

MUSICAL COMEDY AT AUDITORIUM

"My China Doll" To Be Presented By Competent Company

Opens With Chinatown Setting—Features Barbara Bronell With a Strong Support

The opening scene is laid in New York's Chinatown, and is followed by a succession of attractive settings, in which are featured "Melody Land" and the "Land of Flowers."

After the opening scene is completed, the remainder illustrate the dreams of Peach Blossom, a beautiful little Chinese girl who is separated from her white lover by her supposed father, Sing Song.

Peach Blossom is first taken by her dreams into the land of story books, where she becomes Cinderella, and is taken away by her Prince Charming. Here she meets all of the famous story book characters, such as Red Riding Hood, Boy Blue, Little Bo Peep and Jack the Giant Killer. Then her visions carry her into the "Land of Music."

She continues on her dreamy voyage into the "Land of Flowers." The different flowers are impersonated by members of the company dressed in brilliant costumes to indicate what bloom they represent.

Suddenly Peach Blossom is awakened from her dream by her father, who, in a fit of madness, informs her that she is a white girl and daughter of a prominent New York family.

Barbara Bronell is the featured star as Peach Blossom, and is supported by Ames Harper as leading man.

Bessie Delmore in the female comedy roles is amusing, and her witticisms will be greatly appreciated. William P. Murphey and Tom Crowley as comedians and step-dancers brighten up the show considerably.

An attractive chorus ably supported the leading players in dancing and singing numbers.

No Sunday Switching

Following the rule as laid down in the telephone directory the local switch board at the phone exchange will be silent on Sunday, also believing they are entitled to a rest at least part of the day, the manager of the Maupin exchange will put that rule in to effect, beginning Sunday next.

Valentine Entertainment

Wapinitia Rebekah lodge staged a novel entertainment last night at its regular meeting. After obligating Lester McCorkle and wife and instructing them in the mysteries of the order, the lodge resolved itself into an entertainment committee. A fine supper was served and pleasantries symbolical of St. Valentine indulged in. A large attendance was out.

Bluebirds Arrive

The bluebird is said to be a sure sign of spring. If that is true spring is here, for several birds of that species have been seen in Maupin during the past week.

Hoover's Statment On Rubber Situation

"No amount of discussion can obscure the fact that the spot price of rubber was \$1.09 per pound and three months forward was \$1.05 on December 10th when I asked for the cooperation of the manufacturers and consumers in a drive against the exorbitant price of rubber by conservation and provision of independent American supplies.

"We have had that cooperation. The spot price has dropped 41 cents per pound down to 68 cents yesterday, (January 25) and three months forward rubber was about 64 cents.

"Our imports of rubber for 1925 were 860,000,000 pounds. If we import the same amount for 1926 and had continued to pay the price demanded last December for rubber, our rubber bill for 1926 would have been three hundred and fifty million dollars more than it will be at the present level of prices.

"We undertook this action because the monopoly had put the price to 600 per cent of the cost of production and to 300 per cent over the price that their own committee of producers had themselves announced as a fair and profitable price.

"Of equal importance of demonstrating that the American consumer has an ability of resistance to any of these nine governmentally created monopolies in raw materials, our industries have realized and undertaken the serious job of providing rubber supplies free of control."

A Quick Change Artist

A ludicrous incident transpired at the close of the basketball game at Legion hall Wednesday night. One of the players hurried to the dressing room to change his clothes. Grabbing a union suit he hurriedly began to slip into it. Hearing a loud noise in the other dressing room he started across the stage vainly trying to get his arms into the garment. His attention was called to the fact and he made a hurried exit toward his own dressing room. He really thought he was putting on his coat at the time.

Brother Operated On

On Monday Mrs. Elsie Beckwith received word that her youngest brother, Bert Crofoot, formerly of this section, now of Kettle Falls, Washington, was operated on for appendicitis at the Colville, Washington, hospital last Wednesday. According to the advice received he was in pretty bad shape. During the past year eight members of his family have been on the operating table at Colville.

Not All Spenders

The prosperity of our nation cannot be doubted, when we learn from the American Bankers association that there are 43,850, 127 savings-bank depositors in the country, who have \$23,000,000 to their credit.

Mutton Mountain White

Saturday's Storm covered Mutton mountain with a mantle of white, and as a consequence the Valley of the Deschutes was somewhat chilly a few days the first of the week.

ADVERTISING

From Editorial in The Dalles Chronicle

The following editorial appeared in a late issue of The Dalles Chronicle. It is a concise statement of the relation of the advertisers and the newspapers and is worthy the perusal of all who are in business as well those who are in the market for goods listed in the papers by dealers. We republish it as being one of the best stories relating to advertising to come to our notice:

There was probably a time in the history of newspapers when advertising was little considered and even a period when the buying of space in a newspaper meant that the purchaser could say practically anything he cared to, regardless of facts, as long as no libel suit was involved. Things have very much changed since the period referred to. Advertising is a distinct and very important feature of practically all publications. Newspapers now establish a standard of advertising and strictly adhering to the principals set forth, gain friends and importance through their advertising columns as well as in other departments.

Advertising having become a legitimate and well thought-of feature of the newspaper it has also become understood by the public and intelligent reading of the advertising pages is a part of the duty of housekeeper and business man. Admitting that the news, sports, society and editorial pages are given first attention, it is acknowledged without reserve that the well placed

and attractively arranged advertisements get plenty of attention—more than that, in reputable publications the advertisements are taken at face value, and become a paying investment for the advertiser.

When an advertisement is found in a reputable newspaper, the reader has a right to assume that it is an honest advertisement. There was a time when dishonest advertising was used—just so the advertiser paid the bill, the newspaper accepted it. That day, however, has fortunately passed, and now no good newspaper will print dishonest advertising if by diligent and reasonable methods it can ascertain that there is doubt as to any statement made. While lessons have been learned by the newspapers, the advertisers themselves have realized that exaggerated claims and untrue statements have proved hurtful far more to themselves than to those who have been defrauded. No merchant can advertise dishonestly and remain in business in any place for long. And so the advertisement in the papers has become real news of value to the readers, the subscriber expecting to get honest assistance and profit from them.

There is established between the readers and the newspaper an entente cordiale nowadays that insures the people of a square deal and encourages them to rely upon statements made, in any part of the sheet. Advertising now pays well and it is because it can be depended on as reliable.

Dance Was a Dandy

The dance given by the Broadway Novelty orchestra at Legion hall last Saturday night was one of the best attended and most enjoyable affairs held in Maupin this season. The orchestra sprung new dance tunes and the floor was just right. Many from outlying districts were in attendance and all went as merry as the proverbial marriage bell. The orchestra will be here for the Legion dance on the evening of the 18th, and the members thereof are rehearsing some new music for the occasion. The Broadway Novelty orchestra is in great demand hereabouts, having three nights each week spoken for during the season.

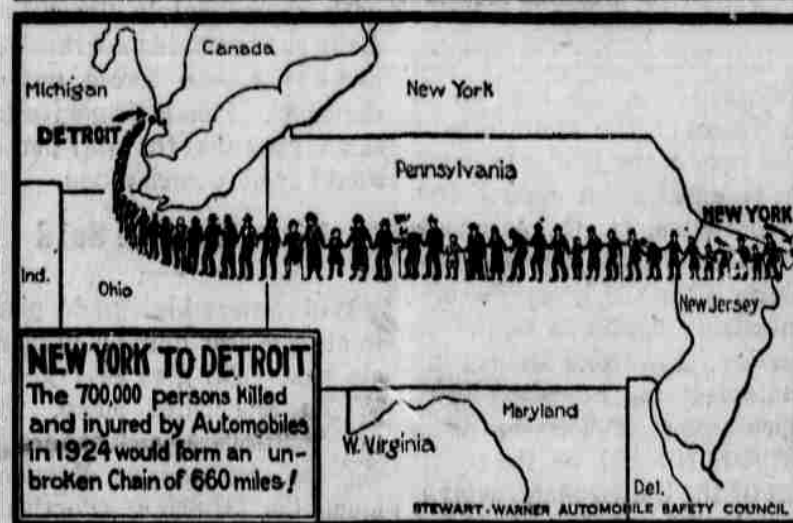
John Johnson and F. E. Ingles, prominent Dufur residents, were in Maupin a short time yesterday.

Returns To Eastern Home

Mrs. M. G. Todd, daughter of Prof. and Mrs. R. Geiser, will leave for her home in Chicago, Illinois, tomorrow. Mrs. Todd came here with her parents last August, intending to go back east about September 15. Owing to suffering a broken arm in an auto accident her return east was delayed until now. On her trip she will stop in Portland a few days for a visit with Miss Inez Aldrich, the young lady who visited Mrs. Todd here during the Christmas holidays. Mrs. Todd has made many friends while here, all of whom will regret her going away.

W. F. White, representing the Oregon Insurance Rating Bureau, of Portland, was in Maupin yesterday making a survey of our water and fire protection system.

Caravan of Death 660 Miles Long Is Nation's Auto Story



A CARAVAN of death and suffering 660 miles long is what the annual automobile casualties of the United States would form if placed in one continuous line. From New York to Detroit, painful mile on painful mile, this ghastly and pathetic human chain would reach. This graphic picture, prepared by the Stewart-Warner Safety Council for the prevention of automobile accidents, tells its own story. Twenty-two thousand killed annually by automobiles and 660,000 injured is the present toll caused by thoughtless drivers and careless pedestrians. Only a small per cent of the accidents are due to defects in the cars or can rightly be called unavoidable.

Educational Exposition O. A. C. February 19-20-21

Representatives from Maupin high school have been invited to attend the third annual Educational exposition at O. A. C. February 19, 20 and 21. The exposition is intended to give educational guidance to high school students who are planning to enter institutions of higher learning.

Every school on the campus will be open to inspection. There will be displays of work, activities and accomplishments of students in the different courses. Lectures will be given by prominent educators from other institutions. Small group conferences with professors in the departments in which the students are most interested are expected to guide them in their selection of courses to which they are best fitted.

Representatives will be entertained while on the campus by fraternities and clubs. Special entertainments have been arranged for that week end. A horse show, athletic events, and concerts are intended to entertain between the more serious events.

Allays It Here

The lone Independent is authority for the statement that "Dad Griffin begins to show signs of the annual spring fishing fever." We will say for the Independent man that Dad always allays that fever by fishing in the Deschutes at Maupin.

Buy More Show Shops

Harry Beezley has sold his interest in the movie picture show business at Moro, Grass Valley and Wasco to Christensen brothers, located at Shaniko, and who are now operating the movie theatres at Antelope, Shaniko, Maupin and Tygh Valley. The new owners will take over the operation of the local theatres February 1st.—Moro Observer.

Confer Sells Furs

John Confer has disposed of his catch of fur to a man named Schuter of Bend. The catch included 27 prime mink, for which Mr. Confer received \$8.35 each, three coons, bringing \$5.00 each and four muskrats, whose hides brought \$10.00 each.

Snow On Plains

The storm of Saturday night and Sunday did inestimable good to ranches on Wapinitia plains. The storm began with rain which turned to snow during the night and by Monday morning fully a foot of snow had fallen. There were about four inches of snow Monday forenoon, but the south wind soon melted it. There is plenty of moisture in the ground on the Flat, and these warm days permit of ploughing almost everywhere.

Caught A Cat

Someone is mourning the loss of their tabby cat. John Confer, who has a line of traps set on the river near town, visited the line Tuesday and discovered that the jaw of one trap held a fine cat—house variety. The feline was quite dead, therefore we say someone will mourn the loss of a tabby cat.

FORD CO. ADVISES PAINTING ROOFS

Guides For Air Pilots Is Object of Lettering Garage Coverings

Advises Letters of Large Size to Be Painted in White—Arrow To Point Directly North

The Ford Motor company is nothing if not original, and this originality is shown by a request of the company made to each of its agents in the country that they paint the name of their town in large letters on the roofs of their establishments.

The Ford company recently launched an air plane service between Dearborn, Michigan, Chicago and Cleveland, and is planning great expansion for the future.

The company recently was granted a contract for carrying U. S. Mails and recently had the first delivery of fly-away planes for the Florida route delivered. Regarding the lettering of the roofs Edsel Ford, President of Ford Motor company, said:

"I am now going to ask you as a Ford dealer to help commercial aviation. It seems that one of the very great difficulties of cross-country flying is in trying to distinguish exactly just over what town the pilot is traveling. The motorist as you know is usually advised when approaching a town by appropriate sign boards at the entrance to the town; but so far, the air pilot is not so fortunate.

"Therefore, will you not paint on the roof of your garage or place of business the name of the city or town in which you are located? The letters of the name should be white, spaced well apart, not less than twelve inches in height, facing toward the sky, and whenever possible the name should extend due east and west, with the top of the letters to the north. Also an arrow, pointed due north, should be painted immediately following the name of the city or town."

Wamic Downs Culver

One of the best and fastest basketball games to be played in this section was that between Wamic and Culver, played at Tygh last Thursday evening. The game resulted in favor of Wamic, that team coming out at the long end of a 26-15 score.

Wamic's lineup as follows: Brittain and Morrow—Guards. O. McGill - Woodruff—Forwards.

R. B. McGill—Center. H. Morrow substituted for R. B. McGill in the last quarter.

Valentine Dance

Valentine's Day, the time of sentiment, love tokens and enjoyment is approaching. To properly observe the day the local American Legion will usher in the event by a dance on the evening of Saturday, February 13. The Broadway Novelty orchestra will be on hand with a bag full of new dance tunes and the Legion members promise that this dance will be the crowning effort of the season.

Upton stickers, bearing a huge "U" on one side and glue on the other, were passed around town yesterday by a man from Bend.