AMUSEMENTS

Geraldine O'Brien Made Screen Debut in "Excuse Me."

Miss Geraldine O'Brien, the star of the Pathe Gold Rooster play, "A Woman's Fight" which will be presented at the Star Theatre on Saturday has previously appeared on the screen in Pathe's film adaptation of Henry W. Savage's "Excuse Me", a five-reel comedy which has been more than ordinarily successful from coast to coast.

Miss O'Brien has for several years enjoyed a large following among patrons of the legitimate theatre. In "A Woman's Fight" her characterization of a working girl, naturally pure hearted and big souled, forced by circumstances to become an enemy to society is excellent, nor does her art suffer when in the story she lifts herself out of the depths and as the wife of a wealthy clergyman assumes a different station in society.

"A Woman's Fight" was produced by Popular Plays and Players under the personal supervision of Herbert Blache, and it reflects credit upon Mr. Blache for the careful attention to detail which has been given it. Thurlow Bergen, the Broadway star, plays the clergyman and is always convincing. It is the opinion of the Pathe offices that this is one of the best of the Gold Rooster plays.

Cleo Madison will be the star of "Black Orchids," the Bluebird Photoplay announced to provide entertainment at the Star Theatre on Friday night when a gripping story will be unfolded. Marie returns from a convent and her usual demure disposition suddenly changes. She becomes a heartless flirt, despite the fact that she is betrothed to a dear friend of her father's and when she pays no attention to her parent's admonitions he tells her the tragic story of "Black Orchids."

Zoraida is beautiful, heartless and bent only upon playing with men's hearts. Ivan loves her devotedly and she is satisfied with his love until Ivan's father covets Zoraida. To effectually dispose of his son as a rival, the father has the son assigned to the front line of battle in the war then progressing. Happy in the possession of what he believes to be Zoraida's love, the father introduced his dear friend Marquis De Chantal to the beautiful and insincere woman.

Zoraida immediately turns her affections to the Marquis and the old man to rid himself of his second rival arranges a poisoned cup which, by accident he drinks himself. This leaves Marquis De Chantal in possession of Zoraida and her love until Ivan suddenly returns from war. Forthwith Zoraida renews her liaisons with Ivan and the Marquis challenges the youth to settle the question by the sword. Ivan presumably kills the Marquis and goes with Zoraida to a castle the Marquis had willed to her when he was in favor with the fickle jade.

The Marquis, however, has not been killed. He covertly arranges a trap for Zoraida and Ivan, locks them in an air tight tomb, and then dies of the wound Ivan has given him by his sword-thrust. Having heard the story, Marie comes to her senses, realizes the foly of her unmaidenly conduct and promises to flirt no more. We are led to understand that, with her betrothed, she lives happy ever after.

GRAIN GAMBLERS IN TAG WITH U. S.

Big Question Is Whether Food Speculators Can Be Caught.

By Gilson Gardner in Rural Weekly

The food speculator is now playing tag with government officials. The question is, can he be caught? The food speculator is primarily responsible for the high cost of living.

A lot has been said and written about crop shortage, and there is a good deal of truth in what has been said, but the speculator is a much more important factor than the shortage.

For instance, the federal trade commission has been informed that the pack of canned goods last year was about the size of the record pack for 20 years. Yet canned goods have advanced by leaps and bounds, and what the producer sold for 85 cents is now selling for $2.85.

A carload of peas left California a few days ago. The first profit added to the car was $100. Since then $5,560 have been added to that car and it is still on its way to the consumer.

There is a pound of butter in cold storage in Boston which went in at 23 cents. Its market quotation is now 43 cents, and this profit has been already absorbed by some half dozen middlemen.

These middlemen enjoy such designations as buyers, brokers, jobbers, wholesalers and transportation men. Frequently the transportation agency, the warehouse trade and the wholesale distributer are also speculators, and these all add a big profit between producer and consumer.

The little corner grocer is not the criminal. Evidences of crime may generally be found in the quantity of loot possessed. If the corner grocer were adding the big profits which make cost of living high he would be living in the big brown stone house. If he is he will bear watching. If he is not, look for the man who is.

The government knows the price of coal is due to two things: monopoly of the coal mines by the little group of owners and a combination between the owners and certain railroad interests which transport their coal.

Prosecutions under the Sherman act have failed to relieve the coal situation, as they have failed to relieve the monopoly situation generally.

The only answer remaining is to take over the railroads as a war measure, and to undertake, also, government control of warehouses and distribution.

BRAINS AND SKILL

What They Have Contributed to the Motorist's Pleasure.

"The most surprising thing about automobiles to me is the simple fact that they render the splendid service they do," says Harold A. Cohn, local dealer in Oldsmobiles. "We now rely on them so confidently that we loose sight of the fact that they are in truth wonderful, complicated, and in some respects, delicate machinery.

"In the average car to-day there are from twenty-five hundred to three thousand parts. In the motor alone are several hundreds of these. From our experience with the simple tools we all use in our daily work we know the possibility of any one part giving trouble. If we were told to operate a machine built of three thousand parts we would wish we were expert mechanics.

"Besides involving scores of mechanical principles, many of which are new to the mechanical world, automobile construction embodies many principles of electricity, and of hot and cold water, and of lubrication, etc. Some of the parts are shaped by the mighty blows of monster drop forges while others are so minute and delicate they exact the care and pains of a watchmaker.

"And when all this is assembled, together it is mounted on wheels and given over to people from every walk of life, to use with care or speed at sixty miles an hour.

"It's the brains of the automobile engineers, and the skill of the motor car mechanics, and the science and exactness of the army of inspectors that have made the automobile the dependable vehicle it is. In the Oldsmobile factory, for instance, a corps of inspectors equipped with every appliance, carefully handles all materials received. When it has been made up into various units such as motors, axles, etc., these units are also put through an uncompromising test. They in turn are assembled into the chassis and given over to the road testers, who are unrelenting in their efforts to find something wrong. The bodies are then mounted and the car carefully completed and passed on to final inspection. Here every Oldsmobile undergoes a most rigid examination and must measure up in every detail to the factory high standards."

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Mrs. R. T. Brown, residing a few miles west of Heppner, had the misfortune to cut a finger off her left hand one day this week. She was using the ax to cut some kindling when the accident happend. The finger was entirely severed.

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A Straight Tip on the Fuel and Lumber Situation

We are in the grip of the worst car shortage the world has ever known--and getting worse.

Ninety per cent of all fuel shipments will be made during the three summer months.

Next to fuel, shipments of silo and granary material will have precedence over all others---as this tends to increase the country's food supply.

May we suggest that you anticipate your wants and order your supplies at once.

We will be pleased to talk these matters over with you in person.

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STAR THEATER

To-Night! To-Night!

Hearst-Pathe News — Recruiting Is Brisk

COMEDY---Luke's Speedy Club Life

"Shielding Shadow"

Fifth Episode; Through Bolted Doors

FRIDAY

Blue Bird Feature

"BLACK ORCHIDS"

Introducing Cleo Madison as Zoraida

SATURDAY

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In the baseball contest held in this city last Saturday afternoon between Gooseberry and Heppner the visitors won by a score of 9 to 4. The Sack Busters plainly had the local boys outclassed, although at times both sides were playing bang-up ball. Heppner's runs were scored early in the game after the visitors had taken a short aerial ascent. Drake was on the mound for Gooseberry and Neill and Hughes performed for Heppner. Gooseberry went to Lexington Sunday where they defeated the team of that town. It is not likely that any more games will be played this season.

I have just received a lot of Ladies' genuine imported Peruvian Panama Hats. Just the thing for summer wear. Priced at $3 to $6.
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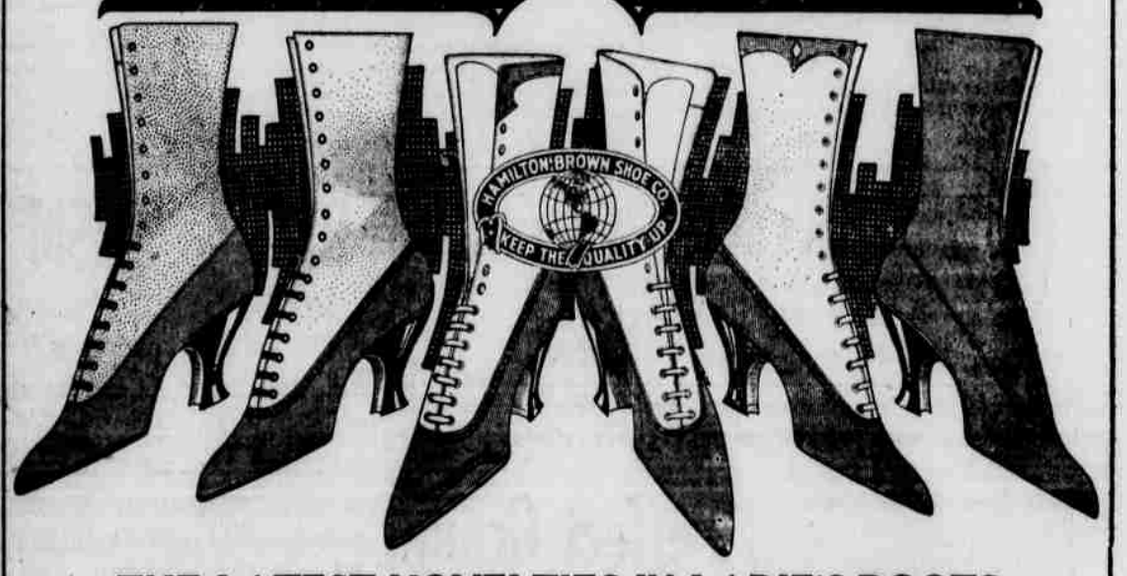

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