## JAZZ WRECKS MANY HOMES, SAYS JUDGE

Work of Evil Deity Is Seen in Divorce Court.

### OTHER INFLUENCES CITED

Average of 25 Sults for Separation Filed Weekly-Oregon Law Is Declared Too Easy.

Each day of the calendar year, with undeviating regularity, not less than three Mulinomah county couples dis-cover that marriage ties are irksome and apply for relief through the courts. Cold pancakes and hot tempers contribute to the common causes of desertion and cruel treatmentwith a consequent grist of divorces and children denied complete parental

protection.

Presiding Judge Taxwell, whose Presiding Judge Taxwell, whose the Presiding Judge Taxwell, whose court each Wednesday becomes the mill of marital wrangles, whence issues freedom, holds with the English poet who declared that "all men kill the thing they love," and that bitter looks and cruel words, springing from petty disputes, part the bonds of marriage and bring untold measures of unhappiness into thousands of lives—where the virtue of sands of lives—where the virtue of forbearance has never been exer-cised. And he holds, too, that the brass pagan delty of Jazz is responsi-ble for a malign influence that wrecks

25 Suits Filed Weekly. I wenty-five divorce suits are filedweekly, as a general average, with a total of 1978 recorded for the first ten months of the present year. Only ten months of the present year. Only a search of the court archives would reveal the number of decrees that have been granted, but it is estimated that 95 per cent seek freedom in court and find it—through the laxity of the Oregon divorce law. It is thus apparent that not less than 1000 homes have ceased to be in Multinomah county thus far the present

Divorces have maintained this average for the past three years. They do not advance—neither do they dedo not advance—neither do they decrease. It is as if the evil in full stride is bent upon a consistent long distance record. Fifty per cent of all cases that enter circuit court are divorce cases. In 1918 the total was 1125 and in 1917 it was 1942. In 1919 the divorce calendar soared to 1768. Perjury in the interest of divorce is common, declared Judge Tazwell—but the shrewdness with which these lies are uttered, and the apathetic attitude of the husband or wife against whom they are launched, or even the secret collusion of the two for the purpose of winning a decree, defeats all judicial endeavor to brand the perjurer as such and render punishment.

Globe — Bert Lytell, "The Price of Redemption."

DRAMATIC story of life in the Canadian worthwest, that is somewhat different, is presented in "Nomads of the North," now showing at the Liberty theater. The picture gets its name from two animal characters—Neewa, a bear cub, and Brimstone, a puppy, little nomads of the north country. They play a prominent part in the unfolding of the plot, and make a strong appeal.

The opening scenes of the picture are laid in a lonely trading post in

termined upon different routes to the sunset. Sordid detail, silly charges, and rather unusual close-ups of wild tears and haughtiness are the melange beasts in panic. iears and haughtiness are the melange of the divorce court. One learns that love's young dream, grown old and cold, may forfeit the term of sweetheart for those of nauseous abuse and vilification: that the arm that embraced, in a June twilight, can throw a plate or strike a blow with the a plate or strike a blow with the vigor of hatred. Gresham Case Problem.

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The couple from Gresham, who sought divorce yesterday, have reared 16—count 'em—children in their 33 organ.

esting atmospheric setting and prolong. The Manhatton trio sings, and Kenri Keates entertains at the years of wedded life. And there isn't a trace of the mild, middle-aged obstinacy which Will Carlton celebrated when he wrote "For Nancy and I Are Out." The Nancy in this every-day

not and should not endure, and that no amount of kindly words and counsel can remedy. And this is quite true of most of the divorce suits brought by older married persons. The younger ones, for the most part, come into cours with prievances mark.

"Some of the younger married women need sadly to be turned over the knee and soundly spanked spanked until the tears come. They are willful and will not compromise, and the same fault applies to many off estimating how many your marriages are ruined to the courthouse, where the shackles of marital duty are stricken off with ease and dispatch. "The remedy is distinctly up to the legislature," said Judge Taxwell, as he left chambers to preside at his 17th case for the day.

SALEM TO BE PROTECTION OF SALEM TO BE AND SALEM TO BE PROTECTION OF SALEM TO BE AND SALEM TO BE PROTECTION OF SALEM TO BE AND SAL of the younger men. I have no way of estimating how many youthful marriages are ruined by the worship of jazz, but it is and to say that hundreds of recent Portland divorces were caused by the glitter and freedom of tales amusements.

dom of false amusements.

"Desertion and cruel and inhuman treatment are broad legal terms. Under their definition in the Oregon law divorce is too easily obtained. Human nature remains unchangeable, but the impulse toward hasty sepabut the impulse toward hasty se ration is fostered by laws that invite such a course. That so many divorces are granted is not the fault of the court, but the fault of the law. The court has no discretion if cause is es-tablished under the statute.

Court's Task Hated One.

"Divorce Wednesdays, as we call them, are peculiarly disillusioning. We grow to hate the task impose upon us—this coascless repetition of charges that shake one's faith in his man character. They come in here, many of the younger couples, arm in arm to seek their decree—giggling and amirking, not in the least ashamed of their quest or the notoriety, and seemingly with no sense whatever of the solemnite of their



BETTY BLYTHE, IN A MOMENT FROM "NOMADS OF THE NORTH," AT

TODAY'S FILM FEATURES. Rivoli-Al Christie's "So Long

Letty."
Peoples -- Constance Tal-madge, "Good References." Majestic-Tom Moore, "Offi-cer 666."

Liberty—Lon Chaney, "No-nade of the North." Columbia—Thomas Meighan, Conrad in Quest of His Youth." Star-Will Rogers, "Cupid the Cowpuncher."

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Farm Life Too Dull.

"It is a physical and spiritual impossibility for that woman to tell the truth," commented Judge Taxwell yesterday at a recess, when one particular case focused his reveries. "She is a constitutional llar, but how can proof be adduced? Her husband is ruined financially through her extravasgance. I have asked her to live with him and unite in an effort to mend their lives and their fortune—but the farm is too dull for her. She has had her tuste of the city."

More than 20 divorce cases were heard by the presiding judge at yesterday's session, and with few exceptions decrees were issued. There were salekering young couples who had experimented with marriage, and gray-haired parents who had traveled almost of the full mile before they determined upon different routes to the sunset. Sordid detail, silly charges.

> A feature of the production is an excellent cast, which includes Lon Chaney, as Challoner; Betty Blythe,

The presentation of the picture at the Liberty is marked by an inter-

### Screen Gossip.

story of the divorce court reprimanded her husband with a leveled shot-gun, and pitched a serving fork at him with such force and precision that it nailed her lord between the eyes and hung there, waggling. Obliques of the continuity for love the love of the continuity for love of the conti

Law Declared Too Ensy.

"Three a day, and better, for every day of the year, Multnomah county clutters its courts with divorce pro ceedings. And other jurists, in agreement with Judge Tazwell, point to the Oregon divorce laws as the contributing cause of the hegira from home to the courthouse, where the shackles

SALEM, Or., Dec. 8 .- (Special.)-Organization of a drainage district

in certain sections of Salem during the winter months. The district, if organized as proposed by the state engineer, will include a large area and will take in the property of several state institutions. Construction of a dyke also will be required, and other improvements aggregating an expenditure of many thousands of dollars

## GOOD SCHOOL WEEK HELD

Address Given at Luncheon of Cen-

riety, and seemingly with no sense whatever of the solemnity of their marriage contract. They come in bent and gray, querulously complaining, with the embittered purpose to separate for the rest of the way. And in between come all manners and contract. They come in cial.)—Centralia's observance of Good School week opened yesterday at the weekly luncheon of the Centralia Roman in between come all manners and contract. They come in cial.)—Centralia's observance of Good School week opened yesterday at the weekly luncheon of the Centralia Roman in the complex comp tralia Rotary Club. marriage.

"Hero's something interesting, presided, and the speakers include though it's not susceptible of exact though it's not susceptible of exact A. C. Roberts, president of the nor proof. However, we learn to read be-mal school; E. T. Robinson, city su

..... the production as "Black Mike." thug leader. also featured.

first screen showing this week.

Penny Ross, one of the most widely known cartoonists of this country and the creator of "Mammy's Angel Child," featured by leading newspapers for a number of years, will shortly add to his popularity through the medium of his forthcoming "Esther Starring Series" of animated cartoons.

Work has been completed by Charles Ray on "The Old Swimmin' Hole" in southern California, where he has been making this subject.

With a large portion of the San Francisco public excited ever the possibility and probability of having a big share of the film production industry in the vicinity of San Francisco in the near future, and the local sisco in the near future, and the local

"The Fighting Schoolmaster" is the effective title chosen for George Melford's production with Monte Blue, adapted from "The Jucklins," Opie Read's novel. The adaptation is by Frank Condon.

a camera man for D. W. Griffith and George Loane Tucker, has written the "Unbellevers" and will direct Louise ovely in this subject.

Valentin Mandelstamm, ovelist and playwright, shortly will pay a visit to this country. His arrival in New York will coincide with he release on December 19 of Leonce Perret's picturization of "The Empire of Diamonds," which is said to be the most original and thrilling of Mandelstamm's series of detective ro-

J. Parker Read Jr. has announced through his personal representative, Sig Schlager, now in New York, that Miss Glaum had signed a new con-"Outside the Law," a drama of the underworld directed by Todd Brown-tract to star in J. Parker Read Jr.'s productions and that his command of productions and that his command of

ble character parts in "The Miracle Man" and "The Penalty" will long be ing the continuity for "A Certain remembered by film fans, appears in Rich Man" by William Allen White.

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resbyterian church last night, setting forth the present shortage of teachers throughout the country and he low teaching standards in some

### Paving Bids Are Close.

ABERDEEN, Wash. Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Contractors yesterday sent to the county commissioners bids for the Simpson avenue and Park avenue paving in Aberdeen. The Grays Harbor Construction company bid Harbor Construction company bid \$135,740 for paving with concrete. The Aberdeen Paving company's bid for the same kind of work was \$126, 220, and for asphalt \$132,296. The commissioners, in conjunction with the Aberdeen city council, will act on the bids in two weeks the bids in two weeks.

Idaho Property Values Fall. BOISE, Idaho, Dec. \$.—(Special.)—
Property valuations in Idaho have suffered a decrease in 1920 over those of 1919, according to Miles Cannon, commissioner of agriculture. In 1920 the assessed valuations for Idaho were \$500,000,000, which is \$12,000,000 more than in 1919, but Commissioner Cannon states that in the latter year the assessed valuation represented one-third of the actual value, while in 1920 the valuation was based upon about 50 per cent. was based upon about 50 per cent,



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## NEGLECT OF ALASKA RESOURCES CHARGED

Territorial Governor Seeks More Liberal Policy.

CAPITAL IS TURNED DOWN

Enactment by Congress of Development Board Bill Is Recommended in Annual Report.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 .- An appeal WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—An appeal for greater co-ordination in the policies of the federal government and for "the greatest possible meed of self-government" was presented in a series of recommendations for governing the territory of Alaska submitted in the annual report of Thomas Riggs. Jr., the territorial governor, made public here. "Sentimentalists have done and are doing more damage to Alaska," Governor Riggs declared, "than can ever be undone, unless a broad policy of development is undertaken which recognizes the rights of invested

recognizes the rights of invested capital and the welfare of the individual. Laws should govern, instead of revocable regulations, but where there must be regulations, such regulations should be promulgated by authority located within the territory and not 4000 miles away.

Colonial Policy Wanted. "In the interest of good citizen-ship, to promote self-reliance and to strengthen the desire for public welfare, the greatest possible meed of self-government should be allowed the residents of the territory."

A feature of the views shown in International News reel No. 79, just released, is the interesting group of a colonial policy, asserting that absence of such policy has caused capital supreleased, is the interesting group of pletures showing President-elect Harding enjoying a fishing trip at Point Isabel. Tex.

Roy Kluver, the cameraman, caught the next president in the act of landing a huge tarpon. The president elect's stiff fight to subdue the big fish is shown in lively close-ups.

Leo Ditrichstein's stage success. "The Great Lover." written by himself in collaboration with Frederick and Fanny Locke Hatton, received its first screen showing this week.

policy, asserting that absence of such a policy has caused capital, supposedly headed for Alaska, to turn to British Columbia, to the loss of Alaska. This caused him to remark that "in Canada the founder of a great new 'industry gets knighted; in Alaska very often indicted."

Resources Held Neglected.

Honest and energetic attempts, he added, have been made by the Washington government to open up Alaska through construction of government railroads, but little attention has been paid to development of the

through construction of governmentaliroads, but little attention has been paid to development of the territory's natural resources and little encouragement in the way of legis-lation has been provided to meet anyone to settle along the railroad now under construction. As a remedy for this condition, he sub-mitted as his chief recommendation, the enactment by congress of the pending Alaska development board bill. This measure, he asserted, will do more for Alaska than any other piece of legislation and seemingly, he added, is opposed only by the government bureaus at Washington.

Appropriations Cut Possible. The prediction was made by Gover nor Riggs that should the develop-ment board bill and other recom-mendations be adopted, appropria-tions for Alaska can be cut below daily papers full of the advent of filmdom in the northern city, more than 5000 persons traveled the short distance to San Mateo last Sunday to witness the formal opening and public inspection day programme at the Pacific Motion Picture Studios

daily papers full of the advent of similar amounts appropriated for any state, and the territory "instead of simply being the greatest per capita contributor to the national revenues will, in addition, soon become self-supporting and self-sustaining."

Governor Riggs submitted figures supporting and self-sustaining."
Governor Riggs submitted figures showing the total commerce of Alaska with the United States the last calendar year to have amounted to \$105,586,095, a decrease of \$17,850,-

396 over 1918, due largely to after effects of the war, to a smaller run of salmon and to lessened copper minings resulting from the slump in Laborers' Condition Better. The governor said the condition o the laboring man in Alaska was better than in the states, while the

opportunities for saving were greater as there was not the same tempta-tion to spend on amusements or "boiled shirts, silk stockings and high heeled shoes." The governor placed the value of

Alaska's mineral products in 1919 at \$19,620,913. The mines of Alaska since 1880 were estimated as having produced \$438,161,000 worth of min erals.

### Highway Contract Is Signed.

EUGENE Or Dec 8-(Special) The contracts with Washburne & Hall for the grading of 11.29 miles of the Willamette Valley-Florence highway, by way of the "low pass" over the coast mountains into Lake creek valley, was received by the Lane county court for the signatures of the mem-bers of that body, having already been signed by the contractors and the state highway commission. It is expected that the work of clearing the right of way will start at once. The stretch of the new highway ex-tends from a point near Goldson to the summit, three miles from Blachly.

Tacoman to Practice.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 8 .- (Special.) uy Keiley of Tacoma, republican national committeeman from Washing-ton, was admitted to practice before the supreme court Tuesday. He was introduced by Senator Jones,



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