

ELKS MINSTREL SHOW PLEASURES

2 Packed in Audiences Help Charity Cause; McNamara Takes House

Every soul who spent his money for the good of the Elks Christmas fund by buying a ticket to the minstrel show put on by the Elks lodge at Bligh's Capitol theatre Thursday night came out ahead. The show was a howling success. Howling is the right word for the audience rocked with laughter through most of the acts.

No one who saw "Tiny" McNamara lead his hobo band will forget the figure he cut. Let it be added that the act was a truly original one. Comedy in music is not ordinary. But laughs came furiously as one performer after another took up the melody and twisted it into his own particular whim, yet at all times kept harmony and rhythm in the numbers played.

The end men were really amusing, the chorus was good. "The Perkins Family" went over much better than far more pretentious acts, and the orchestra gave excellent support.

The public was there with excellent support, too. The theatre was completely filled twice. Before the second show a line had reached far toward the High street corner of the proceeds goes to the Christmas fund which will take a little of the ache of poverty out of the lives of many a worthy family. The Christmas cheer is not charity—it is a helping hand for those whose luck changed suddenly and left them in a place to receive when last year perhaps they were among those who could give.

The complete personnel of the minstrel show was:

End men: Dr. S. F. Scott, Chas. Knowland, Everett Park, Frank Zinn, Geo. Clinton, Jess Savage, Interlocutor, Lyman McIlwain.
Chorus: John Cherrington, Jimmie Clark, Frank Carl, E. E. Lewis, Clifton Madd, August Carl, A. E. Hansen, A. A. Gueffroy, Geo. L. Cooper, Floyd McCann, E. C. Magee, Gus Madison, Robert Hutcheon, Robert Field, R. D. Barton, Tyler Morley.

Bird Expert to Talk Friday at Y. M. at Salem

"Birds" will be the object of the address by W. A. Elliott, president of the state Audubon society, at 8 o'clock at the regular Y. M. C. A. Friday night program this week. Colored lantern slides will accompany the lecture.

Mr. Elliott will speak in particular on the birds who find their homes in Oregon during the winter and the measures that should be taken by authorities and residents for the protection of these creatures. According to those who have heard the speaker, he is a good speaker and knows his subject thoroughly. Preceding the address will be a number of tenor solos, commencing at 7:30 o'clock. These will be presented by Wendell Robinson with Lois Plumber at the piano.

Love Notes of Other Woman in Divorce Action

In divorce suit filed yesterday by Ann M. Conner against Arch E. Conner, plaintiff alleges that defendant has been receiving encouraging letters from other women; that shortly after appearance of first of these his attitude toward her cooled; that he often flew into a rage over trivial matters and "beat up" her five-year-old daughter of another marriage; that she found him on many occasions driving about the streets of Salem with other women; and that he refused to provide care for her when she was ill. She says he is permanently employed at \$200 a month and asks \$25 a month for support money and attorney's fees. They were married in January, 1928.

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By OLIVE M. DOAK

THE HOLLYWOOD

Today—"The Silent Enemy," an epic of Indian life.
Today—Richard Arlen in "The Border Legion."
Today—Ronald Colman in "Raffles," at night Elks Christmas Minstrel show.

THE ELSINORE

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Fortunate indeed is that portion of "Dora Publick" which will see either "Little Accident" at the Elsinore or "Raffles" at Bligh's Capitol, and much more fortunate those who get to see both of them.

Ronald Colman is the master of screen actors with the possible exception of George Arliss, who perhaps has come to be classed as a screen actor. Smooth, intelligent, with understanding sympathy for his part, in "Raffles," Colman plays the part of a gentleman crook who wishes to reform for the love of a woman, Kay Francis, and whose temptation for theft is greater than he can alone withstand.

David Torrence makes a wonderful actor of Scotland Yard, who is placed in charge of searching down a thief in the home of wealthy Lord Melrose, a part beautifully played by Frederick Kerr, and Mrs. Melrose, just as interestingly played by Alison Skipworth.

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"Little Accident" at the Elsinore, is completely opposite in plot from "Raffles." It is highly amusing and carries a new idea for humor. Most of the plot centers about Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., who learns on the eve of his wedding that he has become a father, and the mother of the child is not the girl whom he is supposed to marry.

Much of the action is in the "Ellen Harris" maternity hospital and here in very, very funny dialogue one learns much, as three men wait for answers concerning newly arriving families. Slim Summerville, Henry Armetta and Fairbanks are the amusing ones here; later in scenes in Fairbanks' apartment, which has been turned into a nursery after a most amusing kidnapping episode has been enacted, Zasu Pitts brings down her share of shrieks of laughter.

All in all, Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., does the best acting of his history, in my opinion. In fact, he does the first really good acting I have ever seen the young man do. Heretofore he seemed to be coasting on the family reputation. In "Little Accident" he does some work on his own account.

The Iowa house of representatives will be equipped with an electrical voting device at its next session.

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Contracts Let For \$218,000 Road Work
PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 11—(AP)—The state highway commission at its meeting here today received bids for construction work on 72 miles of highway within the state.

Many of the projects on which bids were received, however, were held in abeyance. Contracts let totaled \$218,165.

The commission authorized Clackamas county to purchase right of way on the east side Pacific highway, connecting Portland and Oregon City. A Clackamas county delegation told the commission early purchase was urgent because options on property desired would expire soon.

The delegation urged that work be started soon so that it could be synchronized with government dredging in the Clackamas river. Material dredged from the river, it was pointed out, could be used for fills.

Harney and Malheur county officials urged the commission to fund section of the 18 uncompleted miles of the central Oregon highway into Juntra. They were promised early action.

The following bids were awarded:
Coos county—Lakeside-North Bend section of the Roosevelt highway, 13.6 miles of surfacing, Saxton & Looney, Corvallis, \$122,195.

Deschutes county—Hampton-Lake county line section of the Central Oregon highway, 11.7 miles of surfacing, John & Harburt Walla Walla, \$65,100.
Lincoln county—Bryant Hill-Trout creek section of the Santiam highway, three miles grading, Meyers & Goulter, Seattle, \$86,115.

Coos county—Construction of frame addition to the highway shop building at Coquille, J. L. Hansen, Marshfield, \$1735.
Hood River county—Construction of frame storage building at Cascade Locks, O. N. Pierce, Portland \$3510.

Bethelites Lose To Monmouthites

McCOY, Dec. 11.—A double header basketball game was played Tuesday night on the gym floor of Bethel high school with that team and Monmouth high school. The girls' game, which was official, ran a score of 32 to 24 in favor of Monmouth. The boys' game, which was a practice game, was also won by Monmouth.

HOPPS SELL AT 16c

With report of sale of 202 bales of hops by James Collins of Independence to Ray at 16 cents, and changing hands of some other small lots, it is indicated that the market may have settled at somewhere around a 16 cent point. It is expected there will be other sales before the week is up at about that price.

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M M C
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M M C
Here is a Mickey Mouse yell handed in by Dolores Parker, one of our members. I know you'll all agree with me that it deserves a great deal of merit.

Wow Wow Mickey Mouse And How Joy Joy Joy Mickey Mouse Oh Boy.

M M C
Let's have more of these composed.

M M C
We have two new members on the honor roll, Bertha Klorfohn and George Merton.

M M C
You bet, they were sure swell. Yes, you were right. "They were all from Mrs. Lillburn's "Musical Kindergarten." Their names are Mary East, Miriam Becke, Adele Hayes, and Geraldine Smoher. We hope to have much more entertainment from Mrs. Lillburn's school.

M M C
From our own club we were entertained by Leone Goff and Hattie Shrauger. They were also very good.

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Cattle Have Bad Time in East of State

Conditions of the sheep and cattle raisers in the Jordan Valley district, Malheur county, eastern Oregon, are the worst he has ever seen in the 23 years he has lived there, John A. Oliver, hay and sheep man of that section declared yesterday while in Salem on business connected with application for water rights.

Mr. Oliver says when he left that country two weeks ago, the weather was the coldest that section has experienced in 15 years and that range conditions are worse than he has ever known. There simply isn't any feed, either green or hay. Thousands of head of sheep have been driven on the desert hill there for winter. In hopes that a fair percentage of them will survive if the weather is not too severe.

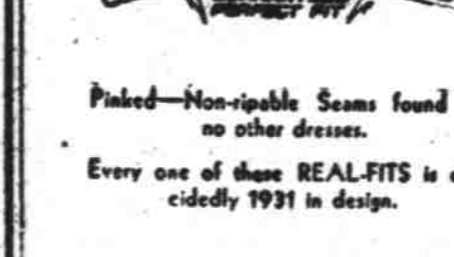
Oliver himself operates a ranch about 100 miles from the nearest railroad.



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