, the play is well worth the money. Louis F. Gottschalk directed and did exceptionally well, considering the time allowed for rehearsals.

Mehearna's are under-way, for the big sets door production at Delmar by the Sea of "Rip Van Winkle," Thomas Jefferson, Jr., will head the cast. Others will be Josephine Bonaparte, Harold Skinner, Emery Foster, Earl

Robinson, Clyde McCoy, Ewing Trilby, Galem Pearson. Susanne Conn, Master James Busch, Elizabeth Kervane and Daisy Robinson. Lil-lian Burkhart Geldsmith is directing.

Charles Wakefield Cadman, the composer appeared at the Orpheum at one performance recently, when he player for Dorothy Jardon by special request. The singer effered several of Mr. Cadman's Indian numbers.

Joseph Carl Brief has finished the score of a new opera called "The Legend." It will ge into rehearest late this month and will be pre-sented early in May. The east will include Constance Balfour, Meaneti Francana, Georgi-anna Struss and Henri de la Platta. Charlotte Joy will head the ballet.

Arthur Maude and Constance Crawley appeared in an original one-act play at the Hotel Huntington the other night. It was well received.

NEW ORLEANS.

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BY O. M. SARUEL,
ORPHEUM (Chas. B. Bray, seathers representative).—Proceeding chronologically the
Misses Stewart opening the show, too good
for position. Harris and Manion, No. 2, very
well. Harry Girard with his Alaskan eparetta,
scored. Frances Kennedy, vigorous and ebulient scored the bit of the program. Gue
Edwards' "Bandbox Revue" gives excellent
value, its military finish being timely. Julius
Tannen, especial favorite locally, royally welcomed. Ciarement Brethers esacinded the
show in appealing fashion.
TULANE (T. C. Campbell, mgr.).—"Intelerance."

CRESCENT (T. C. Campbell, mgr).—
"Daukter of the Gods."
HIPPODROME (T. C. Campbell, mgr.).—
"Sportsmer's Show.
"TUDOR (Howard Gale, mgr.).—"Civilina-

tion."

LAFAYETTE (D. L. Cornelius, mgr.),—Pie-ALAMO (Will Gueringer, mgr.).—Jimmie Brown's Revue.

Marguerite, and Frank Glil are dancing at Kolb's.

Lew Rose has withdrawn from the management of the Lyric. It is reported Rose will operate the Dauphine next season as a stock burlesque house.

Pathe is to furnish the pictures to the Diamond theatre, formerly the Lyric, during its feature tim policy.

Santos Shields, treasurer of the Orpheum, is ill at the Presbyterian hospital here. Shields has typhoid fover.

Cliff Winehill is at the Toure Infirmary in this city, convalescing after an operation.

Charles B. Bray has discontinued the "Pa-tria" serial at the Orphoum, after being con-vinced the lecal public did not care for it.

"Intolerance is to be retained at the Tulane again next week. The picture erested a profound impression here.

Anita Stewart will probably rest for a short period after completing "Rebellion," the ex-terior scenes of which are being taken in New Orleans. Miss Stewart is under weight.

Henry Savini is the Crescent City representative of Arteraft.

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Mrs. Adolph Eisner is the newest addition to the local film colony, having come down from Chicago to join her husband, who is in charge of the exploitation of the Max Linder

Tom Campbell reports that his Sportsmen's Show at the Hippodrome has been very successful.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

REITH'S (H. T. Jordan, Mgr.).—Business in all the local houses took the expected jump following the close of the Lenten season and this house drew a liberal share, getting close to a record for a holiday on Easter Monday. Langdon McCormick's scenic drams "The Forest Fire" was the headliner and being placed in the closing spot of the bill, held the audience seated. Some changes in the cast have been made since the act played here last year. J. Albert Hail in the leading role plays the part a hit stiff and heavy, but the excellent playing of Sylvia Bidwell and the scenic effects which are worked up better than when last seen, carries this act through to a big hit and it was given hig applause. Frank Hale and Signa Paterson, a couple of dancers with a sextet of musicians

in support, put over a regular hurrah hit. If vaudeville-goers are looking for something different in the dance line, it is here in this act. For speed and action it has anything in its class beaten a block and the musicians, who can sing, too, are deserving of no little credit for the big applause hit registered. One of the newcomers was Joe Towle, a "nut" comedian with a new kind of a monolog. Towle has a peculiar bort of delivery which did not seem to reach those in front until after he had been working for several minutes, but he finally woke things up and when he got to the pisno stuff, he was going big. Towle disclosed in his finishing number he is real good on the ivories and between the instrumental work and his chatter, carried off one of the hits of the show. Wilbur Mack and Nella Walker did as well as usual with their very excellent comedy playlet, "A Pair of Tickets." This sketch just about wins the medial for a nice, clean-cut wehicle, well handled, prettily staged and full of good wholesome fun. It starts off with a laugh on the very first line spoken and is in the gem class on bright dislogue. Another big hit went to the credit of Craig Campbell who was in splendid voice. His program seemed a bit long and one number might have been eliminated without hurting his offering, but those in front appeared willing to keep him there, even after he had finished his sixth number. Bensee and Baird did very nicely with their comedy songs and talk. The girl takes splendid care of the comedy end of the act and the man "feeds" to perfection in both talk and songs. They also have catchy numbers for their individual work and altogether were very well liked. Virginia Lewis and Jean White have a distinctly pleasing "sister act," which ought to fit in nicely on almost any hill. There are not many of the neat sister turns nowadays and this one met with warm favor. They have fairly good voloes and use them to good effect in the harmonizing. The Gaudsmidts with their poodles gave the show a good start after the Pathe W

riding of the cowboys very well.

ALLEGHENY (Joseph Cohen, Mgr.).—The program this week is made up of several vaudeville acts including "The Models Abroad," which played the hig time recently; Tony & Norman, the Bert Johnson Trio and the film feature, "High Finance" with George Walsh as the principal.

COLONIAL (H. A. Smith, Mgr.).—The head-liner is "Temptation," a fantastic murical comedy prescried by George Damerel, Myrtle





Dios CIRCUS BOOKED SOLID.

Vail, Edward Hume, George Clarke & Co. Others are, Jansen and His Mystery Maids; Commodore Tom, trained horse and other acts. The film feature is George Watsh in "High Finance."

NIXON (F. G. Nixon-Nirdlinger, Mgr.).—The very funny circus act, the Bostock Riding School features the bill. Others, "Danny, A Tale of the White Lights," Emma & Effic Elilott; Nip & Tuck; Beeman & Anderson and the film feature, "Mystery of The Double Cross."

KEYSTONE (M. W. Taylor, Mgr.).—M. Thor's musical farce called "Little Miss Filit." featured. Others, Betts, Childon & Girlie; Happy Jack & Gradner & Co. in "The War Zone," Ann Suter, Burns & Furan; The Rianos and Francis X. Bushman in "The Great Secret."

NIXON'S GRAND OPERA HOUSE (W. D. Wegefarth, Mgr.).—Long Tack Sam & Co. have the headline position, surrounded by the following cast: Leo Beers in a classy planologue; Mable Adams & Marion Murray in "Cotton Stockings," Lord & Fuiler: Jim & Anna Francis and Naynon's Birds.

WILLIAM PENN (Geo. W. Metzel, Mgr.).—Catherine Crawford & Girls in "The Fashion Shop" headlines the first half. Others are, Wimer Walter & Co. in "The Little Darlings," Ford & Bell: Camille Trio; Stephen O'Rourke and the photoplay, William S. Hart in "The Square Deal Man."

BROADWAY (Joseph Cohen, Mgr.).—"Oh, Doctor, features the first half bill. Others,

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Doctor" features the first half bill. Others,
Bowman Bros., E. W. Wolf's "Seven Little
Darlings," Harris & Lyman; Six Salores and
the film feature, Robert B. Mantell in "Tangled
Lives." Last half-Catherine Crawford & Co.
in "The Fashion Show," Andy, Rice; Wilmer
Walter & Co., Mudge, Morton Trio; Frank
Lebent and the film feature, Theda Bara in
"Her Greatest Love."

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GLOBE (Sabloskey & McGurk, Mgrs.).—

"The Six Little Wives," a tabloid musical comedy features. Others, Rita Gould, Hippodrome Four; Burke & Burke; Helder & Packer; Three Chums; Esmerelda & Alvino and others.

CROSS KEYS (Sahloskey & McGurk, Mgrs.),
—"My Honolulu Giri." a musical comedy
headlines for the full week. Others the first
half are Belle & Mayo: Peggy Brooks; Wartenberg Bros. Last half—Abe Attell; Willard
Dashiel & Co., Chadwick Trio.

SEATTLE.

By WALBURT.

Fred Mercy, North Yakima, was here last week. He has lost about 20 pounds in the past fortnight.

The Ed. Armstrong Musical Comedy Co. has opened the Strand, Spokane, for ten weeks.

Dick Vivian has returned from Arizona. He will rejoin the Wilkes Players June 1.

George J. McKenzie, former manager of the Metropolitan, has returned to Seattle after a trip eastward.

Robert Monteli has canceled all bookings in the northwest,

Phobe Hunt, leading woman of the Wilkes Players at the Orpheum, is on a two months' vacation in California and Hawaii.

Myers & Leitner have secured the new Colonial in La Grande, Ore.

J. Rush Bronson, former mansger of the local Empress, is now mansger of the Ameri-can Brotherhood, with offices in New York.

J. H. Mayrand is the new manager of the Columbia, Vancouver.

Ira Robertson is back in the cast at the Oak after a short vacation.

Wm. Williamson, owner of the Osk, old home of Pantages vaudeville, has announced the building will be remodeled for business purposes. The Monte Carter Musical Comedy Co. have been playing there for eight months and will occupy the house until May. Pantages has the theatre under lease from the owner. It is the oldest theatre building here.

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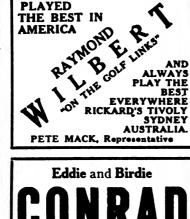
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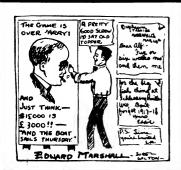
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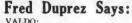
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"The Party from the South"





"Mr. Manhattan"



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Many thanks for your message contained in a recent issue of VARIETY.
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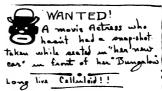


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RESTAURANT MEN BELIEVE VAUDEVILLE NOT FOR CABARET

New Palais Royal Disappointed in Its Featured Acts. Big Time Vaudeville Managers at Same Time Deciding Upon Some Step Against Acts Appearing in Restaurants.

Vaudeville is not for cabarets, according to Paul Salvain, proprietor of the new Palais Royal, with the most expensive entertainment an American

restaurant has ever offered.

The Palais Royal opened Monday night with several vaudeville acts, in night with several vaudeville acts, in addition to a revue headed by Fritzi Scheff. Among the featured turns was Gene Greene, who would be considered by booking men an ideal act 'for a restaurant. Following the Monday night performance Mr. Greene asked for and received his release, having been booked under a contract for one week week.

After watching the performance Monday Mr. Salvain said: "Restaurants don't want vaudeville. The revue numbers are always liked, but the acts don't seem to go.

It was expected before this week ended other Palais Royal acts would depart from the performance.

The turn of events in the sensation as a restaurant attraction came almost immediately after the big booking of-fices had about decided to take some fices had about decided to take some drastic step against acts playing in cabarets. Monday the agents for Mr. Green were looking for him with a complete vaudeville route, to be accepted upon condition he did not open at the Palais Royal. Another act there, Santly and Norton, also could have had a vaudeville route, but they had entered into a Salvain engagement for 10 weeks.

What action the vaudeville managers may now take regarding the cabarets is problematical. Tuesday an official designation was made of a United Booking Offices man to visit all cabarets and report upon the people playing there, looking for desirable vaudeville material and at the same time noting any variety turns available for vaudeville.

A similar course was pursued by the big time agency some months ago, but at that time not many acts of conse-quence were engaged in cabaret work.

BRADY'S GIFTS.

The value of the gifts of jewelry left theatrical friends by the late James Buchanan Bradv was estimated as from \$40,000 to \$50,000 for the pearl chain left to Rosie Dolly, \$25,000 for the

pearl ring to Jennie Dolly, \$5,000 to \$7,500 each for the sporting ring left Harry Fox and the scarfpin to Jean Schwartz.

Raymond Hitchcock received the be-

quest of Mr. Brady's sporting watch.

The Brady estate is valued at \$5,000,000. The late "Diamond Jim" was an extensive entertainer of theatrical people and had earned the title of "The wisest John in the world." Innumerable stories have been told of his enter-tainments and liberality. Many quoted his soubriquet upon reading his will in print, which disposed of the residue of the estate for Brady Foundation in the New York Hospital.

BROADWAY'S BIGGEST SIGN.

The electric sign atop the Putnam Building, which extends from 43rd to 44th streets and erected at a cost of \$25,000, has been taken by the Wrigley

chewing gum interests.

The sign is the largest one of its kind on Broadway.

CHAMP CIGAR SMOKER.

Chicago, April 18.

Al Fischer, who claims to be the champion cigar smoker of the world, and so far has had no one dispute the claim, is in Chicago ready to meet all

ROAD CO. MASQUERADING.
A road company of "Her Unborn Child" opened Monday at the Grand, Brooklyn, billed as "Brooklyn's Own Stock Co."

A couple of the regular stock people were placed in the cast.

Clara jóźl in nash role.

Clara Joel has been placed under contract by William A. Brady for the role that Mary Nash is playing in "The Man Who Came Back," and will step into the cast in about three weeks, while Miss Nash rests.

Corse Payton Stock at Lex. O. H. Corse Payton is to start stock at the Lexington Avenue opera house April 24. "Hit the Trail Holliday" is to be the opening bill.

Ray Owens of the Frank A. Keeney office will look after the business detail of the engagement.

OLCOTT DIVIDING EARNINGS.

Chauncey Olcott will shortly come out with an offer to devote one-half of his earnings next season to any war or relief fund that the government might designate.
Mr. Olcott will remain under the Co-

han & Harris management and expects to have a new play by Rachel Crothers ready for the fall. Miss Crothers wrote "The Heart of Paddy Whack," in which the Irish star is now appearing. De Wolf Newcombe is now playing the feminine lead in the piece, which is to continue on tour until June 1.

WOULDN'T BE CALLED "SLACKER."

Chicago, April 18.

Arthur (Pat) West, the comic in Berg's "The Hoosier Girl," now renamed "The College Girl," because of the objection to the title by Kate Watson, was to have been married here this week to Leonore Armstrong, but changed his mind when he discovered the strong feeling against "slackers," as the long line of marriage license seekers has been dubbed.

Last week there were 3,785 marriage licenses taken out, just ten times more than the number applied for the same week last year. Enlisted men have met with but fair success in persuading male applicants to break from the line and join the colors.

The newspapers also kept up daily ridicule anent those rushing into mar-riage to escape possible conscription. West now thinks he will wait until he reaches another city before taking to himself a mate.

The same condition has existed in New York City.

CATLETT IN "FOLLIES." The new Ziegfeld "Follies" is to have Walter Catlett among its comedians.

Catlett made his mark in New York with "So Long Letty," and is said to have been loaned Flo Ziegfeld by Oliver Morosco for the "Follies" New York York run.

'Miller's New Theatre's First Play.
Henry Miller has secured the American rights to Monckton Hoffe's comedy, "Anthony in Wonderland," now at the Prince of Wales', London, with Charles Hawtrey and Winifred Barnes.
It will be given a preliminary try.

It will be given a preliminary try-out this spring on the coast, and if successful, will be the initial attraction at Miller's new theatre now in course of construction on West 43d street.

Wish Wynne an American Star.

The Selwyns are seeking a starring vehicle for Wish Wynne (English) with the idea of exploiting her as a star in America next season.

M. S. Bentham is conducting the ne-

gotiations.

ELTINGE AT CENTURY.

The initial inkling of what is to be at the Century next season is the leak Dillingham and Ziegfeld have signed Julian Eltinge for the new show, to e presented at that house late in the

Monday at the Century notice was posted for the closing of "The Century Girl" April 28.

Girl" April 26.

Other Century engagements are said to be Bernard Granville and Daphne Pollard, with Elsie Janis of the present cast held over for next season.

Seattle, April 18.

Julian Eltinge broke all existing records of the Metropolitan theatre here last week, playing to over \$10,000 in five performances.

DAYLIGHT SCHEME FAILS. -

The daylight saving plan in Australia started by placing the clocks one hour ahead, has been discontinued after a three months' trial, having proved unsatisfactory.

The idea received considerable opposition from the theatrical managers, who found it detrimental to their busi-

The main trouble was caused at the evening performances, which normally. start at eight o'clock, bringing the people to the theatre for the night show in broad daylight, which embarassed many who were in the habit of attending the theatre in evening clothes.

Some of the houses started their shows at 8.30 in place of the regular time, but it did not appear to help.

GARDEN SHOW'S EARLY LEAVING.

"The Show of Wonders" at the Winter Garden, closing Saturday, will leave on a special train for Cleveland about 4 a. m. Sunday. It plays two weeks in Cleveland, also

at Detroit, going into the Palace, Chicago, for a summer run, then traveling

to the Coast.

\$400 GROSS FOR RATS.

Lynn, Mass., April 18.
The finish of the White Rats' own vaudeville road show at the Lynn theatre last week is said to have witnessed about \$400 gross box office receipts on the stav

At the terms, 65-35, with the show securing the larger percentage, this gave the Rats management around \$260 to pay off seven acts and expenses for the

"WANDERER" LOSING "NAMES."
The cast of "The Wanderer" is now liott.

It is understood that Nance O'Neil will shortly sever her connection with the piece.

SHOWS OUT OF TOWN.

Pittsburgh, April 18.
The Shuberts' production of "The Passing Show of 1917," designed for the Winter Garden, New York, this summer, opened here at the Alvin last night, bringing out Johnny Dooley, a newcomer to musical comedy, as the hit of the performance.

Stars of other days in the cast are De Wolf Hopper and Jefferson De Angelis, who appeared twice, but seemed somewhat slow in the fast company surrounding them.

Chic Sale scored in his specialty, also

Irene Franklin, who had two scenes be-sides her songs. Marie Nordstrom likewise attracted attention, as did Clark and Bergman, who had four numbers, while Yvette Rugel had two

Tom Lewis was a laughing hit in J. Ardath fitted himself into a drug store to do the slapstick matter from his vaudeville act, "The Country Store."

The show looks likely on the comedy

end, but may lose a couple of its principals before reaching Broadway. The chorus, of the usual large Winter Garden size, had one number done by the girls in practice clothes.

The show opened here at \$2.50 top.
The Alvin was packed for the first performance.

Boston, April 18. "The Woman Thou Gavest Me" needs some drastic work before it will do. The first performance on any stage came last Friday night at the Shubert to a capacity house, and despite the punctual 8 o'clock curtain it ran until 11:30, being talky and dragging badly.

Part of the play is commonplace melodrama and the remainder garrulous and over-elaborated. The big scenic feature, an Antarctic exploring party, is a stupendous and picturesque the play. It is devoted to showing the call to the explorer to return to his married sweetheart. The "call" is in dream form with a picture projection of the visionary face. The method is too obvious, now that film tricks are common property.

The Hall Caine novel is not followed

in the dramatization, there being no illegitimate child, no death of the heroine, nor the religious problem that invoked the wrath of those of the Roman Catholic faith. There still remains enough of the religious theme on the

divorce end, however.

Derwent Hall Caine, son of the novelist, was active in producing the play, but in the role of the hero is not physically fitted for the part. Mabel physically fitted for the part. Mabel Taliaferro did not seem to find her character. Edmund Breese did well as the grim father, and Mme. Yorska essaved the melodramatic mistress in a conventional but satisfactory Theda Bara-ish manner. The remainder, all in minor roles, are excellently cast.

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Possibly, by heroic work, "The Wo-an Thou Gavest Me" may lose its sturdy melodrama, with its central theme based on an unconsummated marriage of a Catholic girl in a Catholic ceremony to a Protestant who proves to be a libertine and a brute.

Chicago, April 18. Anna Held's season here was chopped two weeks. "Follow Me" departs to two weeks. "Follow Me" departs from the Garrick this week and soon will be trekking to the storehouse. This will be trenking to the storehouse. This week the top price at the Garrick is cut from \$2.50 to \$2 for the first time since New Year's Day. "Very Good Eddie" supplants the Held show, moving from the Chicago Sunday night. "Eddie" has been doing good business, but the fact that the tables donned on the fact that the takings dropped off lately about 30 per cent from the gross en-joyed for the first two weeks bespeaks the handicap of the show having been

outside the Loop. "Eddie" is in its fifth week at the Chicago, its contract "Eddie" is in its there calling for a guarantee of \$1,500

in profits.

"Pierrot the Prodigal' began at the Princess Sunday. The pantomime is booked to stay two weeks, though a third week is possible, and then William Faversham will replace it in "Get-

ting Married."

Two new pieces arrive the coming Two new pieces arrive the coming week, Nazimova, who follows "Seremonde" into the Blackstone Monday with "'Ception Shoals," and "The Bird of Paradise," which begins an indefinite date at the Olympic Sunday, succeeding Olcott's show, "The Heart of Paddy Whack." The latter attraction did on y whack. The latter attraction du poorly, with the week-end crowd prov-ing a life saver. The sale for this week, however, is in advance over the

first week. Raymond Hitchcock with "Betty" remained the biggest draw in town last week, making a substantial increase over the big Holy Week takings. The good business has Hitchie guessing on when he will be ready to start work on his own revue. It was thought that would withdraw at the end of 'Betty' "Betty" would withdraw at the end of the month, but it looks now as if it would be held in for six weeks. It is in its third week at the Illinois. Dip-pel's new piece, "The Love Mill," is pel's new piece, ". listed to succeed it.

Business during last week was off all around for some reason, "Betty" alone showing an increase, while the others showed a noticeable decrease.

Philadelphia, April 18. There was a general slump in business about town this week, only one or two of the shows holding up to what is considered fairly good business. The coming of the Buffalo Bill show with Jess Willard cut in somewhat, and the

week is credited with the rest.

"Miss Springtime," which had its premiere at the Forrest, opened a return engagement and is here for a run. Else Alder is the only change in the original cast. Elsie Ferguson in "Shirley Kaye" is in her last week at the ley Kaye is in ner last week at the Broad, and will be followed by Alexan-dra Carlisle in "The Country Cousin" for a two weeks' engagement. "Fair and Warmer" is still doing good busi-

ness at the Garrick.

"So Long Letty" is a hit at the Lyric So Long Letty is a fit at the Lyric and is getting the strongest play of any of the shows here. William Faversham and Henrietta Crosman in "Getting Married" close their engagement at the Adelphi this week, to be followed by John Cort's production of the comedy, "Mother Carey's Chickens."

GARRICK'S SUMMER SHOW.

Chicago, April 18.

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"Dew Drop Inn," the new musical comedy by Jack Hazzard, Percival Knight and A. Baldwin Sloane, is due at the Garrick June 4, and may stay throughout the summer. The show will be produced by the Myron B. Rice Corporation, which is said to have big private capital in back of it. Mr. Rice, who put on "The Gingerbread Man," is here and expects to be able to gather most of the cast in Chicago.

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An offer was made Felix Adler to play the role originally intended for Hazzard, who will be unable to leave "Miss Springtime." Several offers to members of the Anna Held show were also made, as "Follow Me" will not remain out much longer.

It is said that the new production will cost \$30,000 to put on.

SAILINGS.

May 9 (for Australia from San Francisco): Billy Seaton, Ray Trainor, Willard and Wilson, Alf Grant, Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Catley (Makura).

AUSTRALIA'S SHY SLIPPERS.

During the current week it has be-come public property the Antipodes are particularly shy on slippers and other footwear for the choruses of their other footwear for the choruses of their musical comedy productions. The three producing firms, Williamson, McIntosh and Tait, are at present trying to corner the market in this country of all kinds of used slippers for their use. They have agents at work buying up and obtaining options on all footwear that has been slightly used, or although worn in American productions is still available for use in their productions.

Through this Jack Hughes has become the "used slipper king" of New

york. Up to Tuesday he had rounded up 2,900 pairs of stage slippers, disposed of to the New York representative of Hugh Ward.

"THREE CHEERS" MAY CLOSE.

London, April 18.

The Harry Grattan revue "Three Cheers," at the Shaftesbury, starring Harry Lauder and Ethel Levey, will probably close shortly through unsatisfactory business.

It is understood Lauder had to cut his salary and that "the ghost" is not walking with a firm tread.

J. L. Sacks is the reputed backer.

MONTGOMERY'S FIGHT FOR LIFE.

Chicago, April 18.
Fred Stone and his wife (Eileen Crater) arrived here on Sunday, coming from Montreal to be with Dave Montgomery, who is gravely ill at the Pres-byterian hospital following an opera-tion several weeks ago. Montgomery was unconscious for five days, but he rallied upon the arrival of Stone, his

team-mate and partner of many years, and early in the week was able to recognize those at his bedside. Mrs. Stone is staying at the hospital, as is Montgomery's sister. The physicians attending the patient say he is making a great fight.

When Stone came on, "Chin Chin' was moved on to Providence, where it is laying off, the date there having been canceled. Further dates may also be canceled, and the show may close, as Stone intends remaining at Montgomery's bedside until there is a definiteness about his condition.

"HITCHIE-KOO" AT C. & H. Cohan & Harris have closed with Raymond Hitchcock for the latter's revue, "Hitchie Koo," at their C. & H. theatre, opening June 4.

The comedian is his own backer in the venture, and it is said he has taken the house on a flat rental basis for ten

NO CHICAGO HOUSE.
Oliver Morosco denied early this week a report that he was to take over the Studebaker, Chicago. There is to be a Morosco house in Chicago some time next season, but it is to be a new theatre, which he is to build.

"NO. 2," "EILEEN."

Joe Weber is preparing for a second company of "Eileen." Victor Herbert and Henry Blossom, who wrote the piece, have been trying out voices during the past week.

"LITTLE MISSUS" IN CHI. Christie MacDonald's new starring vehicle may be sent to Chicago for a

summer run. The piece is to open at Atlantic City and is to be taken to Philadelphia for three weeks, then sent west.

Morosco Shows on International Circuit Next season Bob Campbell is to have two Oliver Morosco shows in addition to "Peg of My Heart" on the International Circuit. They are "The Unchastened Woman" and "The Cinderella Man."

STAR'S NEW MANAGEMENT.

It was reported a feminine star of much fame and popularity had placed herself this week under the direction of a most successful producing man-ager of the younger legitimate set, and that the manager had a piece ready for her to appear in.

"MASKED MODEL'S" NEW PEOPLE.

Although John Cort's "The Masked Model" has been out only two weeks, there are going to be a host of changes in the cast. This week it was reported that Bonita and Lew Hearn were leaving the company. The Cort office was trying to persuade either Elizabeth Murray or Sophie Tucker to accept the

Isabelle D'Armond was signed and will join the company Monday, replac-

ing Edna Pendleton.

MAY VOKES, WAR BRIDE?

Chicago, April 18.
There is a rumor around May Vokes, in "Goodness Gracious, Annabelle," at the Cort, is to be married within a very few days to a young man who has been paying court to her for several

years.

The man is, here at present and constantly in Miss Vokes' society; a fact that promotes credence to the persistent matrimonial rumor, to which the immanence of conscription for men of military age adds another circumstantial confirmation.

ACTION FOR ROYALTY.

An action has been started in the Supreme Court of Nassau County against A. H. Woods by James Hanes to secure \$27,500 claimed due as royalty on plays written by Willard Mack and produced by Woods, the author's claim having been turned over to the

plaintiff.

The Woods interests contend that The woods interests contend that the plays in question, which include "Kick-In." "Her Market Value," "King, Queen, Jack" and "Broadway and Buttermilk," were bought outright.

CORDIAL RELATIONS.

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J. Huntley Manners, referring to an article in last week's VARIETY, headed "Manager and Author Disagree," states that the relationship between Klaw & Erlanger, Laurette Taylor and himself has never been more cordial than at present.

Jimmy Welch Dies in England.

London, April 18.

Jimmy Welch died last week after a
prolonged illness. He was one of England's most popular light comedians.

JUDGMENTS.

Judgments filed in the County Clerk's office. The first name is tha tof the judgment debtor, the second the judgment creditor, and the amount of the judgment control of the filed f

o.
Figure Theatres Co.—City of New \$340.28. World Special Film Corpn.—City of New York, \$190.14.

York, \$190.14.

Brook Feature Film Corpn., Wm. A. Kane and Philip Cohen—I. H. Kaplan, \$527.16.

Photoplay Theatre Co.—B. Altman & Co., \$2.010.14; \$1,106.46.

Harry L. Reicnenbach—Hotel Ciaridge, \$65.18.

\$50.18.
Hungarian Operatic & Theatrical Ass'n.,
Inc.—City of New York, \$276.12.
Max Landau Amus. Co., Inc.—City of New
York, \$233.14.

SATISFIED JUDGMENTS.

Reisenweber's, Inc.-L. Boardman, \$224.91.

ENGAGEMENTS.

George O'Donnell and John Charles Thomas ("The Highwayman").
Earle Brown ("Melting of Molly").
Francis J. Boyle (stock, Providence O. H.).
Fern Marshall ("Any Man's Sister," replacing Dorechy Drayne)

Tewolfe Newcomb ("The Heart of Paddy-

hack"). Harry Maynard (Frank Manning show). Ted Woodruff (stock, Montreal). Letty Yorke ("The Highwayman").

"NO SUNDAY RIDICULE" IS THEATRE MANAGERS' ORDER

Evangelist Will Not Be Ridiculed Upon Stage. Appearance at Hippodrome Last Sunday Causes Talk. Not Affecting Neighborhood Theatres. One Saloon Adds Four Bartenders to Staff.

The vaudeville heads decided to stop anything holding Billy Sunday up to ridicule and the sketch, "Hit the Trail," was taken out of the Palace this week because of this stand. The skit was written by John B. Hymer and produced by Lewis & Gordon. Last week the producers were informed they would have to devise another ending before it could be shown at the Palace.

Sunday night at the Newsboys' Benefit at the Hippodrome the appearance of Billy Sunday was the star feature of a bip program. Walter C. Kelly ("The Virginia Judge") was master of cerewights judge was master of eterator monies and announcer for the affair. Upon arriving at the Hip Sunday saw the Judge and walking over to him, said: "How am I going to be treated, Mr. Kelly?" "You are going to get the best treatment that can be given you, Mr. Sunday," answered Walter, "and better than you could give an actor at better than you could give an actor at the Tabernacle. You are just as safe here as though you were running it yourself," added Kelly, to Sunday's evident pleasure, the evangelist being too good a showman not to realize what might be done with him back on the stage for the wise bunch the Hip held out front that night.

The vaudeville and picture theatresclosely adjacent to the tahernacle have

closely adjacent to the tabernacle have reported no loss in business the past

One theatrical manager operating a One theatrical manager operating a house but a short distance away from Sunday's meeting place said he would not have known the evangelist was in the city were it not for the newspapers.

A saloonkeeper near by said the other day he intended following Sunday around the country, buying up a saloon near his place in each city, as he thought it would be an excellent invest-

The appearance of Billy Sunday at the Hippodrome Sunday night was the cause of considerable comment during the week, it apparently surprising many people who were familiar with Sun-

day's ways.

The tabernacle has been well filled evenings, with about one-third attendance in the afternoons. The interest of New York's general public in the advent of Billy Sunday into their midst seems apathetic.

The opening of Billy Sunday in New York brought a rush of business to the saloons in the vicinity of the Sunday tabernacle at Broadway and 168th street. A saloon in close proximity to Sunday's headquarters has lately added four bartenders to its force.

FRIARS BASEBALL.

The Friars have organized their base-ball club and Jack Gleason at the club-house will arrange for games with any theatrical nines applying.

SPORTS.

The White Studio baseball nine defeated Captain Ward's Home Defense League boys (Bronx district) in an abbreviated game last Sunday morning at McComb's Dam Park by a score of 6 to 4. A return game has been sched-uled for this coming Sunday on the same grounds.

Arrangements were completed this week by Maurice Ritter for the opening game at Bronx Oval, 163d street and Southern boulevard, April 30, when the Hunt's Point Athletics will cross

bats with a team picked strictly from the theatrical profession. Sammy Smith, formerly of the Montreals, will be on the mound for the Broadway

ROCK AND WHITE CONTINUE.

The marriage April 12 in Philadelphia of Frances White to Frankie Fay will not change the status of the Rock and White act, which will continue, having been placed under contract for 30 weeks by Flo Ziegfeld.

Frances White received an individual offer from the Shuberts for \$1,000 weekly and would have accepted it, with consent of Billy Rock, under certain conditions the Shuberts would not sub-

scribe to.

Fay is the comedian of Dyer and Fay, an act of three people (the third member being Dorothy Walker). Fay also has received an offer from the Shuberts, given him individually, but he refused to leave the three-act.

The engagement of Mr. and Mrs. Fay was reported some time ago. Both came East from the Coast, Fay from Los Angeles and Miss White from San Francisco. The bride is 21 years of age. She is under contract to Mr. Rock, who developed her as a partner when in Los Angeles with the Morosco shows, after the former well known team of Rock and Fulton had dissolved. dissolved.

Duke Cross Doing a Single. San Francisco, April 18.

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The final week for Cross and Josephine at the Orpheum was filled in by Duke Cross doing a single turn in the absence of Lois Josephine, who was still suffering from an injury to her leg.
Mr. Cross will continue his single act until Miss Josephine fully recovers.

Amy Butler Secures a Divorce. Chicago, April 18.

Amy Butler was divorced from Harry Kovner, a non-professional, at Kansas



V. H.

Victoria House-Van Hoven-Very Hot-Virtuously Homely-VIOLENTLY HEALTHY-Variously Humorous-Voluptuously Hopeful-Vacant Head-Very Heavy. The latter applies to my purse and the former to my bean.

CHANGING COMIC DIALECTS.

Chicago, April 18. Dutch comics are considering a switch of dialect following the state of war declaration of the government. Eastern agents have notified several German comedians here bookings are off for the present, this probably re-sulting from the hostility of audiences

evidenced on several occasions lately. "Senator" Francis Murphy is one of the first to decide upon a switch. intends doing his monolog in Hebrew dialect, which he formerly employed.

GEO. PRIMROSE RETIRING.

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George Primrose says it's positive this time. After June 1, when his \$10,000 contract with the Loew Circuit terminates, Mr. Primrose avers he is going back to the Pacific Coast and rest on his farms out there. Meanwhile, adds the famous minstrel, the George Primrose productions in vaudeville and elsewhere will continue under the Primelsewhere will continue under the Primrose name, which he exclusively restricts to his own use, with the Primrose output supervised personally by him with the same care and attention that has made the Primrose name a

trade mark for perfection in blackface.
Of the 64 years Mr. Primrose has to
his credit 52 have been spent upon the stage. He is among the wealthiest of thespians and intends to spend his remaining years in the open rather than the dressing room, notwithstanding he can command at any time \$1,000 weekly for his act.

BERNHARDT TOUR OFF.

Mme. Sarah Bernhardt was removed to the Mt. Sinai Hospital last Sunday. Monday morning the doctors attend-ing stated they believed the actress would have to undergo a slight operation. Meantime the executive staff with her organization has been held

There is small likelihood the Bernhardt tour will be resumed, and cer-tainly not for the next three months, at which time the heated term will be here, even if Bernhardt was fully re-

covered by that time.

It is understood William F. Conor, Bernhardt's manager, was unable to secure any insurance on her present tour, and as a consequence he has suf-

fered a severe loss through her illness.

The members of the Bernhardt organization are in New York at present seeking engagements in pictures, either as a complete company, with costumes and other equipment for the filming of plays from the Bernhardt repertoire, or as individuals. They cannot return home and pictures are the only thing in the offing.

After taking an X-ray examination of the star Tuesday the doctors operated. At the hospital it was stated Wednesday Bernhardt was resting quietly, but the prospects for her recovery were not encouraging.

IN AVIATION CORPS.

Chicago, April 18. Chris Dorenson, formerly of the Diamond Comedy Four, is among the first of the vaudevillians to enlist in the

Dorenson, an expert mechanic, has been assigned to the aviation corps.

Jolson Show Closing in June.
"Robinson Crusoe, Jr.," the Winter
Garden show in which Al Jolson is
touring at present, will not go to the
Pacific Coast as originally contemplated. The show is now in the Middle West and will conclude its present tour in Duluth the first week in June.

Joison has been undergoing periodical attacks of illness and loss of voice, but his understudy has kept the organization working during such times

The Jolson show closing is looked upon as a move of the Shuberts to have Jolson at liberty if wanted for a new Winter Garden production early in the fall.

AROUND THE CLUB.

The woods are full of N. V. A. songs. Here's one from the gifted pens of L. Wolfe Gilbert and Anatol Friedland. It is called "Here's to the N. V. A."

Harken ye stagers, Ye all the ragers, Makers of joy and tears. We've furnished pleasure, Life's greatest treasure, For many, many years. We're selfish for a while, We'll give ourselves a smile.

Chorus.
Here's to the merry N. V. A.'s
Here's that the world may sing our A bunch of joy purveyors, Gleeful players, Pals, pals let us be together. So in unity we'll stand As a friendly, happy band.
Are we there (yes), there (yes),
A million different ways, The N. V. A.'s. Here's to the N.V.A.'s.

Many members are showing how great their confidence is in the N.V.A.'s by paying in addition to their regular dues, which are now payable, their dues for the entire year of 1918.

The Arnaut Brothers are very brotherly until it comes to a fiercely con-tested game of pool. Then all brotherliness promptly ceases.

Vernon, the ventriloquist, writes in: "No golf for mine, but who in the N. V. A. thinks they can play tennis?"

In keeping with the times, the new electric sign of the N. V. A.'s will be red, white and blue.

Miss Lulu Sutton, daughter of fa-mous "Uncle Dick" Sutton, entertained Julia Nash and a party of friends at a club luncheon last Wednesday.

Two of the club's most charming hostesses on dance nights are Harriet and Bessie Remple.

Sartorial note: Henry Chesterfield has just given an order for one dozen red, white and blue silk shirts.

Brother Sam Chip's membership card with a letter from Sam's widow, telling of how his card was the last thing taken from his pockets, are on display at the club.

Among the club parties of the week was one presided over by Carrie

Several patriotic lady members are endeavoring to recruit an N. V. A. Red Cross unit from among the lady memhers. The originator of the idea is May Green and the project is such a laudable one it is propable the entire incombership of the N. V. A. will make the first their way to enrollment.

It is a singular fact that whenever any great philanthropic or patriotic move-ment is launched, where people give their time and best efforts without re-muneration, the theatrical profession will always be found heading the list.

JIMMIE POWERS, SINGLE.

A new single turn to vaudeville will be Jimmie Powers, who will return to the varieties about April 30, by himself,

with five songs.

The Morris-Casey Agency is responsible.

Miss Wakefield on Loew Circuit.
Willa Holt Wakefield has engaged
to play for the Loew Circuit for 21
weeks, commencing April 23 at Baltimore. Arthur J. Horwitz did the hook-

ing.

Lottie Maver and Diving Girls
opened Mondav at Loew's Delancey
Street, New York, placed by Harry

WHITE RATS REALTY TANGLE **BECOMES VERY CONFUSING**

Both Mortgagees Demand Payments. Bank Calls in Loan. Standing of Rats' Lease on Clubhouse. Rats' Interest Confined to Members Who are Talking About Present Situation.

The White Rats appear to have messed up their clubhouse proposition. Since the abandonment of the strike, when it was admitted the organization was in desperate straits for money, the White Rats holding clubhouse bonds have been apprehensive of the outcome of their investment. Reported about early last week that one bondholder was informed at the clubhouse by a Rat official his bond "was not worth the paper it is written upon," other bondholders sought advice regarding

Notwithstanding the members of the Rats had twice been informed at meetings the chattel mortgage for \$5,000 due March 19 had been paid on that date, the attorney, Frederick Zorn, for the mortgagee, Jacob J. Lubell, stated Tuesday unless a settlement of the mortgage was received yesterday (Thursday) foreclosing proceedings would be started immediately. Mr. Zorn claimed the Rats executives had deceived him into taking a mortgage upon the swimming pool as personal property, whereas it was a part of the realty. It is said the Rats paid \$400 to secure an extension of the chattel mortgage for one month. The statement was made to the Rats meeting the chattel mortgage had been paid, to obviate according to the story, the nethe chattel mortgage had been paid, to obviate, according to the story, the necessity of the Rats rendering a financial statement of the proceeds of their ball held the Friday night previously (St. Patrick's Day eve) at Amsterdam Hall. About \$2,500 was secured from that affair. It was also told the Rats the proceeds had been sufficient to help have the mortgage.

pay the mortgage.
The White Rats clubhouse, standing on leased ground, on a leasehold for 21 years with a renewal clause, at a ground rental of \$7,000 yearly (exclusive of taxes and other charges) represented to the White Rats about \$190,-

resented to the White Rats about \$190,000 when completed. Of this amount the Cramp Co. of Philadelphia received \$130,000 for construction, \$20,000 was paid for decorating, and \$30,000 for the furnishings. The other \$10,000 was part of the \$15,000 paid Ed. F. Rush for his lease of the present Rats clubhouse site that Rush then held.

A bonded mortgage for \$125,000 was placed upon the property. The bonds were at first made out in \$1,000 each. The Mutual Bank advanced the Rats \$45,000, taking \$65,000 worth of the bonds as collateral, with the understanding any of the bonds held by the bank that might be sold would be debank that might be sold would be de-livered to the Rats for \$700, to be ap-plied upon the mortgage, the bank hav-ing loaned on a margin of 70. The remainder of the amount, \$60,000, was disposed of to artists, then members of the Rats, in as high an amount as \$10.-000, the latter purchase reported having been made by Frank North. Fred Niblo holds \$5,000 worth, and others have the bonds in amount from \$2,000 upwards.

The mortgage did not cover the furnishings of the Rats clubhouse, which were mortgaged Dec 12, last, to Lubell for \$5,000 by the White Rats Realty Co. although how the Realty Co. obtained possession of the furnishings is unknown, as the personal property of clubhouse when purchased was bought solely in the name of the White Rats Actors' Union.

About a year ago it was reported Dennis F. O'Brien, of O'Brien, Malevinsky & Driscoll, former attorney for the Rats, who was instrumental in promoting the realty deal for the Rats, and which was pronounced at the time as which was pronounced at the time as an excellent investment on the face of it, owing to the low annual rental, had submitted to the organization a proposal he had received from up-state people to buy the property for \$175,000, which would have given the order a profit of \$50,000 over the amount of its mortgage. This offer is said to have been declined without investigation by been declined without investigation by

heen declined without investigation by the Rats, with no reason given.

Now, according to the stories, although certain Rats have been attempting to dispose of the property without success to date, there is an outside interest working on it, unknown to the Rats that may we result in the sale of terest working on it, unknown to the Rats, that may yet result in the sale of the property, but whether from the Rats or the owner of the site is a matter of the future. The leasehold contains an indefinite provision regarding the owner assuming the clubhouse at an unnamed sum if the Rats are evicted of the sale of t or default in the payment of rental or taxes. At the present time the taxes for two years, amounting to \$150,000 or more, are past due.

A somewhat peculiar story found its way to the street this week of a "deal" being attempted to sell out the clubhouse, without protection to the bond-holders, and which would have netted someone a \$5,000 bonus for himself if put through. It was improbable, how-ever, that "deal" could have been gone through with, through the watchfulness of the Mutual Bank as the holder of the bonds. It is said several of the artist bond holders are depending upon the bank. Otherwise would have sought protection through their personal at-

The present value of the clubhouse (building) has been estimated from \$75.000 to \$125,000, without to date a bidder appearing of late at any price.

One story was a restaurant man wanted the building for a hotel, but wanted also an assurance the vaude-ville people would be friendly inclined toward his venture. Another was that the mortgagee, upon loaning the \$5,000 on the personal property in the club-house, had in mind a friend who thought he saw the Rats organization slipping and would be able to step into the building as a hotel proprietor when

the mortgage was foreclosed.

William Fahey, the clubhouse manager, left his position this week.

After the abandonment of the strike by the Rats the comment on the situation the Rats found themselves in kept up unabated, with many shrewd observations made regarding past promises. It came out during the week that Rats had been informed Montgomery and Stone had contributed \$40,000 and George M. Cohan \$25,000, both amounts being held as an emergency fund if the Rats required money, with the organization, even while these statements were being made being without funds were being made, being without funds to meet necessary obligations. The free use of the Cohan name was whol-ly unauthorized, for Mr. Cohan never contributed a cent to the recent Rats

campaign.

Wednesday it was reported several of the Rats bondholders had consulted William Travers Jerome regarding their holdings. It was said Judge Jerome

had decided upon a thorough investiga-tion of the entire White Rats problem.

The same day, according to report, "the woman with the green feather" ejected from the White Rats meeting of last week was reported to be in consultation with her attorneys looking to-ward prosecuting a motion for an ac-counting of the White Rats Actors' Union to date.

A reported list of bondholders of the Rats clubhouse gave the following names and amounts held: Johnny Bell, \$1,000; Tom Almond, \$1,000; Frank North, \$10,000; James Marco, \$100; Seymour W. Howe, \$1,000; Al La Valle, \$400; Junie McCree, \$100; Fred Niblo, \$5,000; Will C. Smith (no amount); Thos. D. Russell, \$4,000; Charles Mc-Phee, \$300; Jule Play (no amount); Tom Gillen, \$100; Wm. Huene, Jr., \$1,000; Harry Mountford, \$500; De De Kos (no amount); Prof. Carl Herman, \$3,000; Frank Herbert, \$3,000; Harry Huehn (no amount); Bert Lamont, \$3,400. A reported list of bondholders of the \$3,400.

At the closed meeting held in the clubhouse Tuesday night several sad speeches were made with the statement given out the bank had called in its loan upon the clubhouse property. About 200 were present at the meeting. It was also said that it might be ing. It was also said that it might be the last meeting one of the officers would attend for several years, this officer stating he may have walked into a trap set for him which would keep him away from freedom for that length of time.

A watch was presented to the president. It was to have been presented to him at the St. Patrick's Day ball, The presentation speech was made by Robert Henry Hodge, and the presi-dent responded in an address full of

POLI'S "RATS' OBITUARY."

Scranton, Pa., April 18. The program at Poli's for this week has one page devoted to the White Rats in the following manner, the printed matter being bracketed in with a deep dark border:

In Memorium

DIED

IN NEW YORK AND ALL OVER THE COUNTRY THE RECENTLY INAUGURATED AND SO-CALLED "STRIKE" OF THE

"WHITE RATS"

Nobody knew what they were and nobody cared.

The good acts and actors are still alive, very much so, they enjoy good health and prosperity. Long may they continue so.

RATS BRANCHES CLOSED.

The White Rats branch offices at several points in the country were closed Saturday, following the failure of the White Rat strike movement and its discontinuance in New York against the Loew circuit last week.

WILTON IN CHICAGO.

Chicago, April 18.
Alf T. Wilton, the New York vaudeville agent, will be here from April 23
to 28, making his headquarters at the
office of James B. McKowen,

PECULIARITY IN CHICAGO.

Chicago, April 18.
Since the calling off the White Rat strike there is complete anathy here so far as the organization is concerned. But activity in another quarter devel-oped late last week, when one-sheets were plastered on the billboards in the nighborhoods of the five formerly af-fected theatres, calling attention to or-ganized labor that the houses were un-fair. The paper posted carries a copy fair. The paper posted carries a copy of the anti-picketing injunction and the names of the theatres. This action was taken by the Chicago Federation of Labor, who regardless of the fact the Rats called off the strike and stated that the five houses were now fair as far as that organization was concerned, evidently intends keeping them un-fair so far as their own jurisdiction

Goes.

That the labor people should have the labor people should have waited until it was generally known that the strike had been called off by the Rats before showing a hand caused surprise, and that it should come at such a time naturally aroused suscicion as the motival.

such a time naturally aroused suspicion as the motive.

Early this week the labor posting had been covered over, as it had in all cases been "sniped." The managers at the various houses in the neighborhoods where the posting was done, say that the type was so small that only those close to labor circles knew or cared anything about it. cared anything about it.

It now seems up to the stage hands, musicians and operators to get together and compel the C. F. L. to cease further action. Just by what mental processes the labor officials can persist in stating the houses unfair when union labor has always been employed throughout and there is now no differlabor ences of opinion regarding the status of the actors, is a mystery and it naturally leads to suspicion of the mo-tive. The house employees will prob-ably follow the lead of those in St. Louis, where the stage hands, musicians and operators have applied to the Central Trades and Labor Union to have the Grand removed from the unfair list.

Wednesday night last week was the finis of the Rats "own show" at the old Columbia, it being announced by a sign outside that the further showing would be discontinued. It was re-ported the gross takings on the Sunday previous were exactly \$11.20.

St. Louis, April 18.

There was concerted action of the stage hands, musicians and operators here late last week, a joint recommendation having been made to the Central Trade and Labor Union to have the Grand removed from the unfair list, since the White Rats had called off the strike and declared the house fair.

It is understood the labor officials are in full accord with the motion and favorable action is expected this week. The only other affected house near here was Erber's in East St. Louis, and

that was declared fair first by the labor unions and then by the Rats when it was seen that there was no chance to

STRIKF PEACE MEETING.

Oklahoma City, April 18. Members of the union stage hands, operators, musicians and White Rats have been instructed by their officers here to meet with members of the Oklahoma Theatre Managers' Association tomorrow (Thursday) to make an effort to adjust the difficulties which resulted in a strike of the so-called quadruple alliance last June and which since has been in progress.

There is a probability of the strike being adjusted, at least for the time being, according to statements of the managers and strikers tonight.

George Pantzer of the Two Georges has gone into the cleaning and dyeing. business.

"PLAY LOYAL ACTS" IS ORDER OF **VAUDEVILLE MANAGERS' SOCIETY**

Instructions Sent All Managers—Loyal Acts to Be Taken Care of First. Manager Says Advice to Acts Regarding Future Conduct Very Timely.

A notification sent out by the Vaude-ville Managers' Protective Association last Saturday said, in part: "Play-

last Saturday Said, in part. Liay loyal acts."

While this was the only information obtainable regarding the instructions, which undoubtedly bore upon the distributions. which industriely both upon the discontinuance of the recent strike by the White Rats, it is said there was an injunction contained in the letter to strictly observe the "blacklist" until further advised by the V. M. P. A.

A large number of "blacklisted" acts

were reported sorely disappointed to find the vaudeville field was not open to them after the abandonment of the strike. These acts had been assured, it was said by the leaders they had followed, that they could obtain work, but were not informed where they could obtain it, and looking about themselves found no V. M. P. A. booking man who would lend a willing ear to their

One of the booking men said the advice in VARIETY's editorial last week for blacklisted acts to conduct themselves in the future in accordance with the turn in events if they wished to secure reinstatement was about the best thing for the undesirable turns just now to

follow.

"No question but that there are many "No question but that there are many acts on the undesirable list," continued the booking man, "who could present a plausible excuse, but they all had fair warning and it's not going to be so easy for them. Other acts were loyal and we shall stick to them. The undesirable acts may work their way back, but they must first convince us by their but they must first convince us by their conduct that their excuses of having had the matter misrepresented to them are true. We have our own ways of finding out those things, the same as we had of securing other information while the trouble was on, and the unfriendly acts will learn that in the fu-ture as they did in the past."

JUST ANNOYING.

Albany, April 18.

Assemblyman Schuyler M. Meyer yesterday introduced a resolution to investigate the United Booking Offices and other booking agencies. He made the startling allegation that "some theatrical booking agencies in New York do more of a white slave business than anything else."

The resolution charges that the United Booking Offices is the dominant factor in the Vaudeville Managers' Protective Association, the Vaudeville Collection Agency and the National Vaudeville Artists, Inc., and the resolution declares this is "a conspiracy and subterfuce to evade the general business fuge to evade the general business law

The resolution asks for a committee of three Senators and five Assembly-men to make an investigation and frame remedial legislation.

The United Booking Offices Wednesday sent their counsel, Maurice Good-man, to Albany to see what was back of the remarkable outburst and issued statement, a portion of which is as

"It is only fair to recall that in a recent affidavit, asking for an injunction, President FitzPatrick of the White Rats Actors' Union said: 'I of my own personal knowledge know that in its treatment of women the said United Booking Offices are almost irreproachable, and I have expressed both in speech and writing the above state-

In New York the bill was looked upon as an attempted annoyance as an aftermath of the White Rats' strike

N. V. A. CARDS NECESSARY.

The Vaudeville Managers' Protective Association this week again notified its managers that, after Monday next, it must be ascertained by each theatre whether all of the acts upon its bill are carrying paid up membership cards in the National Vaudeville Artists for the April 1 dues the April 1 dues.

The N. V. A. this week decided to

hold its annual performance on a Saturday, this time to avoid any conflict with the Sunday performance law. The show will take place at the Metropoli-tan opera house May 18 or 25.

McINTOSH OFFICE DISCONTINUED.

The Hugh McIntosh New York offices in the Strand theatre building will be discontinued the end of this month, at which time Robert E. Catley, the general manager, will store the furniture and sail from San Francisco May 9 on the "Makura" for Australia.

It is the intention of the McIntosh interests to discontinue the office for

the summer, reopening at a new loca-

tion in October.

All of the American bookings up to that time have been made by Mr. Catley, with any additions to be made handled by Norman Jefferies in Philadel-

Ada Reeve, the English music hall star, opened Monday in Melbourne, at the head of her vaudeville road show of eight acts. Miss Reeve will make a tour of the Rickard theatres (McIntosh). The English star made a tour of Australia in 1914, heading the vaudeville bills, but not conducting her own company. During her last trip there she played eight weeks in Mel-

LOEW'S, BIRMINGHAM OPENS.

Birmingham, Ala., April 18.
The Bijou, now a Loew Circuit theatre, opened Monday with a five-act bill and feature picture. Marcus Loew was here for the first performance.
This stand is no other link in the new teach in the first performance.

This stand is another link in the rap-This stand is another link in the rapidly growing chain of Loew Southern houses. It, like the others, is under the general direction of Loew's Southern representative, E. A. Schiller, with Frank Weis resident manager of the Bijou. The Loew admission scale, 10, 15, 25 cents, is in effect.

MANAGERS WATCHING GIRL ACTS.

The fact that the producers of a number of small time girl acts are in the habit of obtaining the basic plots for their offerings from the current comedy or farce hits in the legitimate houses having been brought home to the minds of the legitimate managers has caused them to start a movement toward tabbing the small time productions for infringements.

Several weeks ago one of the scouts of the managers looking over possible material for productions in small time houses ran across one of the acts that had almost lifted bodily the idea of a comedy and had interpolated numbers.

Ray Cox opens on the Orpheum Circuit April 23 at Winnipeg.

V. M. P. A. PERMANENT.

An important matter to vaudeville is the conclusion of the members of the Vaudeville Managers' Protective Asso-. ciation to continue that organization, holding it to its full strength and activ-

Pat Casey, who is reported under contract to the V. M. P. A., will take charge of the building up process and act as the general representative of the Association, as he has been doing in the past. Mr. Casey has laid out several plans in connection with the V. M. P. A. and vaudeville. These will be worked out, the Association meanwhile maintaining its full staff.

While heretofore many individual

movements were undertaken by sepa-rate circuits when affecting themselves, it is understood that in the future numberless orders will be sent out under the signature of the V. M. P. A., upon committees recommending the orders or some circuit representative at a V. M. P. A. meeting advancing an acceptable suggestion that deals with the en-

tire vaudeville proposition.

The Vaudeville Managers' Protective Association has presented a solid front in its membership, without a defection, and made its strength so evident it has received letters from all over the country, written mostly by theatrical man-agers who have accepted it as the mana-gerial fountain head of the varieties, asking questions more or less relating

to vaudeville matters.

The Association was organized about four years ago, but was inactive for a period. It is self-supporting through dues and assessments. In the recent vaudeville troubles the V. M. P. A. assumed extraordinary charges of every kind contracted or imposed upon any theatre of its membership.

T. M. A. BENEFIT.

The annual benefit of the Theatrical Mechanics' Association (Lodge No. 30) of Brooklyn will be held at the Brooklyn Academy of Music May 9. Those announced for the program up to date include Frederick Warde, Nella Brown and Claire E. Gillespie, the latter two opera stars. The balance of the bill will be supplied by the United Book-

ling Offices.

Lodge 30 has in its ranks a number of members who have already enlisted in the United States army and navy. These will be carried on the books of the organization without dues throughout the period of the war and in the event of injury will be cared for by

the organization.

KEOGH'S \$50,000 SUIT.

Papers were served this week upon

Papers were served this week upon several of the defendants in an action brought by Edwin Keogh and Helen Nelson in the U. S. Circuit Court asking \$50,000 damages.

The defendants named are members of the Vaudeville Managers' Protective Association and include all of the prominent circuits of that managerial organization. The complaint alleges organization. The complaint alleges Keogh and Nelson (who are a vaude-ville act) have not appeared in any of the theatres operated by the defend-ants since November 18, 1916. The complaint was verified March 16

last. It is of many printed pages, reciting the usual facts in an action of this sort. It was served with the 4

A. I. U.'S BALL.

And the Actors' International Union of America, the organization of which Harry DeVeaux is president, will hold its 23d annual reception and ball at the New Star Casino on Lexington avenue and 107th street, Saturday, April 21.

Invitations The Actors' International Union of

Invitations are being distributed by the organization. James L. Barry is in charge of the entertainment committee

W. & V.'s FLUSHING THEATRE.

Wilmer & Vincent, Inc., has purchased, through the real estate firm of Nelson, Lee & Green, from five dif-Broadway and Main street, Flushing, Long Island, for the erection of a theatre to seat 3,000. The gross area covers approximately 54,000 square-feet and the price is understood to be \$150,000. On its front there will be an apartment and business block. Work is to be commenced almost

immediately and the new theatre will be ready for occupancy by next fall.

COUNT DE BEAUFORT HERE.

Count de Beaufort has returned to New York, after acting as a war cor-respondent with the French forces at

the front.
The Count called on William Morris Tuesday and a theatrical engagement may ensue. The titled foreigner was last heard of on this side when marrying one of the Kilgallon girls in Chi-

LIEUT. TINNEY OF THE NAVY.

Philadelphia, April 18.
At the Philadelphia Navy Yard is
Lieut. Joseph Tinney, regularly at-

The Lieutenant is a brother of Frank Tinney and was once of the Tinney Brothers in vaudeville.

EDWARDS SELLS SONG HIT.

Gus Edwards has sold his latest song hit to Remick & Co., and once more retired from the music publishing business.

MORRISEY IN STOCK.

Will Morrisey is to desert vaudeville and will enact the principal comedy roles in the Lyric Light Opera Co. to play a summer stock season at the Providence opera house. He is to be the principal comedian.

Nesbit Playing Two Weeks.
The Evelyn Nesbit-Jack Clifford act will play two weeks at its former salary, \$2,000 a week, opening at the Orpheum, Brooklyn, April 23, and the next week at the Bushwick.
After that it is said Miss Nesbit will demand an increase in salary to continue in vaudeville.

Leaves Show for Vaudeville.

Adele Rowland will quit "Her Soldier
Boy" tomorrow night and Monday will
open at the Palace. In the musical
comedy the Rowland role is to be taken
by Mariorie Gasean. No reason was by Marjorie Gateson. No reason was forthcoming at the Shubert office for Miss Rowland's decision to step into vaudeville.

AMETA.

The pictures on this week's cover are those of Ameta, the famous Parisian

mirror dancer.

Miss Ameta's ability and grace as a dancer, coupled with her gorgeous and costly wardrobe, has made her the world's foremost mirror dancer.

Her costumes are all magnificent, in particular a silver cloth gown, the materials for which it is now impossible to obtain in America. Miss Ameta, anticipating this situation, imported the silver cloth just as war was declared.

Her opening number (new) is most artistic and graceful, being a combination of the Spanish and Hawaiian. She still retains the butterfly number in her still retains the butterfly number in her repertoire, and is the only modern dancer who can successfully manipulate the floating wings while performing the intricate steps of the dance.

Ameta will appear at the Alhambia, New York, next week (April 23), and the other New York Keith houses in the following order: Riverside, Bushwick, Orpheum and Colonial.

Her tour is directed by H. B. Mari-

Her tour is directed by H. B. Mari-

CABARETS

The Palais Royal in the "Fritzi Scheff Revue" has put on the most pretentious restaurant show New York has yet seen, of the strictly cabaret type (which, of course, does not include the ice exhibition at Healy's). The Palais Koyal at Broadway and 48th street is Paul Salvain's newest restaurant. It opened Monday night. Miss Scheff is the star attraction, but surrounding her is what would be called a "big show," having many vaudeville acts, besides a dozen chorus girls who get \$30 weekly each, and a symphony orchestra of 15 musicians led by August Kleinecke, Miss Scheff's musical director for some years. The Scheff portion of the program is four numbers with a few pitch. gram is four numbers, two of which have the choristers for aid, while she also appears in the two large ensembles, opening and finale, these being the best produced numbers of the show. The allegorical finale has been particularly well done and easily leads any revue number yet seen. The absence of any novelty in the show can not help but be noted by the regulars who will appreciate the expensiveness of this production, in itself and the salary list. The chorus has been elaborately costumed for the few numbers they appear in. If the chorus had been given more to handle the whole would have gone to a far better result, but it's quite likely that when a star of the Scheff name is given the preference in salary and position, the same conditions will exist in a cabaret as in a musical comedy. The program says the performance is under the direction of George Anderson, who is Miss Scheff's husband. David Bennet produced and staged the show, however, on the same authority, and since Mr. Bennet's connection with the Princess theatre shows has unequiv ocally told what he can do, with the finale here to assert a claim for itself, if there are holes in the revue's rouif there are holes in the revue's rou-tine, the fault will have to be further searched for. But one glaring mistake was so easily felt no one needed to in-vestigate. There are too many men in this performance. Restaurant audi-ences do not want men, they want women, the more the better and the less they wear, also. At the finale when some of the girls appeared in short skirts the diners approved immediateskirts, the diners approved immediately. At other times the diners kept right on dining while the acts were on. Respectful attention was given Miss Scheff, but in a restaurant she is but a curio, and as the Palais Royal is paying for her name and getting it, there's but little else that could be said. One hit of the show that ran 75 minutes with a short intermission were Dore and with a short intermission were Dore and Cavanaugh, the modern dancers, who did a tango. Alfred Latell in his dog specialty (billed as "Fritzi") aroused light applause. Gene Greene, who appeared Monday night, asked to be excused Tuesday. Santly and Norton may have made the same plea by this time. The failure of both these acts in a cabaret is surprising. The arrangement of the room or acoustics might be attributed in part at least, but it goes attributed in part at least, but it goes back to the same thing, a restaurant crowd wants women. West and Gladcrowd wants women. West and Gladings from "Pinkie" in vaudeville glided by without a disturbance, although the boy's voice carried. About the liveliest number was Miss Scheff's "Buzzing the Bee," which had as accompanists the Four Entertainers, all men, from vaudeville, and in this show wearing ruffled shirts in evening dress that cost the house \$175 each, but made the boys look like foreign butlers. The Four Entertainers in their act could do no more than the other men. La Sylphe in dances drew a little attention, but the absent pep by this time had become too noticeable, and even the waiters seemed ready to yell, "Jazz er up." "Egypt." led by Miss Scheff, was the first part ending. After the show proper Earl Fuller's orchestra, a special

combination for the Palais, furnished the dance music, allowing the sympho-nists to leave and if they should not re-turn with the Fuller orchestra playing the entire show, that wouldn't injure the performance either. Sam Lewis and Joe Young are billed as the lyric writ-ers, with Ted Snyder, the musical com-poser, having Kleinecke also billed for poser, having Kleinecke also billed for special music, probably for the finale. Mr. Salvain has accomplished a miracle in the transformation of the former dreary looking "Arena" into one of the handsomest restaurants in New York. The colors are cerise and gold. Along the Broadway side is a series of boxes, with the entrance for the artists down a flight of stairs at the extreme south a flight of stairs at the extreme south end. This is a neat idea, serving well for the opening number. "Broadway." which is a minuet that gives Miss Scheff when she appears an opportunity to practice all her old comic opera movements, but this bit is quite slow for a beginning. The Palais Royal has plenty of time to reshape the show, for the place will draw meanwhile, and Mr. Salvain who has been disciplated. vain, who has been directing the many revues at Rector's, will soon have the wants. A cover charge of one dollar is made at the supper time, no cover charge for dinner. Two performances

The Justine Johnstone Club caused a little stir in the inner circle of theatricals during the past week. in the "Oh Boy" company in the "Oh Boy" company is peeved because they could not have a club of their own and therefore the Princess is to have a "Souper Club" all its own and it is to be known as Marion Davis's "La Petite Souper Club" The membership is to be restricted to 100 members and the club fee will be \$100. The lounge of the Princess theatre is to be converted so as to accommodate the gathering, to meet nightly at mid-night. The Johnstone Club has sent invitations to all of the managers who



DORALDINA.

Who once again has introduced a novelty in dances to New York.

Nightly at Doraldina's Montmartre, the creative Doraldina is presenting a stries of American Indian dances, conceived by herself, as well as the decorations for the Indian Room Doraldina now dances in.

Doraldina's famous Hawaiian dance has been retained in the Doraldina dance program.

have been booking through the Shubert office and they are invited to attend. The idea is that after attending once they will have mailed them a bill for \$50 for the membership fee. The managers are ducking the issue.

Cabaret bookings this week by Billy Curtis included Rita Zalamini, Mlle. Tarasoff, Two Romanos, Miss Know-Tarasoff, Two Romanos, Miss Knowland (Rector's); Fanny Gordon, Ethel Du Beau (Marlborough); Leonia Gurney, Florence Casper (Lorber's); Lucille Cummings, Irene Clark (Henking Hotel, Springfield); Bill Holowa's Hawaiian Orchestra (New Haven, Conn.); Dancing De Veres (Martinique, Atlantic City); John Murray Anderson, Miss Perot (Palais Royal); Miss Carmen (Parisienne); Carroll Sisters, Arthur Madden Revue (Fleishmann's); Mykoff and Vanity (Beaux Arts, Atlantic City). tic City).

Rector's will have a new revue in the ballroom about May I. Kimmey and Hall, who formerly danced at Rector's and of late have been at the Martinique, Atlantic City, will be the dancers of the Atlantic City, will be the dancers of the new revue, supplanting in the Rector's ballroom Dore and Cavanagh, who are now at the Palais Roval. The Adirondack Supper Club, under the direction of John Murray Anderson and Miss Perot, will operate in the Palais Royal as the night club. Dore and Cavanagh will also appear in "The Widows" show when that opens on Broadway, April 30.

James J. Mead has leased the Brighton Beach Casino for a term of years from the Robinson Amusement Co. and will bid for patronage through special repicurean features rather than through a theatrical performance. Mr. Mead managed the restaurant of the Crescent Athletic Club, Brooklyn, for nine years.

A taxpayer's action was argued in Part 1 of the Supreme Court before Judge Leo Giegerich last week in an effort to have the liquor license of the Cocoanut Grove, atop the Century theatre, revoked on the grounds liquor was being sold in a building that was located within 200 feet of a school. George W. Wickersham argued the case on behalf of the taxpayers. The court took the matter under advise-ment, adjourning the case until Tues-day next, when the counsels are to submit proofs.

The one o'clock closing rule to be-come effective May 1 in New York will have the effect of hitting the cabaret re-vues a rather hard blow. Wednesday there was considerable discussion about town regarding the steps the cabaret men who are giving big shows would take. The general opinion was that the shows would for the greater part be cut down. The Midnight Frolic and the Cocoanut Grove shows are to start at 11:30 after that date, so that the full performance can be given by the closing hour.

Charlotte, the ice-skating star, is in Chicago, and will soon start rehearsals for the ice ballet which is to feature Terrace Gardens, the new cafe at the Hotel Morrison. Contractors have again disappointed the management and the date for the opening of Terrace Gardens is now set for June 1. Charlotte, however, is under contract beginning May 1, her weekly salary being \$2,000. She has agreed to take half salary for the first four weeks.

Flo Stanley is at the Terrace Garden,

Cut Rates at Picture Houses. In an effort to attract additional business, several of the picture houses

on the east side of the town have taken to the cut-rate coupon system. are distributing the coupons broadcast at subway and elevated stations. The holder of the ticket receives, on the payment of an additional nickel, admission to any of the matinee per-

WHALEN WON'T AID FUND.

Louisville, April 18.

The members of "The Record Breakers" are indignant over the action of James Whalen, of the Buckinghorn theatre, in refusing his consent to allow a collection to be taken from the audience in aid of the actors' fund.

The company has been very active in other cities, and has turned in quite a large sum of money, which they had hoped to swell materially in Louisville.

Mr. Whalen not only refused his consent to a collection, but also prohibited the sale of flowers in the lobby.

NO FLAG ON DANCERS.

Columbus, O., April 18.
The Elias J. Beers Women's Relief
Corps has resolved that dancers in bur-

Corps has resolved that dancers in burlesque shows should not use the American flag for drapery.

This action was taken because, they said, a dancer at a local theatre was desecrating the Stars and Stripes.

The dancer was one of the "Tango Girls" playing the Lyceum.

AMERICAN'S OFFICIAL CLOSING.

The official ending of the American wheel season occurs this week, with eight of the circuit's shows closing. The American office is booking two supplementary weeks, optional with the

traveling managers.

COLUMBIA'S ANNUAL MEET. June 7 is the date for the annual meeting of the officers and directors of the Columbia Amusement Co.

"Frolic" Injunction Permanent. The temporary injunction granted Flo Ziegfeld, Jr., against the Harry Hastings Amusement Co., Nov. 3, 1916, restraining it from using the name "Midnight Frolic" or any imitation thereof, was made permanent in a ruling by Justice Edward R. Finch, in the Supreme Court, April 10.

Terre Haute's Good Season. Terre Haute, April 18.
The "Monte Carlo Girls" close

Terre Haute's burlesque season April

15.
The season was the first for a number of years and a financial success.

"My Yiddisha Butterfly" is a new song published by Witmark, which Willie Howard used at the Winter Garden Sunday night.

THE ADOLF PHILIPP THEATRE now called THE BANDBOX



Any information regarding the renting of The Bandbox Theatre on East Fifty-seventh Street, New York City, for the coming season (now occupied by Messrs. Urban and Ordynski) can only be obtained by addressing Mr. Paul Philipp, care Adolf Philipp Co., Yorkville Theatre, Inc. Offices 1511 Third Ave., room 407, New York.



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Quiet has emerged from the recent Quet has emerged from the recent vaudeville trouble, with its gross misrepresentation and deception for the artists loyal to the White Rats. A great many of these artists were loyal out of principle, which would explain much, but how many ever stood to have the lies fed weekly and appeared to believe them will forever remain a mystery. However, if hereafter artists of merit wish to follow the same leadership—and if they do they must indeed be mad—let them investigate before sacrificing themselves.

With vaudeville normal once again, the future is to be considered. The artists should consider it for themselves. They need an organization. We always believed in that, but an organization properly officered and one that can accomplish something for them, not against them. We don't believe in the selfish one-man organization that is agitated and carried along for the benefit of one man or set of men, to the detriment of all working artists in the profession.

The vaudeville managers, members of the Vaudeville Managers' Protective Association, have their share in the future. Now is the time for the vaude-ville managers to houseclean. They have discovered, or should have, that it is much nicer and more inexpensive to work with the artists on an un-derstanding than to incur trouble through neglect. For it is really nothing but neglect on the part of the managers, of course always excepting those few managers who should never have been managers any more than some actors should never have chosen the

The vaudeville manager does not always remember that what is unimporways remember that what is unimpor-tant to him may be of vast importance to the artist involved. The artist deals only with himself. Himself is his stock in trade. The manager deals with them all. A difference with an act is but an incident in his daily routine, while to the artist it may be everything.

This is where two organizations, on of managers and the other of artists, can move smoothly by working together. These are the differences they can adjust, without ruffling either side, provided the artist and the manager have confidence in the mediators.

The artist does not want to antagonize the manager. That is an opinion created by the agitator. The working artist wants to work all he can, to play artist wants to work all he can, to play his engagements, keep his contracts, perform his work to the best of his ability, and the artist wants the manager to do the same. When the manager does this there will be no trouble with the working artist. The act not working will always complain, probably, but that cannot be prevented. Where the supply is double the demand it's a condition that will never right itself until the supply conforms with the demand. That may arrive sooner or later, probably later, for rive sooner or later, probably later, for it will require a long while to convince many actors vaudeville has no

permanent place for them, and it may take longer to have amateurs understand a vaudeville career is a hazard-ous one. But with small time developing into big time, picture houses not accepting everything that is offered and even cabarets becoming particular as to talent employed, the surfeit of new material that vaudeville has had to en-dure for five years will also reach normal before long.

Meanwhile the managers can best help themselves and the artist in internal vaudeville by giving the actor the consideration his due. The V. M. F. A. has made certain promises to the Na-tional Vaudeville Artists. These should be fulfilled at the earliest possible moment. The managers went beyond the requests of the N. V. A. They volunteered certain reforms, and these as far as we have observed have been fairly well lived up to, considering the many other matters occupying managers' attention in the recent past. But summer, the two organizations, the V. M. P. A. and N. V. A., should reach a thorough understanding, work in conjunction and in sympathy, have a plan of operation that will take care of and adjust all matters that may arise between the two sides, and with the opening of the season next fall perhaps vaudeville will have reached, through being on a friendly basis, that condition of justice and equality in dealings that was once thought to be visionary and ideal as between the two factions. We hope so and believe it is possible, but both must act in perfectly good faith, be fair to one another, and have vaude-wills proceed in its workings in good ville proceed in its workings in good fellowship. It is going to make it easier. The artist won't think the manager has an axe, and the manager will change his opinion about the artist always carrying a grouch against managerial interests.

The National Vaudeville Artists, ane National Vaudeville Artists, formed accidentally almost, it might be said, and having the support of the managers from its inception, now looks to be the real organization of the artist. The N. V. A. is an artist's organization nativities the properties of the said organization, notwithstanding mana-gerial support. That the N. V. A. has the managers with it is more to be desired than to have them against it, but the N. V. A. by the very force of its large membership of artists must be wholly for the artist.

The reports spread about "the managers' organization," as the N. V. A. was termed in its early days, don't seem to matter much, if it accomplishes what to matter much, it it accomplishes what the artists want—protection and fair dealing. The N. V. A. no more than "The Closed Shop" can guarantee work to any act. Even the V. M. P. A., the managers' society, can't do that. It is up to the individual manager, the circuit manager or the booking man. But the N. V. A. and the V. M. P. A. can promote among artists and managers something neither has ever yet secured, a mutual friendliness that will disperse all the little troublous matters that beget larger ones, and leave vaudeville what it should be, a moneymaking institution for the artists and the managers, without interference by one against the other.

Let the past take care of itself. That has gone forever. It's the future. This can be done by unity between the two organizations that will bring out expressions of good will, to eventually find a condition where the fewness of the grievances either the artist or the managers will present an arbitration board wili be surprisingly small, for in that situation managers and artists will quickly adjust disputes and dif-ferences without appeal to either body. And when that day arrives it will be found that the artists are attempting to eliminate the undesirable artist from regular vaudeville at the same time the regular manager is trying to regulate the irregular and irresponsible manager, the two organizations working to-

gether on these points being able to bring out about that result. There is nothing in vaudeville that should be done that two friendly societies, one of artists and the other of managers, can not do. Now let's see them do it. It's up to the managers and the artists. Let them both make good them both make good.

Next week will be Anniversary Week at Loew's Delancey St.

Charles B. Dillingham has gone to French Lick Springs.

Joe Levy, of the Mark Levy office, leit today (Friday) for Chicago.

Marc Klaw has left for the Pacific Coast, to be gone about eight weeks.

"The Girlies' Gambol" with Margaret Irving closed last week.

The Selwyns have accepted a new farce by Fred Jackson and will try it out in July.

Bert Swor has signed with the Shuberts and is to appear in a production next season.

Edythe Strickland, the Chicago modiste, arrived in New York this week for a brief business trip.

August Dreyer, the theatrical attorney, has removed his downtown law offices to the Fitzgerald Building.

Harry Halbert, a former professional dancer, sailed this week on a cattle boat to join the French aerial forces.

Clark Ross and Harry Reiners of the International Circuit office have formed a producing and agency partnership. Ben Sugarman has been appointed general manager for the firm.

"Come Out of the Kitchen" will close its season at the Cohan May 5 and leaves for the Coast the following day.

Gladys Sears will head the burlesque stock opening at the Trocadero, Philadelphia, next month.

The Standard, the combination house at 90th street and Broadway, has discontinued its Sunday vaudeville con-

Fay's Theatre, Providence, will be booked by the Sheedy office commenc-ing Monday. The house will play eight acts a full week.

Arrived in San Francisco on the "Sierra," April 9, Robert DeMont Trio, Dura and Judge, Dorothy Harris, The Littlejohns, Allen Doone, Edna Keeley.

Arrangements have been completed whereby Paul Murray, the London agent, will act as the English representative for M. S. Bentham, and vice versa.

"The Love Mill" was due to open in Syracuse Thursday. It plays a week in Detroit and then goes to the Illinois, Chicago, for a run. The piece was staged by J. H. Benrimo.

William K. Hamilton wrote the book and Dayton Payne the music of "The Other Fellow's Girl," a musical comedy produced for a five nights' run at the Grand, Terre Haute, by the local lodge of Elks.

Luke Wilson (Wilson Brothers), 72 years of age and unable to follow his profession as an acrobat, will be the beneficiary of an entertainment at the lodge room of New York Lodge. O. Elks, on the evening of April 28.

"So Long Letty" will play a return engagement in Los Angeles shortly— two years after its initial production in that city. The original company is routed until next April. A second company is now in rehearsal.

George Hallaby has transferred his interests in the Life theatre, Meriden, Conn., to S. Z. Poli, who will add the house to his New England vaudeville theatres. Hallaby is reported to have lost \$1,500 in the past three months in the project.

M. Howard Cohane (Howard, Morse and Cohane) has canceled bookings in Canada, Mr. Morse having enlisted in the Canadian army. Mr. Cohane is arranging with Billy Faye to start next season as Cohane and Faye.

Arthur Hammerstein has placed in rehearsal a company in "De Luxe Annie," a dramatization of a story which appeared in the Saturday Evening Post. The piece is a comedy drama. A music publisher and Lee Shubert are reported having an interest in it.

"Canary Cottage" has been produced in Australia by Hugh Ward and ad-vices say the production has won de-cided favor. Mr. Ward is now on his way to this country, where he will join his wife in New York and will then sail for England, where he is to produce "So Long Letty." Both pieces were originally produced in this country by Giver Morosco.

The opening date for Edgar Mac-Gregor's production of "Friend Mar-tha" has been set for August 13 at the Booth. The piece is a comedy by Edthat has been set for August to at the Booth. The piece is a comedy by Edward Peple, which has undergone two tryout periods, the notices being fine on both occasions, but owing to the fact it was impossible for a New York theatre to be obtained the final production mad deferred. tion was deferred.

The Interstate Circuit vaudeville The Interstate Circuit vaudeville theatres in the south will remain open six weeks longer than usual, the houses ending their season commencing with the road show playing Dallas May 6, that bill closing each theatre as it finishes the week's engagement. The Grand, Galveston, its first season with Interstate bookings, closes a successful run of vaudeville April 21.

Elsie Reisenberger, private secretary to J. J. Murdock of the United Booking Offices, returned to her work Monday, after an absence from the booking offices for two months. Miss Reisenberger went into the Polyclinic Hospital, New York, to remain there ten days to recover from a slight operation, and was in the hospital five weeks.

The remainder of the time was spent at her home in Union Hill, N. G. or N. J.

There may be two organizations on tour next season playing "The Bird of Paradise," under the joint direction of Oliver Morosco and Richard Walton Tully. One will play Canadian territory exclusively, while the other will cover the States again. Although the show has been out the root for every show has been on the road for seven seasons, none of the smaller Canadian cities have been visited. It is the intention to route the company across the continent over the northern line.

George Wilson, the veteran minstrel, now 72 years of age and appearing twice daily in "The Big Show" at the Hippodrome, walked in the first line of the Hippodrome parade Thursday morning last week. As the parade was about to start, the Hippodrome management informed Mr. Wilson an auto had been provided for him. "No machine for me," replied Mr. Wilson. "I'm going to march right behind Sousa's going to march right behind Sousa's Band."

Hyams and McIntyre, now in vaude-ville, are asking the New York City Court to award them \$2,000 in dailages against the Perry J. Kelly Co., which had sut "The Home Town Girl," with the couple as the stars at \$500 weekly, 30 weeks a season being guaranteed them. The show closed in February last. No new play was submitted as per a contractual provision, hence the action Hyams and McIntyre's attorney, Nathan Burkan, has brought against

BILLS NEXT WEEK (APRIL 23)

In Vaudeville Theatres

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(All houses open for the weck with Monday matines, when not otherwire indicated.)

Theatres listed as "Orpheum" without any further distinguishing description are on the Orpheum Circuit. Theatres with "S-0" and "A-B-C" following same (usually "Empress") are on the Sullivan-Considine-Affiliated Booking Company Circuit.

Agencies booking the houses are noted by single name or initials, such as "Orph," Orpheum Circuit—"U B O," of noted Booking Offices—"W V M A," "Western Vaudeville Managers' Association (Chicago)—"Pp Natages Circuit—"D N," Nixon-Nirdlinger.

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Paul Dickey Co
Dugan & Maymond
Leo Beers
Bert Meirose
Bernie & Baker
Apdate & Animals
COLONIAL (ubo)
Andrew Mack

Andrew Mack Nina Payne Co C & F Usher Lillian Shaw

C & F Usher
Lillian Shaw
Andy Rice
Tennessee 10
Reed & Wright Girls
"Patria" (nim)
(One to fil)
ALHAMBIRA (ubo)
(Early Syrg Festival)
Hughes Musical 8
Weber & Home
8 Hobs
Lewis & Fletcher
Lambert & Bail
Jos Hernard Co
Ameta
The Sharrocks
Carus & Comer
Dooley & Salea
ROYAL (ubo)
Eddie Leonard Co
Claire Vincent Co
Jones & Elisine
Arthur Havel Co
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Mabel Russell Co
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(One to fill)
H O H (ubo)
2d half (10-22)
4 Southern Cirls
Glimore & Castle
E & E Adair
Mae West
J Ward & Girls
Jimmy Lucas Co
4 Meyakos
1st half (23-25)
Monde & Ssile
Sa Hera Co
Ward & Faye
Ruby Carelle Co
Orth & Dooley
Bill Bones Co
(Two to fill)
5TH AVE
(ubo)
2d half (10-22)
Reynolds & White
Thornton & Thornton
Claire Vincent Co
Willie Solar
Burley & Burley
P J White Co

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Carl McCullough
Heider & Backer
Boston Cadettes
1st half (23-25)
The Brightons
Mr & Mrs Aillion
Geo Damreel Co
Irwin & Henry
Basha Pisrtor
125TH ST (ubo)
2d half (19-22)

Sasha Plartor

123TH ST (ubo)
2d baif (19-22)
Vide Troupe
Vide Troupe
Conrov & Donnelly
Tom Davies Co
Elinore & Cariton
"Memories"
Linton & Lawrence
"Consul"
1st half (23-25)
Frederick Simms
Hugh Herbert Co
3 Avolos
Scims Brastz
Ed Dowling
Bon Voyase
(One to fill)
58TH ST (ubo)
2d baif (19-22)
Adelaide & Hazel
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Nolan & St Clair
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Victor Morley Co
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"Ankles"
S Vagrants
The Valadons
LINCOLN (loew)
McClure & Doily
Kuight & Carlisie
Wahl & Curtis Bros
Mary's Day Out
Chas L Fletcher
6 Serenaders

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Roberto
Barnes & Robinson
Elsie White
"Shot at Sunrise"
Morris & Allen
TTH AVE (loew)
B & L Walton
Walton & Delberg
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The Bribe
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2d half 3 Ruby Giris Rives & Harrison Pissno & Bingham Harry Fern Co Josephine Davis GREELEY (loew) The Lowrys Basebail 4 Fairman & Ferrol Bowery Camilie Julian Rose John & Oille Vaniss (One to fill) 2d half The Sylphonos B & L Walton Kitty Flynn Marr's Day Out Beil & Freda "School Giris" DELANCEY (loew) 4 Casters Dixle "Man in Dark" Barnes & Robinson Cadeta & Gascoyne "School Girls" (One to fill) 2 Brownies Borsini Tr C'Connor Sisters Neil McKiniey "New Producer" Knight & Carlisle Richard Waily (One to fill) NATIONAL (loew)

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Jack Wilson 3
2d haif
Dancing Demons
Howard & Hurst
Bert Howard
The Punch
Jack Wilson 3
ORPHEUM (loew)
Dancing Demons
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3 Vagrants
"Shot at Sunrise"
Ruth Rove
Fern Richileu & F
2d haif
Kenney & LaFrance
Ward & Subbert
d Serenaders
Ruth Roye
"Man in Dark"
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O'Connor & Disagram

BOULEVARD (locw)

March & Howard

Mischalte Pest

"All Wrone"

Moran & Wheeler

Roberto Co

2d half

"Clure & Dolly

2d half McClure & Dolly Fairman & Ferol The Bribe

Rorair Ward & F
Roberts Stewart & R
AVE B (loew)
Harry Fisher Co
Stewart & Lewis
Jane Eliton Co
Lady Suda Noy
"Holiday Dixieland"
2d haif
Hufford & Rose
Baseball &
Laurie Ordway
Musicai Spillers
(Ons to fill)
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Jas J Corbett
Imperial Tr
Georgia Earl Co
Loia Wentworth
Nevins & Erwood
Mr & Mrs Vernon

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Alteena, Pa.
ORPHEUM (ubo)
2d half (26-28)
Fred Corelli Co
7 Little Darlings
B & H Gordon
(Three to fill)

Atlanta
FORSYTHE (ubo)
The McIntyres
Winona Winter
"Honor Thy Children"

dren"
H & E Puck
Girl 1000 Eyes
Jas Cuilen

Kitara Tr GRAND (loew) Wlemers & Burke Elks Trio

Fields & Wells
Kluting's Animals
2d haif
The Fritches
Sully & Arnold
Harry Brooks Co
McMahon & Chapelle
Fratarnity 4

Auburn, N. Y. JEFFERSON (ubo)

JEFFERSON (ubo Mary Donobus The Candidates Adele Archer Co (One to fili) 2d haif Morley & McCarthy

Sis Quakertown Maids Emil Selbers (One to fill)

Janet Ailen Co

Allentown, Pa. ORPHEUM (ubo)

Brooklyn ORPHEUM (ubo) Brocktys
ORPHEUM (ubo)
May Irwin
E B Fontaine Co
Vacuum Cleaners
Chinese Duo
Sylvester & Vance
Beaumont & Arnoid
Ward & Van
Be Ho Gray Co
"Patria" (firm)
BUBHWICK (ubo)
Sam Mann Co
Nat Willis
Harry Carroll
Alien & Howard
Rice & Werner
Scarpioff & Virvarra
Diamond & Daughter
"Patria" (film)
PROSPECT (ubo)
22 haif (19-22)
Sealo

Sealo
Ryan & Riggs
F Granville Co
Quigley & Fitsgerald
E Welch's Min
J & M Burke
Cronin's Novelty
GREENPOINT (ubo)
2d half (19-22)
Aerial Mitchelis
Leighton & Kennedy

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Leighton & Kennedy
Howard Chase Co
Galiarini & Son
Orth & Dooley
"Bon Voyage"
HALSEY (ubo)
2d half (19-22)
Adanac 3
Dorothy Earl
Hiram

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Dorothy Earl
Hiram

H & A Turpin
BIJOU (100w)
The Valadons
Berlini Duo
Edria Ainsley Co
Bert Howard
Victor Moriey Co
Zita Lyons
Merkert & Bondbill
Cadets de Gascoyne
Bowery Camilie
Chas L Fletcher
Rigoletto Bros
DE KALB (100w)
Richard Wally
Howard & Hurst
Rives & Harrison
"Evil Hour"
Roberts Stewart & R
2d haif
Potter & Hartwell
The Lowys
Wahl & Curtis Rese

The Lowrys
Wahi & Curtis Bros

Adria Ainsley Co Adria Ainsiey Co
Julian Rose
Norton & Earle
PALACE (loew)
Elsle White
"Soldier's Wife"
Morris & Allen
6 Mus Spillers

(One to fill)

2d half

Harry Fisher Co

(One to fill)

Amgusta, Ga.
GRAND (ubo)
(Macon split)

'I theif

'Vanity Fair''
MODJESKA (loew)
The Fritches
Suily & Arrold
Harry Brooks Co
McMahon & Chapelie
Fraternity
Fraternity
Jessie Hayward Co
Gray & Graham
Tonetti & Antoinette
Amstin, Tex.
MJESTIC (lnter)
(23-24)
(Same bill playing
Waco 25 and Ft
Worth T-28)
El Ray Sisters
El Ray Sisters
El Ray Sisters 2d baif
Harry Fisher Co
Stewart & Lewis
Little Lord Robert
Lady Suda Noy
(One to fill)
FULTON (loew)
Adion Co
Josephine Davis
Lew Welch Co
Neil McKinley
Norton & Earle
2d baif
LaMont & Wright
Warren & Frost
Hanley Lum & S
J & O Vaniss
(Two to fill)
WARWICK (loew)
Sinzing Types
Little Lord Robert
Belle & Mayo
O'Connor & Dixon
2d baif
Inside Work
Moran & Wheeler
"Hollday Dixieland"
(One to fill)
Albany, N. Y.
PROCTOR'S (ube) Worth 27-28)
Et Ray Sisters
Loney Haskeil
Inez MscCauley Co
Alexander O Sexton
Dorothy Granville
Smith & Austin
The Giadlators

Albany, N. Y.
PROCTOR'S (ubo)
(Troy split)
1st balf

Baltimore, Md. MARYLAND (ubo) "Peacock Alley" "Petticosts"

Emma Stephens Jimmy Lucas Co Scotch Lads & L

"A Case of Pickles

HOWATSON and SWAYBELL LAUGH BROKERS

Cole Russell & D Raymond O'Connor & Readings HIP (loew) Rayno & Hoyt Brown & Barrows Seint & Sinner Willa H Wahefeld 6 Harvards (One to fill)

(One to fill)

Birmingham, Al
LYRIC (ubo)
(Nashville split)
st haif
Fox & Ingraham
Roger Gray Co
"Revue De Vogue"
Parillo & Frabrita
Dufin Redeay Tr

Parillo & Frabrita
Duffin Redcay Tr
Binghamaten, N. Y.
StrOng (ubo)
Sampson & Douglas
Emils Subers
Around Globe
2d haif
Cycling Brunettes
Jack Rose
Adele Archer Co
Birmaingham, Ala,
BIJOU (loew)
Tyler & St Clair
Holden & Herron
Harold Selman Co
Geo Yeoman
Anits Dias Monks
2d haif
Weimers & Burke
Elks Trio
Janet Allen Co
Fields & Wells
Kluting's Animals
Bicemanaten, Ill.
MAJESTIC (wwa) ORPHEUM (ub-Marle Sparrow Moon & Morris Duniey & Merrill Brown's Minstrels (One to fill) 2d half

Kluting's Animals
Bloomington, III.
MAJESTIC (wwa)
J & D Miller
The Lampinis
Jn T Doyle Co
Neal Abel
4 Bards
(One to fill)
2d half
Kay & Belle
McConnell & Simpson
Dixle Harris Co
Herbert-Germaine 8
(One to fill)

Besten
KEITH'S (ubo)
"America First"
Ray Eleanor Ball
Fay 2 Colleys & Fay "Corner Store"
Billy Gould
Bracks
Young & Waldron
Lucy Valmont Co

CRPHEUM (loew)
DelBadle & Jap
J & A Bowen
J K Emmet Co
Weston & Young
Bailard Trio
R C Faulkner
Mayer's Girls
Jum A Mason
John R Gordon Co
Payne & Nesbit
Mayer's Girls
Jim McWilliams
8 Escardos
(One to fill)

S Escardos
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S J JAMES (loew)
Swain's Animals
Payne & Nesbit
Rich-Poor Girl
Jim McWilliams
(One to fil'
2d haif
L & M Jackson
O'Nell & Gallagher
"Case Sherlock"
Arthur Lipson
Sabbott & Wright
Bridgeport, Comm.

Musical Clovers
Natalle Morgan
"Edge of Things"
Hickey Bros
"Circus in Toyland"

"Circus in Toylar
Buffalo
SHEA'S (ubo)
Armand & Z
M Borconi
Milton & De Longs
Fig & Fk Meore
R & & Dooley
H Holman Co

Geo Rosener
"Water Lillies"

OLYMPIC (sun)

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Great Marrs
Mack & Los
"Love in Suburbe"
"At Party"
(One to fill)
LYRIC (sun)

Flying Venus

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LOS ANGELES and SAN FRANCISCO

Shanley and Furness ("Flity-Flity")

Butte. Ment. PANTAGES (p. (27-2)
Bevan Flint Co
Queenle Dunedin Gueenie Dunedin Foley & O'Neii Harlan Knights Co Al Golem Tr.

8 Robins Billie Mullen Ward & Curran 10 Star Kilties

Al Golem Tr.
Calgary
ORPHEUM
Ruth St Dennis Co
Marion Harris
Helsa Pingree Co
Lewis & Horton
King & King
Blasett & Scott
Josle O'Meers
PANTAGES (p)
Alber's Polar Bears
Minnie Allen
10 California Giris
Geo Morton

Geo Morton Willie Hale & Bros

Camden, N. J.
TOWERS (ubo)
2d haif (19-22)
Jack Barnett
Farrell Taylor 3
Scarpioff & Varvara
"Flirtation"

Cauten. O. LYCBUM (ubo) White's Circus Burks & Broderick Musette "Prosperity" Williams & Wolfus Van Baldwin 3 Ceder Rapids, Ia.

Cedar Rapids, It MAJESTIC (wva) (Sunday opening) Carlita & Howland Zeno & Mandell Curley & Weich Wood & Wyde "Movie Kid" 2d haif Home Talent

Home Talent
Champaign, III.
ORPHEUM (wya)
Knute Erickson Co
2d haif
Pero & Wilson
A Nicholson 3
Harry Beresford Co
Geo Lovett Co
Morris Campbell
Charleetem, S. C.
ACADEMY (ubo)
(Columbia split)
let haif
Chas Teagan
Helene Davis
Mercedes Bock Co
Al Shayne
Aerial Shaws
Chattanogen

Chattanoogn
RIALTO (ubo)
(Knoxville split)
1st half
"Girl Worth Wille"

"Girl Worth While"
Chicage
MAJESTIC (orph)
McIntyre & Heath
Pilicer & Douglas
Imhof C & C
Joe Towle
Dahl & Gillen
Chief Capoulican
Valileta's Leopards
"Patria" (film)
PALACE (orph)
Jack Norworth
Avon Comedy 4
Farber "Bisters
H DuKane Trio
Ahearn Troupe
"Fishing"
Frisco Prisco
Pero & Davis
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Prank Hartiey
AMERICAN (wva)
Great Lester
Royal Tokto Tr.
Challis & Lambert
(Two to fill)
Basil & Ailen
Princess Kalama Co
(Three to fill)
AVE (wva)
"Suffragette Rev"
2d haif
Sidney & Townley
Nora Kelly Co
Bernard & Scarth
Princeton 5
(One to fill)
KEDZIE (wva)
Kawana Bros
Mason & Murray
Raymond Bond Co
Rucker & Winifred
Colour Gems
2d haif
The Lampinis
Lew Hoffman
Hayward Stafford Co
Clifford & Mack
(One to fill)
LINCOLN (wva)
Missen Nelson
Jon T Rav Co
Vokes & Hughes
(Two to fill)

Bridgeport, Coma.
POLI'S (ubo)
Finn & Finn
Howard & White
Caroline Canton
"Fashlon a la Carte"

2d haif

2d haif
"Petticoats"
Royal Tokio Tr
Challis & Lambert

(Two to fill)
WILSON (wva) Lew Hoffman Sliver & Duval

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"Petticoats"
Harry Hines
The Seebacks
2d half
Andre Sisters
Curley & Welch
Frosini
Lingerie Shop"
(One to fili) Nora Kelly Co Morris & Campbell Mabel Elaine 2d half Mabel Elaine
2d haif
3 Moran Sisters
Rucker & Winifred
Gonne & Albert
Great Lester
Mabel Elaine
WINDSOR (wva)
Oille Young & A
Sidney & Townley
Lona's Hawalians
Eckert & Parker
Gordon & Ricca
2d haif
LaBelle & Lillian
Raymond Bond Co
Harry Hines
Colour Gems
(One to fill)
McVICKER'S (loew REITH'S (und Grace Demar Clark & Verdi Clifford & Wills Will Oakland Co David Saperstein 8 Du For Boys Garcinetti Bros

McVICKER'S (loew)
Gliding O'Meers
3 Lorettas
Grindeli & Ester
Mr & Mrs Thomas
Hoey & Lee
"Oh Mr Detective"

Cincinnati
KEITH'S (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
"Forest Firs"
"Nurseryland"
Bert Baker Co
Raymond Caverly
French Cirls
Adelaide Boothby Co
"Patria" (film)
EMPDESS (abc)

EMPRESS (abc) EMPRESS (abc)
Musicai Charlotts
Howard Martelle
Marlon & Willard
Bradshaw & Lyndon
Wolfe & Zadella
(One to fill)

(One to fill)
Cleveland
HIP (ubo)
Emily A Wellman Co
"Miss Hamlet"
"Rubeville"
Watson Sisters
Jack Marley
Weston & Claire
Hill & Durkin
Act Beautiful
Claremont Bros
(One to fill)
MILES (loew)
Vine & Temple

Denver
ORPHEUM
Bert Lesile Co
Tempest & Sunshine
Moore Gardner & R
"Double Exposure"
Estelis Wentworth
Misses Campbell
Embs & Alton
PANTAGES (p)

Decatur. III.
EMPRESS (wva)
(Sunday opening)
Banvard Sisters
Ywazy
Harry Beresford Co
Cook & Lorenze
Geo Lovett Co
A bair
Knute Erickson Co

Dayton KEITH'S (ubo)

PANTAGES (p)
Pauline
Evelyn & Dolly
Hugo Koch Co
Marie Russell
Goldsmith & Pinard Des Moines ORPHEUM

ORPHEUM
(Sunday opening)
C Gillingwater Co
Tobey Clauda Co
Retter Bros
Howard'a Animals
Claudia Tracey
Haruko Onuki
Lorraine & Bagie

Detroit
ORPHEUM (loew)
Le Fong Foo
Owen McGiveney
E Pedriott Co

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Scott & Tlernay Roth & Roberts Joe Roberts "Wanted a Wife" PRISCILLIAN (sun) Juggling McBanna Cole & Woods J R Barry Co Coi Jack George "Top of Andes"

"Top of Andes"
Columbia, S. C.
GRAND (ubo)
(Charleston split)
List half
Gusmain 3
Susanne Rocomoro
"Hello Honolulu"
Lerner & Ward
Joe Dealy & Sis

Joe Dealy & Sis

Columbus

KE17H'S (ubo)

Toots Paka Co

Macart & Bradford

Maryland Singers

Swor & Avery

Walter Brower

Marle Stoddard

Travilla Bros

Emilie Sisters

"Patria" (film)

BROADWAY, (sun)

Azimas Azimas
T & C Breton
Magazine Giris
Charles Wilson
Laypo & Benjamin

Laypo & Benjamin

Dallas, Tex,

MAJESTIC (Inter)
Force & Williams
Rhoda & Crampton
Frances Kennedy
Doris Wilson Co
Mayo & Tally

McIntosh & Malds

Danville, Ill.

PALACE (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
Will & Kemp
Weber & Eillott

McConnell & Simpson
Sherman Van & H
The Salambos

2d half

Marcena Nevaro & M

Lewis & Leopold

Middleton & Spell
mercer

Lillian Watson

meyer
Lillian Watson
"Winter Gar Rev"

Davenport, In. COLUMBIA (wva) (Sunday opening)
Curtls Com Dogs
Klass & Waiman Bernard & Lioyd
Amelia Bingham Co
COLUMBIA (sus)
Floyd & Beaman
Pauline Carr
Bohn & Bohn
6 Sylvesters
Faber & Springer
Antier 3
MILES (abc)
Alfred Farreli Co
Prevett-Merrill Co
Leonard & Dempsey
Donita & Wymerone
Herbert Lioyd Co
Willis-Gilbert Co

Willia-Gilbert Co

Duinth ORPHEUM ORPHEUM
(Sunday opening)
Gressy & Dayne
Neilie Nichois
Adair & Adeiphi
Tower & Darreil
M Wille Co
Bamaroff & Sonia
Kouns Sisters
GRAND (wva)
Grane West

GRAND (wva)
Gene West
Glibert & Clayton
Dumais & Floyd
Raskins Russians
2d haif
Dancing Tyreils
Guerro & Carmen
Prelis Circua

(One to fill) Easton, Pa.
ABLE O H (ubo)
Kane & Herman
Oh! Doctor
Francis P Bent
Kerslake's Piga

Kersiake's Piga (One to fili) 2d haif John La Vier Waiters & Cliff Sis Moon & Morris Brown's Minstrels (One to fili)

(One to fill)

E. Liverpool, O.
AMERICAN (sun)
Stafford & Ivev
Lenore & Rich
Little Miss Nowhere
('I'wo to fill)
2d half
Flying Howards
Haddon & Norman
Cheyenne Minstrels
J & M Harkins
Sylvester Family

Sylvester Family

E. St. Louis, Ill. ERBER'S (WYS) Frick & Adair

Rawson & Clare
Julian Hall
2d half
Will & Kemp
Mitchell & Mitch
Olive Briscon

Edmonton
PANTAGES (p)
3 Symphony Giris
Fong Choy
Frank Gabby Co
Antrim & Vale
Zug Zug Arabs

Elmira, N. Y MAJESTIC (uho)

MAJESTIC (uho)
Carbrey Bros
Neille Allen
Buckley Players
Melody 4
Elis Nowlan Tr
2d half
El Cleve & O'Connor
Dunham Edwards 3
Minerva Courtney Co
Eleanor Fisher
Herbert's Dogs

Erie, Pa.
COLONIAL (ubo)
"Bride Shop"
Roland Travers Co
Lydell & Higgins Co
Nelson Waring Fall River, Mass. BIJOU (loew)

BIJOU (loew)
3 Escardos
Sullivan & Mason
John R Gordon Co
Montrose & Allen
Sabbott & Wright
2d haif
DeiBadle & Jap
Jack & Anna Bowen
J K Emmet Co
R C Faulkner
Esliard Trio

Fargo, N. D. GRAND (abc)
Musical De Luxe
Pearl Sans Annette Herbert Brooks Co Miller & Mulford
2d half
Murrav K Hill
Carl Statzer Co
(Two to fill)

Flint, Mich.
MAJESTIC (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
(Saginaw split)
1st haif 1st haif
The Olmsteads
Pauline Saxon
Pat Peggy Houlton
Carson & Willard
"Garden of Mirth"

Fond du Lac, Wis. London 3 London 3 (One to fill) 2d half R & M Wood Karl Karey

Ft. Dodge, Ia. PRINCESS (wva) 2d half (26-28) Story & Clark Green McHenry & D The Seehacks J C Lewis Co

Ft. Wayne, Ind. PALACE (uho) (Sunday opening) Clown Seai

Clown Seai
Permaine
Basil & Allen
"Lawn Party"
Coakley & Dunlevy
McClellen & Carson
2d half
Roso & Ellis
Jack Baxley
Eckhert & Parker
"Mr Inquisitive"
Wood Melville & P
Weber & Redford

Ft. William, Ont.
ORPHEUM (wva)
2d half (26-28)
Marie Genaro
Chadwick & Taylor Kelly & Forn "Echos of B'way"

Galveston, Tex.
O H (inter)
(23-24)
Merian's Dogs
Anthony & Adele
Gray 3
Cummings & Shelly

Cummings & Shelly
"In the Trenches"
Milo Milo
Flying Russells
Grand Forks, N. D.
GRAND (wva)
2d half (26-28)

Denny & Dunegan Christy & Griffin 5 Sweethearts

Grand Rapida EMPRESS (ubo "Motor Boating" Billie Reeves Co Edna Aug Educ Pietro The Crisps Wm EDS (Local act) Great Falls, Mont. PANTAGES (p) (24-25) (Same bill playing

(Same bill playing Anaconda 26) Pederson Bros Oleson & Johnson

Kijiyama Stephens & Hollister 6 Peaches & Pear

6 Peaches & Pear
Hamilton, Can.
TEMPLE (ubo)
Dunedin Duo
Travilla Bros
Am Comedy 4
Mme Besson Co
Bob Aibright
4 Lukens
(One 4 51) (One to flii)

(One to fill)

Harrisburg, Pa.

MAJESTIC (ubo)

2d half (26-28)

Francis P Bent
"Flirtation"

Kerslake's Pigs
(Three to fill)

(Three to fill)

Hartford, Conn.
POLI'S (ubo)
Musical Clovers
Amer Boys & Giris
Mahel Harper Co
(One to fill)

2d haif
Nelson Duo
Abbott & White
Schoen & Mayne
"Fashions a ia Carte
PALACE (ubo)
Landry Bros
Natalle Morzan
"Edge of Things"
Boudini Bros
Mississippi Maids
2d haif
Peggy Beeman Co
Caroline Canton
Regai & Mack
Reider & Packer
(One to fill)

(One to fill)

Haselton, Pa,
PALACE (loew)
Daniels & Walters
Fred Weber Co
Ed Bixley Co
Mile Asoria Co
2d half

Resista (Three to flii)

Hoboken, N. J.
LYRIC (loew)
Jack Onri
Bernard & Finnerty
"Inside Work"
(Two to fili)
2d half
Virginia

2d half Virginia Daniels & Walters Fred Weber Co Ed Bixley Co Mile Asoria Co Honston, Tex. MAJESTIC (inter)

Lawton
Big City 4
J C Nugent Co
Jackie & Billie
Futuristic Revue
Arthur Deagon
Miniature Revue

Indianapolis, Ind. KEITH'S (uho) KEITH'S (uho)
Sarah Padden Co
W Clarke Co
Gue & Haw
Britt Wood
J & K Demaco
(Two to fill)
LYRIC (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
G & L Garden
"Miss America"
Grant Gardnea
(One to fill)
Ithere. N. Y.

Ithaca, N. Y.
STAR (ubo) STAR (ubo)
Jack Rose
Quakertown Maids
2d haif
Sampson & Douglas
Hirschof

Jackson, Mich. ORPHEUM (ubo) "Mald to Crder" 20 half 2d half
Hal Kings
Link & Rohinson
Gracie Emmett Co
Brooks & Bowen
"The Explorers"

Jacksonville ARCADE (ubo)

ARCADE (UDO)
(Sunday opening)
(Savannah split)
let half
Von Cello
Kennedy & Burt
Mabel Johnson Wilkin & Winkin Dunbar's Bell Ringers

Janeaville, Wis. APOLLO (abc) Novelty Minstrels Callahan & Callahan The Kelloggs (One to fill)

Jerney City KEITH'S (ubo) 2d half (19-22) Nolan & Nolan Jean Moore Simou Co F & R Mack LaFrance & Kennedy Bristoe's Ponies

Johnstown, Pa.
MAJESTIC (ubo)
(Pittsburgh split)
1st half
Cabaret De Luxe
Bennett & Richards

Chase & Latour Sheppard & Ott Willie Missem Co

Kalamanoo, Mich. MAJESTIC (ubo) (Sunday opening) (Lansing split)

1st half
"Million Dollar Dolls"

Kansas City, Mo. ORPHEUM Kamsas City, me ORPHEUM (Sunday opening) Band Box Revue Hailen & Fuller Henry Keane Co Emerson & Baldwin Beatrice Huford Hayes & Rivos Meredith & Snoozer PANTAGES (p) (Sunday opening) Kinkaid Kilties Travitt's Dogs Jones & Johnson Great Leon Eckhoff & Gordon Margaret Ford Kenssha, Wis.

Kenosha, Wis, VIRGINIAN (wvs 2d haif (26-28) Adolpho Weher & Elliott Hoyt's Minstrels (Two to fill)

(Two to fill)

Knowville, Tenn.

BIJOU (ubo)
(Chattanooga split)

Ist half
Ruth Budd Co
Dalsy Leon
Koia
Warren & Conly
Stan Stanley 3

Kokamo, Ind.
SIPE (uho)
2d half (26-28)
Kawana Bros
"The Emigrants"
(Three to fill)

Lancaster, Pa.
COLONIAL (uho)
2d haif (19-22)
Jas Buckley Co
Vinton & Buster
Fujiyama Japs

Lausing, Mich. BIJOU (ubo) (Kalamazoo split)
1st half
August & August Cervo Lew Madden Co Bill Rohinson
"School Playgrounds"

Lima, O. ORPHEUM (san) ORPHEUM (sain)
Bell Sis & Jordan
Paden & Reed
(Three to fill)
2d half
Von Trott & Norman
Jaffola & Arnold
Capt Kidder
4 Bwors
Kanazawa Jare Kanazawa Jana

Lincoln, Neb. ORPHEUM 2d half (26-28) Morgan Dancers H & A Seymour Caites Bros Walter Weems Everest's Monkeys Rice Elmer & Tom Flanagin & Edwards

LYRIC (wva)
Metropole 4
Taketa Troupe
2d half 2d hair Oddonne "Song & Dance Rev" (One to fill)

ORPHEUM (wva)
Mizpah Selbini Co
Lexey & O'Connor
Green McHenry & D Gardner & Revere 4 Novelty Pierrots

4 Novelty Pierrots
Little Rock, Ark.
MAJESTIC (inter)
Martin & Fahrini
Frank Crummit
Allan Dinehart Co
Dorothy Toye
Joe Fanton Co
2d half
Johnson & Sweeth'ts
Kennedy & Burt
Mr & Mrs G Wilde
Bert Fitzgibbons
Martinette & Sylves-

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ter Ler
Logansport, Ind.
COLONIAL (ubo)
"Girls' Frolics"
2d half
"Maid to Order"

Los Angeles ORPHEUM ORPHEUM (Sunday opening) Linne's Girls Ethel Hopkins Cross & Josephine E & A Astaire Whiting & Burt "The Cure" Whiting & Burt
"The Cure"
Clara Morton Co
Halligan & Svkes
PANTAGES (p)
Elizabeth Otto
The Langdons
Klein Bros
Reynolds & Donegan
Sceley & McClaud

Louisville KElTH'S (ubo) KEITH'S (ubo) (Opening Sunday) Cal Boys Band Helen Page Co Golet Harris & ?? Rena Parker Page Hack & M (One to fill)

Lowell, Mass., KEITH'S (ubo)
La Pilinicka Co
Lewis & White
Swarz Bros
Ed Morton
"Dream Surprise"
Donovan & Lee
The Gaudsmidts

Maron, Ga,
GRAND (ubb)
(Augusta split)
1st half
Stewart Sisters
Chas F Simon
Coyle & Morrgli
Venita Gould
Hill & Beruha

Madison. Wis.
ORPHEUM (wva)
The Vanderbrooks
Clifford & Mack
Nestor-Moore S'hearts Valand Gamble Valand Gamme Mori Bros 3 2d half

2d half Arco Bros Klass & Waiman Patricola & Meyers Gordon & Ricca Freemont Benton Co

Marion, Ind.
LYRIC (ubo)
Williams & Fuller
"The Emigrants"
2d half
Coakley & Dunlevy
Shirley Sisters

Marshalltown, Ia.
CASINO (abc)
Butler & Germanus
Wyndhain & Moore
Juvenile 6 C & A Glocker Martini & Maxmillian

Mason City, Ia, CECIL (abc) Edwards & Hughes Butler & Germanus 2d half Kaney Mason & S Ware & Barr

McKeesport, Pa, WHITE'S HIP (ubo) Eugene Emmett Co Kalh Walton & H Emma Francis Co Wilson & Aubrey 3 Maximillian's Dogs 2d half

Maximililan's Dogs
2d haif
"Pashion Show"
Mr & Mrs Melburne
Ward & Faye
Rich & Clegg
Remphis. Tema.
ORPHEUM
Biossom Seeley Co
"Age of Reason"
Grohs & King
Mr & Mrs J Barry
Donohue & Stewart
Knapp & Cornalla
Burdella Patterson
"Patria" (film)
LYCEUM (loew)
Dave Kindler
Stone & Clear
"Woman Proposes"
Alice Hamilton
Lucler Worth 3
2d haif
Tyler & St Clair
Holden & Herron
Harold Selman Co
Geo Yeoman
Arlta Diaz Monka

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Meridan, Conn.
POLI'S (ubo)
2d half (24-28)
Norton & Noble
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Lazar & Dale
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Milwaukee

MAJESTIC (orph)
Eva Tanguay
Aveling & Lloyd
Amea & Winthrop
The Vivians
Hawaard & Stafford
Seabury & Price
Walter Galvin
Carson Brothers
PALACE (wva)
(Sunday opening)
Arco Bros
Freemont Benton Choyt's Minstrels
Daisy Harcourt
Balsar Sisters

Balsar Sisters (One to fill) 2d half "Suffragette Rev"
Jas Howard Jas Howard
Miss Harrison
MILLER (loew)
Storling & Mignerite
Robey 3
Lady De Long
Gurber's Animals
Wilson Bros
Winston's Seals

Minneavolia ORPHEUM Nat Goodwin Mack & Earl

Maurice Burkhardt 3 Jahns Roy Harrah Tr Jessie Busiey Co Wm & Marg Cutty PANTAGES (p)

(Sunday opening) Alberto
Mile Blanca Co
Dorothy Vaughan
Ed F Reynard Co
Lander Bros
"Honeymoon Isle"
GRAND (wva)
Kippy & Kippy
Grace Hanson
Walsh & Frits
Crossman's Enter
PALACE (wva)
Enter PALACE
Janis & West
Two Pikers
Billy Beard
Lucy Gillette Alberto

Montreal, Com. ORPHEUM (ubo) 5 of Clubs ORPHEUM (1995)

5 of Clubs
Yvette
Fklyn Ardeii Co
Leightons & Alex
E Devoy Co
Al Herman
Clark's Hawaiians
(One to fill)
FRANCAIS (uho)
(Ottawa split)
Ist haif
Moore & Gerald
Winston R & De
Jack Kennedy Co
Valerie Slisiers
My Lady's Gowns
(One to fill)

Mt. Vernon, N. Y PROCTOR'S (ubo) 2d half (19-22)

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2d half (19-22)
Ameta
Bort Hanlon
Rice & Wernar
Beaumont & Arnold
Jimmy Hussey Co
"Dream Garden"
1st half (23-25)
Nolan & Nolan
"Memorles"
Tavlor Granville Co
(Three to fill)
2d half (26-29)
LaFrance & Kennedy
Webb & Burns
Howard & Clark Rev
(Three to fill)

Muskegen. Mich.

Muskegon, Mich. REGENT (ubo) (Sunday opening)
The Bimbos Grace DeWinters Woods Melville & P Woods Melville & P Jack Baxley (One to fill) 2d half Clown Seai Sliver & Duval Trovato Emily Parrell Co McClellan & Carson

Nambville
PRINCESS (ubo)
(Birmingham split)
1st haif
Bison City 4
Demarest & Collette
Fellx & Dawson Girls
Kenny & Hollis
Robinson's Elephants

New Haven, Conn.
BIJOU (ubo)
Peggy Brem'n & Bros
Natalle Morgan
3 Hickey Bros
4 Gypsles
2d half
Finn & Finn
Reider & Packer
(Three to fill)

New Orleans ORPHEUM ORPHEUM
Mayhew & Taylor
Whitfield & Ireland
Eva Taylor Co
Kerr & Berko
Black & White
Wliling & Jordan
Aus Creightons
"Patria" (film)

New Rochelle, N. Y.
LOEW (locw)
Marlo & Trevette
Thomas & Henderson
General Orders
2d half
Baby Zelda
A Soldier's Wife
(One to fill)

Newark, N. J.
PALACE (ubo)
2d half (19-22)
Allen & Howard
Svivester & Schafer
Hamilton & Barnes
MAJESTIC (focw)
Kenney & LaFrance
Kitty Flynn
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Orben & Dixie
Maybelle Best
"All Wrong"
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(One to fill)

Norfolk, Va. ACADEMY (uho) (Richmond split) Its half

Wilson & Larsen Brown & Spencer "Cabaret Girls" Arthur Whitelaw (One to fill)

Oakland ORPHEUM ORPHEUM
(Sunday opening
French & Els
Una Clayton Co
Alice L Doli Co
La Graciosa
Gouid & Lewis
Robt DeMont 3
Artie Meblinger

PANTAGES (p) Leo & May Lefevre Bernardi Cadora Friend & Downing Rawls & V Kaufman

Ogden PANTAGES (p) (26-28)
Elizabeth Cutty
"Telephone Tangle'
Beliciaire Bros
Bobbie & Nelson
Daisy Jerome
Morton Bros

Omaha ORPHEUM ORPHEUM
(Sunday opening)
Dorothy Jardon
Benny & Woods
Corbett Shep & D
Thos Swift Co
Wheeler & Dolan
Ryan & Lee
Maria Lo

EMPRESS (wva) EMPRESS (wva)
(Sunday opening)
Odonne
Alice Nelson Co
Bilou Min Misses
(One to fill)
2d half
Lexey & O'Connor
Frank Bush
Millard Bros
(One to fill)

(One to fill)

One to fill)
Ottawa
DOMINION (ubo)
(Montreal split)
Ist half
Keene & Dean
Frank Mullane
"Night in Park"
(Two to fill)

Peoria. III. ORPHEUM (wva) Paul Pedrini Co Galierini Sisters

Gallerini Sisters
"Lingerie Shop"
(Two to fill)
2d half
Heras & Preston
Neal Ahel
Bert Wainwright Co
Wood & Wyde
Black & White Rev

Philadelphia
KEITH'S (ubo)
Sallie Fisher Co
& K Morton
J B Hymer Co H B Toomer Co Daisy Jean Guiran & Neweli Hooper & Marbury Amaranths (One to fili)

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(GRAND (ubo)

"Consul"
Dovley & Nelson
Retty Nixon
Wilmer Walters Co
Blily K Wills
"Paradise Isle"

WM PENN (ubo)
2d half (10-22)
Duffy Geisler & L
Eddie Carr Co
Comfort & King
Torcat's Roosters

BWAY (ubo)

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Hill & Ackerman
Hampton & Shriner
"Honolulu Girl"
(Two to fill)
2d haif
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Lord Filler
Boganny Troupe
Lew Wilson
"Naughty Princess"

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Chas T Aldrich Co
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Kramer & Kent
Gallagher & Martin
Conlin & Parks 3
The Geraids
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HARRIS (ubo) HARRIS (ubo)
Miss Adele
Lua & Anelika
Henry Frey
Young Americans 5
Winchester & Clair

Winchester & Claire Bert Wheeler Co Seymour's Dogs

Seymour a D
(One to fill)

SHERIDAN SQ (ubo)
(Johnston split) (Johnston s 1st half 'School Days" Creighton B & C Novelle Bros Neher & Koppel Harry Sterling

Portland, Ore.
ORPHEUM
(Sunday opening)
H Shone Co
Ashley & Allman
Ethel McDonough
Wright & Dietrich
Olivatti Moffet & C
Billy Kinkaid Billy Kinkaid Tate's "Motoring"

PANTAGES (p)
Tuscano Bros
Hernard & Meyers
Nibio's Birds
Thalero's Circus
"FeMail Cierks"
Bob Hali

Providence, R. 1.
EMERY (loew)
L & M Jackson
O'Neill & Galiagher
"Case Sherlock"
Arthur Lipson
Primrose Minstreis
2d haif
Swain; Animala 2d half Swain's Animals Weston & Young Rich-Poor Girl Montrose & Alien Primrose Minstra

Quincy, III.
ORPHEUM (wva)
Taylor Tripfets
Jimmy Lyons
Slatkos & Rollickers
(Two to fill)

Reading, Pa.
HIP (ubo)
1st half (23-25)
Walters & Cliff Sis
"Filrtation"
Richards & Kyle
John La Vier

Richmond, Ind.
MURRAY (ubo)
2d half (26-28)
Williams & Fuller
C & M Dunhar
Miller Sisters
(One to fill)
BIJOU (Newfull and)

(Norfolk split)
1st half
Al Tucker
Bert Johnson Co
Lovenberg Sis Co
Thomas 3

Rochester, Minn.
METRO (wva)
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Prince & Deerle
Nettle Carroll Tr
2d half
Keough Sisters
(One to fili)

Rosmoke, Vs.
(ROANOKE (ubo)
Eugenie La Blanc
O'Neili Twins
Doc O'Neil
Carmin's Minstrels
(One to fill)
2d haif
Louis Stone
V & C Avern
Melody Six
(Two to fill)
Beekford, Ill.

(Two to fill)

Rockford, Ill.
PALACE (wva)
DeWitt Young & Sis
"Sept Morn"
Frosini
Howard & Fields
(One to fill)
2d half
The Vanderbrooks
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Lunnette Sisters

Sacramente
ORPHEUM
(23-24)
(Same bill playing
Stockton 27-26 and
Fresno 27-28
The Cansinos
Chas Granewin Co
Hirschel Hendler
Medlin Watters & T
Nonette Nonette Palfrey Hall & B Togan & Geneva

Togan & Geneva
Saginaw, Mich,
JEFF-STRANI) (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
(Flint spilt)
1st half
The Biondys
Wanzer & Palmer
Mr & Mrs Nat Phillips
Sen Francis Murphy
Music Shop

Music Shop
Saft Laske
ORI-HELM
(Open Wed night)
(25-28)
Lew Dockstader
Natalic Alt
Newhoff & Phelps
Lydla Barry
Brent Hayes

The Norvelles
Geo Kelly Co
PANTAGES (p)
Dix & Dixle
Grace Edmunds
Mystic Bird
Frank Fogarty
Berlo Giela Berio Girls Mack & Veimar

San Antonio, Tex. MAJESTIC (inter) (25-29) Merian's Dogs Anthony & Adele Gray 3 Cummings & Shelly "in the Trenches" Milo Flying Russells

Nan Diego
PANTAGES (p)
'Jungie Man"
Amoros & Mulvey
Harry Rose
''Motor Madness'' Nan Gray

San Francisco ORPHEUM (Sunday opening)
Cecil Cunningham
Edwin Arden Co
7 Honey Boys
Chung Hwa 4
The Berrens
Marmein Sisters
Kullerva Bros
McWatters & Tyson

PANTAGES (p) (Sunday opening) "Swede" Hall Co Patricola "Bachelors' Dinner"
Tabor & Greene Samova Ed Price & Pais

Saskatoon, Sas, Can EMPIRE (wva) (23-25) (Same bill playing Regina 20-28) Horberta & Dare Dot Marsell Putnam & Lewis Monte Carlo 6

Savannah LYRIC (ubo Savannah
LYRIC (ubo)
(Jacksonville split)
let half
Gray & Graham
Ward & Wilson
Durkin Giris
Edwards & Leedum
Leon Sisters Co

St. Louis COLUMBIA (or (orph) COLUMBIA (orp)
Hyams & McIntyre
Jas C Morton Co
McCarthy & Faye
Dunbar's Darkles
Clara Howard
Zeda & Hoot

EMPRESS (wva)
6 Venetian Gypsies
Reiff & Murray
James Grady Co Dixie Harris 4

Dixie Harris 4
Herhert Germaine
2d haif
Frick & Adair
Julian Hail
"Happened Ruth"
Cook & Lorenz
Gypsy Vagabonds
GRAND (wwa)
Rexo

Rero Rezu Johnson & Arthur Fitch Cooper "Night Clerk" PARK (wva)
Kay & Belie
Howard & Sadier
"Happened Ruth"
Mitchell & Mitch

Mrs Eva Fay 2d half 2d half
"Girl in Moon"
Rawson & Claire
3 Lyres
Mrs Eva Fay
(One to fill)

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Dancing Mars Prince & Deerle Frank Morrell Rev

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Lady Agnese and Her Irish Colleens (5).

"Irish Ceilidh" (Songs and Dances).

25 Mins.; One; Full Stage and One.
Colonial.

The program says an "Irish Ceilidh" is an "Irish evening at home." The principal scene is a parlor with the five girls (three billed from Dublin and two from Kerry) singing, dancing and play-ing the Irish harp. Lady Agnese opens the turn in "one" with a heavy brogue and a little speech, after a special drop had revealed a rather startling adver-tisement in the form of a four-leaf clover for O'Sullivan's rubber heels. The advertisement should have balanced the turn on its light production end before it opened. The five girls end before it opened. are all Irish, but they don't live up in looks to the advance notices Lady Agnese gave them. If she wouldn't boost the girls so hard before they appeared, it would be better for the girls, although as the act progresses and with the announcement the proceeds of and the turn are for the poor children of Dublin, they gain the good will of the house and retain it to the finish, not reached until the Lady has again spoken the Irish girls giving their idea of sing-ing American rag. Jack Mason staged the act. It looks sure fire for an Irish Sime.

Six Imps and a Girl.

Dancing and Tumbling.

7 Mins.; Full Stage (Special Act).

City.

Six tumblers, who go through the contine of the several Arab troupes seen hereabout for a number of years, with the exception of the yells, but attired in red as devils, and a girl who does a modicum of toe dancing. The dancing and the tumbling do not blend as at present arranged.

Jolo.

"Putting on Airs" (3) Comedy-Drama.

20 Mins.; Interior.

Middle-aged Irish widow of a wealthy contractor who made his money in "Dish Alley" (the slums) and who still resides there with her son, whom she sent to college to be educated for the medical profession. She still retains her old fashioned method of living and "Tad" vocabulary. Boy is engaged to a society girl, but is ashamed of his mother and fears to have the women meet. Girl is due to call and be introduced. Mother attires herself in ludicrous fashion and finally throws off her mask saying she knows only her simple life. Girl calls at off and departs, leaving mother broken-hearted that she ruined her boy's happiness. Girl returns and confesses her name is not "Erdsley" but "McGillicuddy," whereupon mother does a break-down dance. Too long getting to the point. At best, small time.

Winston, Roselle and De Mar. Songs.

12 Mins.; One (Special Drop).

This trio, resembling a converted grand opera group of singers, are using classical numbers with a ballad or two, their best being "Egypt," sung by the contralto. A special salmon colored curtain is employed, with a lamp for a parlor effect. The worden Took well, much better than the man. The trio may gain a place in some small big time houses and on the big small time, but not in as late a position as the Fifth Avenue gave it, No. 7 in a nine-act show.

Nina Payne Dances.

18 Mins.; Full Stage (Special Scenery). Riverside.

Nina Payne, in her latest dancing creation, has selected a particularly novel routine of subjects, getting away from the conventional to add a bit of travesty to the repertoire. Her opening is titled "Pen Picture Prance" done before a black and white drop. It fits well in this spot and gives Miss Payne a bright start. The "Cleopatra Cake Walk" follows and stands out as the best of the whole arrangement, comprising a travesty on the Egyptian dances. Miss Payne's physique permits many a good twist in this bit and she has perfected it finely. The "Dancer's Dream" and "Futurist's Freak" completes the turn, the former being an elaboration of the solo dances formerly done by the principal in "La Sonnambula" production. The closing number runs second only to the Egyptian travesty and insured Miss Payne's success. Special drops accompany each effort and in addition the dangeuse carries a musical director and a special trombonist to eliminate stage waits. It's a good act for Miss Payne; in fact, the best she has ever offered since her invasion of the east.

Mack and Vincent. Singing and Crossfire. 18 Mins.; One.

City.

Mr. Mack breaks upon the scene with a brief monolog, after which Miss Vincent makes her appearance and stands for a lot of kidding. She at piano, he doing all kinds of singing and talking comedy, solos, duets, a parody. Audience loathe to let them depart. Exceptionally attractive personalities with chatter quite original. Mack gives every indication of being a contender for the best that two-a-day vaudeville can offer, and the woman is competent to go along.

Connors and Foley. Songs and Dances. One.

Two boys in Tommy Atkins uniforms (white coats) who sing and dance about equally well, somewhat extraordinary in soft shoe dancers, who often don't sing even if they do. A couple of bad "gags" are about the only talk. The finish is a rube dance with a conversational lyric, while just ahead is a souse dance, the others being plain soft shoe. A couple of popular songs start off the turn. As the Doyle and Dixon thing seems to be all through in the dancing line these boys had better attempt to create something of their own if they want to get beyond the small time. What they have now and what they seem able to do with it is small time only, although a couple of nice appearing youths as these are who can sing and dance might be placed in a production to do a bit, as Arthur Hammerstein did in "You're in Love," when he took a small time dancing act (two boys) which became the hit of that show.

Rayno and Hoyt. Crossfire. 14 Mins.; One.

Straight man and Italian. The latter characterization very well drawn and suggests strongly the shorter of the two of Clark and Verdi. Straight feeds adequately. Finish with Italian playing piano for a few seconds, while straight "steps." Act hasn't sufficient novelty to warrant any wild scramble by two-a-day managers for it. Jolo.

Finn and Finn. Blackface. 9 Mins.; One.

Man and woman blackened up, she singing and dancing, he doing a Bert Williams "coon," together with some hasty "loose" stepping. Open with crossfire and finish with dancing.

Jolo.

Jack Alfred and Co. (2). "Smile."

11 Mins.; Full. Royal.

A real novelty, a comedy sketch for a trio of acrobats. At the Royal Tuesday night the act was one of the hits of the show, in the third spot. It is a corking idea, well worked out, containing a combination of acrobatics and the sketch idea. There is a legitimate reason for running through the acrobatic routine. The scene represents a room in an actor's boarding house. The trio has been booked for a tryout that night and they are running through their outine to get themselves "set" for the opening. The "missee" and the awkward attempt of one "hick" to teach an other how to deport himself before an audience win a lot of laughs. The acrobatics are of the thrill variety and bring aplause. The act is the goods and decidedly different.

"Just For Instance" (3). Comedy Playlet. 18 Mins.; Interior.

City.
Scene is the dining room of a cottage, the home of a mill foreman in a small town. Wife is talking with a girl friend, discussing a local scandal. They are debating on the duty of a wife to forgive a husband—just how far a wife should go in that direction—whether she should stick under any circum-stances. (Lights out for a moment.) Wife is alone when lights raised. Enter girl with present for husband. It develops he told girl he was single and the wife was his sister. He and girl have had an affair. When girl learns the truth she gives up man and decides to go back to her home town. band enters by rear door as police are after him for having stolen \$200. Pleads with wife to go out and square him with the detective, who had once court-ed wife. While she is out girl returns to try to get enough money from the man for her fare home. Wife returns. She has squared the detective, but when she finds girl hidden there, tells him to go and take his medicine. Girl pleads she only came for money to get pleads she only came for money to away; wife gives her enough to do so.

Two way; whe gives her enough to do so. (Lights down and up again.) Two women still arguing. "Yes, but what about Joe?" Wife: "Jennie, if Joe Wheeler played such a trick on me I'd—" Enter husband from work with arm full of toys for the baby and demands to know what's it all about, and they are still debating as curtain descends. Good three-a-day playlet, acceptably played by all three. Jolo. ceptably played by all three.

Gangler's Dogs. Animal Training. 18 Mins.; Full Stage.

Man and woman working about three or four out of a stage set with twice that number of canines. Some of the tricks consist of balancing on single wire, rope skipping, balancing on rolling barrel, boxing bout, three dogs doing a front leg draw handstand, piano playing and singing, climb to a 16-foot height and jump into master's arms. Small time.

Fern, Richelieu and Fern. Jugglers.
10 Mins.; Full Stage.

Three men with a comedy club juggling turn that is somewhat out of the ordinary. The figures that the three perform are pretty and a running fire of talk, mostly far fetched puns, pull laughs. It is a good small time opening turn.

Fred.

Scranton, Bell and Scranton. Wire Walking. 9 Mins.; Full Stage (Special Set).

Two men and a woman, the latter in tights and abbreviated skirts. Average run of wire stuff, using umbrellas for balancing. Men do some ground somersaulting with and without hands. Neat small-time opening or closing to the state of the sta

Don Barclay and Co. (2). "Nutt" Comedy.
14 Mins.; One.

Don Barclay, late of Ziegfeld's "Follies," essays a comedy turn that is rather difficult to describe, as its value is altogether dependent upon the doing. He is assisted by a corking, high-class straight man, and is later reinforced by a boxer who doesn't speak a word. Straight starts things off with a brief monolog; enter Barclay with a misfit dress suit and a "pimple" derby hat. He carries a glass of beer. The crossfire develops there is no more refreshment to be obtained for a fortnight. Straight endeavors to wheedle the beer from Don, the straight trying to secure it by telling a "funny" story. Eventually he takes the glass by force and the main humor arises from the efforts of Don to recover the precious fluid. While straight is telling the story, Don takes a hose from his pocket and sucks the beer. They quarrel. Straight: "I've got a kid that can lick you." "Bring him on." Enter boxer, who slams Don all over the place. Straight then "hypnotizes" the fighter so Don can bawl him out without reprisal, throughout which Don seeks reassurances that the fighter is still under the influence. Finish very weak and needs considerable bolstering. In its present shape the act is not yet eligible for the two-a-day. Jolo.

Roberto and Co. (1). Juggler. 14 Mins.; Full Stage.

Man in well fitting dress suit, with woman assistant. Starts off with hat, gloves and cane; eggs off top tray into four glasses, from chin; knife, fork and ball; cup, saucer, spoon, sugar from toe to forehead; seven balls; nine balls from tray into hat, sideways; running billiard ball up and down two cues (a la Cinquevalli); sheet of paper balanced on nose; woman sings while he continues; juggling big ball, marble and egg; egg with plate; tablecloth jerked off; seven spoons on tray into as many glasses; spinning plate on flexible whip on plate held in mouth while spinning bowl on stick, the latter passed to left hand and then juggling two plates with right; big table pirouetted on pole balanced on forehead. No comedy relief and nothing sufficiently startling to lift to out of the big small time classification.

Demarcey Baboons. 13 Mins.; Full Stage.

Nothing very new in the working of several monkeys and baboons. The man and woman have a couple of the animals doing stunts that indicate excellent training. They depend mostly upon bicycle riding. Some comedy is created by one vicious-looking monk, tied up throughout the act, constantly throwing things that come within his reach, giving the effect of a battle of missiles. Good closing number for three-a-day.

Jolo.

Hughes Musical Trio. Instrumentalists. 12 Mins.; Full.

A neat little trio, composed of two men and woman with a repertoire leaning principally to popular melodies. They play the brasses at the opening with the girl at the piano, following it with a neat bit of banjo work. A violin solo by one of the men was acceptable, and the saxophone closing proved effective. The trio have a neat appearance and the turn should prove about right for early spots on the better bills.

OFFERING SCHAFFER. Sylvester Schaffer is being offered to big time vaudeville by the Morris-Casey

agency.
Schaffer has added to his act J. Newman, who was the comedian with the late Paul Conchas.

SHOW REVIEWS

PALACE.

There is going to be a vote of thanks offered hy a long-suffering public to the manager who first inserts a note in his program, along with the "Don' Run—Walk" advice, teiling just what the national anthem is and defining that one is not expected to stand when everything that smacks of the patriotic from "Hands Across the Sea" to "Dixle" and "My Country Tis of Thee" is played. Monday night the audience at the Palace slid from its seat three times and thus helped the long-suffering tailors by wearing out the seats of their skirts and trousers, and the upholsterers by damaging the chairs, on three different occasions during the show, not counting the intermision, by standing at different times the flag was shown of something was played that even distantly resembled "The Star Spangled Banner."

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distantly resembled "The Star Spangled Banner."

As for the show itself, there were but two
real applause hits in the entire program. The
first was socred by Regal and Bender, the second turn of the bill, and the second by George
White and Lucille Cavanaugh, after the latter
team got away to a very had start by messing
up their opening number. That White boy incidentally is getting to he a comedian and can
think very fast, through which the situation
was saved for the act.

One thing the menagement is to be given
credit for—running "Patria" at the opening of
the show. Judging from the aspect of the Palace auditorium at 8.10 Monday night there
are a lot who don't give a whoop if Mrs.
Castle is as good a film actress as she is a
singer and they are willing to let the dance
star fight it out in solitude.

The Five Nelsons, with their skating speciaity, were the opening feature and managed
to get a little. Regal and Bender, with their
combination of comedy chatter and deft and
different acrobatics, were a hit from the minute the twin ropes were let down and the
members of the team started that hit of leaping into hand and toe holds. Then came
"Maggle Taylor, Waitress," with its charming
performance of Jean Adair.

Johnine Dyer and Frank Fay, with the bit
of foolery they indulge in, were laughable to
those in front and the boys scored nicely.

The lobby chatter, however, after the first
half of the show was entirely of Daisy Jean,
the musically gifted Belgian refugee, who
closed the first half. That this act is making
a distinct and decided impression can be
judged from the fact that there was little
else discussed between the halves of the performance. The versatility that this artist displays in her performance causes the expressions of admiration, rather than any particular bit of artistry on any one of the instruments. But the act bespeaks "class" and
the artist was accorded applause that forced
her

RIVERSIDE.

May Irwin and Eddie Leonard and Co. are the hig events at the Riverside this week, with Miss Irwin holding down the featured position, next to closing, immediately preceding the "Patria" picture. Leonard is closing the first half of the bill and does creditably well, cleverly juggling the curtain for encores until he had gone his extreme ilmit in old and new numbers. Leonard's dancing carned the individual honors of his own routine, sharing applause and appreciation with the banjoing of the elder character man. Leonard is popular, and being a good showman, delivers everywhere.

Miss Irwin with her short routine of talk and several popular numbers found it rather easy going at the Riverside, her most intricate points making the proper connection with laughs and applause. Miss Irwin had selected a fine list of songs, and with Cliff Hess at the piano the specialty is sufficiently strong to get inrough anywhere. Miss Irwin was a big hit.

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The Musical Johnsons opened with their xylophones, running through several numbers of mixed classification, the Zamma overture and the song medicy getting the best returns. The Johnson trio are thoroughly entertaining, in so far as a xylophone can entertain, and for the spot they held did exceedingly well at the uptown house.

Russell, Ward and Co, were in the second spot, the company being two singers, one carrying no stage presence whatever, although endowed with a fair falsetto voice. The opening number should be cut down several choruses. The cross-fire trik is productive of results and the song medicy connected well, but the turn could be generally improved in other direction. The finite carried the quartet through to a big hit.

The Four Readings came next, the position itself being sufficient guarantee of their ability. The act is dressy, originally arranged, and for a turn of its kind it measures up with the best. Joe Cook in "one," with his one-

man vaudeville show, was one of the cinch hits of the evening, gathering a continuous succession of laughs from beginning to end. Cook has greatly improved the routine, adding a song as well as other short "bits." and seems sufficiently stron, to hold the next to closing position on any program.

After Leonard and the intermission period came Nina Payne (New Acts), with John B. Hymer and Co. in "Tom Walker in Dixte" following and preceding Miss Irwin. Hymer's characterisation of the title role was a treat for the Riverside attendance, and the interest bottled up in this script makes it doubly appreciative. There are scores of particularly bright laughs in the dialog, and set off with a reasonably pretentious production the Hymer vehicle can hardly miss fire anywhere. The "Patria" picture found many on their way home, the interest in this serial apparently having completely subsided. Wyns.

COLONIAL.

The Colonial bill ran splendidly Monday night, after a poor start, and the big hits of the bill arrived early. They were Lady Agnese and Her Irish Colleens (New Acts) in the No. 3 spot, and Ward and Van immediately after-

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Ward and Van, with a harp and violin, have a very funny comedy musical act. The harpist is a straight player. It's the comedian who is funny, in his dressins, looks, business and playing. He does a dopey sort of musician, who has trouble in keeping up his trousers. This with the good and bad music played kept the house laughing and finished with a gale of applause. The violinist has a hit upon a comedy creation of no little value, and he does it very well. Ward and Van are a standard turn. Any musical comedy two-act that can even touch them for results will be well worth while.

Cloring the first part were Florence and Frank Moore, who did very well in the first 29 minutes, but ran 33, and overdid it in the final four minutes, when the turn slipped. The best thing the Moores can do is to get this act down to 25 minutes, then they will have a corker. Both are working so well it's too bad to see them flounder at the ending

for the freakish and accept so much on faith, it might he different. Lambert and Ball had a walkaway at the tail end, with sougs, medicy, hesides piano playing by Mr. Ball and Miss Lambert's costumes. The concert grand plano at the Colonial only appeared in four or five acts.

The programs are carrying a printed insert, giving the words of the "Star Spangled Banner" on one side and "America" on the other.

BUSHWICK.

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The benefit of a long bill at the Brooklyn houses as an incentive to big business
was demonstrated at the Bushwick Tuesday
night when that house had what was called
a Spring Festival consisting of eleven acts
and the "Patria" picture. The Bushwick
was filled to capacity with standers thick on
the lower floor.

The most noticeable deficiency in the long
bills is the number of two-acts. The current
Bushwick program consists of eight twopropie turns out of a possible eleven. The
ladea does not apparently detract from the
audience standpoint judging from the manner every act was received.

The Brightons opened the show with rag
pictures which, with a few patriotic bits, interested the house. Weber and Rome, a male
dancing team, No. 2, started the real applause. The boys are nifty steppers with the
shorter chap a second edition of Willie Solar,
aithough in no way imitating the latter.

Genevieve Cliff and Co. in "A Breath of
Old Virginia," the only sketch of the bill, No.
3, found attentive listeners. The members
of the cast playing southern characters appear to entirely forget the dialect at times,
with the act otherwise handled capably.

Commencing with the 'No. 4 spot held by
Gerard and Clark the bill contained three
laughing hits in succession. The mixed team
scored a great quantity of laughs after which
Lloyd and Eritt added more hilarity, the audience laughing at the burlesque Scotch business as if it had been something new. Kate
Elinore and Sam Williams, who followed,
closing the first half, found the audience

held Rives and itarrison with new talking material and a special drop. It is called "Almost a Patient" with Shiril Rives as a Red Cross nurse and Ben Harrison an applying patient, once he sees the nurse. Barring Miss River". Averdone huxb, the turn got over verv well, Mr. Harrison handling the light comedy nicely.

Opening were Harry Fisher and Co. in a comedy cycle act of two peorle, both bows, one straight and the other comedian, with the couple furnishing a rattling good trick for the finish. Kenny and La France were No. 2, in dances, starting off extremely well in the old-style walts clog, and continuing under the spot light for another, but the turn droops off toward the finish, when they go in for eccentric work and acrobatic dancing; not that the latter lant worthy, but the prectiness of the opening overshadows it.

"Rosa, the Fruit Vender" suggested the old Beban story, but it developed an Italian girl selling fruit and singing, being taken up by a violinist who invites her to his apartment, with accompanying singing and playing, the act closing in "one." Katinao and Shelley are the act. Good enough for the small time.

After intermission was Maybelle Best, who also had an Italian song, good voice and some planologing that brought out Miss Best as a one-handed plano player of superior merit to many another wan features this bit. Miss Best hurt serself by inserting a ballad as the second number in her rep, but otherwise landed to the satisfied appreciation of the audience.

Right afterward came Manning Sullivan and Co. in "The Bribe," one of the many political sketches the small-time has been and conditional services and holds enough interest to carry it over. It's a three-people playlet without any especial punch, but fairly well played, especially the German. There has been a new patriotic dovice found for this act, when the German says he has the honor to be a naturalized American citizen (applicate), and answered to the call of Lincoln in 1861, standing ready today to answer the call of Woodrow Wilso

ROYAL

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It looked Tuesday night as though every, one in the Bronx was trying to jam into the theatre. About eight o'clock the lobby was so packed one had to aimost fight to get to the door, even though Al Ryūei, was 'ak'ng tickets with both hands. By the time the Pathe Weekly was on there wasn't a seat in the house and the standees began to pile in.

The show had one switch from the programed running. Anna Chandler, billed for the next-to-closing apot, was sent to the opening half of the show, Willie Weston taking the later position. Weston pulled down the applause hit of the show. The new "Joan of Arc" number cleaned up for him. It is a stirring song, its melody containing strains of the French anthem and "I Hear You Calling Me."

The Hughes Musical Trio (New Acts) of the Show, their playing of popular melodios winning favor. Johnnie Smail and Smail Slaters in the second position managed to do very well, but the real novelty of the show came with the third act, Jack Alfred and Co. (New Acts) in "Smile," a buriesque rehearsal of a trio of acrobats.

Anna Chandler, somewnat silmmer than when last seen around New York, sang five numbers, one exceedingly catchy, and went over in great shane. Claude and Fannie Usher closed the first half, getting their usual number of laughs and causing many throats to choke up with the little touch of pathos near the finish.

In addition to Willie Weston the last half of the bill held Miller and Lyle, who opened the intermission, and Tom Edwards, who closed the show. The latter turn seemed to please the Bronxites Immensely. "Patria' found the audience making for the doors.

Manager Egan is clistributing a small sheet of paper containing the words of "The Star Spangied Banner" and "America" to his audiences, and during the "patriotic moment" at the Intermission the audience rose and the Int

JEFFERSON.

The Hippodrome of 14th street, as the Jefferson may rightly be termed, had one of its best Monday night audiences of the season, the draw heing the Charlie Chaplin comedy, where the Headliton of the Chaplin comedy shortened the show to seven acts.

"Wanda," a trained seal, opened the show. The audience approved of the turn. Payne and Neeblit passed along handly, after which Valentine Vox, a ventriloquist (billed as Norin and Co.), gave a convincing performance. Vox added considerable class to the show, which was easily held up by Olga Cook, who followed immediately after. Miss Cook is now displaying a voice of considerable value, the girl having improved immensely. Her tooks tip top.

have always occur in the form of the first particular to the Chaplin control was the next, after which Thomas Shearer and Co. In an Irish sketch brought forth several laughs, although the turn by death the particular for their age. sketch brought forth several laughs although the turn ly doubt die rouch held. The the three here here here here he held for their applaise value, but the turn as a whole is not interesting or amising. Fisher, Lucky and Gordon, a male trio with sones, conducted themselves satisfactorily in the next to closing spot. The comedy member had little trouble in reaching the Jeferson audience. The Five Martells closed the show.

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(Richard Kearney)

ALOZ CIRCUIT

(Walter J. Plimmer)

merely because they have stretched it too

merely because they have stretched it too long.

In the second part was a comedy sketch, "Who is She?" written hy Willard Mack and played hy Bernard and Harrington. It's a story of newlyweds having their troubles through jealousy hy the wife. For a two-people sketch it is a dandy, getting laughs and no doubt striking any number of married people as a realistic picture. There is an anti-climax with the finale a "picture" that while it appears unnecessary secures a laugh. Joseph Bernard and Hazel Harrington handle the material nicely. Maud Lambert and Ernest Ball closed the vaudeville, just before the "Patria" film, of which there will be hut one more chapter, next week winding up this badly directed serial, with Mrs. Castle the star. The chapter this week may be about the most expensively produced of any two reels a serial has held, hut the chapter, nevertheless, is the poorest in its direction a continuous film story ever had. Still "Patria" has proven the value of Mrs. Castle in the films, for "Patria" in several bouses has been a decided draw, while in others the picture meant only boredom, with a few vaudeville theatres discontinuing the running shortly after it started.

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Valmont and Reynen in their "Angelus" singing production opened the show, giving it the bad start, although the couple were fairly well received. A full stage straight singing act to start off a bill doesn't give the program much of a beginning. It made the No. 2 position doubly hard. Into that walked J. Warren Keane, who now has Grace White assisting, "Mr. Keane with his expert palming and talk gave pleasing diversion, and the turn in its latest composition shapes up much better than formerly. Keane's last trick though, exposed, got him little, probably because it is a common parlor one for cut uns. Opening the second part the Chinese buo, who sang and played the piano, seemed to impress the audlence, much us all Chinese have been doing for the past couple of years, whether singing or dancing. "Dremmy Chinatown" as a song, made popular by Bobby Matthews. may be thanked by nearly all it. Chinese nate for their present position in vandeylile. As Chinese Tang Chenne may be

town" as a song, made popular by Bobby Mat-thews, may be thanked by penrix all the Chinese nata for their present position for vaudeville. As Chinese, Tang Cherng may be a good sluger, and as a plano playing Chinese Fook Lok may be a marvel, so if the vaude-ville patrons are willing to accent both as such, it's only fitting the couple should secure time. But if vaudeville didn't go in so much

practically laughed out, but it took little time for Miss Elinore to revive them, and at the finish the couple easily took down one of the hits of the evening. The Elinore and Williams turn consists of rapid fire talk, little of which hinges together with what goes before each bit productive in itself. "Creation," a spectacular turn, opened after intermission. The act is comparatively dry, but the Bushwick audience appeared all ears to the talk rendered by William Richards with the scenic end of the act coming in for favorable comment.

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Savoy and Brennan, second after intermission, revived the comedy, taking down their customary hit. The boys have increased their popularity a hundred fold since their last appearance at this house.

Emma Carus with Larry Comer provided their usual riotous hit. The name of Carus in Brocklyn is worth move than any hig name in vaudeville. Milt Collins with a monolog which is decidedly anti-German, held the audience's attention and received its favor, although the Bushwick is known to be a Teutonic stronghold. Bee Hoo Gray and Ada Somerville, Western ropers, closed the show in capable style.

AMERICAN ROOF.

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The American's first half hill held three big time turns. The Rigoletto Brothers, among them, were the featured card and the hit in the closing first half position. The Rigolettos with their versatility are an imposing act for small time, the brothers maling an act of this sort look more formidable by having two appearing. There is a foreign finish to the turn that gives it huge class for the smaller division, the two men working with an ease that makes an appeal by itself. Their featured tricks, "The Victroia Disappearance" and the "Needle Trick" made the roof audience think. Each is an excellent one, the "talking machine" being wholly the Rigoletos' own, while the "needle trick," done by one of the m in the audience, has only previously been performed publicly on this side by Housdial. The mark of merit about the Rigolettos is that while they no doubt can do a child deal hoese if they wish they early go in for that matter they have perfected, and whatever they do is done in a workmanlike manner as though the done in a workmanlike in the state of the same the second with his "Levinsky Wedding." monolog. The other act from the larger houses

OBITUARY

Sam Chip died of acute indigestion in Rochester, N. Y., Wednesday night, April 11, at his hotel, about an hour after finishing his performance with Mary Marble in "The Clock Shop" at the Temple theatre. Chip was about 36 years old, well known as a diminutive comedian and had been playing with Miss Marble for several seasons. Miss Marble's husband, John W. Dunne, the manager of the couple, was Dunne, the manager of the couple, was searching for a physician when Chip expired. An inquest gave the cause of the sudden death. Chip had a similar attack early in the season at Minneapolis when appearing at the Orpheum. Funeral services were held at the de-ceased's home in Bath Beach Sunday morning. A committee from the Namorning. A committee from the National Vaudeville Artists attended, Chip being one of the first members of that organization. The committee consisted of Henry Chesterfield, Harry Cooper, Roy La Pearl, Val Trainor, Harry Weber, Fred Wayne, John Dunne.

> In Fond Remembrance of My Pal Sam Chip

GEORGE LE MAIRE

Major John M. Burke died in Washington April 13 of pneumonia, at the age of 74. Major Burke was a charage of /4. Major burke was a char-acteristic figure in circusdom, having been the publicity man for the Buffalo Bill Wild West shows for many years. He and the late Buffalo Bill were fast friends. Although born in New York City, Major Burke had seen active service in various Indian uprisings, and won his title as well as the friendship of all the famous Indian fighters through his valor.

IN FOND MEMORY OF BEN. E. EVANS

Who passed away April 21, 1916. His Former Partners, JOE BENNETT H. ZELL

George M. Devere, widely known as a blackface comedian, was buried in Brooklyn April 14. He was 66 years old, traveled for many years with Haverley's minstrels, and was manager of the Paterson, N. J., theatre at the time of the great fire in that city. He is survived by his w ife, two sons, who are in the United States navy, and a daughter, Mrs. Thomas McDonough. of Hartford, Conn.

> **MEMORIAM** Cliff Gordon Died April 21, 1913

His ever remembering Pal.

GEORGE LE MAIRE

Kate Josephine Bateman, in private life Mrs. George Crowe, formerly a prominent American actress, died in London, Eng., April 9. She was the daughter of Colonel Bateman, a the-74 years old. Her first appearance on the stage was in 1846, in "Babes in the Wood.

The mother of Augustus Thomas (Mrs. Imogene Garrison Thomas), died April 11 at Kenwood Springs, near, St. Louis, Mo. She was 84 years old, and is survived by Augustus, Paul, Irwin and Alice A. Thomas and Mrs. Charles Irving Leonard (Leonard and Alvin) died April 18, in a New York hospital, from pneumonia. He was 24 years old, his home being in Boston.

George Gallagher, a flyman with the Maude Adams company, died April 11 at a New York hospital of pneumonia. He was about 40 years old. A widow

The mother of Warren Lemon, assistant manager of the Casino, San Francisco, died suddenly in Seattle last week. She was 86 years of age.

King Kollins (Polk, Collins and Clifton), died in Tremont, Ill., April 10. The act was known in New York as Kollins and Klifton.

J. D. Howard, propertyman formerly with Robert Mantell, died last week of a complication of diseases. He is survived by a widow.

James Brady (Kitty and Jim Brady) died in St. Joseph's Hospital, Chicago, April 13, following an operation.

NEW ACTS.

Caroline Cantler, single. Tommy Van and Ward Girls, reunited.

Margaret Morgan, Isoline Harvey and Eleanor Foster, three-act.

IN AND OUT.

Illness prevented Marshall Montgomery from opening at the Royal, Bronx, this week. Tom Edwards and Co. substituted.

James J. Corbett, playing Syracuse and Schenectady this week, has received the route left vacant through the death of Sam Chip (Chip and Marble) last

The Cook Sisters were compelled to leave the Rialto, Chicago, last week through illness. Harry Kranz and Bob

LaSalle replaced them.

The Five Funsters not opening at the Lyric, Hoboken, Monday, Jennings

and Mack substituted.

Norton and Earle left the 7th Ave nue Monday, owing to Miss Earle's illness. The Borsini Troupe secured the

Chas. Howe & Co. dropped out at the Prospect, Bronx, Monday after the first show.

Jack Norworth was compelled to leave the bill at the Majestic, Milwau-kee, Monday matinee, afflicted with a sore throat. Brennan and Powell replaced him.

Gruber's Animals could not play Mc-Vicker's, Chicago, this week, as the act has several elephants, which are terrified at the presence or the odor of sea-lions, of which there were five with the Diving Nymphs. Gruber could not coax his elephants to go near the stage.

MARRIAGES.

Louise McFarlane, recently with "Pom Pom," was married to C. G. Kingsley, Detroit manager for the Fox Film Corporation. Mrs. Kingsley left the show several weeks ago, and is with her husband in Detroit.

Billie Fisher, a show girl in "The Century Girl," was married to Peter Brissett, first trumpeter in the Century orchestra, April 10, by the Rev. Father Fink, in St. Nicholas' Church, Bronx, New York.

Harry Waiman (Klass and Waiman) to Irene Berry, of Omaha, last week in Minneapolis. Miss Berry is a cabaret

Ruth Williams, of the Kolb and Dill chorus, in San Francisco, left last week for Salt Lake to become the bride of

Ralph Walker, a non-professional. Leslie Daintor, with the burlesque stock at the Union Square, to Clifford Gordon, March 18 in Brooklyn.

BIRTHS.

Mr. and Mrs. Al. Wiser (Moran and Wiser), April 13, a daughter.
Mr. and Mrs. Laurence I. Cohn (nee Belle Blanche), April 14, a son.
Mr and Mrs. Harry Ruby (Dorothy Herman), April 18, daughter.



EDWARD MACKAY

The well-known leading man, who is the author of the new patriotic song, "One God, One Flag, One Home."

BILLS NEXT WEEK.

(Continued from page 11.)

Lee Barth Orpheus Comedy 4 Strassler's Animals

Schenectady, N. Y. PROCTOR'S (ubo) PROCTOR'S (ubo)
(Syracuse split)
Ist half
Magda Dahl Co
"Matter with Ruth"
Marguerite Farrell
Burke & Harris
Kamerer & Howland
Pielert & Scofield

Scranton, Pa. POLI'S (ubo) (Wilkes-Barre Split (Wilkes-Barre Sp 1st half) Rakoma Julia Ring Co Hamilton & Barnes Dave Roth "In Mexico"

Seattle ORPHEUM (Sunday opening Belle Story R Coghlan Co Johnston & Harty Bert Kenny Barry Girls "The Recital"

"The Recital"
Monroe Bros
PANTAGES (p)
Azard Bros
Wilton Sis
Barbier Thacher Co
Roach & McCurdy
"Girl from A'dam"
Harry Sydell

Sioux City, Ia ORPHEUM (wvs ORPHEUM (wva)
(Sunday opening)
Herberta Beeson
"Song & Dance Rev"
Strassler's Animals
Frank Bush
(One to fill)
Zed half
Zeno & Mandel
Lella Shaw Co
Jack Dudley 3
Harry Lestor Mason
(One to fill)
Sioux Fralls, S. D.

(One to fill)

Sioux Falls, S. D.

ORPHEUM (wva)
(Sunday opening)
Williams & Watkins
Millard Bros
Trovato
J C Lewis Co
2d half
Mary Grace
Hahn Weller & M
Maurice Downey Co
(One to fill)

(One to fill)

South Bend. Ind.

ORPHEUM (wva)
(Sunday opening)
Lewis & Leopold
"Mr Inquisitive"
Bernard & Scarth
Princess Kalama Co
(One to fill)
2d braif
Mason & Murray
Jno T Ray Co
Mullen & Coogan
Balzar Sisters
Bertie Ford

Spokane PANTAGES (p) Jerome & Carson Stoddard & Haynes Freddie James Anderson's Revue Ed & Jack Smith Capt Sorcho Co

Springfield, 111.
MAJESTIC (wva)
(Sunday opening)
Marcena, Nevaro & M
"The Tamer"
A Nicholson 3
Oliva Brisco A Nicholson 3 Olive Brisco Bankoff Dancers Stein Hunme & T Ranyard Sisters Ywaxy Col Girls' Frolic Sherman Van & H (One to fill)

Springfield, Mass. PALACE (ubo) PALACE (ubo)
La Bergere
Schoen & Mayne
Regal & Mavne
Katherine Murray Co
Lazar & Dale
"Dreamer"
2d half
Dupree & Dupree
Jean Moore
Hal & Francis
Heckman Shaw & C
Pistol & Cushing
Mile Boree Co
PLAZA (locw)
1st half (23-25)
LaMont & Wright
The Newmans
Naidy & Naidy
Creole Band
(One to fill)

(One to fill)

Springfield, O. Springfield, O.
Sun (sun)
Von Trott & Norman
Jaffola & Arnold
"Hetting Eettys
Billy Seaton
(One to fill)
2d half
Wright & Davis
(Four to fill)

Stamford, Coun.
ALHAMBRA (ubo)
2d haif (19-22)
Bally Hoo 3
Dunley & Merrill
Frank Wilbur
Lind & Lind

Superior, Wis.
PALACE (wva)
Dancing Mars
Detzel & Earnell
Orpheus Comedy 4
Novelty Clintons
2d half
Jas P Thompson
Rossia Lestor Bessie Lestor Colonial Belles (One to fill)

Syrucuse. N. 1.
TEMP(LE (upo)
(Schenectady split)
1st half
White Trio
B McKenzie Co

"Lion Tamer"
Lovett & Lockwood
Gautrie's Toy Shop
(One to fill)
CRESCENT (ubo)
Frank Carmen
Morley & McCarthy
Sie

Spencer Chaters Co A & G Falls (Two to fill) Fred Rogers Mary Donohue Around Globe The Candidates Gema of Art (One to fill)

Tacoma
PANTAGES (p)
& E Dooley Zelaya
Billy McDermott
Estrellte & Pagean
"Uneeda Girl Co" Reed & Hudson

Terre Haute. Ind.
HIPP (wva)
Bertle Ford
Dae & Neville
Mullen & Coogan
"Winter Gar Rev." (One to fill)
2d half 2d half John Gelger Jas Grady Co Eddie Borden Orville Stamm (One to fill)

(One to fill)
Tolede
KEITH'S (ubo)
B Morrell 6
Ray Samuels
Mrs G Hughes Co
The Steadmans
Wm Sista
Great Howard
Asabi Tr
Richards B & M
"Patria" (film)

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Trenton, N. J.
TAYLOR (ubo)
2d half (19-22)
J&A Francis
Pielert & Scofield
Fletcher Driscoll Co
Alexander Kids
Blnns & Burt

Binns & Burt
Toremte
SHEA'S (ubo)
Gere & Delaney
J & B Morgan
Percy Haswell Co
Eddie Foy Co
Spencer & Williams
Olga Miske
Robert Dore
HIP (ubo)
Savannah & Georgia
Dora Hilton
4 Frolickers
Chuck Haas 4 Frolickers
Chuck Haas
Flniey Burton & H
Wm Hanlon Co
YONGE (loew)
3 Anzellos
3 Syncopaters
Holmes & LaVere
Hazel Morris
Ladles Re Parlor
M & B Hart
Wastika & Und'rst'dy
Trov. N. V.

Washka & Und'rst'd
Troy. N. Y.
PROCTOR'S (ubo)
(Albany split)
lst half
"Creation"
Hufford & Chain
Frantina Tr
Bierre & King
Albert & Donnelly
(One to fill)

Utitea, N. Y.
COLONIAL (ubo)
The Miracle
Cvcling Brunettes
(Three to fill)
2d half
A & G Falls
King & Harvey
(Three to fill)

(Three to fill)

Vancouver, R. C.

ORPHEUM

LeRoy Talma & B

Jane Courthope Co

Ben Deely Co

Aerial De Goffs

Long & Ward

Millicent Mower

G Aldo Randegger

PANTAGES (p)

Kanazawa Japs

Knickerbocker 4

Paul Decker Co

Marconl Bros

Chris Richards

"Phun Phlends"

'Phun Phlends' Victoria, B. C. PANTAGES (p) PANTAGES (p)
LeHoen & Duprecce
Weber Beck & F
Bruce Duffett Co
Adler & Arline
"Texas Round Up"

Washington KEITH'S (ubo) G Hoffmann Co Savov & Brennan V & E Stanton Benney & Bent Remple Sister Bradley & Ardine The Brads "Patria" (film) (fl/m)

Waterbury, Coan, POLI'S (ubo) Norton & Noble of Jean Moore

Norton & Noble "
Jean Moore
Hal & Francia
Mile Doree Co
Pistol & Cushing
"Circus in Toyland"
2d half
Landry Bros
Nolan & Wild
Howard & White
Boudini Bros
Phina & Picks
Waterloo, Ia,
MAJESTIC (wwa)
(Sunday opening)
Laughlin's Dogs
Storey & Clark
Lelia Shaw Co
Jack Dudley 3
Harry Lester Mason
2d half
mme Gillis Co
Misses Nelson
Marcormack & Wallace

Misses Nelson McCormack & Wallace Browning & Deane "Movie Girl"

Wheeling, W. Va VICTORIA (sun) Flying Howarda Haddon & Norman Cheyenne Minstrela J & M Harkins J& M Harkins
Sylveater Family
2d haif
Stafford & Ivey
Lenore & Rich
Little Miss Nowh re
(Two to fill)

Little Miss Nown're
(Two to fill)

Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
PU.. 8 (ubo)
(Scranton Spilt 1st
half')
Amer Boys & Girla
Bicknell & Gibney
Clayton & Lonie
4 Gyreles
Williamsport, Pa.
MAJESTIC (ubo)
Murphy & Barry
Dunham Edwards 3
El Cleve & O'Connor
Minerva Courtney Co
Eleanor Fisher
Herbert's Dogs
2d half
Carbrey Bros
Nellie Allen
Frank Carmen
Buckley Players
Melody 4
Ellis Nowlan Tr
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Winnipeg ORPHEUM

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Ray Cox
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Orothy Shoemker Co
Dorothy Brenner
Boyle & Brown
Leach Wallen 3
Frank & Toble
De Leon & Davies
PANTAGES (p)
D'Armour & Douglas
Will & Mary Rogers
University 4
"Hello Jepan"
(Two to fill)
STRAND (wwa)
Mennitti & Sideili
Elinore Sherman
C Hanson & Vill 4
"Land O'Dreams"
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Worcester, Mass,
POLI'S (ubo)
Dupree & Dupree
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Phina & Picks
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Bicknell & Gibney
Clayton & Lennie
4 Gypsles
(One to fill)
PLAZA (ubo)
Nelson Duo
Abbott & White
(Two to fill)
2d haif
La Bergere

La Bergere
Mabel Harper Co
Mississippi Malds
(One to fill)

Yonkers, N. Y. PROCTOR'S (ubo) Howard & Clark Co Stuart Barnes Hanger & Goodwin Bara

De Bars
(One to fill)
2d half
H Lich Co
Willie Weston
Ross & Verdi
Fujiyama Japs
Pete & Pals

York, Pa. OPERA HOUSE (ubo) Ist HOUSE (u
Ist half (23-25)
Fred Corelli Co
Hugh Blaney
Chas Rice Co
B & H Gordon
Little Darlings

Youngstown, O. HIP (ubo)
"Night Boat"
Laurie & Bronson
S Miller Kent Co
Dainty Marle
Endie & Ramsden
Sid Lewis
Nip & Tuck

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL VAUDEVILLE ARTISTS, INC.

Through your organization a more friendly and substantial understanding has been reached between the manager and the artists.

A more solidified vaudeville condition exists today than ever before. This condition is not an overnight change. It is a culmination which embodies the ideas and ideals of the leading artists in the profession. They, with the assistance of the vaudeville managers, have striven to preserve vaudeville for the future.

Vaudeville of today has the foundation of Gibraltar, as recent events so clearly showed.

We take this opportunity to congratulate the thousands of artists who proved themselves so loyal, taithful and sincere during the past months.

VAUDEVILLE MANAGERS PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION

MOVING PICTURES

BIG MOTION PICTURE INCOMES SUBJECT TO HEAVY WAR TAX

When They Reach \$100,000 or More the Government Will Call for 40 Per Cent. Many Stars and Directors Affected. Producers Also in the Six-Figure Class. No Chance to Dodge Payment.

There is due a big overhauling and revision of some of the enormous salaries and incomes which motion picture stars and directors, both male and female, are credited with receiving, when Uncle Sam's gatherer of the war tax gets busy. A graduated war levy on incomes, according to the latest figures, runs up to 40 per cent. on incomes of \$100,000 and up to a certain amount above that figure, and as stars and directors, to say nothing of producers of the silent drama, are said to include many in the six-figure class. some interesting revelations are likely. They are not supposed to come from the tax collectors, as names and figures obtained by them are not public property, and the tax will be collected at the source of supply, but it is not believed that many of the prominent ones will be able to keep secret the amount of war tax they are compelled to disgorge.

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The list of those believed to be subject to at least the \$40,000 impost is impressive. A cursory glance over the field places David Wark Griffith, Thomas H. Ince, Charlie Chaplin, Mary Pickford, Douglas Fairbanks, William

S. Hart, Francis X. Bushman, Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle, Mack Sennett, Max Linder, Clara Kimball Young and Henry B. Walthall, well within the charmed circle of directors and stars entitled to the distinction of being eli-gible for the assessment, while the heads of companies would include such men as Adolf Zukor, Jesse Lasky, Lewis J. Selznick, Carl Laemmle, Wil-liam A. Brady, Richard A. Rowland, J. Stuart Blackton, John R. Freuler, S. S. Hutchinson, and others.

Already there are queries afoot as to how the financial affairs of those manufacturers who gave the Wheeler committee to understand that they would be wiped out if there was a tax laid on their end of the industry will mands, but there will be no dodging the issue, and the \$100,000 people will have to come up to the mark.

JOAN FOR PICTURE HOUSES.

"Joan the Woman," now on tour as a legitimate attraction, will close its several companies in about four weeks, when the big picture feature is to be released to the regular picture houses.

NO MORE RELEASE DATES.

Lewis I. Selznick is out with the announcement that hereafter he will abandon release dates for his feature pictures.

"After this," says Mr. Selznick, "when one of our pictures is finished, it will immediately go to our branches to be placed on the open market. The exhibitor can get it there whenever he wants it. His release date is my release date.

"To set a certain date for the release of a picture all over the country, is to say that conditions are the same everywhere at the same time. This is ridicu-lous. A declaration of war, a local reform wave, a political campaign, a great disaster, a state going dry or adopting woman suffrage—any one of these things and hundreds of others can make it advisable to postpone playing a feature in a certain territory from the date set by the manufacturer. "The exhibitor who selects his own

dates is running his own business and he can protect himself against these conditions. He can switch his bookings and increase his receipts by playing each picture at the psychological moment. If he is tied down to a re-lease date he is letting the producer run his business.

WILLIAM FOX RETURNING.

It was reported this week that William Fox has suffered a nervous breakdown in the West and was quite ill. At his offices in New York it was stated there was no truth in the rumor, but, on the contrary, the vaudeville and picture magnate was busily engaged in his Coast studios and would return to New York next week.

KEENEY BUILDING STUDIOS.

The Frank A. Keeney Picture Corporation, capitalized at \$100,000, will begin at once the erection of a struc-ture on East 47th street between First and Second avenues, which will contain eight motion picture studios, and which are scheduled for completion in August.

Keeney says he is going in extensiwely for the production of long and short films and will consider any proposition in that line that may manifest itself. He has already placed Corse Payton under contract for a series of one-reel comedies.

STRAND PLAYING ARBUCKLE.

Although the Rialto, New York, first contracted for the Jos. M. Schenck release of the initial "Fatty" Arbuckle film under the Schenck banner next Monday, the Strand, New York, will play the comedy instead.

The two houses are rivals. Next week is the Rialto's anniversary, and

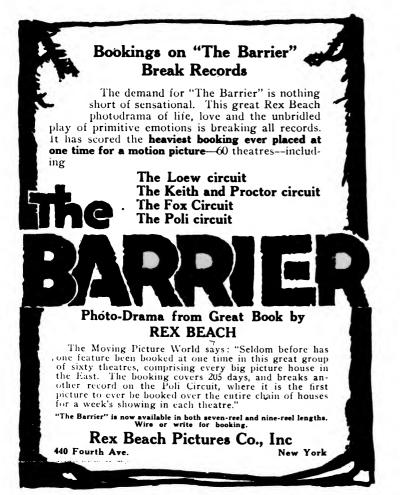
it has an increased program. Finding superfluous film on hand, the Rialto decided to shelve the comic reel for future use, at the same time withholding it from its competitor.

The Schenck distributor, hearing of the Rialto's plan, returned that theatre its contract, canceled, together with a check for the advance payment, and turned the film over to the Strand.

COMM. BELL BANS THREE.

License Commissioner Bell on Wed-License Commissioner Beil on weunesday prohibited the showing in Greater New York of three feature films. They are "The Black Stork" (Sherriott); "The Burning Question" (Sterling); "Motherhood" (Mutual). (Sherriott); "The Burning (Sherriott); "Motherhood" showing the

Any house showing these pictures will be subject to a revocation of its license.





HEAD OF FAMOUS PLAYERS COMES OUT FOR OPEN MARKET

Adolf Zukor's Philadelphia Speech Startles Program People.
Plans Give Exhibitors Free Hand in Selection of Stars
and Plays. Artcraft and Paramount Dates Not to
Conflict.

Philadelphia, April 18.
Speaking before a group of Philadelphia newspaper men, including the dramatic and music critics and the managing editors, Adolph Zukor, president of Famous Players-Lasky Corporation, went on record in favor of the open booking policy of photoplay distribution and in an intimate discussion of conditions gave verification to the report that the Paramount within a short time will adopt the open booking plan along the same lines as has been so successfully employed by Artcraft Pictures Corporation. The dinner was given for Mr. Zukor by Messrs. McCarthy and McSween.

Had Mr. Zukor spoken before a gathering of trade men or motion picture exhibitors his words would have

Had Mr. Zukor spoken before a gathering of trade men or motion picture exhibitors his words would have caused little short of a sensation, as the whole industry, particularly in Pennsylvania, has been looking toward the head of Famous Players-Lasky for some solution of the confused distribution problems of the moment. Practically the only newspaper man who estimated the timeliness of Mr. Zukor's remarks was the writer for the Philadelphia Ledger, who said in his report of the speech.

in his report of the speech:
"Mr. Zukor first of all let it be known that he had formed an alliance with D. W. Griffith, creator of 'The Birth of a Nation' and of 'Intolerance.' and from this and other alignments of stars and directors it may be expected that further advancement in character of production will be rapid. An important innovation will be the method of distribution of pictures. No longer will Mr. Zukor and his associates confine themselves to the grind of a bi-weekly program."

"We have the stars the people want to see, and when others come into view we will try to get them,' said Mr. Zukor. 'Our pictures will be made with the greatest care, and there will be no necessary to have more than five reels,

we will make the picture of the requisite length. If necessity does not exist for so many reels, we will make the pictures in four reels or less. Mr. Griffith may make a few big spectacles as well, but at all times our endeavor will be to give the best possible productions of the best possible stories obtained.

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"Beginning in August we will give the exhibitor the greatest freedom in selecting stars and pictures. No one will be obliged to take any particular star or any particular play. If an exhibitor wants Mary Pickford in one subject and not in another, he will have the privilege of selection, and he will not be obliged to take the pictures of George M. Cohan, Douglas Fairbanks or any of our stars. I feel sure this is the most equitable plan that could be devised, and that it is a solution of difficulties arising from the program idea."

Inquiry at the Paramount office in New York this week brought forth the information that an announcement of import from Mr. Zukor will be made within the next few days.

The feature of the new plan of Mr. Zukor's that is interesting the whole industry is that in his scheme for the future he does not include the other big manufacturing and distributing companies. leading to the conclusion that all reports and rumors of another big merger or working agreement at this time are without foundation so far as affecting the Zukor-Paramount-

Arteraft group.

It will be noted that in his speech Mr. Zukor specifically mentions the Arteraft stars. It can be stated that he intends to go further, and aim for the release of "better than program" pictures in future. To that end, it is understood, the important Paramount stars will be given greater support by the addition of minor stars to their casts, so as to make the open booking

releases of such magnitude that they will be regarded by exhibitors as special releases. It is also designed not to have them conflict with Arteraft, and to that end the Paramount features will not be released on the same dates as the Arteraft productions. By this arrangement an exhibitor desirous of securing an Arteraft picture and being contracted for Paramount service will not have to pass up any big Paramount release.

IRIS MAKES A CHANGE.

John J. Iris, who was interested in the Beacon Films, on Wednesday was appointed sales manager for Greater New York for the Educational Film Corporation.

Mutual Wants Charlie King.

Charlie King has received an offer from the Mutual for a contract at \$1,000 weekly. The offer was under consideration by the actor early this week.

INCE PRODUCTIONS

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RALPH and JOHN INCE

12 HIGHLY IMPORTANT 6 & 7 ACT SCREEN PLAYS IN THE YEAR

THERE WILL BE A MEETING AT THE OFFICES OF

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THURSDAY, APRIL 28, 1917, AT 11:29 A. M., AT WHICH SEVEN OF THE FOREMOST STATE RIGHTS EXCHANGEMEN AND INDEPENDENT DEALERS HAVE SIGNIFIED THEIR INTENTIONS OF BEING PRESENT AND TO WHICH WE INVITE EVERY INDEPENDENT DEALER IN THE COUNTRY. WE WILL THEN PLACE OUR PROPOSITION BEFORE YOU. WE WILL OUTLINE OUR POLICY COMPLETELY AND ALLOT TERRITORIAL FRANCHISES, IN ADVANCE BE ADVISED THAT THE POLICY OF

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1600 BROADWAY, N. Y.
TEMPORARY HEADQUARTERS

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Special Announcement:

No more arbitrary release dates on SELZNICK PIC-TURES. When one of our pictures is ready, it will go to our branches for immediate distribution.

The exhibitor can select his own date. He's running his own business and knows the psychological moment when a Selznick Picture will do him the most good.

This decision is only one of many I have made in the interest of the exhibitor. It is in line with my regular policy—THE EXHIBITOR FIRST!

LEWIS J. SELZNICK

MOVING PICTURES

GOLDWYN CHARTING AMERICA.

Goldwyn Pictures intends attacking the various problems of production and distribution without regard for any of the established precedents of the industry. Proof of this is found in the Goldwyn efforts to assemble and codify a system of rental tariffs applicable to each section of the United States and based directly on sectional conditions.

It was found that no such thing as a

fixed tariff for film rentals was adhered fixed tariff for film rentals was adhered to by any of the factors now in films. Few rental distinctions were drawn between towns in Western Pennsylvania, or Ohio, for example, and towns of the same population in Alabama or Georgia—yet the differences in the types of citizenship are obvious.

The main intent of Goldwyn has been to obtain the greatest possible distribution of its product, and to keep the individual prints of its productions working for the longest possible num-

working for the longest possible num-ber of consecutive days, without break or interruption.

All cities and towns in all of the film distribution territories are being catalogued for rentals on the basis of actual conditions in the communities themselves. Des Moines or Milwaukee each has a status of its own that is determined by Des Moines or Milwaukee conditions, and the conditions in Dallas, Tex., or Barre, Vermont, are purely local or regional conditions that the approximated or "awaread" cannot be approximated or "averaged" by merely striking certain levels for the country at large.

Goldwyn is not yet ready to cite the differences in its sales, prices and methods and those that have been practhe benefits of the costly information it has gathered through high-priced specialists in its employ, but the system itself is obviously revolutionary.

VITA. "CANS" EIGHTEEN MORE.

Vitagraph last Saturday dispensed with the services of eighteen film artists, among them several who have been with the organization for years.

Included in the "sweep" were Marc MacDermott, "Mother" Maurice, who was with Vitagraph since its inception, and "Pop" Kent.

Peggy Hyland is also no longer with

the company.

It is believed the wholesale eliminations precede the moving of the entire producing department to Los An-

'CHRISTUS" AT CRITERION.

The big Cines feature entitled "Christus" is to be shown at the Criterion beginning April 30, according to arrangements completed Wednesday. The picture people take the house over for eight weeks at a rental. "Johnny for eight weeks at a rental. "Johnny Get Your Gun" closes at the house on Saturday night of this week and the intervening week will be devoted to getting the theatre into readiness for the picture.

The Cort show will lay off for a week and then play four additional weeks around New York on the Subway Cir-

MRS. SHELBY STILL HERE.
Mrs. Shelby, mother of Mary Miles
Minter, is still in New York looking
about before making any new agreement for her daughter's film activities
the conclusion of her present conat the conclusion of her present con-tract with American-Mutual. She may come to a decision this week.

Meyers in Fox Office.

Sam Meyers who has been managing the Lyric theatre for William Fox during the time that the latter has been presenting features there, will become a member of the producer's executive staff in the Fox office when the tenancy of the house terminates.

GORDON-BERLIN LOCAL TOUR.

Next week Kitty Gordon and Irving Next week Kitty Gordon and Irving Berlin will jointly tour the Marcus Loew New York theatres, making a short stay in each. during which the couple will sing Berlin's latest war song, "For Your Country and My Country," a number claimed by N. C. Granlund (the Loew publicity man) to have been adopted by the New York recruiting stations as their "official" song. song.

Accompanying the singers and by special permission of the Navy Depart-

special permission of the Navy Department, also says Granlund, will be the champion gun crew of the Navy.

Kitty Gordon is at work upon her new play for World Pictures-Brady-Made. This is the second of the series for which the present contract calls, to be finished within a specified time, and the corporation holds an option upon the services of Miss Gordon for a further term. a further term.

ANOTHER NEW FILM CORP.

Arthur Hammerstein and Lee Shubert are interested in the newly formed Advance Motion Picture Corp., a new company which will shortly start producing in films some of the former Hammerstein and Shubert plays. The new firm is trying to secure stars.



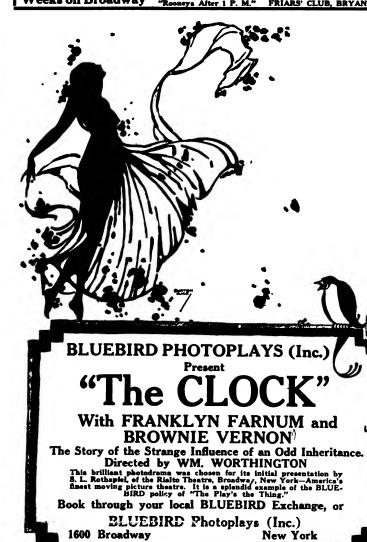
CHARACTERS AND COMEDY

In Five Consecutive

The Third Ingredient "Within the Law"

Weeks on Broadway "Rooneys After 1 P. M."

FRIARS CLUB, BRYANT 600





NEWS OF THE FILM WORLD

Jules Raucourt has been engaged by Famous Players for the next Mse Murray feature, "Little Miss Grown-Up."

Within a distance of two blocks on the East Side three theatres closed their doors recently. They were all of the 300-seat type.

Col. Fred. Levy, the Keith picture representative in Louisville, arrived in New York Monday to complete seme impertant film contracts.

On Sunday, April 22, and throughout the week, the Riaito will celebrate the first ansiversary of its career as an artistically and commercially successful institution.

Willard Mack's playlet, "The Dream Girl," has been obtained for the use of Viola Dana, Metro-Columbia star, and a screen version is being made of it by June Mathis.

Harry Cohen, alias "Sunny Jim," is leaving the New York office of Sherman-Billfott to take up work in New England on "The Crisis" for the Sherman Film Releasing Company.

Alma Rueben, whose Fine Arts contract has been taken over by Thomas H. Ince, is at present appearing in support of William S. Hart in his latest Triangle-Kay Bee play by J. G. Hawks.

The Australian rights for "Seven Deadly Sins," the McClure series of seven five-real features, have been sold to Australasian Films, Ltd., represented in the United States by Willard Johnson.

In making a leap during the filming of "The Brand of Satan," a prospective World release. Albert Hart broke his heels and it may be months before the picture can be completed.

Florence Atkinson has fully recovered from ner recent siege of illness and is about again. She will shortly go to the coast under con-tract to one of the big comedy producing com-panies to play vampires opposite a noted film star comedian.

It is announced by Pathe that the Pathe Exchange, Inc., will not release "The Twisted Thread," the serial which was made by Balboa. It is felt that such announcement should be made, owing to the fact that Pathe has been mentioned as the releasing company.

Donald McBride has returned from a vaude-ville engagement to play another burgiar in a Metro-Drew comedy, his specialty being burgiars with a facetious turn of mind. This time he will "burgie" in "Rubbing it in," a one-act comedy by Peari H. Leon, with Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Drew as co-stars.

"Partnership" is the name of a Peerless production now being made at the Peerless studio under the direction of Archambault, The cast includes Gerda Holmes, Arthur Ashley, J. Herbert Frank, Pitty Johnston, George McQuarrie, "Buddy" Längford. Work commenced Wednesday.

E. H. Hibben, director for the Rothacker Film Mfg. Co., has just completed a new film production to precede the act of a cer-tain feminine vaudeville headilier, well known as a "single" of ability. The pic-ture is promised as a decided novelty and is titled "Maid o' the Movies?"

All last week the Wilson Avenue, Chicago, neighborhood was billed by the Wilson Avenue theatre, not far from the Essanay studio, for the opening at the house Monday of the Joseph Byron Totten sketch, with Essanay players featured. The names billed promineatly were Granville Bates, W. J. Larkin, George E. McDonald and Leslie Bingham. Miss Birgham in private life is Mrs. Totten. Totten was a former director for the Essanay.

May 1st will be moving day for President William L. Sherrill and the executive staff and general offices of the Frohman Amusement Corporation. On the aforesaid date, the Frohman Corporation will bid good-bye to the offices at 18 East 41st street, which has housed that organization for more than three years, and will set itself forth in a spacious suite covering the entire northern part of the third floor of the Times Building.

Every member of the riness Buttoing.

Every member of the regular Yorke-Metro studio staff this week subscribed to a list which is being circulated for the sid of the national guardsmen of the 17th Coast Artillery, which is the Hollywood company, made up entirely of motion picture men. The money which is raised will be used to supply the guardsmen with the necessary luxuries of camp which they can not purchase out of their "punitive" pay checks from the government.

Official War Pictures, Inc., of which W. K. Vanderont is president and H. P. Davison, of J. P. Morgan & Co., is treasurer, will hereafter release through Pa'he and not General Film. This means that Pathe Exchance will take over all bookings on the Official British War Films showing the American Ambulance, Aviation and other corps aiready engaged in fighting for the Allies and that Pathe ex-

hibiters will be given first preference in book-ing these attractions which have scored tre-mendously wherever shown.

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The Stanley theatre, Philadelphia prints on the front of its program the following "Special notice: The Management desires to call attention to the fact that tickets are sold with the express understanding that the purchasers' behavior towards the President of these United States, the Flag and the Military Forces sworm to uphold the Constitution, be Respectful at all times. This course of conduct, together with that of rising and standing at attention when the Orchestra renders the Star Spanjed Banner' is not only the duty of every Patrict, but it should be the pleasure of everyone to show such honor in this great crisis."

Suilivan & Farrell and Mr. Saul J. Baron, owners of the Savoy theatre, have leased it to the present tenant Walter Rosenberg for a term of five years beyond the present lease at an approximate rental of \$40,000 per year. The tenant intends to remodel these premises, removing the stage, renewing all seats throughout, thereby increasing the capacity. A pipeorgan will be installed and an entrance built into the premises on the 33rd Street side. The property now runs through from 33rd to 34th Street and it is the intention of Mr. Rosenberg to sell tickets on both the 33rd and the 34th Street sides.

Goldwyn Pictures Corporation has offered its first Maxine Elliott picture to the American Red Cross organisation for its first presentation on any screen, under the auspices of a group of famous American social leaders. This offer has been esgerly ascepted and, therefore, it may be announced that the first sudience anywhere in the world to see Miss Elliott as a heroine of the cinema will assemble in Newport in late June or early July and pay \$5 as seat as the minimum price for the privilege. The entire receipts of the Newport presentation are donated by Goldwyn and Miss Elliott to the American Red Cross, as well as the receipts of two similar performances under similar auspices that will be arranged in Bar Harbor and at Narragansett Pler.

presentation of their "Birth Control" film will take place in Obio, probably in the city of Cieveland. The first showing of the picture in conjunction with the personal appearance of Mrs. Margaret Sanger, sround whom the message is woven, is scheduled for the latter part of April. The company decided on submitting the picture first in Cieveland because only recently a local stock company produced a play there which was somewhat like the picture, and the accompanying lecture by Mrs. Margaret Sanger, the militant birth control advocate. This city is therefore chosen as the psychological environment to intelligently present the Sanger theory. The fact that Mrs. Sanger and her doctrine were rejected in New York as unfit for the general public, and only across the State's border be received with entusiasm, is, they claim, proof that no two cities can or ever will agree upon what shall or shall not be projected on the white screen.

NEW INCORPORATIONS.

The following corporations were chartered in Albany in the past week:
The Country Clab of America; no par value stock; active capita; 3600; H. B. Knowles, C. Kittredge, W. H. Appleton. Caraival Court Park Co., Inc., Buffalo; 55,000; J. M. Ryan, E. R. and J. T. Sherlock.
Webers Stadion: \$50000; A. Webers

co., vov., s. m. ryan, E. K. and J. T. Sherlock,
Weber's Studies, \$50,000; A. Werner,
M. Klein, H. White,
Percupine Publishing Co., \$20,000; P.
E. Adams, D. W. Morgan, J. L. Ford.
Chatham Producing Co., \$10,000; A.
Chatham Producing Co., \$10,000; F.
Keil, P. Kingsley, R. R. Roberts.
Film Mechanics; \$20,000; E. E. Chane,
A. J. Hart, L. B. Jennings.
Enright Amusement Corpus, Brooklyn;
\$10,000; E. R. Pennock, S. H. King, P. C.
Werner.
Corpe Payton Stack Co., Manhatten.

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Cerse Payton Stock Co., Manhattan;
\$1,000: Corse Payton, Ray C. Owens,
Ruth Napelbaum.
The Linden Theatre Co., Buffalo, \$500:
Christ. G. Hope, W. Roland Quentin, Biwin C. Walsh.
The Arthur Carter Film Co., Manhattan, \$10,000: Arthur Carter, Clyde Colt,
Benjamin T. Horn.

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Authorizations:
Frank Pewell Producing Corporation,
Dover. Del.: \$400,000: representative,
Frank Powell, Times Bujiding, New
York.
New Jersey Charters:
Popular Amusement Co, Newark: \$10,000: Eugene Steinhart, Milton Hirschfield, Lillian C. Hodes.

PARALTA HAS NEW PLAN.

With the idea of minimizing the present waste in distribution expenses, and offering exhibitors more advantageous terms than they are receiving at present, Paralta Plays, Inc., the new concern, of which Carl Anderson is the head, has formulated a plan of booking its features, which will be watched with interest by the trade in general and exhibitors in particular.

The company intends to make a specific number of big feature pictures each year, which will be booked with one exhibition in each exhibition territory, who will have full control of an attraction for a definite time, and can run it as often and as long as he can make it pay, without having another ex-hibitor come in and run it at a lower price, receiving the benefit of previous advertising. State rights men prominent in the field express themselves as pleased with the equitable break it gives the local distributor in connection with the exhibitor.

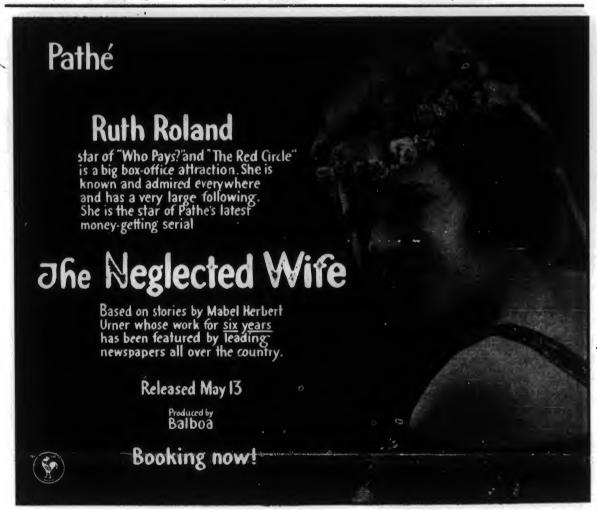
K. AND E. AGAIN IN PICTURES.

A report about town this week has it that Klaw & Erlanger will once again embark in film producing, with Lawrence Marsden already engaged as chief director.

The legitimate managers made a serious "stab" at the game a few years ago, in association with the Biograph

WOODS SUING FILM CORP.

A. H. Woods has started action against the Master Drama Corporation to restrain that company from showing its picture "Who's Your Neighbor?" taken from a play by Willard Mack, the picture rights to which are claimed by Woods.



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PICTURES MOVING

BIG DELEGATION TO ALBANY.

As the first result of the meeting of the National Association of the Motion Picture Industry, held at the Play-house on Monday afternoon, a big dele-gation composed of the heads of the gation composed of the heads of the various manufacturing companies and exhibitors' organizations, together with their principal assistants, left on Thursday morning at 8:45 for Albany to appear at the public hearing to take vigorous action against the Wheeler bill, imposing a heavy tax upon every branch of the picture business.

Among those who spoke at the Play-house meeting were: Walter W. Irwin, P. A. Powers, Samuel H. Trigger, Wil-liam Seabury and William A. Brady. Most of the speeches were argumenta-Most of the speeches were argumenta-tive and more or less theoretical, but Mr. Brady "came down to brass tacks" with one of his vigorous and character-istic speeches, calling upon his hearers istic speeches, caning upon ins nearers to quit talking and take action. His speech was received with very great applause, and may be summed up by a repetition of its finishing paragraphs, as follows:

"Now, gentlemen, you have my ideas in a nutshell. The next move is for every man—not the private secretary, not the office boy, not the second, third, or fourth or fifth or sixth assistant, but the head of every producing and distributing company of the City and State of New York—to be in Albany on Thursday.

"I am just as valuable, and get just

as much money, and am just as busy, as any other man in the motion picture business.

"I am not being paid anything by the motion picture industry, and I have worked eight months—and I am going to finish in three months and will thank to finish in three months and will thank God when I have finished, but until I have finished I will fight like Hell. And I say I am entitled to demand from you gentlemen and from the heads of every company in this city—I do not implore, I demand it—that the head of every association in this city who is well enough to go to Albany and well enough to bring one or two others having personality, men who can speak, men who look like something—I demand, I repeat, that they put these others on a train, and put themselves on a train, early Thursday morning, and devote that day to protecting their own bread and butter."

As the only woman in a delegation

own bread and butter."

As the only woman in a delegation of more than two hundred officers and executives of the big motion picture producing companies, Margaret Mayo, author and playwright, and active executive of the Goldwyn Pictures organization, has gone to Albany to make a fight on the Wheeler-Hinman tax bill, which will place an additional burden of \$500,000 upon the industry in New York State.

The delegation occupied 9 cars, and representatives of the Paramount, Goldwyn, Triangle, Mutual, Universal and a score of other producing organ-

and a score of other producing organizations were included in the party,

headed by William A. Brady, president of the World Film Corporation, who is also president of the Association of the Motion Picture Industry.

A RADICAL DEPARTURE.

A radical departure from conventional methods of film distribution was made by the Jaxon Film Corporation. producer of the "Pokes and Jabs" comedies, when that company announced to the exchanges that are to handle to the exchanges that are to handle those pictures that the distributors would not be required to contract for the territorial rights to the pictures for any specified length of time, but that they would be at liberty to discontinue handling them at any time the pictures did not prove entirely satisfactory.

Under this arrangement, the exchange purchases as many prints of a

change purchases as many prints of a subject as are required for the territory served by that office. The Jaxon Company is bound to continue to sell as the exchange lives up to its terms of purchase and the restrictions regarding territory. The producer also agrees to secure for the distributor territorial protection in its district.

Constance Talmadge to Start. Wm. A. Sheer, Inc., is to begin producing, probably within the next fortnight, with Constance Talmadge as his star and Burton King as director.

WORLD HAS FOUR MORE.

Four more French photoplays produced by Louis Mercanton, director of the Sarah Bernhardt success, "Mothers of France," have already been delivered to World Pictures Brady-Made, and exhibitors using the World program will have first call upon the series, with no advance upon regular prices.

With the exception of Mme. Bern-

With the exception of Mme. Bernhardt herself, these four plays were acted by practically the same players as those who gave such perfection of team work to the performance of "Mothers of France." At the head of these gifted artists is Albert Signer, whose portraiture of the schoolmaster in the Bernhardt pictureplay stood out with quite extraordinary vividness.

with quite extraordinary vividness.

The stars of the four new photodramas are Susan Grandaise and Regina Badet, both of whom will come
to America shortly to act for World
Pictures under the direction of William A. Brady, as a part of the interchange plan by which several of the
World stars will also be sent to Europe at the close of the war to make
pictures there, directed by Mr. Mercanton

ton.

The plays of this series are "Atonement," featuring Regina Badet and Albert Signer, to be published May 28; "A Naked Soul," featuring Susan Grandaise, June 11; "The Golden Lotus," featuring Regina Badet, June 25, and "When True Love Dawns," featuring Susan Grandaise, Albert Signer and an all-star cast, July 16.

—is making a smashing clean up for hundreds of Exhibitors. In Brooklyn, N. Y., in the Marcus Loew Houses in which matinees on "20,000 LEAGUES UNDER THE SEA" were advertised for 2 P. M. they had to begin the performances at 11 A. M. to avert a riot.

No film spectacle in the history of the industry can show such tremendous smashing record for crowds and profits to Exhibitor as "20,000 LEAGUES." Film men admit it's the knock-out of the year. No production can touch it. It's got them all beaten by miles. All state rights have been sold except in the following territory-Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Indiana and Kentucky. 42 out of 48 States already sold. Six states left. State Rights on these remaining six now offered. Direct bookings in these States will also be considered until sold. You'll wait years before another such a clean up chance comes your way again. Wire for State Rights on these remaining 6 States or for direct bookings in these states. DO IT QUICK. State Rights Dept.

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THE LONESOME CHAP.

Renee	D'Armand	Louise Huff
Stuart	Kirkweed	House Peters
	Nelson	
George	Rothwell	Eugene Paliette
George	Rothwell, Jr	J. Parks Jones
Victor	D'Armand	Benor Bussi
Peggy	Carter	Betty Jonson

turns just before her 18th hirthday, and Kirkwood is deeply in love with her. At school she has met Rothwell's son, who falls is love with her, and when he is present at her birthday party their ceavermation is overheard by Nelson, Kirkwood's partner, who tells the young man the story of his father's effect on the life of Kirkwood. Kirkwood stops the young man as he is about to leave the house, telling him that if Renee loves him he can have her. Then he prepares for a long trip, feeling that fer the second time ioneliness has come tate his life, but cames upon Renee in tears and teiling the household's pet dog that she is hearthorken over Kirkwood's failing to see she loves him alone. Then the joyous ending. There is a lot of cleancut, wholesome sentiment in this drama, aithough it appears at times as if Kirkwood must be a boob not to see that his little ward is in love with him. It is beautifully pnotographed, has some very attractive "locations," is charmingly acted, with the exception noted, and while not a big festure is of the better class of fine program material.

SLEEPING FIRES.

Zelma Bryce	.Pauline Frederick
Edward Bryce	
"The Little Fellow"	Maury Stewart
David Gray	Thomas Meighan
Heien King	
Jee Giles	Joseph Smiley

husband is shot. The detective and the secretary aliage that she came to the house to kill Bryce because she is in love with Gray, who defends her. The detective's wife, however, upsets that play by showing him that the boy, who is in her care, is the son of the woman on trial, and the detective's testimony that the shot was accidental clears the wife. The inference naturally is that she and Gray are married, and it is a nice touch to the plot that that point is left to the imagination. The story was written by George Middleton, and directed by Hugh Ford. Miss Frederick has shown that she can do other things than "vamp," and do them well; thein Dahl as the siren secretary is a success is the part, and although we are not told how the strike came out, the production should be a winner on any program.

COAST PICTURE NEWS.

By GUV PRICE, Charlette Burton, the actress, is suing the Essanay company for \$28,200 damages alleging she was "fired" while holding a contract.

A mevement is on foot la film and political circies te have the motion picture ordinance barring children under 14 attending picture houses repealed.

Mary MacLaren has won her suit against Universal for the right to use her name. Miss MacLaren, whose real name is McDonaid, quit the film company some months back and was restrained from using her screen name, the U efficials claiming they had copyrighted it. The court held differently.

George M. Cohan in "Broadway Jones" did such big business at Clune's Auditorium that the film was held over a second week. Cohan has a tremendous following hers.

Maia street is to have a new \$500,000 movie theatre, A. B. Rosenthal, the architect, having completed plans for the structure. Fred A. and Roy Miller and Harry Leonhardt hold the lesse. Col. Lankershim is financing the pro-

T. L. Taily is in New York.

Jesse L. Lasky has srrived for his regular tri-monthly visit to his local studio.

Don Meaney has established an office in Chi-

A recruiting station has been installed at Universal City.

Reed Heustis is doing the publicity for Horsley.

Kenneth O'Hara and Carlyle Robinson have opened a publicity and advertising bureau.

Frits Kreisier visited his first motion pic-ture studio the other day and was "shot" for the first time by a cinema camera.

William Parker has joined the Fox scenarie

Horace Morgan has all competitors heaten for the honor of being the kewple of Uni-versal City. Ho tips the scale at 840 pounds.

Christle Film Company has been honored by the Parent Teachers association of this city. The latter selected a Christie film, "His Baby," to show to the school children, declaring it to be the cleanest, most wholesome they had sver seen, and at the same time the most

Harel Aiden is now with Ai E. Christie.

Betty Compson, Neai Burns and Ethel Lynne appeared in person at a Hollywood the-atre the other night at a benefit.

Tom Mix has organized a company of cow-boys as a unit of the home guard.

White is now representing VARIETY in the Les Angeles motion picture field. He has been associated with the film industry for several years and is well liked among the profession.

Thomas H. Ince is to be the production chief for Fine Arts as well as for Kay-Bee in the Triangle service, according to current announcement. The following Fine Arts players move over to Culver City: Bessle Love, Kenneth Harlan, George Stone, Alma Reubens, Mildred Harris and the Fine Arts kiddies. Director Paul Powell also remains.

Buck Comners, an authority on wild west stuff, is to assist Bill Hart in the making of his next picture.

Melbourne McDowell is now with the Ince players.

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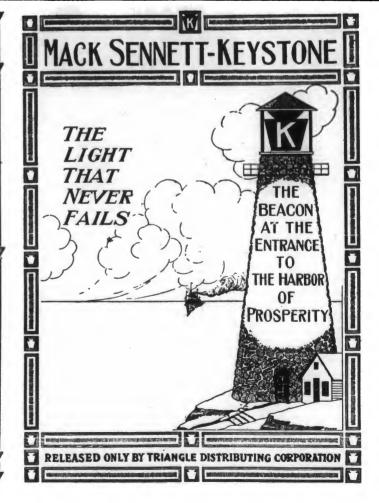
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THE PAGE MYSTERY.

Montagu Winthrop. Frank Goldsmith
Alan Winthrop. Carlyle Blackwell
Raiph Cornwell (Col. Page). Arthur Ashley
Edith Strong. June Elvidge
Laura Le Moyle. Pinna Nesbit
Saul Potter. Albert Hart

For nearly four-fifths of this five-part Peerless-World picture the mystery is where the mystery is coming in. It turns up just in time to let itself be solved and the happy ending provided. The story, by Frank R. Adams, was directed by Harley Knoles, with Arthur Edeson at the camera, and these two, with the location finder, are to be credited with a pictotal success, for the anow scenes are things of beauty which are a delight to the eye and to the artistic sense. The settings also are worthy of praise, the "lodge in the mountains" being a well conceived and cleverly executed piece of work. The story tells how a younger son at on hanglish family anouders the disgrace of his elder brother's misdoings, comes to america, upsets the plans of Raiph Cornwell, who poses as Colonel Page when in the mountains, but at home is an unscrupulous young man of wealth, who coldly buys the dauguter of Strong, a bankrupt, in exchange for assuming the latter's conjustions. The drives his "intimate friend" by his attentions to an opera singer, and has aiready incurred the lasting enmity of a former caretaker of bis mountain estate by breaking up his home in the approved fashion of wealthy young scapegraces. Which of the three killed him when he was shot in a show held and drags himself to his louge in time to die is the mystery. His wile, who was there unknown to him at first as a helper to the caretaker, was accused because when her identity was discovered she tried to get away by the next train. The young knighthman, who is the new caretaker (and not knowing her past), loves her, and thinking she is guilty, declares he ried the scoundrel and is glad of it. Before Potter tells his story the mistress takes poison, tells her story and dies, declaring that she shot him. That lets the rest of them go free, and tho young kngilshman receives a cablegram from his lather telling him that his sacridce has been revealed, and that now he must come home. Edith, the wife, now the widow, yleids to his persuaion that she go with him as the Hon. Mrs. Alan Winthrop, and the end is peaceful. While apparently complicated, the story works out clearly, and is intensely dramatic at times, but its chief charm lies in the beauty of its outdoor effects, which will alone make it a valuable program feature. torial success, for the snow scenes are things

OUT OF THE WRECK.

Agnes Aidrich. Kathlyn Williams
Steve O'Brien. William Clifford
James Aidrich. William Conkin
Ruby Sheidon. Stella Razeto
Howard Duncan. Wm. Winter Jefferson

A new angle to an old theme is presented in this five-part Morosco-Paramount feature, under the direction of William H. Taylor, the story of the crime for which a woman is hounded being told in a series of visions story or the crime for which a woman hounded being told in a saries of visions called up by her as she is telling a heart-breaking tale to her husband and the people who, under what they deem the call of duty, are trying to drag him down through her. James Aidrich has a happy home, and is a candidate for the Senate. An opposition newspaper, "The Clarion" (the name showing a lack of originality), falls to get anything, and tries to learn something about his wife. A newspaper woman (kiby Sheidon) goes to a reception at the Aidrich home, recognizes its mistress as the main tigure in a murder trial in a distant city, and reports. Duncan, the editor, goes with Ruby to the house, and tells Aidrich he must quit the race or there will be an exposure. The wife overhears this, comes in, admits her identity, and tells the story of how an orphan girl, left in poverty, she is befriended by O'Brien, who through kindness wins her love, and after they are married is driven to the depths by his craving for drink. O'Brien threatens her with a pistol in an attempt to force her to the streets to earn money for him, and in a drunken rage tells her their marriage was a farce, as he aiready had a wife. She places the pistol under her pillow and saves her own life later by shooting O'Brien. Acquitted, through belief that her action was justified, and they are married. Aidrich, Suncess Aidrich, and they are married. Aidrich, Duncan and Ruby listen to the story, which is told in pictures, with flashbacks showing the telling on Agnes Aidrich. Aidrich's love for his wife is only made the deeper by the story, which he hears then for the first time, and everything ends happily. If there is any lesson to be conveyed by the picture it is a preachment against the curse of drink, for the action of the newspaper man is rather e slur on a honorable profession. Even in the heat of a political fight it is not ethics! to do anything more than soak the man if it can be done, and at least let his wife sione. There are some telling scenes in the narrat called up by her as she is telling a heart-

HOW UNCLE SAM PREPARES.

In four long parts the Hanever Film Co. is presenting an interesting object lesson how this government is preparing its raw material for service in the National defense, and makfor service in the National defense, and making good soldiers and sailors out of citizens. The picture was originally in five reels, but has been cut to four for facility in handling and to make the message more forceful. From the "rookie" in civilian clothes to the soldier in heavy marching order, from the navy recruiting station to feeding six-inch shells to a quick firer on a battleship, from barrels of flour to make bread for 2,000 men in four hours in a field kitchen, from a bare field to a wireless station erected and sending messages in 65 seconds, through all the rush of making and breaking camp, formation and action on the firing line, the spectator is taken with enthusianm for the work constantly on the increase. There is a sip and go that will make anyone with red blood feel the need for ealls for material has passed, and that the need now should only be for the suiding minds to show willing hands what to do and how to do it. At the beginning Uncie Sam is seen dosing in his chair. He is awakened by visions of the great ones gone before and the leaders of the present day. Reading of the laiking of the Laconia is followed by a picture of the illi-fated ship leaving her pier, and this, with the others, thoroughly awakens the sleeping giant. What he does after the pipe of peace has given way to the trumpet of war is told in the pictures, and they are a valuable contribution to the swelling tide of "war

stuff" with which the screen is being flooded.
They are valuable because they are different
and in many ways better, and they should
be on the screen of every exhibitor who feels
the great industry should not be backward in
"doing its bit."

IRVING CUMMINGS MARRIES.

Irving Cummings, a William Fox leading man, was married very quietly a week ago, the bride being Ruth Sinclair, formerly leading lady with Chauncey Olcott in "The Heart of Paddy Whack." The wedding has been kept a secret by the parties.

BAR SIN Production Scenario by Anthony P. Kelly

WHAT THE CRITICS SAY:

"It throbs with the sincerity of EDGAR LEWIS'S earnestness. It glistens with the brilliancy of his insight."

Miss Hostetter, The Billboard

"'The Bar Sinister' helps to elevate the motion picture industry to a height and dignity new in its history. Superlative direction, extraordinary photog-raphy and a human story have set a standard in 'The Bar Sinister' which EDGAR LEWIS may hope to match but not beat."

M. R. Lowenthal, New York Star

"Its masterful and vigorous direction and vivid story make 'The Bar Sinister' a photoplay distinctly above the average, and which once viewed will make the viewer want to see it the second time."

Tom Kennedy, Exhibitor's Trade Review

"EDGAR LEWIS'S 'The Bar Sinister' is superb; worthy addition to his long line of successes."

C. W. Graves, Motography

"A directorial triumph."

Agnes Smith, Morning Telegraph

"It is a feature that will have a tremendous drawing power.".

Varietu

"A remarkable picture, tense and appealing, with touches of humorous pathos and comedy. It leaves the onlooker with a pleasant sense of having seen life as it is."

Elaine Ivans, Exhibitor's Herald

"The picture easily takes rank among the great photo features of the day."

Ernest C. Whitton, N. Y. Clipper

"'The Bar Sinister' is one of the biggest pictures of the season. The exhibitors may depend upon its going under any and all conditions."

Adam H. Shirk, Dramatic Mirror

Mr. Lewis wishes to express appreciation of the musical setting to F. O. Hanks and Sol Levy.

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FILM REVIEWS

CHEERFUL GIVERS.

Debby	Bessie Love
Horace Gray	Kenneth Harian
Mrs. Harriet Gray	Josephine Crowell
Rev. John Deady	Spottiswoode Aitken
Lizzie Vance	Bessia Buskirk
Abigai Deady	Pauline Starke
Estella	Winifred Westover
Mrs. Parker	
Bob	William H. Brown
Orphan children	Fine Arts Kiddies
Fine Arts (Triangle)	feature, by Mary H.
O'Connor, directed by I	aul Powell, featuring

Bessie Love. Parson has two daughters. Mortgage on orphanage is foreclosed by a woman financier. Parson takes seven of the kiddles home with him. Woman money-lender

offers to take one of the boys into her home to wash dishes. Debby, a daughter, dresses as a boy and secures the position, but her sex is discovered. In the end she marries the only son of the rich woman. Good program picture, well acted and directed—no more and no less.

THE BUTCHER BOY.

The	Boy	Fatty Arbuckle
The	Proprietor	Arthur Earle
The	CashierJ	osephine Stevens
	Clerk	
	Village Pest	
	Dog	
	my Teachem	
Th	ne Comique Film Co.'s s	eries of Arbuckle

two-reciers starts off with Fatty shaking out a bag of laugh making tricks. The cast fits the star, and not the least import: In member is "Luke," the buil terrier. It is a wonder. Arbuckle's jugging with the accessories of the country store where he is an important factor, also his way of handling Téminine clothes worn in his visit to the girl's boarding school is done in such a serious, earnest way the comic effect is all the more forceful. The butcher boy in a country store falls in love with the cashier, the daughter of the proprietor, and when she is sent away to boarding school he goes to the school as her cousin. The first of the A-buckle series has set a good mark to aim at. While there is some slapstick, the comedy is recommended.

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Bob Hendricks. Jack Connolly John Dane. George Pearce The Bully. Marshall Mackaye This Bluebird feature is faulty in spots. From a technical standpoint it might be said that the drama is extremely faulty, that the story is jumpy and at times improbable, but withal it is a picture that will interest. Incidentally the role that should have been the stellar one is subordinated so that a girl of the Pickford type can be featured in the film. "A Jewel in Pawn" is dubbed." The Music Master of the Picture Screen," and Walter Helasco, one of the supporting cast, is halled as "the Warfield of pictures," yet Elia Hall is featured in the billing, and the strougest and most prominent role of the story is hers, whereas it is the part of the aged pawn-broker that gets all the sympathy. The original story was penned by Constance Crawley and Arthur Maude, Male B. Havey adapted it for the screen and the direction was in the hands of Jack Conway. The scenes of the drama are laid in the slums, where a widow is struggling to rear her daughter amid the squalid surroundings and yet endow her with some of the refinement to which she was accustomed in her girihood. The fight is a hard one and finally she decides that she will cail on her wealthy father for aid. On her marriage some years prior he had turned ther from his door. To obtain sufficient funds to travei to her home she practically pawns her child with the aged Hebrew who conducts the local hock shop, and who under a gruff exterior is possessed of a heart as big as his being. On reaching her old home the mother story, and the little girl remains with the pawnforder for some time, until the district reporter scents a heart interest story in her and prints the yarn of "a jewel in pawn," which is read by the girl's grandfather, who claims her, sends her to a fashionable school and finally the armarry whe off. The side prefers her sweetheart of the slums, and runs away. The final rem shows her back in the old pawn shop, where a wedding takes place between the two, with all the te

THE BAR SINISTER.

Under this title Edgar Lewis has produced an eight-reel drama of the South in a manner which, aside from the interest of the story, is bound to attract attention. The photography, by Edward C. Earle, shows some marvelously beautiful pictures, and a revision of some parts of the tinting will make them nearly perfect. It is doubtful if a photoplay of that length has ever been produced which was not open to criticism on the point of detalis, but this one shows a great deal of care in that respect, although the custom of having knife-edge creases in the legs of trousers did not obtain in the "good old days befo' the war." Mr. Lewis, foliowing his idea that "stars" are an overrated feature of the business, has selected his cast and his types from people not classed among the leaders in the acting forces, but they have done their work well, so well in fact that it would be invidious to make distinctions. The honors would probably go, on a popular vote, to Hedda Nova as Belle Davis, Victor Sutherland as Page Warren, William Anderson as Sam Davis, Florence St. Leonard as Lindy, his story deals with the life of Annabelle Stilliter, daughter of one of the Simon Legree type of siave owners, who is stolen by Lindy after Sam has resented a beating by stunning Colonel George, Annabelle's father, with the butt of his own whip. He escapes, but dies while being chased by hounds. Fifteen years later Annabelle, who has grown up as Selle Davis, attracts the attention of Page Warran, who has come down to the turpentine region to look after his father's plant. The Colonel believes his baby daughter was drowned, as her little cap was found in the river, and the girl is sought by Ben, who is a mixture of black, white and Seminole, for his wife. "Buck" Moe forces his attentions on the girl, and Warren, who has met her, believes her white, and falls in love with her, resents this in a fight which is one of the moet thrilling affairs ever staged before the camera. He is all cut up, gets away, and takes refuge in Lindy's cabin, where he finds Belle tenderly nursing the dying woman. The girl admits that she is a negress, and he, showing all the secrn for the race he has in his heart, turns on the girl who has bound up his wounds and declared that it was through love of him she kept the secret of the taint of negro blood in her veins. As a last measure of justice Lindy, dying, declares to the young man and the girl that Belle is all at measure of justice Lindy, dying, declares to the young man and the proper has t in that respect, although the custom of having knife-edge creases in the legs of trousers did not obtain in the "good old days befo"

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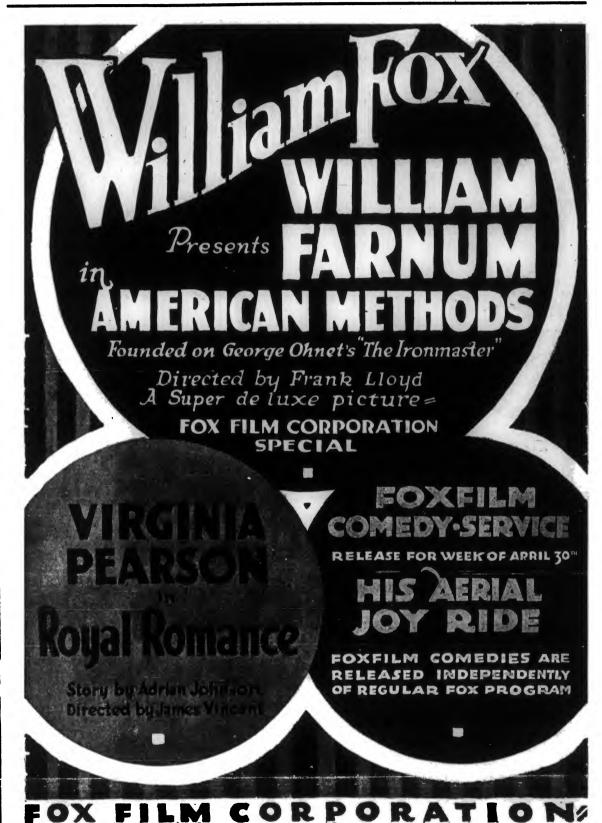
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THE DESERT MAN

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Jim Alton	.William S. Hart
Jenric	
Joey	Buster Irving
'Rasor Joe"	
"Tacoma Jake	Milton Koss
Dr. Howard:	.Jack Livingston
"Old Burns"	Wait Whitman
Katy	Josephine Headley

Ince-Kay Bee (Triangle) production, starring W. S. Hart in a typical Hart role—the entire thing built around him and his provess as a two-handed gunfighter. He is out in the desert prospecting and stumbles across a dying woman whose husband had beaten her. She had gone off leaving a little boy and mentions the child's name as she dies. Hart goes to the village, which is named Broken Hope, meets a sweet young girl whose father is dying, falls violently in love with her and decides to settle there. He encounters the husband of the woman who died, a bully who runs a barber shop and saloon, and drives him out of the town after buying his place, and keeps the child. A New York doctor refuses to come to an adjoining town to attend the sick man, and Hart rides over and brings him in. When the father dies the physician takes the girl away under promise of marriage, but after getting her to his temporary western domicile tells her he has a wife in New York, and attempts to rough-house her.

She leaves and is too proud to return. After seeking decent employment she accepts a position in a fance hail. Child is stolen by its father in order that the rough element may "get" Hart. He rushes after the kidnappers, enters the dence hail with both guns aimed and makes a sensational getaway. The girl returns to Hart and they embrace. While the feature is all right, it might have been greatly augmented by the introduction of some eastern scenes. Nothing of consequence really happens until the dance hall encounter in the last reel. The whole thing is built around this single situation and it takes too long to get to it. Sooner or later it will be necessary to ring in a few changes on the Hart releases.



FILM REVIEWS

A MAGDALENE OF THE HILLS.

Renie Mathis Mabei Tailiaferro Eric Southard William Garwood Old Mathis Frank Montgomery Bud Weaver William B. Davidson Herbert Grayson ... William Black Len Mathis ... Charles Brown

Mabei Talllaferro is the star of this Rolfe-Metro feature which gives a new twist to an old, old tale. It is the story of capital and labor after a fashion. The scenes are laid in the mountains of Virginia, there being all of the mountain atmosphere without any of the usual feud warfare, although there is a touch of it in the early part of the story. Miss

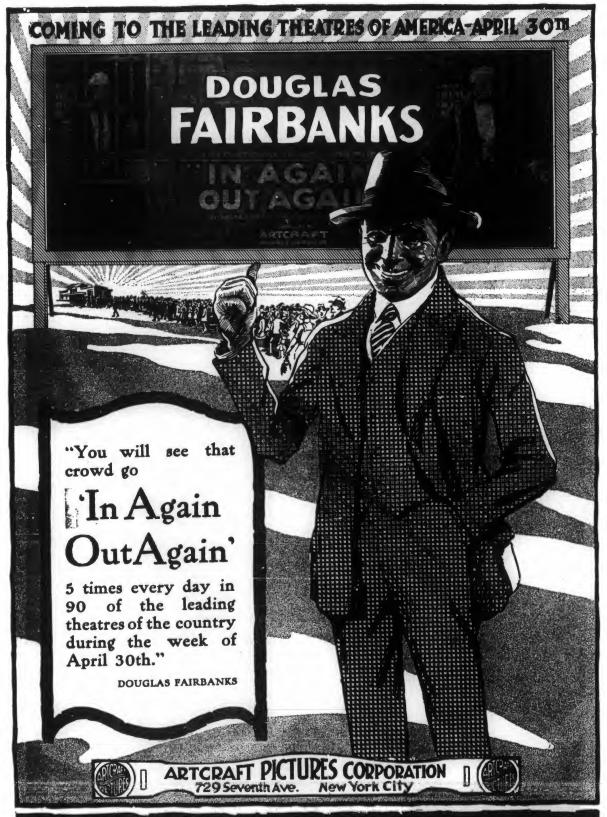
Tailiaferro has the role of the mountaineer maid, daughter of a land holder, whose tract of timber holding is coveted by the iumber trust. He has refused to seil to them because trust. He has refused to sell to them because of the fact that sometime prior his son was killed by three of the guards of the trust who accused him of firing their mill. In a final effort to obtain the land the head of the trust sends his nephew to close the deal. The young college grad, of course, falls in love with the mountaineer's daughter and refuses his uncle's bidding, siding with the people, who have been the victims of the grasping capitalist. A host of complications following give the story something of a "Way Down East" touch. The daughter of the mountaineer and the young man are married, but keep

their wedding a secret. The latter is hurriedly called home by a telegram from the uncle, is injured in an auto crash and the girl is led to believe that he has deserted her. Her father tries to marry her eff to one of the mountain boys, but she, without revesting the true state of affairs, states that she cannot marry anyone and is turned out by her irate parent. The foreman of the lumber mill tries to take advantage of her when the calle to obtain word of her husband, and in a struggle be is accidentally shot and killed. She is on trial for her life when the husband returns in time to defend her and obtain her acquittal. The pictorial side of the picture is beautiful in spots. The action runs along nicely, and Miss Tallisferro will add another triumph to her list of picture successes.

THE LAW OF COMPENSATION.

John Graham ... Frederick Esmelton
Flora, hig. wife
Ruth, hM daughter
Allen Hayes, Tith's bushand. Chester Barnetts
Grace Bonton, a wealthy society
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Henry Thurman, a lawyer ... Fred G. Hearn
Mrs. Wayne, a flighty neighbor of
Ruth's ... Mary Hall
Raymond Weils ... Edmund Stanley
Norma Tsimadge has scored a hit in this

Norma Taimadge has scored a hit in this new Seisnick production. Of course she had good vehicle in the way of a play, for Wilson Mixner, the author, is not a figure among the failures as writers. The direction of Juliua Steger and Joseph A. Golden helped, and from that combination of the stage and the screen one has the right to expect much. Much is given in this feature, although the meaning of the title and the play-the Scriptural law that "Whatsoever a man sowethis presented in a rather compelling way; in fact, rather disturbing to the self-complacent. One hitch in the story is the fact that Trevor gets away without suffering the penalty for his heartieseness, while the girl gets all the punishment. That grates on the sensibilities of those who believe in fair play. There of those who believe in fair piay. There are three hard parts to play in the piece, Mias Taimadge's, naturally, then would come Trevor (John Charles), and Wells (Edmund Stanley). They are of the type which real men despise, and their actin—was of a high order. The other parts carried themselves naturally. The story is that of a young wife (Ruth Hayes), who is on the point of being ied astray by her ambition to become a einger and the wiles of a "song plugger" (Raymond Weils) but is prevented by her father becoming acquainted with the affair, and telling her the story of his own life and most similar combination, only it was a lawyer (Frank Trevor) who was the means of her dewnfail. The father has forced a confession from Weils before he tells his daughter the story, and when it is ended shown it to her. The last of the glamour is swept aside, and the young husband (Ailen Hayes), who coes not know the narrow escape his heme has had, its surprised at the emphasis of the loving greetings with which he is received on his return from business. The play zarries a lesson, yet it is in no sense a sermon, and it is powerfully dramatic in its presentation of the truth that in the end the scales must balance. are three hard parts to play in the piece,



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but later taken to her home, where she has been confined since the accident.

Fred L. Lowenthal has been at Mt. Clemens, Mich., for the past week recovering from a recent illness.

Ethel May is taking treatment at Mt. Clemens, Mich.
Happy Clark is reported quite ill in

Chicago hotel. Miss Rae (Rae and Wynn) is recovering from a recent attack of scar-let fever, but will not be able to do any

stage work before next season.
William J. Jossey, the venerable theatrical man, has suffered a stroke of
paralysis and may never be able to

paralysis and may never be able to work again. A benefit is being col-lected, with Opie Reed, of the Chicago Press Club, acting as treasurer. Folly Follette (Kane and Follette), quit the Winter Garden revue, Winter Garden, Chicago, owing to an injury to her ankle while dancing last week. Floyd Stoker (Stoker and Rierhauer)

Floyd Stoker (Stoker and Bierbauer) has been confined to his home for two weeks, trying to evade an appendicitis

operation.
Samuel F. Nixon of Philadelphia is reported ill, with pneumonia threaten-

ing.
Mae Chesterley ("Robinson Crusoe,
Jr.") was stricken with pneumonia
April 2, while playing at the Murat, Indianapolis.

Lee Norton, manager of the Lyceum, Elmira, N. Y., is at Hot Springs, Ark., taking the baths for rheumatism.

Marie Kolb, premier danseuse with "The New Producer," who injured her foot while working some weeks ago, is slowly recovering, but will not be able to resume dancing for the next six months.

Bob Connelly, appearing in the West in a two-act, fell last week and injured his arm already affected with meuritis,

causing the member to swell and become extremely painful.

Louise Groody had a throat operation April 12 and is in a serious condition. She was playing with "The Maid of the Martinque" at the hotel of that name.

Chas. Robles, comedian with the Al Reeves Show, who was stricken stone blind last month, requests his friends to communicate with him at 712 New Jersey avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

John A. Dewey is recovering from a serious operation at the Long Island College Hospital, Brooklyn.

LA SALLE LEASED.

Chicago, April 18.

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Fred A. Byers has closed his road company.

The Neil O'Brien minstrels closed April 24 in Petersburg, Va.

The Metropolitan, Watertown, S. D., will close for the summer April 23. The house may play stock until next fail.

H. R. Snedeker has taken over John Bernero's "The Little Girl That God Forgot" and placed it on the one-nighters next season.

Early in the fail Claude Long and Oilie Mack will put out a musical show, expecting to carry about 35 people.

"The Teasers," a new play by Arthur Lamb, is in its second week's rehearsal here, Joseph Rose in charge.

Harry Fitzgeraid dashed into town and dashed out, making a mysterious noise that he had made himself \$1,000 during his visit.

Felix Adler is here visiting his mother. Also he wouldn't turn down a date, as he says he hasn't played west of St. Louis in two years, if anyone cares to know.

Al. G. Willis is now managing the Pantages, Minneapolis, succeeding Harry Cornell. The latter has gone to Oakland, Cal., to take charge of the Pan house there.

The report reached the Risito last Saturday that the Palace, Peorla, III., booked independently, fass closed unexpectedly, with the acts left in the lurch.

A combination of vaudeville and musical comedy, operated as a road show, is listed to open at Cicero, Ill., April 28, under the management of W. A. Eiler.

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Richard Hoffman, of the Association, will again book vaudeville into Capital Beach Park, Lincoln, Neb., starting May 27. The Association may also book in outdoor attractions at the park this summer.

Vernon C. Seaver, now a resident of Chicago, owns Alfresco Park, Peorla, Ill., and will open it some time in May for its regular summer season. The park will offer vaudeville and band music as features.

Eddie Shayne, the W. V. M. A. booker, will be presented with a silver service set Saurday, at which time he celebrates his 25th wedding anniversary. The gift comes from agents and his associates on the Association Soor.

A theatrical and athletic carnival will be held by the local order number four of the B. P. O. E. at the Collseum on May 1. This is their annual charity affair, and besides acts from the various theatres some of the best known wrestlers and boxers will participate.

J. C. O'Brien, who has three one-car minstrel shows, working mostly in the South, is figuring that his purchase last year of \$8, 800 worth of one and two sheets for banners has saved him a considerable amount. He bought the paper at seven cents a sheet and the market at present quotes 12-cents a sheet.

H. F. Carmody, son of Tom Carmody, the booking manager for the W. V. M. A., has been appointed city passenger agent of the Missouri Pacific and Iron Mountain R. R., and not having yet reached his majority, is being congratulated on being the youngest passenger agent in Chicago.

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Last Thursday night a wire was received by Abe Jacobs' wife that their young son, Frsnk, had enlisted. Frank went to Cedar Rapida about three weeks ago to visit Wiil J. Siattery, and it was from Cedar Rapids, the wire came saying he had enlisted. Frank is well known around the local Riaito.

Billy Rice, who is framing a half dozen diving acts for vaudevile, has discovered, he thinks, the cause of the scarcity of girls needed for such turns. He figures that, with Annette Kellermann using 20 divers in her spectacle and Gertrude Hoffmann taking 12 more and paying them \$40 weekly, there must naturally be a shortage. Still there should be a supply available. His hrst water act opens on the Pantages time next month.

Where formerly the Mijaries Brothers worked in separate rings in the Ringling of cue, they are apeparing as a double act this year, and may later appear as a two-act in vaudeville. J. Mijaries is up for considerable kidding about the "ad" he rsn in Variety some time ago, referring to General Carranza, and is frequently asked how his "cousin Carranza" is. The Mijaries are Mexican wire artists.

French Lick Springs held a big party of theatrical managers, the visit for the majority lasting two weeks and breaking up last Thursday. Among those present were A. L. Erlanger, Wm. A. Brady, F. Ray Comstock, William Elliott, Marcus Loew, Asron Jones, A. Linick, S. F. Nixon. The main pastime seems to have been riding and golf, and at least one of the managers who tried the latter for the first time has become a prenounced "golf bug."

Major Funkhouser, second deputy police commissioner and morals officer, has threatened to prevent the appearance of Margaret Sanger, the birth control advocate, who is advertised to give three talks at the Strand beginning Sunday. Mrs. Sanger's appearance here is under the direction of a well-known newspaper man, and the latter, after telling the major what he thought of him in no uncertain terms, has pisnned to obtain an injunction against the official's interference.

Harry W. Spingolé but nock-received acretical comunication from Louis W. Emerson, Becretary of State, which notified Spingold of his appointment an a special representative of the Secretary of State to act as automobile investigator for one year, a card of credentials and a state badge of authority accompanying the notification. This investment of authority will give Harry the right to commandeer any aut or motorcycle at any time for a few hours during the war emergency.

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The Thielen Circuit has arranged its regular vaudeville openings for next season. Sam Tlshman will again book on the Association floor. The Orpheum, Galesburg, Ili., starts pictures next week for the summer. The house reopens vaudeville Aug. 20. The Orpheum, Quincy, goes into stock about April 30, resuming vaudeville Sept. 3. The Majestic, Bloomington, Ili., will be dark for the summer. Postation and the formal line of the summer. Postation and the formal line and l

The police are puzzled over the shooting last week of Joe Armstrong and Edward Collier, president and secretary respectively of the

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iocal picture operators' mion. The victims, who were not seriously injured, were attacked by three men while seated in the union's offices in the Temple Court building, which is in the Loop. Arm frong was shot in both iegs, while Collier was wounded in the right arm and left wrist. Both men denied to the district attorney that they knew the identity of their assailants. The affair may have been the outcome of a jurisdictional fight between the outcome of a jurisdictional fight between the union, which is number 110 of the International Alliance of Theatrical Employees, and another picture operators' union, the latter being affiliated with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. Several months ago a bomb was exploded in Armstrong's house, and ten days ago, while he stood in front of the White Eagle theatre, he was shot at several times. He was uninjured, but Martha Woda was wounded.

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CHICAGO (Louis Judah, mgr.),—"Very Good, Eddle," 5th week. Moves to Garrick Sunday.

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COLUMBIA (E. S. Woods, mgr.).—"Sporting Widows" (burlesque) (Columbia).

COLONIAL Norman Fields, mgr.).—"Joan the Woman" (film), 4th week.

ENGLEWOOD (J. D. Whitehead, mgr.).—"Oran the Woman" (film), 4th week.

GARRICK (Sam Gerson, mgr.).—Anna Held in "Follow Me," 2d and final week; falled to draw save at week-ends.

GAYETY (Robt. Shoenecker, mgr.).—"Mischlef Makers (burlesque) (American).

HAYMARKET (Art H. Moeller, mgr.).—"The Merry Makers," stock burlesque.

ILLINOIS (Rolla Timponi, mgr.).—Raymond Hitchcock in "Betty," 3d week; golgover big.

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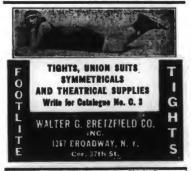
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POWERS (Harry Powers, mgr.).—"The Boomerang," 23rd week.

PRINCESS (Will Singer, mgr.).—"Pierrot the Prodigai" opened Sunday.

STAR & GARTER (Wm. Roche, mgr.).—"Feilles of the Day" (burlesque) (Columbia).

COLISEUM.—Ringling Brothers' Circus, 2d week. One more to go.

MAJESHIC (Fred Eberts, mgr.; agent, Orpheum).—The cyclonic one, Eva Tanguay, arrived to light up a bill that was aby one act. there being but seven turns present, the team billed but missing being Gertis Vanderbilt. However, Monday afternoon's big house didn't motice the omission, for Miss Vanderbilt. However, Monday afternoon's big house didn't motice the omission, for Miss Tanguay worked 28 minutes, not leaving the stage until 4.20, which is about the time the "Fatria" serial has usually been starting. The ever fiery Eva was allotted the closing spot, anything but soft on the opening afternoon at the Majestic. But her changing display of costume creations and new numbers pulled her out a big winner with the beloved "i Don't Care" for a finish and the little "humanity" speech for her exit. Some of the new costumes were marvels, especially the shimmering cloth of silver covering and the curlous conception of purple and silver leaves with its accompanying massive headgear. In all Miss Tanguay gave eight numbers. It was the dancing song which first caught the house, and it surely is a welcome addition to her routine. On in fifth spot were Carmelia and Rosa Ponzillo. This was their first appearance here in big time, and from the hit registered they are not only due to sicke but to be regarded as a feature standard act. The girls were hampered a bit by the non-arrival of their trunks, and worked in street clothes. Both have splendid volces, one working at the piano, and though they lean towards the classical, they also know how to handle popular songs, as evidenced from the results with "Egypt in Your Dreamy Eyes." Almost solid applause came at the finish, but they did not appear, the reason being that the larger of the two fainted in the winse, which

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They topped off with a bear of a travesty song and dance on "Gonga Din." This is said to be their first season on big time, and whether or not they have a bright stage future either or vaddeville or for the legitimate. There were several waits which were unavoidable, but the general merit of the show caused that to be forgotten. Had there been any doubt as to Grace La Rue's value as a headliner, it was swept away by the manner in which she, too, pulled down a solid hit in the next to closing spot, in spite of the heavy scoring acts which preceded her. Miss La Rue was in just as fine voice as when she appeared at the Majestic several weeks ago, and she was enjoyed as fully. She presented several new numbers and earned three encores. One of her two costumes was an embroidered yellow sation affair that was effectively offset by a black jet jacket, and the rig caught the feminine eyes. One of the early hits was scored by Clara Howard, on number two. Very pretty did she look in new gown and cloak, and the house took to her from the start. Miss Howard took a pair of encores, one of them being on her Chaplin imitation, which is to be classed with the best. She merely employs the mustache and derby to help the suggestion, but even without those attributes, the mimory is exact. James C. Morton and Mamie Diamond quarrelied, kidded and danced themselves into large ravor in seventh position, Morton getting a big hand on his entrance and a bigger one at the finish. He works as hard as when teamed with Frank Moore, and does as many funny fails. The act went for a hit. Odiva was allotted the keystone position (number five), and her act furnished an interesting interlude. This because the turn is rightly framed to centre a good deal of attention on the excellently trained sea-ilons is right up to date. James Diamond and Sibyl Brennan provided a deal of fun and speed in fourth spot with their "Niftynonsense." Jim's kidding antics

a novelty that caught on and was encored three times. Martinett and Sylvester, with comedy acrobatics, closed the bill, the curtain descending close to eleven o'clock.

McVICKER'S (Jones, Linick & Schaefer, mgrs.; agent, Loew-Doyle).—The first show Monday had what appeared to hold a weak running order, for four out of the last five turns were dumb acts. As a whole, the bill was a bit under the standard here, and what comedy there was failed to get over. The hit of the opening show fell to the Imperial Military Octette, a group of musicians who split their routine between singing and playing. The warbling of the men was not so nitry, but their instrumental work did catch on, the remaition of a "patrol" (military airs) striking the house best. The musicians' dressing made a very good flash, the uniforms being of immaculate white flannel trimmed with fold. An excellent novelty in the Diving Nympha, closed the show. The major portion of the act is taken up with a bunch of performing seasilions, handled by Harold Winston, whose father attained quite a name for his training of that kind of mammal. It has been claimed that the sea-lion is one of the brainiset of dumb animals, and their performance in this act and that of Odiva's does much to prove the contention. The work of the "seals," both in the tank and out, at Winston's command is struly amusing. The two "nymphs" are two shapely girls, who, however, are secondary to the animals. Gaston Paimer did very well with his juggling tricks, making a neat appearance and giving a routine away from the general run. Follettte and Wicks got something with their kidding patter, but since the house was not "warmed up" they probably went better later in the day. Bernard and Lloyd, a two-man talking act, did not find the going easy, though they worked hard and seem to have good material. The Curson Sisters, with aerial posing, was also but fairly well received. On the bill also but not caught were the "Black and White Revue." Frank Mastyre Kelly in "Tom and Jerry" and have presen

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ner," just after enlistment announcements had been flashed on the screen. The whole house was on its feet and any who were tardy in arising were emphatically "coaxed" by some of the burly customers. Leonard and Wright opened the show, they making an entrance from an album. Their turn mostly consisted of dancing, the girl singing a number at the beginning. Both dressed in white satin, the girl looking especially good, and they were liked. Crawford and Hayes, a two-man team, followed. The first part of the act was dialog that failed to get anything. But when a plane was trundled our and several artitles offered, the house took notice, so that their finish was better than the earlier material had promised. On third, the Russell Quintet, a musical group, was billed as a jass band, which it isn't. Several songs were liked and the drummer displayed pep which helped put the turn

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over fairly well. The Troy Comedy Trio was just fair, the men not proving that they were real "harmony singers," as billed. The gamentioning a "cheap Jew taillor" should be modified. "A Night in the Park" closed the bill. The male quartet used here seems made up of voices of the same tone, and therefore no results are attained. The best thing in the act is the "spirit" flash at the finish.

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KEDZIE (Gus Bunke, mgr.; agent, W. V.
M. A.)—Last week's last half show was a
pleasing entertainment to the West Madison
street patrons, for besides Mrs. Eva Fay two
good comedy acts featured the bill. One was
"The Toll Bridge," as presented by James
Grady and Co. It is a standard pop act.
Grady's humorous old man characterization is
most cleverly folled by the girl's playing of
the saucy kid, with generous laughter the result. Cook and Lorenz, next to closing, had
it soft immediately following the Grady turn.
However, the men west calculated to their
own, and the here laughted at everything they
said and did. Mrs. Fay closed the bill, working in her usually rapid fashion and appearing to be in good fettle. The Gallerial Sisters, with songs, accordions and violin, were
on second and pulled away to big applause,
the work of the girls at the close, being the
best liked. This was the playing of violin to

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the accordion accompaniment. Will and Kemp opened the show nicely, the acrobats getting the house with their spectacular hand balancing from a springboard.

AMERICAN (E. L. Goldberg, mgr.; agent, W. V. M. A.).—an appreciative house was in Sunday afternoon for last week's last half show, the bill beling well framed with plenty of singing comedy. One hit was produced, it being the 'Black and White Revue.' holding a cast of seven, four being girls. The act is along the lines of a minstrel first part, but there is not an overplus of gags, and the specialties supply plenty of action. Of the latter, that of La Chesta, "the girl on her toes," is exceptional. La Chesta is of slender build but is clever, not only in her toe work, but is an agile and graceful kicker, also somewhat of an acrobat. Her work was warmly received. Dan Ely is also a mimble stepper. The finish is well worked up, being mostly responsible for the good results. John T. Ray, assisted by two others (one a girl), presented a comedy routine in "one," called "Check Your Hat." When the hat-check girl relieved him of his headgear he admonished her to be careful of it, since it had cost him \$48, counting the tips paid out in the various cating plaices. Ray's male assistant got a nice hand on his good dancing. This pair also furnished the encore bit, that of the dancing old men, called the "Ganzy Twins." which Ray did with Bert Howard when they were teamed. The act was very well received. The Seebacks obtained good results with their bag punching turn, largely helped by the comedy



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injected and the good appearance of the girl. A musical sister act, the Misses Nelson, made a pleasing opening act, using a routine of songs, plano and violin. Both girls display ginger and seem to do equally well with classical and popular numbers, wisely favoring the latter brand, however. Walsh and Frits, on second, also did well with talk and songs, the comedy getting laughter from portions of the house.

WINDSOR (D. L. Swartz, mgr.; agent, W. V. M. A.).—The White Rats have ceased their show at the Columbia across the street. The Windsor show the last half last week rounded out pleasurable entertainment. Mile. Carlita and William B. Howland, in "Luzon Love," opened and the regulars like the offering. The Archie Nicholvon Trio pleased with music. George Kelly, comedy sketch, "Finders-Keepers," for the smaller houses should carry a special setting, or at least have stage properties necessary to lend more atmosphere to its performanme than it is getting in the local houses. Each of the players shows evidence of trying to imitate the original Kelly company as nearly as possible. This is not necessary and forces them to be unnatural at times through striving for the instructed poses, gestures and mannerisms. The man doing the Kelly role, in using the subdued tones a la Kelly maturally mostified, water them the player shows evidence of trying to imitate the original Kelly company as nearly as possible. This is not necessary and forces them to be unnatural at times through starting the swarps was programmed but in his place appeared Lillian Watson, who scored an emphatic bit with her song routine. The Blasar Sisters held attention in the final position.

wilson Avenue (W. H. Buhl, mgr.; agent, W. V. M. A.).—Bully good show the

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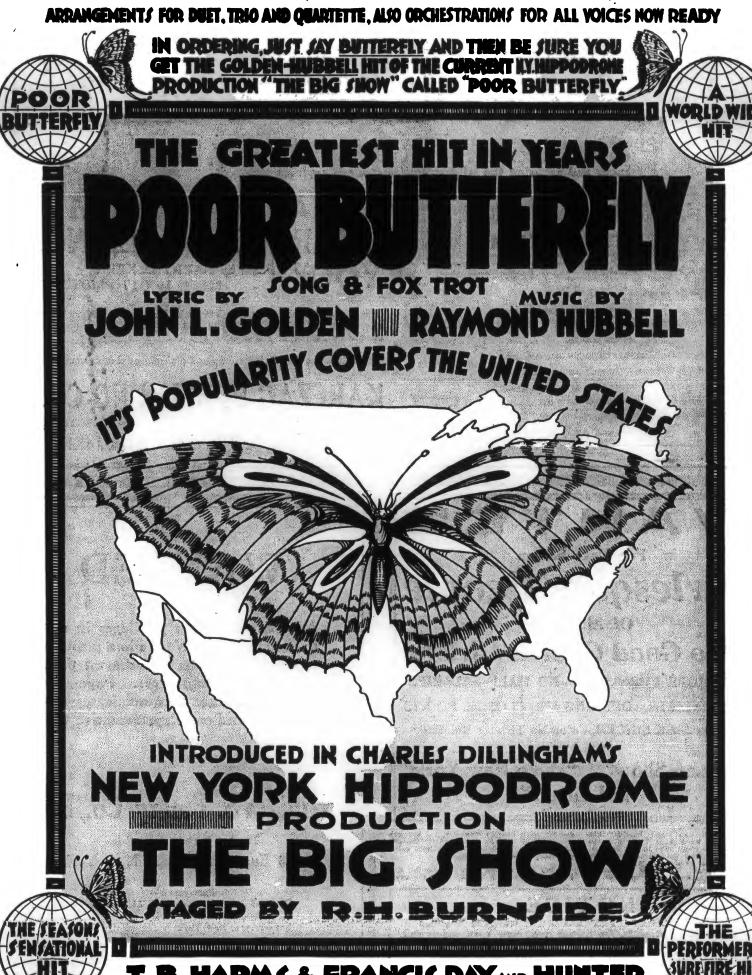
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reason aione, although better harmony has and always will be brought forth with the members upon the stage. The Estelle Dancers, led by Mme. Bernics, went through a series of classical dances in ordinary style, displaying nothing unusual. The ballet appeared to work well enough, but lifeless in seme re-

spects. Jere Sanford was accorded the applause hit of the bill, gained mostly through his yodelling. The Orton Troupe of wire walkers closed the show nicely.

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pany intact, headed by Ed Mitcheil, moving to the Strand, San Diego, for an indefinite en-gagement. The "No. 2" show, headed by Jim Post himself, will open at the Plaza Airdome, Fresno, May 2. Pictures are expected to open at the Majestic upon the closing of the show.

The tremendous success recently ashleved during the run of Koib and Dill in "The High Cost of Loving," which forced them to remain indefinitely at the Acasar, will be brought to a close April 23, concluding ten weeks. This extraordinary feat has not been duplicated here for some years back, and were it not that Frederic Belasco returned from his eastern trip where he engaged his people for the summer stock which is due to open upon the departure of the comedians, they undoubtedly would continue to a record breaking run. George Davis has aiready gene to Los Angelés to secure a house. From all appearances that will be their next stand.

The Garrick, recently responed by a local firm with musical comedy stock, closed five days after. The house apears to be a deed



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issue, and most likely will remain idle for a good length of time.

Mary Miles Minter was here for a short stay, during which time she took some scenes for her forthcoming release.



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An unusual event occurred has week with the clesing of "20,000 Leagues Under the Sea" at the Cort, and the opening of the same picture at the Savy. Sol Leagues To arranged to have the film opening at the Savoy upon the same night te closed at the Cort. The Sime were brought from one house to the other with special measungers, showing it to two different audiences in different houses. The picture is now running at the Savoy.

With the expiration of the lease held by the Market St. Realty Co. upon the Portola, that house will change May 15, Holahan & Gosts taking over the lease, with the future policy

The Greeters of America held their fare-well meeting at the Continental Hotel last week, prior to the departure of Francis Pat-rick Shanley for the Boston convention.

DOSTOR.

KEITH'S (Robert G. Larsen, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Mme. Dores's company of opera eingers are sharing honors with Doeley and Sales in a bill that doesn't look especially snappy on paper, but which proved to be a corking entertainment.

Saille Fisher in "The Choir Rehearsn!" was located a little early. This Clars Kummer sketch is a veritable vaudeville classic. Peggy Bramen and Brother opesed only fair, the act dragging badly in spots. Lewis and White were well received. The Gaudemidts with their poodles scored as seual and Andy Rice's wedding monolog went fairly well with the highbrows and cleaned up with the ordinary folks. The Three Sullys have not got their act in a hape satisfactory to themselves as yet, but it is coming along fast. "The Edge of the World" closed effectively. BOSTON (Chas. Harris, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Pop and pictures. Big.

BIJOU (Raiph Gliman, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Fop and pictures. Fair.

BOWDOIN (Al. Somerbee, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Fop and pictures. Fair.

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mgr.).—Pep and pietures. Good.
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PARK (Thomas D. Soriere, Mgr.)—Last tures. Good.

MAJESTIC (E. D. Santh, mgr.)—Last week of "The Beautiful Unknown" which has not done the business expected of a Straus operate. "The Flame" will open next Monday night, probably for a run.—The Woman Thou Gayest Me" had its premier-Friday night to a capacity house. Reviewed classwhere.

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WILBUR (E. D. Smith, mgr.).—The Delly-Sisters in "His Brida! Night" doing well in this intimate type of house which is ideal for a snappy production of this unusual type. PLYMOUTH (E. D. Smith, mgr.).—Guy Baces Post in "The Masquerader" starting on its seventh week to excellent business.

PARK SQUARE (Fred E. Wright, mgr.).—"Fair. and Warmer" still going strong, with seats selling three veeks in advance.

COLONIAL (Charles J. Rich, mgr.).—"Joan the Woman" film not up to expectations.

HOLLIS (Charles J. Rich, mgr.).—John Drew in last week of "Major Pendennia." Fair. Elsie Ferguson in "Shirley Kaye" underlined for next week with heavy advancesale.

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CASTLE SQUARE (John Craig, mgr.).—
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CASINO (Charles Waldron, mgr.).—'The Behman Show" Excellent.

GAIETY (Charles Batcheller, mgr.).—
Jean Bedini's "French Folly" playing to excellent business.

HOWARD (George E. Lothrop, mgr.).—'The Ginger Girls," with snappy house bill.

BUFFALO.

BY W. B. STEPHAN.
TECK (John Olshel, mgr.).—"A Daughter of the Gods" (film) doing satisfactorily.
STAR (P. C. Cornell, mgr.).—"The Yellow Jacket." favorable impression. Next: David Warfield.

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MAJESTIC (Chas. Lawrence, mgr.).—Return engagement of "Her Unborn Child." Following: "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

GAYETY (Richard Patten, mgr.).—Billy Watson and Ed. Wrothe establishing record. Coming: "Burlesque Revue."

GARDEN (Wm. Graham, mgr.).—House stock, "Society Queens."

SHEA'S (Henry Carr, mgr.).—"The C.untry Store" headlining successfully with "The Night Boat" following closely; Misha and Olga, entertaining; Al. Herman, hit; Jim and Betty Morgan, pleasing; Spencer and Williams, fair: Selma Braatz, clever.

LYRIC (C. Lou Snyder, mgr.).—The Fred Zobedie Co. in first place with novelty act. Dave Rafael, good Belle Wilton, gets over; Musical Three, classy feature; Holmes and Holliston, good; Bud and Nellie Heim, very good.

good.
OLYMPIC (Bruce Fowler, mgr.).—Zermain,
Zermaine & Co., first honors; Ryan Bros.,
open well; Wright and Davis, .clever; Pate

Family, versatile: Sophie and Everett Harvey, catchy novelty.

ACADEMY (Jules Micheal, mgr.).—First half headed by the LaVanna Trio, very well;
LaVeen and Cross, big; Cody, entertaining;
Engers and Hart, good.

FAMILY (Harry Marsey, mgr.).—Second week, "Enlighten Thy Daughter" (film).

The Jessie Bonstelle Stock announces its opening at the Star.

Florence Crosby is again at the Park Hot with the Leslie Sisters and Jimmie Slater.

William Colhan has left the Olympic and one into the aeroplane business.

LOS ANGELES. By GUY PRICE.

John Biackwood is being sued for divorce. Desertion is charged.

Rev. Billy Sunday comes here this fall to conduct revivals.

Maitland Davies, the Tribune's editor, is staging a dramatic production in Phoenix.

A. W. Bachelor, manager of "Katinka," is carrying Mrs. Bachelor along, "Bach" says it's pleasure and business, fifty-fifty.

Scores of local musicians have enlisted for service in the army and naval band corps.

Maude Fay is in the city.

Ferris Hartman emerged from the films for one night and played Ro-Ko in "The Mikado" at the Burbank. Frank Deshen stepped aside for the one performance to win a bet he had with Hartman.

E. P. Defever, a well-known deep sea diver, is on "exhibition" in the Majestic lobby dur-ing the ran of "Twenty Theusead Leagues Under the Sea."

More than half of the crew of Pantabes has been called to the colors.

NEW ORLEANS.

By O. M. SAMUEL.

ORPHEUM (Cha. E. Bray, Southern representative).—Present bill not impressive. Evaluation of the stood out. Ernle Evans and several pulchritudinous girlice evaluate and several pulchritudinous opened the show. Kitner, Hawkiley and McClay disclosed an apt comedian. John and Winnie Hennings show little change. George Lyons and "The Volunteers" proved only a fair offering.

TULANE (T. C. Campbell, mgr.).—"Intolerance."

ance." CRESCENT (T. C. Campbell, mgr.).—
"Daughter of the Gods."
TUDOR (Howard Gale, mgr.).—"Civilisa-

TODOR (Howard Gaie, mgr.).—"Civilitation."

LAFAYETTE (D. L. Cornellus, mgr.).—
pletures.

ALAMO (Will Gueringer, mgr.).—Jimmie
Brewn's Revue.

Billie Madden joined Jimmie Brown's Revue

The Crescent closes Saturday. The season at the house has not been as successful as in former years, due to the presentation of tawdry melodramas of a type that have no weight in the local amusement scale.

Tom Campbell has booked "Joan the Wo-

man," for an extended engagement at the Tulane, after "Intolerance" leaves.

Helbrook Blinn, in "The Empress," is the first feature film at the Diamond, formerly the Lyric, during its ploture policy.

Charles E. Bray is billing next week's pregram at the Orpheum as an Orpheum Road Show.

Spanish Fort opens the latter part of this month.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

REITH'S (H. T. Jordan, mgr.).—If one of the feature acts which had been heavily featured had come through this week's bill would have rounded out into a very satisfactory vaudeville show around McIntyre and Heath, the headliners. "Peacock Alley," a tabled comedy drama by Lewis Allen and featuring vivian Blackburn and Elwood P. Boetwick, was the floopper, and it put a big dent in the seriy portion of the bill. The sketch is talky, with a story running through it that never gets anywhere, and in addition the whole thing is poorly played. Even the attempt to inject a bit of sentimental stuff into the plece failed to bit the mark. As a matter of fact, "Peacock Alley" is wrong from the start, for the title means absolutely nothing to anyone fout New Yorkers or frequenters of the Waldorf-Astoria, and there are not many of them among the frequenters of vaudeville theatres of the big fash which dies out very dimly, leaving nothing behind it. Mointyre and Heath put over a laughing hit, although Monday's audience was one of the stony-hearted kind which didn't enthuse very much over anything on the bill. It has been several years since the blackface

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men played "On Guard" in this house, so that it was practically new to most of those in front. There is a deal of humor in this skit, and the two veterans get it over as no other team can. The other big applause winners were Ed. Morton and Jack Wyatt's Scotch Lads and Lassies. The former is a Philadelphisn and was in right from the start, but also carned ail be got with bis songs. He sang at least six of them, and ail but one were new here. The Scotch act closed the show and held the house sested throughout the act. This is not only a pretty act to look at, but the singing and dancing is away above the ordinary. There is plenty of action about it, too, which is a big help, and there was plenty of applause at the finish. Lillian Shaw did very nicely after once started, and finished very strong with the character comedy number she closed with. Miss Shaw might profit by changing the opening song. It is not just right for her, and she gets nothing out of it,

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time "Peacock Alley" put a dsmper on things, the show was hitting a high mark for entertainment. The Four Earles have a nicely set up aerial novelty with two men acting as bearers for two girls on an apparatus on the order of the Curson act. They have a good routine of tricks and handle them well. The girls should take their bows up stage rather than running down to the footlights after the finish of each trick. Bernie and Baker, two

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ALLEGHENY (Joseph Cohen, mgr.) .- Theds

Bara in "Her Greatest Love" is the film fea-ture this week, surrounded by the following vaudeville acts: Four Marx Bros., Lew Cooper and Co. in "The Colored Chauffeur," White and White, Will Walter and Co. in "Back to Life," Hill and Ackerman.

White and White, Will Walter and Co. in "Back to Life," Hill and Ackerman.

KEYSTONE (M. W. Taylor, mgr.)—"The Garden Belles," a tabloid musical act, headlines. Others, Strand Trio, the Van Dykes, Willete Charters and J. Frank Halliday in "The 1917 Cop." Duffy and Dalsy, "The Comedian and Cycling Venus," Francis X. Bushman in "The Great Secret," the film feature. COLONIAL (H. A. Smith, mgr.).—Circus features furnish the acts of importance this week. The list includes Lillian's Dog Circus, Three Peronnes, Beman and Anderson, Nora Shelbey and Co. in "Aphasia," Lynton's "Jungle Girls," Maud Ryan, Bill Pruit, the "Cowboy Csruso," motion pictures.

NIXON (F. G. Nixon-Nirdlinger, mgr.).—"Tango Shoes," dancing novelty, heads the bill. Others, Mille, Makerenko and Co., Russian singers and dancers, Naynon's Birds, Conrad and Daniels, Jones and Gray, film feature, Gladys Rockwell in "Her Temptation." NIXON'S GRAND OPERA HOUSE (W. D. Wegefarth, mgr.).—"Models Abroad," a musical tabloid in three scenes, headlines this week. Others, Raymond and Motion pictures.

BROADWAY (Joseph Cohen, mgr.).—Wil-

BROADWAY (Joseph Cohen, mgr.).—Willard's Temple of Music features the bill all week. Others for the first half: Lynton's "Jungle Girls," Lewis, Belmont and Lewis, Davis and Walker, Three Willis Brothers and the film feature, Gladys Rockwell in "Her Temptation." Last half: "What's the Idea?" a musical tabloid, Billie K. Wells, Hawthorne and Lester, Adonis and motion pictures.

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GLOBE (Sablosky & McGurk, mgrs.).—
Josie Flynn's Minstrels, Charles A. Loder and
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PAYMENTS FOR SINGING SONGS TO BE STOPPED BY PUBLISHERS

Music Publishers' Protective Association Formed. Date for Discontinuance of Payment to Be Set at Final Meeting Today. Movement Has Support of Vaudeville Managers' Protective Association

At a meeting of the Music Publishers' Protective Association, held Monday afternoon in the offices of the Vaudeville Managers' Protective Association, the completion of the organization, formed some time ago, was gone forward with.

A final meeting of the association is to be held today, at which officers will be elected and a final date set by the publishers for the discontinuance of all payments to singers for singing publishers.

lished songs.

At the Monday meeting Pat Casey, speaking for the V. M. F. A., informed the assembled publishers the managers' organization was heartily in accord with the movement. Mr. Casey explained to the music men how vau-deville acts and bills have been dis-rupted through the publishers' keen competition to secure acts on a money incentive. Mr. Casey made some convincing statements, many of which sur-prised the publishers, and left no doubt in their minds that the V. M. P. A., in in their minds that the V. M. P. A., in its future intent to remedy vaudeville evils, looked upon the payment to singers as one of the first to be attended to. "We are with you, gentlemen," said Mr. Casey, "and we shall gladly work hand in hand with you to protect vaudeville. This we are doing out of no love for you, but for our shows.

"We see an act in New York. It uses songs and we think it a very good act. It secures a contract for 20, 30 or more weeks to play in V. M. P. A. vaudeville theatres. Later, after the act has its contracts, we see it again somewhere out

tracts, we see it again somewhere out of town, and it's not the same act because it has changed all of its songs, through one of you publishers having promised to pay it more money than some other publisher did.

some other publisher did.

"Then again, in any number of our theatres on Monday morning (rehearsal time), our managers find acts on the bill, sometimes three or four, each insisting it will sing the same song. They are insisting because a publisher is paying each act money to sing that song. It has got to stop. We examot afford to have our business disturbed by these methods.

"We are glad you also recognize the evil and have organized to eliminate

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it. That is why we welcome your organization, and you can know that in this you have the solid support of the Vaudeville Managers' Protective Asso-

ciation.
"I can also inform you on behalf of the V. M. P. A. that with your society perfected for the betterment of vaudeville as far as you are concerned, the V. M. P. A. will recognize that society absolutely as formed for the purpose of working in harmony with us, and shall also look upon publishers not connected with it, but who may wish to continue the payment of money to vaudeville singers, as inimical to the interests of V. M. P. A. theatres."

interests of V. M. P. A. theatres."

Mr. Casey was applauded for his remarks and invited to attend the meeting today in order that he may keep informed on the music question. The permanent meeting place of the Musio Publishers' Association will be in the V. M. P. A. offices, by permission of the V. M. P. A., the publishers meeting but once or twice monthly.

That the large majority of popular music publishers have recognized the payment to singers as destructive has been a well known fact. Even singers accepting money for singing songs

accepting money for singing songs have admitted that were the practice discontinued they would welcome the change to an open field, saying, however, if someone else were paid they should be paid also.

The vaudeville managements have

The vaudeville managements have often suffered undue annoyance by reason of the payment system, and it has been termed highly injurious to finished vaudeville performances.

The publishers estimate that over \$200,000 a season is paid singers in vaudevilla by them.

The M. P. P. A. in its by-laws provides for penalty for violation by payments. A comprehensive plan was evolved through Maurice Goodman, counsel for the publishers' association. under which an executive board of three members, none connected with the music trades, will be the operator of the society, regulating it and the conduct of its members relating to singers, but without giving the association or the board any power to in-terfere in the customary routine of business of the publishers.

BAD IN ENGLAND.

Reports that have reached this country during the last few days indicate that theatrical conditions in London and the English provinces are particularly bad at present. The entire attention of the British public at present seems to be centered on the "big drive" taking place on the continent.

Philip Klein, who returned to England on the first American steamer that crossed after the U boat warfare recommenced, has written he is enlisted in the volunteer motor corps and will soon be on his way to France. The London productions of "Very Good Eddie" and "Fair and Warmer"

Good Eddie" and "Fair and Warmer" will be indefinitely postponed.

It is said show business in the English provinces is even worse than in London. Little or no attention is being paid to the theatres at present.

Prior to this drive, there were enough troops in and about London, in addition to those returning from the front on brief furloughs to keep up the attendance in the theatres, but all of these troops have been called into action for the big offensive. the big offensive.

LOUIS MANN DOING HEBREW.

For the first time in his professional career Louis Mann will essay the Hebiew character, when shortly appearing in a Sam Shipman sketch named "The Good For Nothing."

The playlet will be presented by Mr. Mann in the eastern vaudeville houses, to take up the contracts held by him for "Some Warriors," also written by Mr. Shipman, and in which Mr. Mann played a German.

MANAGER ELECTED MAYOR.

Chicago, April 25.

W. M. Sauvage, owner and manager of the Temple and Hippodrome, Alton, Ill., was elected mayor of that city last

The candidate on the opposing ticket had come out with a platform calling for reform and a "closed" town, and it was because of that that Mr. Sauvage entered the field against him.

BILLY SUNDAY NOTICE.

The following notice has been posted in all of the B. F. Keith vaudeville theatres:

Important Notice.
Artists are requested to omit from their acts all jokes and side remarks with reference to Billy Sunday meet-

ings now being held in New York.
This request must be strictly adhered to.

ALIENATION ACTION.

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Chicago, April 25.

An action for \$50,000 alleging alienation of affections has been brought by Louise Dacre against Mr. and Mrs. James F. McIntyre. Miss Dacre, who in private life is Mrs. Thomas McIntyre, charges the parents of her husband weaned his affections from her.

Mr. McIntyre (McIntyre and Heath) is at the Majestic this week.

Miss Dacre is playing vaudeville dates around here. She was at one time a well-known figure in burlesque, noted for the type of songs she used. The younger McIntyres were married about three years ago. Miss Dacre is believed to be somewhat older than her husband.

her husband.

SOTHERN'S \$5,000 SALARY.

Although E. H. Sothern announced he had retired from the stage, the legitimate rostrum must have been meant by the star, who lately indicated a willingness to appear in a vaudeville sketch, if the managers would pay him \$5,000 weekly.

This salary was looked upon as pro-hibitive and all negotiations were dropped.

CHURCH FORCES BILLING CHANGE.

"Her Unborn Child" at the Grand, Brooklyn, this week was forced to change its billing matter by the local church societies. In place of the regular title the word "Unborn" has been omitted, the piece playing as "Her Child"

DALY CLOSES IN TWO WEEKS.

The notice of the closing of "The Very Minute" in which Arnold Daly is appearing at the Belasco was posted Saturday. The house will go dark until next season.

The Daly piece may be used for touring purposes next fall

BUYS "FOLLIES" PRODUCTION.

Boyle Woolfolk, the Chicago "tab" producer, has purchased the entire pro-duction of Ziegfeld's "Follies of 1916,"

including scenery, costumes and all properties, the sale taking in everything except the lighting effects.

Woolfolk will utilize the material for two tabloid shows which are scheduled to be produced in Chicago within the next few weeks.

TENT SHOWS DELAYED.

Chicago, April 25.
Owing to the cold weather and continued rain in this section the tent shows have delayed their spring openings and several do not specified.

ings and several do not expect to open until the latter part of May.

A number are arranging their tours so that they will embrace the training camps of the soldiers.

IN PARIS

Paris. April 18.

The suspension of the subway and other means of urban transportation at the early hour of 10 p. m. (excepting Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays, when cars, etc., run until 11:15 p. m.) has played havoc with the amusement resorts. Such small attendances have been registered that managers petitioned the authorities to permit later communications in the evening. However, it has been judged prudent, for the present not to resume the night the present, not to resume the night services, but as an off-set the thea-tres are now allowed nine perform-ances weekly, managers to use their own discretion whether they play extra own discretion whether they play extra matinees and correspondingly curtail the evening shows. Several vaudeville houses, and nearly all the picture palaces, will give daily matinees, with only two evening performances.

Anatole France has sold the picture rights of his "Thais" for \$15,000 to an American concern. The story goes that he at first objected to his novel being shown on the screen, and fixed

being shown on the screen, and fixed the price as prohibitive. But the Amersecured the rights. The amount given is more than he made on the book.

The French society of authors, composers and publishers of music has sued a local journal which advanced the preposterous idea that picture exhibitors need not pay heavy royalties for music used, but had only to discourse harmony by men not members of the society. In some way or other the Tribunal of Commerce has accorded \$15,000 damages to the little society, but there will probably be an

appeal.

The revue at the Concert Mayol, which was perhaps the best of the present season, has been withdrawn and is going on the road. Mayol returns to his own house under the management of Dufrennes, supported by

other vaudeville acts. A sketch is in the new Alhambra program, but it will not set the Seine on fire. The Imperial has reopened, and a new revue by Rip is due at the Capucines this week.

Loie Fuller is sailing for New York

this week from Bordeaux.

There is now a drought of acts in Paris, particularly small time. There is plenty of work for artists who are on the spot. Acts playing the Alhambra are watched for free dates, and after moving down to the Olympia start after moving down to the Olympia start a tour round the smaller halls in the city, with offers from the provinces galorg—which it is not always advis-able to accept. The small time artists available are now having the time of their lives. Their role is reversed: managers run after them; no sitting hours in stuffy waiting rooms at the pleasure of agents and directors. If us. Managers accept any act, if terms are reasonable, if it is only to get a new name on their billboards. It is more difficult for big acts demanding high salaries, and they need not expect more than a month or six weeks in Paris, but the small fry can count on three months' work easily under present conditions.

R. Baratta has taken the Ambassadears Concert for the present summer

denrs Concert for the present summer and will run the open air cafe concert in conjunction with the Olympia, opening June 1. The revue at Folies Bergere is doing good business. Jane Marnac replaces Misfinguett shortly.

Paris Theatres—Les Lionnes, pauvres and repertoire (Comedie Francaise); Opera. Opera-Comique, Odeon rerpertoire; "The Aviator" (Varietes); "Within the Law" (Rejane); "Cyrano de Bergerae". Derte St. Martial; Madeessiekelle Josette ma femme (Empire); Nouvcaux Riches" (Sarah Bernhardt);

"Veille d'Armes" (Gymnase); "Champignol Malgre Lui" (Scala); "Mr. Beverley" (Antone); "Madame et Son Filleul" (Palais Royal); "Jean de la Fontaine" (Bouffes); "Baiser Mortel, etc. (Grand Guignol); "Mam'zelle Nitouche" (Ambigu); "Cloches de Corneville" (Gaite); "Chichi" (Athenee); "Classe 36" (Dejazet); Grand Mogal (Trianon); Revues at Capucines, Casino de Paris, Folies Bergere, Cigale, Gaite Rochechouart, Arts, Caumartin, Ba-Ta-Clan, Pictures at Folies Dramatiques, Vaudeville, Hippodrome (Gauiques, Vaudeville, Hippodrome (Gau-mont Palace), Cirque d'Hiver; varie-ties at Alhambra, Nouveau Cirque, Olympia, Mayol, Eldorado, Europeen, Petit Casino, Kursaal, Tabarin, Luna Park, Medrano.

The new revue by Arnauld, produced by Lamarchande, was finally presented by R. Baratta at the Folies Bergere, March 15. The Tiller Girls are the main feature, supported by Mlle. Mistimguett.

Mlle. Aline Couprant, a clever French dancer, has been engaged at the Theatre de la Gaité Lyrique, Paris, for ten months as premiere danseuse

It can be said that the theatrical season, so far as concerns new productions, is coming to an end, and it is possible that some of the legitimate houses will commence to close for the summer as early as May. Business is only fair, though vaudeville and picture managers are satisfied.

PASSES DIVIDEND FOR SURPLUS.

London, April 25.
"Hanky Panky" has been worked up at the Empire, and its comedy im-

The Empire pays no dividend this year and carries forward \$130,000 for rebuilding after the war.

The reconstruction will increase its capacity.

KITCHEN'S NEW SKETCH.

London, April 25. Fred Kitchen is appearing in a new sketch at the Putney Hippodrome, entitled "What's He Doing?"

NEW ACT BOOKED.

London, April 25. The Delson and Good Trio, presenting a new act at Finsbury Park Empire, have been booked for a complete tour of the Moss houses.



FRANK VAN HOVEN'S MOTHER Mrs. Katherine Josephine Barry Splane Van Hoven

DEATHS IN LONDON.

London, April 25.

Harry Paulton, actor playwright, author of "Ermine" and many other big successes, was buried April 23. Deceased was 75 years old. Murray Carson, the popular actor-dramatist, died April 19. He had often collaborated with Louis N. Parker, and at the time of his demise was a Parliamentary candidate for Chelsea. Sir Francis Burnand, editor of Punch and a prominent playwright, died April 21, aged 81. Kate Hodson, an old-time popular actress, was buried April 19. London, April 25.

MARY ANDERSON'S CHARITY PLAY.

London, April 25.
Mary Anderson is presenting at the
Coliseum a 60-minute version of "Pygmalion and Galatea," supported by
Lady Tree, Basil Gill, Norman V. Norman and Lyall Swete. She devotes the
entire salary of \$2,500 to charity.

"HUSH" AT THE COURT.

London, April 25.
Otho Stuart reopens the Court in a
new play, entitled "Hush," by Violet
Pearn, with Mary Jerrold in the lead-

AGENT'S SON KILLED.

London, April 25.
Edward Granville, only son of the well-known agent, was killed in action. He was only 18 years old.

VOLUNTEER ARTISTS' LIST.

London, April 25. The American Embassy has started a list of volunteers among artists and others for war service in the United

STIRRING "AMERICAN NIGHT."

London, April 25.
Oscar Asche celebrated the 300th performance of "Chu Chin Chow" April 20 with an "American Night."
The orchestra played patriotic American tunes and Lady Tree read a stirring cable from Sir Herbert Tree.

The Lord Mayor was present and there was great enthusiasm.

GABY IN FLAGS.

London, April 25.
Great enthusiasm was manifested at the Globe April 20, when Gaby Deslys appeared in a costume representing the flags of the Allies, with a stupendous head-dress of red, white and blue, covered with stars.

London, April 25.
A feature film, "America Awakes," will be given a private showing at the Alhambra April 27.

"FLUFF'S 700TH.

London, April 25.
"A Little Bit of Fluff," at the Criterion, celebrated its 700th performance April 23.

Rose Lee Ivy Debuts in London. London, April 25.

Rose Lee Ivy, an American artiste, made a successful London debut at the Victoria Palace. She has a good operatic voice and her turn has plenty

London, April 25.
The Garrick is closed. It will reopen
May 3 for grand opera by the Carl
Rosa Opera Co.

Tries Out Hebrew Sketch.

London, April 25.

J. Sherman successfully tried out a new Hebrew playlet, "A Wife by Installments," written by himself, at the Holborn Empire.

The Nelson Keys Have Daughter, London April 25

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Keys at their home in West-

SHAKESPEARE CELEBRATION.

London, April 25. Shakespeare's birthday was celebrated at the Old Victoria by a festival in which Ellen Terry and Matheson Lang appeared in the trial scene from "The Merchant of Venice," and Gertrude Elliott and Ben Webster in the Balcony scene from "Romeo and Juliet.

ST. MARTIN'S CAPACITY.

London, April 25.
The capacity business of "Damaged Goods" at the St. Martin's has induced Victor 1 cm. Victor Lewis, a brother of the late Lewis Waller, to produce Ibsen's "Ghosts" at the Kingsway April 28. A second company to present "Damaged Goods" on tour is being organ-

4 HOUSES CLUSED.

London, April 25. The Savoy, Comedy, Vaudeville and Ambassadors closed April 14.

DOUGLAS IN THE ARMY.

London, April 25. Kenneth Douglas joined the army April 23.

ILL IN LONDON.

London, April 25. Neil Kenyon is at a nursing home after undergoing a serious operation on

his nose and throat.

Eddie Whaley, of Scott and Whaley, who underwent an operation on his throat, is recovering rapidly.

Kate Carney submitted to an opera-

tion for nasal trouble April 16.

The terrible weather prevailing here is incapacitating many artists.

"CAPT. KIDD" RENAMED "LOT 79."

London April 25.

Herbert Jak is seeking a theatre for "Captain Kidd, Jr.," renamed "Lot 79."

The piece was tried out in East-bourne April 22.

ADVOCATES OPEN SUNDAYS.

London, April 25.
Arthur Bourchier has written to the
Times advocating the general opening of theatres Sundays.

It is causing a great deal of discussion, the press being generally against the idea.

TOM HEARN PROMOTED.

London, April 25. T. Elder Hearn has been gazetted to Flight Commander of the Royal Flying

CAPT. HARVEY JAMES KILLED.

London, April 25. Captain A. K. Harvey James, professionally known as Scott Craven, a prominent actor-lyric writer, was killed April 14, leading his men in action.

"PEG" DOES \$6,000.

London, April 25.
"Peg o' My Heart" played to \$6,000 at the Royal, Plymouth, last week.

ARTHUR YOUNG DEAD.
London, April 25.
Arthur Young, comedian, died April
4, leaving eight children.

Dies at Front from Pneumonia

London, April 25.
Private F. C. Palmer, long associated with Fred Karno and Fred Kitchen, died at the front of pneumonia April 13, aged 41.

Foster Courtney's Daughter Scores.

London, April 25. Flora Courtney, a daughter of Foster Courtney, comedian, is scoring in "The Girl from Ciro's."

Billy Walton Convalescent.

London, April 25. pects to return to the firing line, in a

OVER \$1,100,000 GROSS RECEIPTS, CENTURY'S RECORD

Net Profit of \$360,000. Big Show House Closing This Saturday. Reopening in September With All New Principals, Dillingham & Ziegfeld Continuing Their Successful Direction.

When "The Century Girl" closes the season at the Century theatre tomor-row night that theatre will have played, since under the management of Dillingsince under the management of Dillingham & Ziegfeld, this season to over \$1,100,000. That was the amount recorded up to last week. It gave the theatre a net profit of \$360,000. Montantical techniques of \$360,000. day night there was a box office sale of \$1,700, the hotels having ended their buy, after continuous purchasing for the Century attraction for 24 weeks.

The new Century production will go on in September under the same direction, Messrs. Flo Ziegfeld and Charles Dillingham. They have four years of a five-year contract with the Century founders to fulfill.

In the new show will be five of the

best known male stars over here, and three female. Contrary to report, Julian Eltinge has not been engaged for the new production, nor will any of the present members of "The Century Girl" be held over.

There has been a report about some objection was raised by their associates or one of them against Dillingham and Ziegfeld diverting that vast amount of amusement money from Times Square to Central Park west, but the indications are that these complaints have fallen upon barren ears.

The new production for the Century Roof will get into action June 11, a week after Ziegfeld's new "Follies" opens at the Amsterdam for a summer run. The Cocoanut Grove latest show will give two performances nightly, with the Grove serving dinner on the terrace from 6.30 onward each evening. The first performance starts at 9.30.

MESTAYER IN "FRIENDSHIP."

Vaudeville may secure Harry Mestayer as the star of Eugene Walter's playlet, "Friendship," after all. Mr. Mestayer has intimated he will consider entering vaudeville with the piece after his season in "Come Out of the Kitch-en" at the Criterion shortly closes. The sketch created unusual talk when presented at the first Friars' Frolic of

presented at the first Friars' Frolic of the season, Mr. Mestayer playing the principal role. The Eugene Walter name is of value to the piece, as its author, Mr. Walter, is laving his name flashed all over the country just now as the writer of the Bijou's big hit, "The Knife," and also in the successful film version of the Walter huge success of olden days, "The Easiest Way."

ACTS OUT OF SHOW.

The principals of "The Century Girl" show are rapidly concluding their plans for other employment immediately at the close of the entertainment.

Sam Bernard is booked for a tour of

the Orplicum Circuit; Leon Errol will play vaudeville in and around New York, doing the burlesque mind-reading scene from the roof, assisted by Henry Clive, and Frank Tinney has expressed an indication he will play vaudeville if he and the managers can get together on salary. He is asking the same salary he received when last in vaudeville.

SUING ANNA CHANDLER.

August Dreyer has been retained by Mrs. Anna Dreyer to begin suit against Anna Chandler for \$10,000 damages, al-leged to be sustained through the leged to be sustained through the vaudeville artiste alienating the affections of David Dreyer.

David Dreyer was pianist for Miss

Chandler for several months. The complainant alleges Miss Chandler openly announced her intention of taking Dreyer away from his wife. Dreyer las been supporting his wife and child continually, while accompanying Miss Chandler over the vaudeville circuit. The attorney is not related in any way to the complainant.

SHOWING HER PATRIOTISM.

Minneapolis, April 25. When Toby Claude appeared at the Orpheum the "Journal" published her picture and ran under it what read very much like press matter, it leading off by

Little Toby Claude, who is appearing at the Orpheum this week, has cast aside interest in what all women hold dear, namely, clothes-to show her patriotism . . .

N. V. A. BENEFIT AT HIP.

Through the Metropolitan opera house naming May 8 as the last date for this season the opera house will be available, the first annual performance of the National Vaudeville Artists has been shifted to the Hippodrome, for June 3. The Metropolitan's stage after May 8 will be required for its scenery builders.

Committee meetings of the N. V. A.

are being held to perfect plans for the performance.

ACTRESS FARMING.

Lynn, Mass., April 25.
Temporarily retiring from the stage,
Grace Hazard ("Five Feet of Comic
Opera") is about to help the country's
provision for sufficient food supplies during the war by cultivating a potato patch in the Public Park, which has been turned into a farm.



GRACE DUNBAR NILE

is to play her six y fourth week in Libra B. Hymer's come by "PETTLO AAS" at the visional Theatre, next week (April 59).

May 14-B. F. K ith's Palace.

Management, LEWIS & GORDON.

OFFERS RECRUITING SKETCH.

The Friars Club has made an offer of the recruiting sketch, "When the tugle Calls," presented at the Frolio the recruiting sketch, "When the Bugle Calls," presented at the Frolic last Sunday night, to the United Booking Office for six evening performances grat's as a special feature in aid of the recruiting campaign. The New York World has taken up the sketch and it is proposed to play the six evening performances in the Keith theatres in New York, at each house for one per-

New York, at each house for one performance only.

The players who appeared at the clubhouse and who have volunteered their services are Alan Brooks, John Powers, Howard Toms, Fred Holloway, Harry Fraser, Howard Hall.

The booking offices have the matter under consideration

under consideration.

JOE SANTLEY BOOKED DIRECT.

Chagrin may penetrate the ranks of

Chagrin may penetrate the ranks of the vaudeville agents when they learn Joseph Santley has booked himself to open in vaudeville, probably on May 28, at the Palace, New York.

The Santley production will have 10 people, including Ivy Sawyer as Mr. Santley's principal support. The arrangements were completed through George Gottleib, booking director for the Palace.

Santley is now with "Betty" the Ray.

Santley is now with "Betty," the Raymond H. tchcock show, expected to close May 12.

When springtime arrives Santley is always one of the shafts for the vaude-ville agents' efforts. Recently a couple of the commission men were positive they would place him in this time for a summer run, both having been in communication with Santley.

ALICE LLOYD NEXT SEASON.

At the meeting of the big time vaude-ville managers this week to consider bookings for next season the name of Alice Lloyd was submitted by Jenie Jacobs of the Morris-Casey Agency. Miss Lloyd has been in England since last August.

Another Englishwoman offered the managers by the same agency for next season was Vesta Victoria, who has not appeared on this side in some

VINCE BRYAN VERY MUCH ALIVE.

Los Angeles, April 25. When informed last night at a dance he attended here that there was a re-port in New York he had died, Vincent Bryan refused to believe it.

BILLY ATWELL IS WELL.

Billy Atwell is around again, re-covered from his siege of illness that confined him at Bellevue Hospital for nearly four months.

Mr. Atwell started with an operation

for appendicitis that developed peritonitis and gangrene, necessitating five operations, brought his blood pressure down to as low as 65 and the attending physicians gave him up twice.

After listening to Mr. Billy's experi-

ence no one who is able to walk should ever voice a complaint again against

MABEL HAMILTON ALONE.

Mabel Hamilton, the original Miss Hamilton, of the Clark and Hamilton vandeville combination, is returning to vandeville with a "single" offering, vandeville with a "single" written by Blanche Merrill.

Miss Hamilton has not appeared with Bert Clark for the past year, although the comedian has retained the former team name with his new part-

TINNEY SUED.

Papers were served on Frank Tinney at the Century last Frid y in an action brough against him by Max Hart, through his attorney, Nathan Burkan, to secure \$3.550, also included the flart on a contract giving him authority to act as manager for Tinney.

VAUDEVILLE AUTHOR QUITS.

A vaudeville author of established reputation who has furnished a large number of vaudevillians with marketable playlets, Edgar Allan Woolf, has permanently retired from the varieties.

Together with Jerome Kern, Mr. Woolf is preparing for Henry W. Savage a successor to "Pom Pom" for Mizzi Hajos.

The departure of Mr. Woolf from vaudeville became first known when he left the offices of Edward S. Keller, where Woolf had made his headquarters for some years. One cause contributing to his decision to abandon the writing of sketches is said to have been the difficulty Mr. Woolf exper-renced in securing the fulfillment of his royalty agreements. The principal his royalty agreements. The principal reason, however, is believed to be an ambition by the author to exert him-

self in the wider field of full-sized plays. LIGHTS OPEN MAY 28.

The Lights, the summer professional club, located on its own grounds at I receport, L. I., will have its formal season's opening, starting the second peg of its existence, May 28.

A schedule of events has been laid out for the Lights during the summer.

CIRCUS GOING OUT.

The Barnum and Bailey Circus will close its New York engagement at Madison Square Garden Saturday. The show will move directly to Philadelphia, where it will open Monday. for its first stand of the season under

Chicago, April 25. The Ringling Circus closes its Chicago engagement at the Coliseum Sunday night. Business has been good, but the returns are reported as not be-

ing as good as last year.

The circus goes from here to St.
Louis, where The McIntyres will join it, the shooters remaining with it dur-ing the remainder of the season.

. JACK TREVILLA INJURED.

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Jack Trevilla of the Trevilla Diving Seal act was seriously injured last night during the performance of the turn at Keith's when the pins securing the diving platform became loosened, throwing Trevilla to the stage.

Trevilla's head struck the edge of the iron tank, rendering him unconscious. His wife, who was in the wings, fainted and had to receive medical at-

fainted and had to receive medical attention. Dr. Drury of the Grant hospital, who is attending Trevilla, says the chances for his recovery are very

WANTS TO FLY.

Chicago, April 25.
L. D. Hollister (Stephens and Hollister), now playing vaudeville time hereabouts, has written to Washington, D. C., for a commission in the army aviation corps.

CALLED TO RUSSIA.

Seattle, April 25. The Russian call to arms has reached here, with Alexander Rull, of Rull and Rull, leaving for that country last week, to join the army.

Sunday's Chicago Date Set Back.

Chicago, Apr.l 25.
Billy Sunday will not invade the Windy City until March 1, 1918, although he had been announced as coming September 30.

Engl'sh Papers Raise Selling Price.

The three theatrical weeklies in England—"Fra," "Performer" and "Stage" have combined to raise the selling price of their publications from four to six cents are seem propagations. tated by the increase in the cost of pa-

RATS LEAVE THEIR CLUBHOUSE; PROPERTY REPORTED SOLD

Chattel Mortgage Assigned, and White Rats Organization Turned Over All Rights. Clubhouse Vacated Wednesday. "Last of the Rats". Universal Opinion.

The White Rats' clubhouse on West 46th street is vacant, with the property said to be sold to an unknown purchaser through the efforts of the Mutual Bank.

The clubhouse was finally vacated Wednesday, the limit of time given the Rats by the bank, which assumed the chattel mortgage last Friday, giving the bank the sole control of all the property, real and personal, the White Rats Realty Co. and White Rats Actors' Union owned or held. At the same time the bank took over the chattel mortgage for \$5,000 held by Jacob J. Lubell, the White Rats gave to the bank people or their representative a waiver of all rights in the Rats leasehold of the site upon which the clubhouse stands, the waiver likewise taking in the building, upon which there The clubhouse was finally vacated

nouse stands, the waver invented taking in the building, upon which there is a bonded mortgage of \$125,000.

The bank is a holder of bonds to secure a loan of between \$45,000 and \$50,000. In selling the clubbouse and \$50,000. In selling the clubhouse and lease the bank probably acted in concert with the artists who are holders as well of White Rats bonds. The clubhouse with its \$7,000 yearly ground lease, taxes of about \$7,500 and other fixed charges, including interest upon the mortgage or amount paid for purchase, will probably total the annual rental for the building around \$20,000. One rumor this week was to the effect certain interests might secure the

fect certain interests might secure the property as the future home of the National Vandeville Artists that is now overcrowded in its limited quarters of an entire floor in the office building at Broadway and 48th street. The rumor did not receive a wide circulation. Nothing definite could be obtained on this rumor, the persons mentioned in connection with it all refusing to make any statement.

The evacuation by the Rats of their clubhouse started Monday, when trunks and personal effects, including some desks, started to go out. West 46th street between Broadway and 8th avenue was a dreary thoroughfare to those of the "faithful" who had clung to the Rats to the last in the forlorn hope some of the many rosy promises would come true. With the removal of the effects and the report the last Rat would have to be out of the clubhouse by Wednesday, the final spark of expectation held by the few remaining Rats

was extinguished.

"The last of the Rats" was the only expression heard when Broadway got the news of the finish. Several who made the remark said no further com-

ment was necessary.

There were three or four corporations under the White Rats direction. These were the White Rats Actors' Union (the main body of the artist member-ship), the Associated Actresses of America (containing the women members), the White Rats Realty Co. (holding the property), and the White Rats Club (operating the bar, billiard room and grill).

RATS' LAST MEETING.

The last meeting of the White Rats was held Tuesday night in the club-house. The remaining faithful members attended, with the principal officers present.

Some discussion arose regarding the continuance of meetings, with the mem-bership in favor, while the officers were against it. The statement was made the officers needed a rest and would go away for a few weeks, re-turning to New York and taking a small office somewhere without placing a sign upon the door, then com-mencing to work to build up the order into the "largest labor organization in the world."

From the trend of the remarks made from the platform it seemed as though there might be a motive to cut away from those present, to start afresh up-on trying to rebuild. A vote of thanks was given the officers and their wishes

prevailed.

It had been expected a financial statement would be forthcoming at the Tuesday night meeting, but the mem-bers were informed it would take about six weeks for the auditors to go over the books. (It was said during the week there was a prospect of an early court action that would bring the White Rats' books and an investigation into the open long before those six

weeks has passed.)

The meeting was given some misinformation regarding the transfer of the clubhouse property to the Mutual Bank, with an attempt made to leave the impression the officers, with one in particular having been instrument-al in protecting the bondholders who were members of the order. Nothing was said about any officer of the Rats having previously bargained to dispose of the property, without regard to the bondholders, nor was the statement made at the meeting or to any White Rat as far as has been reported that there would have been a \$5,000 bonus in that "deal" for someone. None of the Rats knew of the posi-tion to be assumed by the bank until

it occurred, and none had anything to do with the protection the Mutual Bank will give the bondholders, nor were any terms made that pledged the bank to do any more with the property and their holding of it than to pay the overdue taxes, amounting to about \$15,-000. The inside of the story of the White Rats' evacuation of the clubhouse and its subsequent disposal will likely be revealed in full in due time. If it all comes out there will be one White Rat who will have plenty of opportunity to explain his connection

Many questions were asked from the floor with the expected answers re-turned, one of the answers, in reply to a query as to what was done with the large amount of money the White Rats should have received, being that many of the back debts of the organ-

ization had been paid.

GOLDSTEIN'S HARTFORD THEATRE

The Goldstein brothers have taken a long lease upon the Hartford theare and will commence playing Loew vaudeville Monday, using five acts and feature film on a split week. The Loew Circuit books the Goldstein Plaza theatre at Springfield, Mass.

The Hartford opened under the new

management Monday with a picture program, charging 10, 15, 20, and will continue that admission scale for the

COMEDY NECESSARY

London, April 25.

Malcolm Scott, in the leading role of
"The Bing Girls Are There," at the
Alhambra, is excellent, but the show needs more comedy.

AROUND THE CLUB.

Among the radiant visions of last Thursday's dance were Truly Shattuck and Marta Golden.

Lou Hall denies the first thing he said when he saw the new club rooms was "Gosh." Now he claims that his first statement was "Gewhillikers, first statement was that's purity."

The Four Entertainers took in the dance, just to give the boys and girls a

Harry Cooper is universally conceded to be the long distance pinochle champion of the N. V. A.

Corse Payton, the man who made clothes famous, is one of the club regu-

The owners of the building which houses the N. V. A. have submitted tentative plans for turning the entire The drawings which are now on view at the club show an elaborate scheme of decorating and arrangement.

Charlie Innes recently contributed the following to the gayety of nations: "A prima donna is a lady who doesn't give hang about your ear drums, as long as her wind pipe only holds out."

Milt Collins dashes in long enough to hurl some Dutch dialect about and then dashes out.

The new club seems to be the ren devous of all the old timers, John W. Ransome among them.

If you think the Marriage License Bureau in war time is the only place in town that's crowded, you ought to see the N. V. A.'s Thursday night jam.

Charley Cross wanted a job on a submarine chaser and applied at the navy yard. The recruiting officer said, "We'll pick out your job when we want

Lady Agnese entertained the Irish Colleens at the club Wednesday.

From the lips of a layman: "The club of yours has raised the vaudeville pro-fession up to a standard of dignity it has never before attained."

RATS SHOW "WALKS OUT."

Boston, April 25.

The White Rats road show, booked for a tour of short stands through New England by Byrne & Kirby, was booked and billed to open at the Music booked and billed to open at the Music Hall, Webster, Mass., for a three-day stand, commencing Thursday of last week, but on the arrival of the acts in town they decided to cancel the date and without unpacking their baggage left town, leaving the house dark and disappointing the small gathering that had assembled to attend the matinee performance.

performance.

The Webster "walk-out" came as a result of the acts not liking the hall. They found fault with the scenery, the dressing rooms, the stage and practi-cally everything else about the build-

cally everything else about the building, and after a short conference with Manager Henry J. Steinberg, it was decided to call off the engagement.

The program carried Kellev and Drake, Patsy Doyle, Tom Overholt, Young Sisters, Bob Tip and Co., Carl Damon Troupe, Delmore and Lee, and

Keongh and Nelson.
Through the Music Hall having booked the road show, it is said it is having difficulty in securing bills from any regular vaudeville booking office.

Harry Shea Booking Waterbury. The Josques theatre, Wa Conn., will be opened by Harry Waterlouvy. May 14, who will play vaudeville, two shows daily, full week, there.

VAUDEVILLE HOUSES CLOSING.

The Columbia, St. Louis, will close its vaudeville season week June 4. The Orpheum, Memphis, April 30; Orpheum, New Orleans, May 7; Majestic, Milwaukee, May 28; Palace, Chicago, April 30

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The Palace, Chicago, will play "The Show of Wonders" over the summer; the Orpheum, Memphis, commencing May 7, will have a pop vaudeville policy, with the bills booked to it from the Western Vaudeville Managers' Association, Chicago.

The Majestic, Kalamazoo, winds up its full show April 29. The Bijou, Bay City, Mich., and the Majestic, Ann Arbor, have closed. The Family, Lafayette, Ind., playing dramatic stock since dropping its winter vaudeville, will likely resume its bills Labor Day. The Lyric, Indianapolis, closes June 3, likely resume its bills Labor Day. The Lyric, Indianapolis, closes June 3, when arrangements have been made for vaudeville to open in English's opera house, starting June 10, on the split week policy. The Regent, Muskegon, Mich., closes May 18.

The Keith theatres at Cincinnati, Indianapolis, Louisville and Dayton will close May 19. The Colonial, Erie, Pa., closes June 2.

closes June 2.

WOMAN PICKET FINED.

Boston, April 23. Alma Reid, one of the many pickets arrested in Boston during the recent strike against the Gordon Bros. theatres, was found guilty of assaulting William Cheever and was fined \$15 by Judge Dowd. She appealed.

The assault occurred several weeks ago and the case has been continued on several occasions because of Cheever's failure to appear. The court held the woman on the arresting officer's complaint. Cheever told the court Miss Reid had slapped his face without provocation, the defendant claiming he jostled her while doing picket duty. A woman witness, claiming to be a stranger to both principals, testified in favor of the defendant, but Judge Dowd administered the fine nevertheless.

SUMMER PARKS' OPENINGS.

Ramona Park, Grand Rapids, will open May 20 for the summer season, open May 20 for the summer season, playing the first engagement for eight days, thereafter a week. John J. Collins will again book the vaudeville through the United Booking Offices. Among other of Mr. Collins' summer bookings will be the Brighton at Brighton Beach, Keith's, Atlantic City; possibly the Davis, Pittsburgh, Johnstown Pa. (and Sheridan Sq., Pittsburgh); also McKeesport, Pa.

George Gottleib, booking Forrest Park Highlands, St. Louis, will arrange its first summer bill for May 6, with Fontaine Ferry Park, Louisville, to open a week later.

week later.
Winona Beach, Bay City, Mich., starts Decoration Day, with Riverside, Saginaw, Mich., same day, both booked by Glenn Burt of the Western Vaudeville Managers' Association, Chicago.

AGENTS SUBMITTING LISTS?

A report around says vaudeville managers are calling upon booking agents to submit lists of the acts they present.

This is for the purpose according to report of the managers asking the National Vaudeville Artists to check up the lists, denoting those who have a paid up membership in the N. V. A.

WANDERER" CLOSES MAY 5. "WANDERER" CLOSES MAY 5. "The Wanderer" will close at the Manhattan opera house May 5, to reopen again there Aug. 16, playing four weeks and a half before taking to the road. The show's first out of town stand is to be at the Philadelphia opera house. It will later play Boston at the opera house and finish the season in Chicago Auditorium.

Chicago Auditorium.

Nance O'Neil is not leaving the piece as reported. She will be with the or-

ganization next season.

MANAGERS OUTSIDE V. M. P. A. MAY FEEL FORCE OF COMBINATION

Vaudeville Managers' Protective Association Reported Taking Steps to Keep "Outside Houses" from Obtaining "V. M. P. A. Acts." Building Up for the Future.

Variety managers not members of the Vaudeville Managers' Protective Association are going to feel the effects of that very strong combination, according to a report around this week.

One step in the furtherance of the building up process the V. M. P. A. contemplates is to secure all desirable variety managements within its fold. V. M. P. A. having but lately evidenced its strength and having protected man-agements not connected with it as well as its members, has decided that here-after none but members will be as-sured of its interest in their behalf.

In pursuance of this, and the V. M. A. men deeming those managers not linking themselves with it as probably antagonistic to the association and the welfare of vaudeville, the organization is said to have issued a verbal order to have acts playing in V. M. P. A. houses instructed not to accept engagements in theatres whose managers may not be members of the organization. All other benefits a V. M. P. A. member can command and is entitled to will also be withheld from the "outside managers."

It is expected that by the opening of next season the line up of the divisions through this means will find two managerial factions, one the V. M. P. A. membership and the other to be termed the undesirable manager. It is quite likely that at that time the open door to the V. M. P. A. for managers will be closed.

report also said this move against undesirable managers was being made as part of a plan in mind when the V. M. P. A. gave its indorsement to the National Vaudeville Artists. All of the N. V. A. acts appearing in V. M. P. A. houses, according to a recent announcement, must carry paid up cards of membership in that order, and through this no N. V. A. will appear in any variety theatre not of the V. M. P. A.

The order on this score to be passed out is said to be a rigid one.

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SPORTS.

The Advertising Agency League has organized and will start playing June 1. They are at present in practice. The agency's nines are the Albert Franks, George Battens, Cheltenhams, Walter Thompsons, and Frank Presbreys. The Franks will play a practice game with the Battens this coming Sunday at Avenue K, Flatbush, Brooklyn. The regular games are on a schedule.

The employes of the Fox Studios,

Fort Lee, N. J., have organized a baseball team and stand ready to cross bats with film nines exclusively. For games, address Manager, Willat Studio, No. 2,

Fort Lee, N. J.

The White Studio nine will play the St. Rayfields (semi-pro) of Long Island

Sunday.

The Varietys are organized and will be in condition to meet all comers in a

The Bronx Oval opening Sunday has its feature event Benny Leonard officiating as umpire in a game between nines from the White Light district and the Tacoma A. C. (formerly the Hunt's Point A. C.). Jimmy Britt and Harry Fox will be on the side lines for the Broadwayites, who are to be captained by Maurice Ritter. A large crowd is expected to watch the game. The belief along the main alley this week by the bunch interested was that Rit-

ter has an unencouraging line-up, placing too much dependence on his moundsman's (Sammy Smith) ability. Smith is formerly of the Montreals. Others are A. Phelan, catcher; J. Conway (Varietys), 1st b.; M. Ritter, 2d b.; B. Lynch, ss.; W. Donaldson, 3d b.; B. Grossman, I. f.; M. Schenck, c. f.; B. Russak, r. f.

COLUMBIA'S ICE OUTFIT.

The Columbia's summer show, "Hip Hip Hurrah Girls," will have an ice skating scene for the patrons of Broad-way burlesque house in the house way but weather.

This scene will be added to the show as playing on the regular wheel during the season. There will be another new scene, while the first scene of the prothe season. duction will be retained for the Columbia summer run.

Chicago, April 25. No announcement has as yet been made of any summer attraction for the local Columbia theatre, which is the principal burlesque house of the city.

SLIPPING IT TO VAN HOVEN.

London, April 25. The Sylphide Sisters, on reading Frank Van Hoven's views in a recent VARIETY, wish to express their deepest satisfaction in hearing the Misses Sousa Hinton and Odette Myrtil have been, along with themselves, spared the humiliation and embarrassment which Mr. Van Hoven surely would have caused had he ever proposed to

They are of the belief that the "wine of success" Mr. Van Hoven speaks of must have gotten the upper hand on the occasion of his writing the view.

FOUR ORPHEUMS BUILDING.

The Orpheum Circuit of vaudeville theatres has four new theatres to be and the tree in the Loop," Chicago The latter will probably open about September, 1918.

The naw houses in Set Louis in the Loop of the latter will probably open about September, 1918.

The new houses in St. Louis and Sioux City will likely open next September, to be shortly followed by the new Orpheum at New Orleans. These new Orpheum at New Orleans. These three houses will be exclusively theatre

CHICAGO'S SEASON ENDING.

Chicago, April 25. The official burlesque season ended Saturday, the "Follies of the Day" show closing on that day at the Star and Garter. Most of the houses will re-main open for another month, continuing burlesque, but of independent bookings. This applies to both Co-lumbia and American wheels. The Englewood will shut down at

the e.d of next week, but the Gayety remains open indefinitely. These two theatres house American wheel shows.

RIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Smith, April 22,

Two-Act Framed in Chicago Chicago, April 25.
While Harry Weber was here last week he framed a two-act to be composed of Harry Hines and Frisco.

IN AND OUT.

La Belle Florida could not appear at the Lyric, Hoboken, the last half last week through illness and was replaced by Galando.

Jenkins, Barr and Evans were out of the Avenue bill, Chicago, the last half last week, and the Kawana Brothers substituted. Sossman and Straight left the Hippodrome, Chicago, last Thursday night. Freeman and Dunham replaced them.

Gardner and Lee did not open at the De Kalb, Brooklyn, Monday owing to illness. Billy Gleason replaced the

Hanley, Lum and Smith were unable Hanley, Lum and Smith were unable to appear at the Majestic, Newark, the first half owing to one of the members taking ill. Burns and Kissen were given the place.

Libonati did not appear at Keeney's, Brooklyn, the first half, refusing to play the date after his agent had O. K'd. the

the date after his agent had O. K'd. the engagement.

The Dancing Girls of Delhi did not open at the Riverside Monday, with Will J. Ward and Girls stepping in.

Blossom Seeley, at the Orpheum, Memphis, this week, asked to be relieved from the Orpheum, New Orleans, engagement next week. Her request was granted, illness being quest was granted, illness being pleaded.

Morton and Glass, who were in Detroit at the time, substituted for Ed Vinton and Buster Tuesday at the Temple, Detroit, following the death of Mr. Vinton Monday night.

NEW ACTS.

Thais Magrane in a playlet.
The Adroit Brothers have dissolved vaudeville partnership. William Adroit will hereafter appear with Irene Bur-

Edgar J. MacGregor is to produce two vaudeville sketches. The first will be "Maggie," a one-act version of a play of the same title which Edw. Peple wrote. Maude Eburn will be the star, supported by a company of three. "The Brute," a comedy by Frank Ferguson, is to be the other. It will have a cast of three. of three.

Leah M. Herz and Joseph Herbert,

Jr.
Harry Van Fossen (formerly in "Watch Your Step") (Arthur Klein).
Mrs. Evelyn Blanchard in "Neglect," by Ben Barnett.
"Preparedness," with Ray Briant and Nila Mack (L. Schwab).
Eddie Buzzell and Beatrice in "The Camera Man."

Camera Man." "Any Old Place," by Blair Treynar,

comedy with six people.

Robert Knight in a sketch by Tom

Robert Knight in a sketch by 10m Barry. (16 people.)
Hazzard Short in a sketch written by Robert Barron (M. S. Bentham).
Ida Brooks Hunt and Alfred De-Manby, songs (Arthur Klein).
Julia Nash in "A Night in June," by

Sam Ehrlich.

PEARSON'S NEW SHOW.

"Girls a la Carte" will be the title of a new show on the Columbia wheel next season produced by Arthur Pear-

Mr. Pearson will also have the "Step

Lively Girls," which he is operating on the circuit this season.

The cast for the new show will in-clude Dan Marble, Jack Reddy and Hess and Hyde (sister team).

SINGER'S \$1 SHOW.

Martelle, the female impersonator, who has been with Jack Singer's "Behman Show" for the past several seasons, will go into the legitimate branch next season as the featured principal with "Fascinating Flora," the former Broadwav musical show.

The piece will be produced by Jack Singer and Fred Fleck and will tour the one-nighters at a dollar top price.

BURLESQUE'S CLOSE RACE.

Remarkable progress is being made by the people in burlesque in their efforts to contribute to the financial outcome of the forthcoming Actors' Fund

Several thousands of dollars have been received as a result of collections taken during the performances in the various burlesque theatres throughout the country. The popularity contest has been entered into with much zest and votes are coming in to General Manager Sam A. Scribner of the Columbia Amusement Co. in large num-

bers every day.

The prize to be awarded in this contest is a 1917 six-cylinder seven-seat Lozier car. Delivery will be made to the successful contestant immediately after the close of the Fair Saturday,

May 19.

Each burlesque company on the Columbia and the American wheels is conducting its own canvas for votes.

A charge of ten cents is made for each vote and the money sent to Mr. Scribner either by the managers of the company or by the individual members.

Up to the present time the voting is

 Gertrude Hayes
 420

 Sam Howe
 210

 Dave Marion
 360

 Florence Mills
 412

 Billy (Beef Trust) Watson
 190

 Billy Arlington
 350

 Babe LaTour
 320

 Ben Welch
 400

 Jean Bedini
 310

 Pam Lawrence
 260

 Al Reeves
 380

 Jim Barton
 290

 Jim Barton
 290

 Eileen Sheridan
 520

 Etta Pillard
 390

 Josie Taylor
 365

 Martha Prior
 280

 Jack Reid
 195

 Pat White
 245
 Harry LeVan 230

MARRIAGES.

Robert Sonnenberg, comedian, and Rose Frey, prima donna, both of the Cincinnati German Stock Company, were married there last week.

Gordon Pouliot, musical director of "The Suffragette Revue," to Gladys Howe (of the Daughn Sisters), at Peoria, Ill., last week.

Bert C. Whitney, proprietor of the Datroit opera house and diversed.

Detroit opera house, and divorced about a year ago, recently married Alice Yorke, the prima donna.

LADY AGNESE AND COLLEENS.

This week's cover carries photos of Lady Agnese and her Irish Colleens, a sextet of typical Irish beauties, all talented with vocal and musical ability as well as being blessed with the natural charms that only the Emerald Isle is

credited with.

Lady Agnese introduced the act in American vaudeville a short time ago, and it promptly became a standard feature and has never failed to come up to expectations in any of the Keith theatres where it has appeared.

The girls were all born in Ireland, and are generously gifted with the proverbial "blarney" and natural Irish wit that only an Irish colleen can inherit. Last week the Agnese act was one of the hits of the Colonial program, stopping the show at each performance

ATLANTIC CITY JULY 2.

Atlantic City, April 25.
Big time vaudeville at Keith's will start for the season July 2. It will be booked as formerly by John J. Collins of the United Booking Offices.

Notice to Members of N. V. A.

Article 8, Section 4, of the By-Laws provides:

"That all dues must be paid within 30 days after due, or the name of such a member shall be stricken from the roll of the organization."

DUES ARE PAYABLE SEMI-ANNUALLY, ON APRIL 1ST AND OCTOBER 1ST. THEREFORE, ANY MEMBER WHO HAS NOT PAID APRIL DUES WILL NOT BE IN GOOD STANDING AFTER MAY 1ST, 1917.

Several members have written to the secretary stating that they joined the order and paid their dues either the last week in February or the first week in March, and ask if they are supposed to pay again in April, as they have only been members of the organization five or six weeks.

We wish to answer these inquiries: As the organization charged these members no initiation fee, the money that accompanied the application paid up the applicant's dues to April 1st, irrespective of the time the application was received. Therefore, ALL MEMBERS TO BE IN GOOD STANDING MUST PAY THEIR APRIL DUES AND CARRY A PAID UP CARD READING OCTOBER FIRST, 1917.

Starting June 1st, 1917, any vaudeville artist wishing to become a member of the National Vaudeville Artists, Inc., WILL BE REQUIRED TO PAY THE REGULAR INITIATION FEE OF \$25. Any one joining before that date will be exempt from paying an initiation fee.

Anyone dropped from the roll May 1st for non-payment of dues, and who again wishes to become a member, will be required to pay the initiation fee.

Notifications have been sent to the addresses given by members.

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Willie Edelsten is expected to arrive in New York Sunday from England.

Edward Peple's new play, "The Jury," is to be tried out this spring.

Sam A. Scribner, of the Columbia Amusement Co., returned from West

Billy Jerome has purchased "Cotton Pickin' Time in Alabama," written and published by Cool and Daly.

The new Christie MacDonald piece is playing Washington this week and Baltimore next.

Vaudeville may lose one of its standard monologistic acts, for Julius Tannen intends going into the advertising business in Chicago, he says.

Kate Elinore and Sam Williams close their theatrical season Sunday at the Riverside, going to their home at Northport for the summer.

William A. Brady was served Monday by Augustus Dreyer, attorney for Augustus Glassmire, in an action to recover \$500 for advance royalties.

Sol Manheimer is to return to show business in the near future and will be associated with the Musical Follies

Charles Innes and Maud Ryan (Mrs. Innes) celebrated their 16th wedding anniversary April 25. Maud doesn't

The new Oakland, Pontiac, Mich., seating 1,600, is playing vaudeville three days weekly, taking most of its acts from the Miles, Detroit.

The Friars' Spring Frolic held at the Monastery last Sunday night under the direction of James Montgomery, was an entertainment with nearly all of its special matter touching upon the war.

Rosamond Carpentier is to play Swallow in "The Happy Prince," the fantasy by Oscar Wilde, which Gareth Hughes is planning to produce in New York with himself in the name part.

Hugh Herbert and his wife are to take a trip to Honolulu prior to the comedian opening on the Orpheum Circuit, which takes place in San Francisco on July 24.

Phyllis Nielson-Terry will remain in vaudeville for but a few weeks, when she begins rehearsals for the Sir Her-bert Tree revival of "Trilby," in which she will return to the name part.

The Crescent, Brooklyn (Williamsburg section), formerly playing stock and pictures under the Keith direction, is no longer a Keith property. The house is owned by Brooklyn people.

Brandon Tynan produced an Irish sketch at the Professional Women's League matinee at the Criterion Tuesday, entitled "The Spirit of '76," based on the recent Irish uprising. It is being offered for vaudeville.

When "The Case of Lady Camber" goes out of the Lyceum May 5 it is likely David Belasco's new play may go in there. Mr. Belasco has a half interest in the Lyceum lease with the Charles Frohman Co.

S. H. Talbot, connected with the Keith interests for the last 20 years, has suffered a breakdown of health, and retires from active work May 1. He will go to Maine next week with his wife and remain there indefinitely.

William Harris returned to New York from his coast trip this week and immediately began to plan for the production of a new play which Bayard Vellier has just completed. It is to be placed in rehearsal in about ten days.

Lillian Eichel has asked the assistance of the Legal Aid Society to obtain settlement of a claim for back salary she alleges B. D. Berg, the vaudeville producer, owes her for stenographic services.

A. H. Woods has completed an arrangement with May Tully whereby they will jointly produce "Mary's Ankle," a three-act farce elaborated from the vaudeville playlet of the same title. The piece will be placed into rehearsal next Monday.

Mrs. Ray Hodgdon (nee Katheryn Quinn) left the Edward S. Keller office this week to join her husband, a captain in the 71st, at his station upstate, where the recently-wedded couple have taken a house.

Sailing May 9 for Australia will be Mr. and Mrs. Robert Catley and Billie Seaton. Sailing from Vancouver June 6 on the Niagara for the Richards circuit will be Nelusco and Hurley, Alvin and Williams. April 24 Jolly Larkin leaves for the same country to play the Fuller circuit.

The Plaza, Bridgeport, and Poli's, New Haven, Conn., have ceased playing vaudeville for the season. The for-mer house will continue with pictures, while the latter will be entirely remodeled with an increased seating capacity of 1,600, making a total of 3,500.

The remains of Melville Ellis were interred in a plot at Maple Grove, Long Island, purchased by Elsie De Wolf, and not removed to the late Mr. Ellis' home town, San Francisco, as at first reported. Elizabeth Marbury has started a subscription to place a tombstone upon his grave.

The Feiber & Shea office has started a guessing contest over their principal booking man, A. J. Kearney, It's A. J. Kearney on the sign, but Mr. Kearney is called "Dick" by everyone who knows him well enough. What the office wishes to know is the relation between the initials A. J. (which may stand for Abe or Jake) and "Dick."

Several members of the Lambs, Friars and Green Room clubs, who marched in the preparedness parade last Thursday objected to an advertising float sent out by the Hippodrome as part of the parade. The theatrical club members refused to march unless the advertising matter was taken of the advertising matter was taken off the float. The Hip management re-fused to do this and the float was taken out of the parade.

I. Wolfe Gilbert, who inaugurated the professional department of the Jos. W. Stern Music Co., and who has supervised that department for the past two years, renewed his contract in the same capacity last week, dispelling the rumors he proposed to enter the pub-lishing business for himself. During his two years connection with the firm Gilbert has added a number of popular hits to their catalogue, and has managed to place the firm up among the leaders in the professional publishing

Discussing the death of Dave Mont-

gomery in Sully's barber shop the other day, William L. Lykens said:
"I was manager of Tootle's Opera House, St. Joseph, Mo., 35 years ago. Tootle was my uncle and in the orchestra was Arthur Pryor, Fred Stone and Montgomery. Pryor was the trombone player, receiving \$7.50 per week; Fred Stone, the drummer, at \$3.50, and Montgomery the cornetist at \$3.50. Stone was always industrious and came to me asking if he gouldn't do something else while not playing in the band, so I gave him an additional \$3.00 a week to distribute dodgers. We remained good friends all these years and I acted as their agent in securing them I acted as their agent in securing them their engagement with 'The Girl from Up There,' in which Edna May starred.'

James Teddy, a jumper, has started suit against the Ringling Brothers as proprietors of the Barnum and Bailey circus to secure \$8,500, for alleged breach of contract. The plaintiff was breach of contract. The plaintiff was employed by the circus during the season of 1916 at a salary of \$200 a week and was given a contract for the current season at a similar amount. Af the time rehearsals were called he was informed by was not to be included in informed he was not to be included in the show, although during the winter the snow, attnough during the winter he had been told to make certain para-phernelia, which he did, at a cost of over \$1,000. The amount of the judg-ment asked includes the salary accord-ing to the contract and the amount ex-pended for paraphernalia. Nathan Burkan is representing the plaintiff.

Keep your eye on the Hot Dog Booth at the Actors' Fund Fair, to be given at the Grand Central Palace next month. The frankfurter depart-ment is under the chairmanship of Edment is under the chairmanship of Edna West, and those who will dispense the "luscious fruit" will be Diana Huneker, Mary Cecil Parker, Jane Warrington, Beatrice Harron, Eva Davenport, Hannah Counihan, Louise Reid, Lilian West, Evelyn Anderson, Amelia Gardner. But is is Miss West who is stealing a march on the others. She is already about town "holding up" everyone she meets for a dollar to help swell the receipts. To those not personally encountered she sends a personally signed letter, inclosing a stamped envelope and demanding of them to "come across."

The Appellate Division of the Supreme Court last week vacated the judgment granted Wallace MacKay, an actor, by Judge Murray in the Municipal Court against the Arthur Hammerstein Productions, Inc. The action was brought when the plaintiff was dropped from the cast of "Katinka" as unsuitable, he claiming two weeks' salary, but having been employed for only three performances. Hammerstein contended MacKay was placed in the show with the understanding that he would be dropped, providing he did not meet re-quirements. The higher court decided the management had the right to decide whether the actor was suitable or not for the production. The judgment was for a small amount. Alfred Beekmann, of House, Grossman & Vorhaus, represented Hammerstein.

A successful and particularly long season at Hot Springs, Ark., because of the continued chill weather is drawing to a close. Returning visitors to Chi-cago report considerable activity, and although gambling was supposed to have been tabooed, the Ohio Club was run in full blast for some time. Things were framed for all classes of sports. Upstairs the game was usual proportions, while downstairs one could play the wheel for as little as a nickel a chip. For a few days the Kentucky Club was opened for women players, but when that reached the mayor's ears 30 or more gamblers were accepted. 30 or more gamblers were arrested. The racing season was doubled in length, for the grand stand at Essex was destroyed on the second day and the thoroughbreds were brought back for another 20 days at Oaklawn. Attendance at the tracks was not heavy and the biggest income of the backers appeared to come from the bookies, of

which there were 40, each paying \$114.25 per day for the privilege. John Wolf, who runs the Princess theatre, Hot Springs, had his place jammed Hot Springs, had his place jamine, nightly. A peculiar feature was the prohibition of Sunday shows, although a group of town business men is supposed to back the Essex track. The government is in control of all water privileges and hence exercises con-trol over the hotels and doctors and prevents "drumming." There is a black-list existing, holding the names of certain hotels, and visitors are warned by a government official on the train against registering at those places.

Military necessity for control over the large body of militia doing duty somewhere in Connecticut closed all Bridgeport cabarets. The order issued nearly a week ago was made effective Saturday night, when seven of the entertainment resorts closed this feature. Music by piano and orchestra is also barred. Nearly 50 artists were thrown out of work. They took the order philosophically, appearing at their best until the midnight hour, when the majority of resorts closed with "Good Bye, Boys" and the "Star-Spangled Ranner" Banner.

TOMMY'S TATTLES.

By Thomas J. Gray.
The Czar probably didn't mind being canceled so much, but he might have had two weeks' notice.

It's getting tough on impersonations of great men. They won't know what to do with the whiskers of the Czar. They could use them for John Philip Sousa, or one of the Smith Brothers, authors of the indigestible cough drop.

All the Emperors of Europe are now out strong for a contract with a noncancellation clause.

Everything has its chance. Mr. and Mrs. Ukalele will quietly sit back while Mr. and Mrs. Jazz Band takes the floor

Saddest word of tongue or pen, A subject much discussed by men, The saddest we can recollect, Are these, "This telegram collect."

We Know You Have Heard These-"She's more like a pal than a wife."
"Oh, we have an understanding about that

"Her people started the whole thing."
"She don't mind a few, but she hates

"Yes, boys, she's a home girl."
"It's funny, she always told me not to trust my old partner."
"Well, if I joined one of those clubs she'd be alone too much."
"Don't say anything about Tessie in front of her. She's just a little bit jealous, you know, Kid."

It will soon be time for the usual articles telling us what a great season next season will be in Show Business.

A member of a "School Act" was arrested for not supporting his wife and children.

They had to wait a long time, but George M. Cohan finally showed the film boys what a regular moving picture should look like.

It is rumored on account of international troubles Congress may pass a law to make everyone in every line of business use their right names. What a blow to Show Business!

That dress rehearsal our army had in Mexico is going to come in handy

Other things free besides Russia—Advice, Relations, and Open Time.

WITH THE PRESS AGENTS

Marion Spitzer has joined the Roehm & Richards publicity department.

Ernest Royster has been engaged by John Cort as special representative in advance of 'The Masked Model."

Louis Kallski returned to the big town this week after making the Coast to Coast trip with the "Garden of Aliah."

Clifford Stork has begun rehearsals of "The Eyes of Youth, "a new comedy by Charles Gernon, to be presented by the Shuberts.

Alan Edwards, leading juvenile in "Love o' Mike," has been appointed captain in the Quartermasters' keerve Corps. He was form-erly a member of the 7th Regiment.

Weils Hawks has received a commission as a lieutenant in the U. S. Navy and has been placed in charge of the publicity campaign in aid of recruiting for the service.

The Riverside iast Thursday night last week heid the New York Giants and their friends, about 50 in ail, upon the invitation of the Riverside's manager, R. L. Perry.

The annual spring dance of the Stage Children's Fund, of which Mrs. Millie Thorne is president and Lee Subert bonorary president, will be held April 28 at Elsmere Hall.

Branch O'Brien leaves as press representa-tive for "Pais First" and will be busy in a like capacity during the summer at the rail-way company's park at Holyoke, Mass.

Jane Cowi made so effective a curtain speech between the acts of "Lilac Time" at the Eitinge Saturday night, between \$6000 and \$700 was collected from the audience for Red

The Orpheum Circuit, through its general manuger, Martin Beck, last week, notified all its male ushers they were dismissed, to give them a reason to join the service. Girl ushers were ordered to replace them.

"Simply Great," a new musical play, had a special reading last week before an invited audience. The play was written by Adam Hull Shink, Haroid R. Parsons and Edward Gage, with Mr. Gage responsible for the

Victor Leighton, formerly the booker for all of the A. H. Woods attractions, is the business manager of the William H. Crane tour of the Pacific Coast in a revised addition of "Mr. Lazarus" under the title of "A Happy Stranger."

Nat Royster quits the management of the Oliver Morosco production, "The Brat," to-morrow night to undertake the management of the Lyric Light Opera Company, which is to open in stock at the Providence O. H. late in May.

The Stage Women's War Relief, Rachel Crothers president, has opened a workroom at 380 5th ave., with more than 200 women of the stage at work some time during the day ou surgical dressings. The fund now amounts to \$1,400.

Waiter Kingsley has been waging a remarkably successful campaign, from a space grabbing standpoint, in behalf of the N. V. A. during the past three weeks, devoting his fire to the Sunday editions of the papers. So far be has had several of the stories regarding the organization syndicated across the country through the Hearst publications, and the New York dailies have failen strongly for the matter regarding the new club of the vaudeville profession. In addition Kingsley's plant, in conjunction with the N. Y. American's recruiting campaign, in which he employed the giris of the Gertrude Hoffmann act, attired to represent the Aliles, was one of the best pieces of publicity in New York in the past fortnight.

PRESS OPINIONS.

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PETER IBBETSON.

A dramatization by John N. Raphael of George du Maurier's novel, in four acts. Presented at the Republic theatre, April 18, 1917.

An interesting and ingenious play that catches something of the fine fragrance, something of the strange elation of one of the happiest stories ever toid.—Times bumman an appealing, and it must be reckoned among the very few notable events of the season.—World.

ENGAGEMENTS.

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Frederick Perry ("Charmed Bird").
George O'Donneil, Teddy Webb ("The Highwaymen").

Marjorie Cateson ("Her Soldier Doy," replacing Adele Rowland).
"Enouard Turriffed, Michel Brownell, Clifford Stork, Foxhail haingerfield, Leonard Ide ("Eyes of Youth").

Hioward Longford (re-engaged, "Katinka," No. 1, next season).

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Helen Hayes Brown ("Fair and Warmer").

Stewart Robbins (stock, Orpheum, Newark).
Beatrice Moreland (stock, Portiand, Me.).
Giliberta Faust, Murray Bernard, by O. D.
Godward (stock, Denver).
Sam Ash ("The Highwayman").
Fred Eric, David higgins, Arthur Albertson
"The Charmed Bird").

JUDGMENTS.

Judgments filed in the County Clerk's office. The first name is that of the judgment debtor, the second the judgment creditor, and the amount of the judgment.

wm. Morris—Dana T. Bennett Co., Inc., \$338.81.

\$333.81.

Motion Picture Camera Co., Inc—City of N. Y., \$170.44.

E. Ray Goetz—Wetherbee & Wood, \$267.16.

Felix Isman—C. I. Hudson & Co., \$2,894.88.

Screen Club, Inc.—C. Fronsohn, \$534.47.

Irving Cummings—E. S. Anthes, \$27.691.

John Fox, Jr.—I. G. Scott, \$1.429.32.

Joseph E. Howard—Lewis Publishing Co., \$60.41.

Viking Film Co., Inc.—V. V. Tel. Co., \$42.15.

Viking Film Co., Inc.—N. Y. Tel Co., \$42.15. Samuel H. Trigger—Holmes Elec. Protective \$41.34. D., 144 Hert H. VanLoan-Charles Scribner's Sons, \$162.05.

STOCK CLOSED OWING PLAYERS.

Minneapolis, April 25. The Bainbridge musical stock, which closed at the Shubert April 14 after 27 weeks, played the last two weeks to a loss, at least to the members of the company.

The chorus girls, principally local. are trying to secure payment.

ONE-NIGHTERS OFF.

Chicago, April 25. Business over the one-nighters is reported to be very bad, and the reason given is that the warning to effect economy has been taken to more speedily than in larger cities.

"CHIN CHIN" STOPS.

Chicago, April 25.

Bruce Edwards announced upon the death of Dave Montgomery "Chin Chin" would cancel all its bookings. Fred Stone will probably appear next season in a new play which Charles Dil-lingham was preparing with the idea of having Montgomery and Stone again as co-stars.

Morosco's New Show Engagements.
The new production Oliver Morosco will present on the Pacific Coast about May 15 and first named "The Clinging Vine" will have Dainty Marie and Flanagan and Edwards among its prin-

The title is to be changed before pro-

Managers' Club's New Quarters. The Burlesque Managers' Club has secured new quarters on 7th avenue adjoining the Columbia. The club is a social organization of the managers with shows on the Columbia and American wheels.



BERT LEVY Just returned to Broadway, after an absence of nine months.

STOCKS OPENING.

The Avon, Rochester, N. Y., will discontinue vaudeville April 28, the Van and Rhinehart musical stock opening

there April 30.

The Palace, Olean, N. Y., will have musical stock early in June

The stock company which opens at the Warburton, Yonkers, N. Y., Mon-day, under the management of Carl Hunt, will be a jobbing company, the leading woman being the only player retained from week to week. This means of conducting a company is considerably cheaper than operating a regular organization.

There is to be a stock at the Grand opera house, Brooklyn, in a week's time, under the direction of Noel Travers and Irene Douglas.

The Edward Robbins stock is due to open in Toronto April 30. Virginia Fox

open in Toronto April 30. Virginia Fox Brooks is to be the leading woman. Lon Price, who directed the stage for the Bainbridge stock, Minneapolis, will be associated in a like capacity with the musical stock at Parson's, Hartford, May 14.

The Glenn Beveridge stock company, with H. H. Whittaker in advance, opens a summer season in Litchfield, Ill., April 26.

April 26.

Chicago, April 25.
Hermann Leib and Mitchell Harris
are to manage a dramatic stock at the Wilson avenue opening May 28 or June 4. Mitchell Harris and Marguerite Hertz are the leads.

Williamsport, Pa., April 25. The Majestic will end its vaudeville May 5 and May 7. Musical comedy will be inaugurated.

Rochester, April 25.
The Manhattan Players opened at the Lyceum Monday. Minna Gombel is the leading woman.

Syracuse, April 25.
The Knickerbocker Players opened at the Empire April 23. Olive Tell is in the lead.

Battle Creek, Mich., April 25.
"Arms and the Girl" opens the season at the Post, with Nancy Boyer and

Arthur Chatterdon in the leads.
The Royal Alexander, Toronto, opens with stock April 30. The Edward H. Robins Co. starts with "Hit the Trail Holliday." Virginia Fox Brooks is the lead.

Montreal, April 25. The Orpheum Players at pheum will supplant the present vaude-ville May 7, the house continuing to operate under the same management.
"Along Came Ruth" will be the opener.
H. Percy Meldon will direct. Frances
McGrath and Edw. T. Woodruff are
the leads. The remainder of the comthe leads. The remainder of the company is composed of Etta Mansfield, Esther Blonde, Belva Morrell, Claire Mackin, Leander de Cordova, Olathe Miller, Stuart Wilson, Jos. Cusack.

SHOWS OPENING.

"The Love Mill" reopened last week in Syracuse. But four members of the original cast remain with the piece. They are Ralph Herz, Clarence Harvey, Alice Hegeman and Jeanette Lowrie. The piece is scheduled to go into the Illinois theatre, Chicago, for a run commencing on April 29.

New Haven, April 25 "The Melting of Molly" presented by the Shuberts and Frederick McKay opened at the Shubert Monday night.

"STAR SPANGLED" BY ITSELF.

Word comes from Washington a resolution will shortly be introduced, resolution will snortly be introduced, fathered by a New York congressman, that "The Star Spangled Banner" shall hereafter not be used in any medleys. There is no objection to "Yankee Doodle," "Dixie" or any of the others, but it is felt our national anthem shall not be used in conjunction with other musical compositions.

SHOWS CLOSING.

St. Louis, April 25. "No. 355," the Ernest Shuter play that worked down this way after opening in the East, closed Saturday.

Chicago, April 25. The Mittenthals production of "Flora Bella" closed at Alton, Ill., Saturday.

Chicago, April 25.
The Boston English Grand Opera
Company, with Joseph F. Sheehan,
closes May 1, but will resume May 27
in Chatham, Ont., playing return dates through Canada.

Lancaster, Pa., April 25.
Rose Stahl in "Our Mrs. McChesney" will close Saturday. The show has been out 30 weeks, from coast to

"His Majesty Bunker Bean" is due to close at the Teller-Shubert, Brooklyn,

The Cecil Lean company of "Blue Paradise" close in Brooklyn Saturday. The second and third companies of

The second and third companies of the piece both close on April 28. The latter show ends its season in Fall River.

"Alone at Last" closes April 28.

"Watch Your Step" closed at Albany, N. Y.

"The Girl That Smiles," under the management of the Regal Producing Co., closed abruptly at Niagara Falls April 11, after out 16 weeks. Salaries were in arrears most of the time.

"Have a Heart" closes at Pittsburgh Saturday.

Saturday.
"The Garden of Allah" closed in Bos-

in Boston last Saturday night.

C. S. Primrose wound up his road season of "One Girl's Experience" in Fall River, Mass., returning the company to Chicago, where it was or-

Gaskel & MacVitty are closing their roadster, "The Other Man's Wife."

BUSINESS OFF ALL OVER.

The current and last week as well have been particularly disastrous for theatricals the country over. It is re-ported all of the shows in New York dropped anywhere from \$1,500 to \$2,-000 on the business of the previous

Monday there was a general dump of tickets by the managers to the cut rate agencies. Practically every house in town was listed on the half price board Tuesday, the only exceptions of note being the Globe, Booth and Gaiety.

Reports from other sections indicate the theatres have suffered. The newspapers with their preachment of retrenchment are held to blame by the

INTERNATIONAL SHOWS HELPED.

Next season shows traveling on the International Circuit will not have to carry electricians, thus doing away with a salary of \$40.

An arrangement has been perfected

whereby the light plots will be sent on in advance and the local house will sup-ply the effects through its own elec-

trician and spot-light men.

The Circuit will demand that all its houses be thoroughly equipped, so that many effects now carried will not longer have to be transported.

HIP FINISHES MAY 5.
The season of the "Big Show" at the Hippodrome will end May 5, marking the finish of the second season under the management of Charles Dillingham.

This season, according to the Dillingham office, has been bigger in the point of profit than the initial one.

Butt to Produce "Lilac Domino." Arrangements have been completed here whereby Affred Butt, the English producer, is to have the rights for the "Lilac Domino" for Great Britain. The piece will be done some time in the

ADMINISTRATION'S WAR TAX A BOMBSHELL TO MANAGERS

Theatrical Men Not Opposed to Bearing Fair Share of National Burden. Claim Levy of Ten Per Cent. of Gross Will Force Houses to Close. May Sanction Stamp Tax to Be Borne by Public.

The theatrical managers have been informed the Government proposes to hit the amusement field a rather severe blow with a proposed war tax measure, which may be introduced in Wash-

ington next week.

The managers early this week held a secret meeting in New York at which the new measure was discussed. While they generally evinced a willingness to bear a fair share of any burden the war might bring upon the nation, they did not favor taxation which might be all out of proportion to the taxes which were to be levied

on other businesses.

As far as could be ascertained the administration proposes to tax all amusements, including baseball games, circuses, legitimate and picture theatres and summer parks, ten per cent. of the gross receipts.

The tax is to be regulated by a stamp to be affixed to each ticket sold at the box office, and is to be for ten per cent.

of the face value of the ticket. No
stamp is to be for less than one cent,
and any ticket for any amusement enterprise where the admission is less than a dime, the ticket will have to carry a one-cent stamp.

In the cases where the tickets are

sold at cut rates, they will have to carry a stamp for the full face of the

box office value.

Last year there was a stamp tax
measure proposed and included as a
part of the National Preparedness Act,
but the section was stricken from the but the section was stricken from the act before the measure was passed, mainly through the efforts of the United Theatrical Managers' Protective Association. At the time Ligon Johnson, attorney for the association, headed the fight on behalf of the managers in Washington, and Mr. Johnson undoubtedly will look after the measure which the Administration intends placing before Congress on this occasion.

The original draft was framed in the Treasury Department and at present is under consideration by a special com-mittee. It is believed the bill will be put before the Ways and Means Com-mittee late this week, at which time

the managers expected to be represented in Washington.

In figuring out the amount of taxation with which the managers are already burdened it was discovered a corporation conducting a theatre in New York paid \$500 license fee and a tax on the personal property to the city; the State of New York collects on a corporation tax; the Government at present is collecting tax on the capital present is collecting tax on the capital stock of the corporation, a tax on the excess profit, a capacity tax, and in addition the manager has to pay a personal income tax. To this burden the new measure provides an additional load by taking ten per cent. of the gross profits, and in addition there is a state measure under consideration which provides for the taking of three per cent. of the net profits.

In speaking of the proposed measures the financial head of one of the biggest vaudeville circuits stated that when the Government got through with the taking of ten per cent. of the gross there wouldn't be any net profits for the state to levy on. He estimated 60 per cent. of the theatres in the country would be forced to close because

of the tax burden.

It is possible the managers will insist that fight clubs and cabarets, as well as all halls where private enter-tainments are given and an admission charge made, are to be included in the proposed tax measures.

In Canada at present there is a war tax on theatre tickets so scaled a stamp for a half cent is affixed on the fivecent amusement tickets, one cent on ten-cent tickets, two cents on all quarter tickets, three cents on half-dollar tickets and five cents on dollar tick-ets. All tickets sold at over a dollar

must bear a ten-cent stamp.

The Canadian mode of procedure is to sell the tickets to the theatre managers, and when they sell a ticket to a patron the latter must also buy a stamp and after the same to his own ticket. and affix the same to his own ticket, the ticket being invalid at the door unless this formality is met with. At present the Canadian theatre managers are also under a capacity tax, considerably more than the amount levied on the managers in this country. It is the capacity tax the managers wish to liave imposed upon all restaurants competing with the theatres by giving re-vue performances. One manager stated were the cabaret restaurants taxed to the extent the Canadian managers are it would mean the Government would receive a revenue of more than \$500,000 from this source alone in New

York City.

While the managers will naturally oppose any tax measure out of all proportion to the profits there are at present, they will not, it is hinted, proclaim any extraordinary activity against a measure which will put the stamp tax up to the public, they maintaining that although the Government holds the theatre is a luxury it is not the conducting of a theatre that is a luxury, but the luxury is to the public which seeks it

as a place of amusement.

ACTORS' FUND BOOTHS.

Waldemar de Bille, executive director of the Actors' Fund Fair, which opens at the Grand Central Palace May 12, in making public the list of booths and the names of the chairmen who will have charge of them, describes the fair as a series of trade exhibits with an authoritative showing of feminine wearing apparel, furniture and house furnishings, food products, electrical supplies, toilet articles, and many other

The fair will occupy two floors of the Grand Central Palace, and the decorative work was in charge of Arnold W. Brunner. The entertainment will be provided by the Friars and the Lambs Club, and the Sixty Club will have charge of a specially constructed

dancing floor.

There will be a large representation of the motion picture industry, and one of the big features will be a studio in action in which film stars, Mary Pickford, Douglas Fairbanks and Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle among them, will be screened while the public looks on. This has been contributed by the large motion picture corporations.

War relief activities will be henefited War relief activities will be benented by the fair, as the trustees of the Actors' Fund have unanimously determined to share the proceeds of the fair with Uncle Sam's aids in the work of alleviating suffering.

A noteworthy feature of the fair will

be the gowns worn by the women who are aiding the work. The hats will be of the garden-party style, and with muslins, organdies, voiles and tulles as dress materials a picturesque and at-tractive showing will be made. There will also be shown twenty dresses will also be shown twenty dresses made from designs submitted in a

"style contest," exclusively of American materials, which will show that this country, in design and beauty of materials, is no longer dependent on Paris.

The list of booths and the chairmen and clubs that will maintain them fol-

low:

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ACTORS' CHURCH ALLIANCE.—Mrs.
Charles A. Stevenson (Kate Claxton), chairman; Actors' Fund booth, Lissie B. Masters,
chairman; Actors' Order of Friendship, Chas.
A. Wells, chairman; American booth, Mrs.
Charles Russell Bassett, chairman; Army and
Navy booth, Bernice, Yearance, chairman;
Apron booth, Laura Pôst, chairman; Authors'
League booth, Helen Woodruff, chairman.

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BAG BOOTH.—Zelda Sears, chairman, Helene
Hall, vice-chairman; Billboard booth, W. W.
Randall, chairman; Bildboard booth, W. W.
Randall, chairman; Bird Cage, Mis. Chauncey
Oleott, chairman; Biroklyn booth, Pauline
Williard de Lisser, chairman; Burlesque booth,
Lydia Dexter Dinkins, chairman.

CATHOLIC ACTORS' GUILD BOOTH.—Jere
Cohan, chairman, Mrs. Henry Miller, assistant
chairman; Candy booth, Berenice Yearance,
chairman; Campoeers' booth, Sylvia Hein,
chairman; Crasy Quilt hooth, Nan Lesward,
chairman.

DIXIE CLUB BOOTH.—Mrs. Ernest E. Mai-plm, chairman; Doll booth, Mrs. Claude

Hagen.

FAN BOOTH.—Mrs. Paul McAllister, chairman; French Actors' booth, Madame Sarah Bernhardt, honorary chairman; Beverly Streaves, acting chairman; Flower booth, Mrs. James Speyer, chairman.

GENERAL BOOTH.—Nellie Turner, chairman; Gentlemen's booth, Philanthropia Club, Mrs. Sophie Loevinster, chairman, Martha Lee, vice-chairman; Griles' booth, Mrs. Paul Forester, chairman; Grocery booth, Josle Sadler, chairman. ler, chairman.

HOT DOG BOOTH.—Edna West, chairman. INDIAN TEPER.—Katherine Lord, chair-

man.

JAMES' DRUG STORE BOOTH.—Alice
Fisher Harcourt, chairman.

"LEST WE FORGET" ROOTH.—Thomas A.
Wise, chairman, Julia Dean, vice-chairman;
Lion's Den booth, Mrs. Damon Lyon, chair-

man.

MAKE-UP BOOTH.—Henry Clay Miner, chairman; Maud Muller haystack, Louise Dresser; May Robson booth. May Robson, chairman; Millinery and Frocks and Frills booth, Emma Frohman, chairman; Miscellaneous booth, Theresa King, chairman; Moving Picture Studio, Charles Moyer, chairman; Musical Instruments booth, Helen Josefy, chairman; My Lady's Boudoir booth, Mrs. S. Ludiow Neidlinger, chairman.

NATIONAL CALIFORNIA CLUB BOOTH.—
Mrs. Thomas J. Vivian. chsirman; National
Round Table booth. Edith Totten, chairman;
National booth, Mrs. Don Seits, chairman;
New York Theatre Club booth, Mrs. D. M.
Tracy, chairman, Mrs. Dudley von Holland,
vice-chairman.

vice-chairman.

OLD-FASHIONED COUNTRY STORE.—
Lambe' Club, William Courtleith, president:
J. Fred Zimmerman, booth chsirman; Old
Oaken Bucket, Helen Pollack, chairman.

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PSYCHIC BOOTH.—Bdith Fanny Ranger, chairman; Players' Club booth, Guy Nichols, chairman; Professional Women's League booth, Susanne Westford-Allen, chairman, Albert Chester, vice-chairman: Paderewski booth, Madame Helena Paderewski, chairman; Picture Gallery, Mrs. N. S. Oberdorfer, chairman; Photo Studio, Charlotte Werner, chairman; Photo Studio, Charlotte Werner, chairman

man; Ficture usilery, mrs. 1... Occurrent, chairman; Photo Studio, Charlotte Werner, chairman; Photo Studio, Charlotte Werner, chairman; Photo Studio, Charlotte Werner, RAINY DAY CLUB BOOTH.—Mrs. A. M. Palmer, chairman, Mrs. Clifford Wiley, assistant chairmsn. Rehearsal Club booth, Deaconess Hall, chairman.

SEABURY MEMORIAL HOME.—Mrs. Robert Fowley, chairman; Seaside Home for Crimbled Children booth, Evelvn Goldemith, chairman, Mrs. M. Mosler, acting chairman; Shooting Gallery, Elsie Janis, chairman; Sixty Club Dsnant, John Rumsey, chairman; Societe des Beaux Arts booth, Marie Cross Newhaus, chairman; St. Andrews Park booth, James M. Heron, chairman: Stage Children's Fund booth, Mrs. Millie Thorne, chairman, Mrs. Gertrude Carnles, vice-chairman; Stop, Look & Buy booth, Emma Kip Edwards, chairman.

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Playing La Salle on Percentage.

Chicago, April 25.
The La Salle will be played by Comstock & Gest upon percentage with Jones, Linick & Schaefer. The New York firm will take full control of the house, installing its own staff, giving the owners (J. L. & S.) 30 per cent. of the gross.

The agreement is for one year, with the first attraction to be "Oh, Boy!"

SHOWS IN CHICAGO.

Chicago, April 25. Two attractions, one new, entered the legitimate field this week. Nazimova began at the Blackstone Monday with "'Ception Shoals," while Morosmova began at the Blackstone Monday with "'Ception Shoals," while Morosco's "The Bird of Paradise" started an indefinite engagement at the Olympic. This is the third time "The Bird" has played Chicago. It may stay six weeks. Good business Sunday. "Very Good Eddie" moved to the Garrick Sunday, leaving the Chicago dark. The jump in "Eddie's" business was marked. "Dew Drop Inn" next arrives at the Garrick. The Anna Held show moved to Toronto and will probably close this Saturday.

Although not proving a good draw,

Although not proving a good draw, "Pierrot the Prodigal" remains until the end of next week at the Princess, when "Getting Married" comes for a two weeks stay. The dailies have commented on "Pierrot's" lack of patroness.

mented on "Pierrots" lack of patron-age, though considerable space has been devoted to the piece. "Betty" is still piling up profits at the Illinois. It is pretty certain that the Hitchcock show will remain for

another two weeks.

another two weeks.

"Turn to the Right" and "Annabelle" continue to do good business, though the takings are off over last month.

"The Boomerang" now in its 24th week, is just one month behind the season's run record, made by "Fair and Warmer," but it looks as if the Belasco show would last until mid-May. May.

SHOWS IN PHILLY.

Philadelphia, April 25. "The Country Cousin," a new comedy of American life, by Booth Tarkington and Julian Street, was seen for the first time on any stage at the Broad Mon-day night and proved a success. The new piece is strongly like "The Man from Home," in a feminine way and the dialog is filled with cleverness and

wit.

For a first showing the performance For a first showing the performance was remarkably smooth, and the individual work of several members of the cast was worthy of especial praise. Alexandra Carlisle, who portrays the small town young girl, scored an individual triumph. Eugene O'Brien and Phoebe Foster are also credited with personal successes. The piece was very warmly received by a well filled house, and the press comments were highly and the press comments were highly complimentary.

Marion Barney, well remembered for her stock company success here, made her reappearance this week in the prin-cipal role of "Mother Carey's Chick-ens," which opened at the Adelphi. The piece is quaintly charming, good, clean and wholesome, and was much enjoyed by an audience which was glad to display its pleasure. The company is a capable one and the play is expected to do some business after the run of

musical and comedy shows.
"So Long Letty" is doing very well at the Lyric. The piece has caught on and caused considerable more talk than any of the musical shows seen here this season. "Miss Springtime" at the Forest and "Fair and Warmer" at the Garrick are holdovers, with fair busi-

ness reported.

SHOWS IN LOS ANGELES.

Los Angeles, April 25. Los Angeles, April 25.
William H. Crane opened to a fair sized house at the Mason, but his play, "The Happy Stranger," is not likely to do very big business on account of its failure to impress.

"Miss Melody" May Be Produced. Chicago, April 25. "Miss Melody," written by Jack Latt

some time ago, is to he rewritten by George V. Hobart and will probably find production during the coming season. The musical source will be come posed by Victor Herbert.

Robert Edeson has offered his country estate of 150 acres at Sag Harbor, L. I., to the government for cultivation.

ST JAMES (low)
Musical Shirleys
Holmes & LaVere
J K Emmett Co
Brown Harris & B
L Mayer's Girls
2d haif
DeL Batte & Jap
Beth Mayo
Bailard Trio
R C Faulkner

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Bridgepert, CouPOLI'S (ubo)
Welser & Reiser
Neilie Allen Co
Thomas & Hall
Clayton & Lennie
Hucksfoot Corners
2d half
De Antonio
Burke & Harris
Danny

Danny Heider & Packer Tyrolean Troubadours

LYRIC (sun) Van Horn & Ammer 4 Swore

4 Swors
Kennedy & Rooney
Work & Ower
(One to fill)

One to fill)
Butte, Ment.
PANTAGES (p)
(4-9)
Pederson Bros
Oleson & Johnson
Kijiyama
Stephens & Hollister
6 Peaches & Pear

Calgary

BILLS NEXT WEEK (APRIL 30)

In Vaudeville Theatres

(All houses open for the week with Monday matinee, when not otherwise indicated.)
Theatres listed as "Orpheum" without any further distinguishing description are on the Orpheum Circuit. Theatres with "S-C" and "A-B-C" following same (usually "Empress") are on the Sullivan-Considine-Affiliated Booking Company Circuit.

Agencies booking the houses are noted by single name or initials, such as "Orph." Orpheum Circuit; "U B O." United Booking Offices; "W V M A." Western Vaudeville Managers' Association (Chicago); "P." Pantages Circuit; "Loew," Marcus Loew Circuit; "Inter," Interstate Circuit (booking through W. V. M. A.); "Sun," Sun Circuit; "A & H," Ackerman & Harris (San Francisco).

SPECIAL NOTICE—The manner in which these bills are printed does not indicate the relative importance of acts nor their program positions. The haste in which the bills are gathered prevents any attention being given these matters.

New York
PALACE (orph)
Howard & Clark
Doyle & Dixon
Montgomery & Perry
McKay & Ardine
Herbert's Dogs
(Three to fill)

(Three to fill)
COLONIAL (ubo)
Abbott & White
Kitamua Japs
Orth & Dooley
Carus & Comer
Kane & Hermann
Shattuck & Golden
Lancton & Gaylord
Nat Wills
The Nightons
ALHAMBRA (ubo)

ALHAMBRA (ubo)
"America First"
Så K Morton
Bancrott & Broske
Ed Morton
Ailen & Howard
Be Ho Gray Co
Strand 3
4 Barlos

ROYAL (ubo)
Ciark & Hamilton
"Race of Man"
Julie Ring Co
Dooley & Sales
Leah Nora
Van & Ward Girls Leah Nora
Van & Ward Girls
Mankiehi Co
Albert Donnelly

Albert Donnelly
BIVERSIDE (ubo)
Rock & White
Dainy Jean
Laurie & Bronson
Jean Adair Co
Ameta
Leo Beers
Jas Carson Co
Jas J Morton

5TH AVE (ubo) 2d half (26-20) 2d half (26-20)
Taylor Granville Co
Monde & Saile
Rey & Arthur
Frederick Simms
Bert Hanlon

AMERICAN (loew)
The Maynards
Orben & Dixie
Mario & Trevette
Bob Tenny

Orbea & Dixie Mario & Trevette Bob Tenny
Mario & Trevette Bob Tenny
Resista
Harry Stafford Co
Burns & Kissen
Richard Wally
(One to 2d half
Lew & Grace Harvey
Burns & Lynn
Keene & Williams
Bert Howard
Goiden Tr
Sally Seeley
LaCosta & Clifton
Hudler Stein & P
(One to fill)
Kenney & LaFrance
Ward & Shubert
The Fizer
Mayno & Hoyt
Maybeile Best
Trae Briser
Walton & Delerg
Victor Morley Co
TTH AVE. (loew)
Ferdinand
Smith & Farmer
LaCosta & Clifton
Burns & Lynn
Victor Morley Co
(One to fill)

Victor Morley Co
(One to fill)

Victor Morley Co
(One to fill)

2d half

(One to fill)
2d half

Sylphonos Duval & Simons Montroso & Allen Harry Stafford Co Arthur Lipson Fern Richelieu GREELEY (loew)

GREELEY (loew)
Cooney Sisters
Keene & Williams
The Punch
Arthur Lipson
Golden Tr
(Two to till)
2d half
Orben & Dixie
Plotti
Smith & Farmer
Berline Duo
"Man in Dark"
Hurns & Kissen
DELANCEY (loew)
Sylot bonos

Hanway & Francis Belle & Freda The Iceman Ruth Roye Fern Richelleu & F 2d haif
Kenney & LaFrance
Ferdinand
Roatino & Shelley
Ronair Ward & F
Ruth Roye
Frank Whittier Co
NATIONAL (loew)
The Valadons
Thomas & Henderson
Maybelle Best
Jos Remington Co
Cross & Doris
Cadets de Gascoyne
2d haif
Jack Onri
Pisano & Bingham
The Fixer
Moran & Wheeler
Roberts Stewart & R
ORPHEUM (loew)
Jack Onri

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Jack Onri
Berline Duo
Pisano & Bingham
Frank Whittler Co
Jim McWilliams
Roberts Stewart & R
Stanley & Burns
3 Roselias
Van & Carrie Avery
Julian Rose
Borsini Tr

Julian Rose
Borsini Tr
(One to fill)
BOULEVARD (toew)
Stanley & Burns
McDermott & Wallace
Warren & Frost
Julian Rose
2d half

Norton & Earle

Valadons
Thomas & Henderson
Jos Remington Co
Margaret Calvert
6 Berenaders
AVE. B (loew)
DeArmo & Marguerite
Adria Ainsi-y Co
Chas Reilly
(Two to fill)
2d haif
Brant & Aubrey
Merkert & Bondhill
Little Lord Robert
O'Connor & Dixon
Ward 22

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ORPHEUM (ubo)
Nesbit & Clifford
Fklyn Ardell Co
Dan Burke & Girls
Williams & Wolfus
Marion Weeks
Hallen & Hunter
The Gaudsmidts
Amer Comedy 4
The Brightons
BUSHWICK (ubo)
Salile Fisher Co
Taylor Granville Co
The Sharrocks
Stuart Barnes
Minona Winter
7 Bracks
Von Bergen & Gosler

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Von Bergen & Gosier
Roland Travers Co
Skating Girls
HALSEY (ubo)
20 half (26-29)
Sharriff Tr

SMAFFIE AT
ROGA ROY
Dunley & Merrill
Archer & Beitord
Lulu Besson Co
Millington & Pauli
Costa T;
GREENPOINT (ubo)
2d haif (26-29)
Ed Dowling
Hush Herbert Co
Reynolds & White
Quigley & Fitsgerald
BIJOU (loew)
Sally Seeley
Walton & Delberg
Hudler Stein & P
Borsini Tr
(Two to fill)
2d haif
Adlon & Co
Ward & Shubert
Boh Tenny
John R Gordon Co
Belle & Freda
DE KALB (loew)
McClure & Dolly
Roatino & Shelley
Roatino & Shelley
Ronair Ward & F
"Mary's Day Out"
Moran & Wheeler
3 Roselias
Holden & Herron
G & E Forrest
Jin McWinnan
"Check Isagage"
(One to fill)
PALACE (loew)
O & J Vannle
Fred Weber Co

Doris Lester 3
Jack Wilson 3
(Ono to fill)
2d haif

(One to fill)

2d haif
3 Vagrants
"The Parden"
Jack Wilson 3
(Two to fill)
FULTON (loew)
Rayno & Hoyt
"Man in Dark"
Bert Howard
6 Serenaders
(One to fill)
The Lowrys
Lew Welch Co
Cadets de Gascoyne
Rigoletto Bros
(One to fill)
WARWICK (loew)
Baseball 4
Hufford & Chain
(Two to fill)
Arthur DeVoy Co
Bertie Fowler
O & J Vannie
(One to fill)

Albamy

One to fill)

Albamy
PROCTOR'S (ubo)
(Troy split)
Ist haif
Valerie Bergere Co
Lew Cooper Co
Lew Cooper Co
Levitt & Lockwood
Ruby Cavelle Co
Pierlet & Boofield
Kramer & Howland
Allentawn, Pg.

Allentown, Pa.
Allentown, Pa.
ORPHEUM (ubo)
2d half (8-5)
Jeanne
Hugh Herbert Co
Nondles Fagan Co
4 Readings

Alten, Ill. HIP (WVA) The Lampinis
Frick & Adair
2d half
Galierini Sisters
Harry Hines

Alteena, Pa.
Alteena, Pa.
ORPHEUM (ubo)
(York split)
1st half
Rakoma
Walters & Cliff Sis
"Flirtation"
Camilla 9

Camille 8
(Not in 2d half)
"The Intruder"

"The Intruder"

Atlanta
PORSTTHE (ubo)
Stewart Sisters
Demarest & Coletti
Rath Budd
Kenny & Hollis
Mason Keeler Co.
Four Volunteers
Duffin Redeay Tr
GRAND (loew)
Reno

REAND (loew)
Reno
Ferguson & Sunderl'd
Jessie Hayward Co
Gray & Grabam
Adonis & Dog
Claire & Atwood
Brown & Barrows
"Saint & Slaner"
Neal Sliegel & F
Willa H Wakefield
Augusta, GA.

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Willa H Wakefield
Augustia, GA.
MODJESKA (leew)
Claire & Atwood
Brown & Barrows
"Saint & Barrows
"Saint & Binner"
Neal-Diegel & F
Willa H Wakefield
2d half
Harry Breen
Torle Hi & Bennett
(Three to fill)
Ausburn, N. Y.
JEFFERSON (ubo)
Fleida & Brown
Dunham Edwards 3
Minerva Courtney Co
2d half
Connors & Foley
Henry Frey
Austiag Tex.
MAJESTA (130-1)
(Same bill playing
Waco 2)
Male Schelly
"In Trenches"
Milo
Bakersfield, Cal.
HIP (A & H)

Flying Rüssells

Bakersfield, Cal.

HIP (A & H)

(29-1)

Flo Adler Co

Delton Marenno & D

Chas Lindholm Co Michael Emmett (2-3) Daio & Weber Le Dey & Tester Manita & Maryon (One to fill) Barber & Jackson Pope & Une (Two to fill)

Baltimere
MARYLAND (ubo)
H B Toomer Co
"Night Boat"

"Night Boat"
Rooney & Bent
Rooney & Bent
Emma Stephens
Sylvester & Vance
Masie King Co
Bogamy Tr
Carlisle & Romer
HIP (seew)
Lucler Worth Co
Kitty Flynn
"Shot at Sunrise"
Tancen Bros
"New Producer"
Billy Glasea
(One to Sill)
Battle Creek. Mi

Battle Oreck, Mich. BIJOU (ubo) (Sunday opening) Clown Scal Clown Seal
Silver & Duval
Lew Madden Co
Emily Darreil Co
McLaffen & Carson
26 haif
Georgalis Trio
Flang & White
"School Playreum
Carson & Willard
8 Ambler Bros

ORPHEUM
Ray Cox
D Shoemaker Co
Dorothy Brenner
Boyle & Brown
Leach Wallen 8 SWAYBELL LAUGH BROKERS HOWATSON

Binghumten, N. Y. STONE (ube) El Cieve & O'Connor "Memories" (One to fil)
2d haif
Sylvia Loyal Co
"Candidates"
Darn Good & F

Dara Good & F
Birminghams, Als
BIJOU (ubo)
(Nashville split)
Joe Fanton Co.
Kennedy & Burt
Beaumont & Arneld
H & B Fry
"Girl 1,600 Eyes"
BIJOU (loew)
The Fritches
Sully & Arneld
Harry Brooks Co
Nevins & Gordon
Fraternity Four
2d half
Reno

Reno Reno Ferguson & Sunderl'd Jessie Hayward Ce Gray & Graham Adenis & Deg

Bloomington, III
Bloomington, III
MAJESTIC (wva)
Paul Pedrini
Galierini Sisters
Rawson & Clare
Rucker & Winifred
Gypsy Brigands
2d half
"He's in Again"

"He's in Again"

Beston

KEITH'S (ubo)

Digby Bell Co

Dancing Girl Delhi
Marck's Lions

Bernard & Janis

Cole Russell & D

Spencer & Unis

John La Vier

Reed & Wright Sis

Two Caritons

ORPHEUM (loew)

Dancing Demons

ORPHEUM (loew)
Dancing Demons
Walters & Daniels
Case for Sherlock
Beth Mayo
Carl Emmy's Pets
Morris & Allen
Sabbott & Wright
2d half
Musical Shirleys
Holmes & LaVere
Rich Girl—Poor Girl
Elsie White
Long Tack Sam Co
O'Neill & Gallagher
Ernette Asoria Co

Frank & Toby Leon & Davies PANTAGES (p) 5 Symphony Girls Fong Choy Frank Gabby Co Antrim & Vale Zug Zug Arabs

Camden, N. TOWER'S (u) 2d baif (26-29) 2d haif (26-29) Wanda Box Car Duo John Lorense Co Gertrude Van Dyck Midnight Foilies

Canton, O.
LYCEUM (ubo)
John Hisgins
Eleanor Fisher
"Night with Poets"
Sextette De Luxe
Comfort & King
Guiran & Newell

Cedar Rapids, Ia. MAJESTIC (wva) (Sunday opening LaBelle & Lillian Lexey & O'Connor Kean & Mortimer ening) Detsel & Carroll
Royal Tokio Tr
2d half
Herbert Germaine 3
Sidney & Townley

Izetta izetta
"Lingerie Shop"
Lewis & Leopold
Howard's Animals

Charleston, S. C. ACADEMY (ubo) (Columbia split) 1st half 1st half Louis Stone Garden & Bernard Melody 6 Beatrice Ambert Marlo & Duffy

Chattamooga
RIALTO (ubo)
(Knoxville split)
1st half
Joe Dealy & Sis
Ward & Wilson
Mabel Johnson
Paulta & Frabrito
Leon Sisters

Chicago
MAJESTIC (orph)
"Band Box Revue"
Bert Swor
B Morrell 6

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Carson Bros
FALACE (orph)
(Final week season)
Nan Halperin
Chas T Aldrich
Ryan & Leo
Kouns Sisters (first
time in Chicago)
Hayward & Stafford
Cole & Denaby
Dunbar's Darkies
French Giris
(One to fill) (One to fill)
AMERICAN (wva)

(One to nii)
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Mildred Hayward
Walter 8 Howe Co
Gonne & Albert
(Two to fili)
London Trio
Nestor's Rev
A Nicholson 8
(Two to fili)
AVE (wva)
8 Moran Sisters
Grace DeWinters
Raymond Bond Co
Lewis & Leopold
Princess Kalama
2d half
Cervo

Tyrolean Troubadours

Buffale
SHEA'S (ubo)
Eddle Foy Co
Belle Baker
Morton & Glass
Ward & Van
Harris Manion
Beeman & Anderson
Mechan's Dogs
OLYMPIC (sun)
Juggling McBanns
Haipin & Delmar Sis
"Girls of To-day"
American Hawaiian 3
(One to fill)
LYRIC (sun)
Van Horn & Ammer Cervo Freemont Benton Co

Clifford Mack
Myrl & Delmore
(One to fill)
KEDZIE (wva) Arco Bros Julian Hali "Prosperity"

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'Prosperity''
Rernard & Scarth
Hoyt's Minstrels
2d haif
Frank Hartlev
M Elaine & Jass B'd
Bush & Shaperio
(Two to fill
LINCOLN (wva)
London &

CTwo to fill (Two to fill)
LinCOLN (wwa)
Mr & Mrs F Allen
Bush & Shaperio
"Miss Up to Date"
(One to fill)
2d half
Follette & Wicks
(Four to fill)
WILSON (wwa)
Celia Lovelace
Lono's Hawaiians
Cook & Lorenze
Myri & Deimar
(One to fill)
"Suffragette Rev"
WINDSOR (wwa)
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Curtiss' Dors
Wanser & Palmer
Two Pikers
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MovICKERS (loew)
Tyler & St Claire
Dave Kindler
Chiganny Arabs
Alice Hamilton
M & B Hart
Harold Selman Co
Cynessmati
KEITH'S (uho)

Cincinnati KEITH'S (ubo) KEITH'S (ubo) (Sunday opening) Emily A Wellman Co Trovilla Bros Chas E Evans Co Bennett & Richards Conlin & Parks 3 Steindel Bros Nip & Tuck J & K Demaco

J&K Demaco
Cleveland
HIP (ubo)
"Daughter Gode"
(film)
Mastika & Understudy
Curry & Graham
Gaston Palmer
Chisholm & Breén
Grindell & Esther
Ladies Reduc's Parlor'
PRISCILLA (sun)
Paullne Carr PRISCILLA (oun Pauline Carr Haddon & Norman Cheyenne Minstrels S & H Everett Kanazawa Japs

Columbia, S. C.
GRAND (ubo)
(Charleston spilt)
1st half
Zinka Parma Co
Lee & Bennett
Warren & Conly
Doc O'Neil Claude Roode

Claude Roode
Columbus, O.
KEITH'S (ubo)
Eva Tanguay
Raymond & Caverly
Will Oakland Co
Wm Sisto
Mr & Mrs Cappelin
The Steadmans
Isnakawa Japs
"Patria" (film)
BROADWAY (sun)
Alfredo & Pasquale
"Top of Andes"
Floyd & Beaman
5 McNutts
(Two to fill) (Two to fill)

Dallas, Tex. MAJESTIC (inter) Binns & Burt Violet MacMillan

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LOS ANGELES and SAN FRANCISCO Shanley and Furness ("Fifty-Fifty")

J & W Hennings "Corner Store"
Frankie Heath
"Midnight Roilickers"
(One to fiii)

Dunwille, Ill.
PALACE (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
Rose & Ellis
Jack Baxley
"College Frolic" Trovato 4 Bards

2d haif Banvard Sisters Adair & Adelphi Bert Wainwright Co Frank Bush 3 Hanlon Bros

S Hanlon Bros

Davenmort, Ia.

COLUMBIA (wva)
(Sundav opening)
Herbert Germaine 3
Misses Nelson
"Pink Paismas"
Valand Gamble
Howard"
A half
S Bennert Sisters
Dae & Neville
Pernard & Bearth
Mori Bros
(One to fill)

Dayton, O. KEITHIG (11bo)
Sarah Padden Co
De Forrest & Kerns
Erne Antoni 3
Nelson Wsring
Chas Ahearn Co
Asahi Tr

Denver ORPHEUM Lew Pockstader
Natalie Alt
Lydia Berry
Brent Hayes
The Norvelles
Geo Kelly Co
Newholf. & Phelps Dinkins Barr & E Byal & Early Love & Wilbur (One to fill)

Edmonton
PANTAGES (p)
D'Armour & Dougias
Will & Mary Rogers
University 4
"Hello Japan"
Alexandria

Elmira, N. Y.
MAJESTIC (ubo)
2d haif (30-2)
"Gems of Art"
Finn & Finn
Duffy Geisler & L
Around Globe
(One to fill)

Erie. Pa.
COLONIAL (ubo)
Maryland Singers
"At the Party"
Kelly & Graham
Lydell Higgins Co
Libonati

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Libonati

Evanaville, Ind.
GRAND (wva)
Kartelli
Sherman Van & H
Jas Gradv Co
Olive Briscoe
Colour Gems
2d half
Vanderkooss
Dickensom & Deagon
Nora Kellv Co
Basil & Allen
Roval Gascoignes
Fall River, Mass.
BLIGU (loews)
Nat & Flo Albert
Pavne & Neshit
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O'Neill & Gallarher
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Des Moines ORPHEUM (Sunday open lete Blood Co ning) Ade's Blood Co Hallen & Fuller Thos Swift Co Meredith & Snoozer Hayes & Rives Emerson & Baldwin Herbert Clifford

Detroit TEMPLE (u TEMPLE (ubo)
Michael (ubo)
Michael (ubo)
Miga Mishe 3
Aveling & Lloyd
J & B Morgan
Cooper & Ricordi
McLellen & Carson
William Ebe
Mrie's Cockatoos
MILES (abc)
Musical Charlottes
"Girls from Starland"
Wolfe & Zadella
Bradshaw & Lyndon
Howard Martelle
ORPHEUM (loew)

Howard Martelle
ORPHEUM (loew)
Stone & Clear
Glidling O'Mearas
Lee Tong Foo
Dorothy Burton Co
Roth & Roberts
"Wanted—A Wife"
COLUMBIA (eun)
J Southerland Co
Rapler & Fuller
Flying Venus
Columbia Players
Carter Co
Cole & Wood

Daluth, Minn.

Cole & Wood
Duluth, Minn.
GRAND (wva)
3 Dancing Mars
Bessle Lester
Orpheum Comedy 4
Strassler's Animals
2d half
Zeno & Mandel
Billy Beard
4 Novelty Pierrots
(One to fill)
Easton. Pa

Easton, Pa. ABLE O H (ubo) 1st half (30-2)
Lorraine & Crawford
Conrov & O'Donnell Conrov & O'Donnell
Hugh Herbert Co
Stone & Hayes
Costa Troupe
F. St. Louis, III.
ERBER'S (wva)

Rexo Hopkins & Axtell Grest Lester
"Girl in Moon"

Daniels & Walters Case for Sherlock Morris & Allen Karl Emmy's Pets

Farge, N. D. GRAND (abc) GRAND (abc)
C&R Simpson
Powder & Chapman
Adams Bros
Models De Luxe
3 Florimonds
2d half 2 Jewels Juvenile A

Edna Marshall Co Edwards & Hughes

Fint. Mich.
MAJESTIC (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
"Million Dollar Dolls"
2d hair
The Halkings
Link & Robinson
Grace Emmett Co
Brooks & Bowen
"Explorers"

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Ft. Dodge, In.
PRINCESS (wva)
Mossman & Vance
Leila Shaw Co
Claudie Tracy
Leon & Adeline Sis
2d half
Misses Neison
Walter Weems
Nettie Carroll Tr

Ft. Wayne, Ind. PALACE (ub)) (Sunday opening)
Lunette Sisters
Transfield Sisters

Transfield Sisters
Harry Coleman
Bert Walnwright Co
Morris & Campbell
Mori Bros
2d half
Augoust & Augoust
Green & Pugh
Gonne & Albert
Keane & Mortimer
Trovate Trovato 4 Bards

Ft. Williams. Ont. ORPHEUM (wva) 2d baif (3-6) Gene West Dumais & Floyd Gilbert & Clayton Raskin's Russians

Ft. Worth, Tex.
MAJESTIC (Inter)
(4-5)
Fiving Alussells
Willing & Jordan
"In Trenches"
Cummings & Schelly
Whitfield & Ireland
Milo Milo Bradley & Ardine

Grand Forks, N. D.
GRAND (wva)
2d haif (3-6)
Outman & Lewis
Dot Marsell Monte Carlo 6

Grand Rapids. EMPRESS (ubo)
Ray Samuels
W Clarke Co
Hong Kong Mysteries
watter Brower
Forn & Davis
Golet Harris & M
Claremont Bros Great Falls, Mont. PANTAGES (p)

PANTAGES (p)
(1-2)
(Same bill playing
Anaconda 3)
Alber's Polar Bears
Minnie Allen
10 California Girls
Geo Morton
Willie Hale & Bro

Willie Hale & Bro
Hamilton, Cam.
TEMPLE (ubo)
Clark's Hawaiians
Lighter Sis & Alex
5 of Clubs
Frank Mullans
Jack Kennedy Co
A & G Falls

Harrisburg, Pa.

Harrisburg, Pa.

MAJESTIC (ubo)

2 half (3-5)

Cycling Brunettes

8 & H Gordon

Pietro

(Two to fill)

Pletro to fill)

Hartford. Com.
POLI'S (ubo)

Helen Jackley
Blcknell & Gbney
Plistel & Cushing
Louis Simon Co

2 haif

Nellie Allen Co

E & L Miller
Werner Amora Tr

PALACE (ubo)
Dupree & Dupree
May Fletcher
Porter J White Co
Bensee & Baird

4 Comedy Phiends
Eleanore Fisher
Storm & Marsdon
Scarploff & Varvara
OPERA HOUSE (loew)
Swain's Animais
Sullivan & Masson
John R Gordon Co
Montrose & Ailen

3 Escardos

Weston & Young
(Four to fill)

Hasletos. Pa.
FEELEY'S (ubo)

(Four to fill)

Hasleton, Pa.
FEELEY'S (ubo)
2d haif (26-29)
Rita Boaland
R De Veaux Co
F & L Bruch
"Garden Belles"
PALACE (toew)
Melody 6
Fred LaReine Co
(Two to fill)

Melody of Fred LaReine Co (Two to fill)

Jack & Foris LaMont & Wright Wahl & Curtis Bros (One to fill)

(One to fill)

Hobokem, N. J.

LYRIC (loew)
Foster & Ferguson
Wahl & Curtls Bros
Jack & Foris
(Two to fill)

24 half
Marlo & Trevette

Mario & Trevette
Alibi
Sheffell & Vidocq
Fred LaReine Co
(One to fill)
Houston
MAJESTIC (Inter)

Houston
MAJESTIC (Inter)
Four Newsomes
Rhods & Crampton
Force & Williams
Frances Kennedy
Dorls Wilson Co
Mayo & Tally
McIntosh & Malds
Indianapolis, Ind.
KEITH'S (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
"Forest Fire"
Jas Leonard Co
Grace De Mar
4 Bolses
Oscar Lorraine
Adelaide Boothby Co
Gallando
LYRIC (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
Kawana Bros
Permaina

Permaine Mason & Murray Wood Melville & P "Courtroom Girls"

Ithaca. N. Y. STAR (ubo) ETAR (ubo)
Ellis Nowlan Tr
Darn Good & F
2d haif
El Cleve & O'Connor
"Menorica"
Jackson, Mich.
ORPHEUM (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
The Oimsteads
Pauline Saxon

P & P Houlton
Carson & Willard
"Garden of Mirth"
2d half
Edward Marshall
Smith & Kaufman
Isabelle Miller Co
Correlli & Gillette
Casting Lamys

Jacksonville
ARCADY (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
(Savanah split)
1st haif
"Vanity Fair" (tab (tab)

Janesville, Wis.
APOLLO (abc)
2d half (3-6)
Leonard & Wright
Anderson Duo
Walton & Brandt
(One to fill)

Jollet, Ill.
ORPHEUM (wva)
2d half (3-6)
Bertle Ford
Dixle Harris 4
"Petticoats"
Morris & Campbell
Frear Baggott & F

Frear Baggott & F
Johnstown, Pa,
MAJESTIC (ubo)
(Pittsburgh split)
"Fashlon Show"
Ward & Faye
Hardy Bros
Millington & Paull
Wilson & Aubrey 3

Kansas City, Mo. ORPHEUM

Kansas City, Mo.
ORPHEUM
(Sunday opening)
Dorothy Jardon
R Marlo Urchestra
Marla Lo
Corbett Sheppard & D
Lambert & Fredricks
Rice Elmer & Tom
Flanagan & Edwards
PANTAGES'tp)
(Sunday opening)
Mahoney & Auburn
Chinese Duo
Anthony & Mack
Mr Chaser
S & L Burns
Bob Fitz & Bob Jr
Kenoahn, Wis.

Kenoshn, Wis.
VIRGINIA (wva)
2d half (8-6)
Mildred Hayward
Princess Kalama Co
Browning & Dean
4 Old Veterans

Knexville, Tenn. BIJOU (ubo)

BIJOU (ubo)
(Chattanoga split)
ist half
Von Cello
Lerner & Ward
Durkin Girls
Jas H Cullen
"Revue De Vogue"
Kokome, ind.
SIPE (ubo)
2d half (3-6)
Johnson & Arthur

Johnson & Arthur Williams & Fuller Transfield Sisters Colour Gems (One to fill)

(One to fill)
Lansing, Mich.
BIJOU (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
The Blondys
Wanzer & Palmer
Mr & Mrs N Phillips
Francis Murphy
"Music Shop"
"Music Shop"
Zd half
Clown Seal
Stein Hume & T
McConnell & Simpson
Silver & Daval
3 Baisar Sisters
Limes O.

S Balsar Sisters
Lims, O.
ORPHEUM (sun)
Magazine Giris
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Leypo & Benjamin
Van & Hazen
J & R Barry Co
H & M Gilbert
Azimas

Lincoln, Neb.
ORPHEUM
2d half (3-5)
Bert Leslle Co
Tempest & Sunshine
Moore Gardner & R
"Double Exposure"
Embs & Alton
Estelle Wentworth
Misses Campbell
LYRIC (wva)
Tossing Austins
(One to fill)
2d half
Mary Grace
"Movle Girls"
ORPHEUM (wva)
Milland Bros
Williams & Watkins
Circle Comedy 4
(One to fill)

(One to fill)

Little Rock, Ark,
MAJESTIU (Inter)
El Rey Sisters
Loney Haskell
Inez MacCauley Co
Dorothy Granville
Musical Lunds

2d haif Black & White Dainy Leon Smith & Austin Thomas Trio (One to fill)

Logarasport, Ind. COLONIAL (up Alics Cole Reiff & Murray The Salambos 2d half Nestor & Shearts

DE Angeles ORPHEUM (Sunday opening) The Casinos Chas Grapewin Co Hinschel & Hendler Medlin Watts & T

Medlin watts a T Nonette Paifrey Hall & B Cross & Josephine Linne's Girls PANTAGES (p) Leo & Mae Lefevre Bernardi

Bernardi
Cadora
Friend & Downing
Rawie & V Kaufman
HIP (A & II)
Baker Sherman & B
Donna's Circus
Billie Joy
Alien & Moore
Ott & Bryan
Orton Troupe
Jere Sanford

Jere Sanford
Leniaville
KEITH'S (ubo)
(Opening Sunday)
Toots Paka
Gue & Haw
Inglis & Redding
De Witt B & T
Traccy & McBride
Britt Wood
Latia Seibini
(One to fill)

Cone to all)

Lewell, Mass.

KEITH'B (ubo)

Pete & Pals

Alvin & Williams

Howard & Williams

CASINO (abo)

2d haif (8-6)

Herbert Brooks Co

Murray K Hill

Hasel Leona

Carl Statser

Van & Pacroe

Massom City, Is.

CECIL (abc)

Van Pearce

Martin & Millian

Carl & Rich

Moder & Capman

Carr & Rich

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McKeesport, Pa.
HIP (ube)
"School Days"
Bert Wheeler Co
Chase & La Tour
Jack Marley

Jack Mariey
(One to fila)

2d half

"Cabaret De Luxe"
Bob Quigley Co
Harry Steriing
(Two to fill)

Memphis
ORPHEUM
Hyams & McIntyre
Local Orchestra
Wm Gaxton Co
J C Morton Co
Alexander O'N & B
Hans Hanke
Martinetti & Sylvester
"Patria" (film)
LYCEUM (locw)
Welmers & Burke
Eliks Trio
Janet Allyn Co
Fields & Wells
Kiuting's Animals
2d half
Sully & Arnold
Harry Brooks Co
Nevins & Gordon
"Fraternity Four"
Meridens, Comm.
POLI'S (ubo)
(3-5)
Keno Wagner
Officer Vokes
Bloknell & Gibney
Jas T Powers
Georgetti & Victoria
Majestic (orph)
Meredes
Farber Girls
Pilcer & Douglas
Imboff C & C
H Du Kane Co
Swer & Asses

Swor & Avey
McCarthy & Fays
Walsh & Bentley
PALACE (wvs

PALACE (wva)
(Sunday opening)
Curtles' Dogs
A Nicholson 3
"Petilcoats"
Smith A Smith & Kaufman Lillian Watson Nestor & Shearts 2d half The Faynes

DeWinters Grace DeWinters
"The Tamer"
Howard & Fields
"Song & Dance Rev"
(One to fill) MILLER (loew)
Greater City 4
"Kinkaid Kilties"
Stone & Manning
Great Leon
Holy & Lee
Gruber's Animals

Minnenpolis
Of.PHEUM
O clilingwels. Co
Diamond & Brennan
Benny & Woods
Tower & Dameretti
Sam Roff & Senia
The Alaskans
Bigm & Witchle
PANTAGES (p)
(Sunday opening)
Zertho's Dogs
Romanoffs.

S Romanors

Romanors

El Bionesil Co

Gullespie Giris
Singer's Midgets
GRAND (wvs)
Denny & Dunnigas
Christy & Griffia

B Sweethearts
Harry Watkins
PALACE (wvs)
Carlita & Howland
Guerro & Carmen
Morrell's Revue
Jimmy Lyons
Prelle's Circus

Prelle's Circus

Mentreal ORPHEUM (ube) · Claire Rochester "Corner Store" "Corner Store"
Delro
Lida McMillan
Dooley & Nelson
Brønnan & Powell
FRANCIS (ubo)
(Ottawa Spilt)
lst half

4 Lukens
Freely Barton & H
Morrell & McCarthy S

Muskegon, Mich.
REGENT (ubo)
(Sunday opening)
Agoust & Augoust
Green & Pugh
McConnell & Simpsen

Corve
"School Playgrounds"
2d haif
Rose & Ellis
Lillian Watson
P & P Hesiton
Coakley & Dunlery
Orville Stamm

Orville Stamm
Rashville
PRINCESS (ubo)
(Birminghem split)
Ist balf
Helene Davis
Wilkins & Wilkins
Mr & Mrs G Wilde
Edwards & Leedom
Col Boys' Band

Col Boys' Band
Newark, N. J.
MAJESTIC (10ew)
L & G Harvey
Holden & Herron
V & C Avery
Baby Zelda
Rigoletto Bros
2d haif
McClure & Dolly
McDermott & Wallace
Boarding School Girls
Danny Simmons
Norton & Earle
(One to fill)

New Haven, Conn. BIJOU (ubo) De Antonio Herb Haywood

Herb Haywood
Danny
Burke & Harris
Fashion a la Carte
2d half
Helen Jaskley
Dupree & Dupree
Welser & Reiser
Rucksfoot Corner

New Orleans ORPHEUM ORPHEUM
Blossom Seeley Co
"Age of Reason"
Grobs & King
Mr & Mrs J Barry
Donahue & Stewart
Knapp & Cornalia
Burdella Patterson
"Patris" (film)

New Rechelle, N. Y.
LOEW
Brant & Aubrey
O'Connor & Dixon
Little Lord Robert
2d haif
DeArmo & Marguerite
Fred Weber Co,
"Holiday in Dixfeland"

"Holdey in Dixlelam
Norfolk, Va.
ACADEMY (ubo)
(Richmond split)
1st half
Fox & Ingram
Chas F Semon
Roger Gray Co
Al Shayne
Chester Johnson Co

Chester Johnson Co
Oskiand
ORPHBUM
(Sunday opening)
Ewin Arder. Ce
'Garden of Ahra''
Tate's "Motoring"
Marmein Sisters
7 Honey Boys
McWatters & Tyson
Countess Ardini

FANTAGES (p)
B "Swede" Hall Co
Patricola
"Bachelor's Dinner"
Tabor & Greene
Samoya PANTAGES (p)
"Swede" Hall Co Bamoya Bd Price & Pals

Ogden PANTAGES (p) Dix & Dixie Dix & Dixle Grace Edmunds Mystic Bird Frank Fogarty Berlo Girls Mack & Velmar

Mack & Veimar

Omaha, Neb.
ORPHEUM
(Sunday opening)
Morgan Dancers
Nordtarson & Pinkham
Crites Bros
Pat Barnett
Everent's Monkeys
Three Jahns
Harsko Okuri
EMPRESS (wva)
(Sunday opening)
Hahn Weiler & M
Nettle Carreit Tr
Woodward & Morrisey
(One to fill)
2d half
Williams & Watkins

2d haif Williams & Watkins 8 Keltens Circle Comedy 4 Dudley 3

Ottawa DOMINION (ube) (Montreal Split) 1st half

Yaltos
"Girl in Gown Shop"
Robert Dore
Earl & Curtis

Passaie, N. J.
PLAYHOUSE (ubo)
2d haif (26-39)
Thoraton & Thoraton
Toront's Roosters
Bleanore & Carleton
Stevens & Falk

Peoria, Ill.
ORPHEUM (wva)
"He's in Again"
Dixle Harris 4
2d haif
Will & Kemp Rewson & Clare
Mullen & Coogas
"Miss Uptodate"
(One to fill)

Philadelphia KBITH'S (ubo) KBITH'S (ube)
Sophic Turker Co
"Honor Tay Children'
Savoy & Brennan
Dainty Marie
Kelly & Wilder
Irwin & Henry
Roy & Arthur
Young & Waldron

Young & Waldron GRAND (ube) Rialta Co Lewis & White John W Ransome Josle Flynn's Mins Hamilton & Barnes 9 Parmetras Hamilton & Bernes

Parrettaa

KEYBTONE (ubo)
Valentine & Bell
Lowy & Lacey Sis
Street Urchin
Ed Carr Co
Webb & Burns
Toroat's Roosters

ALLEGHENY (ubo)

ALLEGHENY (ubc 3 Alex Taylor & Taylor & Taylor Carmen's Minstrels Jimmie Lucas Co "Bon Voyage" B WAY (ubc) Luis Coates Co Kahi Waiton & H'Junior Foilies" (One to fill) 2d half Elkins Fay & E John Lorenz Co Lew Wilson "Junior Foilies"

"Junior Folities"

Pittaburgh
DAVIS (ube)
G Heffmann Co
Moon & Morris
Bernard & Harrington
Frank Crumit
(One to fill)
HARRIS (ube)
Wm. Hanlom Ce
Ward & Curran
Skating Bear
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SHERIDAN SQ (ubo)

Claud Hauf
SHERIDAN SQ (ubo)
1st haif
7 Little Darlings
Henshaw & Avery
Vine & Temple
West & Van Sielen
Potter & Hartwell Portland, Ore. ORPHEUM (Sunday opening)
Localina & Coolan
Ecile Story
Johnston & Harty
Bert Kenny
Barry Girls
"The Recital"
Monroe Bros

PANTAGES (p)
J & E Dooley
Zelaya
Billy McDermott
Estrelite & Pagean
"Uneeda Girl Co"
Reed & Hudson

Previdence
EMERY (loew)
Del Badie & Jap
Elsie White
R G Faulkaer
Ballard &
Long Tack Sam Co
24 haif
Nat & Flo Albert
Payne & Nesbit
J E Emmett Co
Brown Harris & B
Babbott & Wright

HiP (ubo) 1st half (80-2) Jeanne Chas. Rice Co B & M Gordon 4 Readings (One to fill)

Regina, Sask., Can. REGINA (wva) 2d haif (3-6) Mennetti & Bidelli Elinere Sherman Claire Hanson 4 "Land o' Dreams"

Richmond, Va.
BIJOU (ubc)
(Nerfolk split)
list half
O'Nell Twins
Dunbar's Bell Ringers
Stan Stanley 8
Kitara Jape
(One to fill)

Roanoke, Va.
ROANOKE (ubo)
Dorothy Meather
Lord & Fuller
Bert Johnson Co
Arthur Whitelaw
Wilson & Larsen
2d half

Kola
Susanne Roccamosa
Cock & Timponi
Robinsen's Elephants
(One to fill)

Rechester, Min METRO (wva) Storey & Clark Heay Seets & B Emmett's Dogs (Two Le 51) (Two to 51)

2d half
Green McHenry & D
(Two to fill)

Rechester, N. Y. TEMPLE (ubo) TEMPLE (ubo)
Hale & Paterson
Josie Heather Co
Militon Pollock Co
Rath Bros
Rockwell & Wood
Viaton & Buster
Skipper & Kastrup
Lohse & Sterling

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Reckford, III.
PALACE (wve)
The Faynes
Klass & Weiman
Dae & Noville
Browning & Deane
"Scr2 & Dance Rev"
2 d half
G & L Gerden
Raymond Bond Co
Geo Lovett Co
Sherman Van & H
Royal Tekto Tr

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Sacramente
ORPHE...
(30-1)
(Same bill) playing
Stockton 2-3 and
Freeno 4-5)
French & Els
La Graciosa
Una Clayton Co
Billy Kinkaid
Allee L Doil Co
Antie Medlinger
Gould & Lewis
EMPRESS (A & H)

Gould & Lewis
EMPRESS (A & H)
(Sunday Opening)
Black McCone
Fargo & Wells
Rose & Rosana
Bryan Lee Co
Arthur Barrett
King Troupe
2d hair
Franks & Addington
American Patrollers
B & B Stanley
Conway & Fields
Rome & Wager
Fred & Albert
Salt Lake

Salt Lake ORPHEUM ORTHEUM
OPEN Wed night)
(Open Wed night)
(2-5)
"The Cure"
Whiting & Burt
F & A Astaire
Ethei Hopkins
Halligan & Sykes
Clara Morton Co
Eviletto inlus PANTAGES (p)
"Jungle Man"
Amoros & Mulvey
Harry Rose
"Motor Madness"
Nen Gray

San Antonio MAJESTIC (inter) (2-6)

(2-6)
Lawton
Big City 4
Jackle & Billie
Futuristic Revue
Arthur Deagon
Miniature Hippodrome
(One to fiii)

San Diego PANTAGES (p) Sam Diego
PANTAGES (p)
Elisabeth Otto
The Langdons
Mein Bros
Reynoids & Donegan
Beeley & McCloud
HIP (A & H)
Stone & King
Bpanish Goldinis
Lancaster & Small
Sam Hood
Royal Court 5
Dunlap & Verden
2d haif
8 & M Laurel
Flo Adler Co
Deltom Marenno & D
Dusan & Chapman
Sullivan & Meyers
Dare Bros
Sam Francisco

Sas Francisco
ORPHEUM
(Sunday opening)
Hermine Shone Co
Wright & Dietrich
Ashley & Allman
Ethel MeDonough
Csell Cunningham
Chung Hwa 4
Togan & Geneva
The Berrens
PANTAGBS (p)
(Sunday opening)
Military Elephants
Francis Renault
John P Wade Co
Wells Northworth & M
"Smart Shop"
HIP (A & H)
(Sunday Opening)
Morales Bros
Phil Bennett
Dawne June Co
Phil Bennett
Dawne June Co
Phil Bennett
Casino (A & H)
(Sunday Opening)
Grata Von Bergen
Otto Koernet
Casino (A & H)
Carl Rosini Co
Anderson & Gonies
Santa Barbara, Cal
PORTOLA (A & H) San Francisco ORPHEUM

Santa Barbara, Cal. PORTOLA (A & H) (3-6) Dunlap & Verden Brooks & Lorella Sam Hood

Saskatoon, Sask. EMPIRE (wva)
Mennetti & Sidelli
Elinore Sherman
Claire Hanson 4
"Land o' Dreams"

Savannah
LYRIC (ube)
(Jacksonville split)
1st haif
Hill & Bertina
Venita Gould
Coyle & Morrell
Bison City 4
Guislman 8

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Guisiman 8
COLUMBIA (orph)
Robt T Haines Co
Avon Comedy 4
Dorthy Toye
Dahi & Gillen
Fester Bail Co
Joe Towle
4 Danube
4 Danube
4 Danube
6 Danube
7 Danube
6 Danub

"Orange Psckers"

2d half
Frick & Adair
Eddie Borden Co "Prosperity"
Creat Lawley
Galletti's Monks

St. Paul. Minn. ORPHEUM (Sunday opening) Crossy & Dayne

Nellis Nichols
Mack & Earl
Wm & Marc Cutty
Mary L Mason
Retter Bros
Retter Bros
Carr & Rich
Juvenile 6
Murray K Hill
Edwards Bears
2d haif
Great Richard
Orrin Craig 3
Don & Patty
Miller & Mulford
Models DeLuxe
Martin & Millian
PALACE (wva)
Novelty Clintons
Zeno & Mandell
2 Pikers
Billy Beard
4 Novelty Pierrots
2d haif
Hoey Scott & B
Lelia Shaw Co
6 Venitian Gypsies
Schenectady, N.

Schemectady, N. Y.
PROCTOR'S (ubo)
(Syracuse split)
Ist half
Ed Farreil Co
Al Herman
4 Southern Girls
Fantina Tr
Sealo Sealo (One to fill)

Scranton, Pa.
(Wikes-Barre split)
POLI'S (ubo)
1 is half
Fred Correll Co
Madison & Winchester
Katherine, Murray Co
Comort, King
White Circus

Seattle Scattle
ORPHEUM
(Sunday opening)
Le Roy Taima & B
"Our Family"
Ben Deely Co
Aerial De Goffs
Long & Ward
Millicent Mower
Galdo Randegger
PANTAGES (p)
Jerome & Carson
Stoddard & Haynes
Freddle James
Anderson's Revue
Ed & Jsck Smith
Capt Sorcho Co
Sioux City, Ia.

Capt Sorcho Co
Sioux City, In.
Ory HEUM (wva)
(Sunday opening)
Maurice Downey Co
"Movis Gir!"
Walter Weems
The Seebacks
(One to fil)
2d half
Andree Sisters
McCormick & Wallace
Frosini
Mrs Eva Fay
(One to fil)
Sioux Falla 5. D.

(One to fili)
Sioux Fails, S. D.
ORPHEUM (wva)
(Sunday opening)
Hector & Pais
Kesterson Bros
McCormack & Wallace
Dudley 3
2d haif
Mossman & Vance
Curley & Welch
The Seebacks
(One to fili)

(One to fill)
South Rend, Ind.
ORPHEUM (wva)
(Sunday opening)
"Maid to Order"
2d haif
Lew Hoffman
"Garden Mirth"
Rucker & Winlired
Lunette Sisters

Spokane
PANTAGES (p)
Bevan Filnt Co
Queenle Dunedin
Foley & O'Nell
Harlan Knights Co
Al Golem Tr

Al Golem Tr
Sprina-field, Ill.
MAJESTIC (wea)
Pero & Wilson
Foliette & Wicks
Catalano & O'Brien
Harry Beresford C
Eckert & Parker
Geo Lovett Co
20 dhalf
Paul Pedrini Co
Francis & Ross

Francis & Ross
Jas Grady Co
Kerr & Berke
Harry Coleman
Lona's Hawaiians

Springfield, Mass., FALACE (ubo)
Georgetti & Victoria
Storm & Marsdon
Jas T Powers
Eddie & Lew Miffer
Tyrolean Troubudours Troubadours

nl. Minn. 2d haif
HEUM Thomas & Hall
'opening) Natali Morran
Dayne "Edge Things"
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CABARETS

The fifth Ziegfeld "Midnight Frolic," opening on the Amsterdam Roof Tuesday night, is the best of them all. It ran from 12 to 2.25 the first performance, with two hours of actual entertainment, which will likely be cut down. Rehearsals did not stop until a waiting crowd outside the entrance called for admission. Gene Buck and Dave Stamper have again furnished the "Frolic" with its numbers, while Ned Wayburn has done the staging. Several special-ties are interspersed, more than custies are interspersed, more than customary, and each, with one exception, did extremely well. An added attraction the opening night was the unexpected presence of Vernon Castle, with his wife. Although seated at a floor table no special notice was taken of Mrs. Castle's party until the couple started to dance, when the applause followed them around the floor. Will Rogers during his act alluded to Mr. Castle as "a tango guy who made good." Castle got a transfer to Canada, where he is teaching the Canadians ada, where he is teaching the Canadians to fly, after having a record of two German air machines to his credit while in the English flying corps. Rogers also had something to do with the act that flopped. Just after his turn the reformed cowboy told the diners Mr. Ziegfeld had uncovered a "find" who would appear next, otherwise unan-nounced. The "find" was a foreigner, speaking English, who opened with a speaking English, who opened with a laughing song, then did a song that had some story with cards and finished with an imitation of sawing wood. The wood-sawing thing was very funny, but by this time the house had made up its mind Ziegfeld had picked a bloomer and they got the act the wrong way. It might have been different if Bill had to forestern his instructions which not forgotten his instructions, which were to introduce the fellow as Charles Cherry, a brother of the original Cherry Sisters. After his act the imitator was paid off for the week. The first part running just an hour is particularly good. It has a corking number in "The Midnight Zepps." led by Sybil Carmen, several snots used in a dark scene at the coaring and with the circle was at the opening and with the girls very attractively garbed. "When I Hear the Jazz Band Play" was the finale, another new hit that pleased. It was led by Ann Pennington, her first Roof appearance, who did very nicely when not singing, but she was singing quite ofof the popular "Frolic" girls, intro-duced by their own names. It made an easy and different way of starting the show. Gene Buck must have left the first to the last and then hit upon this piece of business as the quickest way to finish it. Will Rogers' act was in the first part. He had his lariat, but hardly worked at it. A startling innovation for monologists, perhaps inspired from for monologists, perhaps inspired from those dancers who invite requests, was Mr. Rogers asking the audience to mention any prominent person or event and he would talk on it. Wilson, Joffre and Balfour were called out. also Mayor Mitchel. Roosevelt and Vice-President Marshall. Rogers muffed the Marshall cue, but got away fine with the others Someone called "Take Shubert" and Rogers, shaking his head, said: "The act was going great until that." It was going great too, and he was about the act was going great until that." It was going great, too, and he was about the biggest applause hit of the evening, although everything with the first-nighters was a riot. William Rock and Frances White did a couple of new dances, while Miss White sang a new song (solo) as well as "Mississippi." Rock also led "Broadway" in the second half a sort of Devil lyric turned ond half, a sort of Devil lyric turned onto Broadway, and this was well dressed for the girly end. The Ziegfeld cossuming was as lavish and attractive as ever, although the production end appeared to have been rushed toward its finish, since "They Are Getting Shorter All the While" could have been

better built up and the flag finish was not as elaborate as might have been expected. The "Getting Shorter" number shows the disappearance of the skirt. Jack McGowan was the male number leader for the show. He is a newcomer there and did very well. Among the specialties Moran and Wiser with their hats were first, getting plenty of laughs, but making their turn too long. In the second part was Lucille with her cockatoo and parod. Mile. Lucille presented a fine appearance personally and clipped her turn down to the meat, gaining much laughter and big applause for the training of the birds, the parrot singing "Yankee Doodle" for the finish. Then Leipzig appeared. It seemed pretty late on the program for a card palmer or magician, but Leipzig completely puzzled the house with his card tricks. Leipzig has always held the reputation of the best palmer in the world around a table and he upheld it on this restaurant floor, doing tricks right under the noses of the diners, with their assistance often, that they could not commence to unravel. He was a distinct hit and a novelty for the Roof. Claudius and Scarlet had a new lot of old-time songs and they made their customary score. The scenery was by Urban and the settings were handsome. Dabney's colored band furnished the music. It's a late day for Flo Ziegfeld, after giving the Roof about everything that could be thought of in a revue, to come forward with the best show a restaurant has ever held, but Ziegfeld has done it with this fifth edition, besides making it worth the \$2 admission charged.

As he was expecting to quit Chicago with his Syncopating Seven (jazz band), F. Wheeler Wadsworth received a wire from the Century theatre management, New York, saying that inasmuch as the Mayor was closing all Broadway bars and restaurants where liquors were sold at 1 a. m. and that his contract called for a performance that went beyond that hour, and that the war was also to be considered, whereby it affected the roof amusement, the Wadsworth engagement for the Cocconut Grove show was canceled. Wadsworth was to have opened an indefinite engagement there April 30. Wadsworth and his band will remain a musical feature of the Winter Garden revue here.

The Shelburne, Brighton Beach, will have a female orchestra of nine pieces to open its summer season with. Harry Fitzgerald booked the band with John Wagner, when both were West recently, looking for band organizations. They saw the Beatrice Van Loor combination at the Hotel Statler, Detroit. The girls play all kinds of music. Fitzgerald had booked the Brown Jazz Band with Reisenweber's for 60 weeks, having formed a special bunch in Chicago, but he tore up the contract when the mayor's order about one o'clock closing came out.

Fields, Salesbury and Davis, the three-act (bovs) who were moved out of the Wvn-Clif Inn, Chicago, to vaude-ville by Harry Weber, will be brought East by the agent. It's a jazz trio, and they will carry a cornetist in the orchestra besides a pianist upon the stage with them

Miriam Garcee has replaced Miss Segal in the Rockwell Terrace, Brooklyn, revue.

The Dancing Dryers are at the Pekin, placed by Roehm & Richards.

The Cafe Royal, Toronto, is to have a revue, imported from New York.

Al Herman is reported engaged shortly for the Cocoanut Grove.

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OBITUARY

David Montgomery died in Chicago April 20, after an illness of four weeks, during which time he underwent an operation in the Presbyterian Hospital there. He was 47 years old and was born in St. Joseph, Mo. The team of Montgomery and Stone was formed 22 years ago April 19, and the friendship that existed between the two men was firm and fast from the outset. They first appeared in vaudeville, and worked up to a headline position, receiving about \$150 weekly, an enormous salary for those days. Their first musical comedy engagement was in "The Girl From Up There" at the Herald Square theatre in 1900, and in 1903 they were starred by Hamlin, Mitchell & Fields in "The Wizard of Oz." In 1906 they were secured by Charles Dillingham and have been under his management ever since. The pieces in which Dillingham presented them were "The Red Mill," "The Old Town," "The Lady of the Slipper" and "Chin Chin." Deceased was unmarried.

In Sorrow
We Extend Heartfelt Sympathies to the Families of
SAM CHIP
DAVE MONTGOMERY
MELVILLE ELLIS
All Three Our Dear Departed Friends
THE DANCING KENNEDYS

Ben Teal died April 20 in the New York Hospital after an illness of one week. He was 62 years old and is survived by a wife, a son and a daughter. The immediate cause of his death was gall stones, for which an operation was performed three days before death. His theatrical career began as an actor in San Francisco under the management of David Belasco. Shortly afterward he drifted into stage direction and was best known in that field. About 25 years ago he formed a business partnership with Charles Abbott, and the firm of Abbott & Teal was for several years thereafter among the foremost legitimate producers. His most important production was "Ben Hur," which he staged. He was general stage director for Klaw & Erlanger for a number of years, then joined Weber & Fields at their 28th street music hall and of late years had been a free lance.

In Loving Memory of

SAM CHIP

Who Was Our Dearest Friend
He Will Never Be Forgotten by

JULE BERNARD

FLORENCE SCARTH

Ed Vinton, appearing at the Temple, Detroit, dropped dead of heart disease Monday night while going through his act, known as Ed. Vinton and "Buster," the latter a trained dog. The deceased was about 55 years old and lived in Buffalo. He had been in vaudeville for some years, with a long theatrical career before then.

Princess Victoria, claimed to be the smallest midget living, died April 25 at Dr. Stern's Hospital, after an operation for appendicitis. She was 22 years old and is survived by her mother. Deceased was under the management of Charles Pope. In private life her name was Sylvia Willis.

Joe Natus, at one time a famous tenor soloist, died at Rome, N. Y., this week after a brief illness. Natus was connected with Dockstader's, Haverly's, Primrose and West's and Al G. Field's minstrel shows at various times, and was one of the first tenor singers to ever make a record for the phonograph companies. For the past two years Natus has been employed as a hotel clerk, his health having failed him, necessitating his retirement from active theatricals.

ARTHUR M. RUDD

(Late of BUNTH AND RUDD)
Who Passed Away May 3rd, 1916
Not Fergotten by His Partner and Pal
HAROLD BUNTH

August C. Heck, age 42, treasurer of the Carnegie Lyceum, died April 23, leaving a widow and two children. The deceased was a well-known box office man and member of the Treasurers' Club. He was a brother of Rudolf Heck, also a treasurer.

Jack W. O'Shea, for several years a stage hand at the Winter Garden, died suddenly April 22. The deceased was 55 years old and apparently in good health when at the theatre Saturday. He passed away while asleep that night. Two sons survive.

IN FOND MEMORY

IRVING LEONARD

(Of Leonard and Irving)
Who Passed Away April 17, 1917
BERNARD BURKE

William C. Mandeville died at his home, 109 West 90th street, last week, from heart disease. He was 50 years old. After playing leading parts in musical productions, he joined the screen forces.

In Food Memory of My Old Fal and Fartner IRVING LEONARD NAT ALBERT

Wesley Chetfield, husband of Jose Collins and well known in America, was reported shot this week during the present English drive on the French front. Chetfield has been at the front since the latter part of last year.

In Fond Remembrance of

SAM CHIP

A Friend Who Will Never Be Forgotten He Was My Pal EDDIE LEONARD

John N. Raphael, who wrote "Peter Ibbetson" from George du Maurier's novel, died in Paris about four weeks ago. He was a London journalist.

James Sheehan died at Puyallup, Wash., March 27, following an illness of several years. His widow, Eva R. Sheehan, is a professional well known in the West.

R. J. Rooney, a stage hand in several Broadway theatres, died suddenly April 22. He was a bachelor, about 60 years old.

Steven Kelly, stage hand at Sohmer Park, Montzeal, died April 22. Kelly was the first president of the Montreal local, I. A. T. S. E.

Kitty Devene, wife of Paul Devene, died in Providence, R. I., April 15.

The attention of the members of the

Vaudeville Managers' Protective Association

is directed to the

First Annual Performance

to be given by the

National Vaudeville Artists

at the

New York Hippodrome, Sunday, June 3, 1917

In accordance with our expressions of friendliness toward that organization of artists, which is being conducted with a dignity commensurate with the importance of vaude-ville, the members of the V. M. P. A. should lend all reasonable assistance they are called upon to furnish and endeavor to promote to a successful issue this Annual Performance.

V.M.P.A. members will be further advised by mail regarding the possible aid they may be able to give the N.V.A.

This request is publicly made to firmly indicate the attitude of our Association toward the National Vaudeville Artists.

VAUDEVILLE MANAGERS' PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION

NEW ACTS THIS WEEK

NEW ACTS NEXT WEEK

Initial Presentation, First Appearance or Reappearance in or Around New York

Kane and Herman, Colonial. Strand Trio, Alhambra.
"The Race of Man," Roya
Mankiehi and Co., Royal. Royal.

Rice and Werner. "On the Scaffold" (Comedy). 17 Mins.; One (Special Drop). Bushwick.

"On the Scaffold" is the title of an act that is a stage creation. It is by Blanche Merrill, and played in blackface by Ray Rice and Mary Werner. The turn is in "one." A special drop shows the side of a house. It is being specified in the stage of the painted. There is a scaffolding just above the first floor, on which is a colored painter. From a window on the third floor appears a colored wom-an, the housekeeper. She is inclined to flirt with the painter. He invites her to come down on the scaffold with him. She wants to know how that may be done. He says to climb down. From this point on, when Miss Werner starts to clamber out of the window (making a couple of false starts, each time bea couple of false starts, each time becoming tangled up with herself), the laughs are incessant. At one of the attempts, when she "backs" out, the audience screamed. It is a funny bit with a wiggly motion that is concealed through the fact a big good natured "wench" is doing it. There is plenty of business throughout after this, with Miss Werner finally dropping on the scaffold, when the two talk until on the scaffold, when the two talk until the doorbell rings, the colored girl say-ing her mistress is returning and she must go back to let her in. How to get must go back to let ner in. Tow to get back is another problem, but the paint-er remembers the scaffold may be raised or lowered. As they start to raise it, the colored girl's end goes up while the other end won't budge, but suddenly this reverses, with the girl's an incline on which they both roll down, for the finish. Miss Werner does good work in it. Mr. Rice hasn't much to handle beyond "feeding," which he does very well, although a negro touch of accent would be of much aid to his share. "On the Scaffold" is quite a funny and wholly original act, sure fire for vaudeville as a laugh compeller, and good enough as a comedy scene for the best of the musical production.

Revnolds and White. Comedy Cycling and Musical. 12 Mins.; Two (8); One (4). Harlem O. H.

This turn is a novelty for small time and just about right for the opening spot on many of the smaller big timers. A man and woman in a combination of A man and woman in a combination of comedy cycling, toe dancing and violin playing. The opening in "two" consists of the man performing a number of feats on the unicycle following by the girl dancing while playing her own accompaniment. For the closing in "one" the pair, the man, having discarded his tramp make-up and appearing in evening clothes, play the violins. ing in evening clothes, play the violins and once they hit the popular melodies they are surefire.

Two Brownies. Dancers and Skaters. 15 Mins.; One. Anterican Roof.

Two boys dancing in those funny looking Eton outfits that actually appear laughable when worn by full grown men. Their opening number gained but little else than laughter for them on this account. It was not ungained but little else than laughter them on this account. It was not under the states that they managed to get over. This latter is enough to carry them on the small time, especially because of the comedy falls.

Billbones and Co. (2). Comedy Sketch.

18 Mins.; Full Stage.

Harlem O. H.

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This attempt at comedy sketch writing is far from hitting the mark. The offering is exceedingly small timy and will manage to play those houses on a pinch. The scene is the parsonage in a small town. The preacher and his wife are very much up against it. The parish folk seem to forget a preacher needs his salary occasionally, even though only \$500 per annum. It is the day of a donation party for the skypilot and the beat he gets is the worst of it. Word arrives that the son of a former parishioner who has been to the city and made his pile is going to call. The small town pair know he is call. The small town pair know he is a sport, and the comedy hinges about the attempts of the minister to be a man as well as a parson to gain the good graces of the city fellow. He such good graces or the city fellow. He succeeds well enough to obtain a check for \$500, the take line being delivered by the parson as he takes a bottle of booze and a deck of cards, "I'm going over to teach the deacons how to play poker."

Monde and Salle.
Male "Sister" Act.
9 Mins.; One.
Harlem O. H.

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"Minty, all that is needed is for 'Mother' Simmons to see these 'girls'! Then, dearie, they will be sure of being taken, drag and all, and stuck on the ends of some musical comedy chorus. Oh. my Gawd, with them in the ballet, every one would have to keep their jewel boxes locked," and as Savoy and Brennan would say, 'You don't know the half of it, dearie." Anyone with half an eye is hen the moone with half an eye is hep the mo-

Lewis and Feiber. "Ye Motor Inn" (Comedy).
17 Mins.; One; Full Stage.

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Alhumbra.

Mabelle Lewis and Jesse Feiber, in a singing, dancing and talking offering, made into a skit by Herbert Moore, entitled "Ye Motor Inn." Act opens in "one" with Miss Lewis and Mr. Feiber quarreling off, after an automobile collision. "You smashed my car" and so on. Quarrel eventuates into a discursive duet on motor driving, after which on. Quarrel eventuates into a discursive duet on motor driving, after which they exit. Drop is raised, disclosing the parlor of a road house. She phones to a garage for repair man to fix Mrs. Somebody's car, which gives him the impression she is married. Then she confides to him the car only cost \$500 and she's insured it for \$2,000, wheremon he retorts he's the claim adjuster upon he retorts he's the claim adjuster for the insurance company. She says her father is the judge presiding at the local court and when he is arraigned for speeding he'll get his'n. She sings and dances to his piano accompaniment, and dances to his piano accompaniment, more bright chatter, he sings, she sings and so on. 'Phone rings and he learns the county judge is a bachelor. Then they confess neither had properly represented matters, and later she tells him she isn't married. Just enough story to hold for a give and take singing, dancing and crossfire turn. A neat little offering.

Adele Rowland. Songs. 14 Mins.; One.

Trim in figure, smartly gowned and looking better than ever, Adele Rowland returns to vaudeville with a repertoire of special numbers, the majority of which are constructed around military themes, all well written and par-

NEW SHOWS NEXT WEEK

Legitimate Productions Announced for Metropolitan Premiere.

"His Little Widows," Astor (April "The Highwayman," 44th St. (May

Ed and Lou Miller. Songs. 13 Mins.; One. lefferson.

That this Ed Miller was formerly of Miller and Vincent is almost a sufficient guarantee in itself any singing turn he associates with is a sure go. With Ed is his brother, Lou, not so polished or finished as his older brother, but with a pleasant appearance and a voice that blends nicely for harmony in the double numbers. The arrangement of the three double numbers sung by the couple is particularly noticeable. Their "Rigoletto" double stopped the Jefferson show Monday night, of which the Millers were far and away the big hit in the next to closing spot. The "Shanghai" double for the finish was neatly arranged and put over with a bit of business incidentally. The opening, sung by both, has an excellent lyric and melodies, with current popular numbers traced to their source by the singing of the orig-inal airs they were taken from. This was a trifle high brow for the Jefferson crowd. A couple of singles were in-dulged in, one by each. There is an absence of American straight singing male two-acts who can sing and have appearance. Ed. Miller, in his evening clothes, with his splendid voice (that did the prettiest yodeling number Monday heard on the stage in years) and unmistakable class, is a tower of strength, and it looks as though this two-act is destined to make itself felt.

Beth Mayo. Songs. 11 Mins.; One. American Roof.

Beth Mayo is a nice appearing little girl, who wears one gown nicely, and with the aid of a rather cute voice and style in her delivery put over four numbers in a manner which pleases. She seems better on comedy numbers than ballads. Miss Mayo is a neat single turn for small time and can fill in early on big time bills at a pinch. Fred.

The Valadons. Wire Walkers. 6 Mins.: Full Stage. American Roof.

A man and woman, the latter doing all the work at the opening, on the tight wire, with the man acting as the assist-Later the positions are reversed and the man works on the slack wire while the woman lends a helping hand. There is a little comedy furnished by the woman. The feats performed are of the usual type. The act is just about right for either end of the bill on small time.

Fred.

Bell and Fredo. Songs and Talk. 15 Mins.; One. Citv.

Bell and Fredo are Italian comedians dividing between dialog and songs with one a capable guitar player. The opening talk falls below par and has not sufficient strength to be retained with the rest of the material. The turn is satisfactor; for small time.

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RICKARDS CIRCUIT (Australia)

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ment this couple step on the stage, their hands and faces being the telltale marks of sex, but they manage to keep the majority of the audience guessing through the medium of lowered lights, but if they were just a "sister act" and had no more vocal ability, their terpsi-chorean abilities would count for nil in the general summing up. But they can dance and manage to put over some acrobatic chorus stepping that holds them in nicely. The final punch is the removal of the wigs and the attempt at appearing masculine through a deep voice. Small time. voice. Small time.

Walter Baker and Co. (1). Illusions and Magic. 16 Mins.; Full Stage. Tefferson.

As a magician and illusionist Walter Baker shows nothing new, but on the small time his act should be a diversion. The magic is mostly palming, and the disappearances follow a standand line that, however, he works well, using a girl, with a red headed boy for passing assistance. In his delivery and often use of the orchestra with some of the people there, Mr. Baker appears to be aping Jarrow in manner of the people that the state of the people that the people that the state of the people that the p appears to be aping Jarrow in manner of speech, including change of voice for emphasis. He also does the cigaret trick. One of the illusions is announced as "My own idea of Transporting a Wife." If that is so, Mr. Baker has a horde of copyists among his ilk. For small time the turn should prove agreeable and in a bill with an intermission might close the first half. It ended the Jefferson show. Sime.

ticularly adapted for Miss Rowland's style of delivery. Accompanied at the piano by Sidney Franklyn she opens with a light song that sounded somewhat English, going through to several others, the best of which is a nurse number delivered in costume. A comedy song was added for an encore, which was well earned. At the conclusion there was no doubt existing anent Miss Rowland's possibilities with her current specialty, for she gathered in one of the big hits of the evening. It's the best single turn she has shown in some time and should keep her continually busy. Wynn.

Taylor and Arnold. "Dispossessed" (Comedy). One. Roval.

Earl Taylor and Ethel Arnold have Earl Taylor and Ethel Arnoid nave a nice little two-act written by Blanche Merrill, the opening giving the couple a good entrance and this is carried forward with dialog and specially written numbers by Miss Merrill to a logical conclusion. Just now Miss Arnold takes nearly the entire burden, Mr. Taylor merely becoming the accompanist on the piano. Since he is quite panist on the piano. Since he is quite well known as a pianist and through his former connection with Taylor, Kranz and White, he should be given more to handle. That would better balance the act. Miss Arnold takes capable care of her material and the combination looks good enough to handle an early posi-tion in the big houses. It's a neat turn with possibilities. Sime.

BEHMAN SHOW.

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Jack Singer's pet organisation, "The Behman Show," for several years the banner attraction of the Columbia wheel, steadfastly managea to maintain the general speed, class and comedy calibre that originally projected it into the conspicuous section of the buriesque world. Singer has selected a very capable cast of comedians to distribute the material. Wilbur Dobbs and John E. Cain divide the comedy responsibilities and make a spiendid working team, continually striving for general results without going after individual records. In the "straight" role is Samuel Hyams, a good "feeder" with a smart appearance and just lively enough to attend to the duties assigned him.

This season Singer is giving the billing honors to Martelle, and Martelle certifies the producer's judgment by corrailing the individual honors of the show. Martelle can wear clothes, leads his numbers well and has perfected a string of girlish mannerisms that come in handy as encore "hits," but his weekenss is apparent through the absence of a speaking part. If Martelle could handle a speaking role burlesque would probbaly lose him.

The female contingent is headed by Ameta

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The female contingent is headed by Ameta Pynes, with Lucille Manion and Blanche Newcombe completing that department. Miss Pynes exceis in the dancing division, her specialty with McCarthy coming in for a goodly share of earned applause. And in the bailet, utilized to open the afterpiece, she gave the production a good boost and one that proved effective, for it added that essential touch of "class" that burlesque needs so much of, yet gets so little of. Miss Newcombe is an accomplished soloist and she, too, registered a sound hit with a short specialty. Her forte is comedy numbers, but her rendition of a bailed forced a brace of encores.

The only other specialty was Bud Snyder and Co., with their cycling affair, Snyder assaying a low comedy character and continigh his efforts to ground clowning, the "straight" man doing all the riding. McCree has given a sensible reason for the appearance of the Snyder turn, leading up to its introduction through revolving the action of the part around a circus. And incidentally he has likewise proofread his song cues, arranging the dialogue to make the numbers fit in properly. The first part concludes with a spectacular scenic effect of military design and without heing too broad a play for kind applause, it fits in nicely and makes a good finale for the section. The closing scene introduces a military travesty with some genuinely good comedy lines. It measures one continual laugh throughout, and still does not carry a single portion of the expected siap-bang comedy, the principals gathering their returns selely on dialogue and situations.

The production end is a bit above the average, which was naturally looked for, and the chorus carries a group of rather good looking girls who dance well and sing almost as good. An octette of chorus men gives the outfit a fast appearance and they help somewhat in the harmony division. The numbers are staged

PALACE.

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The current week's Palace program is thoroughly entertaining, well halanced and sumiciently heavy in box office strength to pull capacity houses despite the perfect hase ball weather that came along with the arrival of the home teams.

The top honors are divided between Phyllis Nelison-Terry, and Paul Dickey and Co., both offering sketches, the former closing the first portion of the hill, with Dickey well down in the second division. Both headliners, contrary to custom, lived up to advance promises and shared applause honors rather evenly.

The Nelison-Terry vehicle is divided in two parts, the principal opening in "one" to sing two numbers, "Alice Ben Boit" and "Couplets du Mysoil," exhibiting a grade of versatility through presentation of a scene from "Hamlet," with the support of a trio of associate players. Miss Terry has a soft voice with a perfect high register and settled down to an easy hit with a scale exercise. In the sketch, playing Ophells, the star stood out conspicuously in front of her rather week support. George Hayes sounded husky in the rendition of his lines, which didn't help, although the attention of the house was focused on the principal. The turn gave the first part of the show a nourishing lift, taking down the applause prize for that section at the same time.

Mr. Dickey, in "The Lincoin Highwayman,"

applause prize for that section at the same time.

Mr. Dickey, in "The Lincoln Highwayman," has a good semi-dramatic sketch with surprise finish that really is a surprise. The mechanical arrangements bring the turn into the novelty class and provide wonderful opportunities for natural "husiness," which, in turn, is developed into the desired assets. Dickey is credited with the authorship, which probably accounts for the perfect production hullt around the idea. The supporting cast is capable and carries all the type requirements. As sketches go, Mr. Dickey has one that will hold up with some of the best. It's a departure from the conventional.

"Parting appared the conventional." Parting appared the value of the best is a value wille down around \$3.30, with Apdalc's Animals in the first spot. Apdale has a collection of bright animals and procures many laughs from his well-arranged routine of tricks. It's a good opening turn. Bernie and Baker followed, with popular numbers on the violin and accordion. Bernie, with some

comedy side remarks, brings the turn out of the "straight" musical classification and clacks it for a hit regardless of position or circumstances. A good idea is utilized for the closing section wherein Bernie calls for requests and goes through with the early spot the selections as called. In the early spot the couple stopped the show for a brief minute, forcing the lights up to offer a short speech of appreciation.

Dugan and Raymond followed with a trick automobile and corking good cross-fire patter, giving the program just the needed touch of light comedy. For a conversational two-act this can be recommended with the best, for they gather a continuous string of isaughs and gathered them strictly on merit and originality.

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Leo Beers and his pianolog came next, pre-ceding the Nelison-Terry vehicle. Beers is still using the whistling entrance and exit, probably with the permission of its originator. Beers is a good showman, a smart entertainer, and gives them just enough to want more. He landed easily.

and gives them just enough to want model and gives them just enough to want model and the partonimic oddity with any number of sizughs running up to the final fail. He did not encore. The following speciality, Adele Rowland (New Acts) worked in "two," which left no delay in the set. After Miss Rowland came Dickey and Co., with White and Cavanagh closing the bill. The latter team reconstructed their routine for their third Palace week, adding a fan dance to the list.

Wynn.

ALHAMBRA.

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It is Festival Week at the Alhambra, and there are ten acts in addition to the Pathe Weekly and the "Patria" serial, so that it was well onto midnight before the show led to the Pathe weekly the Hughes Musical Trio made their appearance about 8.15. The trio is comprised of two men and a woman, billed as brothers and sister. They played cornets, piano, violin, saxophones to fine applause. A pleasing musical act. Weber and Rome, with their eccentric synchronized stepping, evoked much laughter. Three Bobs, club jugglers, two comedians and one straight, the comedy being confined principally to the make-ups. A fast routine with some novel stunts, augmented by a well-trained buil-dog who does a number of clever tricks, one of them probably original, i. e., the canine straightening out its tail and twirling a hoop on it. Lewis and Feiber (New Acts).

Lambert and Ball, following Lewis and Felber, used the same plano, the drop being raised and the instrument pushed out in one." Bernard and Harrington closed the first half with the Willard Mack farcical playlet, "Who is 8he?" legitimately acted and scoring strongly.

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Before the second part commenced the audience rose while "The Star Spangled Banner" was played. (Wait until it becomes the proper caper to render the national anthems of all the Allies, as they did in the music halls in London at the outbreak of the war. Before this was done away with, audiences found themselves standing for a full 15 minutes, with a bandomment.)

Ameta, the mirror dancer, with her beautiful sight act, did four pleasing numbers, her closing one. "The Dance of the Lillies," calling for well earned applause and a series of curtain calls. The Sharrocks in a travesty on sideshow fortune tellers, making an ingenious excuse for a well rehearsed "mind reading" act, interested the audience immensely.

Emma Carus and Larry Comer started off with Miss Carus doing imprometu kidding on the acts that preceded her. The team countered stronely with a duet with counterwords. In this the orchestra leader, Bea. Roberts, did some excellent directing. When the act finished and she had rocolved a number of recalls, Miss Carus did a patriotic encore, "Everyhody Root for Uncle Bam."

Emma Carus and Sales had a hard spot following so big an aggregation of talent, but did a clean-up nevertheless, and although it was 11.25 when they finally concluded, they could have stayed still inter.

ROYAL

It's Eddle Leonard Week at the Royal, on the stage and in the attendance. The blackface ministrel is a popular favorite in the Bronx section, and the house thinks so well of him, perhaps as a drawing card, the running order of the program is being changed twice daily to accommodate Eddle.

In the afternon the Leonard act is No. 4, at night, next to closing. The arrangement is for the convenience of the New York Glants so they won't have to go to bat without Eddle on the lot.

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so they won't have to go to bat without Eddie on the lot. Tuesday night Mr. Leonard and his four corked instrumentalists (one of whom ought to change his banjo hand movement to give the impression he is at least trying to play) did a clean up in 26 minutes, the last five of which consisted of Edward bowing and the house applauding. Considering the hit, Eddie Leonard deserves the Vaudeville Cross for the way he can buil an audience and get it over. But on top of that, Leonard has an individuality that is all his own and tells its own story.

The show was opened by Naioma, or sometima that, who Jailius with all rewaits the first time, the should be. Arnold and Taylor (New Acts) are No. 2 at night, but probably in the second half at the matinces. Arthur Havel and Co, were third and they got plenty of laughs in a sketch that has played ahout all of the time around. Mabei Russell and Co, including her husband's

(Leonard) assistants, were No. 4. Marty Ward is featured with the Russell turn. His nut comedy got over te the Royal crowd, the softest vaudeville audience one could ask for. Miss Russell has improved the act somewhat since first showing it, and it goes to a better finish than formerly, heped along by the young man, who sings in a cross between a falsette and a callippe, and also pisys the piane afterward in biackface, where he sings again, aithough he shouldn't, for that tells things to the frost, since the two acts (Russell's and Leonard's) travel together.

During intermission the house stood up and sang the two verses of "America" thrown upon the sheet, after which Claire Vincent and Co. did their comedy triangle skatch, to considerable appreciation, all given Miss Vincent, who improsed the Bronx crowd Withell Rising

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Next were Davy Jones and Mabel Elaine, the latter replacing Grace Leigh. Mr. Jones is quite a good imitation of his uncle, Bam Bernard, in everything excepting the periect make-up Mr. Bernard always gets under, and the turn runs along amoothly, with a little plot, Miss Elaine warming up toward the finish. At the opening she seems cold and distant, so much so it didn't appear for the moment to make any difference how far distant she might have been. When the couple are not working they should keep on rehearsing, for it will take a few weeks for Miss Elaine to get used to "one.

After the Leonard act the Norman Brothers on the rings and in hand balancing did some nice work, with a few new tricks of their own, besides recalling the Pedersea Brothers for one of their tricks, and Regal and Bender for another. The latter was the big hit, closing the turn, one of the boys doing a somerasuit from the ground into a toe hold on the dangling feet of his partner. It would make a time.

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The "Patria" serial wound up its final and 15th chapter by the Jap Ambassador committing hari kari at the finish. The Mrs. Castle picture is through, with a sigh, and as Bill Rogers on the Amsterdam Roof remarked to Mrs. Castle, who sat at a table with her husband: "Irene, if you can go through another serial like that, you have got thom icked forever."

COLONIAL

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This is the last week of "Patria" at the Keith metropolitan houses, and it will be interesting to note whether they will book any more picture serials. "Patria" closed the show at the Colonial and the Pathe Weekly opened it. Chiyo and Chiyo, a Japanese coupie, commenced the vaudeville with beilroom stepping, Russian and pirouteting evolutions, handbaiancing and perch work by the man, concluding with a cakewalk that included more Russian steps. Lively act, well received by the audience, as were Lew Reed and the Wight Cliris in the second position.

Dunbar's Tannessee Ten, with its special setting in a sort of Ethiopian jublice, was the clean-up Monday night, its Jass Band finish lifting the roof. The appliause was equaled only by the hand-clapping accorded Andrew Mack's revelation of a haye American flag covering the entire drop in "one" at the conclusion of a patrioting recruiting song. Mack's routine of songs and stories, alternating them, is well thought out.

Andy Rice delivered in first rate style his dever Yiddiah monolog, written by Aaron Hoffman. Nina Payne in her "character studies in dance," with sumptious and artistic settings and costumes, is a rare treat. There is never any suggestion of trying to put over "high-brow" stepping or pantomiming, merely a series of brief—all toe brief-specimens of different styles of the terpsichorean art, magnifocently invested scenically and sartorially, and presented by a young and pretty artiste. The act is further augmented by a most helpful female musical director, who doesn't fall asleep on the job.

Claude and Fannie Usber, with their pretty little heart interest playlet, told in comedy, with Just a few touches of pathos, stood out, with Just a few touches of pathos, stood out, with Just a few touches of pathos, stood out, with Just a few touches of pathos, stood out, with Beile Baker used earlier in the season, then "Meyer, Come Back from Hawaii," and put over her big wallop with her Baby Carriage number, which is a classic, and, like all such tremen

AMERICAN ROOF.

Billy Sunday has an imitator, and a corking good one. The imitator is Irving Berlin. Not that the author-composer-publisher has gone into the same field the evangellat has chosen, but Irv certainly does a splendid review of the physical contortions that have made Billy famous, while he is putting over his song 'It's Your Land, and It's 'My Land.' Tuesday night on the Roof Berlin sang the song himself as part of the recruiting campaign which is being conducted in the Loew houses. Kitty Gordon was to have warhled the number, but while she put in an appearance sccompanied by her daughter, she pleed a coid and after speaking in behalf of the campaign she introduced the composer of the song and stated that he would sing in her stead.

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The Roof was jammed to capacity. The Deborah Benevolent Society had a benefit performance in aid of the poor. The bill went like widdre from start to unish. But the

blg punch of the evening was the recruiting stunt. The song number was preceded by a speech by N. T. Graniund, the Loew press

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The show itself was opened by the Two Brownies (New Acts), followed by Beth Mayo (New Acts).

The Borsini Troupe on the revolving globes were a decided hit. The comedy scored, and the final trick got solid applause. Tommy Haydn is doing his English characterization. He was next to closing the first part, and after getting away to a slow start, landed his first wailop with "Oh Tomorrow Night." His version of an Englishman's impression of a bail game is used to close the act, and it brought laugh after laugh. The early section needs a little speeding. Orren and Drew closed the first haif with their barnyard imitations. Barnelli and Purtell opened the second section, replacing Forrest and Church, programmed. Harry Fern and Co. in "Veterans" proved the laughing hit of the bill.

Denny and Sykes, next to closing, fed the audience with some popular stuff, with a mediey prolog and epilog that was well received. Their prolog was all the stronger because of the fact that Irving Berlin had appeared just ahead of them, and the medley contained snatches from practically all of the Berlin hits and also frequent reference to the writer. The Valadona (New Acts) closed the show with a double wire act, holding the audience in to the last and winning a fair share of approval.

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"The Butcher Boy," the first of the Arbuckle film comedies, closed.

Fred.

CITY.

Kate and Wiley, equilibristic, opened, shortly after eight. Man and woman. The routine is woefully slow and the music used adds to the monotony. Gehan and Spencer, a male dancing team, No. 2, showed an occasional fash of form, but the boys are in need of new clothes, which would help them more than aything eise. The heavier of the two chaps is a comparatively clever dancer. What returns the act secured he was responsible for.

The worst blow was in No. 3 spot, a sketch with Arthur De Voy and Co. The audience failed to give it any recognition whatsoever. It is a big question whether Fally Markus could use it in Glen Cove on a Saturday night.

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A news pictorial with considerable patriotic matter in its makeup proved more interesting than usual, after which Bell and Fredo (New Acts) gave the show its first real start, which was followed by Toney and Norman (billed as Fitzgerald and White).

"The Final Arbiter," with Lawrence Grant and Co., proved mildly interesting, although the pacifist idea involved at the start should not bring forth favorable comment at the present time, with the patriotic finish holding the act up.

George McFadden, with Irish songs and wit, provided one of the most entertaining bits of the evening. The show was badly in need of life, and McFadden filled the bill nicely. Waithour and the Princeton Sisters, a cycling turn, closed. The act is well dressed and has some well routined riding.

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The two real hits of the bill were scattered at the two ends of the show. Reynoids and White (New Acts) opening, stopped the show, while Orth and Dooley, next to closing, were the laughing hit. It seems a matter of regret that two men as clever as this pair have falled to possess themselves of material that is worthy of their capabilities.

There were two cats that come under the "tryout" classification, falling short of the mark as far as big time is concerned. The first is Billbones and Co. (New Acts), which held down the third spot, and the second is Ruby Cavelle and Co., closing the show. The latter act is cleverly mounted and exceedingly well dressed, but in the matter of pep is just about what it was when the offering was first tried out over a year ago. It is an attempt for the big time, but the act is not properly routined. The offering looks as though it could be developed into big time material. The two girls should be enough to carry the turn. The violinist falis to add anything worth while to the turn. The second number is also out of place.

Sandwiched in between the "Fatty" Arbuckle picture and the ill. song, Ward and Faye held forth. The former was one-half of the former Ward Bros. act. With the taking of a new partner the English Johnnie makeup has been discarded and the boys are working in ordinary business suits, relying at present on their dancing. This brought them generous applause. The talk at the opening needs speeding.

Sahera and Co., the mind-reading turn, held the stage for 25 minutes, the first 17 of which were devoted to the blackhoard work with a committee on the stage. This section brought laughs, the closing portion, with the blind-folded secress answering questions and making predictions for various people in the audlence. There was comedy in the early section that brought real laughs, but the act finished to a sm

CHICAGO BOOKING CLASH.

Chicago, April 25.

The continued success of Raymond Hitchcock and "Betty" at the Illinois Hitchcock and "Betty" at the Illinois and the apparent hasty booking of "The Love Mill" into that house, caused a controversy between Andreas Dippel, producer of the latter show, and Harry Powers, who controls the Illinois. Dippel claimed to hold a contract out of the Klaw & Erlanger of had for the Illinois, beginning April 29. Powers said that the "Betty" contract states that show is to remain so long states that show is to remain so long as its business is satisfactory to the house and Dillingham office. "Betty," in its fourth week here, has averaged around \$13,000 weekly and will remain one more week. The dension was made after Hitchcock had talked the matter over with Bruce Edwards, who came on to straighten the matter.

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Charles Goettler, advance agent for "The Love Mill," was "up in the air" early this week. The Dippel show is playing Detroit and the company manager advised Goettler over the 'phone the show would open at the Illinois Sunday. However, Powers has decreed otherwise, and has instructed the newspapers not to carry advertising calling for "The Love Mill" to start Sunday, saying if they did so he would not be responsible for the bills. It will open at the Illinois May 6.

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Hitchcock is now pulling a patriotic speech boosting enlistment. This he does just before going into the Billy Sunday talk, and he may be trying out his ability to rival the revivalist. The patriotic stunt was added on the suggestion of Dick Little, a local critic, the same having credited Hitchie with having a mission in life with his "stage defense" act.

It was said this week Klaw & Erlanger had directed the Raymond Hitchcock show to remain at Power's, Chicago, until receipts fell below \$8,000, with the show doing about \$12,000 weekly at present. Positive time of four more weeks was reported held for it out there, making its earliest date May 19.

The new Hitchcock revue, intended for the Cohan & Harris theatre in June,

for the Cohan & Harris theatre in June, has no permanent financial backer, ac-cording to the stories, unless Mr. Hitchcock himself is financing it.

Leon Errol was reported this week as a possibility for the Hitchcock revue. It is understood Errol has permanently retired from the Ziegfeld direction.

WAR HASN'T AFFECTED BIZ.

The effect of the declaration of war did not materially change business to any great extent and no radical change any great extent and no radical change is looked for unless it is necessary to declare martial law. In France and England on account of the scarcity of coal and the fear of Zeppelins, outside illumination was completely curtailed, which considerably affected business, but no such situation is expected to

but no such situation is expected to develop here.

In New York and Philadelphia the lobbies of many of the prominent theatres are being used as recruiting stations and slides and posters are being generally employed to help recruiting. The demand for news weeklies has far exceeded the available supply, and new prints have been ordered in all exchanges.

A war tax on the whole industry is impending. From an authoritative source it has been learned that a tax of \$2 a foot on positives may be exacted.

\$2 a foot on positives may be exacted. In that manner the manufacturer would add the tax to the cost of film and pass it down to the exhibitor. The exhibi-tor at the present time is paying a war tax on his seating capacity, and has been doing so for the past two years.

REVUE COULDN'T DRAW.

London, April 25.

The London opera house revue closed Saturday, the revue failing to

attract paying patronage.

Oswald Stoll is now playing pictures and variety there.

INCE PRODUCTIONS SOLD.

The rights to the new Ince Bros., The rights to the new Ince Bros., Inc., productions have already been disposed of to the following distributors: Rowland & Clark, for Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky and Western Pennsylvania; Jones, Linick & Schaefer, for Illinois and Indiana; John H. Kunsky, for Michigan; Thomas Saxe, for Minnesota and Wisconsin; Mark A. Lasky Co., for California; Griffin Amusement Co., for Canada.

A PLAYER IN REPRISAL. By Harry Breen.

Pity the few,
Who were tried and true,
True to their oath, what then?
Though the battle is lost, And they pay the cost,
It's all in the lives of men.

If a man's a man,
When the test is tried,
He's a man till the end of time,
What if the cause he fought for died,
Isn't the death sublime?

Where lies the victory? Not in defeat!

His was the winning goal.

What did he lose when the cause was
lost? What did he save-his soul?

Isn't he worth a passing glance; Isn't he worth his bread? Christ gave the fallen another chance, That's how my Bible read.

Temper with mercy The victory gained;
Think if the conquered were you,
Praying as hard as I'm praying for
them, Do as you'd have them do.

SHOW REVIEWS.

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B. S. Moss' Jefferson has undergone a great change within the past months—a change that is apparent in the past months—a change that is apparent in the patronage and looks of the theatre. The exterior is being improved, the improvement there commencing with the looby. Now, under the direction of J. J. Kiet, the long entrance from 14th street is being remodeled and redecorated. It will help the general attractiveness of the theatre, a house quite unique for its neighborhood. It is big and spacious, with a homely atmosphere that is almost in contrast with its mized, perhaps cosmopolitan, clientele.

Tuesday night the balcony was capacity early, with the large orchestra gradually filling, until about 8.45 it was filled. The program worked out into an excellent pop vaudeville bill. It held light entertainment with only one bad spot, and seemingly haif the house enjoyed that.

The big hit developed in Lou and Ed Miller (New Acts), who were moved from No. 4 to next to closing after the first performance, through the applicance they had created in the afternoon. With the shift was to the disadvantage of the couple they repeated the trick again in the evening, justifying the managerial switch. Closing the performance just before Alice Joyce in "Womnhood" (film) were walter Baker and Co. (New Acts), a magical turn that may have left the Jeffersonians wondering.

The sketch was "Nearly Married Men." with five people, a badly written old-style mixed husbands and wives playlet, and poorly played. Probably the five people were as good as could be secured for the money. To the Jefferson audience, in part anyway, there were laughs in it, but the whole thing would be nerve racking to any regular vaudeville patron.

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Another skit, of an old army vet, had Delmore Angel and Co. as the players, three, with an excellent straight of good voice, who, taking advantage of his military uniform, put over easily a couple of patriotic numbers. The old vet on the style in work and make-up of Al Lydell and Foster Ball did fairly well with the character, securing laughs from the dialog and his actions, without closing with a dance. A young girl was acceptable. Mr. Angel, who plays the vet, claims full rights to use this makeup. Up to date no contest of his claims has been heard. Concurrent with the war fever the old vet is an applause hit on his entrance, and in small time houses, also small big time just now, the turn will have no difficulty.

Cantwell and Walker, from the big time, slowly won out, although the talk in the turn was an enigms for the most part to the audience. It's Broadway stuff that the East Side knows little of. Miss Walker's idea of dressing seemed odd, an evening sown with bare logs. Lovey 2nd the 2007 Fictors got over, the annalier sirl becoming a favorite, while her sister, in boy's clothes, got the smilting admiration of the audience on her appearance. It's a lively little act for small time and seemed to run a bit short. The girls might be given another number by themselves. Joily Johnny Jones, on the wire, opened the performance.

CABARET.

(Continued from page 14.)

The May 1 one o'clock closing or-der of the mayor for all restaurants and cafes in New York started a near-panic cates in New York started a near-panic among the cabarets last week when it was issued. But the order conses toward the ending of the season, with the restaurants figuring on cutting down for the summer (those that expected to run through), so the immediate loss will not be as large as though the mayor had delivered the ruling in the middle of the winter. The closing order carries with it the notice that no all-night licenses (up to two o'clock) will be issued and also varns the restaurants against attempting to operate under a "club charter" after one. It is to stand for the duration of the war, which leaves the restaurateurs ex-pectant that by the fall the present or-der of restaurant affairs will again be in effect. Meantime though the cabarets with revues have something to ponder over. Some of these performances now start so late they do not finish now start so late they do not hnish until after one, and during the entertainment neither the bar nor kitchen trade is brisk. Some may do away with the revues, using only entertainers. The new show proposed for Rector's May 1 which Julian Alfred was staging has been called off, and nothing and the line of caharet shows is new in 'the line of cabaret shows is heard about. The mayor's order may also interfere with Norah Bayes' intention to attempt to resurrect the 44th Street theatre roof (Castles in the Air). Miss Bayes had about closed arrangements with the Shuberts to take the roof over and give her own show there. She may do it yet, starting the performance at nine.

There is a row on at present between two of the members of the "Oh Boy" company, the friction having been aided and abetted by the Shubert p.ess department. The principals to the row, which started over a joke, are Justine Johnstone and Marion Davies. Miss Johnstone started the supper club in the 44th Street theatre and a number of friends of Miss Davies started to josh her by saying that the latter to josh her by saying that the latter was to start a supper club in the lounge was to start a supper club in the lounge of the Princess theatre, and that the admission fee would be \$100, raising the ante \$50 over the fee at the Johnstone club. The story was sent out to the papers to make the hoax stronger, but it was indicated on the face it was a joke, through the fact being exploited that nothing stronger than skimmed milk would be served. Certain interested parties tried to convince Miss Johnstone her own management was Johnstone her own management was trying to discredit her, and advised her to leave "Oh Boy" and sign with them for three years. This she refused to for three years. This she refused to do. The entire affair has been straightened out by her signing a new con-tract to appear under her present man-agement for that length of time.

Shanley's, the first big Broadway Shanley's, the first big Broadway restaurant to have a cabaret performance, is not adverse to seeing the one o'clock closing order go into effect. The restaurant thinks it will have no effect upon patronage there, and they would have welcomed the order three months ago. The Shanley cabaret gives an entertainment composed of turns, without a revue. The performance is always ended by one and does not interfere, while running, with service.

The Rosa Villa on the Boston Post Road (above New Rochelle) will be operated by Bustanoby this summer. It is on a hill with a co-mmanding view of the Sound. Another change of managements in connection with road houses on the Boston side is mentioned as possible for Pell Tree Inn this spring this spring.

New Orleans is being depleted of its jazz bands, about 20 of them having left there recently. Several negro jazz bands remain. Negro bands were the original jazz bands, and their expressions of "jazzing it" and "put a little jazz on it" are still very popular at their picturesque balls.

The war proclamation against Germany has been felt by the German restaurants in town, but the first to indicate the pressure was the Kaiserhof, at Broadway and 39th street, which has changed its name to the Metropolitan. It is opposite the Metropolitan opera

The Cocoanut Grove up above on the Century theatre will give two shows nightly commencing April 30. "The Century Girl" downstairs closes its season April 28. The Grove hopes to remain open throughout the summer. Roshanara is dancing as a part of the roof show. roof show

The shortage of good cabaret material on the Pacific Coast is expected to shortly lead to a large importation out there of Eastern acts. The Coast has felt the scarcity of good turns for the cafes for some time.

Edward Beck has produced a new revue at the Marigold Rooms, Bismarck Gardens, Chicago. One of the numbers is "Dixie." Tox Faxton, as a Confederate general, leads the chorus of Dixie girls. There is also an army and navy girl number. navy girl number.

Six cabaret acts will comprise the summer program at the Hammond Beach Inn, Hammond, Ind., which opens Decoration Day. Morris Silver has charge of the amusement program.

F. Wheeler Wadsworth and his "jazz orchestra," feature of the Winter Garden, Chicago, since its opening, have been engaged for Reisenweber's, New York, opening April 28.

The license of Baron Long's Sunset Inn, Los Angeles, has been revoked. Long may consolidate with Paul Schenk's Nat Goodwin cafe, taking over the active management.

Harley Davidson, the ice skater, with Miss Jaroski, his partner, now at the Arena, Detroit, have been engaged for the North American restaurant, Chi-cago, opening Monday.

Baraban and Tarri are going under the management of Harry Weber for a vandeville tour

W. B. Sheriden, the cabaret agent, will revive his office publication, "The Entertainers' World," which has been dormant during the winter.

A temporary injunction has been secured against the cabaret entertainers at Sennett's, Bronx, restraining them from using "Poor Butterfly."

The Gardnier Trio of Ethel Davis' Co., are appearing at Levy's Tavern, Los Angeles, which is not connected with Levy's Cafe.

Ann Pennington is to be one of the cast of the new "Midnight Frolic." On this occasion she will make her debut as a singer, leading two numbers.

Virginia Fissenger has ended her dancing engagement at the Bismarck Gardens, Chicago.

Henry Clive started doing his burlesque magic at the Cocoanut Grove Monday night.

Clyde Shafer and the Colorado Jazz Band are at the Holden Hotel, Dayt ton, O.

FORUM.

Editor VARIETY:

I want to thank VARIETY for all it has done for me, and I want to thank the people in the burlesque profession for their kind help to me.

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I nave received to date \$0/4 from the traveling shows (burlesque) and no one realizes how it touches my feelings to think I have so many friends.

I would like to hear from all of them. I can be reached at 712 New Jersey avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Chas. Robles.

EXHIBITORS ARE WORRIED.

Exhibitors are considerably worried over the proposed war tax of 10 per cent. on total receipts, and the joint committee on taxation in Washington has received numerous telegrams requesting a public hearing before the bill is enacted into law. A prominent exhibitor sized up the situation in this

manner:
"We are not averse to a war tax, be cause we all want to do our little bit, but we are certainly averse to a tax that will not only drive us out of business, but will also deprive the government of any tax whatever. The present proposition of taxing our theatres 10 per cent. on our total receipts hardly a fair one. As everybody knows we suffer a loss in the summer time and the theatres that break even are the exception rather than the rule. For example, if my expense is \$600 weekly and my receipts are only \$550, in spite of my \$50 loss I will be obliged to give the government \$55 in addition as a tax. That would make my loss \$105 for the make my loss. \$105 for the week. There are many weeks in which losses are greater, but under the provisions of the bill 1 would nevertheless be compelled to suffer additional loss.

"It would curtail the booking of big features; also the bigger the initial expense the bigger will the tax be finally. As an alternative I would suggest the government tax 25 per cent. upon the total profits. Then we know if we book a picture that costs \$1,000 a week that we do not have to tack on an additional \$100 for the tax, and that if we only take in our expense we will for have a loss, while we will be en-couraged to book expensive pictures that will return profit. If the bill is passed in its present form I predict half the houses will close for the summer.

CALIFORNIA CO. SUSPENDS.

San Francisco, April 25.

According to reliable information the California Motion Picture Company has suspended operations at its San Rafael studio, following closely upon the completion of its latest production, "Harri Cary." Another feature was about to be started, but the entire 36 members of the company were not visited by the pay man the previous week; and walked off the lot. Lois Weber, Norval McGregor, Andrew Robson and Harry Perkins, art director, were among them.

Film Man Sued for Divorce.

Chicago, April 25.

Jesse Weil, the New York representative of the Arctic Film Corporation, has been served with divorce papers by his wife, Lillian Hager, who was with "Hip, Hip, Hooray." She mentiona Helen Hussey, now in the Reisenweber restaurant revue, as co-respondent.

Mrs. Weil is asking \$250 counsel fees and \$15 weekly alimony.



MAXINE ELLIOTT.

A recruit from the legitimate to screendom. She has been signed by Goldwyn Pictures for her appearance in photoplays.

POLITICAL EXPOSE FILM.

Los Angeles, April 25. A film featuring former mayor Charles E. Sebastian, and called "The Downfall of a Mayor," opened to a packed house at Clune's Auditorium.

It is an expose of political conditions and is claimed by Sebastian to be a true revelation of events which led to his resignation as a Los Angeles executive. Several of the scenes are sen-sational and the Chinatown situations are thrilling. The picture is being exploited in circus style, with great stress placed on Wine, Women, Graft and the Third Degree.

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The production was financed by Fred H. Solemon and directed by H. G. Stafford. Solemon's representative leaves for the east this week to dispose of the film on a state right plan. It is not a big picture in the sense of "Intolerance" or "Joan the Woman," but the most sensational of any, from a political expose standpoint.

JULIA SANDERSON WITH MUTUAL.

Julia Sanderson has signed a contract to appear in the films for the Mutual Company. The former musical comedy was made an offer by Adolph Zukor to appear in Paramount pic-tures, but she considered the Mutual offer more attractive. Her former theatrical managers are interested in one of the Mutual feature producing companies, and Miss Sanderson will be placed with this organization.

FOLLIES IN FILMS.

The new Ziegfeld Cinema Corpora-tion, capitalized at \$3,000,000, plans to enter the motion picture field with a series of features following the lines of the Ziegfeld stage successes, in which girls and costumes will have leading and prominent parts

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A special drive will be made for the foreign markets when peace makes such a move possible, and the "2" pictures, as they are likely to be called, will be a fer a possible in 6 feld of will be, as far as possible, in a field of their own, free from competition with the present feature producing concerns.

PLANNING FOR BIG EXPO.

Chicago, April 25.
The men attending to the preliminary arrangements for the big moving picexposition and convention of the

Exhibitors' League are going right ahead with their plans, and while they admit the war may have some effect on the attendance in some sections they do not think it will be enough to be noticed. Some war ideas will be evolved for the Expo, and it is a cer-tainty that the exhibitors in convention will discuss all phases of the war as it affects the general moving picture in-dustry of the country.

SOLDIERS ADMITTED FREE

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Chicago, April 25.
Several of the picture theatres on Madison street have placed placards outside their fronts stating that all soldiers and sailors of the U. S. in uniform will be admitted during the war.
Other houses are planning to adopt the same plan, but it is not likely the local vaudeville houses will take it up.

At the rate the boys are thronging the streets in regalia they could fill up some of the houses in a jiffy and there would be no room for the paid admis-

Film Aids Enlistments.

As a stimulant to recruiting for the army and navy, and with the idea of showing how recruits are made into good soldiers and sailors, a film illustration in five reels has been prepared entitled "How Uncle Sam Prepares." It answers almost every phase of the question, "What must I do to be prepared?" Practically every detail of the work is shown in the pictures, and they should be a valuable aid to the government as well as of much interest to ex-

SYD. CHAPLIN IN TOWN.

Syd. Chaplin, brother of the illustrious Charlie, is in town for the purpose of considering a number of propositions for Charlie's services at the conclusion of his contract with Mutual, which expires shortly. which expires shortly.

He is in receipt of three different

offers for eight pictures to be made in a year at figures in the neighborhood of \$1,000,000.

Brother Syd is weighing them carefully, but will probably not sign any of them. Charles is anxious to make his own productions in future, beginning with a big feature of a length that make it a full evening's entertainment, to be sold as a state right proposition.

\$10,000 FOR THAIS.

According to gossip, the Goldwyn people were a trifle premature with their announcement they had secured the picture rights to "Thais" for Mary Garden.

The story goes on to say that a little chap named Adolphe Osso, on reading the pronouncement, cabled his father in Paris to secure the picture rights from Anatole France, the author, which was accomplished by the pay ment down of a few hundred francs. He then notified the Goldwyn Company he controlled the rights and sat

back to wait.

When the proper time came, Osso demanded \$10,000 for the rights and secured it.

HITCHCOCK TO BE VITA'S HEAD.

Frank Hitchcock, ex-postmaster general of the United States, is to be the next president of the Vitagraph Co. of America, according to common talk in film circles this week. It was stated that Mr. Hitchcock represents a new financial interest in the company and that he would direct its financial af-

GENERAL MGRS. ON TOUR.

In keeping with the exclusive story in last week's VARIETY that Paramount would go into the open booking scheme, B. P. Shulberg, general man-ager of Paramount, and A. Lichtman, who occupies the same position with Arteraft, are now making a tour of their exchanges for the purpose of setting the machinery of such a plan in mo-

As forecasted in VARIETY, the new Paramount method of release will be so arranged that their release dates will not conflict with Arteraft, to give the exhibitors an opportunity to play both sets of features.

Hazel Dawn Has Another. Hazel Dawn has just purchased a new seven-passenger Winton. She now has three. Poor Hazel.



GEO. M. COHAN

When little "Georgie" Cohan broke "E strings and recited "The Charge of the Ligh Brigade" quite a few years ago, there wa little thought in his mind of ever becomin the famous actor-author-producer of the stag that he is today.

EXHIBITORS ORGANIZE.

The First National Exhibitors' Circuit has been formed with a capital stock of \$50,000, fully paid up, and in-corporated under the laws of New

It was organized by a number of the biggest exhibitors throughout the country, representing in the neighborhood of 200 theatres. The officers elected are S. L. Rothapfel, president; T. L. Tally, vice-president; H. O. Schwalbe, secretary and treasurer.

The purposes of the organization, as outlined by President Rothepfel, are: To co-operate for the best interests of the industry and themselves; to purchase, wherever possible, the finest grade of films in the open market, together with such other accessories as may be necessary from time to time; to foster better and cleaner pictures; to standardize pictures; to assist in the better presentation of pictures; to oppose censorship—in short for the general good of all concerned.

Meetings have been held all week at the Hotel Astor and the details are being worked out by a series of committees appointed by the president.

UNDERSEA PICTURES.

Under the title "The Submarine Eve." the Williamson Brothers have produced the first of their undersea film attractions, and the entire moving pic-ture world, "fans" as well as exhibit-ors, will be interested in the announcement. The picture is asserted to be the greatest thing of its kind, both in theme and treatment, as well as photographic results.

The timeliness of the production will make a strong appeal, as the Williamson Brothers were strongly influenced by the world war in preparing the drama. The inverted periscope, from which the story derives its name, points the way to effective preparedness against submarines and mines, and against submarines and mines, and shows its adaptability to Uncle Sam's defensive warfare. All of the underwater scenes among the islands of the West Indies, the clear waters of the

West Indies, the clear waters of the Caribbean lending themselves to this work with great effect.

It is understood that "The Submarine Eye" will be exploited in the leading capitals of the world simultaneously with its production in the principal cities of the United States.

SHEER AFTER BILLY SUNDAY.

William Sheer, who is to produce the Constance Talmadge features, is endeavoring to persuade Billy Sunday to appear in a number of scenes in the first release, and is understood to have had several conferences with the evan-

MARC MACDERMOTT REMAINS.

Marc MacDermott, through his attorneys, denies he has severed his connec-

ion with Vitagraph.

A fortnight ago Vitagraph dispensed with the services of nearly a score of film artists, many having been with the company since it was formed.

\$140,000 FOR JOAN.

William L. Sherry is reported to have paid \$140,000 for the New York State rights of "Joan the Woman." The New York office is asking \$1,500 a week for bookings. "Civilization" a week for bookings. "Civilization" brought \$65,000 for the same territory.



COAST PICTURE NEWS.

By GUY PRICE.
Bessie Love is in San Francisco.

Andrew Arbuckle is back from a northern trip.

The Belasco, formerly a picture house, is to be reopened as a "girl" show emporium.

Tsuri Aoki is having a Japanese garden built at her Hollywood home.

Mayor Woodman has posed for a picture exploiting "commerical preparedness" in Los

Alice Lake is now with Universal.

Louise Glaum entertained for ten friends at her bungalow apartments.

Former Mayor Sebastian, who has just completed his first motion picture exposing what is locally called "Invisible Government," says he has had enough of the movies.

The Fine Arts studio is as yet unoccupied.

An effort is again being made to do away with unsightly superstructures built by the film companies in Hollywood.

Norman Manning is now in complete charge at the Horsley studio.

Bennie Zeidman is here "planting" stories about his favorite actor, Douglas Fairbanks.

The Bernstein company has completed its

Cyril Maude entertained several prominent picture stars during his stay here. George Fawcett and Herbert Standing were among them.

James Kirkwood was down from Santa Barbara the first of the week.

Elmer Clifton has signed up with Universal to direct Jack Mulhall in five-reel features.

Chas. Clary is playing opposite Miriam Cooper at the Fox studios.

Gladys Brockwell has been on a vacation for the past thirty days, and will continue to take life easy until Wm. Fox finds her a new director.

"The Mystery of the Gray Ghost" will be the title of the new Universal serial. It is

taken from the novel "Loot," by Arthur Somers Roche, and was adapted for the screen by Stuart Paton, who will also direct it.

H. O. Davis, vice-president and general manager of the Universal studios, has plas-tered Universal City with posters to the effect that all employees of the company enlisting during the present crisis will have their posi-tions held open for them.

William Farnum and his entire company will leave for the Eastern Fox studios for an indefinite period, upon the completion of their present production.

Hank Mann is still looking for stories for those \$50,000 eyes.

Ruth Stonehouse has given up directing her cwn company, and will be featured dur-ing the summer in five-reel productions di-rected by Louis Chaudet.

Roy Clements will direct Eddie Lyons and Lee Moran for Universal in the future.

NEW COMEDY COMPANY.

One of the latest recruits to film land is J. S. Klein, the well known law-yer, who entered the celluloid business last week as president of the Common-

wealth Comedy Company.

"The Commonwealth Company," Mr.
Klein states, "will produce one reel comedies under the direction of George Our productions will be released on one of the big programs, one

each week.
"The comedian who will be featured "The comedian who will be featured in all of our productions is Louis Smile, and judging from what I have seen of his work he will certainly live up to his name. The supporting company will include Constance Delmar, Elsie Yumell, George Ross, Charlie Cappollo and many others all well known in the picture came.

whown in the picture game.

"After spending some time looking for a studio with a desirable location we decided on Mr. Steiner's studio and laboratory which is located at Cliffside, and immediately leased the property for use as our producing base."

THE SOWERGUY FILM CO.

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By JOHN A. MURPHY.

That sensent pedder wich rented desk room in our offis got so strong we couldn't get no customers in the place so we held a meetin to deside how to get rid of him without refundin the money he had paid for ent. Old man Shiveley perposed that we rent another corner of the offis to a felier with desit in assofertida or some other onpopular chemical and maybe it would assifixiate the sement man. This was a good enough perposal only it did'nt pervide fer disposin of the assofertida man after the sement felier was assifixiated.

We finally gave him a hundred shares of stock to move out but durned if he did'nt go down the hall and swap the shares to the Hyena Co. for a months desk room in their offit, cents a share which was only half the price we was gettin. We sent old man Shiveleys nesw to offer ten dollars for the hundred shares and they took it. We made five dollars after all cause the sement felier had paid us fitteen dollars advance rent which we did'nt refund.

The bill come in for the certifficats we had printed so we paid the five dollars on acount. Shep Wrenchey perposed that him and me go wist the Coshall studio where a big perduction called "The Pride of Guffmuffn: was bein made, and let Shiveley take care of the offis. I that we had better count the certifficates before goin but there was too many to count so we weighed all the bundles.

While we was gone, a perfeshional permoter called and offered to put our Co. on a payin basis for a stock bonus and Shiveley said he would call to-morrow with a proboscis. None of us knowed what a proboscis was composed of. It was no use to hunt it in the dictionary cause we did'nt know how to speel it, so we went and asked the stenogifer in the Hyena offis. She said most likely the permoter meant a prospectus and not a proboscis there bein some difference in the two terms as a proboscis is what you smell with and a proboscis there bein some difference in the two terms as a proboscis is what you smell with and a proboscis there

his plug hat with kerosene and had his toopay renovated.

Our permoters name is Capt. Rendon T. D. Calway and he can emit more perlite gab in ten minits than most people could perduce in a month. He said he would sell all out the minits than most people could perduce in a month. He said he would sell all out the saice but we must have better offs fittins as our equipment was crood and we should have rich, tasty decerations like Edgar Selden. He took us to see Selden's offs and it was full of oil paintins, pam trees, brass pots, statues ansoforth. I kept bumpin my head on a thing hangin from the cellin which looked like all of of beer bottles in a rusty kittle. Our permoter said it was a very old anteek lamp and was excavated out of a hole in Persia or some geographical place.

Old man Shiveley supprised us all by perposin to fit up high toned offises right away, also to engage a stenogifer. We must have all been kind of locoed cause we did'nt object none and when our permoter said he could sell stock faster than the bills would come in that settled it and we told him to go ahead and get all the pam trees and gold fish a first class film corporation ought to have.

I bet that durned superintendent at the Succotash Buildin wont be so sassy now.

WAR LECTURERS A FAILURE.

In view of the fact of the recent "flivver" which the engagement of a war correspondent proved to be at the Rialto, Manager S. L. Rothapfel, of the house, has decided that in the future he would place a ban on all features of this nature. The manager admitted that his experience with his most recent venture of this nature had turned out disastrously for the house.



MAE MARSH

One of the formidable list of rapidly accumulating roster of photoplay stars to be exploited ing roster of photoplay stars under the GOLDWYN banner.

FOOLISH FILM QUESTIONS.

By O. M. SAMUEL.
Is Ella Hall responsible for the hall bedroom that we read about in stories?

Is the word "sterling" stamped on the silverware of Ford Sterling?

When a woman with a child in her arms approaches the ticket window should the cashier ask—"How many"?

Why do they show Arctic pictures in winter and Tropical pictures in summer?

Was the "Blue Ribbon" of the V-L-S-E dyed black when the company expired?

Are the comings of Irving Cummings noted as much as formerly?

Does Wilbur Crane "rubber"?

Why should letters of men be written by women and letters of women be written by men?

If the tail sim fellow with Keystone stood squarely behind the President could he see the show?

Did Marie Empress take the name as a com-pliment to Sullivan-Considine?

What would happen if Los Angeles became damp and foggy for three years?

Is it true that once upon a time an Alaskan film was made in Alaska?

Does the husband of Kathlyn William use Williams' shaving soap?

Considering the extreme darkness obtaining in some picture places, is it not well to doubly assure oneself as to whose hand one is holding?

Does Keystone employ a "screamario" editor?

If gowns were essential to success on the screen would not Annette Kellermann be an "extra" woman?

Just how much do producers and exhibitors of those moral uplift pictures donate to welfare organizations?

Considering the fate of talking pictures, does it not seem that sileuce is golden?

Do the bonds of a company presenting serials contain serial numbers?

Is Fatty Arbuckie funnier than Macklyn Arbuckie?

If James O'Neill should purchase the World Film Co. would he say as formerly, "The World is Mine"?

Was the husband of Petrova named Petro? Is Nance O'Neil more serious than James O'Neil?

Who was it said Ruth Stonehouse was a concrete example of what tenacity would accomplish in the picture field?

Does it not seem proper to use a few "stills" in a moonshine picture?

Would traffic cops make good directors?

Have any camera men shown fright when threatened with exposure?

Can it be possible that some of the assessors in Florida do not know the difference between a studio and a hot house?

MOSS HOLDING MEN.

The B. S. Moss Circuit has not as yet arrived at any definite agreement with the stage hands' union through Mr. Moss wanting the regular union to take into its membership the stage crews that have been with the Moss theatres for five or six years.

There seems to be some objection to this by the stage hands of the regular union. Pending an adjustment, there has been no official settlement of the union matter in the Moss houses.

Mr. Moss is reported to believe the stage hands who have been with him long are entitled to consideration and he is holding out for them.





NEWS OF THE FILM WORLD

Ruth Stonehouse will continue with the Universal company, having entered into a new

Teresa Harron, a sister of Bobby Harron, is working for the Metro Quality Co., under the direction of W. Christy Cabanne.

Norma Talmadge and Violet Mersereau are gowning dolls for the Actors' Fund Fair, and Robert Warwick is giving a doll—not dress-ing it—for the same cause.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Drew have been en-listed by Amelia Summerville among her as-sistants at the Shamrock Bootb during the Actors' Fund Fair, May 12 to 21.

Norma Taimadge is completing her third Selznick-Pictures production, an adaptation from the novel "Poppy," by Cynthia Stock-ley. This picture is being directed by Edward

The France Films Company is planning to produce "The Natural Law," Charles Sumner's play, with Howard Hall in the part of Dr. Webster, which he filled in the stage pro-

With a capital stock of \$1,000,000 Goldwyn Distributing Corporation has been chartered at Albany to operate and maintain the branch offices and bandle the releases of the Goldwyn Pictures Corporation throughout America.

The Cine's Company's production "Christus The Clae's Company's production "Christus" will begin an engagement at the Criterion April 30. One feature is to be a motion picture reproduction of a number of paintings dealing with the life of Cbrist, including "The Last Supper."

Olga Petrova, with Maurice Tourneur, ber director, and company, who bave been in

Florida for some time at work on two forth-coming Lasky features, returned to the city Tuesday, and are continuing their work on Interiors at the Paragon studio, Fort Lee.

Geraldine Farrar concluded her season's engagement at the Metropolitan last week in "Thais," and left on the Twentieth Century ast Thursday for California, where ahe will immediately commence work on a new De Mille creation at the Lasky studios.

Sidney Reynolds, director of the William Fox scenario department, announces the addition of two more well-known writers to his staff. They are George Scarborough, the dramatist, and Larry Evans, short-story writer. Last week the addition of George Bronson-Howard was announced. These men are now preparing material for new Fox productions.

After her present Interstate Circuit route is completed at Austin, Tex., on May 22, Violet MacMillan, the Universal film star, again returns to Universal City, Cal., to do two month's picture work before she resumes ber vaudeville tour on the Keith Circuit, commencing the first part of September in the middle west.

Someone, in producing, has finally discovered that reporters do not use note books—not in actual life. It was Gladden James, who has such a role in Pathe's new serial, "Mystery of the Double Cross." It seems James was once a reporter and when William Parke, the director, called for the regulation "props" of such a part, James stepped forward and explained. Thank Heaven! It has come at last.

Wilfred Lucas, Liliian Gish and Dorothy Dalton are the stars of the Triangle feature releases for May 20. Lucas and Miss Gish will be co-starred in a story entitled "Souls Triumphant," written by Mary H. O'Con-

nor and directed by John O'Brien. Dorothy Dalton will be presented by Thomas H. Ince In a comedy-drama of life in a fashionable southern community, known as "Wild Win-ship's Widow," written by John Lynch and directed by Charles Miller.

"Fatty" Arbuckle made a hit Sunday night as the leader of the Strand orchestra, showing how a temperamental musician would put thom through the "Poet and Peasant" overture. He had made a little speech southimself and bis picture, and then, announcing that he was a musician "by birth." borrowed a baton and kept the bouse laughing until he picked up his coat from the floor, and leaving the music scattered all around, ducked in the darkness and disappeared.

'A new era in photodrama is to be established by William Fox. He has announced a new series of special productions to be known as "Fox Kiddie Features," soon to be released on the Fox program. While in California be established a company of children who are to film the stories of the land of make-believe, and specially written scenarios on children's subjects, and the stories that are familiar to every school child. Another company of children will be established in one of the Fort Lee studies. A "Kiddie Fox Feature" is to be released monthly.

The Masterplece Film Attractions announces that in accordance with the decision of the Municipal Court of Cieveland, rendered April 18, 1917, it has scored a complete victory in its case against the city of Cieveland, where the exhibition of the motion picture "Purity," featuring Audrey Munson, had been stopped. This production will now be allowed to run without further interference, not only in Cievelsnd, but also in the entire state of Ohio, as the court in its decision held that it is not within the jurisdiction of a city or municipality to interfere with or stop the exhibition of a motion picture production after it had been officially passed by the Ohio State Board of Censors.

Board of Censors.

Goldwyn Pictures Corporation, adhering to its announced promise of twelve completed productions in advance of its first release in Reptember, will begin work in its studies on May 1 on its fifth and sixth pictures. A seventh production will be started one week later.

The two new stars who will enter the studie for the first time are Madge Kennedy and Jane Cowl. The story for Miss Kennedy's first picture is the work of Margaret Mayo, and is one of that author's most famous plays. Announcement will be made in a few days of the direction who is to introduce Miss Kennedy to the screen. Jane Cowl's first play for Goldwyn has been selected and will be under the direction of Arthur Hopkins, who has, by way of introducion to the motion picture industry, just made his first picture, with Maxine Elliott as his star.

The New York Tribune of last Sunday devoted an entire page of its pictorial section to Kitty Gordon in several of the very latest of spring gown creations. One of these, called the "Forget-Me-Not." in honor of Miss Gordon's recent World-Picture Brady-Made, was described as a "beige satin frock clouded in black tulle abowered with gold paliettes"—whatever that is. Nevertheless, a very beautiful garment, with a very beautiful woman inside it.

"The Soul of a Magdalen" is the release of Metro Pictures Corporation for May 14. Mme. Petrova is the star of this five-act production, written by L. Case Russell and directed by Burton L. King for Popular Plays and Players.

A new theatre is in course of erection on West Adams avenue, Detroit, which has been leased by John H. Kunsky. The opening will take piace June or July with Vaughn Glaser stock, according to present plans.

The Detroit opera house will start its summer policy of pictures on May 14. "Intolerance" will be the first attraction.

Jones, Linick & Schaefer took over the Eng-lish Opera House, Indianapolis, last Sunday when "Joan the Woman" was started for a run. The house war obtained on a rental

"Atonement," the first of the four French photoplays to be issued by the Brady-International Service, World-Pictures, might be described as a vampire drama de luxe. All its scenes are laid in surroundings of luxury and only one of its characters is not in easy circumstances financially—the result of his own profilescy. profligacy.

CANCELS SELZNICK FRANCHISE.

Sol. L. Lesser of the All Star Features Distributors, Inc., of San Francisco, has forwarded to the Lewis J. Selznick Enterprises, Inc., his notice of cancellation on the Selznick pictures, including the Clara Kimball Young productions.

The cancellation of the Young subjects is to take place immediately after her sixth picture. But with the other Selznick productions it will go into effect immediately.

Mr. Lesser said: "I have tendered a cancellation to Mr. Selznick not because I was disappointed with his pictures, but, owing to the fact that I am exploiting so many big productions, such as 'Intolerance,' 'The Garden of Allah,' 'Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea,' 'Civilization' and 'Art Dramas,' I have decided that in order to obtain the most efficient results with this class of productions it will be necessary for me to concentrate my entire efforts to handling these pictures efficiently."

OFFERS FOR PREPAREDNESS FILM.

Capt. Charles E. Kimball, of the Hanover Film Company, which is staterighting the preparedness feature, "How Uncle Sam Prepared," has been swamped with offers for the picture during the past week. The New Eng-land state rights have been taken by the Peerless Productions Co. of Boston, which has ten of the films out

through that territory at present.

There is a proposition on foot at present to make the pictures the official recruiting film for the American Red Cross.







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So many people have expressed a desire to see Frederick Warde in his first modern motion picture play, "Hinton's Double," that Edwin Thanhouser has cast him for a second play, also without the Shakespearean doubunder a working title, and supporting Mr. Warde will be Jeanne Eagles, Robert Vaughn, James Ewens, Carey Hastings, Grace Stevens, Ernest Howard and little Helen Badgley.

Edwin Thanhouser is now a firm be-

liever in the financial success of the big, costly production. In support of his belief he points to the success of "The Vicar of Wakefield," and to back up his belief in the star system he points to the result of the efforts of Mr. Warde, Charlotte Walker, Flor-ence La Badie, and others. He has made a change in the production staff, and Ernst Warde, who directed his father in "The Vicar," will be in charge of the new La Badie feature, which is to be seven reels, with Richard R. Neill, Wayne Arey, Gertrude Dallas,

H. Gilmour, Arthur Bower and Claude Cooper in the case

Emile Chautard will make the Frederick Wards picture, while Van Dyke Brooke is at work on the Gladys Les-lie feature, which will be her first ap-pearance as a star.

Big Sign in New Orleans.
New Orleans, April 25.
Manager Cornelius, of the Strand, has unfurled his huge electric sign. It is 200 feet in length, probably the largest sign in front of a theatre apy-

THE ALBANY HEARING.

The Grand Central Station resembled a convention of film men in session before train time, practically every film man of importance in the Elast getting up before breakfast to be on hand.

With nine Puliman cars loaded to the gun-wales, the industry would be completely wiped out if the train were wrecked.

By actual count there were 12 poker games and one other game on the train. One exchange manager who tried to Rell film service to the delegation of exhibitors present received the grand rasoo and thereafter no other attempts were made to negotiate a saie.

The ante-room of the Ten Eyck was crowded to capacity when a caucus was called for 1 o'clock, and a schedule laid out which, however, went awry at the hearing.

Nathan Vidaver, personal counsel to Will-iam A. Grady, made a splendid speech at the caucus and was roundly applauded at its con-clusion.

While the caucus was in session a telephone call came from the Capitol announcing the postponement of the hearing from 2 to 4.30 o'clock. Many employed the interval by sight-seeing, while others took in the burlesque show. (Censors take notice.)

The Hearst-Pathe News Weekly took a mo-tion picture of the delegation and several of the magnates tried to register displeasure at Assemblyman Wheeler for introducing the bill. Ed MacManus was director.

Arriving at the Capitoi, the delegation found the Senate still in session, and had an opportunity of seeing the Empire State's senior iawmaking body enact a law licensing cats.

Robert Rubin, acting as steerer before the committee of which Senator Waiters is chairman, introduced Mr. Thornton, an expert accountant, who gave it as his opinion that the industry would be taxed over three-quarters of a million dollars if the bill became law.

Adoiph Zuker made an earnest plea that the industry was being sufficiently taxed without having any additional burden to carry.

Senator Mills shot a hot question when he inquired what revenue the State was receiving from the motion picture industry, and he was informed there was a corporation tax, which all film corporations had to pay.

Senator Walker inquired at this point if it were true Mary Pickford was receiving a half million dollars a year, and was answered by Mr. Zukor, who stated that Mary wee an equal partner in the Mary Pickford corporation and that her profits might be a million if there was sufficient business.

Pat Powers, the next speaker, advanced directly to the committee table and, with hands outstretched, wanted to know. If the industry was losing money, where he was to get the money to pay the proposed tax, and when asked how he subsisted said he had other interests, and was holding on to to film business in the hope there would be an improvement.

Martin Littleton, who acted as Grim'h's personal sttorney, made the best speech of the day and was roundly applauded. He dug up an old law, passed in 1847, to show the whole measure to be unconstitutional and the entire committee smiled.

Gus Rogers, attorney for the Fox Film Co., also made a telling argument against the enactment of the bill, and the time allotted to the opposition had been passed, so Mr. Rubin called upon William A. Brady to close.

Mr. Brady, who had about ten minutes to speak under the agreement, spoke fully an hour, his speech beling punctured by appiause every time he drove home a point.

Some of the telling oratorical squibs he used were: "For God's sake, gentlemen, don't tax the poor man's entertainment; go after the cabarets, the opera, with its \$3 tickets, and the roof gardens on the tenth floors. Where they sell you a bottle of wine for \$7.00 that coats them \$2.50."—"Ninety-nine and one-half per cent. of the industry is recent; the other half ought to be taken and thrown overboard in the Hudson River."—"Tax the ticket speculators, those bandits, who make thousands of dollars without risking a cent."—"Tax the bail park owners who are foreigners in the State, but for Heaven's sake don't outlaw us by singling us out for special taxation."



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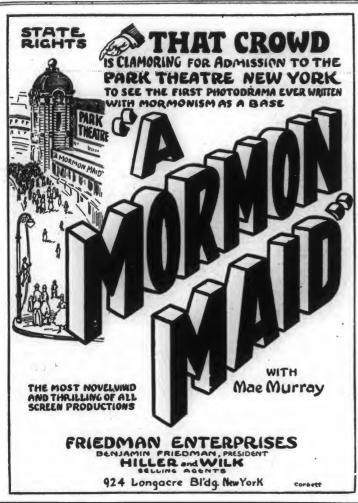
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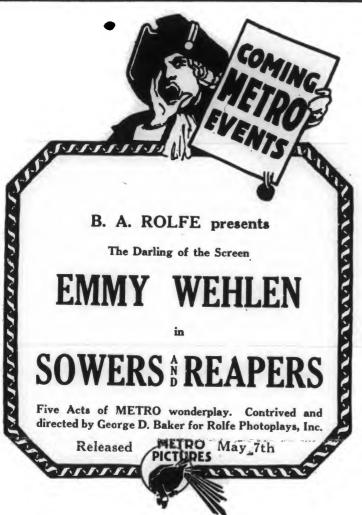
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The druggist	Frank Laior
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The Universal Film Mfg. Co.

Announce in the process of production the following pictures

"Phantom Trails"
"What Is a Woman?"

telegraph pole from a neighboring roof, swing himself across the street, dive into a coal schute, through the window of a cheese factory, and so on. It is perhaps needless to add that it was admirably cast, directed and produced.

HANDS UP.

John Houston	.Wiifred Lucas
Marjorie Houston	.Colisen Moore
Dan Tracy	Monte Blue
Elinor Craig	Beatrice Van
Rosanna	Rhea Haynes
Tim Fariey	.Bert Woodruff
Mrs. Farley	Kate Toncray

Rosanna Rhea Haynes
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Al. Jennings, the former bandit and train
robber, who was pardoned by President
Roseeveit while he was in office, is the author
of "Hands Up." This fact alone is worthy of
mention and gives the exhibitor the ground
work to plant publicity on. "Hands Up" is
a Triangle-Fine Arts feature with Wiffred
Lucas as the star. The atory is somewhat
different from the usual run of "hold-up"
and "bad men" tales, and carries a lot of suspense right up to the last minute. There is
action in the picture from the opening scene,
which is laid in the private car of the president of a transcontinental railroad, which is
attached to a limited train bound for the
Pacific Coast. Somewhere in the wilds of the
West the train is held up by a band of
desperados and the passengers stripped of
their valuables. The daughter of the president is in one of the parior cars with some
friends. When the robbers get to ber, her
gies over the "adventure" wins the admiration of the youthful leader of the gang, and
instead of taking her trinkets, he exchanges
rings with her. Later in one of the in the mominent hotels. At the deak he recognises
the ring on the finger of the girl standing beside him, she in turn realizes he is the train
robher. She believes all this "so romantic"
and finally piots to run away with him. But
mirry her father, and the news is immediately relayed to the latter. When the robber



calls he is cornered, but the president of the railroad recognises the ring which the youthful bendit gave his daughter as the one which he left with his wife, whom he believed long since dead, and the bendit's tale that it was given him by his mother on her death bed leads to the belief this is his sen. Later events prove the boy is the son of the woman, right, enough, but that his father was a Mexican with whom she eloped after deserting her husband. This clears the way for the president, who has traced his daughter and the boy to the bandit's shack in the hills and shoots the latter in self-defense. The story is a thriller with a twist that keeps one guessing and with that quality foremost it is bound to please.

AMERICAN METHODS.

William Armstrong	.William Farnus
Gaston	
M. Mouiinet	
Marie Mouiinet	Liilian We
Marquise de Beaulieu	Genevieve Biin
Octave do Beaulieu	
Ciaire de Beauileu	
Betty Armstrong	
Jimmy	Mortimer Jaf

sufficient, and he ceases to bother the American and his aristocration French wife, isaving them to their new-found happiness. There are some strongly dramatic situations in the pi-ture, and several touches of comedy, one of them being where Jimmy, Armstrong's chauseur, has a firtation with Claire's maid, whom he regards as a new style of French "vamp." The production ranks among the best of the Fox features, and should be a winner on any program.

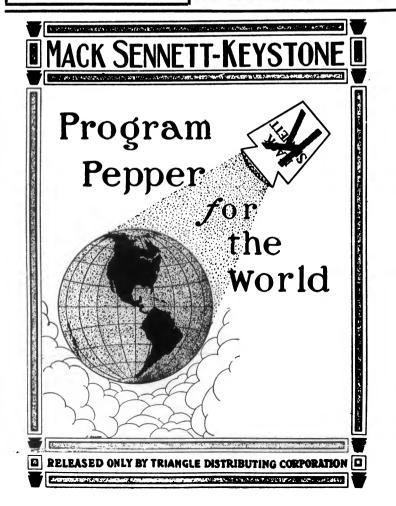
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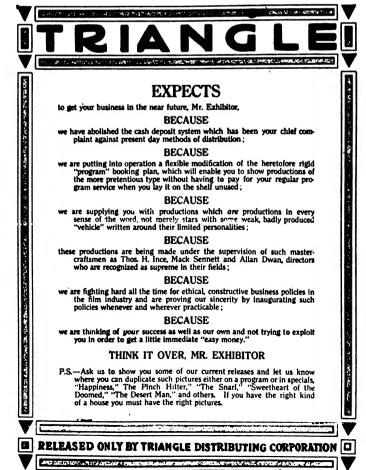
Mormons and antis have been giving the patrons of the Park theatre thrills and gasps in addition to those in the theatre's present tenant, "A Mormon Maid," by noisy controversy during scenes since the New York engagement of the picture opened last Sunday. The trouble started the night of the opening, when the drama reflected what purports to be bona fide reproductions of the punitive means Mormons employ to induce a recalcitrant convert to accept more than one wife. Mormons in the audience arose in concert and noisily protested that the representation was slanderous and the picture generally a gross libel on the Utah faith.

Huns Freece, an apostate Mormon, in business at 35 Wall Street, New York, among the audience interrupted the interruptions, claiming the drama in essence was literally true as screened...

The management, as soon as it sensed the situation, ordered the picture stopped and the lights thrown up. A scrap picturesque with pro and con denunciation followed, with the audience taking part and in the main hissing all who espoused the side of the Mormons. A member of the Mormon faith who

A member of the Mormon faith who gave his card reading Elder Norman W. Crowther, with headquarters at 1140 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, led the Sunday night opposition contingent. The disturbances had reached a stage Tuesday night when Lawrence Anhalt, the Park's manager, though it best to meet it with a special police assignment. The scrap is helping the business considerably.





THE DERT.

THE DEBT.

A five-part production by the Frank Powell company, directed by Frank Powell, from a scenario by Clara S. Beranger, for the Mutual program, which might reasonably be called a case of too much mother-in-law. Marjorle Rambeau, the star, as the Countess Anne, daughter of a French nobleman (Henry Warwick), is loved by a minister of the place, and sought by the Baron Moreno (Jerome Taylor), who thinks she is wealthy through her father's investment in a mine backed by John Slater (Paul Everts), an American promoter. The mine is shown to be worthless, the father kills himself, and Slater promises the people of the village, who have been rulned by the failure, to make good all their losses, and Anne also assumes her father's debt. The baron, of course, jilts her. She marries Slater, and they come to America to win enough to pay the debt. Slater's mother has temper and, worse than that, is insanely jealous of her son's wife. The result is obvious. Both the wife and her little daughter are made miserable while money enough is being made to square up the losses. The baron has consoled himself with another love, but is compelled by an angry father to marry her. He leaves her, comes to America, hunts up Anne, and forces his attentions on her, being caught by Slater's mother and Slater health of the mother makes the worst of it, Slater orders his wife out of the house and quarters, and agrees to marry her if she is free. She shows him a summons in a divorce her. The baron finds her in humble quarters, and agrees the other girl arrives from France, tells her story, and is caught in the chilling by the baron. In the meantime the chill has been taken ill, and the doctor says her mother's presence is the only thing that can save her. Slater refuses to go for her, but his mother weakens and almost forces him to. He knows where to find her, and gets there

just in time to hear his former wife upbraiding the baron for his treachery. He rushes into the room, the men fight, the baron is killed and Slater mortally wounded. He gives the message the doctor sent, and dies. Annerushes to her old home, the child recovers, they go to her home in Franc, taking the repentent mother-in-iaw with them, the debt is paid, and the minister turns out to be the right man after all. The story is nothing out of the ordinary. Marjorie Rambeau and Slater are excellent in their parts, the direction as a whole is fair, but the photography could easily have been better. The piece will draw well with some audiences, but is only fair program material.

SHE.

Ayesha	(She)	Valeska Suratt
Leo		.Ben L. Taggart
Holly .		Tom Burrough
Job		Martin Reagan

Solid a wonder. Waddye mean, the story or the star? Well, mebbe both. Never had an idea that Valeska Suratt could be so besutiful with a veil on. As a matter of fact she is better looking with her face covered than she is at the time when her countenance is showing. Incidentally "She" will prove a big money maker. There is a combination of the story and the start that will prove an attraction at the box office. The picturisation was made by the William Fox Film Corp., Mary Murillo adapting Sir Rider Haggard's famous story for the screen. The direction of the feature was in the hands of Kenean Buel; the photographer was Frank Kugler. The net result is a rattling good feature. True the introduction to the story is a liftle vague, and there have been numerous deletions from the original novel, but these do not mar the film version in the slightest. At its best "She" is a fantastical bit of writing, the titular character being conceived with a cer-

tain vagueness that Valeska Suratt does not entirely suggest, her characterisation relying principally on a long piece of gause in which she enwraps herself, allowing the entine of her form to be strikingly visible, at times permitting the covering to slip to such an extent there is nothing left to the imagination. This alone will be reason enough to establish the box office drawing quality of the film. After the last scene of the picture it will be easy for everyone who witnesses it to say they have at last seen Valeska Suratt make a monkey out of herself, for when Ayesha (She) steps into the fiame that gives everiasting life and beauty, to thus convince her long awaited lover the fiame is harmless, her beauty and fairness shrivel and she emerges a hideous aps. There is but one other role in the cast that stands out, that of Ustane, played by Miriam Fouche, who gives a convincing characterisation. The men were articularly weak, especially Ben L. Taggart in the role of Leo. From a production standpoint the picture is all that can be desired, and pictorially it is without a flaw. It is a good increasing feature, and will be sure to attract all of those who have read the story and they are in legion, while Miss Suratt can be counted on to pull the other element.

DIRECTOR WALKS OUT.

Edmund Lawrence walked out in the middle of his direction of the Kitty Gordon feature, "The Beloved Adventuress." It seems that William A. Brady, exercising his prerogative as di-rector in chief, saw fit to make some suggestions, which was resented by Lawrence. Brady is completing the picture.

CENSORSHIP EVILS.

Chicago, April 25.

Major Funkhouser, second police deputy, is out to clean up the censorship evils resulting from the recent resolution of the Board of Education censoring the city censors. Major Funkhouser conferred with Chief Schuettler last Friday relative to making a big shakeup in the censor board. The major received reports that Willis and L. L. Pryor, a member of the board, had frequently dined with Harry Igel, city hall lobbyyist for several big

When Healey was police chief Major Funkhouser had his authority taken away as final arbiter of films and Willis reported directly to Chief Healey.



The Subjects the Public Demands

Stamped with the success brand of BLUEBIRD-the four patriotic pictures here described are the last word in that peculiar form of military picture which the public is demanding today. Each is a masterpiece of its kind. "The Eagle's Wings" is as far ahead of the average jingo, sham battle and studio "war" picture as it is possible to imagine.

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In Preparation - - THE GOLDEN WOMAN

NEW INCORPORATIONS.

The following corporations were chartered in Albany in the last week: National Allied Amusement Corp., Manhattan; \$40,000; R. I. Henderson, P. A. Ziselman, W. C. Griffiths.

Hider Picture Corp., Manhattan: \$10,-030; E. Schay, J. A. Dushan, J. M. Zuicki. Visual Education, Inc., Manhattan: 750 shares preferred stock. \$100 each: 1,000 shares common, no par value; active capital, \$80,000; J. T. Shaw, G. H. Breed.
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Goldwyn Distributing Corp., Manhattan; \$1,000,000; S. Goldfish, G. L. Hess.
A. Selwyn.

Bud Fisher Films Corp., Manhattan;
1,000 shares, no par value; active capi-

tal, \$5,000; W. A. Brock, A. A. and B. Fisher.

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The Bell Syndicate, Inc., Manhattan: \$10,000; J. N. Wheeler, H. V. Story, E. H. Maione.

Shater & Bauer, Inc., Manhattan; \$10.000; Ernest Shuter, Thomas H. Gilmore, jr., Charles H. Bauer,

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M. H. Hoffman, Inc., Manhattan: \$25,-000; M. H. Hoffman, F. L. Devine and J. Hertberg.

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par value; active capital, \$5,000; M. C.
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New Jersey charters:
Wilbar Amusement Co., Perth Amboy;
\$50,000; David Snaper, Sol. R. Kelsey,
Philip Kilvan.

"20,000 Leagues" in Atlantic City.
Atlantic City, April 25.
The Universal film, "20,000 Leagues
Under the Sea," will be at the Apollo
theatre during July.

Hundreds of women wept at the Broadway Theatre showing. All were in accord that it is a great Picture for Women.

The CRITICS are Unanimous—All say it is a high-class picture and a Big, Smashing Box-Office Winner

WID says—

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GEORGE W. GRAVES, OF MOTOGRA-PHY, says-

The Warfare of the Flesh offers both interesting entertainment and a pointed moral argument. A cast of notable players is uniformly strong—a worth while picture and a money-maker for the exhibitor.

GEORGE N. SHOREY, OF THE MOV-ING PICTURE NEWS—

Most unusual story. Has deep human appeal and interest. Will satisfy the most refined and has enough punch for the sensation seekers. Many sympathetic touches. Good all around entertain-

ROBERT WHITTEN, IN THE NEW YORK CLIPPER—

A high standard of feature film. It is in many respects a remarkable picture. The story is away from the beaten track. It is well constructed and well told. The acting is excellent and the direction is a credit to Edward Warren.

EDWARD WEITZEL, MOVING PIC-TURE WORLD-

Everything that money could supply in the way of a fine cast and expensive setting has been given the feature.

ADAM HULL SHIRK, OF THE DRA-**MATIC MIRROR**-

Will conceived prologue. Strong modern story with distinguished players as interpreters of remarkable theme. AS A STATE RIGHT PROPOSITION THE FILM SHOULD PROVE A DECIDEDLY PROFITABLE INVESTMENT.

CHARLES WAGNER SAYS IN THE TRADE REVIEW-

Each character is vividly portrayed and the whole story blends with strong contrast. It entertains throughout and while the theme is unquestionably blunt it is so powerfully and artistically handled that it will please even the most prudish. All in all, it is a box-office attraction of premiere quality.

MISS AGNEW, MORNING TELE-GRAPH-

The production reveals a strength of purpose which can only be appreciated by a personal view. The "eternal story" is told in a novel and wonderfully impressive way and set in a production that is remarkable in every detail. It is another triumph for the photographic art. Many women in the audience wept. Mr. Warren has handled a delicate subject in a delicate way.

MILTON R. LOEWENTHAL, OF THE **NEW YORK STAR-**

Edward Warren has handled the subject conceded by all motion picture directors as the one most difficult to accurately and conscientiously picturize, and he has done this with a finesse and skill quite unequalled in motion picture annals. To mix the allegorical and every day in such proportions that neither is lost sight of requires genius that Edward Warren seems to be endowed with. The War-Warren seems to be endowed with. The War-fare of the Flesh is a picture that will draw not only to the box-office but to the heart as well.

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H. Z. LEVINE, Business Manager, 1482 Broadway, New York City

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GENERAL FILM'S OUTPUT.

General Film Co. is now only releasing about 10 reels a week in addition

This situation has been the cause of considerable comment among exchange managers, who question the ability of G. F. to get by with such a limited

At one time General released over 50 different subjects a week, consisting of single, two and three-reel subjects, while to-day the program is completely devoid of three-reelers. While practically every one of the companies com-prising the General releasing its longer subjects through other sources, it has been a mystery why the General was being maintained in spite of the fact that the business was showing no

One report had it that after Ben B. Hampton had resigned recently several of the older men who helped organize the company pledged themselves to keep the company alive by making releases of short subjects through it, this action being prompted by the fact thate there are \$25,000,000 worth of suits pending for which the directors are in-dividually responsible. Early in the week there was a report that Hampton, instead of releasing "The Barrier" instead of releasing "The Barrier" through the General, had sold the en-tire world rights to Selznick, after over \$30,000 worth of bookings had been secured.



A Tremendous Story With Wonderful Types.

THE RECOIL

Richard Cameron. William Courtenay Miriam Bomerest Lullian Greuze Chas. Van Horn. Frank Beicher Mrs. Somerset. Cora Milia Adams page Somerest William Raymond An Astra-Fathe production, written by Antony J. Keily and directed by George Fitsmaurice, which shows obvious straining for effect, and so many inconsistencies of construction that even the good work of William Raymond Courtenay and his associates is not sufficient to raise it above the level of mediccrity. Cameron meets and wins Miriam Somerset, under peculiar circumstances. He will not tell who or what he is, but he gets the girl, just the same. Her mother, socially high, but financially in the depths, wants her to marry Van Hora, rich, but intemperate. Cameron and his companion are ordered sway on a mission; they are trapped by an international spy and secreted in a ceilar in the woods, under guard of an old man who loves liquer. There they stay so long they grow full beards. Papers report a wreck, his name is mentioned as being killed, and Miriam marries van Horn, her mother dying befere she can realise the good fortune which her daughter has brought to the family. Page, the brother, is a hanger-on at clubs and continues that life. Cameron and his companion secape from confinement by a ruse they might have used the first day they were there, and get back to New York. They learn that the sty salis for Europe the next morning, and war will break out unless he is caught befere reaching Paris. Cameron goes to his wife's old home, finds she has married and moved, goes to the new address, meets her, is introduced to their baby, breaks his oath of secrecy and teils her who and what he is and the mission he is on van Horn comes in, the men fight, Cameron is being done up when the wife takes a pianter cast from its pedestal, bangs Van Horn over the head, and Cameron gets away in time to catch the steamer bearing the spy. They all reach London, where Cameron pulls the becarasery strings, and the spy and his pace an anabed. Page Somerset, Miram's brother, is bein

MAYFAIR FILM CORP.
The Mayfair Film Corp. has been organized in New York State with a capital stock of \$25,000, fathered by M. A. Schlesinger, who is the American representative of the African Film Trust.

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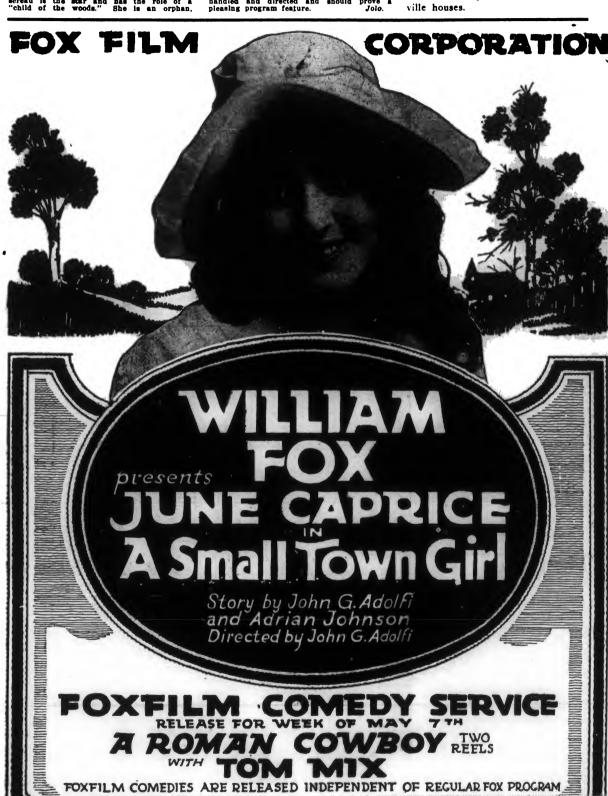
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Charlotte Wharton	 Helen Lindroth
Arthur Wharton	 Sidney Mason
George Grenville	 Dean Raymond
"Buil" Dorgan	 John Mackin
Joe Gaskeli	 James O'Nelll
Doctor Morley	 Wills Baker

The May 7 release for Biuebird is entitled "Little Miss Nobody," written by Alfred Sol-"Little Miss Nobody," written by Alfred Sol-man and Robert F. Rodin, scenario by John C. Browneil, directed by Harry Miliarde, photographed by Harry Forbes. Violet Mer-sereau is the star and has the role of a "child of the woods." She is an orphan, adopted by a man who conducts a "hotel" in a lumber camp. The foreman, a bully, covers her for a wile. Along comes a playwright (not a painter this time), who loves a woman who married for money. Discovered by the woman's husband the playwright returns to the city, but, overcome by remorse, buys a shack in the woods and goes there alone as a penance. Eventually he marries the little orphan girl, places her in the care of his sister to be educated and goes to Japan for a year. The married woman, now a widow, wants to win him back and hires a parasite to compromise the girl wife. Everything comes out O. K. in the end. Not a very massive plece of original screen literature, but well handled and directed and should prove a pleasing program feature.

FRANK TATE BACK HOME.

St. Louis, April 25.

Frank T. Tate of Tate & Cella returned from New York this week, where he had gone to arrange for the formation of a film distributing company. The new company, it is planned, will supply the entire Southwest, with St. Louis as the central point. Tate & Cella now operate a chain of vaude-



THE LINCOLN CYCLE.

Laughter, toars and applause followed each other in rapid succession when four parts of stenjamin Chapin's Lincoin Cycle were shown last week. The laughter did not all come from the men nor the tears all from the women, but the impression made by the four two-reet's excisions shown antected both sexes in like manner. Mr. Chapin has made no presentation of those who were associated with him in the feature, and this seems like an injustice to the boy who took the part of Abraham as a lad while Mr. Chapin played the role of shiftless Tom Lincoin, the father. The boy was the most instural, spontaneous, impussive, loving and lovable backwoods lad that could be imagined, and his mother, Nancy Hanks, was presented by a young woman who should not be unknown to fame. The cycle as far as shown deals with the life of the martyred President from his childhood to the White House, the parts being entitled "My Mother—The Spirit Man." "My Father—The Physical Man." "My

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A rather different sort of a comedy is "The Pinch Hitter," the latest Triangle-Ince-Kay Bee, in which Charles Ray is starred. The story was written by C. Gardner Sullivan and directed by Victor L. Schertsinger. The author has seemingly taken three or four characters from George Ade's "The College Widow" as the types for his yarn, and has woven about them a remance of a small college in a manner that keeps one guessing until the last reel. The hero, a bashful youth from a small country town, who is afraid of himself and who does not gain self-confidence until the finish of the picture, wins all the sympathy and is delightfully played by Charles Ray. The story is simple enough in itself. The country youth is sent to the small cellege by his dad, not because he holds any illusions regarding the youth, but because of a promise made to the mother on her death bed. The boy bears all the earmarks of a "book," and the moment he hits the campus of the school he is a butt for all of the prahks of the students. He trice hard, but does not seem to be able to hit his stride. The little lady of

the story is the self-supporting miss who conducts the cream puff parlor which the boys patronize. She pittes the gawky youth, and then begins to love him. Finally he is taken on the ball team, not because of his ability as a player, but he is such a boob that the manager of the team figures that he must bring good luck as masoct. He is kept in ignorance of his actual participation in the work of the team until the day of the big gams. Then at the last minute he is forced into the game through an accident and, working up a good lot of suspense, he wallops the ball for a homer and wins the approval of add and the girl, and develops enough self-confidence to propose. "The Pinch Hitter" is full of good comedy and a picture that will interest.



THE WARFARE OF THE FLESH.

Prologue.Fred Radcliffe Eve Mary Moore
Satan Theodore Friebus
Sin Marie Shouweil
Magdalone Mary Elizabeth Forbes
Good Samaritan Walter Hampden

ways and people. The story is intended to portray the eternal conflict between the forces of good and those of evil, and to show that no state of virtue is complete until it is won hy a conflict with vice. The attempt has been made before and on a much greater and more expensive scale, with what success those who produced the pictures know. That this actempt will be any more successful than others have been is doubtful. And it seems a pity, too, for the first thousand feet of flim are exquisitely beautiful, well put together and of premier quality. When, however, the characters were made to assume modern society manners and costumes the play dropped from the high standard at which it had started, and developed into a common everyday program play, of the sordid sort, where a young wife is

invelgied into sacrificing herself to a wealthy roue for money with which to pay for an operation which will save the life of her sick husband. The trick by which the spectators are led to believe something has happened which later on turns out did not happen, leaves a complication of thought it the mind, the question of which is "Why didn't it happen?" There are some unexplained entrances and exits, and the action in the modern part jumps as well as drags at times, showing the need of re-editing. With the allegorical section extended and the modern shortsned there is a good chance of the play going over. The cast is good, the photography excellent, and the general direction all that could be expected, but the modern story is not big enough to carry out the idea.

. THE VALENTINE GIRL.

In essaying the role of a ionesome little girl, transplanted into a home of wealth, and growing up into a beautiful young woman with a cloud over her life, Marguerite Ciark has struck a new and pleasing note in her impersonations. Frank Losee, her chief support, plays perfectly the part of a professional gambler with the instincts of a gentleman and an undeveloped mine of father love, and the rest of the cast is good. The feature, produced by Famous Players-Paramount, was directed by J. Searle Dawley, from script by Laura Sawyer, and tells how Marian Morgan, when the woman who had cared for her alnee her mother's death marries again, is sent to the New York home of her father, John Morgan, which turns out to be a gambling house. When she arrives her father is busy in a game; she is told to wait, but tiring of the delay, finds her way into the gamhiling room and surprises all the hands by asking which of the gentlemen is her father. Morgan is captivated immediately, and makes up for his neglect by providing her with every luxury. She finds a picture in an attle trunk, again breaks into a game, and asks Morgan if that is her mother. Morgan is overcome, determines to give up his businese, and go straight, stops the game and announces that the place is for saie. One of his former confederates plans a bank robbery, Morgan declines to take part in it, the man "equeals," Morgan is arrested, and Marlan, iearning the resi character of her father, escapes from the house on St. Valentine's Day, gets into a children's party at a church, meets the young bearer of the other haif of her valentine heart, tells a story, and is adopted by the minister. Her father has gone to jail, not only for the bank robbery, but apparently on general principles. In her childhood at the Morgan home she had taken historical parts in her playing, dressing the characters in finery from the attine. As Queen Elisabeth she makes her father the Earl of Sussex, and gives him aring that when sent to her will always summon her to him. His term expired, Morgan seeks the home of his daughter, now giri, transplanted into a home of wealth, and growing up into a beautiful young woman with a cloud over her life, Marguerite Clark

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PALACE (wva)
Columbia City 4
J C Lewis Jr Co
Cary Clayton
Lucy Giliette
2d half Stringfield, O. St.N (sun) Jack George J R Barry Co H & M Glibert The Bimbon Laypo & Benjamin (One to fill)

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Syracuse, N. Y. TEMPLE (ubo) (Schenettsdy split)
'The Coward' Rob Albright (Values & West) 2d balf
Marie Sparrow
Fox & Brown
"Town Hall Follies"
Erme Evans Co
(One to fill) Stamford, Conn.

Vaierie Slaters
Mr & Mrs Vernon
B Bouncer's Circus 2d haif (26-29) Austin & Bailey O'Amico Berrick & Hart CRESCENT (ubo)
Connors & Foley
Jermon & Walker Quakertown Maids Heary Frey Sylvia Loyal 2d half, Fields & Brown Dunham Edwards 3 Ellia Nowlan 3 (Two to fill)

Tacoma PANTAGES (p) PANTAGES (p)
LeHoen & Dupreece
Weber Beck & F
Bruce Duffett Co
Adler & Arline
"Texas Round Up"

Terre Haute, Ind. HIPP (wva) "Night Clerk" 2d half

Zd haif Kartelli Ras & Wynn Middleton & Spellmeyer Olive Briscoe "Girls Frolic"

Toledo
KEITH'S (ubo)
Billie Reeves Co
Watson Sisters
"Motor Boating"
Bowman Bros The Crisps Emelle Sisters

Toronto
SHEA'S (ubo)
F & F Moore
R & G Dooley
Harry Holman Co

Milton & De Long Sis Milton & De Lor Geo Rosener Maleta Bonconi "Water Lillies" Emalion Trio (Two to fill) HIP (ubo) Musette
Buckley Players
Fred Rogers
Granville & Mack
(One to fill)
YONGE (loew)
Paul & Pauline
Beulah Pear!
Neiman & Kennedy
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"General Orders"
Jos K Watson
6 Royal Hussars

Trenton. N. J.
TAYLOR O H (ubo)
2d haif (26-24)
Etta L Vail
Lowry & Lacy, Sis
"Harmless Bug"
Dorothy Earl
Strand S
Miss Matched Miss

Trey, N. Y.
PROCTOR'S (ubo)
(Albany split)
Int nais
"Cranberries"
Willie Weston
Gautier's Toy Shop
Hughes Musical 3
L & S Clifford
Juno Salmo

Williamsport, Pa. MAJESTIC (ubo) 1st haif (30-2) Gems of Art Candidates Utica, N. Y. COLONIAL (ubo) Finn & Finn Around Globe Duffy Geisler & L Moore & Geraid

COLONIAL (ubo
Flavilla
J J Corbett
(Three to fill)
2d half
Frack Carmen
Nevins & Erwood
Quakertown Maids
(Two to fill) (Two to fill)

Vancouver, B. C.

ORPHEUM
Ruth St Denis Co
Marie Barnes
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Lewis & Norton
Helen Pingree Co
Bissett & Scott
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"Girl from A'dam"
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Victoria, B. C.

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PANTAGES (p)
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Knickerbocker 4
Paul Decker Co
Marconi Bros Chris Richarls
"Phun Phiends"

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Washington
KEITH'S (uno)
Andrew Mack
Mme Doree
Elizabeth Murray
John B Hymer Co
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Waterbury, Comm.
POLI'S (ubo)
Eleanore Fisher
Varden & Perry
Heider & Packer
2d half
Bensel & Baird Katherine Ward Clayton & Lennie

Waterloo, In. MAJESTIC (wva) (Sunday opening)
DeWitt Young & Sis
Andre Sisters
Curiey & Weich

Trosini
"Lingerle Shop"
2d half
Moran Sisters
Prince & Deerle
Walter S Howe Co
Dalay Harcourt
Hoyt's Minstrels

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Wheeling, W. V.
VICIORIA. (sun)
Quigg & Nickerson
Caesar Rivoil Co
Chas Wilson
(Two to fil)
2d half
"Betting Bettys"
Dave Thursby
Hull & Durkin
Rosa Rentz Co
(One to fill)
Willeas Rents P

(One to fill)
Wilkes-Barre, Ps.
POLI'S (ubo)
(Scranton split)
1st half
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Jean Moore
Saxon & Farrell
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Wilmington, Del.
DOCKSTADER S(ubo)
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Frazer B & K
"Kissing School"
J Warren Keane Co
1st part, U people from
Neil O'Brien's Minstreis
Seymour's Dogs
(One tg fili)

Winnipeg PANTAGES (p) PANTAGES (p)
Alberto
Mile Blanca Co
Dorothy Vaughan
Ed F Renard Co
Will Morrissey
"Honeymoon lale"
STRAND (wva)
Mario Genero

Marie Genaro Chadwick & Taylor Kelly & Fern "Echoes of Bway"

Worcester, Mass.
POLI'S (ubo)
4 Comedy Phiends
Scarploff & Varvara
Officer Vokes
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2d half
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PLAZA (ubo)
Keno & Wagner
Katherine Kiare Ward
"Edge of Things"
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Peggy Breman & Bro
20 haif
May Fletcher
Louis Simon Co

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York, Pa.
OPERA HJUSE (ubo)
(Altoona spilt)
1st half
Lamb & Morton
Shepherd & Ott
Ob! Doctor Amedic Kerslake's Pigs

Youngatown, O.
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Richards B & M
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"Bostonians" 80 Gayety Washington 7 Gayety

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"Girls from Follies" 30 Olympic New York 7 Gayety Brocklyn.
"Girls from Joyland" 30 New Castis 1 Johastows 2 Altoons 3 Harrisburg 4 York 5 Reading Pa 7 Gayety Baltimors.
"Globe Trotters" 30 Empire Newark 7 L O.
"Golden Crook" 30 Empire Hoboken 7 People's Philadelphia.
"Hastings' Big Show" 30 Gayety Kansas City Mo 7 Gayety St Louis.
"Hello New York" 30 Empire Brooklyn 10-12 Park Bridgeport Conn.
"Hip Hip Hooray Girle" 30 Gayety Pittsburgh 7 Casino Philadelphia.
"Howe's Sam Show" 30 Gayety Detroit 7 Star Cleveland.
"Lady Buccaneers" 30-2 Orpheum New Bedford 3-5 Worcester Mass 7 Rome 8 Oneida 9-12 Inter Niagara Falls N Y.
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"Majestics" 30 Columbia Chicago 7 Gaysty Detroit.
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Maids of America" 80 Empire Albany 7 Casino

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Merry Rounders' 80 Columbia New York 7
Casino Brooklyn.

'Midnight Maidens' 80 Gayety Boston 7 Grand

Hartford.

Military Maids" 30-1 Holyoke Holyoke 2-5
Glimore Springfield 7-9 Orpheum New Bedford 10-12 Worcester Worcester Mass.

Million Dollar Dolla" 30 Casino Philadelphia
7 LO.

7 L O.

"Mischlef Makers" 30 Ashtabula Pa 1-2 Park
Youngstown 7 Lyceum Columbus.

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"Pace Makers" 30 Gayety Milwaukee 7 Gayety

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William Faversham is listed to open at the Princess May 7 in "Getting Married."

"The Katzenjammer Klds" have been booked for a return date at the National before the close of the p resent season.

Karl MacVitty, who has been in South America resting up, is expected home next week.

E. Louis Goldberg, manager of the American theatre, will spend his summer vacation in California.

John de Loris, the former stage sharpshooting expert, now attached to the Pugh Stores' forces here, is going to write a book on rifle and revolver shooting.

Clara Howard had her wardrobe trunk damaged while in transit from Cleveland to Cincinnati and has filed a claim against the Big Four for damages.

Harry Weber hobnobbed with local friends during the week end. H. W. thinks no more of the run out here from New York and back than walking across Broadway.

CORRESPONDENCE

Unless otherwise noted, the following reports are for the current week

Mabel Lane, who was in several New York shows, has gotten a jazz band together and is playing some local vaudeville dates.

Menio Moore will return to the tabloid, producing again next season on a much larger scale.

The Will Singer (manager, Princess) apartment was entered Saturday and all of Will's winter and spring toggery taken. Loss covered by insurance.

"Coops & Leats' Enormous Winter Circus" (the way their billing will read), with Len Williams as general manner, will open its season April 26 in Dixon, Ill.

Joe Miller, former vaudevillian, has gone in for a new vocation. He came into Chicago last week to visit his wife, Elsie Faye, who was at the Majestic.

Charles McCutcheon has been busy getting out the paper for the Robinson Shows, which open shortly. George Moyer, general man-ager, is looking after details.

Leo Forniciari, the theatrical tailor, was giving a boxing exhibition at a benefit for a club at the Hotel LaSalle when he fell in such a manner as to break his right arm.

Jack Burch, manager, McVicker's, who was forced to quit his daily post, owing to illness, has been in West Baden, taking treatment for rheumatism.

"A Daughter of the Sun," by Ralph Ket-tering, is a new play which Rowland & How-ard will produce early in August. It is sched-uled for a tour of the International Circuit.

Kate Arkin, who does the stenographic work

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for the Harry Spingold agency, enjoyed a week's vacation at French Lick, returning to work Monday.

Edward Dutton, now managing Menlo Moore's "Little Miss Up-to-date," not only persuaded his former wife, Ada Schaffer, to join the act, but also remarried her.

Jones, Linick & Schaefer have moved their offices from the Orpheum theatre building to the top floor of the Rialto theatre. The new suite is handsomely furnished.

Ruth McVeigh, said to be in vaudeville, be-gan action for divorce against Thomas Mc-Veigh, also an actor, last week, alleging drunkenness and cruelty.

There was an item recently Frawley, of Frawley and West, would hereafter do a single act, the team having split. It should have read that Gene West is appearing single.

The Grand, St. Louis, closes its regular season the last of June. The Park and Empress, St. Louis, Erber's, East St. Louis, and the Aton, ill., house will remain open all summer, playing Association shows.

Glenn Burt will again book the Northern U. B. O. time next searon and at present has two months' booking lined up. Charles Crowi,

of the same offices, has at least 150 acts already penciled in for the future.

Bertie Ford wishes to refute the statement published some weeks that he was married to Pauline Price while in Australia. Ford and Miss Price were married in Kansas City last year when the Ringling Circus played there.

The Moulin Rouge Gardens at Lawrence and Clark streets, opens next month with. D'Urbano's "Eccentric" Italian Band and so-loists. The billing is perhaps more correct than that given most bands of the kind.

Harry Leischer has left the Garrick box office and is assisting Ernie Young, Chicago's best known theatre ticket broker. Ernie now his visions of iong days of fishing far from the Loop.

Emmett Vogan and wife. Edith Lawrence, left the Western "Four Husbands" company and came into Chicago. Friedlander Inc. will probably shift them to its "Night Clerk," as this company has several changes contemplated.

According to present booking plans for next season, Sam Thail is routing up ten tabloid shows for next season and the first tab to be given a route is Pepple & Greenwald's "All Girl Revue," which opens Aug. 28, on the Duttarfield time. Butterfield time.

Tom Kennedy, of the Dancing Kennedys, attempted to enlist in the navy last week, but was rejected becaus he was 20 pounds under weight. The regulations call for a minimum of 135 pounds for a reruit of his age and height

Jess Freeman has severed connections with the Jos. Sullivan agency and will be asso-ciated with James B. McKowen. The Sullivan agency will continue in Chicago and art as western representative of the W. B. Fried-lander office, which is moving to New York.

Waiter Tenwick, former booking representative for the Butterfield Circuit and who later became a bond salesman for a local firm, is back at his old calling, i. e., working for railroad company. Tenwick is now passenger agent for the Chicago North Shore and Milwaukes Ry. Milwaukee Ry.

Bovle Woolfolk has bought the scenery and electrical apparatum of Zierfeid's "Follies" and will use it in a special Woolfolk show via the United and Association houses. Woolfolk plans a big revue production, using the Ziegfeld outfit, and will have it ready for next

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"Rag Time Rossiter," as the papers call him, or Will Rossiter, noted as a music publisher, became a citizen of the U. S. last week, when he took out his second papers. Mr. Rossiter, who has been here many years, was born in Glen Ellyn, England, in 1807

Will Singer, manager of the Princess, was the victim of second story workers on Sun-day night, the thieves entering his apart-ment and making away with most of his wear-ing apparel and even copping his 'razors. This indicates that the visitors were dark skinned.

Tink Humphrey has bought an Overland car, equipped with everything in the way of auto accessories that is found on three cars put together. Tink obtained the machine form an agency manager who is now handling another make. The machine was sent to Muskegon, where the Humphrey family is summering.

The Stage Hands Union, Local No. 2 of I. T. A. S. E., has exempted all dues and assessments to those members who enlist, but at the same time the enlisting members are to enjoy sick and death benefits, during the duration of war. About twenty have already joined the colors and Dick Greene, the business agent, anounces that a machine gun corps of thirty is waiting the call.

The Chicago Pais opened its new Windy City clubrooms at Monroe and Ciark streets last night (April 26), the opening being in honor of the Pais of the Ringling circus. Bert Kelly's jazz band furnished special music and special vaudeville numbers appeared. The opening arrangements were in charge of J. M. Hathaway, Grand Big Chief Pai, and W. E. Freeman.

The Chicago Musical Festival is attracting considerable attention at the Auditorium this week. With Frederick Stock as director there is a chorus of 850 voices and the Chicago Symphony Orchestra which has been augmented to 150 pieces. Prominent among the soloists are Freida Hempel, Margaret Matzenauer. Mabel Carrison, Ines Barmbour, Administrative Fischer, Margaret Keyes. Susanna Dercum, Lambert Murphy, Reginald Werrenrath and Clarence Whitehill.

Peggy Tracey, who came here with "The Girl in the Gown Shop," was arrested and de-

tained over night by the police. There are varying reports regarding the incident. One is that the girl's parents, who reside in Philadelphia, objected to her stage work and asked the police to send her back home. The other is that the manager of the act caused the trouble after a petty argument. Miss Tracey was released, claiming to be 19 years of age and has joined another girl act, "Ned Nestor and His Sweethearts."

The Colonial will return to vaudeville beginning August 15, the house remaining under the management of Jones, Linick & Schaefer. It will be booked by Frank Q. Dovle and Walter Keefe (Leew), along the same lines as the Riaito and McVicker's shows. The bouse has been running feature films for the past two seasons, but when J., L. & S. took it over, a vaudeville policy was installed. It switched to pictures with "The Birth of a Nation" and is now running "Joan the Woman," the Lasky film to stay several weeks more.

Oliver Morosco, who has sought a theatre here to add to his string, may take over the Studebaker. It has been under the management of Jones, Linick & Schaefer for the past three years, a picture policy bein-held to. But considering the location the firm has not looked uoon the Studebaker with favor in light of the heavy overhead, the annual rental aione being \$44,000. There were several other offers for the house made to J. L. & L., but the coast prefucer is most likely to obtain possession.

The efforts of Harry Ridings, as representative of the Chicago Theatre Managers' Association, to eliminate the pending drastic theatre censorship bills, were crowned with success last week, when after a trip to Springfeld, Mr. Ridings announced that Bill No. 130 was killed in committee. This is the bill that might have brought about serious injury to theatricals in this state. There is another censorship bill still up for consideration, known as Bill No. 129, but it is understood that it has been considerably modified.

There will no longer be any "opposition" in Marion, Ind., a deal having been consummated. The stockholders of the Lyria. In Marion have acquired the controlling interests in the Indiana and the Royal Grand. Regular vaudeville shows will play the Indiana around Labor Day, while the Royal Grand meanwhile will play two acts and pictures. The Lyrie is expected to take up a feature film pelicy.

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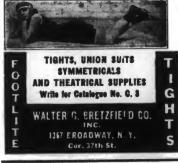
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D. K. Brown, who manages the Galety and Majestic in Kankakee, is the first manager to run foul of the V. M. P. A. since the abatement of the White Rat strike. Brown rented the Galety to the traveling Rat show which Cora Youngblood Corson in heading, Bunday last, and it is understood that he has rented the house to the Rat treupe for the coming Sunday. Eeth houses run a varying policy during the week, with vaudeville Saturday and Sunday, booked out of the W. P. M. A. office. Brown attempted to cancel the seven acts booked into the Majestic and devoted his efforts to the Rat show. From now on he will not be alletwed to book through the association nor U. B. O., and any act playing for him in either heune will be blacklisted. It is understood the Rats paid Brown \$75 for the Galety last Sunday.

The Association floor was the scene of a very happy occasion April 20 when the agenta and bookers gathered around Eddie Shayne and his estimable wife, Mae Worden, and presented them with a magnificent silver service, valued at \$750, Harry Spingold making the presentation in commemoration of the twenty-fifth wedding anniversary of the genial booker. Sixteen years ago Eddie Shayne and Miss Worden (Mrs. Shayne) were appearing in vaudeville, the Shaynes retiring from the stage at that time after a long service as stage entertainers. A dinner for the 12 followed at the Hotel Sherman. Mort H. Singer presenting the Shaynes with a handsome floral remembrance that almost covered the table. A theatre party followed at the Illinois, Raymond Hitchcock extending felicitations to Shayne and Miss Worden across the footlights during the performance of "Betty."

It is reported George Serieant, the Rats'

it is reported George Serjeant, the Rats' deputy in St. Louis, has had such a winter of discontant there and has gotten himself in Dutch with his best friends that he is to pitch his realdence tents in another city. Serjeant went to all extremes in a wild endeavor to bring victory to a hopeless cause in St. Louis, and his methods of handling the recent strike in that city caused much unfavorable comment. Among the men in St. Louis who will have ample cause to remember Serjeant is Mr. Campbell, who operates the Regent Hotel there. Two years ago Campbell housed Serjeant and his family. Serjeant giving Campbell an I. O. U., and since that time never made any attempt to settle. When attachment proceedings tied up the White Rats' funds there in the Day and Night Bank, Serjeant is reported as trying every means to have professionais stop at any hotel but Campbell's. A judgment for \$141 was obtained by Campbell against Serjeant through the W. V. M. A. offices in that city, but so far nothing has been paid to Campbell. Serjeant tried to convey the impression Campbell sued the Rats, instead of himself for a personal debt owed his (Campbell's) hotel by Serjeant.

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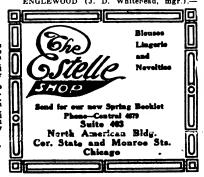
CORT (H. J. Herman, mgr.).—'Good Graclous, Annabelle," 8th week.

CHICAGO.—Dark

COLUMBIA (E. S. Woods, mgr.).—The Star
and Carter Show (burlesque) (Columbia).

COLONIAL (Norman Fields, mgr.).—"Jean
the Woman" (film), 5th week.

ENGLEWOOD (J. D. Whitehead, mgr.).—



"The Pace Makers" (burlesque) (American).
GARRICK (Sam Gerson, mgr.).—"Very
Good Eddie," moved up from Chicago on
Sunday, 6th week.

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HAYMARKET (Art. H. Moeiler, mgr.). "American Belies," stock burlesque.

ILLINOIS (Rolla Timponi, mgr.).—Ray-mond Hitchcock in "Betty," 4th week, con-tinues biggest draw in town.

IMPERIAL (Will Spink, mgr.).—"Birth of Nation," in for two weeks (film).

NATIONAL (John Barrett, mgr.).—"Pretty Baby" (International).

OLYMPIC (George Warren, mgr.).—"The Bird of Paradise," opened Sunday,

POWERS (Harry Powers, mgr.).—"The Boomerang," 24th week.

PRINCESS (Will Singer, agr.).—"The Boomerang," 24th week.

PRINCESS (Will Singer, agr.).—"Pierrot the Prodigai," 2d week, one more to go. Then Faversham in "Getting Married."

STAR AND GARTER (Wm Roche, mgr.).—
Fred Irwi's Big Show (burleague) (Columbia).

COLISEUM.—Ringling Brothers' Circus, 3d week, closes Sunday night.

MAJESTIC (Fred Eberts, mgr.; agent, Orpheum direct).—Too much singling on the Majestic bill. There were some big names on the bill, and some big local favorites at that, but there was no dodging the fact that there was too much of the song-thing. And what seems amazing was the fact that the audience formine als songs to make the song measure bubble over considerably more. Three acts had to carry the comedy, but as the show was one act short, owing to the Mrs. Castle episode, the audience appeared calted the show. This animal turn has been seen hereabouts before, but the presence of a woman in a cage with jungle beasts will ever hold its circusy thrill. Chief Caupolican scalped the audience of its applause and attention. Caupolican has a splendid voice, full of lustre, robustness and tone and heregisters his high notes with ease and expression. He has also brushed up his talk and has some monologistic material that shows his progressiveness. The Chief's act was thoroughly enjoyed and his songs in particular scored substantially. In third position appeared Kathryn Dahl and Charles Gillen in an artistic musical conection that was shoroughly enjoyed and his songs in particular scored substantially. In third position appeared with the assessment of the numbers of carry her along make the estimated of the numbers of carry her along make the songs of caupolican so closely, with the Show and should net return bully shape. Miss Dahl has a h

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The prima donna is a good singer and has a pleasing appearance. Two of the numbers have a regular musical comedy swing and were well liked. The offering could be rearranged for stronger results. Several other acts were on the bill later in the day. Mark. PALACE (Ross Behne, mgr.; agent, Orpheum).—Monday night's house, just a shade under-capacity but nearly-as approachive az usual, laughed liself to satiety, with two of the best comedy acts in vaudwille—the Avon Comedy Four and Imhoff, Conn and Coreene—being about equality guilty of inciting the "rlots." It was about fifty-fifty between the two as regards the amount of laughter produced, but the-quartette pulled down the hit of the show because of the singing finish. Imhoff, Conn and Coreene were on fifth, though programmed third, and gave "Surgeon Louder, U. S. A." (the new act having been shelved last fail). The turn was just as funny to those familiar with it as if it were a new offering, and from 'be moment Rodger Imhoff told the nurse that he "hated foreigners" it was a case of one outburst after another. The Awon bunch started operations after tenthirty with their "Hungarian Rhapsody." Their nonsense is a scream, but the most laughable is the doctor bit in "one," with Joe Smith and Charless Dale operating. They worked a full twenty-five minutes, making a final exit after repeated encores to the corking harmony singing. Directly before them was Jack Norworth, the headliner, who made his first appearance at the Paiace in three years (he was at the Majestic several weeks ago). Norworth delivered the goods in his easy clever fashion. He is a showman of class and because of that will perhaps aways prove of big value in vaudeville. One of the most interesting points of his act was the possible successor to his "Wise Old Ow!" song, it being "We've Got to Put Up With It." The new number is open to any kind of topic and any number of verse, and Jack uses a book as with "Ow!." Another strong semedy turn was Harry Tate's "Fishing" (Jack Tate appearing), which was on

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One woman referred to as "Mahatmah" answers questions, while the other plays numbers on the plano, as "suggested" from the audience. A code is probably used, and if so, it is a good one, for it fooled the house completely. "The Yellow Peril," a dramatic play-let with a story of intrigue, was given by four players, who furnished an interesting fifteen minutes. The action concerns the plot of Japs to blow up American battleships, with the finish finding the intriguers trapped by the secret service, one of whom is a woman. Morris and Beasily supplied one of the brightest turns on the bill, their routine of good-natured kidding along original lines finding a sure target. The girl of the team is good to look at and has a pleasing personality. Another girl of good appearance and also blond was Ethel Thayer Costello, a single who was fairly well liked. She started out with light numbers and used a classical song for a finish. A reversal of the order might win larger results. The Four Takels Japs went over strongly. Different from the average acrobatic turn, three are in position when the curtain raises, two doing a perch hand-balance and the other, foot juggling. Their main trick was the foot barrel juggling by two of them, a stunt that several Jap acts use, but appar-

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ently a novelty in this house, though the men are not as expert as some others. Hip Raymond did the Bert Melrose, failing table trick, He does not follow Bert's routine, however, and finishes with a Russian done step to "oou" that is quite clever. His table trick had the youngsters present in high glee.

On the bill also were the Lucy Lucier Trio and Herbert and Deming.

KEDZIE (Gus Bunge, mgr.; agent, W. V.

M. A.).—The show for the last half last week was not quite up to the average for the house, the reason probably being that there wasn't enough laugh-making comedy. Joseph Byron Telfecs with four others, said to have lately been with Essanay, presented "Some Crooks," which appears to be the second act of a play which Totten wrote and put on about a year ago. As crook playlets go, "Some Crooks" is all right, but not for big time, and it is a

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question as to whether this sort of sketch hasn't iost its novelty. There seemed to be too much repeating of the term "federal stir." which, in underworld lingo, means a government penal institution, and there were other yegg terms with which the audience was not familiar or bad forgotten. "Some Crocks" will probably obtain booking, but in Mr. Totten quitting the Chicago cast of "Turn to the Right" (in which he aiso played a crock character, of the reformed type) to dabble in vaudeville, he must have had good reason, for it is understood that that show will retain its cast for a formed that that show will retain its cast for a formed that the show will retain its cast for a Holland Romance." This is a sort of one-act operetta, with the quartette numbers being best. However, the rendition of Pruette's former favorite, "I want What I want, When I want it" was good, though the dishes were considerably disturbed by the table pounding. Morris and Campbell were well liked on next to closing, the man getting a fair number of laughs and the woman's nice appearance helping. Bill Beard monologed on number two, his stories catching on rather well. The Haikings, with a novelty in shadowsraph work, did very well opening the bill, getting a hand with the finish stunt which showed a warship in action against a land battery, the ship finally going down after being bombed by an aeroplane. No act approached the hit class on Thursday night.

ACADEMY (Joe Pilgrim, mgr.; agent, W. V. M. A.).—An excellent bill for this house was offered last week, last half. Of the six acts, however, the majority were not new, but have not appeared in the city for some time. A bit fell to Fisk and Fallen, who have been in the East for the past thirty-five weeks. The woman of the team has a corking voice and the Academy is more appreciative of good singing than anything else. "In Poppyland," a new girl act, ran twenty-eight minutes, and can well stand cutting. There are four principals, three seemed to be no class to the bunch. In two costume arrange

known as the Dancing Davy, went over very big. Dave is doing the same stunt as Joe Whitebead, asking the house for the kind of dance wanted, then doing same. Dave, who has wavy hair, works hard and should be very good for pop time. That he is doing a copy is true, but since George White has also pulled the same stunt (as an encore number) it may



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be that there is no especial originality claimed for it. Degnon and Clifton, lately returned from Australia, presented their neat acrobatic novelty. "Taking Things Easy," in the last position. With some talk added at the start, this is the same act as done by the former team of Hanlon and Clifton, the two partners having split and both apparently doing it now. The house thought that some sort of quiet sketch was on at first and some walked out. But after the acrobatics began, the men commanded strict attention. Talford and Besslo, two girls (one a plump rascal) dressed as street urchins, did well because of their good volces and pleasing harmony. They should not find it hard to obtain booking. Bot Sterling & Co. did fairly with imitations and a plano finish.

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WINDSOR (D. L. Swartz, mgr.; agent, W. V. M. A.).—The house varied its policy for the last half last week to put on a tabloid for a change. It was one of Boyle Woolfolk's miniature musical comedy companies, which, with Guy Voyer featured, presented "It's Up to You, John Henry." This is a condensed version of the same plece written by Go. V. Hobart, with lyrics by Lew Sawn and music

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AYENCE Clauds Weinberg, myr.; exent. W. V. M. A.).—The show the last half gave corking satisfaction and each act was enthusiastically received. It seems a positive fact that, not withstanding the daily ballyhoo work for soldier and sailor boy recruits and the ex-

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the earmarks to land her at the very top. Chief Little Elk and Co. surprised the south siders. The act carries a lot of scenery showing a mountain spot with its nature-picturesqueness and from the start it held attention. Chief Elk and the two women satisting him in the turn pleased mostly with their singing. Act proved a novelty at this house. Bush and Shapiro were a large-sized hit all the way. The show closed with Mrs. Eva Fay giving her mindreading performance and it not only held them deeply interested but was good for intermittent laughter.

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Ilnes the current week's bill at the Pantages theatre and was well liked by the gathering there. Patricola, the Chicago entertainer, scored handliy with lots to spare, her routine being well selected for this section, and her personality and style of delivery carrying her over nicely. Billy "Swede" Hall and Co. was a laughing hi from beginning to end. Tabor and Green were fully appreciated. Bamayoa opened with his spectacular pendialty and scored an impressive hit. The Dillons were well liked.

HIPPODROME—Bailey and Thomas left the bill at the Hip after the initial performance, being replaced by Lockhart and Leddy, who did nicely. Yusney and Ariova passed muster, and Whitney's Operatic Doil proved an enertaining feature. Ernest Dunille scored: the Littlejohns opened the bill, and Argo and Virginia, who completed the program, scored the applause bit of the outfit. PRINCESS.—A bill above the average generally played here was accorded a hearty welcome last week, and upheld the recent increased strength of the Bert Levey programs; aiso the business. Georgette Charters opened, displaying a single far superior to any here

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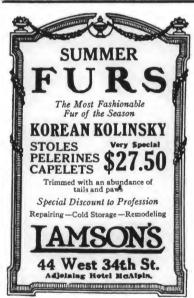
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"Fagan's Decision" seems to be as enduring as the early English classics, and, like those notable works, age has increased its appeal. Unlike most classics, however, "Fagan's Decision" has always been played by the same actors, and these players are as much responsible for the success of this playlet as is the story and the dialogue

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Winkle" or Edwin Booth for "Hamle."
They have preduced other abstiches, and good ones, too, but none that could transplant "Pagan's Decision," in public popularity. The story of the exfeatherweight pugilist, the orphan, and by no means least important, the doy Spareribs, is a tear and a smile squeezed together so tightly that it is difficult to tell which is which, but the fact nevertheless exists that both are these

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in some time, and though delegated to the opening spot, nevertheless departed under a shower of hearty appreciation. Miss Charters does a pleasing "drunk" bit, but appears to overdo it to a certain extent. Her whistling finish made everything sure-fire and consequently started the show exceedingly fast. However, it was slowed up considerably through the following turn, Jack and Marie

Gray, in an irregular routine of work. The turn never does attain a proper running stride. An estirely reframed act may gain them some position, but it seems to be an impossibility with their present ides. Dan Kelly, assisted by a young woman, presented his ideal pop Irish sketch, that seemingly looks impossible to be played anywhere else than this time to any certain degree of success. Young and King closed the show in pleasing style, lingering a bit too long and causing the audience to become uneasy towards the finale. These colored boys open with some talk that don't amount to very much, but later gain a hold through singing and dancing. It is mostly due to the much abused idea of each working a side of the bouse for his own individual applause, for the dance supposedly done for the separate sections. A cut in that would prove of value, although the idea itself night be dropped if they ever intend playing better time. They also offered a number during which they spelied "Columbia," something that is impossible to fail them anywhere, and undoubtedly the best applause-asking thing they could dig up at this time.

CORT (Homer F. Curren, mgr.).—"Joan

CORT (Homer F. Curren, mgr.).—"Joan the Woman" (3d week).
COLUMBIA (Gottlob & Marx, mgrs.).—
CYril Maude in "Grumpy" (1st week).
ALCAZAR (Belasco & Mayer, mgrs.).—
Kolb & Dill, "High Cost of Loving" (the week).

week).

CASINO (Robert Drady, mgr.; agent, Ackerman & Harris, W. V. M. A.).—Vaudeville.

WIGWAM (Jos. F. Bauer, mgr.).—Del
Lawrence Stock Co. (3d week).

PRINCESS (Bert Levey, lessee and mgr.; agent, Bert Levey).—Vaudeville.

MAJESTIC (Ben Muller, mgr.).—Jim Post
Stock Co. (13th week).

Owing to a litigation over his father's estate, A. L. Alisky was suddenly called to Portland to settle was surfacences which will also necessitate him remaining there indefinitely. He has abandoned his Hawalian Comedy Co. meanwhile, the principals accepting an offer for a permanent stock in Alaska to play six-week stands in four towns. The or-

ganization will be known as the Kingston Ebner Comedy Players, and those engaged are Mindel Kingston, George Ebner, Earl Caldwell, Al. Hallet, Robert McGreer, Beesle Hill, Ethel Howe and Marjorie Shaw. The company will present high-class recognized comedy successes.

Previous to the opening of the stock bur-lesque at the Savoy, "The Unborn Child" will be shown for a short run, closing Friday night, to give the new venture a Baturday night opening. Frank Livingston arrived from Chicago and is now recruiting people to fuifili a large number of minor parts in the east.

Before returning from his eastern trip John McCormick, associated with Soi Lesser, disposed of the entire state's rights of "The Ne'er Do Well."

The "Fifty-Fifty" partners have again changed posts, with Francis Patrick Shanley looking after the affairs of the southern leacation and J. C. Furness returning to the Frisco stand. E. L. Bucchier has been added to the staff, and will probably leave for a short stay in Portland.

The female employers along "Film Row" gave a private dance last week at Photoplay Hall, the hall and a number of features being denated by the different exchanges.

Contrary to the announcement made public following the closing of the Barnes Circus on the old circus lot that it was the last show to play there, it was made known starting May 5 and running for nine days, a tremendous celebration with a spectacular electrical production will hold forth, to be known as "Along El Camino Real," under the auspices of the Knights of Pythias. It is understood at least 500 performers will take part, besides other circus features that will be shown during the huge pantomime.

Charged with passing worthless checks, Billie Wilson returned here last week in cus-tody of Detective Frank Lord, to face a Grand Jury indictment brought about through

passing checks aggregating a sum of \$1,200, she dialming they were leaved in good faith by figuring her bank in St. Louis still carried her deposit amounting over the sum.

With the sudden closing of the Garrick, it was made known all help engaged in the house were paid with bad checks. The matter is now being lookel into by the authorities. Mr. Comstock was the leases.

Again the local closing date of the Kolb a Dill show at the Alcazar has been postponed, the latest date May 7, after which the steek season will open the following week. The show will then play a few dates throughelt the valley over the Gelsa Circuit, opening their Los Angeles engagement at the Majestic, May 21.

The Foley and Burke Carnival Co. opened its season May 19, playing throughout the northern section of California.

Billy Connors is heading a troupe under the title "U. S. Beauties" in Texas.

Walter Pughe will shortly start an Hawaiian organization in California.

Bariy plans called for the sailing of Cyril Maude immediately after concluding his engagement at the Columbia, but instead he has accepted a week's route in the valley on the Gelsa Circuit, whereupon he will leave for Honolulu.

William Fox, accompanied Harry Leonhardt, arrived from Los Angeles, spending a faw days in town before departing for Sait Lake and Denver (where a mountain trip will be made), then into Chicago and back into New York. Mr. Fox has gained considerable in health since his Coast trip. He had the Lighest praise for this section of the country and its people. While here he was also tendered a spacial invitation by Admiral Benson to visit the Pacific Coast feet, whereupon he returned the favor by showing the sailors "Romeo and Juliet" and "The Tale of Two Cities."

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John Considine has gone to Chicago.

An announcement will, in all probability, be made soon by Ackerman & Harris of a new house they intend building in the downtown section, calling for a seating capacity of 2,200.

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BALTIMORE. By FRANCIS D. O'TOOLIE,

MARTIAND (F. C. Schaberger, mgr.).—
"Petticoats," one of the best of sketches presented here this season, headlines and is well received. "Peacock Alley," with its clever staging and cast, goes better, though it has not such prominent billing. Music on the bill is given by Emma Stephens, a soprano, with

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good songs; Margaret Young In character songs; and Jack Wyatt and his company, who are also good dancers. The Four Readings have a good gymnastic turn; Raymond and O'Connor sing and dance, and Cole, Russell and Dayls in 'a comedy offering. ACADEMY (H. Henkil, mgr.).—"Treasure Island," adapted from the noval of Stevenson by the aame name. Hallett Thompson and Ruth Vivian have the most important of the roles and prove 'hemselves capable. FORD'S (C. E. Ford, mgr.).—"The Blue Paradise," to a large and appreciative audience. The company is not the original by far, but it is good and handle the songs effectively. AUDITORIUM ('Joan the Woman' film, indefinite stay, and if the opening predicts anything it will be long and prosperous. LOEW'S (C. McDermitt, mgr.).—"The Saint and the Sinner," gripping playlet, heads the bill. Brown and Barrows have a skit that makes a bit. The Six Harvards, musical. Willa Holt Wakefield, sing: Raymo and Hoyt have a clever dialog; and Claire and Atwood have acrobatic turn. GARDEN (Geo. Schneider, mgr.).—"Mother Goose" headlines and is well presented. Dixon and Dixon have tumbling act. Adele sings and does acrobatic dances. Clinton and Rooney. BOSTON.

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KEITH'S (Robert G. Larsen, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—One of the best balanced bills of the season with the "America First" feature preparedness production closing the bill with a crashing punch, although it would fail flat under normal national conditions. Even the old stereopticon sides showing Washington crossing the Delaware and the portrait of Admiral Dewey knocked them cold. Valmont and Reynen in their eperatic specialty, "The

Angelus," opened the show under difficultica, but their number runs so long that the house was practically seated before the concluding number. Young and Waldron went fair with an act that could be toned up by expanding the comedy dancing. The Corner Store, "as low brow a comedy act as could be devised, proved a knockout. Billy Gould, the monologist, was its bad form, tripping up on several stories that should not have been new to him. Rae Eleanor Ball went better with her violin number than ever before. The Seven Bracks in their acrobatic rapid-fire act were way up on the bill and received the best hand accorded a number of this nature here this season. Fay, Two Coleys and Fay scored decisively, although the act has high spots that make the remainder of their stuff seem slow in comparison. The last "Patria" instaiment, with its long battle scenes, fitted in well with the "America First" preparedness spectacle.

BIJOU (Raiph Gilman, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Pictures. Fair.
BOSTON (Charles Harris, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Vaudeville and pictures. Excellent business. Big bill at small prices.

BOWDOIN (Al Somerbee, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Pop and pictures. Big gross.

ST. JAMES (Joseph Brennan, mgr.; agent, Loew).—Pop. Good.

GLOBE (Frank Meagher, mgr; agent, Loew).—Pop. Excellent.

SCOLLAY OLYMPIA (Frank Hookallo, mgr.).—Pop and pictures. Big. GORDON'S OLYMPIA (Frank Hookallo, mgr.).—Pop and pictures. Good.

GRPHEUM (Victor J. Morris, mgr.); agent, Loew).—Pop. Excellent.

MAJESTIC (E. D. Smith, mgr.).—The Dily Siers in "His Bridal Night, mgr.).—Thr week of "The Woman Thou Gavest Me." Since lis premiere here, the show has been cut and speeded up effectively, and may isst out the season. The Antarctic lee scene is proving a feature.

PLYMOUTH (E. D. Smith, mgr.).—The Dolly Sisters in "His Bridal Night", going along nicely.

PARK SQUARE (Fred E. Wright, mgr.).—"Fair and Warmer" will probably run well into the summer here, and the Selwyns expect it will hang up more than one record.

COLONIAL (Charles J. Rich, mgr.).—

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BUFFALO.

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TECK (John Oishel, mgr.).—Second week of m "A Daughter of the Gods," holding up film "A Daughter of the Gods," holding up nicely. STAR (P. C. Cornell, mgr.).—David War-field in the "Music Master." Next, "Joan the

GAYETY (Richard Patten, mgr.).—"Burlesque Review." Coming, "Bowery Burtequers."

GARDEN (Wm. Graham, mgr.).—House stock offering "American Girle"; doing nicely. SHEA'S (Henry Carr, mgr.).—Well assembled bill with Florence and Frank Moore headline. Emailma Trio, open well: Maieta Bonconi, pleasing: Frank Milton and DeLong Sisters, well applauded; Harry Holman and Celever comedy playlet; the Dooleys. do well: George Rosener, good; Bix Water Lilies, very good: "Patria."

LYRIC (C. Lou Snyder, mgr.).—Kittles Band, topping, well featured; Harry Mason, local boy, well applauded: Bob Crawford, clever: Sperry and Rey, good; Billie Mullen, applause: Ward, and Curren, hit; Milla and Moulton, do niesy: pletures.

OLYMPIC (Brade Fowler, mgr.).—"At the Party," juvenile novelty, taking first bonors; Mack and Lee, very good: the Flying Venus, clever: "Love in the Suburbs." cleasy comedy playlet, big hand: Three Robins, please.

ACADEMY (Jules Michael, mgr.).—First half headed by the Novelty Minstreis, well featured; Frank and Pauline, good: Sinfer Pah Co., exceptional; Engan and DeMar, hit; "The Cure." Last half of week bill topped "The Debutantes" and followed by Temple Quartet, Arling and Mack, Martynne and Florence.

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wrecked on the financial rocks when its captain, William Weightman, millionaire sportsman and backer for the Burbank, deserted the crew suddenly and mysteriously, failing to pay certain bills, among them several members of the company. The light opera was scheduled to appear Sunday night, but at the last minute the man who painted the scenery, most important to the production, refused to release the "atmosphere" unless he was compensated in resi money. A check was not forthcoming and so the curtain never went up, Weightman is thought to be at his ranch near Acton, Cal., and efforts are being made to reach him. Money is being refunded at the box office. The Burbank hasn't made money and it is believed the "angel" got tired of "everything going out and nothing coming in."

Sam Goldberg, concessionaire at the Hippedrome, is in New York.

Cyril Maude did a big business with "Grumpy" at the Mason. The actor got con-siderable publicity by addressing several Red Cross benedits.

Manager Barton, of the Cyril Maude com-pany, will quit the company in San Francisco next week. He refused to go to Australia with the star. Other members of the com-pany, who declined to go abrend, are being replaced.

The Oliver Moroscos will go to their summer home at Playa del Rey immediately upon the manager's return from the East.

Frank Elliott, the English actor, entertained a party of friends at his bungalow this week.

The local drama reviewers attended the performance of "Rip Van Winkle" at. Del-Marby-the-Sea this week.

R. W. Woodley, who recently retired from the active management of the theater on Broadway that bears his name, will make a motor tour of the State.

Mrs. Beulah B. Srsck, a picture actress, has asked a divorce on the ground that her husband, Charles T. Srsck, deserted.

Max Linder, the film comedian, is critically ill here from the effects of shrapnel wounds sustained at the French front several months ago. He will not be able to resume his picture making for some time. Just after being sent to bod. Linder was presented with a warrant on a charge of speeding. His chauffeur had been arrested and Linder paid a fine of \$10 by proxy.

Norman Whistier, the Hip's stage manager,

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neatly and have confidence. Taylor Gratton
and Co., excellent players in conventional
farcette. Kerr and Berko, personable and perform aptly. Whitfield and Ireland, disseminate bucolle humor in urbaneeque fashion.
Australian Creightons, closed.
TULANE (T. C. Campbell, mgr.).—Dark.
DIAMOND (R. M. Chisolm, mgr.).—Pictures.

res. LAFAYETTE (D. L. Cornelius, mgr.).---ALAMO (Will Gueringer, mgr.).—Jimmie Brown's Revue.

Homer George is handling "Joan, the Wo-maa" during its engagement at the Tulane, the house having been rented for the local presentation of the picture. George is mana-ger of the Atlanta, the K. & E. house at Atlanta.

The Alamo has added a jazz band to its complement of attractions.

The Saenger Amusement Co. is erecting a slide plant here.

Mrs. Allen Morits, wife of the local Fox manager, leaves for her home in New York Saturday:

Anderson's cabaret has Frank Harris as its principal male entertainer.

St. Louis Symphony Orchestra plays here this week.

Carl Goldenberg, manager of the Globe, is handling jazz bands for shipment to other towns.

Alice O'Connor is acting as treasurer at the Orpheum during the illness of Santos Shields.

There will be a flag raising at Spaulsh Fort commemorate its opening and add patriotic

West End Park will offer nothing other than its regular attractions over the summer.

Speculation is rife as to the disposition of the Lafayette at the expiration of the lease of the Saenger Amusement Company, which oc-curs in June. The Saenger people are to

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REITH'S (H. T. Jordan, mgr.).—A splendid bill was supplied this week, but it was unwieldy and did not show its full value at the first performance. There were several waits, due to the heavy setting, but altogether the show was there and with a shift in the make-up of the bill undoubtedly brought the desired results. Saille Fisher, the head-liner, lost none of the honors that go with the position she held. Her sketch, "The Choir Rehearsal," is not only an excellent vehicle for this popular musical comedy star, but it has been given the care of a real production in staging, business and particularly in the selection of the cast. It is doubtful if a better balanced company of capable players has ever been seen on the vaudeville stage and the playlet deserves to be ranked among the few real gems among character sketches in vaudeville. Miss Fisher admirably fits into the role she has been given by Clare Kummer, the author, and scored as big an individual trlumph as did the play itself. It was most pleasing to note the way Sam and Kitty Morton were received in their offering, "Back to Where They Started." Probably it revived memorics of the old days when the neat song-and-dance turns were in vogue and the playlet in the proper of the show and at the finish when they introduced the two child

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of another kind—that of the Four Amaranths, who mix acrobatics with their stepping, closed the vaudeville bill, and the girls did very well without showing anything new. Guinan and Newell gave a nice boost to the early portion of the show with a cleverly introduced horizontal bar act. The boys open with some eccentric dancing and then do a routine of familiar tricks in an attractive chinese setting. So few of these bar acts are seen nowadays that the house seemed really to wonder at the tricks and the act got a big hand. The fifteenth and final episode of "Patria," with Mrs. Vernon Castle, was shown without gettling any nearer to a regular story; in fact, the final episode is the worst of all, and even the liberal display of Old Glory could not win any merit for it.

ALLEGHENY (Joseph Cohen, mgr.).—The thrilling photoplay "Her Temptation," in which Gladys Brockwell is the principal, is strongly featured this week, surrounded by the following vaudeville acts: Boganny Troupe; "The Wedding Party," a musical tabloid; Mahoney & Rogers; Lew Wilson and Albert Roquert & Co.

COLONIAL (H. A. Smith, mgr.).—William D. Friedlander's musical comedy, "The Four Husbands," will headline the bill this week. It is presented with an unusual cast of principals and a strong chorus. Others are Alexander Bros., the Winkle Kiddles, Northlane & Ward, "Everybody's Friend," a comedy sketch, and three moving picture features.

NIXON (F. G. Nixon-Nirdlinger, mgr.).—"The Models Abroad," presented by James B. Carson & Co., headlines this week. Surrounded by the following acts: Jordan Sisters, Ben Smith and others, and motion pictures.

NIXON'S GRAND OPERA HOUSE (W. D. Wegefarth, mgr.).—The Great Jansen and his company of magicians headline this week. Others: Billy K. Wells, Wilmer Walter in "The Late Mr. Van Camp," El Cota, Consul, Decley and Nelson, and motion pictures.

WILLIAI AM PENN (G. W. Taylor, mgr.).—The Stampede Ribers' feature the bill, with the following acts: Howard Chase & Co. in "The Fool Killer"; Four American Beauties; Wesse

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Brooks; Lewis, Belmont and Lewis; the Van
Camps, and motion pictures.

CROSS KEYS (Sabloskey & McGurk, mgrs.).
—Willard's "Temple of Music" headlines the
full week. Others the first half: Bob Carlin;
"Finders-Keepers"; Nieman and Kennedy;
Meyers and White; Regal Trio. Last half:
Brady and Mahoney; "What's the Idea," a
sketch; Morgan and Armstrong; Lottle Lane;
The Rianos, and motion pictures.

ST. PAUL.

ORPHEUM (Martin Beck, gen. mgr.; E. C. Burroughs, res. mgr.).—Adele Blood in "The Mannequin," very good; Nordstrom and Pinkham, fair; Herbert Cilifton, well liked; Hans Hanke, pleases; Witt and Winter, also please; Alaska Duo; Foster Ball; Orpheum travel pictures.

NEW PALACE (Harry Micks, res. mgr.).—Frank Morrell and girls; Charles Prelle's Mintature Circus: Maurice Downey and Co.; Keough Sisters; Guerro and Carmen; Lee Barth; pictures.

HIPPOBROME (Geo. Bovyer, res. mgr.).—"Follies of Rubeville" musical comedy;

Knickerbocker Trio; Carl Statser & Co.; Van and Pearce; Hazel Leona; pletures.

STAR (John Kirk, mgr.).—"Beauty, Youth and Foliy" opened to good house and seemingly pleased well.

Devenort featured.

METROPOLITAN (L. N. Scott, res. mgr.).—Ai H. Wilnog, first 3 nights of week. Week of 30th, Otis Skinner; May 6 to 10, "Passing Show of 1916."

SHUBERT (Frank Priest, res. mgr.).—Shubert Stock Company in "Hit-the-Trail Holliday." Next week, "Common Clay."

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By WALBURT.
TIVOLI.—West Extravaganza Co., in "The Beauty Doctor," to good business. Organization of 30 people, closed last week after month's engagement.

OAK.—Monte Carter Musical Comedy; capacity business. This week company closes engagement of eight months.

ORPHEUM.—Wilkes Players in "On Trial," with revolving stage; Phoebe Hunt and Aicxis Luce in stellar roles.

LYRIC.—Burlesque and vaudeville.

ALHAMBRA.—(Week 16, Orpheum vaudeville). Hermine Shone & Co.; Tate's "Motoring," featured Ashley & Allman, pleased.

Ethel MacDonough, good. Wright & Dietrich, excellent. Billy Kinkaid, fine. Olivotti, Moffet & Ciaire, pleasing. PALACE HIP.—Otto Koerner & Co.. headline. Pictoria Trio, fine. Ryan & Ryan, novelty dancers. Efford's Aerial Act, pleased. Blair & Crystal, rewarded. Greta Von Bergen, good.

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PANTAGES.—Week 16. Phun Fiends, with Jack Hallon & Murray Harris, heads. Chris Richards, hit. Kimiwa Troupe, very good. Decker, farce comedy, excellent. Marconi Bros., prime hit. Knickerbocker Quartet, big. MOORE and METROPOLITAN.—Dark. LIBERTY, COLISEUM, CLEMMER, MISSION, REX, STRAND.—Pictures.

"Daddy Long Legs" and "The Boomerang" are the next road attractions at the Metropolitan.

Phoebe Hunt, leading woman at the Or-pheum for the past wear, has returned from a month's vacation in San Francisco.

The Orpheum will close May 19 for the season. The Moore will house the Orpheum shows, beginning next fail. The Wilkes players moved to the Alhambra May 20 and the house will be renamed the Wilkes Theatre.

W. W. Ely, a former S. & C. manager, has become manager of the Hippodrome, Portland. He succeeds Tom Conlin, who goes to the Em-press, Sacramento.

Eugene Levy, manager of the Grand prior to the big fire, Jan. 20, left for New York. He stopped off at Denver, St. Louis and Chicago

The Willis G. West Co. closes a month's engagement at the Tivoli 14.

Seibert-Lindley Players are filling a stock engagement at the Lyric, Raymond, Wash.

Horace Smythe has accepted a position at the Rex under Manager John Hamrick. Mr. Smythe was formerly connected with the Grand and Pantages.

Alex. Minty, formerly with the Fisher Booking Agency, has joined the army.

Waiter Spencer and Phvilis Gordon, now at the Oak in musical comedy production, will form a vaudeville tram. The Oak closes May 1.

Frank Kelly is preparing to take a musical comedy organization to Alaska this spring.

Marjorie Freer, a 16-year-old usher at the Liberty theatre, has brought suit against Man-ager John Von Herberg for \$100,000 for al-leged misconduct.

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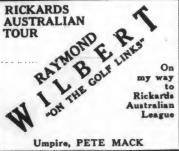
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But on Stunday, when I came back from the course with a bag over my shoulder rull of golf clubs and with the said of a pulmotor I think she will recover.

Well, they are still throwing cold water on her and with the aid of a pulmotor I think she will recover.

In the meantime I have hid the clubs and will bring them out later on—one at a time.

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