

VAUDEVILLE BILL NOT INSPIRING Patrons of Orpheum Have Seen Better Program Than One This Week.

By V. H. P. Froxy and soggy may be used as indiscriminately as they may be used aptly in a description of the bill of vaudeville which a perspiring but not by any means inspiring audience saw—and suffered—in its first throes at the Orpheum last night.

Yet, it is through no feeling of sympathy or charity that one is prompted to offer the presumption that probably conditions last night numbered a show that is not so frayed as it seemed. Performers complained of an inattentive and hopelessly melancholy audience, which refused to crinkle perspiring viases and spattered applause with guarded economy.

When other acts wilted woefully, Boynton and Burke, two crisp, breezy young women who looked cool, sufficiently aroused auditors with their songs to win patterns of praise. Their act dragged, too, probably because of the heat, but it was free from that dash of somberness which characterized others.

Being young, really good looking and altogether refreshing, they compelled their listeners to forget the moment the tepidity of the atmosphere. Gracing the program with something more imposing, perhaps—"The Mardi Gras in Paris"—the Morati opera company of five singers thrilled lighter veins from standard operas and won through merit. Their trained voices belated memories of vocal rasps which the audience suffered from performing breathers who preceded them.

Taking a running jump at other acts on the program, chiefly compels brevity. Bert and Lottie Walton can be endured while they dance, but last night they danced and sang. Miss Sydney Shields and company, presenting "Broadway, U. S. A.," were deliciously amusing. Harry Atkinson limited musical instruments and Clifford and Burke, who attempted a blackface revel, grated.

The four Cliftons, "marvels of physical culture," were really good last night, and the motion pictures, portraying western scenes in the wild days, were interesting.

"Halley's Comet" Pleases. The Lyric theatre yesterday was not a very joyous place, in spite of the fact that "Halley's Comet" made its appearance there for the first time. "Halley's Comet" is a very funny comedy and one that, under ordinary circumstances would have given the Armstrong musical comedy company a most welcome vehicle for their fun. Yesterday, however, the entire membership of the company was shocked and unamused by the awful accident that had happened to Marjorie Mahr, the little chorus girl who was run down and mangled by a Fourth street train Sunday.

The company went bravely through with the production, however, and the presentation was creditable in spite of the strain under which the actors were working. It is believed that the week will see one of the most enthusiastic receptions yet accorded to the Armstrong company, due as a result of the cleverness and comedy of this week's bill.

The fun of the presentation groups around a peculiar telescope which is supposed to have the power to draw the inhabitants of Halley's comet from that orb to the earth when properly trained skyward. Mike Halley, from Comet, Pa., started out on a search for his wife, and getting into the observatory, hides in the telescope. Out of this engagement comes all of the fun of the piece. The bill is good and was well acted.

ROSEBURG ORCHARD TRACT YIELDS PROFIT The purchase of a 30 acre orchard near Roseburg for \$10,000 two years ago and a recent disposal of the property by two sales at a total of \$28,000, is a record for which W. C. Harding of the Harding Land company, Roseburg, claims is a hard one to beat.

Mr. Harding has been a guest of the Imperial, but left this morning for Chicago on business. He said he sold the property two years ago to a friend as agent, who later sold a part of it for \$7000 and more recently the remainder for \$19,000.

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AVIATOR CRASHED AT BOURNEMOUTH

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That the heavy motor of the plane had crushed him to death. He was dead when taken from the debris.

The stampede of the mob was increased by the action of a photographer who endeavored to take a snapshot of the wreckage while Rolles' body was beneath it. A crowd of men attacked the camera man, trampled and kicked him and broke his camera. There were cries of "Bruch Jim," but the police rescued him from further injury.

Physicians this afternoon reported that Rolles' neck was broken and his skull fractured.

Meanwhile Aviator Audemars, flying a miniature Denham, made a landing, became confused and lost control of his craft, which turned over in the air and fell to the ground.

These accidents, occurring almost simultaneously, created a panic in the great crowd. Audemars' machine rushed to the stands, trampling women and children in their flight. Others surged about the wreckage of the two machines and impeded the work of rescue.

Police and attendants at the aerodrome finally forced the people back. Rolles' body was carried into the stand, while Audemars, badly hurt and unconscious, was given temporary aid and then sent to a hospital. It is announced that he will probably recover.

Parents View Dreadful Sight. With the double accident, the Bournemouth meet was hastily adjourned for the time being.

Rolles had gained enviable fame as an aviator. He was the third man to cross the English channel and was England's foremost man in aeronautics. He was one of the three Englishmen entered for the international balloon race to be held in St. Louis in October and later was to have taken part in international aeroplane contests on Long Island.

Rolles' parents, Lord and Lady Llangatrec, arrived near Bournemouth early today in their yacht. They were nettled because they were too late to see the start of their son's flight. They hurried in an automobile to the aviation field and arrived in time to see Rolles' mangled body borne from the enclosure.

What Rolles Had Accomplished. Rolles was a third son. He was born August 23, 1871, and was trained for the diplomatic field. He went through a special course in engineering and was graduated from Trinity college in 1898. Rolles took up automobile racing in 1898 and drove in the famous Paris-Madrid race. He represented England in the Bennett cup races in 1905 and was the holder of many speed records.

Later Rolles became a balloonist, made 160 ascensions and won the French Aero club's medal for the longest flight, in 1906, which was from Paris to Sheborne. He was a writer on scientific subjects and a close student of aviation. His most famed aeroplane flight was June 2, when he made a continuous flight across the channel to France and return to England.

Not a Pupil of the Wrights. Dayton, Ohio, July 12.—Wilbur Wright declared today that Charles S. Rolles, killed in a Wright biplane today in England, had not been instructed in the manipulation of the aeroplane by either himself or his brother. Wright said he could not account for the reported breaking of the tail piece of the machine.

EX-POSTMASTER AND UNCLE SAM COMPROMISE A compromise was effected yesterday afternoon between Frank Swanton, manager of the Columbia mills at Finland, and the United States government in the United States court. The government had obtained a judgment of \$2250.97 against Swanton for moneys spent while postmaster in Nome, Alaska. Swanton, it was proven, made the expenditures without authority from the government.

He was in charge of the office at Nome in the days of the gold excitement of 1900 to 1902, when the country was filled with adventurous seekers for wealth. The business became too heavy for the force and the postmaster employed more help. Swanton has never been accused of having made dishonest use of the postal funds. He was charged with having expended the money in the employment of clerks to handle the tremendous mail accumulations at Nome, without first having secured permission from the postal department at Washington.

The United States district attorney was ordered to bring suit for the recovery of the amount expended and a judgment was returned against the ex-postmaster. At that time Swanton offered a compromise by the payment of half the amount, and it was yesterday accepted. A decree has been entered in the United States court.

DAUGHTER OF CONVICT GETS NAME CHANGED County Judge Cleaton today made an order changing the name of Pearl Beatrice Dickerson, the little daughter of R. T. Dickerson, to Pearl Beatrice Kessner, the new name being the one assumed by her mother since her divorce from Dickerson. The father is serving a three year term in the penitentiary for manslaughter for killing "Bud" Garrett, an admirer of his wife.

When the petition for change of name came on for hearing in May, Julius Silvestone appeared as a friend of the court and objected. He urged the name of the mother was not a suitable one for the little girl and also objected to the jurisdiction of the court. He is supposed to have the objection at the behest of Dickerson, who feels bitterly toward his former wife because of her friendship for Garrett and the tragedy which followed one morning on the Patten road, where Garrett was employed by Dickerson as a driver for a grading outfit.

Judge Cleaton decided the interests of the child would be favored by a change from the name of her father, thus erasing as far as possible the reminders of the tragedy in which her parents figured.

Hearing for Commuters. Washington, July 12.—The interstate commerce commission today began a hearing in the matter of the recent advances in commutation rates on railroads running out of New York City. The defendants are the New York Central, the Erie, the Central of New Jersey, the Lehigh Valley, the Lackawanna, the Reading and the Pennsylvania railroads. The important question to be determined is the jurisdiction of the interstate commerce commission over commutation rates.

DENMARK STUDIES LOCAL DAIRYING

Professor Boeggild, Expert of Danish College, Will Arrive Here Saturday.

Professor Bernhard Boeggild, the noted Danish authority on dairying and the milk problem, who is touring this country in the interest of the Danish public to ascertain the possibilities for dairying in the different sections of the United States, is due to arrive in Portland from Spokane next Saturday evening.

Professor Bernhard Boeggild is lecturing in this country on various phases of the milk industry as they have been worked out in Denmark, the greatest dairying country in the world. The noted authority belongs to the Danish American Agricultural college of Denmark.

While here Professor Boeggild will visit the dairying sections of the Willamette valley, and in following lectures at the Portland Commercial club will give expression to his opinion as to the possibilities of the valley for dairying.

Denmark is becoming overcrowded with dairymen. One of the main objects of the professor in visiting this country is to find suitable localities in

which the Danes might settle. For this reason great effort will be made to impress the visitor with the great possibilities of western Oregon for dairymen.

The professor will be entertained here over Sunday. On Monday, with his wife, he will be taken by Philip Bates in an automobile on an inspection tour through the principal dairying points in the Willamette valley, Salem, Albany, Corvallis and McMinnville will be among the towns visited.

Wednesday, July 20, the professor will lecture to the State Medical association in the afternoon and to the Oregon State Dairymen's association in the evening. Both of these lectures will be held in the Commercial club. The general public is invited. By means of lantern slides, some of the methods of dairying in Denmark will be illustrated.

Professor Boeggild was formerly scheduled to appear in Tacoma early next week, but through the influence of Philip Bates, he was induced to change the date in favor of Portland.

The professor has studied bacteriology at Wiesbaden and Paris, and practical dairying in Germany, France, Italy, Switzerland, England and Sweden. He has aided in establishing many co-operative dairies in Denmark, and wears decorations from his sovereign and other nations. His tour of this country has a public service motive only.

Forest Grove Couple Wed. Forest Grove, Or., July 12.—Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Hocking their daughter, Miss Belle Hocking, became the bride of Earl Thomas. The Rev. E. V. Silvers, pastor of the local Christian church, performed the ceremony. After the ceremony the invited guests were served with a luncheon. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas are popular young people of this city, and for the present will make Forest Grove their home.

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