

HALLOWAYS GET SPECIAL TRAIN

ENGAGEMENT IS FILLED IN FACE OF DIFFICULTIES.

Noted Musical Company Will Entertain La Grande People Tonight.

Missing connections at Dayton, Washington, because of the washouts along the railroad, and arriving in this city yesterday morning too late to catch the branch line passenger out of here for Enterprise where they were booked for a concert last night, the Holloway Concert company chartered a special train which left here at 4:30 yesterday afternoon, landing them in the Wallowa town in ample time for the concert and thus preventing a disappointment that would otherwise have been the share of the Enterprise music lovers, who turned out en masse to hear the talented musicians.

The company will return to this city this evening for their concert here to night under the auspices of the local Elk's lodge in the commodious lodge room. The Holloways are too well known among music lovers in this city to need any further recommendation, and their return engagement has been looked forward to with pleasant anticipation. Dancing will follow the musical concert.

PECULIARITIES OF WAR.

London, Jan. 20.—(By mail to New York)—That two nurses of American nationality but of German sympathies, serving with the British army in France, have been detected acting as spies and "effectually dealt with," is the assertion made today by the Nursing Mirror.

"There have been persistent rumors of female spies masquerading as nurses both abroad and at home," says the journal, "but we have been slow to believe them. Unfortunately, evi-

decne of a convincing character has been placed before us.

"Lord Kitchner, it appears, was afraid that the reports were not groundless, and earlier in the war, when he was at Southampton, he discovered that there was a leakage of news going on and made inquiries, with the result that four women were found to be culprits.

"Two of these were nurses, and they were at once requested to go inland, not because they were suspected of wilfully giving information to the enemy, but because they had been lacking in discretion.

"On the other side of the channel, matters have been more serious. Two nurses were proved to have acted as spies.

"They were, of course, effectually dealt with, and it is good to know that they were not of English nationality, but Americans with German sympathies.

"Still, the incident proves the urgent importance of no nurses or woman being allowed to enter homes of foreign hospitals whose attendants have not been subjected to the most careful investigation by a responsible official."

"What's it like in the trenches?" said a wounded non-commissioned officer, recovering in a London hospital. "It's awful—up to the knees in mud and muffers!"

COUNTRY MOUSE AT ARCADE

POLITICAL PLAY BRISTLING WITH COMEDY SHOWN

Movie Fans are Promised a Real Treat in Pictures Tonight.

"A Country Mouse" is coming to the Arcade tonight and tomorrow night, and movie fans who attend are promised a treat worth while. The film play depicts a story of politics, which, while it contains plenty of the serious, also bristles with enough comedy to harmonize the interest. It is a corking good reel and comes to the Arcade with a record run behind it from previous exhibits.—Adv.

EXTRA SESSION NOT WANTED

PRESIDENT AND CONGRESSMEN OPPOSED TO SUMMER WORK.

Senate Sits up Nights Trying to Dispose of Business at Hand.

By EDWARD DAMON BALDWIN. Washington, D. C., Feb. 5.—(Special Correspondence).—"If congress has an extra session it will be over my dead body", is a statement which President Wilson recently made in private conversation it is said. Whether America's most noted grandpa meant that he would fight to the last against an extra session or that his health was in such a condition that a summer session would kill him is a subject for speculation.

Congressman Jim Mann, Republican floor leader and Gaffly in waiting for the democrats at all hours, is reported to have said that if there is an extra session called this spring that he will see to it that his congressional colleagues enjoy the torridity of Washington during the whole old summer time. There isn't a member of congress big or little, lean or fat, important or inconsequential that looks forward with pleasure to aforesaid torridity and so they look miserable whenever anyone says extra session.

Today there is gossip floating around that the president wants an extra session for the political effect on the country. Two days ago the best estimates was that the extra session would not be called before September anyway. And so it goes. Nobody can prophesy with any degree of certainty.

The senate is sitting up nights over the Shipping Purchase bill—with fourteen big appropriation supply bills lying lonesome like on the senate calendar—and automatic adjournment of the 63rd congress only twenty-eight legislative days away.

Republicans generally look forward with glee to an extra session from a purely party standpoint—temporarily forgetting said aforesaid torrid sticky summer heat. They say that the more time the Democrats have to make mistakes is the better chance for G. O. P. success in 1916; that democrats always make a certain number of political blunders in a given amount of time; that the number of blunders is only limited by the time they are in action. Hence if congress runs along several months longer they will bury the democratic mule beneath a mountain of political errors. And the funny part of it is that prominent democrats here admit that this is so; that there isn't a ghost of a show for the democrats in 1916 and they are going to wallow well in the political trough while the "wallerer" is good.

Republican Standard Bearers. All of which swings one's mind round to the question "Who will be the G. O. P. elephants mahmout in the

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Kalends of November 1916?" I have heard lots of Borah talk the last few weeks. Geography won't cut any figure next time it is said nothing can stop the republican landslide that is coming. There was a banquet given a night or two since by the Ohio Society here. Among the guests of honor were Senators Burton of Ohio and Senator Borah of Idaho and former Senator Bailey, of Texas. The latter is a democrat but in a speech he said that the next president of the United States was on the platform and pointed to Borah and Burton. Both of these big brainy men are rated as of presidential calibre and are being talked about more and more each day in connection with the republican nomination.

Who Found the North Pole. Observers of Congress in action or congress in inaction to be more accurate maintain that the national law-making body can do less in more time than any other body of men on earth. They fritter away more time on little nonessentials and let the big things wait. For instance while the whole country west of the Mississippi is anxious for rural credit legislation is congress considering it. No. But there is a committee which is giving audience to Dr. Cook—and holding hearings and listening to testimony to determine who discovered the north pole. Cook or Peary. Can you beat it?

National Employment Bureau. I heard Secretary of Labor Wilson outline his plans for a national employment bureau in a speech the other night. In fact he said that the department of labor was already taking steps in this direction. Rural mail carriers have been instructed to take the names of persons wanting help, with place and kind of help wanted. Other letter carriers will help and thus as the secretary expressed it the "manless job and the jobless man will be brought together." Already it is said there have been two varieties of selfish objection to the government engaging in this work. First from the labor unions on the ground that it will decrease the scarcity of labor in a particular place and so lower wages. Second from the employers on the ground that it will take away laborers where they are over crowded to where they are needed and so raise wages in the place where the labor market was congested. In spite of these objections there is a good prospect that the work will succeed.

Hope for River and Harbor Bill. There has been some talk the past few days of throwing overboard the River and Harbor Bill because of the threatened deficit in the treasury. Senator Simms' chairman of the senate finance committee and a member of the senate commerce committee denies this however today. The latter committee expects to report the bill to the senate this week. The house bill carried \$34,000,000 including liberal appropriations for Oregon. Simms says the government will have plenty of money when the income and corporation taxes come in; but others shake their heads when this statement is made. I have heard some talk of a bond issue to fill up the depleted national treasury, but few believe that it will be necessary to take to this financial lifeboat.

St. Louis Hears Suffragist. St. Louis, Feb. 5.—Mrs. Pethwick Lawrence, well known for her suffrage work in London, is here today to address a mass meeting of St. Louis suffragists. Mme. Rosina Schwinker, of Budapest will occupy the same stage, speaking on "War and Women."

Washington, Feb. 5.—Associate Justice Mahlon Pitney of the Supreme Court, former chancellor of the New Jersey Supreme Court, today celebrated his 57th birthday anniversary.

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