

Eugene Theaters Stepping Out With Big Productions

'COCK EYED WORLD' SPECIAL PREVIEW RIOT OF LAUGHTER

By MILTON ALBIN
"See you!"
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With that Top Sergeant Flagg and Sergeant Quirt push their faces up to each other while both indulge in a moment of fierce facial contortions expressing wrath which always terminates just short of the kindling point. They're at it again. The "Cock Eyed World" made famous in "Broadway Melodrama" were brought to Eugene last night at a special preview of "The Cock Eyed World" at the McDonald theater, prior to its regular run which starts Sunday for the coming days.

This is a 100 per cent audiotape, the fans of "What Price Glory" can't miss. There are plenty more of these hundred percenters that can be added to this picture. It's knocking out the motion picture world cockeyed with records. It's the Roxy theater in New York where the former world record was made by the predecessor of "The Cock Eyed World" and beaten by the present adventures of "The Cock Eyed World". This picture is shattering records in nearly every house it has played so far. And it will be for it is the top-notch entertainment.

The frame-up of the plot parallels "What Price Glory" but the sequences built around it are new and exceedingly entertaining. The Marines are stationed in Russia as the picture opens. Then transferred to America, and the finale finds them completing their tour in the tropics. The features are crammed full of pictures. Top Sergeant Flagg, and Edmund Lowe, Sergeant Quirt, can interpret it.

This is a fitting picture to start out the college year. The Collegiate like it like the townspeople are going to like it because it's the proverbial kick in the trousers.

REALISM SHOWN IN HEILIG CROOK PLAY

Roland West, famous producer-director of film melodramas, whose latest success, "Alibi," is the Heilig theater picture, comes to the Heilig theater Sunday, takes issue with fiction writers who weave halos of romance around crooks.

"The modern criminal is a rank coward," says West. "The gangs such as those that figure in the plot of 'Alibi' run in parks and would rather shoot their victims in the back than face them, for they don't like to take chances. All my life I have wondered why certain people allow themselves to wax sentimental over criminals and blame the police for treating them rough."

"In 'Alibi' the hero is a detective and the heroine a policeman's daughter, and the crooks get what they deserve—'in real life.'"

"Alibi" was adopted by C. Gardner Sullivan from the stage success, "Nightstick," and the members of the all-star cast are prominent players from the ranks of the stage and screen. Among them are Chester Morris, Pat O'Malley, Eleanor Griffith, Max Baucus, Harry Stubbs, Paul E. Pratt, Regis Toomey, Irma Harrison, Keran Cripps, Elmer Ballard, James Bradbury, Jr., DeWitt Jennings and Al Hill.

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DR. ECKENER

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Synopsis of Preceding Chapters
Dr. Hugo Eckener, educated as a scientist and philosopher, was one of the leading critics of Count Ferdinand Zeppelin in the early days when Zeppelin was first endeavoring to prove his theory of the rigid balloon as a successful means of navigation of the air. While Zeppelin was devoting his time to dirigible construction Dr. Eckener was contributing articles to the Frankfurter Zeitung, many of which pronounced Zeppelin's theories impracticable. He referred to them as the "air castles of an air count." But in 1906, after the wrecking of Zeppelin's third dirigible, the student and the sky-dreamer met.

CHAPTER IV
"ON a spring morning of the year 1906, as I was working in the garden of my house in Friedrichshafen, my cook came running towards me and said: 'Count Zeppelin is here and wants to talk to you.' She was quite excited, for Count Zeppelin was already at that time a well known personality, perhaps not so much familiar as considered an original, for he was a cavalry general who had got the idea into his head that he wanted to fly, and had already experienced many disappointments."

Thus begins the story of what proved to be a momentous meeting between Dr. Eckener and Count Zeppelin, as it was dictated by Dr. Eckener when he was in New York recently at the close of his round-the-world flight. It was the first meeting between the student with the call of the sea in his blood and the dreamer who would ride the clouds.

Dr. Eckener was then more than 40 years old, and had devoted his recent years entirely to the study of economics and writing. His had been the secluded life of the student, Zeppelin, the active life of an army officer. Zeppelin was now the struggling inventor, Eckener the critic. One was silver-haired and aging, the other in the full vigor of life.

It was a clear spring morning. The waters of Constance, the lake which was to be made famous by these two men, glistened a clear blue in the early sunlight. But, to return to Dr. Eckener's dictated description of what was said and done:

"I told the cook to bring the Count



MONDAY: Dr. Eckener makes his first flight in an airship.

to the house. I quickly made myself a little tidy and went into the room where I found the Count waiting. He arose and without further preliminaries, showed me a page of a newspaper and asked: "Did you write this?"

"It was an article in the Frankfurter Zeitung," I answered in the affirmative, for I had, indeed, made a report in that paper with regard to the latest disaster of Count Zeppelin's airship, the stranding of same in the Allgäu, in a very objective, and for the person of the Count, a very friendly way.

"The Count continued: 'I thank you for what you say about me personally in this article. I am glad to have met you at last, since we have been trying to find out for a long time who might be the author of the reports about my flights in the Frankfurter Zeitung that are signed "Dr. E." Your reports are friendly and prove of technical knowledge, but they contain some erroneous conceptions, and I have come to give you some information in this respect.'"

"We discussed a few questions, and the Count said on leaving: 'Do you play chess? If so, I would like to invite you to a game one day when I am in Friedrichshafen; then we can best talk over my affairs.'"

"I answered in the affirmative, and, really, a few days later a groom from the hotel came to me, inviting me, in the name of the Count, to supper and a following game of chess. This was repeated quite often in the course of the next few weeks and we became good friends. I became more and more interested in the plans of Count Zeppelin.

"Two or three months later I happened to meet Count Zeppelin in the early evening on the street in Friedrichshafen. He greeted me, and I soon noticed that he was in a depressed state of mind. He then told me that he was in great difficulty, and did not know any way out.

"As a result of the revolution in Russia, where the Countess possessed vast estates, he had lost most of his fortune. He did not know how he would be able to gather enough money for the building of a new airship, as nobody had confidence in his idea, and he was considered irrational to waste the rest of his fortune for such a folly. All official institutions and the public were against him.

"I tried to comfort him, conscious of the meaninglessness of my phrases. But, at last, I said to him: 'Excellent! I will try to help you at least in one respect, as well as I can, namely in the effort to win public opinion for your cause. I believe that this, showing the student of the north into a man of action, and life him from his library into the clouds, there to conquer the winds, and lay the foundation for a new vessel of transportation, which eventually would circle the globe.

"Thus, I became, first of all, the journalistic helper of Count Zeppelin. I report this incident, which is for me one of highly historic meaning, rather in detail because in many quarters the opinion prevails that I was a journalist by profession, and thereby came to the work Count Zeppelin."

And so was established a friendship to be followed by business association which was destined to bring to realization the dreams of Count Zeppelin, transform the student of the north into a man of action, and lift him from his library into the clouds, there to conquer the winds, and lay the foundation for a new vessel of transportation, which eventually would circle the globe.

OLD PAPERS USED BY DR. BARNES FOR BIOGRAPHY STUDY

Old and near illegible manuscripts and short working hours in the British museum were two difficulties which Dr. Donald Barnes, professor of history at the University of Oregon, surmounted during the past year to obtain material for a book, "The Life of Henry Pelham," prime minister of England from 1741 to 1754, which he plans to write during the next two or three years.

Almost all of the material was gleaned from two collections of private and public papers, those of the Duke of Newcastle and Lord Hardwicke, two prominent statesmen of the middle of the 18th century. These volumes were available only in the manuscript room of the British museum and this room was open only 6-8-4 hours each day.

The personal records of Henry Pelham, who was a very important figure in English history, disappeared shortly after his death, and there is a rumor that they were burned by George II. However, the duke of Newcastle, Pelham's older brother, who was also secretary of state, and Lord Hardwicke, the lord chancellor, were very good friends of Pelham's and with him practically controlled the government. Their friendship was so close that they often sent copies of letters they had received from one to the other. In this way, many of Pelham's papers have been preserved, and it was the gathering of these with which Dr. Barnes was occupied from August until the latter part of March.

Dr. Barnes was in London on May 30, when the general election was held. Personal canvassing and distribution of literature had already been completed, and Dr. Barnes declared that the election was much more quiet than American elections, being surprisingly free of noise and bustle. Unemployment conditions are much more satisfactory now than they have been for the last four elections, Dr. Barnes said, so he does not attribute any return to this entirely, although he recognized a general feeling of dissatisfaction with the accomplishments of the conservative party.

There is no doubt that the king of England has a tremendous grip on the people, and that he is very popular with them, according to Dr. Barnes, who declared that the illness of the king brought this out to a degree that he had never before realized. The latest "King's Bulletin," crowded news of the election, which was in full swing at the time, into secondary positions in new bulletins, Dr. Barnes said.

The London winter was the most severe one in half a century, and the sun had not been visible for weeks when the Barnes left in March to tour France and Italy, Dr. Barnes said. They spent Easter in Mentone, a winter resort on the Mediterranean which

is almost on the Italian border, and where Dr. Barnes declares the climate is as fine as anywhere in the world. From Mentone they went to Rome. This was the first time Dr. Barnes had been in Rome since Mussolini became dictator, his last visit having been in 1922. Dr. Barnes noticed startling changes, the most notable being cleanliness, absence of beggars, and conversion of empty lots into attractive parks. The outward appearance he declared that the city was much improved.

When Dr. Barnes was in Italy formerly he declared the country was practically overrun with beggars. This time his only encounter with one was while he was having tea at one of the sidewalk cafes, and a poorly dressed woman came up and helped herself to the cream puffs.

The Barnes also stopped at Lyons, Arignon, Savenna where they saw the famous old mosaics. Trent, famous for its historical council, Bergamo, which Dr. Barnes declares is one of the most delightful spots in Europe. Turin, Chambery and Paris.

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Lane county, along with 14 others of the state, will have agricultural booths, comprising what will probably be the largest outlay the state has

fair has seen, according to Bill Taylor, superintendent.

Other counties already signed up include: Washington, Marion, Linn, Polk, Yamhill, Tillamook, Douglas, Josephine, Coos, Multnomah, Columbia, Clackamas, Jackson and Wasco.

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