

POPULAR PLAY GOES BIG AT MUSIC SCHOOL

One of the most clever amateur plays ever given in Phoenix was presented at the Arizona School of Music last evening before a large audience. The play, a three act comedy by Oscar Wilde "The Importance of Being Earnest". The amusing situations and captivating climaxes were made the most of by the cast, all of whom were especially well fitted for their respective parts and were given under the careful tutelage of Mary Edna Styles to whom all credit for the excellent production should be given. While this play has been given successfully in the larger cities it is doubtful if it was ever better produced and proves that the drama can be creditably produced in Arizona. Between acts a charming Dutch dance was given by Isabel Stafford and Ruth Mason and Edith Liebenow, the popular child violinist, played two attractive numbers.

Characters

- John Worthing, J. P. of the Manor House Woodton, Hertfordshire... Roy Smith
Algernon Moncrieff, (his friend)... Harold Goldberg
Rev. Canon Chasuble, D. D. (Rector of Woodton)... William Orth
Merriman, (Butler to Mr. Worthing)... Herbert Shelby
Lane (Mr. Moncrieff's Manservant)... Russel Linebarger
Lady Bracknell... Mary McDermott
Hon. Mrs. Gwendoline Fairfax, (her daughter)... Vivian Young
Cecily Cartwright, (John Worthing's ward)... Birdie Fowler
Miss Prism... Etelle Pierce
Time—July
Scene 1. Algernon Moncrieff's rooms in Half Moon Street, W. London.
Scene 2. The garden at the Manor House, Woodton.
Scene 3. Same as scene 2.

Last call this season. Pine apples, \$1.25 box, 1910 doz. Pine Lemons, 19c doz.

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Tonto Basin Promises To Become Another Coalinga Oil Field

The Miami Oil and Development company, having complied with all the requirements of the law, will immediately commence operations in the Tonto Basin Oil Fields. The company is composed principally of the business men of Phoenix, and other cities of Arizona who have perceived from the first that a discovery of oil in the Roosevelt district means a much needed impetus to every line of business in the state, in fact millions of capital will at once be invested here and Arizona will pulsate with prosperity. The Tonto Basin Oil Fields have been compared very favorably to the Coalinga fields of California; and but a short time will lapse now, in their opinion, when the history of California's great oil field will be repeated.

On the 29th of January, the Tonto Basin Oil company now operating near Roosevelt, reported a discovery of both oil and gas; this fact proves that in the vicinity of their well there is a deposit of oil. The Miami Oil and Development company has acquired what is looked upon as the cream of the oil bearing land at Roosevelt, and owing to the discovery of the company now operating there, this proposition carries with it much merit.

Oil in the Tonto Basin means new cities, new railroads, new industries and prosperity, especially for Phoenix. The operations of the Miami Oil and Development company will be watched with much interest by all those interested in the welfare of the state.

The company is practically financed and but a small portion of the capital stock will be offered to the public at 12 1/2c per share. A small investment in this company may make you independent. All communications should be addressed to the Miami Oil and Development company, 128 North First Street, Phoenix, Arizona.

IS IN COMMAND OF THE FRENCH FLEET IN MEDITERRANEAN



Admiral Boue de Lapeyere.

Admiral Boue de Lapeyere is commander in chief of the French squadron in the Mediterranean. He has had little opportunity as yet to prove his ability as a naval strategist. The Austrian fleet refuses to come out and meet him, while the Anglo-French fleet in the Dardanelles is in command of Admiral Garden of the British navy.

GUSTIN SLEPT WELL IN TRENT'S MAXWELL

R. E. Moore, vice president of the Valley bank is the latest Chalmers owner. The sale was made by Manager Tom Trent of the O'Neill Auto Supply company yesterday.

Maxwell sales keep going on and on just like the famous brook. In fact, the agency sold out ages ago, and had to borrow back a car from the latest purchaser, Dr. R. C. McLeon in order to have a demonstrator on hand. Several were sold last week, among the buyers being Dr. Nelson and Judge Howe of Mesa. Tom claims he has the original joke on himself. He has been displaying a Maxwell at the show, with a bed built in it. He found the nice covers all roughed up the other morning, and on inquiry found that Manager Fred Gustin had taken the bed into this attractive hay for the night. "I read by the electric light," said Gustin, "until I was tired and then had one of the best sleeps of my young life."

PIANIST WILL TRY TO BREAK RECORD

In an attempt to break his former record of 65 hours and 7 minutes, J. M. Waterbury, long-distance pianist, will start in Monday noon and play continuously until he is exhausted. The contest against the former world's record will take place in the window of the Standard Furniture company on West Washington street. The only time anybody ever came close to outplaying Waterbury was at Bridgeport, Conn., a few years ago, when a young lady played 64 hours without stopping. Waterbury played one hour longer, and then had to stop from sheer exhaustion. Last summer he repeated his former performance and added seven minutes to his time. He has made a wager to play 72 hours without stopping, inside of the next two or three weeks.

TWO FIRMS CHANGE ON GASOLINE ROW

Another change has been made on automobile row. Fred Kirkwood, manager of the Electric Auto company of Arizona and E. D. Evans of the Evans Garage, have moved from the inside rooms to the corner rooms of the building at the corner of Van Buren and Central avenues. This gives these two bustling firms a place at least three times as accessible as the old quarters. Both of the firms have had a big growth during the past year. They are adding new equipment to take care of their growing business.

ANNUAL PICNIC OF ILLINOIS SOCIETY

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Illinois society it was decided to hold the annual picnic this year at Riverside on April 19th. Details are being arranged by committees which have been appointed and the picnic this year promises to be the best of any which have been previously held here by this society.

All Illinoisians are urged to attend this picnic and the Illinois women are especially invited to come with baskets filled full of the good things for which they are famous. Illinoisians who have come to the valley since the last annual picnic should register at the office of the secretary, Attorney R. E. Marks, 491 Fleming block.

ANOTHER COMPANY IN THE ROOSEVELT FIELD

The Miami Oil & Development Company Will Begin Operations Next Month

The field of exploration for oil in the vicinity of the Roosevelt dam is to be broadened. The recently formed Miami Oil & Development company has secured ground adjacent to that of the Tonto Basin Oil company, where Col. James A. Fleming and associates have been operating for the last two years, and will begin work about the middle of next month. Messrs. Harris and Snyder, late of Miami, have been the moving spirits of the company and have secured the co-operation of several business men of this and other places in Arizona. The corporation has been passed by the state corporation commission. It is almost a close corporation. It already has the equipment necessary including the casing that will be required, and this equipment, now in different parts of the country, is being collected together. A very little stock will be sold, only enough to meet the expenses of labor required in sinking.

The promoters of the Miami Oil & Development company have been encouraged by the promise of success shown in the operations of the Tonto company under the direction of Col. Fleming. In the Tonto field there have been signs of oil from the beginning, and last fall gas in considerable volume was encountered. In January the indications of oil in quantity became much stronger. Until the work of the Tonto company was begun, Mr. Harris said last night, there had been no scientific effort to find oil in Arizona anywhere, though in almost all of the valleys there are oil indications. He said that the record of oil explorations showed that where sinking has been carried to a depth of 3000 feet, 89 per cent of the wells have turned out to be producers. The Miami company intends to go down at least 3000 feet, so that it will have eighty-nine chances out of a hundred of striking oil in commercial quantity.

THE BOSTON STORE

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