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YILLAIN, HEROINE AND HERO PLEASE CROWD AT LYRIC

"Only a Shop Girl," Interesting Melodrama, Plays to Capacity House

The first production of "Only a Shop Girl" given last evening at the Lyric theatre by Miss Cecil Spooner and her company was greeted with a capacity house which became most enthusiastic over this interesting melodrama.

Of course Miss Spooner appears in the generous hearted, pugnacious character of Josie, and no one has to be told that she loves the part from the enthusiasm with which she plays it.

Miss Beulah Monroe, whose work is always delightful, has an unassuming part as Bella Golden, Villainess. "Everyone was glad to see Miss Muriel Valentine playing as important a part as Eva Arlington, the shop girl. Miss Valentine won many honors for herself in this role.

Peel Trenton, as Arthur Thornton, is everything a hero should be. Darrington is being played by the wicked villain; Frederic Clayton, Rufus Newley, the floorwalker; Robert Lawrence, Officer Graham; Edward Davidson, a saloonkeeper; George Kelly, James, and Robert Crawford, Porter.

80,000 LACK PROVISIONS. Rome, Via Paris, Feb. 1.—The Giornale D'Italia learns from Petrograd that Field Marshal von der Goltz is now in command of the Turkish forces at Erzerum and that there are 80,000 lack of provisions for only a fortnight.

Weather Forecast

New Haven, Feb. 1.—For New Haven and vicinity: Fair and colder tonight and Wednesday.

Weather Conditions.—The disturbance which was central over the lake region yesterday morning is now passing over the St. Lawrence valley. The southern disturbance now forms a trough of low pressure extending from southern Alabama northeastward to Virginia.

The Pullman Co. will add 1,000 men to its working force today, making its number of employes 9,000.

Six persons were reported to have been killed and many others injured during fresh food riots in Berlin.

The Swedish steamship Vidar, seized by German submarines Saturday and taken to Swinemunde, has been released.

A report from Copenhagen says that strikes involving 25,000 men will be begun today, mostly in shipyards.

Representative Emerson of Cleveland will lead a fight to permit the United States to ship condensed milk to babies reported to be starving in Germany.

Sadie Ostroff, a 19 year old school girl, committed suicide by leaping from the fifth floor window of her home after she had failed to be promoted in school.

Announcement was made in Rome that the American Academy has placed at the disposal of the Italian government the Villa Mirafiori for blind and mutilated soldiers.

Several Mexicans have been shot by marines in the flooded districts of California. The Mexicans were shot when caught looting the bodies of victims of the floods.

After a long debate, the United Mine Workers of America, in convention at Indianapolis, defeated a resolution to exclude from its membership national guardsmen and state constabulary.

A voluntary increase of 1-2 cent per yard was granted to the 300 weavers of the Diamond Silk Co. of Paterson, N. J.

A Lloyd's report from London states that the Dutch steamship Thurban has been damaged and towed up the Thames.

THE CYRUS PHARMACY Fairfield Avenue and Courtland Street

HARRIGAN TRIES VAINLY TO DRAG ALDERME FROM MIRE OF MACHINE-BREKED ACTS

Find Out What You're Voting for, He Advises Councilmen—Mayor Oblivious to Demands for Open and Above Board Deliberations—Two-Platoon System Rejected.

Rejection of the double platoon system in the fire department, a proposal to add 100 patrolmen, one lieutenant and one sergeant to the police department and some likely exchanges between Alderman Daniel P. Harrigan and Mayor Wilson were features of a brief but very interesting session of the common council last night.

Although members of the fire department were declaring yesterday that all members of the ordinance committee were in favor of the double platoon system and that 23 of the 24 aldermen would vote for it, the report of the committee indefinitely postponing action on the matter was signed by Aldermen Whitney, Blakeslee, Winterburn and Keam at 8 o'clock.

The report recommends that the mayor appoint a special committee to investigate the plan for the double platoon system and also that this committee consider the matter of a five per cent increase in pay for policemen and firemen and one more day off each month for the firemen. This does not mean that the police and firemen will receive this increase at once.

Alderman Harrigan began the fireworks soon after the meeting opened when he objected to the acceptance of the minutes of the last meeting unless some corrections had been made. The mayor ordered the corrections.

Next, Alderman Harrigan objected to the reading and acceptance of the report of the finance committee, saying that the report was not properly before the council inasmuch as a former resolution of that body had not been complied with.

"Resolved, That a printed copy of every report of the finance committee be mailed to each member of the board of aldermen at least three days before the meeting of the board of aldermen at which said report shall be considered.

"Resolved, That the clerk of said finance committee be and hereby is directed to mail said report in accordance with the foregoing resolution."

"Your honor, this resolution was passed by the council so that all members of this body might be familiar with all bills and be able to vote intelligently on the report of the finance committee. I have asked for in-

formation on various matters here which has been refused me. I think it is up to each and every member of this body to know what he is voting for."

The mayor put Alderman Whitney's motion on the acceptance of the report and it was carried.

Next Alderman O. C. Cole asked immediate consideration of a resolution giving the Automatic Machine Company permission to model the front of its factory and move it further back to conform with the proposed widening of Stratford avenue; also on a resolution giving Nichols & Weed permission to occupy next the Automatic Machine shop. The building is owned by John Bergen.

Alderman Harrigan objected on the ground that Alderman Cole was asking a favor for the concern he worked for and also that the Nichols & Weed building is a fire trap.

The resolutions were referred to the streets and sidewalks committee, the miscellaneous committee. A resolution from Alderman Harrigan that the director of public works be asked to give an itemized report on the money spent for the extension of Depot avenue to French street, went to the streets and sidewalks committee.

A report of the ordinance committee raising the recompense from \$6.50 to \$7 for double teams employed in city work, and from \$2.50 to \$4 for single teams was adopted. Alderman Harrigan alone opposed it.

George E. Crawford was given permission to open Courtland street and to steam pipes provided the work is done under an inspector whom he pays \$3 per day, and that the pavement be relaid in the same condition as it is now.

A resolution by Alderman MacFayden that interest and expenses on all liens more than 10 years old be abated providing the principal is paid at once, was adopted.

Alderman MacFayden and Whitney and City Clerk Robinson were appointed a committee to arrange for the annual aldermanic dinner.

To safeguard manufacturers against spies, Alderman Blakeslee introduced a resolution making trespass on factory property punishable by a fine of \$7 or two months in jail or both.

A resolution by Alderman MacFayden that a committee be appointed to endeavor to arrange for the opening of Steeplechase Island was accepted and the mayor will appoint the committee later.

strength with the normal growth of the city.

Two SWISS COLONELS PLACED UNDER ARREST. Luzane, Switzerland, Via Paris, Feb. 1.—The Courier De Vevy says that the two Swiss colonels who are under arrest charged with having directed a patriotic plot on the part of the inhabitants of Russian Poland against the Germans who had occupied their territory, according to the newspaper, and as a result of the communication of the document by the two Swiss colonels to the Germans, 30 Poles were hanged. The Courier adds that the Swiss expert has been heartbroken since he learned the use made of his deciphering talent.

STOCK MARKET. New York, Feb. 1.—Opening.—A marked change for the better, the first in over a fortnight, came over the stock market in today's early dealings. Gains ranging from material fractions to several points were registered at the outset.

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POLICEMEN TO SHARE REWARDS WITH S.B. FUND

Ten Per Cent. of Gratuities Must Go to Their Association.

Shall the present board of police commissioners allow policemen to accept rewards offered by the Jewelers' Security Alliance and other sources without turning over 10 per cent. of the reward to the Police Sick Benefit Fund? That is the question that brought forward much discussion at the meeting of the police board last evening and the topic that will be the center of interest at the next meeting of the board, Feb. 15.

Under the regime of the former board of police commissioners policemen were allowed to receive rewards for captures and convictions without offering any percentage of the reward to the Sick Benefit Fund. President John C. Stanley is in favor of allowing policemen to reap the benefits of rewards offered but in the merits of a policeman receiving a reward should donate 10 per cent. of the amount received to the Sick Benefit Fund.

The discussion came about after the discipline committee made a report on the claims of Sergeant Isaac B. Williams and Policeman Clifford N. Gorgas in receiving the reward offered by the Jewelers' Security Alliance for the capture of John Watson, who robbed the jewelry store of D. A. Parker in the Arcade almost a year ago. Commissioners George C. Feet and John E. Lyddy, a committee appointed to investigate the merits of the policeman on this occasion, reported in favor of granting the reward. A reward of \$50 was granted Policeman Gorgas and a reward of \$25 was allowed Sergeant Williams. The reward of \$25 offered Edward Flannigan, saloonkeeper at Burr road and Fairfield avenue, who assisted in the apprehension of Watson, was allowed to stand as it is not within the jurisdiction of the board of police commissioners. Providing the Alliance sees fit to grant the reward to Flannigan they may do so.

It is believed that at the next meeting of the board a ruling will be made whereby a policeman receiving a reward for a meritorious act will be compelled to donate 10 per cent. of the reward to the Police Sick Benefit Fund and should the policemen make any objection to this ruling, according to President Stanley, the rule relating to the acceptance of rewards by policemen will be abolished and the entire amount of the reward will be turned over to the Sick Benefit Fund.

CRUISER GOEBEN UNINJURED, SAYS BERLIN MESSAGE. Berlin, Feb. 1 (By wireless to Sayville)—The Overseas News Agency says:

"A British wireless report from Malta says that, according to information from Petrograd, the Turkish cruiser Sultan Selem (formerly the German cruiser Goeben) recently port after its engagement with the Russian battleship Imperatritsa Marie, with 33 dead and 80 wounded. This report is entirely untrue. In the engagement of Jan. 8, the Russian fired 200 shots all of which missed, as was stated in the official Turkish report of Jan. 11. The Sultan Selem was undamaged, while hits were observed on the Imperatritsa Marie."

FLOODS RECEDE IN WEST; GREAT LOSS SUFFERED. Kansas City, Feb. 1.—Although conditions were improved in the greater part of the southwestern states affected by floods, reports early today told of further damage in Arkansas where high waters recently have flooded thousands of acres of farmlands, and have driven many persons from their homes.

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NOTABLES WILL TAKE PART IN CONCERT OF GRAPHOPHONE FIREMEN

Fifteen years ago, in the infancy of the talking machine industry, a list of the most popular entertainers would have contained the names of Arthur Collins, Byron Harlan, Albert Campbell, Henry Burr and Frank Stanley.

Many have come and gone since then, in the years during which the talking machine has developed from a toy into a musical instrument, but an inspection of the current catalogs will show four of these five names as prominently featured as ever.

These five singers have arranged an evening's entertainment which it is the privilege of the Graphophone fire department to offer to the people of Bridgeport, Wednesday evening, Feb. 3, at the Casino.

Accompanying them will be Charles A. Prince, as intimately connected through his hand and orchestra, as the singers, with the talking machine art. He is a gifted musician, a composer of notes, and would undoubtedly have won fame at the piano if his work with his orchestra had not overshadowed it.

It will accompany the singers upon the beautiful Wisner piano, which has been loaned for the occasion, and

his qualities of leadership will assist in rounding out a perfect evening's entertainment.

The concert will be given in an informal manner, the singers grouping around the piano and all joining in the choruses.

There will be coon songs and sentimental ballads, popular hits and favorite old melodies, and above all, lots of comedy.

After the concert which begins at 8, there will be dancing to the music of Walsh's orchestra.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Margaret McCormack of 115 Austin street was greatly surprised at the home of her cousin, Kathleen Kenney, 492 Atlantic street, Saturday night when a number of friends showered her with many useful pieces of linen. Those who were present were Mrs. T. McCarthy, Mrs. M. Galvin, Mrs. Ella Feeley, Mrs. C. Stone, Mrs. James Kealey, Sr., Mrs. James Kealey, Jr., the Misses Mary Murphy, Margaret Keeley, Mary Woods, Anna Higgins, May Higgins, May Skane, Anna Skane, May Donahue, Elizabeth Hyland, Anna Shanley, Frances Kelly, Helen and Margaret Reilly of Waterbury, Elizabeth Kniel, Anna McFeeley, Mrs. Elizabeth Reilly, Martha Reilly, Mabel Cady, Julia Ansley, Margie Flynn, May Caserly, Jane Caserly, Kathleen Kenney, Sadie Kenney, Anna Kenney, Mrs. John Kenney.

Vocal and piano selections were given by May Caserly and Sadie Kenney. Miss McCormack will be married to John Granville of the Crane Co. Wednesday morning, Feb. 16, 1916, at 8 o'clock in the Sacred Heart church. Her cousin, Miss Kathleen Kenney, will be bridesmaid and John Moran best man.