

STOCK COMPANY AT HEILIG AGAIN TUESDAY NIGHT

The Forrest Taylor Dramatic stock company will come to Salem tomorrow night for their fourth engagement at the Heilig theatre when they present "Grounds for Divorce." Grounds for divorce is said to be a rollicking comedy with laughs coming thick and fast.

Fans who have witnessed all of the former plays presented by this excellent company are in for one of the best plays yet shown here. "The Best People," presented by the company in their initial performance was undoubtedly the best yet shown here but "Grounds for Divorce" is said to equal if not better the first presentation here. Portland theatregoers are found in praise of the play and it is thought that Salem will be equally as pleased. Seats are going good so far, according to the announcement of Archie Holt, resident manager of the Heilig theatre. There will be plenty left for those who are unable to get their tickets early, however. The curtain for tomorrow night's performance will rise at 8:20.

BROWNS AND SMITHS IN COUNTY DYING OFF

Are the Browns in Marion county and Salem doomed to extinction and will it be necessary to import some Browns if the strain is to be kept up here?

Are the Smiths of the county in the same boat, but hearing extinction more gradually?

Mrs. Ben Vick, deputy county clerk, has been checking over births and deaths in the county to get the certificates in alphabetical order and made some interesting and even startling discoveries.

She found that during the year there were 15 deaths among the Browns and only four births. The Smiths did a little better, but are on the decline as there were 13 deaths and but 10 births among the Smiths.

However, a ray of hope arose for the Browns today as two males of that age took out marriage licenses.

Faith Which Finds Material Expression Approved By Christ

Taking his subject from the gospel for the 23rd Sunday after Pentecost, "If I shall touch only His garment, I shall be healed," Father Buck gave his sermon before his congregation at St. Joseph's church here Sunday.

The church, said Father Buck, always adhering closely to the holy scripture, often uses the example of faith as set forth in this passage for the instruction of her people.

"The evangelist tells us," he stated, "that in the crowd that was accompanying our Lord on His journey, was a poor woman who had been ill for 12 years. Doubtless she had tried every natural means to cure herself and had consulted the best available physicians, without effect. Realizing her opportunity while Jesus, the wonder-worker, was passing, she made her faith an active faith, and with great difficulty pushed her way to the side of our Lord. For she said within herself, 'If I shall touch only His garment, I shall be healed.'"

Father Buck spoke of the scorn with which some people looked upon the veneration Catholics paid to material things, such as the cross upon which Jesus died, and other things, and then said, "In the garment itself, there was no inherent virtue. It was but a piece of cloth possessing no supernatural power. If it differed from other cloth, it was because it was worn by Christ and belonged to Him. Yet that was merit enough for those of faith. Not indeed obtruding herself into His presence, but humbly coming up behind Him, she shook forth a shaking finger and touched the hem of His garment. Immediately she was cured."

"First came her unwavering faith in merely touching His garment, and then—as was clearly shown—by the act of faith she was cured, for Jesus turned to her and said, 'Thy faith hath made thee whole.'"

"The material cloth," Father Buck continued, "is not to be considered as a charm or talisman. It could impart no cure by any intrinsic quality it possessed. But the cure was a reward accorded by God to the faith accompanying and indeed evoking the act."

Father Buck then expatiated upon faith, and said that just as Eliseus scoffed at the river Jordan being better than the rivers of Damascus for the cure of leprosy, so too people deride a faith which impels one to some real act to show forth his faith. "Christ approves, and what more do Christians want?" he asked.

Then veneration of relics was not stressed in Father Buck's sermon. He did say, however, that they increase faith, "since humanity is weak and often needs sensible objects to increase the inward grace God so willingly bestows upon man."

Total benefits received by the 39,443 shell-shocked, tubercular, blind and totally deaf veterans of the World War, amounted to \$16,493,866 during the past year.

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FRENCH FACING THREAT OF HOLY WAR THRU SYRIA

Paris, Nov. 9.—(A. P.)—Holy war against the French in Syria threatens. The Arabs are reported to have joined the Djebel Druze tribesmen and are prepared to fight to the death in a crusade against the mandatory power. Unofficial advice related that the rebellious movement is increasing in strength, and that provisional governments are being established by the insurgents in various sections of country where they are in control.

At Damascus a provisional government has been set up with Ramadan Pasha Ibn Shellash as military governor and Meesid Bey Bakry civil governor.

The French have evacuated the large fortified camp of Mousoul in the Djebel Druze territory south of Suedia. The Helta-Damascus railway has been cut and the town of Derat, several miles south of Damascus is in the hands of Druzes.

To the north of Damascus large part of the country is reported to be under the control of the rebels. The Home district is held by them. The city of Hama is besieged.

Five entertainments will be given by King George at Buckingham palace to former service men.

Society

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fancy dance by pupils of Mrs. Ralph White's dancing academy. recitations by Kathleen Fitzpatrick and a harp solo by Mary Jean Porter, selections on the piano will be given by Miss Marian Boyle, who will play "Nightingale" by Liszt, a reading "De Deeto Fron" by Evelyn Jennings.

A musical program and entertainment will be given under the auspices of the Modern Woodmen at their hall this evening to which the public has been invited.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Kimball spent several days early last week in Portland attending the Pacific International livestock show. They were widely entertained by Portland friends.

A much enjoyed masquerade Halloween party was given by the Willing Workers class of the First Christian church, to which the men were invited. A number of specialty good characters were represented, but no prizes were given.

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