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IN THE THEATRES

POLI'S

"The greatest girl act in the business." "The best show ever at Poi's." "The brightest musical comedy in vaudeville." These and other similar remarks are heard regarding "The Leading Lady" and the bill as a whole at Poi's. If the comments concerning the past two weeks were enthusiastic, the comments on this week are doubly so. It will be the great vaudeville week for Bridgeport.

Marguerite Haney, Ralph Lynn and Ed. Coleman share the chief honors in "The Leading Lady." Miss Haney is a favorite with the audience from the instant of her appearance. It would make a temptation like the Egyptian Sphinx to tire of this winsome miss. Lynn and Coleman are real English humorists and their equals in that line have never been seen here before.

Kalmar & Brown, the neatest, most graceful and most versatile dancing team of the present day, never fail of an enthusiastic reception. Mr. Kalmar himself is the composer of the novelty song "Burr" which he renders. The solo and duo dancing of this pair is in the highest degree artistic.

Barrows, Lancaster & Company score a great hit in the comedy playlet, "Tactics," which has all the features of a great vaudeville act and the additional advantage of being in the hands of such talented and versatile actors as Messrs. Barrows and Lancaster.

Bowman Brothers, "The Blue Grass Boys," have genuinely funny black face act and a real novelty besides. Corinne Francis, in her clever singing and dancing specialty never fails to score a hit. Hill, Cherry & Hill have a humorous act with some great funny tricks in it; Ernie and Mildred Potts have a really remarkable burlesque act, and the Electrograph finishes the bill with excellent motion pictures.

MOTHER BOUGHT THOSE CLASSY JOY CLOTHES

But Young Wife of Restaurant Adonis Wept When Husband Was Jailed on Her Complaint.

Joseph Marcella, a youthful Adonis employed about the railroad restaurant, confessed to a court of law that the best way to be a sport is to let your mother buy the garments for you. It is cheap, and mother is proud of her outspending, and she will spend her last cent to make him look classy.

Honolulu Man Crimson's Choice for Captain

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 14.—Lethrop Withington of Honolulu was last night elected Captain of the Harvard football team for the coming year. Withington prepared for college at Oahu School in Honolulu. He is 39 years old. Last year he paced No. 5 on the "Varsity crew which defeated Yale and played left guard this fall on the "Varsity football team. He is President of the Junior class.

SCORNING BOOZE, BURGLARS RANSACK SALOON OF CIGARS

Total abstinence burglars visited the saloon of Edward Pelchert at 604 North avenue Sunday night. They carried away about eight boxes filled with cigars, but left all kinds of intoxicants untouched. Entrance was effected through a rear window. Proprietor Pelchert says not even the ginger ale bottles were disturbed.

Say It! Headaches, Biliousness, Constipation, Ayer's Pills, Sugar-coated, Easy to take, Don't forget.

JACKSON'S

DAVID KESSLER CO. IN "HADASA" One of the best Yiddish companies that have ever visited this city will appear at Jackson's Theatre this evening, and includes such artists as Mrs. Fresser, Mr. Juveller, Mrs. Clara Young and Mr. Fishkind and a great support cast, who will appear in Prof. Horowitz's musical drama in four acts entitled "Hadasa." The Yiddish patrons of this city will have the opportunity of witnessing a play of merit as well as enjoying a most pleasant evening.

DR. JEKYLL AND MR. HYDE

Tomorrow, matinee and evening, that weird production of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde will be presented at Jackson's Theatre, at the usual popular price. Frederick W. Pierce in the difficult role of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde is complimented by both press and public, and he is supported by a cast of exceptional merit. The play tells the story of the discovery by Dr. Jekyll of a drug which will bring out a second or lower nature. He experiments upon himself and while under the influence of the drug he is known as Mr. Hyde, a demon who delights in torturing the helpless. The drug gains such power over him that he is unable to control the transformation from Hyde to Jekyll. This is one of the best known of the present day and never fails to interest theatre-goers.

ELSIE JANIS IN "THE FAIR CO-ED"

Elsie Janis in "The Fair Co-Ed" is to appear at Jackson's Theatre for one performance only, Thursday evening of this week. Miss Janis, everywhere acclaimed as a sensation, when her main stock in trade was her wonderful imitations of well known comedians and actresses in their most notable successes, has under the direction of Mr. Charles Dillingham, amply established her own reputation as a decidedly apt comedienne. Those who saw her in "The Hayden" a season or so ago, will remember the precocity of her youthful efforts; and now that she has a real comedy of college life from the pen of that authority on undergraduate work and play, George Ade, she is said to have improved every opportunity for the development of her talents. "The Fair Co-Ed" is a musical comedy, the score of which is by Gustav Luders, author of "The Prince of Pilsen." The seat sale is now on.

WAX EXPLODING BY OWN STEAM BURNS WORKMAN

In an explosion of molten wax at the factory of the Monumental Bronze Co., Howard avenue and Cherry street, at 10 o'clock this morning Joseph Carroll, a skilled molder, barely escaped losing his eyesight and suffered cruel burns of the face and forehead. Luckily he was not near his comrades when the molten wax was scattered in the blow-up, and he was the only one to suffer. The wax is used to shape the molten outlines of the desired figure, figures being sunk into the wax and the metal poured in the mold. Carroll was preparing the wax, and it is supposed he had poured the flowing hot wax into a receptacle containing a little moisture. The steam scattered the fiery stuff broadcast, and a considerable amount struck him in the face. Fellow employees bandaged his face, and he was taken to his home in Fairfield in an automobile secured by the factory management.

Weather Indications

(Special from United Press.) New Haven, Dec. 14.—Forecast: Generally fair tonight and Wednesday. Slightly colder. The morning that was central in Illinois yesterday morning has moved rapidly eastward and is now central over Maine. Conditions favor for this vicinity generally pleasant weather with slightly lower temperature. Storm warnings are displayed along the New England coast.

BOSTON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA SCORES ANOTHER TRIUMPH

The Boston Symphony Orchestra again proved itself a great musical organization last night. It is undoubtedly the greatest orchestra in the world, playing with a unity and finish that is an almost unbelievable product of talent and discipline. No other group of musicians perhaps would have the drawing power to bring out an audience as numerous as that in Jackson's theatre last night during such a storm as raged from early in the evening to early in the following morning. Madame Corinne Rider-Kelsey gave a performance that was entirely satisfactory in all save one respect. She refused absolutely to respond to the tumultuous demand for an encore, possibly because the work required of her was sustained and difficult. Her voice is less brilliant than that of some other singers, but it is wonderfully sweet and sympathetic and is used with remarkable expression and technique.

The program opened with the prelude to Wagner's "The Master Singers of Nuremberg," a composition which was greeted with coldness and was first produced under the direction of its author, and which even now is difficult to the comprehension of the ordinary musician. Nevertheless the great merits of the composition were successfully emphasized. Max Fiedler proved a worthy successor of the famous leaders who have preceded him at the head of the symphony. He has all the intellectual and physical characteristics that are necessary to great orchestral leadership. It is perhaps dropping in from the high plane of musical criticism to remark that it is a help to a leader if he presents a good rear view to the audience and it is certainly true that Fiedler, tall, slender and graceful, does so.

SENIOR GYM CLASS DEMONSTRATION TONIGHT

The first public demonstration of the regular class work of the Senior Gymnasium Class of the local Y. M. C. A. will be held in the gymnasium tonight, commencing at 8 o'clock. This is a regular ladies' night when the members of the class are glad to entertain their friends. There has been an unusual amount of interest in the preparations which have been made for the demonstration. The Senior Leaders' Corps will have full charge of the evening's program which will be given as follows: Marching—D. Larsen, leader. High Parallel Bars—Special Squad. Flying Ring Work—Messrs. Rivers and Sullivan. Basket Ball—Practice games for College League Teams.

Birdsey-Somers' Girls Issu: a Challenge

The girls of Birdsey Somers Corset Company have organized a basket-ball team and are out with a challenge to the ladies team in their city. They intend to duplicate the feat of the factory's baseball team by clearing up all opponents. So girls get busy and if you are interested, address Miss Finn, care of Birdsey Somers Co.

NEWTOWN

Trinity Notes—Text St. Matt. 11:10, subject St. John the Baptist. Wednesday, Friday and Saturday are advent Ember Days. Meeting each evening beginning Tuesday in the guild rooms to tie greens for decoration. December offering next Sunday for Sunday School Christmas festival. Holy Communion next Sunday at 10 o'clock.

St. Rose's Notes—Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, Ember Days are fasting days. On Monday of next week, Dec. 20, if weather permits Father Fox expects to clear away brush from here and Sandy Hook, and requests those who have lots in the cemetery to come and assist. If you cannot come or send help, you must pay one dollar next Sunday.

Congregational Notes—The Christian Endeavor meeting was led by Gustave W. Carlson, subject XII, lesson from Pilgrim's Progress series, 1st Cor. 14: 31-33. Mary Northrop was guest over Saturday and Sunday of Miss Mabel Gilbert of Botsford.

Mrs. Kate Ward of Bridgeport spent Sunday at the home of her daughter, Maurice Leavy of Walnut Tree Hill. Mae Wooly of Seabright, N. J., who has been the guest of Mrs. Wm. Driscoll returned home Saturday. Mrs. F. J. Gale spent Saturday in Bridgeport.

Mrs. Herbert Wright passed Saturday in Danbury. William Driscoll spent Saturday in Park City. A. P. Smith, editor of the Newtown Bee spent Monday in New Bedford. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wright entertained Thos. C. E. Cooke over Sunday. Mrs. F. J. Gale is assisting at Borden's Creamery for a few days.