

# Arcade Theatre

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**"MARRIAGE OR DEATH"** Pathe  
A story of early life in the west.

**"SEEING DETROIT"** Selig  
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"WELCOME"

## THE OBSERVER

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### TAFT FAVORS PRIMARIES.

Opponents of President Taft in the present campaign are making the claim that they alone favor presidential primaries. The truth is that both sides in the present contest favor the presidential primaries.

President Taft in an address to the Massachusetts legislature on March 18th of this year said:

"Wherever full and fair notice of the election can be given; wherever adequate election safeguards can be thrown around to protect a preferential primary for the presidency; wherever the constitution of the state permits its being made applicable to the present election, I favor it and welcome it."

"I am not going to stop and discuss in detail the question of direct primary elections, their uses and abuses. I think everyone will admit, however, that in order that they may accomplish the good they are intended to accomplish, they should be safeguarded by effective provision as to the party eligibility of voters who participate in them and by penal provisions securing conformity to the rules of such eligibility and the honest casting and counting of the ballots."

### THE PATENT MONOPOLY.

According to the United States supreme court, or rather according to four supreme court justices, the maker of a patented article may require the purchaser to buy all the supplies

necessary for the use of such article from him. This decision, a frank encouragement to use the patent laws for purposes of monopoly, was rendered in a case involving the use of a mimeograph. In this instance the patentee had insisted that the buyer use his particular variety of ink. He was upheld in his position by the ruling.

Comment on this decision throughout the country leaves no doubt as to the generally unfavorable impression it has made. Followed to its logical conclusion it means that the maker of a coal range, for instance, can insist the owner buy coal from him. It opens the path to a monopoly in supplies not in themselves patentable, but likely to be cornered because they are indispensable for the use of a patented device. It is directly at variance with the spirit of the Sherman law and with the public sentiment existing against restraint of trade.

The one ray of hope lies in the fact that the case was not heard before the full bench. Four members of the court have taken this view and because only seven sat in the case they were in the majority. It is notable, however, that such able jurists as Chief Justice White and Associate Justices Hughes and Lamar filed dissenting opinions pointing out in vigorous language the full meaning of the ruling.

That the decision is contrary to sound public policy is apparent even to the justices who handed it down. They say, however, that it is the duty of congress to amend the statute itself and that it is not part of their obligation to consider the consequences of any law which they construe. This is a view of judicial responsibility which the majority of the public will reject. Courts, it is true, must interpret laws as they find them, but they need not, as was done in this case, read into a statute a meaning which its makers certainly never intended it should have.

It has been decided by a Connecticut court that the "turkey trot" dance is a breach of the peace. Connecticut is ready to grasp at anything that will get it into the news column.

Bryan, to date, has not found a presidential candidate that suits him. He may have to take the job himself.

Half a dozen are mentioned to take Dr. Wiley's place. It will take that many.

Captain Amundsen says it will take him two years to complete his book on the discovery of the south pole. Most of the explorers have their books written before they start.

A Cincinnati woman committed suicide because she wanted to go to heaven. Having spent her life in Cincinnati she was clearly entitled to this change.

### This Date in History—April 3

1755—Gen. Simon Kenton, noted western pioneer, born in Fauquier County, Va. Died in Logan County, O., April 29, 1836.

1783—Washington Irving, famous writer, born in New York City. Died in Irvington, N. Y., Nov. 28, 1859.

1798—Mississippi territory organized by act of Congress.

1862—United States senate passed the bill abolishing slavery in the District of Columbia.

1863—The Knights of the Golden Circle were arrested at Reading, Pa.

1865—Richmond and Petersburg occupied by Federal troops.

1872—About 1,600 persons perished in an earthquake at Antioch.

1911—Federal court at Seattle decided against the Government in \$100,000,000 Alaska coal land suits.

### "This is My 51st Birthday"

Reginald De Koven, the composer of a number of the most popular light operas that have been produced in America in late years, was born in Middletown, Conn., April 3, 1861. He received his education principally in

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England. After graduating from Oxford University in 1880 he studied music in Paris, Vienna, Florence and Stuttgart. Upon his return to America he was employed for some years as a musical critic on various New York papers. Mr. De Koven was the founder and conductor of the Washington Symphony Orchestra. Among

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Margaret Anglin, noted Canadian actress, 56 years old today.  
John Burroughs, the famous naturalist, 75 years old today.  
Georges Chenet, French novelist, 64 years old today.  
Marie Delna, grand opera star, 37 years old today.  
Arthur Byron, popular actor, 40 years old today.  
Earl Loreburn, lord high chancellor of England, 66 years old today.  
Andrew J. Peters, representative in Congress of the 11th Massachusetts district, 40 years old today.  
Atterson W. Rucker, representative in Congress of the first Colorado dis-

trict, 65 years old today.  
Darius Miller, president of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad, 63 years old today.  
**Titanic Soon to Take Maiden Trip**  
London, April 3—The gigantic new steamship Titanic of the White Star Line arrived today at Southampton from the yards of her builders at Belfast. She is to be made ready for her maiden trip across the Atlantic, the start of which is scheduled for Wednesday of next week. The Titanic is a sister ship to the Olympic. She is

860 feet long and has a displacement of 60,000 tons. The traveling list on the big ship will have 600 names on its first class roll, in addition to 500 second class and 2,000 third cabin passengers. To this will be added a crew of 800, making a total floating population of nearly 4,000.  
Steinfeldt or Smith will play third base for the St. Louis Cardinals in case Mike Mowery fails to report. Mike is holding out for more coin.

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