JUST GOSSIP ABOUT PEOPLE

Nancy Wynne Tells of the Doings of Various Members of Society—Many Motor Down From Maine. "Detective Story?

WHAT a splendid time the John R. Valentines do have! They have just come back from a visit of three weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Clark up in Westerly, R. I. But that means more than it sounds, for during that visit, they motored over to Saratoga to the races and attended several polo matches on Long Island. Mr. Valentine is a devotee of polo, you know, and wherever he goes Mrs. Valentine goes along.

He was in the service and was stationed a good deal of the time at Camp Kearney, out in San Diego, Calif., but Mrs. Valentine spent most of the time out there too. Mr. Valentine was a major when he was mustered out of the army.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark and Mr. and Mrs. Valentine attended the United Hunt meeting held on Long Island last Saturday, and then the Valentines motored home to their place, Highland Farm, Bryn Mawr.

On the 13th of this month they will go to Long Island again to attend the Futurity races, which will be held on that day.

They are both extremely fond of horses, you know, and ride a great deal, taking part in most of the hunts about the countryside.

SPEAKING of motoring home. Did you ever see anything like the way in which it is growing and growing? Small wonder when one can scarcely ever get accommodations on a train these days, and you can about do everything but sleep in your motor. Remember the time a certain social leader went to a luncheon and bridge and had her maid meet her in her car at 5 o'clock and changed into a dinner gown then and there; or rather, while she was on her way out in the country to a half-after 6 dinner? It was early, as the guests were to go in to the opera later. Anyway, to return to motoring. Almost everyone who has a car will use it to come home from Maine and other New England resorts this year.

We, who stay at home or else go away on short trips to nearby places have no idea of what the difficulties of travel are. You don't want to go any distance without a well-filled pocketbook, either, believe I, for the first thing you know, you'll get stranded somewhere and have to stay two, three or even four days, waiting for accommodations unless you have a car and then you can yell defiance at the railways and bear it.

The W. W. Hepburns came down from Northeast Harbor on Sunday night with Brackley with them in their car. The three girls had gotten train accommodations and gone ahead several days before to open the house.

And the Ledyard Heckschers, who have been for three or four weeks up there, left yesterday in their car. It takes about three days, all told, to get home, taking it rather easy.

Another party coming down from Northeast who started Saturday includes the James Fahnestocks, of Haverford, and their daughters, Charlotte and Mary. The latter, you know is to make her bow as a debutante this season. Eleanor Jones and her brother Frank are with the Fahnestocks. Eleanor is a debutante of the coming season, too. Her aunt, Mrs. Frank Kennedy, gave a tea for her in June. Mary Fahnestock and Mabel Reid were both honor guests at that tea, too.

I HEAR that Phillippus Miller, Jr., has been transferred from Camp Dix Hospital to the hospital in Rahway. What a time he has had! He was hurt in the Argonne Forest last year and was in various hospitals in France; then he was sent over here in February and has been at Dix since then.

He was badly gassed, you know, and the after effect has been very severe. Sometimes he feels a good deal better and has been allowed to go home for a week; then again he is so ill it is not possible for him to get out of bed. But the doctors see improvement and he is now in Rahway. It must be awfully hard for a big, fine, strong fellow such as he to have to wait so long to get well. But indeed he is happy that he has all his limbs and his eyesight. So many of the men have lost their sight. We are just beginning to see them now in the streets. And it does sadden me so. And when I think of the French and English, who have so very many, it's fairly staggering.

I WAS walking along Sansom street between Twenty-first and Twenty-second recently, and as I passed the row of small houses on the north side of the way I thought of Mrs. William Cochran, who had lived there, and of Mrs. Roberts Francis Harrison's mother and of their deaths last year, and then I began placing the houses to myself. Which was Mrs. Almy's and which had been Mrs. Roberts's and which the Athertons? And then I thought, "Which one is the Sparks's?" But, believe me, I did not have to wonder long, for as I looked up there in the parlor window at 2123 on the paper that kept the dust from sifting in, I read, "Aplin's blankets." I'm some detective, I am.

NANCY WYNNE.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Miss Sarah Penrose and her brother, Mr. Boies Penrose, 2d, daughter and son of Dr. Charles B. Penrose, who have been visiting their aunt, Mrs. George H. Penrose, of New Orleans, at her summer home, Christian Pass, for the last three weeks, came back to their home in Devon last Friday.

Miss Julia McHenry, who has been visiting Miss Ellen McMichael, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Emory McMichael, of Devon, returned to her home in Green Spring Valley, Baltimore, yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Dawson Coleman, of Appleford, Villanova, spent the week-end in Southampton, L. I.

Mrs. Ernest Law and Miss Mary Law, who spent the summer at Islesboro, will return to St. Davids the end of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Armitt Brown, who spent the summer in New England, have returned to their home in Devon.

Dr. and Mrs. Walter Chrystie, Miss Margaret H. Chrystie and Mr. Walter Chrystie, Jr., of Bryn Mawr, who have been spending the summer at their cottage in Beach Haven, will open their Bryn Mawr home the end of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Colahan, 3d, and their daughter, who have been spending a few weeks in White Sulphur Springs, motored to their Chestnut Hill home the latter part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Schmidt and their daughter, Miss Henrietta Schmidt, of Juniper Hall, Radnor, left today for the Traymore, Atlantic City, to remain a month.

Mr. James Hancock, of the Poplars, St. Davids, has gone to Hot Springs, Va., for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lear and their daughters, of School lane and Pulaski avenue, Germantown, are spending a week in Atlantic City. Mr. George Lear joined them over the week-end and Labor Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Taylor and their sons are spending several weeks at Cape May before opening their apartments at the Morris for the winter.

Mrs. M. Y. Smith, of 2054 Locust street, and her daughters, Miss Emily J. Smith and Miss Kathryn M. Smith, accompanied by Miss Florence Hirsch, who have been spending the summer in Marion, Mass., have returned to their cottage in Ocean City for the month of September.

Mr. and Mrs. Sydney E. Sharwood moved into their new house in Bryn Mawr last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Peckworth, of Brookline, are touring through Massachusettes and Maine.

GERMANTOWN

Mr. and Mrs. T. Willett Bosworth, 532 East Johnson street, have gone to Stone Harbor for a fortnight.

Miss Theresa O'Donnell, of 806 East Chelten avenue, spent last week-end at Asbury Park.

Miss Irene Townsend, of 6331 Lena street, and Miss Elsie Anstott, of Olney, are spending a fortnight at Atlantic City.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tomlinson, of 7900 Germantown avenue, motored to Ocean City on Sunday, to stay over Labor Day. They brought back with them their daughter and granddaughter, Mrs. Mabel L. Speese, and Miss Barbara S. Speese, of 328 East Chelten avenue, who have spent a fortnight at 3828 Central avenue, Ocean City.

Mrs. Emile J. Stroh, of 519 East Washington lane, returned on Friday from a trip to Newport, R. I.

Lieutenant Rolfe T. Mitchell, who is stationed in Washington, D. C., spent the week-end at his home at 508 Brinton street.

Mr. and Mrs. William Moore and their daughter, Miss Charlotte Moore, and son, Mr. Charles Moore, of Brinton and Musgrave streets, will be at their cottage at Atlantic City until the middle of September.

Mrs. Thomas M. Jamison and her son, Mr. Thomas M. Jamison, Jr., of Chelten avenue and Musgrave street, are spending a month at the cottage of Mrs. Jamison's mother, Mrs. Simpson, of East Orange, N. J., at Atlantic Highlands. Mr. Jamison spends the week-ends with his wife and son.

Friends of Miss Alice W. Tompkins, 524 Brinton street, will be glad to learn that she is recovering from her recent illness.

Mrs. Joseph Stiteler and her son, Mr. Carl Guthrie, of 6243 Clearview street, spent the week-end at Downingtown.

Mr. Henry R. Brack has arrived at the home of his sister, Mrs. Norton D. Flew, 6501 Musgrave street. Mr. Brack has been living in Los Angeles, Calif., for the last few years. He was stationed at San Diego during the war. Mr. Brack spent the week-end visiting Mr. Alfred Allen at his cottage at Pitman Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Keller, of 305 East Upsal street, are spending the week at the Runnymede, Atlantic City.

Mrs. John W. Tomlinson, Jr., and her young daughter, of Lambert street, are spending some time at North Wildwood.

LANSDOWNE

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Keenan have returned to their home 24 East Stratford avenue after spending the summer in Ocean City. Mrs. Keenan, Sr., who has been occupying the Stratford avenue house, is spending the month of September in Atlantic City.

Mrs. Emily Martin and family, of Ocean avenue, are leaving for Ocean City, where they expect to remain during September.

Miss Dora Pearson is spending a vacation in Pine Beach.

The marriage of Miss Florence Walsh, of Burmont, and Mr. Louis J. F. Moore, of Lansdowne and New York, took place last Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock in St. Charles's Church at Burmont. Mrs. Moore returned in July from France, where she worked with the Red Cross at Havre during the war and later with the army of occupation at Coblenz. Mr. and Mrs. Moore will make their home in New York. Mrs. Moore is the daughter of Mr. Philip J. Walsh and Mrs. Walsh.

Miss Ruth Wunderlich, of North Maple avenue, entertained the members of her bridal party at luncheon on Thursday. The party consisted of Mrs. Harry P. Babbitt, who will be matron of honor, and Miss Kathryn Landes and Miss Riddell Young, who will be bridesmaids.

Mr. and Mrs. George Statzell are entertaining Miss Nan Taylor at the boathouse in Ocean City.

WEST PHILADELPHIA

Dr. Emerson R. Sausser, Miss Laura Sausser and Miss Eleanor Sausser are spending some time in Atlantic City at the Ambassador.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Alfred Fox and Mr. T. Harold Fox, of 3901 Walnut street, who have been motoring in the Poconos, have gone to Cape May, where they will remain until the middle of this month.

Mrs. C. L. Wegefarth, of 1303 South Fifty-seventh street, is spending several days at the Ambassador Hotel, Chelsea, Atlantic City.

SOUTH PHILADELPHIA

Miss Edna Tatem, of 2319 South Sixteenth street, and Miss Marie Thomas, of Seventeenth and Mifflin streets, with a party of friends, motored to Atlantic City on Saturday to remain over Labor Day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Tittermary and son, Junior, of South Woodstock street, spent the week-end at Atlantic City.

A DEBUTANTE OF THIS SEASON

MISS MARY LITTLE — Photo by Bachrach

Miss Little is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Ashton Little, of Strafford. She will be introduced to society at a tea to be given by her parents on October 4

NORTH PHILADELPHIA

Mrs. S. Asher, of 1335 North Broad street, is spending several weeks in Eaglesmere, Pa., from where she will go to Atlantic City.

Miss Kathryn Woodall, of Broad street, spent the week-end and Labor Day at Atlantic City.

The Rev. W. Jentsch and Mrs. Jentsch, of 813 West Lehigh avenue, have as their guest, Mrs. Jentsch's brother, the Rev. H. P. Hansen, of Walsh, Ill. Doctor Walsh has accepted a call to a charge in Carteret, N. J.

Friends of Mr. Edward Eisele, secretary of the Holy Cross Church, will be glad to hear that his blindness caused by an ammonia explosion, is only temporary and his sight will be restored.

Mr. Franklin N. Hewson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas M. Hewson, of 2934 North Camac street, who recently returned from service in France with the Fifth Regiment, U. S. M. C., has been presented with a gold watch by his neighbors in appreciation of his services to his country and as a token of the respect in which he is held.

Dr. and Mrs. C. T. Bauerle, of 2416 North Sixth street, have gone to Ocean City to remain through the early autumn.

TIOGA

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Fahringer, of 2102 West Ontario street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Ruth Fahringer, to Mr. Frederick H. Bohn, of Beverly.

Friends of the Rev. Samuel W. Williams, of 4239 North Fifteenth street, will be glad to hear that he is recovering from his recent serious illness, and is convalescing at Heigerville, N. J., where he and Mrs. Williams will remain until the end of this month.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Thomas, Jr., have returned from their wedding trip and are at home at 820 West Erie avenue. Mrs. Thomas, before her marriage, on June 28, was Miss Aida S. Apeldorn, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John C. Apeldorn, of West Erie avenue.

Another returning bridegroom and bride are Mr. and Mrs. Paul Willard Reisse, who were married on June 30. They spent their honeymoon on the coast of Maine. Mrs. Reisse will be remembered as Miss Louise Dorothea Muench, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ludwig Theodore Muench, of 3732 North Carlisle street. Mrs. Muench has gone to the Maine coast for this month.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Zink are passing the season at Somer's Point, N. J.

The residents of Tioga have been invited to an interesting entertainment this evening on the lawn of the Odd Fellows' Home, Tioga and Seventeenth streets. The program will include patriotic and popular numbers by a band from Youngstown, O.

ROXBOROUGH

Mrs. William Johnson, of Bridgeton, N. J., gave a luncheon on Saturday for the members of the sewing club of the Talmage Memorial Church. Her guests included Mrs. William Haeberlein, Mrs. John Wynne, Mrs. James Ramsey, Mrs. William Stafford, Mrs. Chauncey Wolf, Mrs. Carrie Speak, Mrs. Andrew Truncer, Miss Marian Tunis, Miss Edith Fieldhause and Miss Maude Eastwood.

Mrs. Hiram L. Wynne, Jr., of Pechin street, has returned from Island Heights, where she passed the early season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Smalley, at their summer home. Mr. and Mrs. Wynne will spend the winter in Atlantic City.

Mr. Jacob Miller, of 6910 Ridge avenue, will go to Columbus, O., the end of the week to attend the G. A. R. National Encampment.

The Rev. William R. Rearick, of 4331 Pechin street, returned last week from a fortnight's stay in Atlantic City.

Mr. and Mrs. Warner R. Hales and their family have returned home after passing three weeks in Wildwood.

FALLS OF SCHUYLKILL

Mr. and Mrs. Weir, of Ridge avenue, gave an informal reception last week at their home in honor of the return of their son, Mr. Frank Weir, from France. Mr. Weir served with the First Division, Engineer Corps.

Miss Sara Jones, of Frederick street, returned on Sunday from a fortnight's stay in Wildwood. Her sister, Miss Lillian Jones, will leave during the week to spend the autumn in Wildwood.

Mr. William Porter has returned to his home on Midvale avenue after spending ten days in Atlantic City.

Miss Alicia Furman, of Frederick street, will leave for Wildwood during the week, to remain through the early part of the month.

WISSAHICKON

Mrs. George Peterson, of 163 Sumac street, gave a luncheon on Saturday at her home in honor of Miss Margaret Creighton and Miss Irene Creighton, of Rockville Centre, L. I., and Mrs. Robert Creighton, of Audubon, N. J. Miss Edna Peterson has returned from Dallas, Pa. Their son, Mr. George Peterson, Jr., has gone to Glassboro, N. J., to remain through the early autumn.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Schrader, of Sumac street, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Laidlaw, of Pittsburgh, formerly of Wissahickon.

MANAYUNK

Miss Helen Welsh, of 4409 Main street, will return today after spending some time at Toughkenamon.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Curran, of 205 Hermitage street, and her daughters, Miss Isabelle Curran and Miss Mary Curran, have returned home after spending ten days in Atlantic City.

Mr. and Mrs. George Scholes and their sons, Master Herbert Scholes and Master Edward Scholes, who have been staying in Atlantic City through the summer, will return to their home on Umbria street during the week.

NORRISTOWN

Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Pearse, of Park and Ridge avenues, gave an attractive children's party at their residence in celebration of the seventh birthday anniversary of their daughter, Millicent Pleiades Pearse. Among the guests present at the event were Miss Mary Shaeffer, Miss Winifred Shaeffer, Miss Nancy Schaffer, Miss Ruth Croll, Miss Viola Sloan, Miss Valeria Espenship, Miss Catherine Strauss, Miss Elizabeth Stauss, Miss Emeline Dyson, Miss Harriette Dyson, Miss Helen Jamison, Mr. Elwood Hurst, Mr. Wilbur Hurst, Mr. William Lantz Yeakle, of Norristown; Miss Lenore Clemmer, Miss Gwendolyn Clemmer, Miss Catharine Clemmer, Jack Yeakle, Mr. Becker, Miss Bertha Becker, Miss Emily Clark and Mr. William Gray, of Philadelphia.

Miss Mary Emma Croll, of Eagleville, Pa., entertained at her home in honor of Miss Zetta Farley, of East Mount Kirk avenue. The marriage of Miss Farley and Mr. B. Franklin Rittenhouse, of Norristown, will be solemnized tomorrow. Miss Croll will attend Miss Farley as maid of honor. Included among the guests were Miss Martha Rittenhouse, Miss Catherine Ruth, Miss Gladys Kandle, Miss Clara Wardle, Mrs. D. LeRoy Fronfield and Miss Linda Supplee. A linen shower was given at the home of Miss Linda Supplee in honor of Miss Farley. Miss Supplee will be a bridesmaid at the wedding.

Announcement is made of the engagement of Miss Pearl Yocum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elsworth Yocum, of 649 Astor street, and Mr. Harry Hunsberger, of Philadelphia. Miss Yocum is a graduate nurse of the Charity Hospital Training School for Nurses, Norristown.

NORTHEAST PHILADELPHIA

Mr. William Fuller, of 2310 East Norris street, is spending the remainder of the summer with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Clark at their bungalow at Clementon, N. J.

Mr. Ellwood Hacket, of 2420 North Fifth street, has returned from a fishing trip in Delaware.

Miss Catherine Cooper, of G street, and Miss Helen Phipps, of Front street, are spending a week in Wildwood.

NEW JERSEY NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Richard H. Hansell, of Rancocas, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Marion Hansell, to Mr. Ole O. Moen, of Mount Holly. No date has been set for the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hackney, of Beverly, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Rena Ella Hackney, to Mr. Chester Arthur Denning, of Delanco.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Behr, of Beverly, are being congratulated on the birth of a son.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hoffinger, of Florence, are spending a few days at Seaside Heights.

Mrs. Clarence Miller, of Delanco, left on Saturday for a fortnight's stay at Cresco, in the Pocono Mountains.

Mrs. J. Reeves Rue and her two little sons, of Pittsfield, Mass., are spending a fortnight with Mrs. Samuel J. McCleham, on Park road, in Edgewater Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Paulus, of Rosemont, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Paulus's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Collins, Jr., in Edgewater Park, over Labor Day.

PRINCETON WEDDING OF INTEREST HERE

Mr. R. Lawrence Benson, of This City, Weds Miss Russell

A marriage of interest in this city, New York and Princeton took place today in Trinity church, Princeton, at noon, when Miss Helen Rutherford Russell, daughter of Mr. Archibald Russell, of New York and Princeton, became the bride of Mr. R. Lawrence Benson, son of Mrs. Edwin N. Benson, of this city.

The bride, who wore a beautiful gown of soft satin trimmed with old lace, and carried roses and orchids, was given in marriage by her father and was attended by her sister, Miss Constance Russell, as maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Miss Kate Winthrop, of New York; Miss Gwendolyn D. Irwin, of Buffalo; Miss Beatrice G. Pratt and Miss Elizabeth Rumsey.

Mr. Benson was attended by Mr. Howard P. Homas, of New York, as best man, and his ushers included his brother, Mr. Alexander Benson, Mr. Archibald D. Russell, Jr., a brother of the bridegroom; Mr. Jay Cooke, 3d, of this city, and Mr. Rudolph L. Walton, of New York.

After the ceremony there was a wedding breakfast at the home of Mr. Russell Edgarstoun, Princeton, at 12:30 o'clock, after which Mr. and Mrs. Benson left on a wedding trip. They will live in New York.

ARMSTRONG—BOWER

A wedding of interest in this city and in Carlton, Minn., was that of Miss Rae O. Bower, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bower, of 1011 West Allegheny avenue, and Mr. Clarence E. Armstrong, of Carlton, which took place on Saturday evening at the home of the bride's parents. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Charles Lancaster, of the Church of the Nazarene, Tenth street and Indiana avenue. The bride wore a gown of white satin veiled with georgette crepe, and carried a shower of Bride roses. She was given in marriage by her father and attended by her sister, Miss Mildred Bower, who wore a pink frock of georgette crepe and carried a shower of pink roses.

Mr. Edward Moore was the best man. A reception followed the ceremony. Mr. Armstrong and his bride left for a trip through the West to Minnesota and will live in Duluth.

BIG REVIEW PROVES WINNER

Bright Music at Casino Performance, Other Burlesque Houses

The Casino's policy of catering to feminine taste in burlesque is resulting again this season in a percentage of the audience being of fair devotees of stagedom, as was attested by last night's audience at the performance of the "Big Burlesque Review." The Review won applause on the merit of its musical selections, the capability of its cast and the novelty of a plot woven into two sprightly burlettas. Harry Berton and Zella Russell are heading the company.

BIJOU—"Henry Dixon's Review" proved an attractive offering, which might be expected from the fact that most of the favorites who made this company a success last season again are in the cast. Among the featured players are Hickey LeVan and Claire Devine. The new extravaganza in which the company is seen is loaded with mirth and bright music.

TROCADERO—"Kewpie Dolls" are bowing to capacity crowds this week. A kewpie doll may be mechanical in the toy trade, but this animated company is about as lively an assembly as has held down the boards at the Arch street playhouse in many moons. Tom Howard, "the wise boob," is kicking in with a lot of laughs, and Anna Kaplan is an attractive prima donna.

ORPHEUM STOCK OPENS

"Polly With a Past" Wins Warm Approval

A cordial welcome was extended Mae Desmond and her players who opened the Orpheum with "Polly With a Past."

This comedy, dealing with life of stage and of high society folk, abounds in thrills, sentiment and comedy, and sustains interest until the final curtain. Miss Desmond lived up to all the requirements of the leading role, created at the Garrick by Ina Claire, and was rewarded with plenteous applause.

Frank Fielder, as the ingenious Rex Van Zile, and other members of the supporting company were highly satisfactory in their various roles.

The Orpheum was thoroughly renovated during the summer, and, if last night's audience is any criterion, the stock company is destined to have a successful season.

Miss Desmond was showered with floral offerings by her admirers and made a pretty speech of acknowledgement.

RED CROSS INSTITUTE

Three-Day Session for Training of Chapter Members

An important institute for instructors of Red Cross chapter classes in home hygiene and care of the sick will be held in the teaching center of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter, at 218 South Nineteenth street, beginning tomorrow.

It will last three days.

The registration for the institute will open at 8:30 o'clock tomorrow morning and the program proper will begin one hour later.

The evenings will be devoted to demonstrations in nursing procedure or to round tables, should such be requested, by those in attendance.

FRANKFORD

Miss Alice Flemings, of Frankford avenue, spent the week-end and Labor Day in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Earley, of Northwood, and Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Rodgers, of Orthodox street, are motoring through New England.

Mrs. S. Parker, of Arrott street, is visiting relatives in Pittsburgh for several weeks.

Mr. Charles H. Dunker, of Tacony, has just returned from an eight weeks' trip to Los Angeles, San Francisco, Yosemite Valley and Yellowstone Park.

HOLIDAY MOVIES ON MANY SCREENS

Gay Crowds Fill Theatres Seeking Amusement—Fine Music Played

STANLEY—"The Witness for the Defense," with Elsie Ferguson. Story by A. E. W. Mason and directed by George Fitzmaurice. Artcraft play.

While actors of the speaking stage are having their difficulties the audiences and critics of the silent drama are having their own in keeping up with the good productions in which Elsie Ferguson is appearing of late. Her recent play, "A Society Exile," on view at many theatres this week, is a fine piece of work, while her new creation in this current play at the Stanley will gain many new admirers.

The woman in the case is the murderer of the man, but it takes over an hour of rapidly moving film to bring this fact to the surface. There is a mystery story contrived with suspense that should satisfy the most exacting in regard to this style of motivation. The jury in the case brings in a verdict of acquittal, but the fact that it believed the natives were the murderers of the man had no bearing upon what the tormentors of the girl thought and tried to make her feel. In the end, love triumphed.

Beautiful photographic shots were recorded. The directing of George Fitzmaurice can always be counted upon to give the fans a touch of the artistic. There was a special musical program under the direction of Albert F. Wayne. The projecting of a new Fatty Arbuckle picture also met with favor.

ARCADIA—"The Valley of the Giants," with Wallace Reid. Story by Peter B. Kyne and directed by James Cruze. Paramount play.

This picture, one of the first of the new Wallace Reid series of plays, was well received by capacity audiences at the Labor Day showings. There is always something fascinating about trees, and when they are big ones, like those shown in this picture, they deserve to have something special written about them. The California redwood trees are giants indeed, and Peter Kyne laid his plot about their being owned by the hero and then had a crowd of exploiters try to steal title to them. Of course, the wrongs were righted and the love interest came forth triumphant at the crucial moment.

Wallace Reid is a good actor, and he is also a fine athlete, which brings out the fact that with the combination of these two arts he is a magnet for the film fans. The star put up a good "scrap" with the gang of dishonest lumbermen, and he also made an ideal lover with beautiful Grace Darmond as his vis-a-vis. Kay Laurel, who may be recalled by the Follies followers as the girl who sat a-top the revolving papier mache globe and represented the waking day, is in the picture. Marion Fairfax is responsible for the scenario, which was well handled by James Cruze, the director. Fine night photography was introduced.

VICTORIA—"The Egg Crate Wallop" with Charles Ray. Directed by Jerome Story from a story by Julien Josephson. Paramount play.

This play, like the other vehicles in which Charles Ray has appeared, has had the supervision of Thomas H. Ince. It is rather difficult to tell just where the touch of the supervisor comes into this production, because Jerome Storm is a very capable director. Perhaps it is in the censoring of the list of settings and furnishings which other "movies" seem to have and which the plays in which this impersonator of rural types appears do not need.

Many vacationists have seen big boys moving egg crates around the platforms of small stations as they waited to be taken to their summer boarding house. It was just this sight which prompted the author to make it into the play which met with approval at the Victoria. There they found a big, strapping boy handling the very light eggs. But the lifting of these light things brought a strength to the muscles of the rural lad which aided him in winning a prize fight in which he took part. When the hero landed what the followers termed "The Egg-Crate Wallop" the rest may be imagined.

Charles Ray seems to have a happy faculty for selecting pretty girls to be his leading ladies, and Coleen Moore is no exception. There is a regular "city feller" who is after the girl, and Jack Connelly gave that character a realistic touch.

REGENT—"Nobody Home," with Dorothy Gish. Story by Lois Zellner and directed by Elmer Clifton. Paramount play.

When the powers that be decided that they would make a star of Dorothy Gish, Adolph Zukor, directing head of the Paramount company, said she would never do, as her hair was not of the right color. Now she just had to be made a feature player, and so a black wig was purchased for her. This added ornament has been seen in many plays since the little artist appeared in "Hearts of the World," but now a story has been woven around it.

Because the heroine had black hair and her sweetheart had blond she worried, and a person supposed to be able to be a teller of fortunes was brought in to make the plot complicated. Thieves and a newly wedded couple added to the mystery, which would be spoiled by its telling here, although in the end of the film police officials catch one of the important characters trying to make a getaway via the fire escape.

Besides Miss Gish there is a fine cast of players, including Ralph Graves, whose work will gain stardom some day, and Raymond Cannon.

"The Red Lantern" is casting its glow over the screen of the Palace this week, and "Mickey" has the center of the silversheet at the Colonial. "The Dark Star" shines forth at the Strand and Locust Theatres, while at the Alhambra Elsie Ferguson comes forth as "A Society Exile." Mary Pickford's "Daddy Long Legs" stretch forth at the Rivoli.

Geraldine Farrar continues at the Chestnut Street Opera House in "The World and Its Woman," which is being presented in characteristic and realistic style.

Camden Houses Open

The Grand and Plaza Theatres, among the most popular in Camden, opened for the regular season last night, under the direction of the Stanley Company of America. Varied and representative bills were enjoyed by large audiences.

BELLE BAKER RETURNS AGAIN ON KEITH BILL

Good Playlet and Plenty of Comedy Makes Program Highly Interesting

Belle Baker began her third engagement of the current season at Keith's with a collection of "character" songs that gained the enthusiastic approval of the big house.

Miss Baker's ability to inject distinction into even the most simple of her songs and ditties is the key to her success. The manner in which she sings the offerings of Bert Kalmar and Harry Ruby, authors of her act, merits for her the adjective "incomparable," appearing in her ads.

Playing two roles in the strong playlet "Wild Oats," that of a convict unjustly imprisoned and that of a rich man's son, in reality the guilty man, Kingsley Benedict made a distinctly favorable impression. The manner in which the character changes were accomplished was deftly and skillfully managed.

"Reubenville" returned and again made a big hit. The interweaving of brass instrument playing and "hick" comedy was well received.

The clever Arnaut Brothers, musicians, acrobats and imitators of birds; Marie and Anna Clark in "In What"; Ben and Hazel Mann in "Nonsensical Oddities"; Willie Hale and brother, jugglers; Billy Glason, songs and stories, and Borkin's company of Russian entertainers round out an unusually amusing and satisfying summer bill.

BROADWAY—The Morrens Opera Company, an organization of vocal talent, was the feature. The act, however, had a close second as to popularity in Martha Hamilton, who kept her audience in "shrieks." Tabor and McGowen were good in up-to-date songs, and Smythe and company delighted lovers of music. A film drama called "The Way of a Woman" with Norma Talmade completed the program.

COLONIAL — Mabel Normand, in "Mickey," was the attraction. One of Sennett's best productions, it had no difficulty in keeping a large audience between tears and laughter. The picture just finished a successful run at the Forrest. It is the story of a country girl from a mining district who makes a side-splitting and tear-producing endeavor to "get by" in a household of wealthy relatives.

CROSS KEYS—A pocket edition of "Very Good Eddie," one of the most popular musical shows in recent years, is presented with attractiveness. Blanchette, one of the best singers who has appeared at the house this year, with a repertoire of new songs; Ferry, the "Man Frog," an unusual novelty; several other acts and a screen feature conclude the bill.

KNICKERBOCKER — An especially good show is presented for the opening week here. Song and dance prevail in most of the numbers, applause being divided among Anna Wilson, singing comedienne; Carl and Green, in their song and chatter, and the Calvin Girls, modern dancers. Dorneci and company, posers; "Outcasts of Poker Flat," a vivid picturization of one of Bret Harte's stories, featuring Harry Carey, and "Jazz Monkey," are numbers which "stand out" on the remainder of the program.

GLOBE—All of the fun of a popular musical comedy is crowded into the tabloid version of "Three Twins." The company chosen to present this fast-moving feature included good singers and dancers and some pretty girls. The Jolly Jazzers also are there with song, dance and music. Bobby Heath with his newest "Revue," Pearl Abbot and her company in "Silver Threads" and a long list of other capable entertainers are on the list.

NIXON—An abundance of quick-action comedy with a good sprinkling of music combines to make the show all that could be desired. The Golem Troupe, which includes daring acrobats, dancers and musicians, offers a distinct novelty. Janis and company scored in artistic singing and dancing, while the Monarch Comedy Four in a lively singing skit and other acts kept the audience in good humor. "The Heart of Youth," with Lila Lee, is the film attraction.

WILLIAM PENN—Fred Ardath presented "The Movie Trust," a travesty on film life, which measured up to the quality of the other comedy skits for which this doctor of hokum is justly famous. Steve McNally, Max Dinus and Lanier de Wolf, a trio of versatile artists, were generous with their fun and scenic enhancement in a two-scene skit called "Making Good." "Working for the Railroad" was funny, and "There's a Reason" had a perfectly good comedy reason. Norma Talmadge in "The Way of a Woman" was the film star.

GRAND—Jimmy Fallon and Russ Brown, of the Twenty-seventh Division, who played before General Pershing and other celebrities, brought a kit full of doughboy fun from France in their playlet "Gee! But It's Great to Be Back." The "gentleman equilibrist," Rekoma, was the embodiment of grace. The Kalliopeans, a quartet of vocal harmony artists, and "The Melody of Youth," a charming poem in song and dance, had unusual merit. Corelli's circus of trained horses and dogs and the seventh episode of "The Great Gamble" concluded a good bill.

CHURCH UNITY MEN REPORT

Roman Catholics Not In Receptive Mood, Say Envoys

An account of Pope Benedict's reception to the deputation of churchmen who sought his consent to have the Catholic Church send delegates to the proposed conference on faith and order is contained in a report of the European deputation, made public today.

The report says:

"We ventured the opinion that the world conference at this particular crisis in the world's history presented a strategic missionary opportunity to the Roman Catholic Church. But it was difficult to press our view of the case in the face of a contrary decision which had previously been reached. The answer had been given and we took our leave."

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