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SCENERY SPLENDID COLOR

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CAST OF 'POM-POM' table listing actors and roles such as Count de Jole, Fausette, The Critter, etc.

By LEONE CASS BAER. Insofar as the acting is concerned, the bright and shining star in 'Pom-Pom' is Mitzi, chic, petite, adorable...

It is pure, spell-binding comedy, set to delightful music, of a genuinely comic opera flavor. Back to the olden-golden days when musical comedies had a plot and told it, hark 'Pom-Pom'.

We've become so used to a hodge-podge of vaudeville acts gathered together and offered us in the name of musical shows, that the pretentious story told us in 'Pom-Pom' with its daring outlaws armed to the teeth, its abundance of policemen, private sleuths, correspondence school crooks and bandits, not forgetting its real ladies and gentlemen in evening things that look like evening things—well, we're giving thanks to heaven and Henry W. Savage for Mitzi and 'Pom-Pom'.

The composer has followed the lines of his pattern closely and his music runs hand in hand with incidents and situations in the piece, so much so that in one bit, an amusing burlesque of a circus, we hear the hero music, the to-za's, that imitates the inevitable accompaniment of a strong man. Novelties besprinkle 'Pom-Pom'. There's an Apache dance, a dummy dance, and Mitzi's exquisite yodeling. Charles McNaughton brings a grotesque humor and a rare comedy to the part of an unlucky policeman, and in the delightful circus scene was a fine foil for Mitzi, who crowned with fascinating sincerity. Our old friend, Thomas Walsh, gave a splendid character study of the burglar-in-chief, and Boyd Marshall played and sang the hero role in fine form; which brings us again to Mitzi, the incomparable, whose combination of gifts of voice and personality and smart little performance is quite beyond my wits to describe.

You'll have to see 'Pom-Pom' and then you'll not be counting. You'll be Mitzi-mad like I am.

STATE SCHOOL DATA GIVEN

With Five Counties Missing, Oregon Has 184,196 Students.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special).—With five counties still missing, and no apparent indication of their being received, the school census for 1917 shows a total of 184,196. The total for 1916 was 205,417.

Giving to the five missing counties the same census as the last one available, the total for this year would be 203,415, but as unquestionably there were increases in all of these five counties, the complete total, it is believed, would show a reasonable increase for 1917 over 1916. The five missing counties are Deschutes, Jackson, Wasco, Lake and Umatilla. Wasco reported, but furnished the census for the county, rather than for school children.

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