

CAN BY THE STARS SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Anti-Hooverism Not to Be Tolerated by Board Even if Profit Can Be Made.

BUILDER'S CLAIM HELD UP

Suggestion That Technical School Take Scrap From City and Return Therefor Finished Parts Meets With Approval.

An item of \$35 for candy to be recalled at the High School cafeteria, mingled with a multitude of other claims in the audited list presented to the School Board yesterday, caused the directors to pause for scrutiny and comment.

Director Drake pinned the offending item down with his pencil, asserting that it seemed an unnecessary claim and wholly unauthorized, even though the proceeds of candy sales are returned to the district by the school cafeteria. His colleagues agreed that candy was scarcely a cafeteria essential, and allowed the claim with the specific admonition that it should not be repeated.

Nothing was said about the conservation of sugar, but a great deal was implied by the manner in which the director frowned upon the unauthorized item. Clerk Thomas informed the directors that he already had rebuked those responsible for the expenditure, and it was of essential importance, if they must have candy, should procure it strictly on their own hook.

Economic Plan Approved.

The conservation crusade was brought before the School Board in another guise, when City Commissioner Kellaher presented two requests, both of which were favorably acted upon. The first suggestion offered by Commissioner Kellaher was that an exchange should be established between the city and Benson Polytechnic School, whereby brass, iron and copper scrap, the property of the city, should be turned over to the Polytechnic for use in its machine shops. In return for the valuable material the school would receive, said Commissioner Kellaher, finished articles needed by the various municipal departments and manufactured by the students. Chairman Smith appointed Directors Drake and Pike as a committee to further the plan and report.

As chief supervisor of the Municipal Fish Market, Commissioner Kellaher asked permission for the holding of demonstration lectures, by Mrs. J. D. Spencer, in the domestic science departments of the schools, on the use and preparation of Oregon fish. Favorable comment followed the request and Superintendent Alderman was given power to act in the matter.

Building Trouble Indicated.

The shadow of litigation loomed when the final adjustment of the contract of the Friberg-McLennan contract for construction of the Benson Polytechnic School came up for consideration. The company has presented claims for extra work, the cleaning of interior walls and the repainting of walls. Payment of the claim is advised against by F. A. Naramore, superintendent of the city buildings, and that the charges do not represent additional work, and that the structure should have been delivered in proper condition without additional payment.

The board instructed Deputy District Attorney Pierce, its legal adviser, to investigate further the justice of the claim, and determine whether or not it should be submitted to arbitrators, a course already recommended. The buildings and grounds committee's report advised that the company be allowed \$1300 as a final adjustment. Representatives of the company agreed to the deferring of the adjustment while further investigation is made.

TONG TRIAL NEARS END

CHIN JUNG HIN'S FATE TO BE IN JURY'S HANDS TODAY.

Charges of Graft and Witness Bribery Features Case Resulting From the Murder of Chinese.

After a hard fought trial lasting an even 30 days, the case of Chin Jung Hin, charged with complicity in the murder of Chin Hong, June 2, last, will be in the hands of the jury today. Closing arguments were being made all yesterday afternoon by counsel for prosecution and defense. The closing argument will be made this morning by Chief, Deputy District Attorney Collier.

As president of the Suey Sing tong, Chin Jung Hin is charged with complicity in the murder of Chin Hong, wealthy member of the Bing Kung, a rival tong.

The trial has been marked by its bitterness. Charges of graft and bribery of witnesses have been made from the witness stand on two separate occasions during the trial. This is the second of a series of nearly 50 murder complicity cases to be tried as the result of the tong hostilities which raged in Portland during the first six months of last year. Goo Woo, secretary of the Suey Sing tong, was the first to be tried and secured a directed verdict for acquittal. Moy Nam, whose name was mentioned by a witness Wednesday as one who sought to bribe a witness for the defense, is under indictment for murder and will be one of those to be tried later.

LIBERTY LOANS DISCUSSED

Mrs. A. S. Baldwin Meets With Members of Oregon Committee.

Mrs. A. S. Baldwin, of San Francisco, member of the Women's Liberty Loan National Committee, and chairman of the women's liberty loan committee of the Twelfth Federal Reserve district, arrived in Portland Wednesday for a conference with the women of the Oregon committee in charge of the liberty loan campaign. The women's liberty loan committee, of which Mrs. Baldwin is a member, is composed of 12 women, one from each of the Federal Reserve districts. Mrs. Baldwin has just returned from Washington, where this committee met to formulate plans for the next liberty loan campaign, which is expected to take place between now and next June. Mrs. Baldwin left yesterday morning for Tacoma, where she will continue her conference.

MOVING PICTURE NEWS



William S. Hart, Star of 'The Disciple' at Sunset

TODAY'S FILM FEATURES. Columbia—Marguerite Clark, 'The Seven Swans.' Liberty—'Alimony.' Majestic—George Walsh, 'This Is the Life.' Peoples—Lina Cavalieri, 'The Eternal Temptress.' Star—Vivian Martin, 'Molly Entangled.' Sunset—William S. Hart, 'The Disciple.' Globe—Wallace Reid and Kathryn Williams in 'Big Timber.'

Liberty. 'ALIMONY' is a photoplay which can easily be conceded a niche among the top-notchers of the season. This sensational divorce photodrama has plenty of plot, much action, a skillfully maintained suspense and a capable cast of players.

The plot outlines the attempts of a woman scorned to ruin the happiness of the man she once loved and his chosen wife. Her methods are laid with the utmost care and the observer is held in suspense as to the outcome of it all, so complete and well formulated is the network of misleading circumstances to ensnare the husband. The picture shows that Hayden Talbot, the author, is master of the wiles employed by lawyers who use the divorce courts as their tool, the scenario being constructed so that it moves with a smoothness and rapidity that does not permit the interest to flag.

Lois Wilson, a charming young girl, contributes a notable performance as the young wife. Josephine Whittell makes her film debut as an adventuress and is admirably suited to the part, while George Fisher, an old Triangle favorite, is very real as the man in the case.

Here's a summary of the story: A slight flirtation with Turner (Fisher), leads Bernice Flint (Miss Whittell) to divorce her husband, believing that Turner will marry her. Turner, a millionaire, has no such intention. So she, in league with an unscrupulous lawyer, set about to damage the happiness of the man who spurned her. Turner meets Marjorie Lansing (Miss Wilson) and asks her to marry him. She accepts. Bernice and Stone then create a domestic upheaval in the Turner family and it is not until their attorney fathoms the criminal actions of the conspirators that the clouds are swept away.

A Mutt and Jeff cartoon comedy and new pictorial furnish further entertainment.

Sunset. 'The Disciple,' the Triangle photoplay which gave Dorothy Dalton her first real acting chance, and started her on the road to film stardom, is the Sunset Theater's screen offering for the week-end. It's not a Dalton picture, however, for William S. Hart, in the role of a preacher who turns bad man, is the star, and the cast includes such sterling players as Robert McKim, Charles K. French and Little Thelma Salter.

'The Disciple' unfolds a tale of the West, with the startling transformation of a frontier missionary into a genuine 'bad actor' under the provocation of having his wife stolen from him by a smooth ex-physician and proprietor of a saloon. Jim Houston is the role entrusted to Hart in this popular old production, and it gives him an opportunity to display emotional and dramatic effects. Houston is a sincere preacher, one who does not hesitate to command attention through the use of a pistol. But his zeal for saving lives is changed to intense hatred when he goes home to discover that his wife, Mary, has eloped with Doc Hardy, former physician and present saloonkeeper. Jim renounces the church and takes his child into the mountains. A storm forces the wife to the Houston cabin, where their child is dying of fever, and Houston, at the point of a gun, forces Hardy to leave town and minister to his child. Hardy saves the girl and then attempts to leave with Mary. Houston, in great wrath, is about to kill the man who has destroyed his happiness, when he is moved to forgive him, while over the bedside of the recovering child the man and wife are reconciled to each other.

'Nephtum's Naughty Daughter,' a hilarious Alice Howell comedy, is another entertaining subject on the programme.

Screen Gossip. Ferris Hartman, well-known Pacific Coast comedian, is now a writer of comedy scenarios for Triangle-Kellogg. Ferris, who is related to Fatty Arbuckle, used to direct the comedians. Geraldine Farrar is to retire from the Metropolitan Opera Company at the end of next season. The Metropolitan says that no one can sing there and play in pictures and 'Jerry' refuses to quit the silent drama. This same also applies to Mary Garden, while they say

BAKER GIVES VIEWS

War Mission's Recommendation Not to Alter Plans.

TROOPS WILL TRAIN HERE

Secretary of War Declares That Only Difference Will Be That Probably Dispatch of Men to France Will Be Hastened.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Recommendation of the American war mission that troops be sent to France as rapidly as possible will not result in any change in the general plan of training the soldiers in the United States. This was made plain today by Secretary Baker in a general discussion of the efforts of the War Department promptly to carry out the mission's suggestions. Every possible energy will be devoted to speeding up production of munitions and equipment and this, with the agreement of the allies to furnish the necessary ships and equipment, is expected to result in the dispatch of the army abroad much sooner than was at first thought possible. Neither ships nor heavy artillery for any great force would be available on this side of the Atlantic for some time.

Efforts to speed up the ordnance bureau's work were reflected in Secretary Baker's announcement of the reorganization of the bureau with experienced business men at the head of the several divisions which will have charge of general work. The reorganization of the Quartermaster's department under Major-General Goethals, acting Quartermaster-General, along the line obtaining some years ago when there was a commissary-general and a paymaster-general, also have been suggested.

General Goethals is said to favor this plan, and in this connection it is understood that Major-General James Alesie, the former Paymaster-General, and his assistant, Major-General C. A. Devol, will be recalled to active service. Opportunity for changes in the department, it is pointed out, will be given soon by the retirement on their own applications of Brigadier-General A. L. Smith and Thomas Cruz, assistants to the Quartermaster-General.

Steps to increase the efficiency of the Army machine also have been taken by the newly created war council of the War Department. These are under consideration and approval of the chief, as unsuited for the duties he is performing.

ALIENS REPORT TO POLICE

Mayor Baker Is Notified by Attorney-General Gregory.

Allen enemies will be required to register at the police station in Portland, Mayor Baker yesterday received a letter from Attorney-General Gregory requesting that plans for the registration be approved as soon as the required blank forms are received. 'I have the honor to inform you,' says Attorney-General Gregory, 'that the President has issued a proclamation dated November 16, 1917, containing among other regulations in relation to German alien enemies, one requiring their registration. The plan contemplated is to have the German alien enemies fill out registration affidavits at the police stations in your city, and there receive registration cards. This department will furnish all necessary affidavits, cards and other forms and issue instructions for the work. In view of the material assistance this work will render to the success of the country in the war, I am relying upon your whole-hearted co-operation in its performance.'

WARHOUSE MEN PROTEST

License Fee Charged by City Is Held Exorbitant.

Request was made on City Commissioner Kellaher yesterday by operators of warehouses that the city reduce the license fee charged such establishments to one-half the present amount. The present fee is excessive and should be reduced.

The municipal docks and storehouses are cutting into the business to a very noticeable extent, the petitioners said. Mr. Kellaher promised to make an investigation.

Couple Brought From Tacoma.

Emmett Selvidge and Alice Roberts.

Special Sale of Arrow Shirts

Today is the commencement of our great twice-a-year sale of the well-known Arrow Shirts. It's to your advantage to lay in a reasonable supply at these special prices. This sale consists of every colored Arrow Shirt in the house, in fine madras, crepes, basket weaves, percales, silk and linen mixtures, mercerized and tub silk shirts. Come tomorrow and make your selections at the following reduced prices:

Table with 2 columns: Regular price and Special price. Rows include Regular \$1.50 Shirts (\$1.25), Regular \$2.00 Shirts (\$1.65), Regular \$2.50 Shirts (\$1.85), Regular \$3.00 Shirts (\$2.15), Regular \$3.50 Shirts (\$2.85), Regular \$4-\$4.50 Shirts (\$3.15), Regular \$5.00 Shirts (\$3.85), \$6, \$6.50, \$7 Silk Shirts (\$4.85).



The Home of Hart Schaffner & Marx Clothes

Cooper Union Suits Reduced

Now is the time to get that Winter underwear you have been putting off for so long. You'll find what you want here at the following reduced prices:

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Sam'l Rosenblatt & Co.

The Men's Store for Quality and Service. SOUTHEAST CORNER FIFTH AND ALDER

VETERANS TO SPEAK

Canadians Will Detail Experiences at Battlefront.

WAR LIFE TO BE PAINTED

Party of Officers Will Speak at Auditorium Sunday Under Auspices of State Council of Defense, It Is Announced.

Portland is becoming more intimately acquainted with that torn and scarred section of Europe known the world over as the western front. Civilians, acting in official and semi-official capacities, have gone overseas and returned to describe their impressions of the inferno wherein world forces contest. Never before, however, have Portlanders been given an opportunity to hear in full messages from the men who have fought 'over there.'

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LIBERTY GO! LADIES: If you are downtown slip in and see this. JUST TODAY and Tomorrow A Tip. Image of a woman in a Liberty Bell hat.

FOR THE FREEDOM OF THE WORLD

BEGINNING TOMORROW AT THE MAJESTIC REGULAR PRICES

'Alimony'—a play from the pen of a well-known Court Reporter. It rings the bell for action and intense interest. A few scenes now may save a few scenes later.

STAR LAST DAY

CHARMING VIVIAN MARTIN With Those Irish Eyes of Blue in 'MOLLY ENTANGLED' and CHARLIE CHAPLIN in 'THE ADVENTURER' It's the Wonder Bill. TOMORROW THE SURPRISE SHOW. 15c 5c.