

TOBACCO BAN ON ELK'S SONG BIRDS ISSUED

Vernon Vawter, the director and general impresario of the Elks' minstrel show has more troubles than Mary Garden has ever had as director of the Chicago Grand Opera company. While his company only numbers about 50 members they are all and are simply plumb full of artistic temperament, or think they are, but Vernon asserts vehemently that the filling is of prunes, as they chafe at the bit for Monday and Tuesday night's performances following a month's rehearsals and intensive training.

He issued orders at last night's rehearsal for bidding any singing members of the company smoking until after Tuesday night, in the interest of preserving and toning up their sweet voices. Immediately Fletcher Fish, Don Newbury and Bill Vawter, his ballad stars, showed their temperament by declaring their voices needed and must have constant narcotic encouragement. They offered a compromise by agreeing to each eat a box of candy a day until the show is over.

There is trouble in the orchestra over one of the trombone players in his zeal during rehearsal last night poking the end of his instrument into the ear of Shorty Miller, one of the first violinists, and all the musicians have taken sides. The end men are all at odds over who is to have the star's dressing room, and Jerry Jerome, Larry Mann and Paul McDonald are not on speaking terms since Director Vawter settled the controversy by giving the star's dressing room to little Barbara Meyhoe, and assigning the Page theater alley to the end men for dressing purposes.

Then Jay Gore "Moraine," the noted magician and a ham newspaper man and a popular grocer, who have a talkative act which is expected to attract much vegetable matter from the audience, each demanded first place in the olio part of the performance, until Vernon changed the name to that department to oleomargarine. The costumes arrived from the company from the New York designer yesterday, and when Vawter told P. P. Bingham, the property man, to go to the express office and get them, Pete demurred and said it was the chorus men's job.

And thus it goes all the time. Director Vawter is doing his best as he murmurs, "Never again for me."

AWARDED \$21,621 FOR DEAD HUSBY

THOMASVILLE, Ga., Mar. 11.—A check for \$21,621.63 was received here today by counsel for Mrs. Parrish McCranie, of Pavo, in payment of damages awarded her in a suit against W. W. Williams of that town for the death of her husband.

McCranie was killed in Williams' office more than a year ago. There were no witnesses and Williams, pleading self defense, was acquitted by the jury. The widow filed suit and today's check followed the decision of the state court of appeals upholding the verdict of a jury that awarded her the damage.

Too Muddy for Ghosts. HALIFAX, N. S., Mar. 11.—Urging on the provincial government the importance of highway improvement, Angus McGillivray, former member for Antigonish said in the house of assembly today that in his county the roads were so bad in the winter that even the spooks couldn't get around when a wise man from Gotham was waiting to meet them.

WILL ANSWER ANY WOMAN WHO WRITES

Woman Restored to Health by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Makes This Offer

Cumberland, Md.—"My mother gave me Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound when I was between thirteen and fourteen years old and was going to school, because I suffered with pains and could not rest. I did not have any more trouble after that until I was married, then I always was troubled in my back while carrying a child and could not do my work until I took the Vegetable Compound. I am strong, do all my washing and ironing and work for seven children and feel fine. I always have an easy time at childbirth and what it did for me it will do for other women. I am willing to answer any woman if she will write asking what it did for me."



—Mrs. JOHN HAZEL, 53 Dilley St., Cumberland, Md. During childbirth and later during motherhood Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound brought relief to Mrs. Hazel. Her case is but one of many we constantly publish recommending our Vegetable Compound. She is willing to answer your letter. Write to her.

ROSEBURG TEAM MEMBERS HELD FOR SPEEDING

The Roseburg basketball squad and supporters were welcomed into Southern Oregon, in a cordial manner upon their arrival here last night. Maurice Nowland, student body president of the Roseburg high school, was driving members of the team to this city in his Dodge sedan and was accompanied by coach "Dad" King. They say that they passed a car some four miles this side of Grants Pass and recognized deputy state traffic inspector McMahon as an occupant thereof.

They wished to arrive here as soon as possible in order to get the team a meal and allow the men to get to bed early, but they were cognizant of Mac's presence behind them and endeavored to keep below the speed limit.

Officers McMahon and Hemstreet followed them to Gold Hill, where they arrested them for speeding. This seems to have been scheduled as part of the royal reception program.

The case was tried in Justice Taylor's court this morning and officers McMahon and Hemstreet testified that the speed of the car ahead of them was in excess of 30 M. P. H. when the car passed them. However, they did not make the arrest at once, but followed them to Gold Hill, "pacing" them at intervals all the way. Both officers testified that the speed fluctuated between 28 and 42 M. P. H. Officer McMahon testified that the speedometer on his car was 3 M. P. H. fast.

"Dad" King and another occupant of the car in addition to the driver, testified that they never reached a speed of 48 M. P. H. and that it took nearly 40 minutes to cover the 17 or 18 miles between Grants Pass and Gold Hill. This averages less than 25 M. P. H. Mr. King testified that they might have gone 22 or 23 while passing the other car.

Justice Taylor fined Nowland \$15 and suspended the sentence. The Roseburg men are indignant at being convicted on testimony of two men against three, that testimony being based on the readings of an inaccurate speedometer. They say if that speedometer was inaccurate to the extent of 3 M. P. H. this morning when tested by officer McMahon, how inaccurate might it have been last night?

SETTLE TROUBLE IN LIMERICK IRELAND

BELFAST, Mar. 11.—(By Associated Press.) A settlement of the trouble between rival forces of the Irish republican army in Limerick has been reached. Under the agreement both parties will evacuate the city.

Small maintenance units it was said are in the barracks now.

At 11 o'clock this morning large bodies of troops were leaving the city.

DUBLIN, Mar. 11.—The republican publicity department today stated that Eamonn DeValera intends to maintain silence on the Limerick affair until he can speak the truth bluntly, "without danger to the nation or the army which is its sole defense."

BELFAST, Mar. 11.—(By Associated Press.) Casualties in Belfast today as a result of continuance of disorders were Katherine Nelson, killed while standing outside her home in Little George street, and two unidentified men wounded.

Earlier a young girl was severely injured by a bullet.

THINK DOCTOR HAS FOUND THE GHOST

HALIFAX, N. S., March 11.—Dr. Walker Franklin Prince, scientific ghost hunter, today withheld news of what happened last night in the "haunted house" of Alexander MacDonald of Caledonia Mills.

This fact, taken in connection with an announcement by Dr. Prince that he would leave the haunted house next Monday morning, gave rise to reports that Dr. Prince had captured the ghostly visitor or at least had discovered what or "who" it was.

The investigator supplied all the ghost bait last night he could think of. The MacDonald's goods were restored and the MacDonalds themselves slept in their old beds.

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ASHLAND WINS PLAY-OFF AFTER SCORE IS TIED

The Medford high school quintet was defeated last night by the Ashland five by a score of 37-29 in the most thrilling battle of the year. By all rights, Medford, because of her indomitable spirit, her genuine pluck, and her cool-headed playing, deserved a victory.

The Medford team was playing at a great disadvantage on the Ashland floor, which is so small that a fast man has no chance to escape from a large man with less speed. The floor is also so small that when ten players and a referee are on it the referee has a hard time to watch the ball, his vision being continually obstructed by the crowd of players.

At the end of the first half, Medford held the long end of a 16-13 score. The second half was nip and tuck as the first had been, and about two minutes before the finish of the game, the score stood, Ashland 27, Medford 25. At this point Johnston, Medford forward, dropped the ball through the net without touching the goal and tied the score. Shortly after this goal the final whistle blew and the game was a tie. It was decided to play five minutes overtime. Guthrie, Ashland forward, who was high point man of the game and who played brilliantly, broke through the Medford defense four different times and each time made a lucky one-handed basket. These four baskets can hardly be considered legitimate (although Guthrie must be given credit) for they were shot from a position where Guthrie was unable to see even the net which hung from the hoop. Heer, Ashland's much touted forward, came in with his fourth field goal of the game at this juncture. It was a shot from a good distance, as were the other three field goals which he made. He seemed to be timid about piercing the defense of the two Medford guards, even after Dick Singler had been substituted for Payne. Prescott and Payne presented an airtight defense against the Ashland forwards. Beeny played a heady game, scoring four field baskets for his team. Rudy Singler played a good game throughout, but was a little free with himself on the long shots.

Dick Singler, subbed for Payne, and played a good game, although he has not Payne's weight or size. Dick's principal advantage is speed and he was cramped on the Ashland floor and was unable to use it. The high school loses Prescott, Payne, and Johnston by graduation this year and Beeny will not be here as he expects to leave Colorado at the end of the school year. Payne, who has played two years football and two years basketball for Medford, proved to be the steady, most consistent and most cool-headed man on the team. He was good all season. Prescott, playing the other guard, who was a fighter on the gridiron and who kept the morale up during the football season, fought with the spirit of a demon in every game of the year never sinking his speed no matter how adverse the conditions. At the first of the season he made a number of poor passes, but by the end not a man on the floor surpassed him in handling the ball. His guarding was destructive to opponents scores. Beeny, who is only 16 years of age and has another year of high school before him, played last year with the state championship team of Nebraska. He was ill with the flu at the first of the season and left his pick bed to make the trip north. He lost ten pounds on the trip and was slow to develop. During the four Ashland games, however, Beeny has shown good form and excellent headwork, never becoming excited. Johnston, at forward with Beeny, was slightly inconsistent, not showing his ability at all times. During the greater number of the games, however, he proved to be the best scorer and when he did unleash himself he showed brilliancy. Johnston was stricken with the flu about the same time as Beeny and was also indisposed a great part of the season. Rudy Singler at center played a good game throughout the season. In several games he scored a large number of points, but his forte was breaking up the passing of his opponents. Singler was responsible for Medford's possession of the ball several times.

Dick Singler, who subbed several times during the season always showed remarkable speed. On the Ashland floor he was prevented from using this because of limited space, but he showed up well at the Nat. Dick was also hampered by a bad shoulder. Jimmy Allen and Bateman subbed also and with a little more age and experience promise to be valuable men. Riddle, who played for a few minutes in one game did well while he was in, but did not play enough to show what he had.

It is expected that the Singler boys will be the nucleus for the 1923 team. The girls were defeated last night for the second time in the season by a score of 26-21. The game was rough. Miss Vivian Chandler of Marshfield refereed.

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21 Members League of Nations Don't Pay Dues

LONDON, Mar. 11.—Twenty-one members of the League of Nations have not paid their subscriptions for last year, according to an announcement in the house of commons.

PRIMARY BALLOTS C. OF COMMERCE ARE MAILED OUT

BalLOTS for the primary election of directors of the Medford Chamber of Commerce were mailed today to the membership. The ballots may be returned at any time from now on to 7:30 next Friday evening, March 17th.

The voting of the members is by an absolutely secret ballot. Although every return envelope is numbered, this is only for the purpose of checking up the payment of obligations as no member is permitted to register his or her vote unless dues are paid to April first.

Tellers who open the sealed envelopes containing the ballot will not know the name of the member voting. Some members of the chamber are of the opinion that they prefer the old system of electing directors, being that of an open meeting at which there are some thirty or forty present. Under the old system some fifteen or twenty members may elect the directors, whereas under the present plan, the entire membership has a voice in the selection of the men who will conduct the affairs of the organization.

The former method is not democratic and permits one group of men to organize to control the affairs of the institution, which in many instances is for selfish advantages and not for the good of the entire community.

Each member is expected to nominate eight members for the directorship. The names of the sixteen receiving the highest number of votes will appear on the final election ballot which will be sent to the members after the primary.

UNDERWOOD STRONG FOR PACT

keep the peace among nations must be based upon a mutual agreement to respect the rights of others. The four power pact does that.

War Cause Disappears "If the senate of the United States ratifies this pending treaty, I am fully satisfied that there will disappear not only any real cause for war but there will no longer exist the opportunity for war that has threatened us in the past two decades; and peace will be established between the four great sea powers that now control the destinies of the Pacific ocean.

"As long as conditions were allowed to remain in the Far East as they have existed for the past two decades, danger lurked behind every dispute and the war clouds gathered whenever national issue was raised. These conditions threatened our national security for as long as our flag floats over the distant islands of the Pacific, national honor requires that we shall defend the people of these islands from attacks by other nations.

"This is the real issue involved in the four power treaty, the issue of peace in the Orient, the issue of safety to our country, the issue of the lives of our young men, who should be saved from this danger for the upbuilding of a greater America.

"A number of treaties were negotiated at the conference in Washington on the limitation of armaments but this four power treaty is the real treaty of peace. The naval treaty is remarkable in that for the first time in the history of the world nations have really agreed to a limit to their armaments but nevertheless their relative strength remains the same. The Chinese treaties establish a magna charta to protect the sovereignty and territorial integrity of China in the future. This one treaty stands for peace by mutual understanding and all that peace means."

WILL HAYS FORMS A MOVIE CORPORATION

ALBANY, N. Y., March 11.—Will Hays, former postmaster general is named a director with seventeen others, many of them widely known picture producers, in a new motion picture corporation chartered today by the secretary of state. The new corporation intends to "foster the common interests of those engaged in the motion picture industry." No capital was mentioned in the papers.

The articles of incorporation set forth that the corporation also is intended to improve the motion picture industry, "by reforming abuses relating to the industry" and by "securing freedom from unjust or unlawful actions."

REVOLUTION IN SOUTH AFRICA

other points, where intermittent firing was continuing today. At Brak Pan and Denol, strikers apparently had obtained the upper hand, at least temporarily and numbers of dead and wounded were lying in the streets.

BUSINESS TONE IMPROVES, WORST DECLARED OVER

WASHINGTON, Mar. 11.—Favorable reports from widely scattered localities indicate an improvement in business conditions, according to a bulletin issued today by Arthur Woods, chairman of the emergency committee of the national conference on unemployment. Reports indicative of the nationwide upward trend, Mr. Woods said, have been received from a number of cities, including Omaha, Sacramento and San Francisco to the west and many eastern centers.

"There is every reason to hope that the worst is over and at no time has the situation been as bad as all indications indicated last autumn," Mr. Woods said.

"The gratifying response of so many municipalities to the appeal to their sense of community responsibility had solved many a local problem, and anything which cities and towns can do to provide even temporary employment will be of double advantage and assistance right now.

"From all reports, the next few weeks will be among the most trying of the present unemployment emergency. As winter nears its end, the number of families and individuals in bound to increase, no matter how hopeful the prospect of seasonal employment after spring is fairly under way. This is the time when every possible measure that is at all practicable to relieve the situation should be adopted."

FRANCE SORE AT AMERICA

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the Rhine if it isn't in political cooperation with the allied governments?

The allied finance ministers met today to consider the situation created by the memorandum handed to the reparations commission yesterday by Roland W. Boyden, the representative of the United States with the commission, asking payment of the \$241,000,000.

The memorandum, the text of which was made public, states that the cost of the army of occupation up to May 1, 1921 was about \$241,000,000. It sets forth that the allied governments, with the exception perhaps of Great Britain, had received payment for their armies of occupation and that probably the British also were covered by a preceding arrangement. Therefore, the memorandum states, "the United States counts upon obtaining interest payment before any part of the German payments are distributed for reparations or other object."

LONDON, Mar. 11.—The Daily Mail today says that the refusal of the United States to participate in the Geneva conference so greatly deprives the conference of importance that some doubt is felt in political circles whether it will be held at all, and that its abandonment may be only a question of days.

MARSHAL JOFFRE HERE APRIL 5TH

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PARIS, Mar. 11.—(By the Associated Press)—The Bank of France today lowered its discount rate from 5 1/2 to 5 per cent.

RIALTO TOMORROW!

a picture that is There with a capital T!

Thomas Meighan



the popular Saturday Evening Post story by PETER B. KYNE

"CAPPY RICKS"

All the romance that life can know in this tingling story of struggle and storm from San Francisco to southern isles! Agnes Ayres and John Simpson are in the cast.

LAST TIMES TONIGHT TOM MOORE

"BEATING THE GAME"

QUALITY CORSETS FOR LADIES OF QUALITY A DEMONSTRATION OF

Stylish Stout Corsets and La Vida Corsets

"Aristocrats of the Corset World" is taking place Monday and Tuesday, March 13 and 14.

You are cordially invited to avail yourself of the expert advice of Miss Crandall, Expert Corsetiere from New York, who will prove that any figure, whether stout, near-stout or slender has stylish possibilities if properly corseted.

AT THE COLONIAL

Investments in the Jackson County Building and Loan Association

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This is a splendid opportunity for you to invest your surplus money at a good rate of interest, where it is absolutely safe and where it can be gotten at a reasonable notice, if desired.

Come in and let us talk it over with you. C. M. KIDD, President. O. C. BOGGS, Secretary