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PROGRAM OF THE MERRY MINSTREL SHOW

Interlocutor
SHERLOCK HOLMES
Ends
EBENEZER WALTON IKE THOMPSON
FATTY ARBUTLER SAMBO LINCOLN
Ends

Overture
Opening Chorus
"Alexander's Back From Dixie
With His Rag Time Band."
BY THE CIRCLE
Novelty
"N Everything"
LINDY LIGHTFOOT AND CHORUS

Chorus
"I Want To Be In Dixie"
BY THE CIRCLE
Vocal Endeavor
"Carry Me Back To Ol' Virginny"
QUARTETTE
Comic Song
It's Nice To Get Up In the Morning"
BY THE CIRCLE

Ballad
"Where the Morning Glories Grow"
AMBELINA SNOW

Novelty
"Good By, Mr. Greenback!"
RASTUS JOHNSON

Lingo Solo
"K-K-Katie"
CLEO WASHINGTON

Vocal Selection
"My Hawaii"
LADIES CHORUS

A Song of the South
"My Caroline"
CAROLINA JACKSON

Finale
"Alexander's Back From Dixie
With His Rag Time Band."
BY THE CIRCLE
Intermission - - - Music
Specialties

Pickinny's Paradise
CLEO WASHINGTON

Buck and Wing Dancing
PETE WENDELING

OLIO

No. 1—Virginia Reel
DIXIE BEAUX AND BELLES
No. 2—Ballad

"In My Little Birch Canoe"
BETTY LINCOLN

No. 3—Character Monologue
SUSANNAH DUSENBERRY

No. 4—Novelty
MONMOUTH DOUBLE QUARTETTE
No. 5—Merry Minstrel Farce

"Mrs. Black's Pink Tea"
Dramatis Personal

("Short" on culture but "long" on mistakes)
Mrs. Black - - - MRS. NANCY BLACKSTONE
Pansy Black - - - - - MAGNOLIA WHITE
Mrs. White - - - - - MRS. MOTLY MOSELY
Mrs. Brown - - - MRS. EBENEZER EVERETT
Mrs. Grey - - MRS. WASHINGTON JENKINS
Mrs. Green - - - - MRS. SALLY COYLE
Mrs. Blue - - - - - MRS. ROSE DUBBS
Mrs. Redd - - - - - MRS. TESSIE GITSON
Saratoga Washington HARRIET HYTOWER
Rochester Lincoln - - - - JIMINA JONES

No. 6—Mandolin Melodies
TREVIR SISTERS

No. 7—Aesthetic Dancing
DAINTY MISS FROM MERRIE ENGLAND
Grand Finale

"My Old Kentucky Home" - - - - Entire Cast
GOOD NIGHT

LETTERS FROM OUR SOLDIERS AND SAILORS

CYRIL V. RICHARDSON IS AN ADMIRER OF FRANCE

(From the LeFranco-Californien.)
Hier est venu dans nos bureaux un jeune soldat américain, Cyril V. Richardson, de la Cie. A du 101^e régiment d'infanterie, actuellement en traitement à l'Hôpital Letterman. Ce militaire qui a été blessé dans l'Argonne avait un bras en écharpe; il tenait à exprimer son admiration pour la France dans notre journal. Nous l'invitâmes alors à s'asseoir à une table et à écrire lui-même ce qu'il voulait publier. C'est ce qu'il voulait publier. C'est ce qu'il fit. Nous nous bornerons à reproduire fidèlement.

"J'ai passé environ un an en France du 11 décembre 1917 au 24 novembre 1918. En janvier 1918, En janvier 1918, j'étais à Ne vers De février à avril 1918, j'ai été stationné à Aix-les-Bains, servant dans le corps de police militaire. En mai, j'étais à Clermont-Ferrand pour être entraîné avant d'aller au front. Quand mon tour de départ arriva, je partis en première ligne. Je me suis battu à Chateau-Thierry, à Saht-Mihiel et dans l'Argonne où j'ai été grièvement blessé le 24 octobre 1918.

"J'ai tenu à exprimer publiquement ma grande admiration pour le peuple français, brave, énergique et rempli de patriotisme. Partout où je suis passé, j'ai été traité par les populations de si charmante façon que jamais je n'oublierai la tendresse que tout le monde a manifestée aux soldats d'Amérique. Je sens que je ne puis résister au désir de retourner en France. Aussi, des que je serai démobilisé, je partirai pour ce charmant pays afin de revoir tous les endroits où j'ai passé de si agréables moments, Aix-les-Bains, Nevers, Clermont-Ferrand. Je veux revoir tous les braves amis que j'ai laissés là-bas, et j'espère pouvoir cette fois m'entretenir avec eux en français, langue dans laquelle je m'efforce, par l'étude, de me perfectionner.

"Je suis convaincu que la nation française a un grand et prospère avenir. Vive la France!"

"Cyril V. Richardson."
Les commentaires seraient inutiles.

HUGH MILLER WRITES OF SANTIAGO DE CUBA

Santiago de Cuba, Jan. 28—Dear Mumsey—We are leaving here today for New York and will stop at San Juan, Porto Rico, en route. I expect about the time you receive this I will be in New York City.

We have had a fairly good time of it here. I have seen some fine places including San Juan Hill. They planted a peace tree there years ago. It is now a great large tree. Sunday they held a fête in memory of Roosevelt and planted another peace tree.

Just beyond San Juan, the U. S. Marines have a post of far size. Still farther out is the beautiful Vista Lelegra park. It is magnificent.

During my stay here I have twice gone to Moro Castle of Santiago. It is a fine old ruin and was at one time a formidable Spanish stronghold. There are still dozens of rusted old cannon about. I took the trip there with some marines by motor boat. There is fine swimming in the bay at that place and there are usually many of the marines there. The weather has been very warm; I

LIBRARY BOARD ELECTS

At a meeting of the Library Board held Wednesday afternoon the following officers were elected: Mrs. Clyde Ecker, president, Mrs. Chas. Calbreath, secretary, A. L. Thomas, treasurer.

The Board now consists of Mrs. J. S. Cooper, Mrs. F. A. Spurr, Mrs. Chas. Calbreath, Mrs. Ecker, H. Hirschberg and A. L. Thomas. A Silver Tea will be given for the Library March 17.

Mrs. Forest Finch was calling on Independence friends this week.

O. A. Macy of Toledo was greeting his many friends here yesterday.

run around with as little on as is decent. In a week, I will be up where the ice is thick.

I wish you might have some of the hordes of fruits here. I've eaten a good ten dozen oranges and can't guess how many bananas while I've been here. I have a fifty cent bunch of bananas here now and four or five dozen oranges. They cost ten cents per dozen and can be had cheaper. When I want a drink of water I crack open a coconut; I never think of eating the meat. Tangerines grow wild all about here; I've seen the ground golden with them in the hills. They say fruit is out of season here, too, at present. Pineapples cost quite a bit now, 15-20; I have bought them on my other trips for five cents.

I wrote you and the youngsters from Cienfuegos; you will have received that letter by this time. If I am lucky I will get mail in New York.

There is a persistent rumor that the U. S. is turning these ships back. If that is the case I may be transferred when we get back. No telling where I will go but because of my commercial experience it would very likely be another merchant ship. Every radio man I speak to has been turned down on a request for a discharge. Before they discharge a man of any class they insist he furnish evidence that he has a job awaiting him. I think I could do that all O. K. Many of the seamen and fireman branch are being released. I guess you will have two of your men home at any rate within a few months.

I could get a furlough I think but I'm afraid it would jeopardize my chance for early release. You see, I rate thirty days leave each year and I've never had a single bit except the usual liberties. I should hate to take thirty days and after the expense of a trip clear across the U. S., return to be discharged. I think I'd better wait and ascertain my fate. If I see no chance for release, I'll do everything I can for a transfer to that coast. I didn't want to be there during the war but it would be fine to get, say Bremerton or even Frisco. The navy has stations at Lenta, Oregon, and Astoria. I think they have a wireless in the Coos Bay country too.

I have written to every one I know I sent Harry a box of cigars and a letter while here; before. Has he ever mentioned them? Cuba hasn't the mail service the U. S. has.

A couple of sub-chasers were in here the other day after a trip from Bremerton. I knew some of the lads. There were several from Portland and two O. A. C. fellows who knew Independence well.

HUGH.

MARVIN RICHARDSON HOSPITAL IN FOR NERVES

On Active Service with American Expeditionary Forces, Jan. 27, 1919.

Dear mother—Will keep you posted as to my whereabouts. Am still in Base Hospital No. 60, and in Ward 4 now. Was pretty sick for awhile but am on the road to recovery now. I was so nervous I could not sit still and my nights were nightmares. Am still a little nervous but my nights are far better. I think I will be back in the U. S. in the old Navy again before long. 'Spose they will give me a billet aboard ship on the East coast. Have heard that Cyril is alive and well. When I move from here will let you know. No news. We had some snow last night, two inches.

MARVIN.

It is now Captain J. S. Cooper Jr., he having cabled the news of his promotion.

Ensign Marion Butler was an arrival the first of the week on a few days furlough.

NEW CHIEF OF POLICE

Frank O. Parker, who has the honor of being the only Spanish-American war veteran living in Independence who was in the service in the World War, has been appointed Chief of Police, a position he held once before with a satisfactory record. He will begin his duties on March 1.

The great emotional actress, Emily Stevens comes to the Isis on Wednesday, March 5 in "Destiny" or "The Soul of a Woman." This is a sublime story of five wonderful acts that are up to the minute in interest.

H. Hirschberg entertained the Crab Club at the P. M. Kirkland home last Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Huff entertained at a six o'clock dinner one night last week. Lieut. Ralf Floyd, Miss Genevieve Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Walker.

Mrs. J. H. Burton and Miss Florence Burton were hostesses to the Autowins last Thursday evening. The 500 enthusiasts enjoyed several games together with music and an elaborate luncheon.

The Executive Board of the Civic Club met at the library Wednesday afternoon and transacted important business. It was decided to have a Club Rally March 19 at the J. S. Cooper home. A pleasant afternoon will be provided for all those attending.

The Merrimakers spent a delightful afternoon at the suburban home of Miss Irene Williams Thursday. In addition to other pleasures Mrs. A. K. Chase furnished several violin selections and Miss Williams sang a number of pleasing songs. A delectable luncheon closed the afternoon's pleasure.

As a parting compliment to Mrs. Geo. Parker, who left last Thursday for Panama, Mrs. J. S. Cooper entertained Wednesday afternoon with a pretty tea. About two dozen guests called to bid Mrs. Parker bon voyage and enjoy a social chat over the tea cups. Mrs. Cooper was assisted in pouring and serving by Miss Genevieve Cooper and Mrs. Ireland.

Club women and musical folk in general are manifesting considerable interest in the French Band Concert to be given at the Armory in Salem next Wednesday evening at 8:30. The event is being talked up by the clubs and it is expected that a large delegation from this place will take advantage of the opportunity to hear these battle scarred musicians.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Bohannon extended very delightful hospitality to the Kill Kare Klub last

Friday evening. The members enjoyed a line party at the Isis early in the evening, then went to the Bohannon home where tables were arranged for 500. At the close of an evening of exciting games the hostess served a most delicious three course luncheon.

Mrs. Chas. H. Castner, president of the State Federation of Clubs, made the local Club a visit last Thursday. Mrs. Clyde Ecker entertained at 1 o'clock luncheon for Mrs. Castner. Covers were also laid for the executive board of the local club. Mrs. J. S. Cooper poured and cut the ices. After the luncheon hour the ladies joined other club members at the home of Mrs. S. B. Walker, where Mrs. Castner talked concerning the Y. W. C. A. drive. Mrs. Cooper was selected county chairman, and Mrs. Linnie Irvine, stenographer.

The Independence O. E. S. members were entertained by the Monmouth Star members at the chapter rooms here last Tuesday night. Mrs. M. J. Butler was chairman of the committee and a most delightful program was furnished, each participant graciously responding to an enthusiastic recall. One of the most enjoyable features was the story of Madam Butterfly told by Miss Rosa Parrott, the opera role being sung by Mrs. Butler. Following the program an elaborate banquet was served to the gathering after which dancing was indulged in.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hubbard were hospitable hosts to the Owls last Monday evening. What enthusiasts circled six tables and enjoyed several exciting games. Geo. Conkey won gentlemen's high score and ladies high fell to Mrs. Ecker. Besides the members Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kutch and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Ecker were club guests. Mr. and Mrs. C. A. McLaughlin will be the next hosts on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Hubbard was also hostess to the S. S. Club Wednesday afternoon. 'Twas the Club's first meeting for the year and routine business was transacted, Mrs. W. H. Walker being reelected president.

FRENCH ARMY BAND

SALEM ARMORY

Wednesday, March 5

Benefit for home coming celebration of Willamette Valley soldiers and sailors.

Reserve seat sale at Armory ticket office on March 3, 4 and 5 at 9 a. m.

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