

MOVING PICTURE NEWS



Orrin Johnson and Louise Fazenda Featured on New Columbia Bill

TODAY'S FILM FEATURES. Pickford—"The Yellow Passport." Peeples—"The Immigrant." Columbia—"D'Artagnan." "His Hereafter." Majestic—"Hazel Kirke." Heilig—"The Ne'er-Do-Well." National—"Hop, the Devil's Brew." Sunset—"The Lure of Heart's Desire." Circle—"Fatty Arbuckle."

FEDERAL censorship of motion pictures, which seemed destined to be foisted upon the film industry following a so-called split in the ranks of the movie men, has apparently retired for 1916. Representatives Hughes, father of the bill, is reported as announcing the abandonment of the effort to obtain its passage during the present session of Congress.

Famous for Serials. Pearl White, who has been chosen as the star for the new Pathé serial, "The Iron Claw," enjoys the distinction of having starred in more serials than any other player before the public. Miss White became known throughout the world in connection with "The Perils of Pauline" and "Elaine."

"Ne'er-Do-Well" at Heilig. "The Ne'er-Do-Well," which has been establishing a new Heilig motion-picture record for attendance this week, will continue until Saturday night as the attraction at the Heilig. This picture is a re-telling of Rex Beach's famous story of Old Panama is proving popular in Portland and has in California cities, and promises to outdraw its Beach predecessor, "The Spoilers."

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stage, written by the late Steele MacKaye, has endured for 30 years, its powerful appeal which so endeared it to the public having been faithfully transplanted to the screen. Pearl White, the heroine of the Gold Rooster offering, has an opportunity for serious expression which has been denied her in the past, while her support comprises many of the prominent figures of the silent drama.

Dumas' Immortals at Columbia. D'Artagnan and the Three Musketeers, swashbuckling-day heroes immortalized by Dumas, will be presented in all their glory of silks, velvets and clashing swords at the Columbia Theater today in "D'Artagnan," with Orrin Johnson in the title role. To this offering of the days of heroic France will be added "His Hereafter," a Mack Sennett Keystone, with Charles Murray and Louise Fazenda as the headliners.

The story of "D'Artagnan" deals largely with the expedition of the young firebrand to England to obtain for his queen jewels in the possession of the Duke of Buckingham. How our hero wins his way to England and back again in time to avert a catastrophe is pictured in a production which is praised highly throughout the country.

Valeska Suratt at Peoples. "The Immigrant," introducing Valeska Suratt as a Paramount player and presenting such favorites as Theodore Roberts and Thomas Meighan in her supporting cast, will be the feature offering at the Peoples' Theater, commencing today and continuing until Saturday night. Miss Suratt, perhaps best known as a vaudeville headliner with the power to draw capacity houses, has a splendid opportunity to display her artistic talents. First she appears as the simple immigrant, thrust into an environment entirely foreign to her early life, and later depicts the butterfly, thoroughly in harmony with her new world. Theodore Roberts, one of the screen's greatest character actors, is the villain, with the handsome Thomas Meighan cast in the role of hero.

"Yellow Passport" at Pickford. Clara Kimball Young, the beautiful movie star, is portraying more publicity than any other star at this time—a million-dollar company named after her, divorce suit, alienation-of-affections suit, and a "Yellow Passport" engagement in "The Yellow Passport" until Saturday night. The Russian film, in which Mrs. Young does some splendid emotional acting, has proved such a box-office attraction that Manager Christ announced yesterday that he would give other Portlanders an opportunity to witness the feature.

Screen Gossip. "Hop, the Devil's Brew," the feature involving the opium-smuggling traffic on the Pacific Coast, will be continued throughout the week at the National. Lois Weber, who wrote the scenario and directed the picture, is presented with her husband, Phillips Smalley, as co-star. Edmund Breece will be presented for the rest of the week at the Sunset in "The Lure of Heart's Desire," another production based on a popular Service novel. "Heart's Desire" is a Yukon mine, gold is the lure, while a New York girl enters into the play. In connection with the feature, C. E. Couche has arranged window displays at local bookstores and constructed a lobby replica of a mining scene at the Washington-street entrance to the Sunset.

For one scene in "The Yellow Passport" the director engaged several hundred "types" from the New York Ghetto, and the scene is a massacre of the extra people had lived through such scenes before leaving Russia. Virginia Pearson, who recently joined the William Fox force, will shortly begin work on her first feature under the Fox banner. She will appear as a modern Cleopatra in what is considered one of the most virile screen stories ever written.

A change in forthcoming Triangle releases has shifted "Hell's Hinges," in which W. S. Hart stars, to February 20, which probably means its Portland screening on February 27. "Don Quixote," De Wolfe Hopper's vehicle, will be released February 27, and Billie Burke's "Peggy" on March 5. The latest screen star to sign a contract with William Fox to appear in feature pictures is Alma Hanlon, daughter of George Hanlon, of the world famous family of acrobats, who will be remembered in America especially for their production of such popular stage successes as "Fantasma," "Supper" and "La Voyage en Suisse." Miss Hanlon was born in New York City April 30, 1894, and is the youngest member of a family who, for nine generations, have appeared before the public either on the stage or with a circus.

Sidney Drew, who is producing one-act comedies on the Metro programme, gave Ethel Barrymore and Lionel Barrymore, his niece and nephew, their first engagements on the stage. Kathryn Williams, leading woman in "The Ne'er-Do-Well," the pictured Rex Beach story, has been with Selig for six years, first appearing almost exclusively in animal pictures.

Peoples

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The Immigrant

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A play that opens in Russia, ending in Arizona and filled with thrilling, dramatic action from beginning to end.



It tells the story of a young and very pretty Russian peasant girl, "Masha," whose voyage to America was beset with all the dangers, trials and temptations that the big city and modern civilization have in store for the unsophisticated.

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SUPPORTING MISS SURATT ARE THEODORE ROBERTS, THOMAS MEIGHAN AND OTHERS OF THE LASKY FAVORITES.

Also a Bray Cartoon Comedy entitled "The Police Dog on the Wire" and "A Clever Collie's Comeback."

A SHOW YOU CAN'T AFFORD TO MISS.

TAX LAWS DISCUSSED

MULTNOMAH ASSESSOR SUGGESTS CHANGES TO CONVENTION.

Amendment Subjecting Cities and Towns to State Budget and Limitations is Proposed. Numerous changes in the present tax laws of the state were suggested to the state convention of County Assessors at Salem yesterday by Henry E. Reed, Assessor of Multnomah County. Mr. Reed summarized his proposed amendments as follows: All existing budget and limitation laws should be simplified and codified, and so far as practicable made of general application. The latitude of 21 per cent over budget estimates now allowed tax levying bodies should be reduced to 5 per cent, and the law made applicable only to administration, operation and maintenance. The base of tax limitations should be the expenditures of the expiring fiscal year, and not the levy made at the beginning of the year. Budgets should be out to actual requirements, regardless of limitations allowed by law. Extraordinary emergencies and capital outlay should be provided for outside of the limitation. Levies should be reported in dollars and cents and not in mills and tenths of mill. Cities and towns should be subjected by constitutional amendment to the state budget and tax limitation laws. Debt limitation is as necessary as tax limitation. Steps should be taken to establish them where either or both are now lacking.

LIQUOR OFFENDERS FINED

Woman is Assessed \$100 and Man Gets Off With \$75. Mrs. Katherine Brown, arrested in a raid at 122 Twelfth street Tuesday evening by Lieutenant Harms and Patrolmen Martin, Powell, Schum and Russell, was convicted of violating the prohibition law and fined \$100 in Municipal Court yesterday afternoon. Although the woman did not plead guilty, the facts as evidenced were freely admitted. Her companions, Nellie Steele and Hazel Moore, who were taken at the same time on vagrancy charges, were released. Thomas Perisich, who tampered with the prohibition law at 355 North Sixteenth street, was also found guilty as charged and fined \$75.

CITY FASCINES ARE BURNED

Park Department Unwittingly Destroys Engineering Supplies. There was much weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth in Chapman Square yesterday when an auto truck of the Municipal Department of Public Works under Commissioner Dieck backed up at the square to load a series of fascines made of brush woven together with wire for use in stopping dirt slides, and found that a truck of the Park Bureau had just left with the affairs for the crematory. A force of the works department spent all of Tuesday weaving the fascines, but neglected to inform the park attendants. Centralia Names City Engineer. CENTRALIA, Wash., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—After being without a City Engineer for several months, the City Commission yesterday appointed Caleb Berry to the position, the contemplated improvement of laying cement

BANKERS NAME DELEGATES

State Credit Conference to Be Held at Salem March 9. The Oregon State Bankers' Association has named five delegates to represent it at the state credit conference which will be held in Salem March 9 to consider plans for legislation to provide for the state guarantee of irrigation and drainage bonds and the establishment of a system of rural roads. The personnel of the delegation follows: J. M. Footman of Woodburn; E. C. Apperson of McMinnville; P. E. Snodgrass of Eugene; N. A. Hoffard of Woodburn, and J. L. Hartman of Portland. L. K. Hodges has been appointed to represent The Oregonian. These remain but a few more delegations to be appointed by various participating organizations, and the personnel of the conference probably will be completed before March 1.

REFERENDUM BALLOTS OUT

Chamber to Vote on Seaman's Act on Next Monday. Ballots on the referendum of the National Chamber of Commerce on the seaman's act have been issued in a special number of the Chamber of Commerce News of the Portland body to its members, and the votes of the members should be turned in to the bureau of trade and commerce before 5 P. M. Monday. A debate on the recommendations of the National Chamber which will repeal practically all the objectionable features of the present seaman's act will be held before the members' council on next Monday. H. E. Pennell, chairman of the committee on navigation of the bureau of trade and commerce, will talk on the affirmative and S. U. Ryan will talk on the negative of the question.

HIGHWAY PICTURES LAUDED

Chicago Manufacturer Comments on Oregon's Enterprise. Business men who saw the Columbia River Highway pictures when they were exhibited in Washington, D. C., last week, were favorably impressed with them. This fact is demonstrated in a letter received yesterday by E. C. Griffin, general agent in Portland for the Chicago & Northwestern Railway, from E. W. McCullough, of Chicago, secretary and general manager of the National Implement and Vehicle Association, who was one of the guests invited to the exhibition of the Berger-Jones pictures. "The pictures were fine and their exhibition shows true Western enterprise," writes Mr. McCullough.

Kelso Orders Fire Escapes.

KELSO, Wash., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—The Kelso City Council at its session last evening ordered suitable fire escapes installed at the Lee & Grim Hall, which is used as a meeting hall by lodges and organizations. The owners are willing to install fire escapes, but were not aware that the law required them. Mayor C. O. Talbert also appointed his committees for the year. The semi-annual report of City Treasurer Bashor was accepted, as was his bond for \$2500.

OFFICIAL VISITS SCHOOL

STATE EDUCATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE URGES GARDEN WORK. Industrial Work Club is Being Organized in Portland—Prizes and Rewards Offered as Incentive. N. C. Maris, of the State Department of Education, is passing the week in this city organizing Industrial Club work, in connection with the home gardens in the city schools. W. H. Dunham, supervisor of school gardens, is conducting Mr. Maris around to the schools. Schools are being visited as rapidly as possible, and the work is explained to the pupils with the aid of illustrated lantern slides. These slides illustrate the work carried on at the state and county fairs, such as exhibits of boys' and girls' work and also boys' and girls' camps at the State Fair. Many prizes, such as free trips to the boys' and girls' summer school at Corvallis, and also trips to the State Fair, are given as an incentive for the children to go into this work. Different branches of work are offered to the children, such as potato growing, corn growing, vegetable gar-

PASSENGER AGENTS MEET

Special Coast and Eastern Rates Will Be Decided Upon. Rates for the Rose Festival in Portland in June and for the Knights Templar convention in Los Angeles in May will be fixed at the meeting of the North Pacific Coast Passenger Association in Portland today. It is probable that "back-East" excursion rates also will be the subject of discussion. It is generally understood that the usual schedule will prevail on this business—\$72.50 for the round trip to Chicago from the Northwest and \$80 to Missouri River points.

LICENSE CASE APPEALED

Postal Telegraph Company Takes Issue to Supreme Court. Notice was received yesterday by City Attorney LaRoche that the Postal Telegraph Company has appealed to the United States Supreme Court from the decision of the United States District Court in which the validity of the ordinance imposing a license against the company is upheld. The city has been trying for years to collect the license, but the company has fought against it on the ground that the city cannot force payment.

SPokane Man Arrested.

LA GRANDE, Or., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—Wearing the suit he is alleged to have procured here through false representation via a bogus sight draft, W. C. Evans, giving Spokane as his former home, was brought back today from Pendleton, where he was arrested in the same scheme he executed here Saturday. His hearing date has not been set.

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