

BEINHARDT SAYS JAZZ  
REAL SPIRIT OF TIMES

American Feeling For Rhythm  
Finds New Outlet

Best in Art is Craved

Stage Director Declares  
American is On Threshold of  
Great Theatrical Future

(By The Associated Press)  
BERLIN, America, through its  
rhythm, and its modern  
has found the proper ex-  
pression for the spirit of modern  
times than any other art,  
in the opinion of Max Rein-  
hardt.

John Barrymore in the  
best American actor, Jeanne  
and Bell-Geddes a veritable  
genius in devising stage ac-  
tions were further opinions voiced  
by the Associated Press by the  
German stage director.

Reinhardt, in his evening dress and  
turban, in lustrous lights constitute  
such a spectacle, said Reinhardt,  
America is on the threshold of  
a new theatrical future.

Reinhardt, who is craving among Amer-  
icans, is going for the best in  
such as is equalled in but few  
countries.

This yearning, coupled with  
our American temperament  
for American expression,  
with the capacity of your peo-  
ple to absorb new ideas, predominate  
in America for a leading position in  
theatrical art.

Reinhardt's ideas concerning  
the American feeling for  
rhythm, as exemplified in jazz,  
is better expression to the spirit  
of the time than any other form of  
art. Jazz is literally crying for  
expression, he said, "although, the  
same time he is not opposed  
to the idea of giving a modern set-  
ting to old dramas in which the  
element is unimportant.

Reinhardt explained:  
"I believe that the Shakespearean  
plays themselves were offered  
Elizabethan costumes when first  
produced," he said, "although, the  
same were often laid centuries  
later."

In the course of my work as  
stage director I have often observed  
actors made a stronger im-  
pression during rehearsals, when  
they were dressed in their street  
clothing, than they did afterward  
when they were dressed in their  
theatrical costumes.

Therefore, believes that modern  
costumes are often justified in  
modern plays. But of course, every-  
thing must be done within reason.  
I do not in fact dress in modern  
costume, he said, "I regard  
the whole question of costumes as  
secondary. The main thing is ac-  
tion."

Reinhardt has just produced  
his new play, "The Bluebeard,"  
here marking his first large  
scale venture into the field of interpret-  
ing American plays to German audi-  
ences.

BLACK FROST APPEARS  
FROM WEST COAST

(By The Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Black  
frost as well as Santa Claus was  
seen this Christmas.

The highest temperatures of the  
week were reported to the weather  
bureau tonight from stations in  
the north central states, while con-  
siderably colder weather was the  
rule throughout the lake region,  
the great central valleys and the  
west of the west coast states.

The low temperatures in the  
west were reported from stations in  
the Rocky Mountain and southern plateau  
regions and the southern part of  
California where unseasonably  
warm weather prevailed.

Maximum temperatures of 82  
and 84 degrees, respectively were  
reported at Los Angeles and San  
Francisco.

Light snow fell in the Ohio and  
the Mississippi valleys, in the  
west and in the Atlantic  
states north of Virginia. Consider-  
able cloudiness overspread the  
southern states and the Missouri  
valley but elsewhere the nearest  
approach to the heralded "white  
Christmas" was bright sunshine.

UNITARIANS PLAN STUDY

COMMITTEE OF FIVE NAMED  
ON MISSIONARY WORK

(By The Associated Press)  
NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Direct-  
ors of the American Unitarian  
association announced today the  
formation of a committee of five  
to study the missionary policies and  
methods of the Unitarian Fellow-  
ship and the recommendations for  
their improvement.

The commission will include  
the ministers of the two churches  
as follows: the Rev. Adolbert I.  
Lambert of First Parish church,  
Boston, Mass.; the Rev. Pres-  
biter, Mr. A. Wakefield Slater  
of West Side Unitarian church,  
New York; Percy W. Gardner,  
Providence, R. I.; and Milton T. Gar-  
land, Lancaster, Pa.

The commission was appointed  
in response to a request from the  
annual Unitarian conference in  
London last October. It is ex-  
pected to meet soon after the holi-  
days.

LARGE TREE DEDICATED  
AT NATIONAL PARK

(By The Associated Press)  
FRESNO, Cal. Dec. 25.—Ap-  
proximately 100 gathered at the  
site of General Grant tree, de-  
clared as the largest living thing  
on earth, to dedicate the tree to  
celebrate Christmas, 6700  
years above sea level. The pro-  
gram, the first of a series put on  
by the ranger chamber of com-  
merce, ended with a dedication of  
the General Grant tree as "the na-

tion's Christmas tree." A telegram  
from U. S. Grant III, a letter from  
President Coolidge and other let-  
ters from Stephen T. Mather, na-  
tional director of parks, and from  
Governor H. H. Hays were read.  
Hazy weather was reported by  
those who attended the ceremony.

CRUELTY CHARGES MADE  
WIFE HOME SUPERINTEN-  
DENT ACCUSED BY BOY

(By The Associated Press)  
NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 25.—  
George H. Hays, superintendent of  
the world's home here and sev-  
eral other members of the institu-  
tion's staff, were indefinitely sus-  
pended today following an official  
investigation of charges of cruelty  
to children. John Dore, 16, a child  
of the home, reported to police  
that one of the home attendants  
while thrashing him. The youth  
was quiet and anxious that his ac-  
cused were intoxicated. He  
said other children were abused.

FIRE FOUGHT WITH MILK  
WATER SUPPLY GIVES OUT  
ON DAIRY FARM

(By The Associated Press)  
PORTAGE, Wis., Dec. 25.—  
Milk and snow were used to fight  
a fire early today on the farm of  
Thomas Brown in the outskirts of  
the city when the water supply  
gave out and the flames threat-  
ened to spread from a large dairy  
barn to the eight other buildings  
on the place.

Cans were emptied into a tank  
and a hose from the city fire de-  
partment was used to run a line  
from the pumps as at a city fire.

INTEREST IN COMPASS  
HELD LACKING IN NAVY

"Dangerous Practice" Seen  
By Capt. Pollock

GYROCOMPASSES USED  
Younger Officers To Be Urged To  
Take Course Provided By  
Naval Observatory

(By The Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The  
lack of interest in the gyrocompass  
and understanding of its im-  
portance, said Captain Edwin T.  
Pollock, superintendent of the naval  
observatory, today in his annual  
report.

While not going into details on  
the question, the report referred to  
the "tendency" to neglect the mag-  
netic compass as "a dangerous  
practice."

"On the smaller vessels, such as  
destroyers and submarines, which  
are equipped with gyrocompasses,"  
he said, "there is a decided ten-  
dency to neglect the magnetic com-  
pass, and to place entire depen-  
dence on the gyrocompass. This is  
a dangerous practice from the nav-  
igational point of view and efforts  
are being made to improve this  
condition."

"Reports also show that some of  
the younger officers are not famil-  
iar with the deviation of the mag-  
netic compass, and to correct  
this condition it is urged that more

young officers should take the  
magnetic course. The compass  
school at the naval observatory has  
been kept available at all times for  
officers desiring to take the com-  
pass course, but during the fiscal  
year only one officer took the  
course and he only partially and  
hurriedly.

"Excellent results" are said to  
have been obtained in sending  
time signals by radio from the ob-  
servatory during the summers of  
1924 and 1925 for longitude deter-  
minations in Alaska, the Mississippi  
valley and the western Aleutian Is-  
lands. These were sent at the re-  
quests of the Canadian government  
and the United States coast and  
geodetic survey and were also of  
value to observers in Mexico,  
New Zealand and Australia.

The observation of the solar  
eclipse of January 24, 1925, from  
the driftless, Los Angeles, off Long  
Island was pronounced "very suc-  
cessful," while plans are said to  
be completed for sending a party  
from the observatory to observe  
the total solar eclipse in Sumatra,  
next January 14.

Photographs taken of the sun are  
now said to be made with special  
reference to the period of solar  
activity which is developing.

"It is likely," the report adds,  
"that with the progress of the cycle  
toward the sun spot maximum, dis-  
turbances in Western Union Tele-  
graph company and other lines will  
become more frequent and of great-  
er intensity."

Lenin's Story Play  
(By The Associated Press)  
BERLIN, Dec. 25.—The story of  
Lenin has been made into a play  
by Alfonso Paquet, whose social-  
istic-revolutionary drama, "Flags"  
had an unusual success in Berlin  
last year. The first presentation of  
the Lenin drama will take place  
in Berlin this season.

JOHN BARRYMORE, ACTOR  
SUCCUMBS TO FILM LURE

Movie Lots of California  
Have Won Victory

HAMLET LEFT IN DISCARD  
Always Wanted To See What He  
Could Do in Pictures and  
Will Devote Full Season

(By The Associated Press)  
NEW YORK.—The movie lots of  
California have won a victory over  
Broadway for the presence of John  
Barrymore this season.

Following the conclusion of his  
successful appearance in Hamlet  
in New York and London, the noted  
actor several months ago went to  
the west coast to make only one  
photoplay for Warner Brothers.  
This has been completed, but now  
he is at work on a second, and a  
third remains to be made.

"Heretofore, I have worked apas-  
modically in the movies," Barry-  
more told the producers. "I have  
always wanted to see what I could  
do in pictures and now I am going  
to fulfill this desire by devoting a  
full season to the work."

The actor was dissatisfied with  
the first scenario selected for him  
to make. Again, he had been placed  
in the role of a great lover.

"I want to do something differ-  
ent," he protested. "I am tired of  
this polite and delicate piffing and  
posturing in the beau dandy and

aristocratic roles. Why can't I  
jump down a white rabbit and  
a few weeks later the rights of  
"Moby Dick," Herman Melville's  
old story of the American whaling  
industry, were purchased for him.  
It was re-named "The Sea Beast."

A love theme was added and a  
well-known actress obtained to play  
opposite Barrymore. All went well  
until the star saw Dolores Costello,  
daughter of Maurice Costello, vet-  
eran movie actor, on the lot.

"She's the girl for the role," Bar-  
rymore insisted, and as a result the  
prominent actress was shifted and  
Dolores sent onward to stardom  
after only three months' ex-  
perience before the camera.

In making the picture, Barry-  
more did not jump down a white  
rabbit in refusing the services of a  
"double" in dangerous scenes, he  
once was dragged twenty feet be-  
low the sea surface. Another time,  
he fractured three ribs. He later  
suffered infected rope burns on  
his arms and legs.

After seeing the first print of the  
play, he telegraphed the company's  
New York offices:  
"I am crazy about it. It is the  
only motion picture production I  
have ever done that I really liked."

"The Sea Beast," will be released  
in January. Barrymore now is at  
work on "Don Juan," in which  
Mary Astor is the leading woman,  
and when this is completed, he will  
begin work on Sabatini's "The Tay-  
vern Knight."

ELKS LODGE PUNISHED  
ATWELL TAKES MEASURES  
AGAINST OFFENDERS

(By The Associated Press)  
NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Because  
a prohibition padlock is on its  
grill and bar, Elks Lodge No. 1  
of New York has been ordered by  
Federal Judge William H. Atwell  
of Texas, grand exalted ruler of  
the Elks to hold no regular meet-  
ings from January 3, to January  
30, and to take in no new mem-  
bers during that time.

Charles M. Ertz, district deputy  
grand exalted ruler, said tonight  
the order had been received by  
him and would be read at a meet-  
ing Sunday. The penalty is con-  
sidered mild, Mr. Ertz said, as  
Judge Atwell had it in his power  
to revoke the charter of the lodge.

The lodge submitted to the pad-  
locking of its grill and bar after  
a policeman intercepted several  
kegs of alleged beer.

Duluth Has 10 Below  
(By The Associated Press)  
DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 25.—A  
temperature of 13 below zero was  
recorded here at 10 o'clock tonight,  
the mercury dropping 18 degrees  
during the day. With a stiff wind  
accompanying the severe cold,  
indications were that the tempera-  
ture would drop even further.

TALL BUILDING IS SAFER  
THAN LOW DURING QUAKE

THIS THEORY IS SUPPORTED  
BY DR. WILLIS

He Finds There is Almost No  
Danger in the Ordinary  
Light Dwelling House

(Correspondence of the Associated Press)  
STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Cal.  
—Tall steel buildings are safer  
than structures of 100 feet in  
height during earthquakes, in the  
opinion of Dr. Bailey Willis, pro-  
fessor emeritus of Geology at  
Stanford, and seismologist.

This view, contrary to the gen-  
eral conception of the layman, is  
supported by Dr. Willis on the  
theory that the period of swing in  
a building of more than 200 feet  
does not coincide with the earth-  
quake's period of swing, and  
hence, the inertia of the building  
mass stops jerking when the  
theoretical pendulum passes.

A building 100 feet high swings  
with the earthquake and this re-  
ceives the maximum jerk when the  
subterranean pendulum  
changes its swing, he said.

"There is almost no danger in  
the ordinary light dwelling house  
unless the chimney comes through  
the roof," Dr. Willis continued.  
"The most dangerous place is on  
the outer edge of the sidewalk  
and the adjoining part of the  
street, where store fronts and  
heavy cornices will strike."  
The safest places are in door-  
ways and against walls, he said.

Stockton Feels Earthquake  
(By The Associated Press)  
STOCKTON, Cal., Dec. 25.—A  
slight earthquake tremor of but  
a moment's duration was felt  
throughout the city at 4:30 o'clock  
this afternoon.

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