

'AUNT MOLLIE' SINGS OF WOES IN MINER'S LIFE

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NEW YORK—A worn, faded little woman in a glum dress, white cotton and rough shoes—"Aunt Mollie" Jackson symbolizes the misery of thousands of miners in the Kentucky coal fields. She came to New York to plead for them.

She is only 46 years old, and yet she looks 60. Her face is wrinkled and her eyes are sad except when they light up with determination to help her people.

The committee headed by Theodore Dreiser, the novelist, found her in violence-stricken Bell county where the war between miners and operators still goes on with bitter just around the corner. They persuaded her to come to New York.

She is a singer. But she does not sing with the abandon and bubbling joy of the well-to-do. Her songs are outpourings of what she feels. And when, after riding for two sleepless nights on a bus, she arrived in the city, she sang "The Kentucky Miners' Wives Rugged Hungry Blues" even those who might have scoffed listened intently.

Her plaintive voice, now a wail, now rising in a crescendo of emotion, touched even hardened newspapermen and photographers who met her.

They sat in respectful attention as she sang the song she composed herself—out of her misery. And when she had finished she expressed her resentment against the set-up which is driving Kentucky miners to violence, which is causing deaths from starvation.

"I had quite a lot of work to keep the children from starving up on me. . . . Yes, we live in little three rooms houses, sometimes 14 in a family and they some live on water grates—just flour and hard salt and water."

And she sighed and went on: "My two poor children died and there's just my 'widow man' and me. . . . They locked up my brother and he's a preacher and I hear they're going to indict me next 'cause I sang my blues song and said a few words over in Harlan county."

She reacts quickly to questions, speaks with a tone of her head even—like the pure-bred descendant of old English settlers that she is.

"Aunt Mollie" isn't awed by New York. She's glad to be here, glad to be back with Dreiser and John Dos Passos and the others who have helped. She met with the National Committee for the Defense of Political Prisoners and she says she's going to stay until the people up east hear about her and conditions down in Kentucky.

Ordinance authorizing the sale of lot 3, block 4, Second Hot Springs addition to P. L. Fuhrlander for \$1,000 was passed to second reading.

Miners' Misery Told In Music



"Aunt Mollie" Jackson symbolizes Kentucky Miners' woes.

GROWTH OF HOPS INCREASES YEARLY

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 7.—The state crop of hops now exceeds pre-prohibition days. It has increased four-fold from the 1915 figure. Exactly 19,445,665 pounds of the ripened cones were harvested in 1929. Ten years prior, directly following passage of the Volstead act, a 4,788,223 pound crop was harvested. For 1929, the figure was 16,582,542 and for 1928, 14,675,577 pounds.

The hop plant is grown only in limited sections of the state. Marion county contributed to the last tabulation almost half the state total with a yield of 8,551,741 pounds. Polk was second with 5,215,242 pounds.

Other reporting: Yamhill county 339,979; Washington 461,457; Linn 598,256; Lane 619,180; Josephine 28,116.

The total acreage in the state devoted to the crop during 1929, last federal tabulation was 16,327. The Marion county figure being 7,737, and Jackson county low with 26 acres. Hop growers in the state totaled 483.

Musical Program To be Given Friday

HENLEY.—Friday evening, December 11, at 8 o'clock, the Henley high school glee club will give its first annual musical program. In the school gymnasium. No admission will be charged but a silver collection will be taken up.

Amusements

Pine Tree—Now playing, "Waterloo Bridge."
Vox—Now playing, "The Cuban Love Song."
Pelican—Now playing, "Too Many Cooks."
Rainbow—Now playing, "Skipper."

PINE TREE



Only once in a great while is a picture produced that is so utterly fine in direction, in acting, in story, in technical beauty—and so tremendous in its ability to draw people to the theater—that it immediately becomes recognized as an outstanding candidate for honor as the best picture of the year—such a picture is "Waterloo Bridge," now playing at the Pine Tree.

VOX
Lupe Velez, fiery little Mexican

can screen heroine, who recently scored a sensation as the Indian bride in "The Square Man." It is teamed with Lawrence Tibbett, hero of "The House of the Rising Sun," in the latest starring vehicle of the celebrated baritone, "The Cuban Love Song," now playing at the Vox theater.

PELICAN

An archaic three-act one-horse hack, vintage of 1889, used in the thrilling land rush scenes in the screen version of the Edna Ferber epic, was resurrected for use in Radio Pictures' comedy, "Too Many Cooks," featuring Bert Wheeler and Dorothy Lee at the Pelican theater.

RAINBOW

At heart, Jackie Cooper is typically the "Skipper" that the

world knows through Perry Crosby's cartoon narrative. His outlook on life is closely akin to that of the newspaper and magazine pen and ink character which he portrays in Paramount's talkie offering "Skipper," at the Rainbow theater.

BEETLE CONTROL IS PROGRESSING

LAKEVIEW, Ore.—Pine beetle control work in northwestern Lake county is progressing satisfactorily, according to A. J. Jasnicks of Portland who is supervising the work for the bureau of entomology.

One control camp is working in the timber in the Antelope mountains country where the beetles have invaded a tract of 15,000 acres of good quality pine. Another control camp is working in a 12,000-acre area near McCarty Butte. The United States forest service has allotted \$11,000 for the work and the owners of private timber in the area are backing care of the cost of cutting and burning the infested trees upon their property.

The two camps have been in operation since Nov. 1, and the crews are expected to remain employed until January 1. About 60 Lake county men are employed at the present time.

Officers Intercede In Behalf of Job For Arrested Man

ALTUS, Calif.—Game Wardens A. A. Jordan and Paul Kober and Capt. of Patrol S. R. Gilson of Mt. Shasta found 500 pounds of dressed deer meat at the camp home of Victor Whalen, Oregon laborer. The man was fined \$250 by Judge D. H. Kane of Canby, but all of the fine suspended but \$25 when it was learned that the man had been out of work and had a wife and dependent children.

Whalen had just secured a job at a highway construction camp when arrested, and the officers went back with the man to make sure his arrest would not jeopardize his new-found employment.

R. Hill Sentenced On Forgery Count

Richard H. Hill was sentenced to two years in state penitentiary by Circuit Judge W. M. Duncan Monday morning, after waiting preliminary hearing in justice court and grand jury examination.

Hill was arrested by city police officers Saturday night on charges of forging evidence of debt, was turned over to the county for prosecution Sunday, and formal complaint filed early Monday morning by the district attorney's office.



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