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BALE AT RIVERSIDE NEXT SUNDAY NIGHT

Fred G. Bale, professor of public speaking at Albany College, will deliver an address on "The Coming Generation" at Riverside Community church Sunday evening. Mr. Bale, who is known as a boy's man, is nationally known as one of the country's keenest, chetautau and lyricist writers. He was appointed moderator of the Sunday Evening club.

Fred G. Bale is a courageous crusader for those things which make for a bigger and better community. He is one of the biggest lecture "funds" of recent years, and his fire and energy, a clear thinker, a hard hitter. His is a message particularly valuable to the young, and to those charged with responsibility for their welfare.

Mr. Bale speaks from the heart as well as from the intellect; earnest, intensive, direct, enthusiastic, aggressive. His love of justice and warm sympathy for the wronged are only equalled by his scathing invective of injustice and his loathing of organized evil. He speaks from a wealth of experience and wide observation. He deals in no dry generalities or abstractions. He does not preach. He lets the live stories of the "kids" with their mischievous pranks, their tears, take you back to your own childhood, your own pranks, your own troubles. He lets these stories do the preaching and they do their work and dig deeper than any statements of dry statistics dug, second handed, from the volumes of any library or government documents could do.

STAGE AND SCREEN

How many types does a star have to play in his career? Don't try and guess. It would be impossible. But when a few of them Bert Lytell has to say about "types" on the screen and "types" he has portrayed in his brilliant career.

Lytell is now appearing as "the luckiest man in the Meanest Man in the World," a First National picture which will be shown at the Rialto theatre Sunday.

"I guess I have enacted every type of man in the imagination of the author—and more than that," laughed Lytell. "One role finds me a brilliant young lawyer and the next casts me as a French gambler. Another gives me the appearance of a doctor while the following will reveal me in the garb of an undertaker. To say nothing of the crepe hair, whiskers, false wigs, swallow-tail coats and high plug hats that must be worn to help 'dress' the part.

But best of all, I like a real honest-to-goodness HE MAN part. The American outdoor man. I love the wilds. I love the woods—the hills—the water—everything that speaks of the outdoors."

One of the greatest moments in her latest Paramount production, "Wages of Virtue," due at the Rialto next Monday and Tuesday, is where Gloria Swanson, as Carmelita, gives a vivid presentation of the famous "dinner of the seven" in the Rialto theatre.

Swathed from head to foot in gulf black veiling, the first veil of the seven over veils of lighter color, she appears as a great statue, the rhythm of her postures that she is an accomplished exponent of the intoxicating beauty of the dance, but enacts a remarkable change of characterization as she ceases to be the exquisite little mother of lost men and becomes the provocative, daring little café-dancer, striving to amuse the worshipping legionnaires and make them forget the horrible boredom of the Algerian barracks town.

Another incident which is going to set a lot of Gloria Swanson fans puzzling, is how she manages to balance a bottle on her head while carrying on a conversation, a feat which she accomplishes perfectly.

The truth is that Miss Swanson only achieved this effect after arduous daily practice, so that she might enact the scene where she attempts to help a sergeant of the Foreign Legion, with wine to spare her lover from punishment, with the same ease that would be natural in a girl of the East, to whom carrying articles on the head is an everyday occurrence.

Richard Barthelmess has forged to the front with greater strides, perhaps, than any of the younger players. Although his screen career dates back to "War Babies," it was not until "Tollable David," the sensation picture for First National which won the Photoplay magazine medal of 1922, that he finally established himself as a star. Prior to that, however, he had attained great popularity through his work in D. W. Griffith productions, his characterization in "Broken Blossoms" being especially notable. Pictures that Barthelmess has made for First National since "Tollable David" are "Pury," "The Bond Boy," "The Bright Shawl," "The Fighting Blade" and "Twenty-One." His latest production, "The Enchanted Cottage," adapted from Sir Arthur Wing Pinero's stage success, will be shown at the Rialto theatre next Wednesday and Thursday.

Barthelmess was born 28 years ago in an apartment overlooking Central Park in New York. His father died when he was only two years old and his mother, faced with the problem of supporting herself and her small son, turned to the stage for a livelihood. Although she had had no previous stage experience she succeeded in establishing a name for herself as a character woman.

When she had to go on tour Dick was sent to a military school. After that he entered Trinity College, Hartford, Conn. During the school years Dick spent his vacations almost always with his mother, and occasionally played small parts with her in stock. At college he took an active part in amateur theatricals. This success, which he gradually acquired, a good foundation for a stage career; yet upon his graduation from college he decided against the stage and went into business instead. He wanted to make money, make as an actor he didn't see much chance.

His business career was shortlived, however. He was working in a Connecticut town when a motion picture company began making pictures nearby. The lure was too strong. Barthelmess' screen career dates from that moment.

Barthelmess gives practically all of his time, thought and energy to the work of picture making. In addition to being the star of his own producing organization, he takes an active

part in casting, designing sets and assisting in the direction of his pictures. He is married to Mary Hay, a well-known dancer, and they have one daughter, Mary Hay Barthelmess.

FINS, FURS AND FEATHERS

Geo. T. Prather, valley pioneer and founder of the Hood River Glacier, will be the main attraction from his Summit ranch, recalled the banner mid-Columbia cougar story of 40 years ago.

"The Oregonian's recent stories about the cougar and his pugnacity and the various discussions of correspondents," said Mr. Prather, "brought back to memory a story that one Roberts, he was generally known as 'Lying' Roberts, used to tell with great gusto at the crude bars and public drinking places of pioneer times.

"Roberts, who was a squaw man, he's passed to the happy hunting ground long since. God rest his soul—lived at what is now the O.-W. R. & N. station at Viemo. When he first began coming to Hood River he was wont to tell us of trouble he was having with a big cougar that frequented the canyonsides of the Columbia in his vicinity. 'I've got to get that cat, he would devour a drink or two, or he's going to get me.' Indeed he narrowly missed shooting the cougar on several occasions, and on several others he barely escaped with his skin when the cougar stalked him in the forests.

"One day Roberts appeared in Hood River in apparent great ecstasy. When he was properly heated for conversation he unrolled for us a marvelous story of his prowess. It ran something like this:

"I got the cat, boys. His hide's a-dry'n' on my shantyside. He d—ed near got me, though. The son of a gun slunk right down to my doorway, where I was sitting on the porch. I heard a swish and sidestepped, or I'd never have lived to tell the tale. He swiped the sides of my shoulder with one paw; tore my buckskin shirt right off. He thought me and me, I guess, and when he missed he turned cowardly. I waved my axe and yelled and he started to run. Now that are two fir trees, big uns, that grow near my back door. Where they are closest they are not more'n 12 inches apart. The cougar started between 'em. I was right after him. As he squeezed between them trees I heard the bark 'poppin'. It seemed to give me an idea, and I grabbed the cat by the tail. The harder I yanked the more he pulled. There was a stub of a dogwood tree, beside one of the firs, and I had an 'other' idea. I was once a sailor. I knotted that cougar's tail around the dogwood stub, and just let him pull and meow. It was so funny that I laughed so loud my squaw come out to see what was the matter. She grabbed my axe and ran around the dogwood stub, and just let him pull and meow. It was so funny that I laughed so loud my squaw come out to see what was the matter. She grabbed my axe and ran around the dogwood stub, and just let him pull and meow. It was so funny that I knew what she was up to."

FOREST FIRE LAW VIOLATORS FINED

Campers, smokers, brush burners and loggers all appear in the list of the 197 court convictions for criminal forest fire law violations of the national forests of Oregon and Washington during the season of 1924. The report which has just been issued by the district forester's office, Portland, shows that 222 cases were brought to trial. Of these, 197 were convicted, 9 were found not guilty and 16 cases are still pending.

Fines and costs were assessed in the amount of \$309.25 under the criminal fire law convictions. In addition 33 civil cases were settled and damages collected covering government timber destroyed in the amount of \$17,615.64; 22 civil cases are still pending, involving damages amounting to \$30,000.27, according to the report.

Campers' fires head the list of convictions under the criminal laws, with 128 convictions, five not guilty and six pending. Brush burning without permit ranks second, the smokers' fires third.

Although the greatest number of convictions is for campers' fires, it is pointed out that the greatest damage came from fires caused by loggers. Of the total \$56,621.91 damages under criminal and pending civil cases, over 80 per cent is due to logging fires, it is said.

"Much as we dislike to inflict legal penalties upon forest visitors," said the district forester, in discussing the report, "the fact remains that folks who violate the fire laws are law-breakers, and must be punished as such. The future economic welfare of the Pacific Northwest demands it."

"However," he added, "if everyone would heed the printed warnings and suggestions, abundant in the national forests, we would have fewer forest fires and fewer law enforcement cases."

Hazlett Heads Claims Committee

Representative Hazlett was appointed chairman of the Claims committee of the lower house of the legislature. He was made a member of the Law Revision committee.

Grapes in Oregon have the advantage so far of being relatively free from bad insect troubles. One insect that has to be guarded against as reported by the experiment station is the phylloxera, a minute root house that feeds on the plant juices. European varieties of grapes are far less resistant to this insect than the American varieties, and resistant stock is the only control recommended by the experiment station.

RADIO NEWS

Country school children in the state of California are to learn the geography of great rivers of the world by radio.

Fascinating stories of the Mississippi, Hudson, Missouri, Ohio, Rio Grande, St. Lawrence, Yukon, Amazon, Orinoco, Thames, Rhine, Danube, Seine, Volga, Niger, Nile, Yangtze, Congo, Tigris, Ganges and the Ganges rivers will be told by the character of the "Old Man of the Rivers." He will tell his stories to a boy and a girl, before the microphones of KGO Monday mornings at 10 a. m., painting vivid pictures of scenes along the banks of the rivers as the little party drifts along. The boy and the girl will ask him questions as the story progresses.

Children assembled in class rooms around loud-speakers throughout the state, listening in on the stories, will not feel conscious of being lectured to, or of being taught. It is the hope of the radio teachers that their pupils will learn the important facts about the rivers by simply listening to interesting stories. Before and after each story-lesson, music will be used to lend charm and color to the storytelling appeal. Arthur S. Garbett, composer and musical interpretative writer, will furnish a musical episode for each story. Some instrument, characteristic of the country through which the river flows, will be first heard in each episode. In the instance of the story lesson on the Volga river, cathedral bells will be used for the opening of the musical scene. Then will follow the song of the Volga boatman. After the story more Russian music, ending with the faint sounds of the distant bells, will complete the picture in the minds of child listeners.

Courses for the country schools of the state, now under preparation, include not only the stories of the world's rivers but also lessons in California history.

Radio lessons based on rivers of the world are being organized by Mrs. David Elliott Martin, chairman of the Bay Section California Committee on School Broadcasting. Mrs. Grace C. Stanley, commissioner of elementary schools, State Board of Education, is directing the state-wide movement to make use of radio in country school work.

As first of a series of radio dramas given at KGO during the past year, which are to be repeated at the request of thousands of listeners, "The Green Goddess," a thrilling story of India, will be broadcast this evening. Rebecca Richardson, who appeared in the cast when this play was first given at the General Electric Pacific Coast station, will again take the role of "Lucilla," wife of Major Anthony Crespino. Wilda Wilson, Church will direct the six members of the cast. Oriental music will

LARAWAY HOLDING A UNIQUE AUCTION

One of the most unique gem-jewelry sales ever held in Hood River is now under way at the jewelry store of W. F. Laraway. All articles of the store, which carries a stock that might be the envy of a metropolitan jeweler, are being sold. A. B. Goss, a nationally known jewelry salesman and an expert on fine jewelry, is in charge of the sale. The auctions begin daily at 2:30 and 7:30 p. m.

The store room has been crowded each afternoon and evening with those seeking the bargains that are offered at the unusual sale. Changes are reserved for the ladies.

Chipped Here and There

For years and years George Chidder, Indian patriarch of Hood River valley, amazed people with the weird accuracy of his weather predictions. He had but one eye, yet with the single optic he could see far beyond the weather bureau. One day he undertook to crawl beneath a freight train, and the results were disastrous. When Indian George had gone to his happy hunting grounds where trains were not, one Indian John, of The Dalles, undertook to wear his moccasins. But Indian John's story was short, and great his downfall.

One day, so goes the story in the Hood River valley, a citizen of Hood River found Indian John on the main street. The Dalles, presumably crossed his path with silver and then asked him how he carried on the weather duties of Indian George.

"Ugh! Ugh!" confessed John. "I watch an white man. He see him pop in much wood, coal to burn in his cellar. Me know soon be cold."

Of rebuttal from The Dalles there is yet none. Yet some impulse of prediction, reinvestment, perhaps, of Indian George, suggests that with the other side of the story may be long in the telling. It will not be long in starting.—Oregon Journal.

The Story of a Tragedy

During the recent extremely cold weather, according to a story that has just gained currency here, a garage concern had such frequent calls for denatured alcohol for radiators that a hurry up call for an extra barrel was placed with a Portland wholesale drug concern. The barrel of alcohol arrived in due time and in a single day the last drop was sold to motorists.

Scarcely had the proprietor finished draining the barrel when a long distance telephone call came from the Portland wholesale drug firm.

"Did you get that barrel of alcohol we sent you?" a voice queried.

"Sure," was the reply. "We want to thank you for the service. We just sold the last drop."

"Oh, my God!" groaned the representative of the drug firm.

It was some time before he could explain. He finally revealed that the shipping department had made a mistake and had sent out a barrel of pure grain alcohol worth \$800.

Elk's Lodge Proposed

At a meeting last Friday night of members of Elks of the Hood River valley who now exceed 60, it was proposed that an application be made for a local charter. The city now has an active Elks' club.

H. R. CREAMERY NOTES

The epidemic of hicoughs which has prevailed here recently, apparently a complication of a form of influenza, stimulated the consumption of ice cream. Victims of the peculiar affliction, and these might have been cream in huge quantities furnished a relief, even after numerous other remedies had failed.

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WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS

With Mrs. H. E. Baker and Miss Gertrude Horne as hostesses, the members of the Business Women's club and guests were entertained right royally the other evening at the office of the Pacific Power & Light Co. Games were played, puzzles were worked and refreshments were served.

Notice of Membership Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the first semi-annual membership meeting of

the Hood River Hospital will be held at Library hall Wednesday, January 21, 1925, at 2 p. m. All who have contributed to the Hood River Hospital to the extent of \$10 are members and are urged to attend this meeting in order that a quorum will be present.

Anyone interested in the hospital will be welcome.

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