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## SHERRY'S

SAVAGES STORM CHATEAU;  
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A most thrilling battle scene is filmed in the last reel of "A Diplomatic Mission," the Vitaphone Blue Ribbon Feature, which will be seen in the Sherry theatre today and tomorrow. A young American has gone to the island of Platina to save platinum mines for the British government at the outbreak of the war. A German is forerun and he incites the natives against the American. A certain night is set for an uprising, in which all but natives and German sympathizers are to be slain. With the American is his sweetheart, Lady Diana. They take refuge with other English and a few servants in an old English chateau, and for two days fight off the natives. Finally the gates are battered in and all seems lost when an American warship appears and one shot sends the natives scurrying. This scene was staged with remarkable realism by Director Jack Conway, who used several hundred extras in the fight.

Paris Williams is the American and he does the work of his career in the big battle and other strenuous situations he is called on to face on the island. Grace Barwood is Lady Diana and others in the cast are Leslie Stuart, Kathleen Kirkham and Gordon Russell.

## ARCADE

WILLIAM S. HART IS HIS OWN DIRECTOR

To play the star role and also direct the picture is a large order, but William S. Hart, does both most excellently in "Shark Menace," his latest Arcaid picture to be produced under the supervision of Thomas H. Ince, which will be shown at the Arcaid theatre Wednesday and Thursday. The stellar role is that of "Shark Menace," the captain of "The Gulf," a sailing schooner, and the story tells how Shark comes to lure a beautiful girl from the coast. How he follows her up the coast. While "The Gulf" is shown here he resumes his position as "Shark" of the North's previous picture and was the star. It is an unusually thrilling picture, richly produced and by an exceptionally brilliant cast of screen players.

Building up an industry While there are plenty of influences to make business difficult to manage, something can be done to help it.

## CANADA U. S. GRANARY

DOMINION TO FEED AMERICA IN 50 YEARS IS THE PREDICTION.

LONDON, Jan. 7.—Canada the granary of the United States! Canada with a population of at least 25,000,000!

These are the predictions of Sir Gilbert Parker for the Canada of 50 years from now.

"Fifty years from now," Parker says, "Canada will feed not only herself, but the United States as well. The United States now has little to spare of agricultural lands. Hundreds of thousands of American farmers have settled in Canada in a few years past.

"Alberta and Saskatchewan are each five times as big as the state of New York. Ontario is larger than the states of Maine, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Florida and Ohio combined.

"Manitoba alone has a greater wheat growing capacity than the whole 45,000,000 acres under cultivation in the United States and Canada has more than 220,000,000 acres of fine agricultural land yet to be settled.

## STATE SCHOOL FUNDS ARE AGAIN AVAILABLE

H. E. Dixon of this city, who is attorney here for the state land board, stated to The Observer today that he had received word that loans can now be secured again by farmers from the state school funds. This fund is public money and the interest from loans made from it is turned over to school work. Any persons wishing to secure further particulars about these loans will be able to get any information they want from Mr. Dixon.

## HOW CRUEL!

He was a well-known novelist and had the misfortune to be betrothed by two charming but overbearing ladies as he was getting into a train. As the train started on its way they carried him in a manner which he much resented.

Presently the train entered a tunnel. The novelist raised his hand in the darkness and administered to it a resounding slap.

When the light returned he bent over to the two ladies who were fully regarding each other, and said, with severity:

"How ladies, the great secret of my life will be that I shall never find out which of you two has kissed me." After that, nothing happened.

## Remarkable Mexican Bird.

A remarkable bird found in Mexico is the "Coccyzoides," which has a trick of ruffling up the feathers on top of its head into the exact semblance of a beautiful flower when a bee comes along to sip honey from the supposed flower. It is supposed to be the bird.

## GERMAN PRINCE GOES INTO AUTO BUSINESS

PARIS, Jan. 7.—The fourth son of William Hohenzollern, the former Prince August William, has taken a situation with a German automobile firm, according to a Berlin dispatch.

Kesho—Umarilla county's 1918 wheat yield was 3,646,433 bushels.

## Cozy Furs and Wraps for Children



Small girls, never too small to enjoy their pretty furs, are hobbing up on the promenade and in the parks, dressed in their new winter clothes. They are anticipating the snow with cozy furs and coats and bright hats and bonnets, destined to make them look like gay winter flowers against a white background, when it flies. Their millinery is colorful and often their coats are in light tones and the shoes of the small try, more often than not, have white uppers with black vamp. Hats, bright blues and the brown and castor colors are much in evidence in millinery and we may promise ourselves a liberal sprinkling of red tones as the winter advances. Selwyn in all his glory may have been arrayed as gorgeously as one of these youngsters, but he never was better suited or happier over it.

## HELP WANTED FOR NEEDY INFLUENZA SUFFERERS

It is the belief that there is a lot of hardship existing in the city in homes where the influenza epidemic has stricken down several members of the family. It is the sincere desire of the able people here to help those who are not able to care for themselves or render proper aid to their sick, but they are handicapped to a great extent by lack of knowledge regarding places in which they might carry on their work of love and mercy.

The local advisory war board has directed its attention to this matter and today issued the following appeal to the captains in the ninety-one divisions into which the city is divided:

## NOTICE TO TEAM CAPTAINS.

All team captains and workers of the La-Grande district of the advisory war board are called to duty in a humanitarian plan to relieve suffering. Each of you is earnestly requested to organize your district at once in such a way that any family stricken with influenza and unable to obtain assistance, may be listed at Red Cross headquarters. This applies to rich and poor alike. There are no nurses available; often people of means as well as poorer folks, are stricken and unable to provide cooked food. The Red Cross will send hot meals to such cases if the facts are reported to headquarters. It becomes the duty in the name of brotherly love of each team captain and district worker to immediately canvas his own district to find where help is needed, and to forward such information to Red Cross headquarters during the day, or Mrs. E. P. Mossman in the evenings. Let no district go uncanvassed or uncared for. Attend to it today—if unable to do it yourself, delegate a neighbor.

G. L. LARISON, Chairman.

## CHIEF RAYBURN GETS PENDLETON'S EXPERIENCE

Chief of Police Rayburn informed The Observer yesterday afternoon that he had taken the trouble of getting hold of the Pendleton police chief on the long distance wire for the purpose of getting a little light on the steps being taken in that city in regard to keeping down the spread of the influenza epidemic. Chief Rayburn, being particularly interested in the work of the Pendleton officials in regard to picture theatres, said he learned that the plan there is to allow only alternate rows to be seated and only every other seat in each row to be filled. This plan, he says, allows only one-fourth of the seating capacity of the houses to be used.

## His Favorite Dish.

A Chinese merchant, being questioned as to his favorite article of food, prefaced his reply by stating that many foreign dishes which we consider appetizing are disgusting to the Chinese. With the way thus prepared, he announced that of all foods he cared most for a stew made of a particular kind of snake, costing from six to eight dollars.

Portland will pay \$9,671,902 taxes in 1919, or \$1,279,909 more than in 1918. Let the people think.

## THE GAME SITUATION

A game law is effective just so far as it has the strength of an awakened sentiment behind it and becomes ineffective when it loses that backing; and just here is a great underlying policy that must, in the future, take a more prominent place in game protective work and must go hand in hand with formulated game laws. It is the constructive work of game protection, says a writer in All Outdoors.

Close seasons have failed in more than one instance to bring back a species of game, the supply of which has reached such a depleted condition that its extinction is threatened. Numerous instances, of course, may be cited.

A five-year close season in New York state has only partly brought back the quail. The fate of the beath hen on Martha's Vineyard is troubling in the balance. Something else is necessary; close observation would seem to indicate that hand in hand with the protective law active warfare against the vermin that preys upon bird life must be carried on.

Something has been done in the past and more must be done in the future along this line. Every sportsman can and should co-operate so that when he is asked for any purpose, he will be keenly alive to the necessity of actual constructive work in game and bird protection and seek opportunities to eliminate in a reasonable manner, the vermin that threatens.

In this way, too, by arousing the interest of the community in the protective law, we will spread abroad a knowledge of the law and its purpose that in the ancient days was achieved by the tablets of stone.

The American Game Protective Association is doing a great deal of good missionary work by heavy co-operation with game commissions. It is up to every individual sportsman to do all that he can to assist in securing adequate protection for our game and a rigid enforcement of all laws, without fear or favor.



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