

Fall For Propaganda

Criticism Is Voiced of Drives In Public Schools

(Corvallis Gazette-Times)

According to the faithful and reliable Rainier Review, a Mr. Riggins has been permitted to enter the schools of that city and organize drives for the Curtis publications, —all three of the magazines. It seems strange that there is a teacher still living who will fall for that kind of propaganda in the schools, but this sort of thing is happening all over the country all the time. If it were power corporation propaganda, something would be done about it. As it is, and considering how much of the time of the kids is wasted anyway in extra-curricular activities, it probably doesn't matter much what the youngsters do.

In this city for instance, they have been peddling the propaganda of Gifford Pinchot, a nut of the first water in regard to forest conservation. We are surprised that there is a stick of timber left in this country for Gifford told us 20 years ago that it would be all gone by now if we didn't quit using it. Gifford is the great and good man who raised such a fuss about the exploitation of the Alaska coal fields. Well, so would we if we had been in his place. They were proposing to sell Alaska coal to U. S. war vessels in Pacific waters which would have raised cane with Gifford's contract to supply said coal from his Pochantas fields in Pennsylvania.

Movies

GILBERT ROLE IN "DESERT NIGHTS" HAS COLOR OF STARK REALISM

John Gilbert is one motion-picture star who has no liking for the routine, tailor-made hero type. He delights in unusual characterizations, in roles that are real rather than heroic. According to his own expression, he prefers "characters that sweat." Which preference on his part probably accounts for the unusually colorful career he has had, the wide variety of roles, since he became a Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer star.

Gilbert's latest picture, "Desert Nights," which will be at the Moro Theatre Saturday, affords him a role that meets all his favorite specifications. It is strong dramatically; it is out of the ordinary and it does not glorify the character out of all human proportions. Realism predominates. There is as much bad as there is good in the character Gilbert creates. It is not even a dress-up part, for in the majority of the scenes the well-known Gilbert features are masked by a heavy growth of beard. It is literally a role "that sweats."

He portrays the victim of two clever crooks who make him prisoner and set out to cross the desert. The party becomes lost and as he is the only one who knows the desert he is freed in order to lead them to safety. With his freedom he turns tyrant and exacts a frightful revenge. A dynamic love theme runs through the plot.

Mary Nolan plays the girl and Ernest Torrence the master crook. William Nigh directed from an original story by John Thomas Neville and Dale Van Every.

Well Balanced Play

The committee from the Moro Woman's Club who selected the play "Adam and Eva" which is to be presented at the Moro Legion Hall May 3rd, chose it from a couple of dozen other plays under their consideration because it had what the eminent author and playwright John Galsworthy says is essential to a good play; what he terms "a spire of meaning" or outstanding motive. You will readily recognize this motive as you watch the development of the play. You will note also the appeal it has for different types of people. The men of the audience will enjoy Mr. King in his efforts to deal with his difficult family. The club ladies will find Miss Abby Rocker full of zest for their cause. The girls will be interested in Eva and her devoted suitors, while the sportsmen of the audience will find Lord Andrew Gordon most diverting. As for the profession, Dr. Delamater, Uncle Horace, Clinton DeWitt and Adam Smith can give pointers on everything from selling life insurance to raising chickens. The newly-weds will thrill over Julie and "Clinnie" and as for maids-in-waiting, Corinthis will prove the proverbial "treasure."

People who use the advertising columns of the Sherman County Observer invariably say that they get the very best of results.

County Notes

KENT LOCAL ITEMS

Chas. Boardman and family of Moro spent the weekend here.

B. M. Sias is here now from Eugene and is canvassing the county selling life insurance.

A brother of Mrs. J. H. Wilson is here from Tennessee on a visit. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson met him at Biggs Monday.

W. S. Hall is in town to-day, he is just home from a trip with L. E. Wilson to Stevenson, Washington where Wilson went to look for a summer sheep range.

Report is that Mrs. J. U. Leonard has the small pox, and it is causing some excitement, but the general opinion is that there is not much danger of it spreading.

Roy Feely of Grass Valley is demonstrating the International tractor on the Justesen ranch. The John Deere Co. also have a man here from Portland to show their tractors and plows.

J. Crooker and wife, Gussie Koepke and Mrs. W. O. Smith left by auto Sunday for California. Mrs. Smith will stop for a visit at Sacramento, while the others go on to San Diego. They expect to be gone about two weeks.

A. A. Dunlap, Prof. Murphy and Frank Haynes drove to Wasco Tuesday to meet with the county court on business pertaining to the new American Legion hall. There will be a meeting here again Monday when the ground will be broken with appropriate exercises. All members of the court will be here, and it will be a big day in Kent. The local school fair will be held the same day. Our boys will play ball with Wapinitia in the forenoon. The boys have not lost a game yet this year. They won from Grass Valley Monday.

Elbert Bede, editor of the Cottage Grove Sentinel and reading clerk of the house of representatives for many sessions, has been employed by Secretary of State Hal Hoss to edit the House and Senate Journal, a volume issued subsequent to each legislative session and which contains the official proceedings of the legislature. Bede, both on account of his experience in legislative matters and because of his knowledge of editing copy, will make a valuable man for the work. Fred Sefton, formerly editor of the Elgin Recorder, is another newspaper man utilized by Secretary Hoss in editing official documents, he having just finished a month's work on the 1929 session laws.

Just read a long exposition on how to save coal. As it wasn't written by a janitor it is of little moment.

We imagine that some day a modernist, perhaps, will compose a symphony with the coughing right in it.

One of the very poignant spectacles is the young man in the ad trying to pick up French in six easy lessons, before he has mastered English.

Forest Airports Next

Landing Field For Planes Is Now Permitted In Forest Reserve

The need for airplane landing fields and airports has been officially recognized for the first time by the United States forest service, according to information just given out by the district forester's office in Portland.

This official recognition is in the form of a new regulation approved by the secretary of agriculture governing the use and protection of national forest lands.

The existing regulation covering the issuance of special use permits for roads and trails has been amended to include airplane landings, reading as follows: "Roads and trails which are free public highways, and airports and air navigation facilities which are open to the free use of the public."

Permits may be issued to municipalities, companies or individuals. Where no charge is made to the public by the lessee, the permits are issued free of charge, but where a commercial business is carried on, the forest service will fix a reasonable rental charge.

Forest officers point out that all permittees under the new regulation of the department of agriculture must conform to the air commerce act of 1926. Among the special stipulations to be included in all forest service permits are that authorized representatives of the department of commerce may inspect such airports, that whenever the president may deem it necessary for military purposes, the secretary of war may assume full charge of airports within national forests, that the premises shall at all times be kept free of inflammable refuse and every precaution taken to prevent fire, and that barrels of sand and fire extinguishers must be kept at all times on the airport.

There are at present three official emergency landing fields within the national forests of Oregon and Washington, — near Summit Ranger Station on the Mount Hood national forest; near Oakridge on the Cascade; the Racetrack, Columbia national forest, Washington, and a fourth being cleared this spring near Randle, Washington, just outside the Rainier forest.

When you see smoke rolling out the windows of a modern home these days it might be a female bridge party instead of the house on fire.

France faces the possible retirement of the cabinet with fortitude. Experience has shown that it is always easy to procure a new one.



NO TERM so truly or lovingly expresses Mother as the word "sweetness." No gift for Mothers' Day, Sunday May 12th, is more appropriate or symbolic than a gift of Candy.

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