

OREGON FARMERS MAY ADOPT GERMAN PLAN

L. R. Geisler, Former Vice-Consul at Cologne, May Make Speaking Tour.

NEEDS WILL BE EXPLAINED

Campaign Workers Visit St. Johns High School and Mr. Geisler Consents to Address Students at Lincoln High Today.

German methods of organization in producing, conserving and distributing food crops may be adopted, to some extent at least, in Oregon in wartime.

L. R. Geisler, ex-United States Vice-Consul at Cologne, who recently returned to his home in Portland after the diplomatic break, will be enlisted for a speaking campaign to arouse Oregonians to the need of doing their utmost to grow record crops, if he will consent.

W. H. Crawford, in charge of the Portland office of the food preparedness campaign, believes his suggestions as to what is needed here, based on his observations in Germany during the two and a half years during the war that he was stationed at Cologne, will prove of great value.

Mr. Geisler consented yesterday to make a brief talk before the students of Lincoln High School today at 9 o'clock. At that time enrollment blanks for the farm recruiting movement will be distributed and it is hoped many of the high school boys may be enrolled in this branch of activity.

Talk Given at St. Johns High. Yesterday the St. Johns High School was visited by workers in the campaign and enrollment blanks for farm labor were supplied to all that all who can do so may enter their names for the summer work.

Continued rainy weather yesterday cast somewhat of a gloom over those directing the food campaign, and it was stated that two days will be required for yesterday's rain to be absorbed sufficiently to ground be worked for planting, thus postponing farming operations three more days.

It is now said that the Oregon, at least, it has come to the point where substitute crops for early planting must be adopted. The time for wheat sowing, it is said, has passed and ground should be prepared so that corn, barley and beans can be planted as substitutes.

Women Aid in Harvest. Girls and women of the state, it is now forecast, will play a prominent part in harvesting the fruit and berry crops this summer.

It is said that unless the feminine population of the state comes to the front for this work it is more than likely that the fruit crop will be wasted to a large extent by reason of the fact that there will not be sufficient labor available for picking.

An effective step, it is believed, was taken yesterday, when the suggestion of R. P. Bonham, local inspector in charge of the United States Immigration Service, was adopted whereby enrollment blanks for farm labor will be supplied at each recruiting office, so that when applicants for enlistment are not able to comply with the physical requirements they will be rolled in the farm labor army. It will be explained that this service favors just as much of patriotic duty as the arms in hand-to-hand encounters in the trenches.

The Oregon Congress of Mothers and the clubwomen of the state are allied with the Oregon Agricultural College staff in making the food drive most effective and they will cooperate in recruiting boys and young men for field tillage this Spring and Summer.

Ralph D. Hetzel, director of the extension at O. A. C., arrived in Portland last night and will confer with Mr. Crawford and his associates on methods of carrying on the campaign most effectively.

PRISON WILL BE TOPIC

L. G. McDonald and Warden Murphy to Speak Before Ad Club.

At today's luncheon of the Portland Ad Club, which will be held at the Benson Hotel at 12 o'clock, L. G. McDonald, a former inmate of the state prison, who spent four years in that institution, will give an illustrated lecture of the inside facts about the penitentiary.

Captain Murphy, warden of the penitentiary, will discuss the subject from the warden's standpoint, as to the methods used in dealing with men sent to this institution. This discussion is of interest, since there is a bond issue to be voted upon at the June election for \$400,000 to be used in constructing buildings which will adequately take care of the prisoners at the penitentiary.

Recently a commission composed of three prominent representative business men of Oregon made a thorough investigation of the penitentiary in all its departments. The results of their investigations will also be discussed at the Ad Club luncheon.

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What girl or woman hasn't heard of lemon juice to remove complexion blemishes; to bleach the skin and to bring out the roses, the freshness and the hidden beauty? But lemon juice alone is acid, therefore irritating, and should be mixed with orchard white in this way. Strain through a fine cloth the juice of two fresh lemons into a bottle containing about three ounces of orchard white. Then shake well and you have a whole quart of skin and complexion lotion at about the cost one usually pays for a small jar of ordinary cold cream.

Moving Picture News



Douglas Fairbanks in "In Again, Out Again" at the Star Theater.



Ethel Clayton in Scene from "The Web of Desire" at the Star Theater.

TODAY'S FILM FEATURES. Peoples—Douglas Fairbanks, "In Again, Out Again"; Ethel Clayton, "Web of Desire"; "Double Cross"; M. J. Lester, "The Girl of the Golden West"; Columbia—Marguerite Clark, "The Valentine Girl"; Sun—William Farnum, "The Man From Bitter Roots"; Globe—Theda Bara, "The Vixen"; Circle—Marin Sais, "The Man From Tia Juana."

"Doug" Fairbanks at Peoples.

"IN AGAIN, OUT AGAIN," that widely heralded Douglas Fairbanks picture of preparedness, pacifists, munitions plants, dynamiters, and lovers, which bears the label of one of the best photoplays of the year, opens its engagement at the Peoples Theater today.

This is the first of the Fairbanks-Attercraft productions, and the first product of the Douglas Fairbanks Film Corporation, incidentally it strikes the entrance of "Doug," the most popular film star of the day, into the list of luminaries flashed on the Peoples Theater screen.

Douglas Fairbanks' personality, sunny grin and athletic stunts, injected into clever photoplays, are responsible for his wonderful popularity. In his new affiliation he has taken with him John Emerson, the man who directed most of his Triangles successes, and Anita Loos, the scenarist and sub-title writer whose cleverness has been no small factor in the "knockouts" scored by Fairbanks' films. In "In Again, Out Again" "Doug" has as his leading lady Arline Pretty, a former Vitaphone lass who has a large following.

"In Again, Out Again" has chiefly to do with the adventures of Teddy Ruthertford, who is sent to jail, falls in love with the jail's daughter, is released too soon, and thereafter strives in every possible way to break into jail, where he may bask in the smiles of Janie Ruthertford, a plot to wreck a munitions plant, with Teddy a suspect, add to the complications.

News pictorial showing many war scenes also will be screened.

Star.

"The Web of Desire," a Brady-made World picture starring charming Ethel Clayton and the fifth episode of the popular Pathe serial, "The Mystery of the Double Cross," featuring Mollie King, will be shown at the Star Theater commencing today.

Rockliffe Fellowes and Madge Evans are in the cast supporting Miss Clayton in "The Web of Desire," a five-reeler dealing with New York society and New York finance. Husband and wife invade New York from the West, where they have become wealthy. The husband becomes so immersed in work that he neglects his wife, while she seeks solace with Bohemian friends. A scheme to break the husband almost succeeds, when one of the plotters tries to clope with the wife and persuades her to give up stock in her husband's properties. But in the end comes happiness through their child.

Two diabolically clever attempts to break the husband's fortune almost succeed. The fifth chapter of thrills of this serial, Peter Hale (Leon Barry) is released from the penitentiary, where he is a stranger, and twice his life is saved. Mollie King plays the role of Philippa Brewster, while Ralph Stuart is the villain, Bridgely Bentley. Hale is to marry a girl wearing on her right arm a double cross. He is unable to definitely identify the girl, although he believes Philippa is his intended wife. Bentley on the other hand, is just as keen to solve the problem, for he is after the fortune that goes with the hand of the girl of the Double Cross.

New Vitaphone Serial. News has shimmered through from the Western studio of the Vitaphone Com-

Screen Gossip.

One day's mail brought Douglas Fairbanks a case of tobacco, box of oranges, pair of shoes, three hand-embroidered handkerchiefs, a chocolate layer cake, 17 photos of screen-struck maidens and a dozen home-made doughnuts. At least Bennie Zeldman, Fairbanks' press agent, says so.

If the country sees action on the battlefield there are a large number of motion picture extras who will know just how to fall down after being struck by bullets.

Now that Mary Pickford, "Doug" Fairbanks and Geraldine Farrar are busy at Lasky's Los Angeles studio, the press department there is working overtime.

Billie Rhodes carries insurance on her own life. She has only been casting them about in rather dangerous situations.

Helen Holmes has a pet goat which follows her about. There's a good scenario in the goat. It ate it.

Thomas H. Ince owns 19,000 acres of the Santa Monica Mountains in California. The Ince holdings comprise canyons, mountain torrents and all of the natural requirements for the brand of frontier photoplays William Hart has made particularly his own. In this vast territory he keeps a fairly good-sized stock of motion-picture animals, 60 head of horses, burros and mules, a head of yoke oxen, and 150 Berkshire pigs.

It is said that Mabel Normand has completed "Mickey" She has only been at it a year. Why hurry now?

LIQUOR RING IS ALLEGED

SEATTLE MEN ARRESTED AS HEADS OF ILLLEGAL SYNDICATE. Action Follows Seizure of 750 Quarts of Liquor From Launch Bebe on Way From Canada.

SEATTLE, May 15.—Federal officials today arrested John McGillivuddy, aged 34, and Captain Mike Edwards, in this city, charged with importation of liquor from British Columbia in violation of Federal statutes. The Coast Guard cutter Soledad, seized the launch Bebe near Deception Pass last Friday night and found 750 quarts of whiskey, gin and rum aboard.

The Bebe was trying to slip past the Scout when caught. On the launch were captured Will Sherman, engineer, a German, aged 39, and John Russell, also an engineer, aged 27.

After capturing the Bebe, the Federal agents set out to find the chiefs of a syndicate that is alleged to have brought great quantities of Canadian whisky into the United States, and today the police are alleged to have made Victoria, Ladysmith, Point Roberts and Seattle the bases of their operations. The police, in recent raids, have uncovered many bottles of Canadian whisky and it has been made apparent that the Federal Government has checked shipments from California except upon permits.

ELKS WILL STAGE COMEDY

"Sultan of Sulu" to Provide Funds for Soldiers' Dependents.

Portland is to see one of the largest and best amateur theatrical performances ever staged in the Northwest in a patriotic production of the "Sultan of Sulu," if the present plans of the Portland Lodge of Elks are consummated. The play, which is a high-class musical comedy by George Ade, will be given the last three nights in June at the Eleventh-Street Playhouse, to provide a fund for soldiers' dependents.

Waldemar Lind has charge of the musical direction and Montrose M. Ringer has been appointed dancing director. Paul Chamberlain, exalted ruler of the local Elks lodge, has appointed the following committee: Carey Houseman, Ray Barkhurst, Larry Keating, Ray Spalding, Fred Wagner, William T. Pangle, George L. Baker, E. C. Dolbin and C. T. Haas.

TELEGRAPHERS GAIN MANY

Operators' Union Secures Wage Agreement With 200 Railroads.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 15.—The reading of the reports of international officers begun yesterday at the biennial convention of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, was concluded today. Since the last previous convention in St. Louis 10,000 railway telegraphers have joined the Union and only about 15 per cent of the railway telegraphers of North America are now outside the Union.

More than 200 railroads have wage agreements with the order and wage increases amounting to \$2,500,000 have been gained in the two years.

St. Louis, Chicago, Buffalo and Indianapolis are seeking the next convention in 1919. The delegates will take a steamer excursion to Victoria, B. C., tomorrow.

FILM MEN TO MEET

Motion Picture Stars to Be at Ball Here May 30.

"BILL" HART WILL ATTEND

Margarita Fischer, Oregon Girl, to Be Guest of Honor at Entertainment Feature of State Convention of Exhibitors' League.

With Margarita Fischer, Portland girl who gained fame in motion pictures, to lead the grand march and a number of other stars of the silent drama, including Wallace Read, Vivian Martin, J. Warren Kerrigan, William S. Hart and possibly Virginia Pearson and George Walsh in attendance, the Motion Picture Exhibitors' League of Oregon will stage a mammoth "movie" ball at the Multnomah Hotel on the night of May 29.

The ball will be held in conjunction with the state convention of motion picture men in Portland May 29 and 30. Chicago, New York, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Denver and other large cities have had their "movie balls" and they have come to be regarded as among the most popular events in the community, but the Oregon exhibitors declare that they have a few stunts and surprises that will teach their Eastern brethren a thing or two.

Stars Promised to Attend. The Lasky company has telegraphed that the exhibitors may expect Vivian Martin and Wallace Read for the ball in Portland on Memorial day, and Thomas Ince has telegraphed that he will make every effort to send William S. Hart. It is also planned to have J. Warren Kerrigan, famous matinee idol of Hollywood, present in all his glory, and a telegram received yesterday from Harry Pollard, of San Diego, guarantees the presence at the ball of the greatest of the silent picture exhibitors of Miss Margarita Fischer, lovely Oregon girl who has been scoring a tremendous success before the camera and is already rated among the top-notchers of the motion-picture world.

Miss Fischer was born in Oregon and has recorded many triumphs on the speaking stage, but it was the motion picture that brought to her international popularity, and since the Pollard company was organized to make productions featuring only Miss Fischer, the Oregon girl has attained a wonderful following throughout the country.

Unusual Stunts Promised. Besides the stars who will meet and mingle with the dancers, the exhibitors are planning a number of stunts and surprises that are out of the ordinary. Motion pictures to be exhibited in all the leading downtown theaters will be taken and there will be other events out of the ordinary. All the ballroom space at the Multnomah Hotel will be taken and the lobby will also be utilized with three or four orchestras. The event is to be made a popular one and the motion-picture men expect to entertain between 2500 and 3000 persons.

The Multnomah Hotel also has been designated as convention headquarters for the moving-picture men, who will come from all over the state to attend this first annual convention of the Oregon league. Matters of vital interest to the motion-picture showmen are to come up for consideration at the convention. The method of meeting the war tax on theaters, which it is expected will amount to more than 10 per cent of the total box office receipts of all theaters, will be discussed.

The organization at its meeting yesterday voted to leave all arrangements for the convention and ball to the officers of the association—Charles W. McInghan, president; E. J. Myrick, chairman of the executive committee, and J. J. Parker, treasurer. With Abraham Nelson, the business manager of the organization, the executive committee will meet today and appoint its committees and perfect plans.

Scio Milk Condensery Sold. SCIO, Or., May 15.—(Special.)—The milk condensery here has been sold to a Seattle company and it is rumored that the capacity of the plant will be increased by the establishment of additional machinery and the extension of the milk routes. This plant was established here a few years ago by local men and this company has operated it ever since.

Liquor Sales to Indians Cost \$25. PENDLETON, Or., May 15.—(Special.)—On a charge of selling intoxicating liquor to Indians, George R. Demott, proprietor of a tobacco and confectionery store, paid a fine of \$25 in the City Court this morning. Demott was distributing lemon extract at \$1 a pint, and a considerable store of it was confiscated by the officers and destroyed.

—what will stop a wife from running away??? See "THE WEB OF DESIRE" at the STAR



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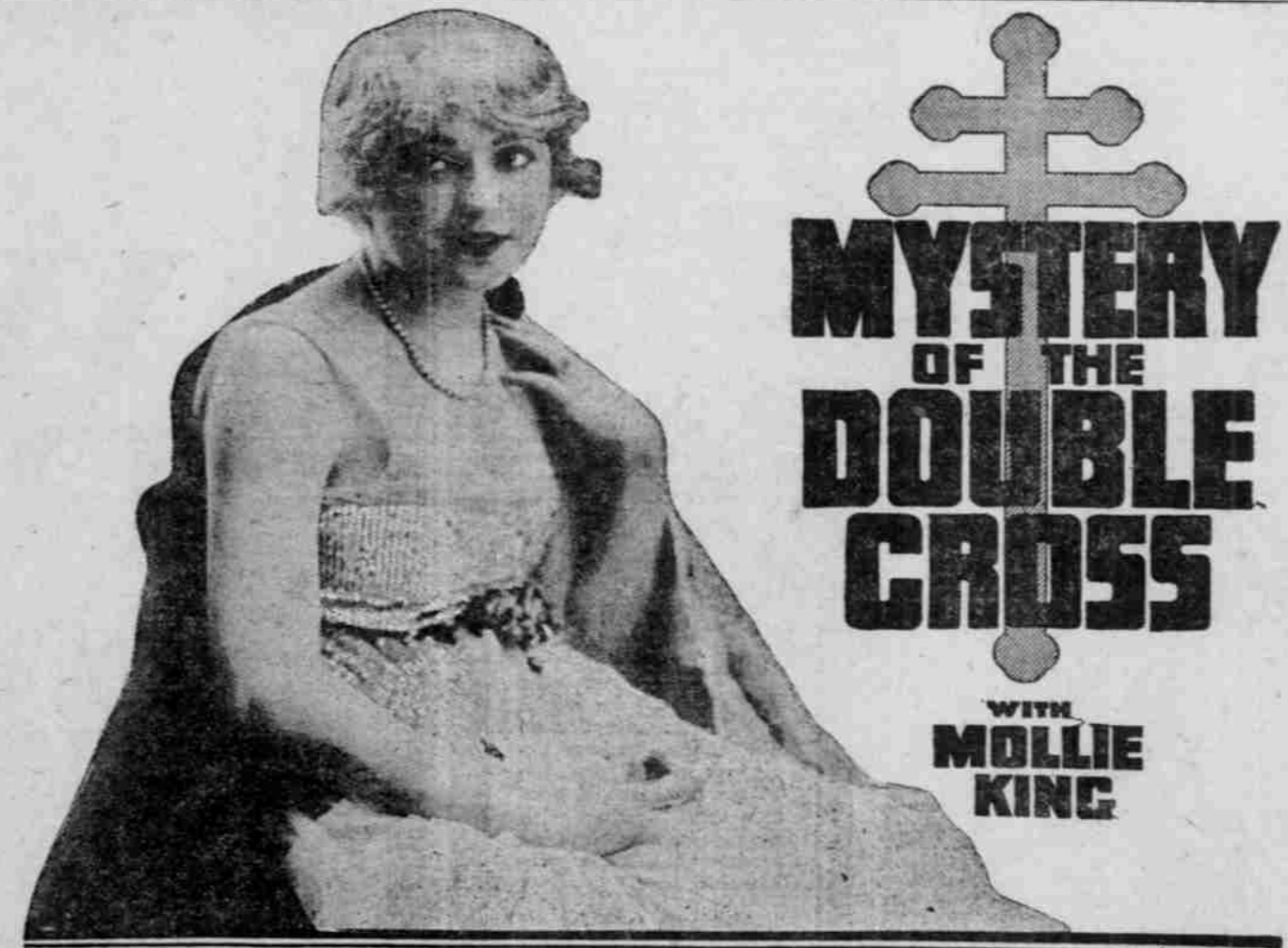
Washington at Park

Charlie Chaplin Next Sunday

TODAY—ONE DAY ONLY HARRIS SAYS IN "THE MAN FROM TIA JUANA" Another of those "American Girl" pictures; also Fatty Arbuckle in "Miss Fatty's Sensible Lover," "The New Salesman," a Kalem comedy, and Selig Tribune News Weekly.

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