



Brandon Evans and Gertrude Walters in a scene from "The Bird of Paradise" at the Oregon Theater, Wednesday Evening, January 12.

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ALTA TODAY

"SEA WOLF" PROLOGUE

The George Melford Production With Present Cast

A timely prologue precedes the main action in the George Melford Production of "The Sea Wolf" which is coming to the Alta Theatre today, and makes what follows more striking and impressive. The prologue represents the Hall of Nations, where the nations of the earth are all striving to gain the ear of the world, a harassed little man in the center. A group of archons, representing the nations born out of the great war, engage in a violent quarrel. The spirit of violence or mob rule is effectively illustrated and the question is frankly put: "Will violence ever cure the woes of the world?"

This is a close tie-up with Jack London's thrilling story, as the central character, "Wolf" Larsen, it will be remembered, argued for the doctrine of "the survival of the fittest" and ruled with an iron hand. Noah Beery graphically portrays the role of "Wolf," and the rest of the cast is of high merit. George Melford directed.

AMUSEMENTS

"THE BIRD OF PARADISE"

Like Tennyson's "brook," "The Bird of Paradise," the Tully drama of the Hawaiian Island, which comes to the Oregon Theatre, Wednesday Jan. 12, has become perennial. It is surprising how it mystifies the theatrical clan by its continued box office success. It makes a fortune each year. It never loses the benefit of New York success, however, outside New York it goes merely on its way as "The Old Homestead" and "Way Down East" did before it, and it is the owners opinion that it will go on indefinitely.

Bessie Barriscale, Lenore Ulric and several others have won fame in the role of Luana, which might be called an American idea of a Hawaiian vampire. Florence Rockwell, an experienced actress of the stage, this season's Luana, will present a new presentation of the Hawaiian princess. Miss Rockwell will be remembered here in the support of Robert B. Mantell, Henry Miller, Guy Bates Post, Nat Goodwin, and Macklyn Arbuckle. She went to Australia two years ago, and there it is said, won the title of "the finest emotional actress America had sent to the antipodes."

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BETTER CONDITIONS FORECASTED BY BOARD

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—(A. P.)—Further declines in prices, coupled with increased unemployment accompanied the continued progress in business readjustment during December, according to the federal reserve board's monthly review. The price decline was placed at 5 1-2 per cent by the board which added that the decrease was mainly confined to commodities which had shown a decline previously rather than an extension of price cutting to other industries.

The decline was reported most marked in agricultural products, textiles, hides, leather and iron and steel products, while coal, petroleum, gasoline, paper, brick and cement remained largely unaffected. Some reductions were reported in the open market in the latter group, the board said, but contract prices appeared to be little changed.

Reduced business activity, the board stated, cut operations in many lines from 40 to 75 per cent of normal and brought unemployment. The shrinkage of demand, the board reported, also was responsible for wage cuts as high as 25 per cent.

Banking reserves were well maintained, the board asserted, normal credit accommodation extended to legitimate business, the reserve ratio growing

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PORTLAND AND SPOKANE BOWLERS WILL COMPETE

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 4.—(A. P.)—Bowling teams of Portland and Spokane are to meet in a two-game match. The first half of the match will be held at Spokane Sunday January 16 and the last half here Sunday January 23. A purse of \$1,000 will be offered as the prize.



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RARE OLD FURNISHINGS ARE RED WAR PLUNDER

LIBAU, Latvia, Jan. 4.—(A. P.)—The appearance of the Libau traders here indicates that the Libau traders have received some of the plunder taken by the various armies that have swept over the Baltic states. They are piled high with antique furniture from country estates. Statuary, silver and bronze ornaments, silverware and jewelry also abound in the commission houses.

English dealers in antiques overran the Baltic states after they first freed themselves of the Bolshevik regime and picked up much of the valuable furniture and jewelry, oriental rugs and old silver. Consequently the shops now offer fewer rare pieces than they did a year ago.

Besides the war loot, the shops carry an amazing lot of second hand wares which were the property of persons impoverished by war who must now convert them into money. Luxuries went first but now furs, for coats and all sorts of wearing apparel are being sold in the shops. These stores look like American rummage sales.

It is common for prosperous-looking strangers who are inspecting shop windows to be approached by owners of rare old furniture or works of art who desire to offer their precious possessions at private sale without the humiliation of placing them on sale where their friends will recognize them.

The shops of Libau are much the same as those in Riga. Windows and entrances are crowded with goods. Conditions were the same in Moscow and Petrograd until the Soviet government closed all the private shops, seized their stocks and forbade trade which was not conducted by the government.

FAKE CROWN JEWELS PLAY IN NEW FRAUD

THE HAGUE, Jan. 4.—(A. P.)—Europe's newest scheme for defrauding is that of selling supposed Russian crown jewels. Knowledge that some very valuable Russian jewelry, confiscated by the Bolsheviks has actually been sold in Holland recently has prompted a number of shrewd confidence men to take advantage of Dutchmen desiring to buy something cheap.

The Hague police swooped down the other night on a group of men in a little cafe who, with their intended victim, were negotiating for the sale of 24 "pearl" necklaces and several packets of loose "pearls" which were whispered to have been surreptitiously sent to Holland from Moscow and, therefore, were for sale cheap.

Only one of the necklaces was found to be genuine. All the others, and also the loose pearls, were made up of imitation pearls. The real one, according to the police, was used as "bait."

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