THE BURLESQUE SHOW

CHARACTER SKETCHES BY A. RUSSELL

THE QUEEN OF THE BURLESQUE STAGE IS GENERALLY A YOUNG THING OF ABOUT 47 SUMMERS, WEIGHING 175 POUNDS OR THEREABOUTS. HER FORMER WAISTLINE IS DISCREETLY COVERED BY HEAVY GOLD FRINGE. SHE OWNS A VOICE THAT CARRIES CLEAR INTO THE NEXT COUNTY AND IN DANCING SHE CARRIES THINGS STILL FARTHER. JUST NOW SHE'S SINGING "I'M WILD BECAUSE I'M LONESOME." SHE WILL CONTINUE TO BE WILD.

EVERY BURLESQUE SHOW CARRIES A BEVY OF DANCERS HAILING FROM THE TROPICAL COUNTRIES SUCH AS SPAIN, ARABIA, EGYPT AND PERSIA. THE YOUNG LADY HERE DEPICTED IS DOING A PERSIAN DANCE. SHE'S MOVING HER HANDS AND ARMS JUST LIKE SNAKES, ALTHOUGH THE NUMEROUS ENCORES SHE GETS ARE NOT ALLTOGETHER DUE TO THE MOVEMENT OF HANDS AND ARMS.
A LITTLE PERSIAN NOW AND THEN IS RELISHED BY TIRED BUSINESS MEN.

THE TRAND MAKE-UP AND THE PROHIBITION JOKE ARE STILL KEPT ALIVE BY INTENSIVE CULTIVATION AND THE END IS NOT YET, BUT, LET US HOPE, IT'S IN SIGHT. THE VARIOUS STATE LEGISLATURES OUGHT TO BUSY THEMSELVES WITH THIS MATTER.

THEN THERE'S THE SPANISH DANCER. SEMORITA WEARS JUST A FEW MORE BEADS THAN THE DANCERS FROM MORE TROPICAL CLIMES, SPAIN BEING A LITTLE FARTHER NORTH. A "AIR OF CASTANETS" AND THE FACT THAT SHE ONCE HAD SPANISH INFLUENZA STILL FURTHER QUALIFY HER.

THE STAGE MANAGER IS KEPT BUSY SUPPLYING THE NECESSARY "CRASHES" WHEN THE SOUBRETTE FALLS DOWN THE STAIRS OR THE CUMEDIAN IS KNOCKED DOWN BY HIS FELLOW ARTIST. A FREQUENT OCCURRENCE ON THE BURLESQUE STAGE. SHOULD A MEMBER OF THE COMPANY BE SICK, HE (THE STAGE MANAGER) FILLS IN. HIS VOICE, WHILE NOT HIGHLY TRAINED, IS STRONG, REMINDING QNE OF THE SOUND OF A FAIRLY ROBUST FOG HORN. HE'S SINGING "WHEN I WAS A WEE LITTLE LADDIE" AND IS GETTING IT OVER.

THE UNDERLYING MOTIF OF THE BURLESQUE CHORUS SEEMS TO BE VARIETY. VARIETY IN AGE, HEIGHT, CIRCUMFERENCE AND GENERAL CAST OF COUNTENANCE. ALSO VARIETY IN THE MANNER OF PERFORMING THE DANCE STEPS, ALTHOUGH THE LATTER, ON THE BURLESQUE STAGE, ARE LARGELY BROUGHT DOWN TO THE SIMPLE PUMP HANDLE MOVEMENT.

LAST BUT NOT LEAST, OUT FROM THE WINGS BOUNCE THE BUND SISTERS, DOTTIE AND BLANCHE, FORMER MEMBERS OF THE RUSSIAN BALLET, SO THE PROGRAM TELLS US. THEY MANAGE TO GET BY ON THE SHIMMY.

THE GENERAL UTILITY MAN OF THE SHOW HAS A NUMBER OF INTERESTING PARTS SUCH AS LIFE GUARD AT THE BEACH, WHERE HE HAS TO KEEP AN EYE ON THE ONE-PIECE BATHING SUITS AND THEIR CONTENTS. IN THE NEXT ACT HE'S THE JANITOR OF A YOUNG LADIES' BOARDING SCHOOL. JUST FROM HE'S FILLING IN [illegible] POLICEMAN AND IS [illegible] AS FOLLOWS: "[illegible] LIKE FACTOREEE, AND THAT'S HOW SHE GOT STUCK ON MEEE."

... A LITTLE BY-PLAY OF THE SHOW COMES WHEN THE CHORUS LADIES, LED BY THE BURLESQUE QUEEN, PICK ON SOME POOR BALDHEADED BOOB IN A BOX, USUALLY SOME VISITING BUYER FROM THE ALFALFA DISTRICT. THE QUEEN DARES HIM TO COME UP ON THE STAGE AND KISS HER AND THE ASSISTANT GOLDDIGGERS ADD TO HIS EMBARRASSMENT TO THE BEST OF THEIR ABILITY. HE WAS OUR HEARTFELT SYMPATHY AND OUGHT TO BE ENTITLED TO HEAVY DAMAGES.

JAIL BREAKER UNDER ARREST

ENTERPRISE, May 22.—A year and a half after he escaped from the Wallowa county jail, Philip Davis was returned behind the bars last Saturday, and is now accused of robbing the home of W. M. Locke on Alder Slope. He was held to the grand jury by Justice A. B. Conway on the new charge, and another case is under investigation.

On the afternoon of Sunday, Oct. 17, 1920, J. P. Sanders, who is in charge of the prisoners in the county jail, went in to get the dishes left by Davis after dinner. Davis adroitly slipped out of the door and slammed it shut behind him leaving the jailor locked up, and the former prisoner slipped away and hid, and was not seen in the county until a few weeks ago. During his absence it is said he served a short term in the Oklahoma penitentiary.

When Sheriff F. D. Rinehart and Deputy H. H. Nottingham were on Joseph creek on the Enfrart case they saw a man who they believed was Davis but they did not arrest him. A few days later he followed them out to the valley. A house on Prairie creek was robbed and later Mr. Locke's home on the Slope. The culprit who entered the Locke house prepared and ate a hearty meal and then ransacked the premises, carrying everything of value he could handle.

Mr. Locke returned to his house to see a man walking across a distant field, whom he suspected when he saw the depredation which had been committed. He telephoned the sheriff's office and Mr. Rinehart drove in his car to the W. R. Stein farm on the river, in the direction of which the man was headed. Davis was apprehended at that place. He had with him, it is said, most of the articles taken from the Locke home. He had removed his own clothing and burned it and had put on a suit of Mr. Locke's.

After he was lodged in the jail Davis became violent and broke up what furniture was in his cell and made such a disturbance that the officials had to confine him.

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CAPITAL

Amount of capital stock paid up $ 300,000.00

INCOME

Net premiums received during the year $1,783,844.28
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year 126,631.82
Income from other sources received during the year 2,864.54
Total income $1,913,340.64

DISBURSEMENTS

Net losses paid during the year $1,267,499.20
Dividends paid to policyholders during the year 30,000.00
Commissions and salaries paid during the year 376,822.68
Taxes, license and fees paid during the year 90,473.37
Amount of all other expenditures 154,388.09
Total expenditures $1,919,183.34

ASSETS

Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value) $2,387,200.00
Loans on mortgages and hypothecated securities (market value) 43,148.71
Cash in banks and on hand 242,232.73
Premiums in course of collection, uncollected and in agents' balances since September 30, 1921 287,498.51
Interest and rents due and accrued, and war premiums not delinquent 30,942.53
Total admitted assets $2,941,027.48

LIABILITIES

Gross unpaid losses for losses incurred $ 375,771.15
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks 1,420,220.66
Due for commissions and brokerage 10,876.87
All other liabilities 29,490.19
Total liabilities except capital stock $1,836,358.87
BUSINESS IN OREGON FOR THE YEAR
Net premiums received during the year $ 20,892.58
Losses paid during the year 11,161.27
Losses incurred during the year 9,755.64
State of Oregon, } ss.
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Clarence E. Allen, being duly sworn, says he is agent for the Star Insurance Company of America, and that the foregoing statement is a true and correct exhibit of the business and condition of said company, to the best of his knowledge and belief.
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GENERAL AGENTS
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