



ARCADE THURSDAY

"THE LIFE LINE" A
BIG TOURNEUR FILM
WITH GYPSY HERO

The glamour and romance surrounding the nomadic life of the English gypsies has been put on the screen by Maurice Tourneur in his new production, "The Life Line," which will be the attraction at the Arcade Theatre next Thursday. The story was originally entitled "The Romany Rye," by George R. Sims, and as a stage play was produced some twenty years ago at the Princess Theatre, London. The theme centers around the attractive leader of the gypsy band, who is the real owner of a fine English estate. His fight for his inheritance leads to many exciting episodes, including a thrilling fire in a London theatre and a rescue at sea by means of a lifesaving ship.

A competent cast interprets the big story. Jack Holt and Pauline Stark have the leading roles, and others are Seena Owen, Tully Marshall, Wallace Deery and Lewis Cody.

ALTA TODAY

WHISTLING LOVER
HUMOROUS FIGURE IN
"THE VIRTUOR THIEF"

Success in love may depend upon so trifling a thing as whistling, according to Thomas H. Ince's Paramount photoplay, "The Virtuor Thief," starring Enid Bennett, which comes to the Alta theatre today as a Paramount attraction.

There is a young lover in this story, a part artistically portrayed by Niles Welch, who has the habit of whistling. This grates on the nerves of his sweetheart's grandfather, so he makes the youth's life uncomfortable whenever he calls. This grandfather is an old soldier of the South, who moved years before to Flatbush, New York.

He is still a fighter and becomes especially antagonistic to Bobbie Baker, the whistling lover. The youth cannot understand this until one day his sweetheart, discloses to him that it is the tune "Yankee Doodle" that riles the old man.

AGED TWINS WANT TO DIE TOGETHER



CHICAGO—Amanda and Amelia Esterbrook, 80-year-old twins, express as their greatest wish, a desire to die together. They have become re-united in the Oak Forest Infirmary, after years of separation. They were born in Chataqua, N. Y., and were inseparable until marriage. Both are widows and have had children. Their names now are Mrs. Amanda Young and Mrs. Amelia Marsh.

The youth takes a tip, and one day comes in whistling "Way Down South in Dixie." He is welcomed by the old man with open arms and given his first kiss. The youth's life from interference by the Confederate veteran. This is merely a pretty little touch in the story, however, for the picture has an unusual and interesting plot that sustains suspense from beginning to end. The story was written by Fred Gardner Sullivan and directed by C. Niles, under the supervision of Thomas H. Ince. Among the other players in the cast are Lloyd Hughes, Willie Marks, William Conklin, Dorcas Matthews and Lucile Young.

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Better
Times

IN ADDITION—BRAY PICTOGRAPH

PICTURE CARRIES
MESSAGE OF CHEER

"Better Times" is aptly titled.

If ever a screen play carried a message of optimism and good cheer, this is one. Written by King W. Vidor, the brilliant young author of that notable success, "The Turn of the Mind," "Better Times" has an individuality and charm that will not fail to please. It was produced by Brentwood for Robertson-Cole and is distributed by Exhibitors Mutual. The story of a girl who, in spite of an environment of pessimism, rises superior to her depressing surroundings and made a success out of an apparent failure, is the theme around which revolve many amusing and heart-thrilling episodes.

KAISER, FAST AGED,
CONSIDERS HIMSELF
BETRAYED BY OWN

Former Monarch, Spiritually
Torn, Will Never Seek Active
Role, Correspondent Sees on
Visit to Amerongen.

BERLIN, Jan. 14.—The Hague correspondent of the Tageblatt gives a rather unusual picture of the former German Emperor in a long article which he contributes regarding the personal appearance of the former ruler and his future prospects.

The Kaiser himself—the Kaiser grown much older—has been struck by his vital strength," says the correspondent. "The trembling in the right arm and leg, which earlier was only just noticeable, has so increased that it is apparent at a glance and dominates his entire appearance. The Kaiser has become very corpulent, though he eats little."

Flays Story Circulation. Having talked with countless persons who have visited the former emperor, the correspondent precedes his picture with a sharp criticism of some of these leading personalities, who "afterward tell countless stories and stories based on misunderstanding which circulate about the world."

He adds: "The Kaiser's attitude is still soldierly, but he appears to have grown shorter. It is noticeable how slowly he speaks in contradiction to his old habit. He lives up only when reminiscences of the old days come to him. This often occurs in the middle of a conversation."

"Only pity can be felt for the Kaiser on such occasions. No one who has seen him at Amerongen and is capable of a responsible impression believes that this man, who is spiritually torn and shows it in his body, ever will play an active role in any form whatsoever. By the grinding experiences of war, the blow of a breakdown and worry about his future, which constantly torments him, the deeper impulses of his will are dulled."

In the opinion of the correspondent the former emperor has purchased Doorn House as a proof that he has given up all thoughts of returning to Germany.

Pleads for Quiet. "He no longer expresses the wish to return to Germany," says the writer. "More than ever he believes he has been betrayed by his counselors and the whole people."

The former ruler's letters are censored by the Dutch, who are declared to be not inconsiderate and not naturally severe. The correspondent makes an appeal for the former emperor, saying:

"It depends upon Amerongen being left quiet and forgotten. The last affront that threatens its resident thus can be most easily avoided."

FROM COUNTY PAPERS

Plans for the organization of a Union High School district with Milton and Freewater centers, were begun at a meeting held at Milton last week. Seven of the ten districts affected were represented. Plans call for the erection of a building at an outlay of \$150,000.

J. H. Samuel, of Milton, realized \$225 from nine trees of delicious apples this year and retained 13 boxes for his own use, the Eagle reports. Early in the year he refused \$200 for the crop from his nine trees.

Hermiston is to have a new restaurant, opening about Jan. 15. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Miles, formerly of Pendleton, are the owners. The name of the establishment will be the American cafe.

At the regular meeting of the Athena Civic club Tuesday afternoon, the completed report of the funds from

the market day sales made on December 29, was given as \$125.

Weston is organizing a local dramatic club and a play will be given soon as a benefit for the American Legion post.

Athens-Weston post of the American Legion will give dances every two weeks, alternating between Athens and Weston. The next dance of the series will be given in Athens at the opera house, on the evening of Friday, January 16. On this occasion the service men will appear in uniform.

Prospects are favorable for the holding of a farmers' school at Weston some time in February under auspices of the Farm Bureau, an organization connected with the extension work of Oregon Agricultural College. F. W. Woods, J. M. Banister, G. W. Rogers and Jim J. Conley are enlisting Farm Bureau members of Weston and vicinity, the leader reports. W. L. Rayburn and Will Hall are among the mountain workers.

Milton Odd Fellows will be host to more than 300 brothers of the three link fraternity at the first annual county convention held in Umatilla county for two years, when the next annual convention meets Saturday February 28.

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