

At the Movies

GIFTED ARTIST WINS FAME

Mabel Ballin, who supports Elmo Lincoln, the Colossus of the Screen, in his Universal-Jewell photodrama, "Under Crimson Skies," is well remembered as a popular player of the speaking stage.

Before Miss Ballin entered motion pictures, she was on the Keith & Proctor vaudeville circuit and with the Charles Dillingham theatrical enterprises. In addition to being an unusually gifted photoplayer, Miss Ballin is also a painter of note, having painted the portraits of many celebrities both in the United States

and abroad. She is not engaged in her own picture work, Miss Ballin is frequently found motoring through Southern California with her sketch book.

In "Under Crimson Skies" she depicts the role of Helen Clayton, who at the completion of the film story, marries the hero, Captain Barstow. The role affords her ample opportunity for her unusual dramatic ability and beauty.

This picture is to be shown at the Lyric theatre on January 13.

REMEMBERS THE OLD DAYS

One of the players in "The Moon Riders," the sensational Universal serial featuring Art Acord and Mildred Moore, the first episode of which comes to the Lyric theatre on Friday, January, 14th, was asked by Director Reeves Eaton just what role in his entire career he had liked best. The man, an old timer thought for a moment and then said:

"I've played in more than fifty pictures in my time and I can't say I liked any one role better than the others. I've played for every company from Biograph up and I remember when Griffith directed his first picture up in the Bronx.

"I remember when Broncho Billy was the craze and I even recall the time they had the 'talking movies.' They used to place a man and a woman behind the screen and they would carry out conversations which was supposed to have taken place in the picture.

"One role I did enjoy, to tell the

truth, was when Mary Pickford played a phone operator, I was a janitor, and Charlie Chaplin was put in the scene just to keep little Mary company."

ONLY A MERE MAN

Beautiful girls all around him, but his heart remained faithful to one alone. And when she played him false, what happened? Find out for yourself. See "Lombard, Ltd.," at the Lyric theatre, beginning Saturday, January 8. Screen Classics, Inc. produced this picturization of the successful Morasco stage comedy of modes by the Hattons.

ONE HOUR BEFORE DAWN

A mystery drama that will baffle the mind of man and elude the intuition of woman. It is more enigmatical than "The Thirteenth Chair," more perplexing than Sherlock Holmes or Arsene Lupin. It is the kind of entertainment all audiences crave to see. Adapted from "Behind Red Curtains," by Mansfield Scott and directed by Henry Kink. At the Lyric, Wednesday, Jan. 12.

COW GETS ELECTROCUTED

A cow valued at \$100.00, belonging to Stanley Balfour, came in contact with a power line of the Deschutes Power Company in the street near the Hoover home in North Prineville early Wednesday morning, and was instantly killed, 110 volts passing through her body. The storm which hit Prineville Tuesday night was instrumental in bringing the wires down.

The high wind did some other damage, but no other mischief of any importance was reported, except that part of the roof of the grandstand at the ball park was dislocated, and some people complained of temporary trouble with telephone service.

NEW COUNCIL MEETS

The new city council met for the first time as a unit last Tuesday night at the council rooms in the club hall, and committees for the coming year were appointed by Mayor Wurzweller as follows:

- FINANCE: H. R. Lakin, Geo. Nicolai, Geo. W. Noble
- STREETS and PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS: Ross Robinson, H. R. Lakin, H. G. Davis.
- FIRE and WATER: H. W. Howard, Ross Robinson, Geo. Nicolai.
- HEALTH and POLICE: H. G. Davis, H. W. Howard, G. W. Noble.
- JUDICIARY: Geo. Nicolai, Ross Robinson, H. R. Lakin.

LICENSE: G. W. Noble, H. G. Davis, H. W. Howard.

In an address to the council and citizens attending the meeting, Mr. Wurzweller strongly emphasized the importance of everyone pulling together for the good of Prineville and the county, as never before.

In Seattle.

The man who stopped a stranger to say: "What's that on your face?" and then, when after a moment of puzzling silence, answered himself: "Your nose," returning from the hospital said he was convinced that Tennyson was right in concluding that "a sorrow's crown of sorrows is remembering happier things."—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Briefly Sketched for Information of Our Readers.

Fire risk conditions are better in Eugene than in any other city in the state of which he has made a survey, according to George W. Stokes, deputy state fire marshal.

The walnut growers of Dayton and surrounding vicinity are now disposing of their 1920 crop at good prices. The walnut-growing industry of this part of the state is increasing materially.

Provision will be made in the 1921 budget for Klamath county's share of the cost of the Willamette highway. The road will shorten the distance from Portland to Crater lake 126 miles.

Although there is not a vacant house to be had in Salem a report filed by the city recorder shows that an aggregate of \$372,450 was spent in erecting new buildings during the past ten months.

Plans are under way for colonization of raw lands for the purpose of establishing the loganberry industry at Bandon. It is believed that at least 1000 acres will be donated for this purpose.

A bill will be presented to the next legislature authorizing the state board to become a party in the organization of a drainage district covering about 2000 acres of land within the limits of Salem.

Edward A. Bailey, 48, president of the Curry county bank at Gold Beach, shot and killed himself with a .32 caliber rifle, in Portland. Ill health is assigned as the reason for his self-destruction.

The national industrial conference board of New York has requested C. H. Gram, state labor commissioner, to furnish the board with data covering present unemployment in Oregon by industries.

Following a meeting at Albany of 10 Beaver Creek residents representing 2000 acres of land that is now flooded, preparations were made for the organization of a drainage district to redeem the land.

Medford was visited Saturday by a large delegation of the Knights of Columbus of the state of Oregon, who exemplified the three degrees of the order to a class of 40 men of Medford, Grants Pass and Ashland.

Deschutes county's first accused murderer was convicted Saturday when the jury returned a verdict of "guilty" as charged against A. Weston, accused of the murder of Robert Krug near Sisters, on March 24, 1919.

The state board of health will immediately file suit and enjoin the Winchester Sanitarium company from constructing its proposed tuberculosis sanitarium at any point on the North Umpqua watershed where the city of Roseburg obtains its water supply.

With a total attendance of approximately 70,000, in spite of bad weather handicaps which materially cut down the attendance on all except one or two days during the week, the tenth annual Pacific International Livestock exposition, held in Portland, closed Sunday.

The Oregon Directory, which is compiled annually by J. A. Churchill, state superintendent of schools, has been printed for the year 1920 and is now ready for distribution. The directory contains much information regarding the school system of the state. Copies can be had for the asking.

Complete abolishment of the office of state sealer of weights and measures, with a view of merging the duties of that department with the dairy and food commissioner and the Oregon public service commission, is proposed in a measure being prepared for consideration of the legislature in January.

Receipts of the state treasurer's office during the years 1919 and 1920 exceeded by more than \$19,000,000 the estimate contained in the budget prepared by T. B. Kay, ex-state treasurer, shortly before he retired from office and was succeeded by O. P. Hoff. Mr. Kay estimated that the receipts of the department for the years 1919 and 1920 would total \$22,900,000, while a report shows that the revenue of the office for the 24 months aggregated \$41,000,000.

Dr. Owens-Adair of Clatsop county, author of Oregon's sterilization laws relating to defectives, enacted in 1917, after having once been vetoed and referred to the people, said that at the forth coming session of the legislature she would introduce a bill to amend the marriage laws in Oregon so as to make it obligatory on women as well as men to pass satisfactory medical examinations before obtaining licenses to wed. The existing law applies to men only.

Plans for a bridge across the Columbia river in the vicinity of Cascade Locks have been submitted to the United States engineer's office in Portland and a public hearing relative to

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 14

Rage seized her heart, Jealousy said "KILL! KILL!"



INTO the secret cabin of the leader of the Devilmen, Anna groped her way, trying to reach her lover! Suddenly she was thrown to the floor! Over her prostrate form knelt Spanish Rosa, the wild light of insane jealousy shining in her eyes. Anna saw the deadly knife was aimed at her throat!—If you want thrills that will bring you gasping to your feet, follow this dazzling serial! Now playing.

See every episode of this gigantic galloping chapter picture

The **MOONRIDERS** Featuring **ART ACORD** King of the Cowpunchers, **MILDRED MOORE** and a big cast

Directed by Reeves-Laxon

UNIVERSAL'S NEW WILD FIRE SERIAL

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 7

"Choosing a Wife"

CHARLIE CHAPLIN SPECIAL

"Dog's Life"

His first million dollar picture

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8

"Lombardi, Ltd."

Yes, you may have seen it here before and thought it was good—but you will enjoy it much more now with our wonderful new organ.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9

starring in that wonderful creation

"She Couldn't Help It"

A Realart Picture—Its a Bear

MONDAY, JANUARY 10.

"Polly of the Storm Country"

PATHE REVIEW and COMEDY

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10

"Strange Boarders"

PATHE REVIEW and COMEDY

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12

"One Hour Before Dawn"

PATHE REVIEW and COMEDY

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13

"Under Crimson Skies"

A mighty drama of the Southern Sea, and a strong man's fight for life and happiness.—The greatest of all sea stories.

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"Moon Riders"

UNIVERSAL WHIRLWIND SERIAL

On the first night of the big serial "Moon Riders," there will be issued at the door a ticket to each one as they enter. Three grand prizes will be awarded. The first, two admission tickets, good for 15 weeks during the serial. Second, \$3.50 in cash and third, \$1.50 in cash. Be sure and see the first number of this grand serial.

OWING TO THE UNCERTAINTY IN SHIPMENTS, REELS SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE

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the proposed bridge has been called for December 6, according to an announcement sent out by Colonel J. B. Cavanaugh, district engineer. The plans have been submitted by the Interstate Construction corporation, which was given authority by act of congress, approved February 3 of this year, to construct, maintain and operate a bridge across the Columbia at a point not over two miles westerly from Cascade Locks.

Hope Deferred.

There is in despair sometimes an energetic force which is quite as available as the stimulus which hope gives, and Alden Holcroft amid the ruins of his fancies was by no means disposed to sit down in a listless acquiescence in the inevitable. He had deluded himself with the notion that he had but to build a nest and the bird would fly to it, when he found his bird was a bird-of-paradise, that made its nest in the clouds, if anywhere.—Horace Scudder.

Early American History.

Plymouth was the first permanent white settlement in New England and dates its founding from the landing of the Pilgrims, Dec. 21, 1620. The iron works on the banks of the Sangus river, established in 1643, were the first iron works established in America. A small iron pot cast there in the first forge in America is now the property of the city of Lynn and is in a glass case in the Lynn public library.

Moving Wheat in the Soudan.

One of the most novel craft encountered on the Nile is the grain boat. It is fashioned of willows and grass, and is propelled by two men who sit in the stern and wield a pair of oars or paddles. Occasionally a sail is hoisted. These boats are capable of carrying three to four hundredweights of cereals, and are the chief means by which the wheat is carried from Khartoum to Omdurman.

Many Have Had Spanish Settlers.

Off the coast of Queensland, Australia, are the New Hebrides islands, which some scientists believe were once occupied by the Spanish, for a little way from St. Philip's bay evidences of such occupation have been dug into from time to time, along with certain other ruins, which from the little examination they have had indicate an even more remote occupancy.

Rooster Eggs.

A French scientist says that by examining an egg he can tell whether it will produce a male or a female chick. The egg that will hatch out a rooster is slightly heavier relatively to size.—Philadelphia Ledger.

At Sea. There is nothing in life that gives one such a sense of distance of infinite remoteness, as the setting of the sun or moon at sea. It defines the immeasurable hugeness of water which separates you from those you love with a sharpness that is scarcely felt at other times. It is the only mark upon the circle of the ocean and courts you into a reckoning which there is something too vague in the bare and infinite horizon to invite.—William Clark Russell.

One to the Sex.

A lady, having left her umbrella in a car, applied for it at the office. "Oh, you ladies, you ladies," said the official in charge, as he brought about thirty umbrellas for her inspection, "you are so terribly forgetful!" The lady smiled as she kindly pointed out to him that, with the exception of three, they were all gentlemen's umbrellas!

Washington Monument.

From floor of shaft to apex the Washington monument is 555 feet 5 1/2 inches high; the shaft itself is 500 feet 5 1/2 inches, the small pyramid which tops the shaft being 55 feet. The base is 55 feet 1 1/2 inches square. The walls are 15 feet thick at the base of the shaft and taper to 18 inches thick at the top.

Worth the Labor Involved.

In the old days, the Ceratopsian, or horned quadruped dinosaur, provisionally named the Eoceratops, roamed the Red Deer valley, in Alberta, Canada, and at Steepleville, 125 miles southeast of Calgary, W. E. Cutler excavated a fine ossified specimen of this huge creature. One side is almost intact. Mr. Cutler had to cut through twelve feet of rock to clear away the skeleton. He had been excavating on this one specimen for eight months.

Just Gawned on Her.

Hazel had suffered several mishaps during the day without making a fuss, but finally she fell down the front steps and bumped her head. She sat up and rubbed the injured spot, evidently re-viewing in her mind the day's misfortunes, for she burst out: "Well, I seem to be out of bad luck today!"

To Measure Molasses.

Grease the measuring cup before measuring molasses or syrup and the ingredients will not stick to the sides of the cup. Thus there will be no waste.

The Weekly Wash.

To the man who has a brand new car, and his first one, every Sunday is "clean-up" day. But he gets over it.—Molokai Messenger.