

AMERICAN FLAG LIKE UMBRELLA FOR ALL PEOPLE

Morgenthau Ambassador to Turkey Arrives in New York on Leave of Absence.

New York, Feb. 23.—H. Morgenthau, United States ambassador to Turkey, arrived here today on the Frederick VIII. The ambassador was taken off the steamer by a revenue cutter. In an address to Mayor Mitchell's reception committee, which met him, Mr. Morgenthau said he had just received a note from Secretary Lansing advising him to be guarded in his speech regarding foreign and diplomatic affairs. He said he would leave New York for Washington tonight. His leave of absence ends in sixty days but it is understood that he will request its extension to the first of May. Mr. Morgenthau said that at first his duties in Constantinople were merely routine. "Soon after the war broke out, however," he continued, "I saw it was necessary, in a way, to make an umbrella of the American flag. I made it my duty to see that no one pulled too much of the umbrella over himself."

MUNITIONS LOBBIES ARE IRRELEVANT.

Opponents of military preparedness say it is supported by those who would profit from increased manufacture of munitions. Opponents of government-owned armament plants say such plants are demanded by "pork-barrel" interests. The fact that these charges balance each other so nicely should demonstrate that they are irrelevant to the main issue. So long as private profit exists, the nation cannot arm in any way which will not be profitable to somebody—at the very least to the laborers employed. Shall the nation therefore go unarmored? The real way to neutralize these lobbies is not blindly to attempt the endless task of defeating their proposals in detail, but to subject them to the control of a strong national purpose. A preparedness which includes a well-knit national organization of administration, industry and labor will help create the only kind of government which can be secure against the speculations of small groups and local interests.—The New Republic.

FAIRFIELD COUNTY NEWS

Suits for Divorce. Papers in a divorce suit brought by Lida Weislin Taylor against Andrew Taylor of Danbury, have been served Saturday, when notices of attachments of property were made public. Mrs. Taylor shot herself recently upon return from her honeymoon. She has recovered. She claims divorce, alimony and change of name.

Hunting Fur-Bearers. County Game Warden Wilbur P. Smith, was a visitor in Danbury, Thursday. Lack of knowledge of the law is often one of the arguments used to escape the penalty and the county warden is now trying to bring before the public the fact that some new laws were enacted by the last legislature with reference to hunting without a license. The one of most importance is that pertaining to hunting and trapping fur-bearing animals.

The latest public act amended the acts of 1907 to read as follows: "No person shall hunt, pursue, take, or kill any bird or quadruped protected by law, or take with any trap or other device any fur-bearing animal, or engage in hunting or trapping without having first obtained a license as hereinafter provided. A license as provided in chapter 103 of the public acts of 1913 may be granted, under the conditions prescribed in said act, to any person under sixteen years of age, for the purpose of trapping fur-bearing animals only. Nothing in this act shall be construed as affecting the right of a bona fide resident of the state, or any lineal descendant of such resident, to hunt without a license on land owned by him or on land leased by him and on which he is actually domiciled, which land is not used for club or shooting purposes, nor as affecting any provision of the general statutes."

Will of Joseph B. See. The will of Joseph B. See, who died in Springdale on January 27 last, has been admitted to probate. It disposes of an estate estimated to be \$55,000, of which \$70,000 is personal property. Mr. See bequeathed \$10,000 to Mrs. Emmett L. Weed of Springdale a relative of his wife. This bequest is "in recognition of her kindness and service for many years to my wife and to me," and upon condition that "after my death, neither she nor her husband present any claim against my estate." The residue of the estate is divided equally among George N. See of White Plains and James M. See of Cleveland, nephews of the testator, and Mary L. See-Ebermann and Anna R. See of Pleasantville, N. Y., nieces.

ANIMAL RESCUE LEAGUE "COPS" POUTER PIGEONS

So Asserts City Attorney in Scoring Actions of Agents For Society.

The officials of the Animal Rescue League have too officious and overbearing and they delight in strutting about the city with the air of pouter pigeons, showing their badges, was the statement of City Attorney W. H. Conley when defending a client arraigned before Judge Frank L. Wilder in city court today. The prisoner was John Gilmore, of Grand street, a truckman employed by the Lattin Storage & Trucking Co. Gilmore was arrested over a week ago by Agents Alexander Howell and P. W. Francis. He is alleged to have been mistreating a team of horses and when censured by the agents he is further alleged to have mocked them and to have resisted their efforts when they endeavored to put him under arrest. Gilmore was charged with cruelty to animals, breach of the peace and abusive language. "On the breach of the peace charge," was fined \$5 and costs and found not guilty on the other two. Robert N. Blakeslee, Republican alderman from the Fifth district, in his testimony given, said he failed to see any wrongs on the animal. Mrs. Thomas F. Taylor, an official of the league, was highly incensed at the verdict. At the conclusion of the court session Agents Howell and French intimated that they would resign from their duties as agents of the league.

Amusements POLPS

Violet MacMillan, the charming little star of the films, will bid adieu to Bridgeport tonight when she will make her final appearance at Polps, where for three days she has been a distinctive feature in a very attractive program. Miss MacMillan presents an interesting novelty called "In and Out of the Movies," in which some of her films are presented and the little star explains their making. Other attractive features in the program are: Flo Irwin & company, in a one-act comedy called "A Business Woman"; Jimmy Reynolds, a funny monologist; Miller & Callahan Boys in an interesting arrangement of songs and dances; Smiletta Bros. & Mora, Parisian wire acrobats; and Les Valadons, Marqueterite Snow is featured in the five-part photoplay, "A Corner in Cotton," a thrilling drama dealing of the South and Wall street. It is a well-told drama that has many tense situations.

EMPIRE Tomorrow James J. Corbett, the former world champion, will appear at the headliner in a big program. Mr. Corbett has an interesting monolog that is sure to prove most entertaining. There will be many other big attractions in the vaudeville and photoplay program.

PLAZA

Today is the last opportunity local theatre goers will have to see charming Billie Burke in her first screen production, "Peggy," which is being shown at the Plaza theatre in conjunction with a splendid vaudeville bill. "Peggy" is in seven acts and is without question one of the most delightful photoplays ever produced. It affords Miss Burke many opportunities for the display of her wonderful talents and she, in turn, takes every advantage. The scenes are laid for the most part in a little mountain hamlet in Scotland and everything is in keeping with the nature of the surroundings. The vaudeville is headed by Barone's Boston Operatic Band and Opera Singers with a cast of 16 talented instrumental and vocal soloists and their repertoire is composed of high class selections both old and new. It is a highly entertaining attraction and attracting the admiration of all. Inman & Nichols in "The Mixer and the Fixer," have a splendid laughing vehicle that is making them popular favorites. The Seymours in a classically arranged offering of songs and dance have little difficulty in scoring at every performance while The Great Johnson in a sensational aerial act, completes the vaudeville. Dorothy Gish will be featured in the Triangle five-part attraction, "Betty of Graystone," to be shown the latter half of the week while "Bright Lights" will be the Keystone.

LYRIC

Capacity attendance continues the rule at the Lyric, especially this week, where that magnetic little star, Cecil Spooner and her own great company are this week offering that exhilarating farce with music, "The Girl in the Taxi," readily described as a three-act furore of fun. It may

be said that it is somewhat "French" in construction, but as presented at the Lyric, it is very much New York in its atmosphere, character and surroundings, etc. There is life and animation in every speech and situation throughout the entire performance of this cyclonic comedy, in which there is a rapid fire of brilliant dialogue, complicated situations and incessant laughter. "The Girl in the Taxi" is the talk of the town today and will no doubt be during the balance of the week. As "Mignon," that very lively girl of mirth, merriment and mischief, Cecil Spooner proves a veritable electric battery of laughter, in which she manages to involve everybody concerned in the mixup and muddle of this maddening farce. "The Girl in the Taxi" has certainly fulfilled its mission as a creator of laughter of the brand that does not wear out, as its international past triumphs positively prove. Incidentally, Miss Spooner and Philip Leigh introduce several very entertaining and artistic singing and dancing numbers.

MME. PETROVA AT WEST END

Tonight the West End theatre, on State street, near Clinton avenue, presents Mme Olga Petrova in "What Will People Say?" a five part feature picture produced by the Popular Play and Players for release on the Metro program, in which Mme. Petrova, the talented emotional actress, is seen in the starring role. This feature is an adaptation from the popular novel of the same name, written by Rupert Hughes, one of the foremost dramatists, novelists and short story writers in this country.



Mme. Petrova is now appearing in "The Revolt," one of the season's stage successes, and at the conclusion of her present tour, will devote herself exclusively to the making of elaborate Metro photoplays. Under the Metro banner she has been seen in such successes as "My Madonna," "The Vampire," and "The Heart of a Painted Woman." In "What Will People Say?" Mme. Petrova is supported by a select cast of prominent stage and screen artists. Tomorrow: Pauline Frederick in a Paramount extraordinary production entitled "The Bohemian Four." Matinees 2:30. Tel. 2328-13.—Adv.

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episode number ten will be shown at this theatre today, heading a double feature program. "The Sphinx," a five-part modern society photo-dramatic production featuring the two well known stars of both the speaking stage and the screen, Edie Shannon and Herbert Kelcey. This feature unfolds an unusual story of love, intrigue and thrills that will at once appeal to one and all. In conjunction with the two featured attractions a program of select and entertaining single and multiple part subjects will also be shown, rounding out an altogether pleasing and entertaining program. "Undine," the latest Bluebird feature, will be shown tomorrow, together with an all-star program of the Universal brand.

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