

"BLACKMAIL" STORY OF POLITE UNDERWORLD

Viola Dana Charming Adventuress in Thrilling Photodrama at Majestic Theatre

"Blackmail" a screen version of Lucia Chamberlain's Saturday Evening Post story of the skilful workings of the crook world will be shown at the Majestic Theatre, with Viola Dana in the star role. The film, which is a Metro special production, deals with that strata of society always of fascinating interest to large percentage of humanity and the special worry of the police.

Miss Dana appears in the role of Flossie Golden, the beautiful daughter of a famous crook who is urged by her dying father not to let the cops forget the name of Golden. With a band of confederates she entangles a wealthy but insipid young man with the intention of blackmailing him into marriage.

Miss Dana made a winsome adventuress and her depicting of the chic daughter of the polite underworld added another to her already long list of successes.

LOUISE GLAUM IN "SEX" BIG WONDER-DRAMA BOOKED HERE

J. Parker Read Jr.'s Remarkable Motion Picture Production, is Headliner at the Majestic Theatre Dec. 12 and 13

"Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." Adrienne Renault, divinity of the Frivolity, never inclined toward this theory for the simple reason that she never could imagine herself situated as other women.

Yet the eternal problem of Sex became Adrienne's problem, too, when fate so ruled, and this wonderful creature of New York's night life, this well-beloved of the most favored men in Manhattan, found herself as incapable of solving the equation as the veriest novice in the game of love.

"Sex" is a story of universal import. When this powerful W. W. Hodgkinson release comes to the Majestic Theatre, it will be seen that its basic theme is so succinct and familiar that it will reflect the problems and questions that have beset almost all of us. Yet in his treatment of this age-young story J. Parker Read, Jr., the producer, has introduced an artistic element of delicacy and nobility and a scenic lavishness that lifts this screen play into the realm of those few photodramas that have startled the world and have reflected universal conditions that can be remedied by only two medicines—Faith and Constancy.

There is a cleverly contrived moral in "Sex" for the quick-witted. The climax comes in Adrienne's life when her own husband is won away from her by the same Daisy Henderson of Cobb's Corners in whom she developed the feminine arts of allure and the dance in their days in the Frivolity together. It is then that Adrienne lifts her hands to heaven and all the tragedy of "Sex" all the futility of a loveless woman's life and all the poignancy of the severance of the marriage relation are expressed in the heart-broken query:

"Oh God! why did this have to happen to me?" What happened to Adrienne? Did she suffer further or win back the love of the erring husband and "live happily ever after"? Did she kill Daisy Henderson when she had murder in her heart? Or did she wish Daisy luck and move on to a new conquest? Was Adrienne wicked or a "good woman" or was she just—Woman? These are the questions that "Sex" alone can answer. See this Hodgkinson release at the Majestic with Irving Cummings, Myrtle Stedman, William Conklin and Peggy Pearce in the cast supporting the most interesting star on the screen today—Louise Glaum.

Return of Soldier Not Authorized. Washington—Secretary Baker will not authorize the removal of the body of an unidentified American soldier from France for interment in Victory Hall, Pershing square, New York.

Chicago's Saloons Are Enjoined. Chicago—Federal Judge K. M. Landis issued injunctions Friday restraining 72 saloonkeepers from violating the prohibition law.

THE WEEK AT THE THEATRES.

AT THE MAJESTIC
Majestic Thursday and Friday
Blackmail Viola Dana
Two Reel Comedy
Saturday, December 11
Secret Gift Lee Kohlmayr
Vanishing Dagger
Two Reel Comedy
Sun. and Mon., December 12 and 13
Sex Louise Glaum
Two Reel Century Comedy
Tuesday and Wednesday
Sage Brush Hamlet
..... William Desmond
Lightening Bryce
Call a Cop 2 reel comedy
Thurs. and Fri., December 16 and 17
Flame of the Desert All Star
Two Reel Comedy

AT THE DREAMLAND
Children in the House N. Talmadge
Their Indian Uncle Comedy
Topics of the Day
Mon and Tues., December 13 and 14
Desert Man Bill Hart
Double Thrive Comedy
Wed. Thurs., December 15 and 16
Dard Road Dorothy Dalton
In Wrong Right Comedy
Saturday, December 18
Deserter Charles Ray
Discordant Note Comedy

FARMERS EXEMPT FROM PROSECUTION

Department of Justice Declares Movement to Withhold Crops Is Not Unlawful.

Washington.—Because farmers' co-operative organizations are exempt from application of anti-trust laws, the department of justice has given no consideration to the campaign to withhold crops from the markets until prices advance, it was said by F. K. Nebeker, special assistant to the attorney general.

Mr. Nebeker's explanation of the department's attitude followed a statement by G. S. Barrett, president of the National Farmers' union, that he understood federal agents were attempting to obtain evidence for prosecution in Kansas, Iowa and other states.

The Clayton anti-trust act, Mr. Nebeker said, provides that agricultural organizations, not having capital stock nor being conducted for profit, cannot be construed as conspiracies in restraint of trade. Withholding of crops for personal profit be asserted, probably would not be held as organization profits.

Mr. Nebeker also alleged that the limitations on the appropriation act for the enforcement of the anti-trust law would seem to preclude action against farmers, inasmuch as the act specifies that no part of the appropriations shall be expended for the prosecution of farmers who co-operate to obtain a fair and reasonable price for their products.

NO NATIONAL GUARD IN FOURTEEN STATES

Washington.—Fourteen states had no national guard troops recognized by the government on June 30, according to the annual report of Major-General Jesse Carter, chief of the militia bureau, just made public. They were Arkansas, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota and West Virginia.

The recognized units had a total strength of 56,100 officers and men at the end of the fiscal year, the report said, against an authorized strength of 100,300, great difficulty having been encountered in obtaining recruits.

Discontent with the national guard service, General Carter said, had been fostered by "tales of unfair treatment during the war, spread by men with grievances, many of which found their way into the public press."

CONGRESS BEGINS ITS WORK AGAIN MONDAY

Appropriation Bills to Constitute Principal Business of Three Months' Session.

Washington.—The sixty-sixth congress convened at noon Monday for its third and final session. The outstanding events were the attendance Monday at the senate session of President-elect Harding and the presentation on Tuesday of President Wilson's annual message.

The final session of the present congress opened with only three months of allotted official life, ending just before the inauguration of President Harding, on March 4 and with an extra session soon afterward in prospect. Appropriation bills will constitute the principal business at this session.

President-elect Harding was surrounded immediately by a crowd of senators when he entered, who shook his hand and clapped him on the back. The president-elect welcomed his admirers with a broad smile.

Another peace time estimate of nearly \$5,000,000,000 for the government's expenses during the fiscal year 1922 faced congress when it reassembled. The exact figures as transmitted by Secretary Houston were \$4,658,856,759, an increase of nearly \$1,000,000,000 over the appropriations for the current year, but \$211,000,000 less than the estimates submitted a year ago.

A tentative program of legislation in addition to the appropriation bills is expected to be determined this week by republican leaders in conferences among themselves and with President-elect Harding.

Republican leaders predict that congress will be forced to work steadily to complete the appropriation bills by March 4. In addition, there may be other legislation for relief of farmers and probably a few other emergency bills. Committees, however were prepared to work generally on matters to be considered at the extra session.

EXPLODING SHELLS BOMBARD BROOKLYN

New York.—Hundreds of homes in the Fort Hamilton section of Brooklyn virtually were under heavy artillery bombardment Sunday afternoon resulting from intermittent explosions of 6-inch and 10-inch shells on a steam lighter which caught fire while moored to the army reservation wharf.

Gathering together their belongings in a belief that the naval arsenal at Fort Lafayette, a small island near Fort Hamilton, was ablaze, terrified scores fled their homes for safer zones, driven to frenzied haste by the series of detonations heard for miles around.

An official statement from Fort Hamilton said no lives were lost and only four persons were slightly injured.

The lighter, which was laden with 900 shells for shipment to Boston, was torn from its moorings by the violence of the first explosion. Two men on board escaped.

3 OFFICERS KILLED IN CLASH

Mob Attempts to Break into Santa Rosa Jail.

Santa Rosa, Cal.—A mob estimated at 2000 made two attempts to break into the Sonoma county jail here where four men and a woman were held under heavy guard as the result of a shooting affray in which three officers were killed and one suspect wounded.

The mob was dispersed after it had spent more than nine hours before the jail.

The shooting came as a climax to the search of men alleged to be implicated in recent attacks on young girls in San Francisco.

The dead are: Miles M. Jackson, detective sergeant, San Francisco; James A. Petray, sheriff of Sonoma county; Lester H. Dorman, detective of San Francisco. The wounded: George Boyd, San Francisco suspect, slightly wounded in the shoulder.

\$100,000 For Christmas Booze. Seattle, Wash.—Bootleg circles in Vancouver, B. C., are experiencing an unprecedented rush of business as a result of the oncoming Christmas holidays. More than \$100,000 has been sent to the Canadian city by persons in Seattle and Portland, Or., according to reports here, for the purpose of insuring an adequate supply of yuletide cheer.

MacSwiney's Widow in United States. New York.—Welcomed by shouts of a crowd, who after her landing formed a parade and escorted her through the streets to her hotel, Mrs. Muriel MacSwiney, widow of Terence MacSwiney, former lord mayor of Cork, arrived to assist others of her countrymen working in America for the cause of Irish independence.

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