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## HOOVER IS DENIED A HEARING

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The sugar investigators again refused Hoover's request for an immediate hearing. He said he was going to New York.

Senator Reed replied, the committee would hear Hoover when he returned.

Herbert Bienerstok, New York provision broker, said Louis Strauss, Hoover's secretary, threatened to "stump roll" A. H. Lambern, sugar broker, if he isn't careful.

Earl D. Babst, sugar trust head, said all subsidiary sugar refining companies were operated as one company.

## LIEUTENANTS BURON AND WYKANT HERE FOR A FEW MINUTES

Passing through La Grande this morning on a troop train were Lieutenant Ralph Buron of this city and Lieutenant W. Wykant, formerly a sergeant in Co. M, now stationed here. Lieutenant Buron is with the quartermaster's department and Lieutenant Wykant is with the cavalry. They are going from American Lake to somewhere in Florida. Both were cordially greeted by friends at the station.



MARY MACLAREN AS A PLOW WOMAN

## S-T-A-R

Mary MacLaren is as fearless a young woman as any who is playing for the screen today. And it is just as well that she is of a courageous temperament, for she has been called upon to show her nerve in several recent releases. Her latest photoplay is a Butterfly, called, "The Plow Woman," which was written in novel form by Eleanor Gates, and which will be seen at the Star Theatre today and tomorrow. In it Miss MacLaren enacts the role of a pioneer woman, who had to perform all the duties of a primitive farm, in the days of Indian fighting. In order to bring realism to her characterization she learned to guide a plow. A pair of tremendous farm horses was harnessed to the plow, and Mary took the big whip in one hand, the handle of the plow in the other, and placed the reins in the approved fashion around her neck. She was just thinking that the difficulties of plowing had been much exaggerated, when something startled the horses, they sprang forward, Mary lost her footing and the reins, wound tightly around her neck began to tighten ominously. Fortunately her director saw almost immediately what was the matter, the horses were brought to a standstill and the little leading lady was saved from a very uncomfortable situation.

## ARCADE

HIPP ROAD SHOW NO. 16 TOMORROW

The Hippodrome Vaudeville Road Show that comes to the Arcade for the usual Wednesday showing has been pronounced by many managers as the best all around collection of acts seen together.

A Malinbo and Musette, a man and woman, present a novelty character singing and dancing act with acrobatic and toe dancing by the lady as an additional feature. Both are harmony singers with extra good voices; comedy numbers in character as well as ballads furnish a number that is most amusing and entertaining.

Walker and Burrell, known from coast to coast as "The Musical Farmers," offer a musical act that has more than pleased. They use many novelty instruments to play on, many of which comprise useful articles seen around a farm. They play popular ragtime and many old time melodies that bring back happy days.

Boy and Mada Wood are a young, good looking couple endowed with personal magnetism that helps very materially their efforts to entertain and are always successful. They have good singing voices, put over some good comedy talk, but an eccentric dancers they are in a class by themselves.

Bahn and Bohn are a young and athletic couple having trim and graceful figures and introduce many of their original feats which are done by them only. Their act consists of hand to hand and head to head balancing and is one of the most novel acts in vaudeville.

One of the famous Bennett Keystone comedies will be shown, called "The Dangers of a Bride," also the Arcade orchestra will be on hand with some good music.

The matinee will be given at 2:15 with two complete shows at night, starting at 7:15.

Leather hand bags and purses, the very latest things in ladies' strap purses, hand bags and card cases. Beautiful leather finishing, suitable for Christmas presents, at Silverthorn's Family Drug Store. d12-19-17

Good to Have in the House. Coughs, colds, croup and tagrippe are prevalent. Colds promptly checked mean saving of time, money and health. Pneumonia and other serious illness may follow a neglected cold. T. F. Lynch, 100 Spring Ave., DuBois, Pa., writes: "For many years we have kept Foley's Honey and Tar in the house and it has saved many dollars in doctors' bills. It is fine for colds." A child's health is too precious to risk giving imitations or substitutes; insist on Foley's. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

## A Modern Darwin

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Some of our theories about monkeys are all wrong, according to Darwin, modern naturalist, who lives on the island of Guam.

That monkeys are not searching for fleas when examining the fur of one another, but are in quest of little masses of salt-tasting solution that exude from the pores of the skin, is the opinion of Sergeant Robert L. Darwin, a retired member of the United States Marine corps, who is owner of a monkey ranch on the Pacific island.

Darwin does not suggest the raising of monkeys to relieve the salt scarcity, neither does he claim relationship with the author of "Origin of Species."

Pea Growing Advanced. SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 15.—J. R. Shinn, Spokane county farm expert, believes 1918 will see even a larger acreage devoted to pea growing than was used in this year. Mr. Shinn finds farmers optimistic over the outlook. He says the crop for 1917 was worth \$200,000 and this was on land which would have been idle had it not been turned to pea growing. There have been a number of calls for data and instruction on pea growing from communities outside of Spokane county.

Fuel Manager Arrested. SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 18.—Co-operative buying and selling of fuel and food has received a severe jolt through the arrest of F. G. Campbell, manager of the Spokane County Benevolent, Church, Fraternal and Labor organization, on a charge of withholding the books of the company from its officers and stockholders.

Campbell languishes in jail for the want of \$500 bond while officers of the society are endeavoring to straighten out the tangled affairs of the concern. They announce intention of continuing the cooperative selling plan regardless of the outcome of the action against Campbell.

The scheme has attracted much interest in Spokane because of its unique and apparently feasible plan. Something over 500 names have been entered in membership, each person paying \$1 initiation and 25 cents monthly dues.

Coal, wood, flour and feedstuffs were bought in quantities and delivered to members of the organization at prices far under those charged by regular dealers. The society has seen a rapid growth and now that it is in trouble opponents of the plan are declaring that the whole thing is impossible of success, while supporters of the movement are equally

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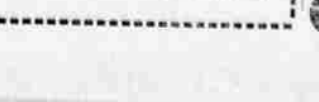
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