

PLAY IS INDECENT

Shaw's Drama Causes Theater Manager's Arrest.

CONDEMNED BY CRITICS

New York Police Commissioner Stops Production of "Mrs. Warren's Profession" and Manager Withdraws It.

NEW YORK, Oct. 31.—The police today stopped the production of George Bernard Shaw's play, "Mrs. Warren's Profession," by arresting Samuel Gumpertz, manager of the Garrick Theater, in which the play made its first New York appearance last night, on a charge of offending public decency in sanctioning the performance.

Mr. Gumpertz was paroled on his promise to bring with him to court tomorrow all the members of the company, including Mary Shaw, Arnold Daly, Chrysl Herne, John Findlay, Fred Tyler and George Warren, and also ex-State Senator W. H. Reynolds, owner of the Garrick Theater. Mr. McKelton himself saw the play last night and conferred with Mayor McClellan today before issuing his order. He warned the company that anyone participating in further performances of this play would be arrested. While the money will be refunded for seats purchased, many persons will be losers through having purchased tickets from speculators.

Accepts Verdict of Critics.

I announced in the beginning that I would constitute the dramatic critics of New York a jury to pass upon the fitness or unfitness of "Mrs. Warren's Profession." Their verdict was rendered today. It was against the piece and I will stand by my word. I will not so attempt to repeat the performance tonight. I do not consider it dignified in my part to seek an injunction. In view of my announcement made before the opening performance, the play will be withdrawn.

Great Crowd at Theater.

This notice, signed "Arnold Daly," was posted outside the Garrick Theater tonight. Further performance of "Mrs. Warren's Profession" will be discontinued, owing to the universal condemnation of the piece.

A large force of policemen was at the theater and had difficulty in keeping in order an immense crowd that had gathered. The theater was closed and two men in the box office were busy refunding money paid for tickets. The management announces that the theater will be opened tomorrow with another of Shaw's plays, "Candida."

JETTY IN URGENT NEED

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tion, by reason of his position on the commerce committee, is able to secure an amendment making an appropriation for the Columbia river. It will be necessary for some one to look after that amendment when the sundry civil bill goes back to the House for reconsideration. This emphasizes the necessity for having a strong delegation from Oregon in the House this winter and easily indicates the course which Representatives Hermann and Williamson should pursue. Even if these two Congressmen should come to Washington, they would be unable to aid legislation for the Columbia river; their very advocacy of such legislation would cast suspicion upon it and bring about its defeat.

Obstacles Should Get Out.

Much wonderment is expressed in official circles in Washington that Senator Mitchell and Representatives Hermann and Williamson, being disgraced before their constituents and the Nation, do not relinquish their positions in Congress and permit other and competent men to occupy the seats which must otherwise remain vacant this winter. This sentiment is general. One official who has known Mitchell and Hermann throughout their public careers said today: Mitchell and Hermann never rendered their state better service than they could render right now by resigning their seats in Congress. It is a shame that these three members of the Oregon delegation insist upon holding their seats when they can do absolutely nothing for their constituents by holding on to them as they are doing until injury to Oregon interests.

Extreme Case of Graff.

Another official, close to President Roosevelt, had this to say: I am surprised that Senator Mitchell and Representatives Hermann and Williamson have not resigned before now. All three betrayed the trust reposed in them by their constituents, they showed themselves utterly unfit to represent their state in Congress, and yet, in face of this, in spite of their public disgrace, they have the nerve to draw their salaries when they are performing no state duty for which they were elected, and cannot perform such duty hereafter. Talk about graft; that is an extreme case. These three men are not only drawing Government salaries under false pretenses, but they are denying the state of Oregon all representation in the House of Representatives and dividing its strength in the Senate. There ought to be some way to compel them to resign.

Many other opinions could be quoted, but it is unnecessary. They are all along the lines above cited. The sentiment against Mitchell, Hermann and Williamson is very marked, and it is apparent to every man that nothing can restore them to a position of influence with the Administration or with any Government department.

Denied the right to represent Oregon in Congress; denied the right to represent their constituents in the departments, there is nothing they can do that would reflect so much credit upon them as to make way for new men.

MUST SHOW EXCEPTIONAL CASE

Senator Fulton Explains Urgency of Hard Work for Appropriation.

ASTORIA, Oct. 31.—(Special.)—Senator Fulton realizes probably more forcibly than does any other person in Oregon the great obstacles that must be contended with in an effort to secure money at the coming session of Congress to carry on the river and harbor improvement work in Oregon, but he believes that by hard, persistent and united work on the part of the Oregon people arguments may be made so that the work at the mouth of the Columbia river may be continued. In speaking of this this evening, he said: The fact that Secretary of War Taft will

not recommend an appropriation for continuing the Columbia River improvements is not surprising to me, for, in view of the fact that no river and harbor bill is contemplated at the coming session, it may be expected that he will follow the custom and practice of his department and submit estimates for making appropriations to meet continuing contracts.

Must Make Strong Case.

It is practically the uniform rule of Congress to make no appropriations for carrying forward river and harbor improvements not under the continuing contract system, except in the river and harbor bill, and none of the improvements in Oregon are under the contract system. It is altogether improbable that a river and harbor bill will be passed at the coming session, and hence, if we shall secure an appropriation, such an appropriation will be necessary to induce Congress to make an exception in favor of such improvements, and we can only induce it to do so, if at all, by showing that carrying forward the improvements is a matter of such exceptional conditions obtainable as will justify making the exception. In other words, we will have to make a case, not only by reason of the condition, the project for which we ask the appropriation, but also by reason of the ordinary class of river and harbor improvements. The mere fact that the improvements are meritorious, that it is necessary for the development of a great section of country, will not be sufficient to induce Congress to depart from its established and long-heretofore practice.

It seems to me, however, in the matter of the improvement at the mouth of the Columbia river, the fact that a failure to carry on the work of constructing the south jetty will result in a great loss to the government by reason of the destruction of the trestle by tides and storms to such an extent that it will have to be replaced when work shall be inaugurated again, should be sufficient to induce Congress to make an exception in favor of this project.

More Expensive to Rebuild Jetty.

The mere matter of reconstructing the jetty, although a serious proposition in a financial way, is not the sole loss that will be entailed by allowing the work to be discontinued. An appropriation can be secured at the second session of the coming Congress. Reconstruction of the jetty after the rock has once been deposited is a much more difficult and expensive project than is the construction thereof in the first instance.

I am satisfied we will have the support of the Chief of Engineers and his assistants in any effort we may put forth to secure the necessary appropriation to carry the construction of the south jetty to completion. I observe by The Oregonian that T. H. Wilcox has been delegated to go to Washington, during the coming session, to work to secure the needed appropriation. That is a wise selection and a wise move. The Chamber of Commerce and the various other commercial bodies throughout the Northwest should adopt strong resolutions favoring the necessary appropriation.

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NOTHING FOR THREE SESSIONS

Jones Says Sundry Civil Bill Will Provide for Columbia.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Oct. 31.—(Special.)—Congressman W. L. Jones arrived home on the delayed morning train from Spokane at noon today. He was seen by a representative of The Oregonian this evening and had the following to say on the position taken by such congressmen, personally, leads to a discontinuance of the work which will result in conditions that will make it very nearly impossible to revive it and secure as good results as could be obtained by pushing it forward now rapidly to completion.

THEIR USEFULNESS IS ENDED

State Senator Farrar Says It Is Not Question of Guilt or Innocence.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 31.—(Special.)—"There is no use utilizing matters any longer," said State Senator Squire Farrar, in discussing the resignation of Senator Mitchell and Representatives Williamson and Hermann. "I have stood up for these men until today and have condoned all their offenses, as have the people of this state, but the position taken by The Oregonian today in its leading editorial is exactly right and proper and the three men under a cloud should resign. It is not a question of guilt or innocence. These men can do no further service to the state as representatives at Washington and they should make way for men who can go there and look after the state's interests." Farrar presumes Governor Chamberlain would appoint a Democrat to fill the vacancy if one existed. So far as I can see, that would do no harm. It is better for us to have a good Democrat for Senator than a bad Republican. If Mitchell, Williamson and Hermann consider the welfare of the state and of the Republican party they will resign."

TWO SHOULD RESIGN.

But Representative Newell Does Not Include Hermann.

FOREST GROVE, Oct. 31.—(Special.)—Hon. W. K. Newell, one of the Representatives from the Columbia River, is very strongly of the opinion that Senator Mitchell and Representative Williamson should resign their positions and give place to men who can do the work for the State for Oregon. "They are not sent to Washington to honor them," he said, "but because they are expected to do important work for the state, and if, through misfortune or otherwise, they are placed in a position which renders it impossible for them to perform their duties, then they owe it to their state to give place to others who can. As to Representative Hermann, this responsibility does not apply. He has not yet been tried and is entitled to the presumption of innocence until proved guilty."

NO GOOD WOULD RESULT.

State Senator Laughery Does Not See How Resignations Can Be Asked.

DALLAS, Or., Oct. 31.—(Special.)—State Senator U. S. Laughery, of Polk County, said: "Viewed from the standpoint of the best business interests of the state, existing conditions in Oregon cannot cause other than a deep regret. Yet, I do not see how Senator Mitchell and Representatives Hermann and Williamson can reasonably be asked to resign at this time. Mitchell and Williamson's cases are still pending in the courts and Mr. Hermann has not yet been tried. While the state is in an undesirable position I fail to see how conditions would be bettered by the resignations of these men, existing circumstances considered. I do not believe that any particular good for the state could be accomplished by sending inexperienced men to Washington to serve for the few months that will elapse before the official terms of our present Representatives expire."

LEAVES IT TO THEIR JUDGMENT

State Senator Haines Says Resignations Would Be Patriotic Act.

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