

Another big double bill at the Esta theatre this Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, February 23, 24 and 25. The first feature stars Bette Davis, considered by many the greatest actress of all time, in the dramatic masterpiece "The Letter." This picture is considered Bette's greatest triumph. Second feature is "Grand Old Opry" starring the Weaver Bros. and Elviry. This is a riotous comedy that is ace high in entertainment. Program concludes with news.—Adv.

Will Hold 11th Annual Conference

The eleventh annual conference for the study of home interests will be held at Oregon state college February 25 thru the 28 according to M. Irene Leach home demonstration agent. The conference will open with a reception and banquet Tuesday evening, February 25, in the Memorial Union; Governor Sprague will be

the speaker. Following this a concert presented by the glee and Madrigal clubs under the direction of Professor Petri. The fifty piece college orchestra will accompany a chorus of 190 voices. This is an opportunity to see and hear as this concert will be one of the highlights of the conference.

The homemakers of Clackamas county will find the three and one-half days of the conference filled with educational and inspirational helps for them. Speakers of international note will be present, E. Stanley Jones will discuss "The Part of Religion in International Affairs." Dr. John T. Reiser executive secretary of the rural missions will speak on "Is a Christian Rural Civilization Possible." Other speakers of note will include Miss Rowntree head of the foods and nutrition department of the university of Washington, and Dr. Todhunter head of home economics research at Washington state college.

General assembly speakers will include Dr. MaGruder who has traveled in many foreign countries and will discuss "The Present International Situation." Dr. Branton of the university of Oregon will speak on "The Place of Functional Religion in the Home." Under the topic "Happy Hours Ahead," Miss Harriet Long, state librarian will give a short synopsis on new books. The extension specialist in family relationships Mrs. Buena M. Maris will conduct a panel discussion on "Problems of Abolence." This panel discussion will be based on a film. Dr. Erickson of the state public health department will give a talk on "Dietary Deficiencies, Case Presentation."

Interest groups will include demonstrations and lectures on the following fields: Family relationships, nursery school methods, clothing, home furnishings, recreation, drama, music, landscape architecture and foods and nutrition.

The program will also contain many recreation features. The concert by the college students on the opening night; a special exhibition of folk dancing in native costume on Wednesday evening; a three act play by the Clackamas county Concord dramatic group, direction of Bess Brown will be presented in the high school auditorium; a style show depicting modern spring fashions will be given in the Memorial union ballroom on Thursday; the college band under the direction of Captain Beard will give several selections at the college convocation on Wednesday and a chorus of Corvallis homemakers under the direction of Mrs. Murdock will sing at the assembly on Thursday afternoon.

There will be exhibits, tours of the campus, teas at the home management houses where one can see some thing of student life and each day an opportunity to swim in the beautiful pool in the women's building.

There is no registration charge for the conference the only cost being for meals and lodging which will be around six or seven dollars for the four days.

For further details of the conference program or cost get in touch with M. Irene Leach home demonstration agent whose office is in the Oregon city postoffice building.

ECONOMIC HIGHLIGHTS

Somewhere in the mind of every American citizen lurks this grim and disquieting question, "Will the United States enter the war?"

About every writer and speaker in the country has been attempting to satisfactorily answer that question for some time. You can find irresistibly logical arguments which make our entry into conflict seem inevitable as death and taxes, and you can find equally logical arguments which attempt to prove we are in small danger of being drawn in. And as the debate rages on a good many Americans who make no pretense to being experts find themselves sinking deeper into confusion.

The standard polls still indicate that the American people are opposed to war even as they favor aid to England with "all steps short of war." At the same time the American people going by the same polls are convinced that if England falls we may be the next on Hitler's list of victims.

The arguments that support the theory that we cannot long keep out of war are obvious enough. We have dropped all pretense of neutrality, we are simply non-belligerents, committed to the hilt on England's side. We have damned the dictators in unequivocal terms. The leaders of both the political parties, the President and Mr. Wilkie are aggressively pro-British and anti-Nazi. And we are about to embark on a new policy which will give England and her al-

lies our utmost moral and material support, a policy which Hitler if he is seeking a fight with this country, could logically construe as a declaration of war in effect.

On the other side of the fence the arguments have not been so well publicized. In a recent issue the United States News summed up five principal reasons for believing that this country is not going to war.

First, says the News, the United States can aid Britain more by not fighting than by fighting. Britain in other words needs supplies not men. If we entered the war it would be impossible to send much abroad, as our own under-supplied military establishments would need all our factories could produce.

Second, the U. S. can help her own defenses more by staying out of the war. The arms we send to England may be lost but we won't lose men so long as we remain a non-belligerent. And we will find out if our cars and planes are adequate for modern war. England, in other words, will be the proving ground for the products of our factories.

Third, thru the lend-lease policy the U. S. can exert its major effort in the war. Actually taking up arms against the Axis would not permit us to do more.

Fourth, the fact that all-the-aid-for-England policy apparently has the support of a nation which is also committed to maintaining peace is construed in Administration circles as proof of the fact that its plans and actions are sound.

Fifth, according to his intimates the President really hates war, meant what he said during the campaign and will do everything possible to prevent war. He believes that his policy offers the surest road to peace and in that he is backed by large numbers of his political opponents.

All this does not take into consideration the fact that the Axis might make war on us, thus plunging us into the conflict whether we want to fight or not. Military and political experts for the most part don't think that likely at this time. They point out that Hitler doesn't make a particular point of "saving face". As he has said himself he will not be badgered into taking steps he believes dangerous. The experts argue that Hitler will not wage war against us until and unless it suits his time-table. And it is obvious that he has enough troubles on his hands now without asking for more.

Time, which heals all wounds and solves all arguments will prove the soundness or weakness of these various contentions. In the meantime there are many thoughtful observers who feel that we will be in war before the year ends, perhaps within six months. Joe Martin the republican leader in the house is said to feel that. All the people can do now is wait and see.

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See the Weaver Bros. and Elviry in that great laugh picture "Grand Old Opry" at the Esta theatre Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, February 23, 24 and 25. Other feature picture on this big double bill will star Bette Davis in "The Letter" considered one of the supreme dramatic masterpieces of the world. See Bette in this great picture of human emotions.—Adv.

Removal of the "moral embargo" against shipment of airplanes to Russia was purely a diplomatic move. Russia is as air-tight a dictatorship as Germany or Italy and has played ball with Hitler. But British and U. S. governments still hope that Russia may yet be weaned away from the Axis. Lifting the embargo was obviously designed to drive a wedge between Hitler and Stalin.

Fear has been expressed that Russia will buy planes here and send them to Germany. That fear is largely groundless in that British and U. S. army back orders will keep our factories busy indefinitely. They won't be able to take on new business.

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