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## "NIGHT O' LAUGHS" PROMISES MUCH

Rehearsals Bringing Out Fine Points of Harry Ennis' Production.

### CHORUSES WELL DRILLED

Remarkably Good Work is Achieved Under Conscientious Effort of Director and Enthusiasm Runs High.

We claim when any stage production is so tartation funny that the principals are compelled to laugh during the rehearsals to keep from busting, that it is some production. Well, that is what is happening as the performance of the "Night o' Laughs" has reached that stage where the situations are being hooked up into logical sequence, the rough places ironed out, and the catchy musical numbers whipped into artful presentation.

It would be hard to say which of the two parts of the "Night o' Laughs" is the most entertaining. The first part composed of cabaret minstrelsy is delightful and abounds in nifty musical numbers, jokes and stunts. The second part in which is presented the uproarious musical comedy, "The Isle of Spice," in tabloid form, is clever from start to finish. In this affair the editor of the News was inveigled into playing the "King of Nicobar," upon the assurance of Mr. Ennis that it was "easy." After learning the dialogue, the editor was informed that his costume consisted of red tights, a diaphanous skirt and other villainous attire. This was taking a rather underhanded advantage of a naturally modest man, whose shape is nothing to brag about, but the editor is a dead game sport, and he shall positively appear before the public on the advertised dates attired in all his kingly dignity and the peek-a-boo skirt and run chances on being "pinched" by Brother Donaldson. Anybody who gets eye-strain gazing at this lean relic of a misappt life can demand their money back at the box office and not get it.

Johnnie Ketels, the cannibal chief, will be another star performer. His costume will consist principally of a bunch of feathers and a grin. The attire is a little unusual, but is surprisingly becoming to his peculiar style of masculine beauty. It is predicted that many will go the second night just to see the chief again.

The less said about Harry Ennis as Mickey Dooley the more there will be left to anticipate.

Doc Richmond, ditto.

And as for the ladies—well, if we told all the truth about their performances now, there would be a riot pulled off in this town.

The "Isle of Spice" proudly heralds the following:

### Cast of Characters.

- Bompoka—69th king of the Isle
- Robt. A. Brodie
- Lieut. Katchall—A hero
- Bert Lee
- Kashon—An unfortunate Court Treasurer
- Dr. J. E. Richmond
- Mickey Dooley—A deserter
- Harry Ennis
- Moo Moo Yoo Yoo—A cannibal chief
- John Ketels
- Teresa—The king's ward
- Madeline Logan
- Kimorta—Whose lease is almost expired
- Mrs. J. E. Richmond
- Trinket—In league with Kashon
- Lee Chue—The chief's wife
- Ruby Senseny
- Asbena—The queen to be
- Mrs. Harry Brummett
- Iza—Whose dream is of the stage
- Mrs. Norwood Cox

Here are the immortelles:  
 Mark Mike Peery, Ph.  
 Harry Stewart, P. M.  
 J. E. Richmond, D. D.  
 Fred Walker, B. U.  
 John Winzenried, D. G.  
 Harry Ennis, N. G., M. M., P. D. Q.

These are the funsters de luxe—and this will positively be their last appearance, as it has been fixed up with the L. L. L. to take the whole bunch after the show and massacre them. In striking contrast to these monstrosities, is the bevy of pretty ladies with their graceful stepping and infectious melodies. Mrs. Leota

Rodenbaugh will preside at the piano. It will be a long time before another performance as good as a "Night o' Laughs" promises to be, will be pulled off in Springfield, so you had better not miss it.

## CAMPAIGN OF RED CROSS

To Be Held the Week Before Xmas—Everyone's Duty to Join.

Every adult citizen in Oregon is to be asked to join the Red Cross or to renew his membership during the Christmas roll call, which will be held the week before Christmas, December 16-23.

Membership in the Red Cross costs \$1 a year.

There will be no receipts given this year, the proof of membership being the signing of the Red Cross and the wearing of the 1919 button.

Red Cross leaders wish every wearer of a Red Cross 1919 button to ask every non-wearer: "Where's your button?"

There are over 248,000 Red Cross members in Oregon. Everyone, it is expected, will renew membership, while it is hoped to add 100,000 new members.

But there will be no quotas issued. The aim is to enroll every adult. That means that the aim in view for every city and town is at least one out of every three men, women and children in the community.

Wilbur E. Coman is State chairman for Oregon for the Red Cross call, and Hermon E. Witham, State manager, Miss Gotta Wasserman being executive secretary. Portland is introducing a novelty in the campaign by having an exclusive all-woman organization from the leaders down to the last worker.

Because of the campaign there will be no public sale of Christmas seals this year. Instead, every Red Cross member will be given 10 of the seals, while \$2,500,000 will be given by the American Red Cross for the 1919 tuberculosis work of the National Tuberculosis Association, this being about the total of the sale of Christmas seals last year. This money will be spent towards the eradication of tuberculosis.

President Wilson has sounded the keynote of the campaign with his "I summon you to the comradeship" message.

The campaign slogan is the single word: "Join."

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

## RESIDENT OF COBURG DIES

Succumbs to Paralytic Stroke at the Home of Her Daughter.

Mrs. Martha L. Count of Coburg passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Frank Sidwell, at Sixth and D streets, about 10 o'clock Thursday morning, December 5, aged 67 years. Death was due to a paralytic stroke. She is survived by her husband, Charles Count, and three daughters, Mrs. H. A. Sias of Midland, Mich.; Mrs. Fred Buckman of Rochester, Mich.; and Mrs. Frank Sidwell of Springfield.

Mrs. Count was a member of the Women of Woodcraft at Junction City. Funeral arrangements are being made at the Gordon & Veatch chapel in Eugene, and will be announced later.

## BUDGET OF CITY SHOWS INCREASE

Municipality Must Make Good \$2,000 Interest on Street Improvement Bonds.

At the regular meeting of the Council held Monday evening, the routine business of that body was deferred to give time for the discussion and recommendation of the budget for the city's expenses for the ensuing year.

A comparison of the budget of 1918 with that of the estimates for 1919, show in a few items a revision upward, the only one to incite especial comment being the item of \$2,000 for interest on street improvement bonds. Failure of property owners to pay the interest upon street assessments shifts the responsibility of the payment of interest on these bonds to the city, and \$2,000 is a conservative estimate to make good the deficiency.

	1919	1918
Police	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,080
Recorder and Treasurer	880	960
Attorney	200	200
Light	1,950	1,950
Water	1,000	1,000
Street Imp.	1,500	1,500
Library	300	300
Interest	6,000	8,000
General	1,000	1,000
Total	\$14,230	\$17,000

The routine business of the Council will be transacted at a meeting called for Monday, December 9, after which a postponed meeting of the School Board will be held.

## DELEGATES OF L. L. L. L.

Sent to Portland to Attend Meeting to Be Held December 6.

The local order of the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen, which consists of the employees of the Booth-Kelly and Fischer-Boutin mills, held a meeting and selected one man from each mill to represent the local unit at Portland Friday December 6, 1918. The Fischer-Boutin mill called a meeting Saturday evening and John S. Lorah was elected as delegate. The Booth-Kelly men held a meeting Sunday evening, at which time Dan W. Crites was chosen to represent them.

The purpose of this meeting in Portland is to decide whether the Loyal Legion will be continued or not, as it was established at the beginning for the duration of the war. The members of the local order are almost to a man in favor of continuing it. There will be delegates from all over the Pacific Northwest at the meeting to be held Friday, and it is expected that all views of the matter will be discussed and voted upon.

A new constitution and by-laws will probably be framed. It is thought by some that they will establish a hospital fund and carry the work along in the form of a brotherhood lodge.

The delegates from here left on the 5:25 train Thursday afternoon.

## BAD CHECK ARTIST STINGS LOCAL MEN

Joe Bryan and Springfield Garage Are Victims of Bogus Operations.

About the crudest bad-check-passing stunt ever pulled off in Springfield started here last Friday and continued until Monday, and the offender has escaped to somewhere to revel in his meagre spoils.

Upon Friday a man presented a check for \$5 at the Springfield Garage, signed by E. B. Owen, and made payable to Gim Danice. There was just the crudest attempt to disguise the handwriting, the endorsement upon the back being the same general formation as the face of the check, and every manifestation of illiteracy was in evidence. The check was undated, but this omission was not in itself sufficient to excite suspicion, as many good checks have been passed undated.

On Monday the same individual presented a check for \$10 at Joe Bryan's cigar store and got the mazzina. This forgery, however, was perpetrated before the eyes of the elderly clerk in the store, the man producing a blank check and making it payable to Joe Bryan and forging the signature of Bud Kintzley, a sawmill man of Lowell, the culprit representing himself as Mr. Kintzley. He then dashed for parts unknown.

A John Doe warrant has been issued by District Attorney Ray, and Sheriff Elkins is now hot on the trail.

## LID LIFTED BY UNCLE SAM

No Restrictions On Sugar Now—Sweet Tooth to Be Satisfied.

"Tell the people of Lane county that they may now buy all the sugar they want," said F. M. Wilkins, county food administrator, yesterday, "for the lid is off and everybody is free to purchase as much as they did before the war."

All food restrictions are lifted, says Mr. Wilkins, except in the cases of all eating houses where those on bread, butter and cheese must still be observed. Only two ounces of bread and one-half ounce of cheese to a person at each meal is permissible.

Mr. Wilkins has just finished sending letters to the retail dealers in Lane county, calling attention to the limit of four pounds of sugar per month to each person, when the order came to allow everybody as much sugar as they need. Mr. Wilkins now asks the dealers to disregard this letter, as the old order is not binding.

## RAY HYLAND PASSES AWAY

Well Known Metropolitan Agent Succumbs to Spanish Influenza.

Ray P. Hyland, district agent of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, and well-known in Springfield, died at his home in Eugene Monday morning after a week's illness from pneumonia, following influenza.

He was aged 35 years and had been a resident of this county for 15 years or more. He was born in Casey, Iowa, where his mother now resides. He had been engaged in the life insurance business for several years, but was formerly a merchant at Lowell, this county.

He leaves, besides his wife, a stepdaughter, three brothers, George Hyland, Ernest Hyland, of Vancouver, Wash., and Clarence Hyland, of Corvallis, Ore., and two cousins, Wilbur and Ernest Hyland of Eugene.

The funeral was held at the Gordon & Veatch chapel Tuesday afternoon. Rev. A. M. Spangler had charge of the services at the chapel and the Elks at the grave.

## "HAVE A HEART."

The advance sale of seats begins for "Have a Heart" at the Eugene Theatre at 10 a. m., Tuesday morning, and the doors open Wednesday evening at 7:45, with the curtain at 8:30 o'clock, sharp. This is Henry W. Savage's own production, and his name, identified with some fifty stage

successes, since he started the country nearly a quarter century ago with his magnificent offerings of grand opera in English, is a guarantee always of superior quality. "Have a Heart" aglow with melody and humor, and radiant with joyous novelties, was one of the musical comedy hits of last winter. It is the product of Guy Bolton, P. G. Wodehouse, and that adept composer of wonderfully alluring dance music, Jerome Kern, a trio identified with the most successful musical plays of the period. The droll story involves the elopement of a young couple for a second honeymoon, upon the very eve of their divorce. Col. Savage promises a real beauty chorus of singing worth, and his own orchestra. This is the only company playing this musical comedy delight.

## CITY IN TOILS OF "FLU" ONCE MORE

Epidemic Breaks Out Afresh and Cases Show Decided Increase.

After three weeks' freedom from the menacing grip of Spanish influenza, the dread disease has again fastened its tentacles upon Springfield with as firm a hold as before. Many new cases have been reported, but no deaths so far recorded.

The city officials, pending the developments of the next few days, have not decided the manner in which the situation will be handled.

There is a distinct aversion prevailing to again indiscriminately slamming down the lid upon anything and everything without first resorting to other measures to hold in check the ravages of the epidemic.

With experience in handling the disease, comes more rational means of combating it, and the trend of opinion points to the quarantining method employed so effectively in other infectious diseases as the most sensible way of subjugating influenza.

Contrary to popular belief, it has definitely been determined that the disease is communicated to others by convalescent patients more than by any other means. That is, the danger of infection is nearly as great from those who have recovered from all visible trace of it and feel well enough to go out and mingle with others, as it was in its incipient stages when sneezing in public was regarded as the only way the germs were transmitted.

The idea of enforcing the city's ordinance governing the isolation or quarantining of infectious or contagious diseases presents itself, therefore, as an effective prevention and one calculated to work the least hardship upon the greatest number.

To enforce the provisions of the city ordinance relating to quarantining of contagious diseases, co-operation of city physicians is necessary, and Section I of the ordinance, recognizing this essential, reads as follows:

"It shall be the duty of every physician practicing in the town of Springfield to notify the mayor or a member of the Committee on Health of said town, in writing, of every case of contagious or infectious disease in the town within three hours after the existence of such disease shall come to his knowledge."

Section IV of the ordinance forbids any person to leave the house in which he or she shall have been confined or appear in any public place until all danger of infection shall have passed.

## Local Boy Passes Away.

The death of Oscar F. Berg Thursday evening came as a sad shock to his many friends. Death was due to pneumonia, which followed a severe case of influenza. The deceased leaves a mother, three brothers, and two sisters, all at home. The family moved here about two months ago from Gold Hill. The funeral was held Saturday afternoon, Dr. Danford having charge of the services. Interment was made in the Laurel Hill cemetery.

## Disgorging the Loot.

The Germans have begun restitutions. They have delivered to the allies 300,000,000 francs gold, which came from the Russian treasury. The French have recovered a rich collection of art works by Quentin Delatour, stolen from St. Quentin, and paintings taken from the museum at Valenciennes.

## Teachers' Examinations

Examinations will be held for teachers' State certificates at the court house in Eugene commencing Wednesday, December 18, 1918, and lasting until 4 p. m. on Saturday. Schedule for the days on which subjects are given may be obtained by addressing the County School Superintendent.

## Mrs. Isley's Letter.

In a recent letter Mrs. D. W. Isley of Litchfield, Ill., says: "I have used Chamberlain's Tablets for disorders of the stomach and as a laxative, and have found them a quick and sure relief." If you are troubled with indigestion or constipation these tablets will do you good.

## For Croup.

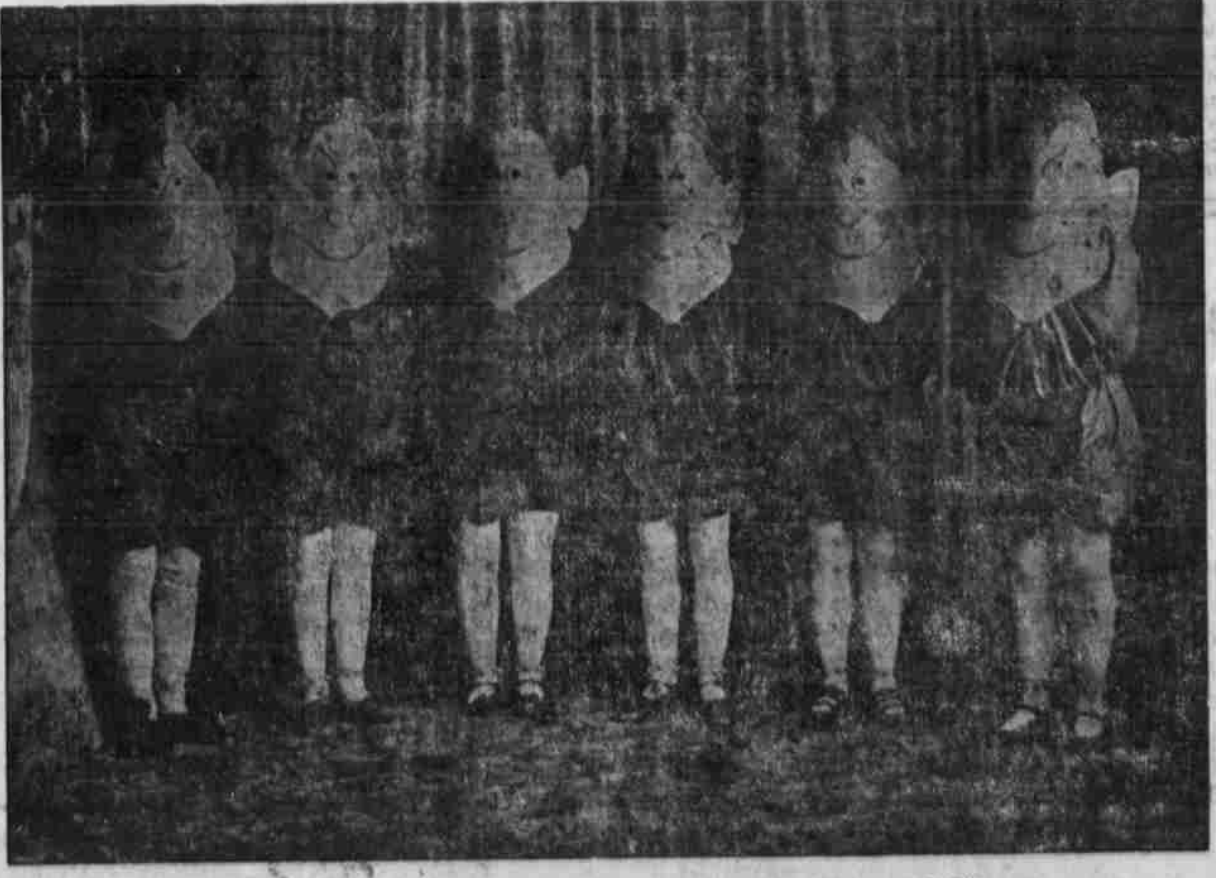
"Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is splendid for croup," writes Mrs. Edward Hasset Frankfort, N. Y. "My children have been quickly relieved of attacks of this dreadful complaint by its use. This remedy contains no opium or other narcotic, and may be given to a child as confidently as to an adult."

## Visiting in Springfield.

Mrs. John Sole'm, a former resident but who is now living at Richmond, Cal., is spending several weeks here visiting Mrs. A. D. Moe. Mrs. Sole'm said that her son Albert was in France, and that John was in the navy. Both boys are well known here.

## Norman Byrne Over Here.

Mrs. L. J. Byrne, who resides at the "Pines" in Glenwood, was considerably elated Thursday evening when she received a telegram from her son, Norman Byrne. The telegram read, "Am in San Francisco. Will be home soon." Norman enlisted in the marines in April, 1917, and has been stationed in Pekin, China, with the marine band for ever a year. The telegram is the first word Mrs. Byrne has had from him since July. It is not known whether he will be home on a furlough or will be released from the service.



THE "HIDDEN BEAUTY" CHORUS IN "NIGHT O' LAUGHS"