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Uncle Sam Much Worried Over Birds

Advises Individuals and Park Officials How Best to Help Wild Birds Winter the Deep Snow.

In order that birds may be helped safely through the present winter when snow will cover many of their usual sources of food, the Bureau of the Biological Survey of the U. S. Department of Agriculture at Washington is urging city park officials and private individuals to make bird feeding an activity.

Letters have been sent to the officials of parks and to individuals in the northern parts of the United States pointing out the value of birds to the community because of their destruction of insects injurious to trees and crops; and calling attention to Farmers' Bulletins 621, relating to the Northeastern, and 760, relating to the Northwestern States, issued by the Department, which offer practical suggestions for attracting and feeding birds. The furnishing of facilities for feeding the birds in the city parks, it is pointed out, will give enjoyment to many people, especially bird lovers.

The letter continues: "Winter feeding may be done in the simplest ways, as by putting up suet in small cans, in cocoonets, or under wire netting, and by scattering mixed seeds on bare places; or more elaborate apparatus and more varied foods may be used.

"By means of feeding places you can bring to convenient observation points several species of the most attractive, interesting, and valuable birds. Such feeding stations are of great interest to children and give the boys and girls a chance to learn birds while they are having the enjoyment of feeding them.

"We are aware that park officials in various cities have already taken up bird feeding and that the movement has proved popular."

ARCADE

"THE EYE OF THE NIGHT" A HEART INTEREST STORY

W. H. Thompson Plays Lighthouse Keeper in New Triangle Play.

William H. Thompson, the veteran player who already has made three distinct appearances in Triangle plays, will be seen again for one day only, however, Thursday, at the Arcade, when he is presented by Thomas H. Ince as the star of a heart interest drama from the pen of C. Gardner Sullivan, entitled "The Eye of the Night." In this production Thompson plays the part of an aged keeper of a lighthouse in a small village on the coast of England, and his characterization is said to be one of the most impressive of its kind ever seen on the screen.

"The Eye of the Night" narrates the simple story of a slavey's misdoing, of her struggle for existence among the narrow-minded bigots in the town and of her ultimate discovery that the old keeper of the light—the only mortal who forgives her sin and receives her into his care—is her father. It is made powerful by the pathos of its situations and is agreeably relieved by the intermittent touches of quaint comedy. One of the valuable assets of the play is the surpassing beauty of its scenes.

Among the more vivid scenes of the piece are those which show a fierce aerial attack on the village, the war being an important incident in the plot.

The Observer would like to get a live correspondent in every town in this vicinity. If you don't see your town represented in The Observer news columns write in for the job of correspondent.

the same.

While here Mr. Bingham stated that he is trying to get a road built to Magoon Lake from the Prairie City-Long Creek road and believed that he would be successful. This road would be only two miles long and easily constructed.

A number of people have claimed that should the lake be made so easy of access, it would spoil the fishing. Mr. Bingham has different views on the subject. He wants to make it easy to get to the lake and then put in ten times as many fish each year as has been planted in the past, and in this manner the lakes and streams of the county can be made of value, in that the tourists will come here for the fishing. Both Magoon and Strawberry Lakes could support a great many fish and the state department is glad to furnish them.

Both the forest supervisors are enthusiastic boosters for the highway, and will do all in their power to assist and promote it. Government aid should be forthcoming in this matter, and it is possible that the forest supervisors may greatly assist the local organizations in getting it.

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Forest Supervisors Meet.

Prairie City, Dec. 20.—(Special)—Cy. J. Bingham, of John Day, supervisor of the Malheur National Forest, and Mr. Evans, of Baker, supervisor of the Whitman National Forest, met here last Friday evening to discuss matters pertaining to the two forests, and to dispose of business in which they were both interested. They have many problems in common and the policies of both the forests should be

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SHERRY'S

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When millionaire Elihu Bennett's daughter Ruth insisted upon taking a course in business college the fond parent made no objection, but when the girl wanted to take a position in his office as stenographer, the old gentleman balked. Rather self-willed, the girl determined to some day become a regular "sure enough" stenographer. Her chance came when her father hired a girl to go to the red

wood forests of California to work in his office there. Ruth played a trick on her father, bribed the girl who was regularly employed to surrender her credentials, and when Miss Bennett, under the other girl's name, took the job, events in Hume, Cal., started to move swiftly.

Bennett was one of a syndicate of millionaires who wanted to corral the standing timber and pay the squatters practically nothing for their interests. Ferdinand Stocker represented Bennett, and as Stocker's stenographer, Ruth learned that there was a game of "double crossing" that applied both to the squatters and the timber monopolists that worked both

ways to the benefit of Stocker's private purse. Miss Bennett likewise discovered that Jerry Simpson, a young man who spent his leisure studying law that he might better fit himself to defend his father and neighbors against the inroads of the "timber ring," was not alone a clever chap but an extremely manly and upright person, worthy of regard, and certainly attractive in his many personal characteristics.

How Ruth worked out the solution that sent Stocker down the timber "chutes" to his death, and ultimately secured for herself a very fine specimen of mountain manhood as a husband, will be detailed in Bluebird photoplays at the Sherry theatre today and tomorrow, with Myrtle Gonzalez, enacting the role of the heroine and Val Paul, Fred Church, Geo. Hernandez and other clever players supporting her. The scenic glories of the Sierras, the grandeur of the red wood forests of California and the correctness of natural embellishments will be beautifully photographed as settings for the various episodes.



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By H. B. Haisten, Att'y in Fact.