

MANY THRILLS IN MYSTERY DRAMA 'THE 13TH CHAIR'

The title of the mystery talking play, "The Thirteenth Chair," which began a three day engagement at the Rialto theatre yesterday...

GOLD SEAL FOLK BANQUET GUESTS OF MANAGEMENT

Members of the Gold Seal club, an organization composed of all employees of the Gold Seal creamery, were most royally entertained with a banquet at their club rooms Saturday evening by S. A. Kroschell...

Negro Holds Love of White Wife



Helen Lee Worthing, former New York actress, and her husband, Dr. Eugene Nelson, Los Angeles physician, have become reconciled after a temporary rift and disclosure that he had negro blood in his veins.

CONSOLIDATION OF RAILROADS URGED BY I. C. C. PROGRAM

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Consolidation of steam railroads into nineteen competing units that would radically reshape the nation's transportation map was outlined today in its long-awaited unification program drawn at the direction of congress.

USUAL CHRISTMAS CRISIS ENGULFS GERMAN CABINET

BERLIN, Dec. 22.—(AP)—After temporarily weathering the storm of the past week over the government's financial program and the \$100,000,000 loan negotiations, the finance minister found dissatisfaction with the administration of the Reich's finances too great to withstand and tendered his resignation today.

SILVER BRACELET FOR KIND HEARTED PILOT

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 23.—(AP)—Because Pilot George Campbell put a lonely Navajo Indian 50 miles south of Carthage, N. M., in touch with the outside world he is sporting a silver bracelet.

Dance Ordinance as Adopted in 1919 Which Will Be Enforced

Ordinance No. 973, regulating public dances within the city of Medford and requiring a license therefor, reads as follows:

Section 1.—The term "public dance" is hereby defined, for the purpose of this ordinance, to be any dance which shall be held or conducted for compensation, paid directly or indirectly to the owner, proprietor, manager or operator thereof.

Section 2.—It shall be unlawful for any person to hold any public dance, as defined in this ordinance, without first obtaining a license therefor from the recorder of the city of Medford. The license fee shall be one dollar for each public dance or the applicant may take out a license for a period of three months and pay a license fee thereof of five dollars. The license shall in no case be transferable.

Section 3.—No public dance, as defined in this ordinance, shall be held within the city of Medford without there being provided for said public dance at least one matron of good moral character, who shall be appointed by the mayor and shall receive, as compensation for her services for each public dance, the sum of \$2.50 up to 12 o'clock, midnight, and fifty cents additional for every hour thereafter, said compensation to be paid by the management of said public dance. Said matron shall be clothed with police powers.

Section 4.—No person shall serve, have or drink, any intoxicating liquor in or about the premises where said public dance is conducted.

Section 5.—No person shall hold or participate in any public dance as defined in this ordinance on Sunday.

Section 6.—It shall be unlawful to permit or suffer any person to attend or take part in any dance or remain in such dance hall, if such person is under 18 years of age, unless such person is in company of at least one of his or her parents or legal guardian. It shall be unlawful for any person to make any misrepresentation or false statement as to the age of himself or herself, or any other person, for the purpose of obtaining the admission of such person to or participation in any dance hall, or the permission for such person to remain therein in violation of this ordinance, and it shall be unlawful for any person to represent himself or herself to be a parent or legal guardian of any other person in order to obtain admission to such dance hall.

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RETRIBUTION FOR WORTHLESS MATE

TULSA, Okla., Dec. 23.—(AP)—After fatally choking her husband, Sam Osgood, today by twisting his collar, Blanche Osgood, 27, accused the body to a hospital where she was arrested.

She told police that her husband had forced her to a life on the street, following their marriage seven years ago, and that a beating at his hands early today, because she had not made enough money, proved too much for her and she retaliated.

A black eye and bruises and scratches on her body bore witness to the beating.

The woman said she had no intention of killing her husband, but had sought merely to protect herself.

CATHOLIC CHURCH WILL HAVE MIDNIGHT MASS

Beginning at 11:30 Christmas Eve, the Christmas carol, "O Holy Night," will be sung at Sacred Heart church, followed by "Silent Night."

Shortly at 12:00, high mass will begin, the choir singing Stewart's mass in honor of St. Anthony. At the offertory the "Adeste Fideles" will be sung, with soprano solo and chorus.

Recessional hymn, "The Birthday of a King," soprano solo. The personnel of the choir is: Soprano, Mrs. John J. Wilkinson; Mrs. Rupert Matlock; Miss Bertille Miksche; alto, Mrs. Rose Singler; tenor, Mrs. Stewart; bass, Raymond Miksche. Organist and director, Merced Miksche.

A striking feature in the parish church is the manner scene of Christ's birth, reproduced in miniature.

The public is cordially invited to attend the midnight mass.

Other masses on Christmas day will be celebrated at 8 and 10:30 a. m.

Daily Meteorological Report

December 23, 1929. Forecasts: Medford and vicinity: Unsettled and probably rain tonight and Tuesday. Moderate temperature.

Table with columns for Local Data, Temperature (Dogs), Highest (Last 12 hrs.), Lowest (Last 12 hrs.), Rel. humidity (Pct.), Precipitation (inches), State of weather, and Lowest temperature this morning.

Table with columns for City, High Temp., Low Temp., and Weather. Lists cities like Baker City, Blenmark, Boise, Denver, Des Moines, Fresno, Helena, Los Angeles, Marshfield, Phoenix, Portland, Red Bluff, Roseburg, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, Santa Fe, Seattle, Walla Walla, and Wainwright.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—(AP)—Hope that the federal farm board will repudiate agreements for handling grain reported to have been reached at a recent conference between Alexander Legges, its chairman, and several grain operators, including Julius H. Barnes, head of President Hoover's business advisory council, was expressed today in a letter to Legges from Chairman Caraway of the senate lobby committee.

Bebe Daniels Star "Rio Rita" Talkie. Bebe Daniels proves herself possessor of one of the sound screen's most charming singing voices in "Rio Rita" the all-talking, all-musical radio picture at the Fox Criterion theatre four days, starting Christmas day.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 23.—(AP) Mrs. A. Adams, 59, was recovering in a hospital today from burns about her head and face suffered when a comb with which she was combing her hair caught fire. All her hair was burned from her head.

FARM BOARD HEAD ASKED TO ALTER GRAIN AGREEMENT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—(AP)—"I truly hope the board will repudiate its agreements and the place and time in which you saw fit to announce them," Caraway wrote. "It must do so if it wishes to retain the confidence of, not only the farmers but all those who earnestly sought by legislation some means of relieving the distressed condition of agriculture."

Replying to a letter from the farm board chairman, Caraway offered him an opportunity to appear before the lobby committee to explain the Caraway explanation of the farm board's policy in advancing money to cooperative farm organizations.

ATHENS, Tenn.—(UP)—Twenty-two years ago Walter Guthrie lost his watch in a field here, and his son Charles recovered it this fall. It was said to be in pretty good shape, at that.

MOONSHINE MASH FOR YULE CHEER NIPPED BY FROST

MINCY, Mo., Dec. 23.—(AP) Walls of genuine anguish are coming in from the Ozark hills in the wake of the sudden cold snap of the last four days. For many, all the joy has been taken out of the Christmas season.

Ashland.—Kandy Kitchen will be built at home on Oberlin street.

ASTORIA.—Domestic flour manufacturing started by Pillsbury Astoria Flour mills.

Large advertisement for M. M. STORE featuring 'GREAT NEWS FOR LAST MINUTE Gift Buyers TOMORROW Will Be RED LETTER DAY AT THE M. M. STORE DOUBLE S & H STAMPS'. Includes a Santa Claus illustration and details about free stamps and low prices.