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A "Moose Benefit" has been arranged by the management of the Ogden theater, for Wednesday evening next.

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The attraction will be "Lynwood" by the Colonial Players, and the price for the best seats is fifty cents.

Every Moose in Ogden is urged to attend.

MANY WILL GO TO SULLIVAN BENEFIT

Friends of Pete Sullivan, the fighter, who is dangerously ill at St. Mark's hospital, Salt Lake, with typhoid fever, have arranged a monster benefit for him at the Daniels theater on next Thursday afternoon.

Willard Mack, the actor, has charge of the dramatic end of the benefit. Through his influence three acts from the Orpheum theater at Salt Lake will be on the bill and four from the Daniels theater. Mack and five of his company will put on a one-act sketch.

Besides the dramatic entertainment there will be two three-round boxing exhibitions, between Jimmy Reagan, the featherweight who beat Peanuts Sinclair, and Kid Harrison, his sparring partner, and Gene McGovern, who meets Reagan here Oct. 7, and his partner.

It is expected that many will go to Salt Lake from Ogden for the event.

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"No; but I pretend to, just to please mamma. She thinks I do; and why rob her of her harmless illusions?" —Kansas City Journal.

SALT LAKE AND STATE NEWS

SHRIMP SALAD CAUSES ILLNESS

SALT LAKE, Sept. 18.—Ptomaine poisoning, caused by eating shrimp salad, almost cost the lives of Miss Nellie Hann and Miss Leonora Hann, teachers in the public schools of Salt Lake, who reside in the Wood apartments, 653 East Third South street.

Several persons were also made ill by the salad, but none suffered so seriously as the young women mentioned.

Miss Nellie Hann, who teaches in the Lafayette school, and Miss Leonora Hann, who is employed in the Washington school, went to a down town cafe about 5:15 o'clock Friday evening. They ate a dinner which included shrimp salad, and Miss Nellie Hann ate some ice cream. Within an hour Miss Leonora Hann was seized with vomiting, which threatened to terminate in convulsions. She was hurried home and Dr. George L. Smart was called. Before he arrived Miss Nellie Hann was suffering from an attack identical with that of her sister, but her attack did not seem quite so serious.

Dr. Smart unhesitatingly pronounced their ailment ptomaine poisoning. When he learned of the shrimp salad he became quite certain that was the cause.

The proprietor of the cafe was immediately notified that he had better remove the salad from his menu. He frankly admitted that he had heard from others who had been made ill by it. A member of his own family, an employe of his kitchen and several of his regular patrons were suffering from ptomaine poisoning, he said, but he had been inclined to blame the ice cream instead of the salad.

Dr. Smart at once pointed out that Miss Leonora Hann had not eaten any ice cream, so it was proved that the shrimp salad was the cause.

Saturday night, after 24 hours of serious illness, the Misses Hann were both reported to be out of danger, although they were yet quite ill. The victims of the other less serious attacks were recovering rapidly, according to reports received by the proprietor of the cafe.

Salad similar to that served to the Misses Hann and others will be given a chemical examination before being offered for food again by the owner of the restaurant.

While the scientific verdict has been given concerning the cause of the salad being poisonous, it is supposed the contents of hte cans were not removed soon enough after they had been opened.

SOCIALISTS HOLD QUIET MEETING

SALT LAKE, Sept. 18.—The Socialists held their meeting last night at the corner of Second South and State streets unmolested by the police.

W. J. "Demosthenes" Korns was in fine voice and standing on the now famous soap box said some nice and complimentary things about Chief of Police Barlow and the police in general.

While "Demosthenes" was addressing the gathering another individual was going about through the crowd soliciting money to "defend the right of free speech." As there is no charge against the "right of free speech" that the police know of they are wondering where the money thus collected will go.

The warrant against Patrolman C. W. Pitts, charged with an assault on William Thurston Brown, has not yet been served. Chief Barlow says that it is in the hands of Lieutenant Hempel and Hempel says he knows nothing about it.

Assistant City Attorney Dalton is still wondering if it has gone the way of the warrants issued against the stockade citizens last June.

HITCHCOCK VISITS IN SALT LAKE

SALT LAKE, Sept. 18.—Postmaster General Frank H. Hitchcock stopped over in Salt Lake for a few hours yesterday afternoon on his way east after a three weeks' vacation spent in New Mexico, Arizona and California.

His stay in Salt Lake was confined to a visit to the local postoffice, where he shook hands with the boys and had a short visit with Postmaster Arthur L. Thomas.

Before leaving Mr. Hitchcock found time to say something about the coming self-support basis of the postoffice department and the postal savings banks, two hobbies of the postmaster general. He spoke in glowing terms of the work of the Salt Lake postoffice, and also paid a high tribute to Postmaster Thomas. He left for the east over the Denver & Rio Grande at 7:10 o'clock last evening.

"My one ambition," said the postmaster general, "is to see the postoffice department on a self-supporting basis. By this I do not mean that the service of the department must necessarily be curtailed; instead of this the service must be extended throughout the country, as my recent trip through the west has proved beyond a doubt. The deficit that has hung over the postal department must be wiped out by the installation of more and stricter business methods and principles, and the cutting down of enormous expenditures. This year the deficit of the department has been cut $17,500,000. By this means next year I hope to see the remaining deficit of $11,500,000 wiped out. After that I hope to see the postoffice department on a paying basis.

"A number of postoffices in each state will be equipped for the postal savings system during the coming winter. The first class postoffices will not be equipped until later, as it is preferred to take up the work at the bottom, commencing with the smaller towns, where it is most needed, and gradually perfecting the system as we work up to the larger offices."

Asked regarding the service of the Salt Lake office, Mr. Hitchcock said:

"It is fine, and it always is in that condition. With Postmaster Thomas at the head it is one of the greatest helps that the department at Washington has. Mr. Thomas is one of the most able and efficient postmasters in the country, and suggestions offered by him to the general department carry great weight. Mr. Thomas has on numerous occasions offered valuable suggestions to the Washington department.

"The plan inaugurated during the last few years of holding an annual postmasters' convention in some part of the state is accomplishing wonders for the good of the department. Under the system it is possible for the postmasters of the state to get together once every year for discussion of the various topics tending to improve the efficiency of the department."

"The political outlook! Well, really, I must refuse to discuss the subject at the present time. You may say that I politely but firmly refused to enter into a discussion of the political situation."

The postmaster general left on Denver & Rio Grande train No. 4 for the east. Mr. Hitchcock expects to arrive in Washington some time during the coming week. He will probably stop at some of the larger postoffices on the way for short visits.

This is the seventeenth annual western trip of the postmaster general, and his fourth visit to Salt Lake. Much of his time this summer as in other summers has been spent in long horseback rides, this being one of his favorite means of recreation. He likes the west and for that reason always spends his vacations in the western states. For the last seventeen years he has taken a few weeks' vacation each summer to tour the west.

HANDCUFFED MEN ESCAPE FROM CELL

SALT LAKE, Sept. 18.—After he had handcuffed two drunks who had been fighting on State street, between Second and Third South streets, shortly before midnight, Patrolman Richard Beynon was kicked and momentarily disabled by a third drunk. Aided by friends, the two had been handcuffed escaped with the irons still about their wrists. As he recovered, the patrolman arrested the man who kicked him. He was locked up at police headquarters under the name of George Ness.

Half an hour after the handcuffed prisoners had escaped from Beynon Patrolman James Davidson was handed the cuffs to a stranger, who said that Beynon had asked him to hold them during the fight. How the prisoners managed to get out of the cuffs is a mystery. Both cuffs were unlocked when returned, and it is believed that a bartender in one of the South State street saloons has a master key.

BONDSMEN DESERT "PEANUTS" SINCLAIR

SALT LAKE, Sept. 18.—"Peanuts" Sinclair, the prize fighter, who was arrested last spring for a statutory offense committed with Bessie Bird, age 16 years and whose trial is soon to take place in the district court, was surrendered to the authorities yesterday by his bondsmen, Thomas McEvoy, the liveryman, and Gustaf Anderson, a grocer.

Mr. McEvoy stated last night that he intended to visit relatives at Lexington, Ky., and had agreed with Anderson to surrender Sinclair to relieve himself of the bond responsibility during the temporary absence. The prize fighter will probably have to remain in jail until his case comes up for hearing.

The story of Sinclair's relations with Bessie Bird was aired in the justice court of F. M. Bishop early last summer. It was of such revolting character that Justice of the Peace Bishop ordered Sinclair held for the district court in spite of efforts of his counsel to prevent the case from going higher. The girl testified that she had been drugged.

HIGHLANDERS, ATTENTION

Ogden Castle Royal Highlanders will meet Monday evening, Sept. 19th in Union Labor Hall. It costs now only two dollars to join. R. R. men carried at same rates. Five thousand dollars insurance given. All members are requested to attend this meeting as the matter of distributing the fifty dollar prizes will be taken up.

INVESTIGATING DUCK MALADY

The constant rumor that the ducks of Utah are suffering an epidemic of cholera or some other malady has placed the sportsmen on the anxious seat and they have patiently waited for some definite conclusion regarding the matter. It appears that something tangible is being worked out in this direction, that the trouble has been found in bad water near Salt Lake.

Reports from different sections of northern Utah during the early part of the week had it that all the ducks of the state were infected, and that they would be all dead before the season opened, or that the state food and dairy commissioner would put a ban on the sale or eating of the game.

These rumors, as is usual with most rumors, had some foundation, but as in the case of every other rumor, they grew to such exaggerated proportions that none knew but that the wild ducks and the fascinating sport of shooting them would soon be as unheard of as is the olden buffalo hunts.

The truth of the story is as follows:

There is an infection of the ducks, and an alarming infection, too, among those that make the Jordan river near its mouth their feeding place. Ducks are dying by scores in that section, while hundreds upon hundreds are infected with the disease. Scientific men have termed it dysentery, brought about by the stagnant condition of the sloughs and the river itself, from the heavy pouring of sewerage water into the stream from Salt Lake City sewers.

Ducks affected with this disease have been found on Promontory Point. Several were dead, while others were sick in the last stages of their battle with the disease. It is believed that these birds flew straight from the Jordan river district, where they contracted the disease.

A committee of investigation from this city made the trip to the Jordan river flats yesterday and brought eight of the sick birds back with them for examination. The party consisted of Mr. Bigelow, Dr. Baker, Willard Hansen, state food and dairy inspector; John Browning, Francis Thomas, William Mathers, the Plain City naturalist, and Game Warden J. S. Carver and O. B. Madson.

The party after a careful investigation of the conditions prevailing at the mouth of the Jordan and in the vicinity reports that 90 per cent of the ducks in that section are infected with the sickness or have died from it, and that scores of birds migrating there from other points have fallen before the scourge.

Eight of the stricken birds were brought back to Ogden. One of these was so far along in the contagion that it died before reaching here. Another one was killed and dissected by Dr. Baker, who determined to find out for himself the nature of the disease. After an examination he reached the conclusion that the birds suffered from dysentery, and that the disease was caught from feeding in the sewer water of the Jordan flats.

Mr. Carver took the remaining six birds to his home and fed them generously with bird food and gave them a liberal supply of clear, fresh water. The ducks soon revived and at last accounts were flapping their wings as active as any barn yard fowl.

A thorough inspection of the conditions prevailing on the Jordan river will be made by state food and health officials. The state chemist will analyze the water of the stream, and sporting clubs of Salt Lake will do everything in their power to banish the sickness that threatens to spoil such a popular sport.

It was suggested by Salt Lakers that the river should be channeled right to and out into the lake, and that the sloughs near the mouth be interlined with canals and channels that might draw off the sewer water, but this is considered impracticable by local people.

The only feasible solution so far offered is the removal of the duck clubs of that section to some other healthful section; the abandonment of the up-keep of the feeding grounds there, and the thorough disinfection of the swamps, or the extension of the sewer pipes well out into the lake.

It is not expected that the disease will affect feeding grounds in Weber county and the shore line nearby. The duck clubs near Ogden all report that conditions this year are about the same as they were a year ago, and that the mortality rate is no higher than in former years.

John Browning is reported as saying that there is nothing out of the ordinary in the duck situation at Brigham City and the mouth of the Bear river.

William Mathers, a naturalist of Plain City and a prominent member of the Lake Shore Gun club, also a game commissioner, reports that the ducks on the grounds of the club near Ogden are entirely free from the epidemic that has affected Jordan river ducks. He says that the prospects this season at his club are better than ever.

Mr. Rudy of the Rudy Duck club, on the Jordan, says that he will give $100 to the man that can find 100 dead ducks on the Rudy club grounds and the grounds of the two clubs adjoining.

Thus, according to Harry Anderson, John Sharp and a score of other local nimrods, the whole trouble seems to be with the city sewer of Salt Lake, as it pollutes the waters of the Jordan and indeed is three days going from its outlet to deep water in the lake.

This opinion is shared by State Food Commissioner Willard Hansen, who said this morning that in his opinion the sewer is to blame, although he was judging only from reports of the situation.

Harry Anderson says that if the surplus canal waters are turned into the river at the right point the situation may yet be saved.

USE STEAM PLOW IN PREPARING STREET

Foreman E. B. Leavitt, who has charge of the street paving operation contracted for by the P. J. Moran company of Salt Lake, states that the work of moving the surface ground from North Washington avenue is progressing very nicely and that there is to be no let up in the grading and placing of asphaltum on that avenue and Hudson avenue until the job is finished.

A steam plow is to be employed in breaking the surface of the avenues for excavation purposes, and as many men and teams as can be conveniently used on the diggings will be placed there. There are about 40 men employed today and that number will be augmented next week. Both North Washington and Hudson avenues have busy appearances these days, and before the month of October has been ushered in marked changes in the contour of those streets will be in evidence.

ILLINOIS FARMER VISITING IN OGDEN

Mr. and Mrs. James Andrews of Laharpe, Ill., are spending a few days in the city, visiting their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Bennett. Mr. Andrews is an Illinois farmer, this being his first trip west. He says the western country and the people are revelations to him and he already begins to feel the spirit of buying property in Ogden. They will visit southern Utah, where they have relatives residing, before they return to their home.

HIGH SCHOOL REGULARS WIN

The initial game of football was played on the Fair Grounds gridiron, Saturday afternoon, and the High school alumni went down to defeat at the hands of the regular High school team to the tune of 24 to 0.

The game was featured by the speed of the regular eleven, the work of Moran, Evans and Captain Stone, and the remarkable cleverness of the backfield, especially in the handling of the forward pass, and in the punting and running down of the pigskin. It was the first working out of the revised football rules, and the boys must be given credit for playing the rules to a standstill. The forward pass was attempted and executed nicely several times and always to a considerable advantage. The punting of Captain Stone was decidedly of the finished order, and it is safe to predict that many gains will accrue to the Ogden High through the capable execution of these two plays during the coming season.

The fifteen minute periods, four to the game, proved the most noticeable innovation of the year. The new ruling is considered a good thing for the game, enabling, as it does, the retirement of one player who becomes exhausted, and his return to the game at the opening of any of the subsequent periods. There will be more rest, considerably more ginger and greater speed in the game, than ever before. This was proven by yesterday's initial game.

The Ogden High boys had a thorough tryout yesterday. The backs were shifted and substituted several times, and nearly every candidate in the squad of 20 were given an opportunity to begin his qualification. The boys played the game in that aggressive manner that is bound to win, and did it all with no hint of a foul move.

A touchdown was scored against the Alumni eleven in each of the four back, having three to his credit, while Right Half Evans secured the fourth. Each goal was neatly kicked by Stone.

The captain, by the way, is making quite a reputation for himself by his accuracy in his punts. He not only added four points to the total score by his accuracy with his toe, but came within an ace of making a field goal from the 40 yard line. Stone, if properly handled for the next week or two, will develop into one of the best punters in the west.

The play was hard and fast throughout. The Alumni eleven played a good game, but were kept on the defensive almost througnout the play.

The game with Grand Junction High, which yesterday was considered as certain, will have to be called off. The Colorado team asked a date with the Salt Lake High school and planned on playing both Ogden and Salt Lake on the trip. The Salt Lakers, considered the plan favorably until the last moment, when they decided not to play.

Up until the time the date was asked, the Salt Lake team had complained that there would be no team fine enough to test their mettle during the season—that their condition was so extraordinarily good, that they would find it very difficult to secure worthy opponents. But when this truly worthy team from Colorado ask a game, the tone is different. The Salt Lake management decided that it would not be well to risk a game with such a strong eleven as the Grand Junction High at this time, considering that a defeat or even a close score might tend to weaken the spirit of the members of their team.

Ogden's team had looked forward to this date with great pleasure, and had intended to hand the Colorado boys a warm reception, fully confident that the game would not result in disaster. As a result of the welching of the Salt Lakers, it is necessary to abandon the game proposed between Ogden and Grand Junction, for the latter team declare they can not make the long journey for but one game.

The press of Salt Lake anticipates the reception of the decision of their High school eleven not to play, and knocks the Ogden team, and Principal "Jerry" Cross, because of their disappointment at having to foresake the idea of meeting such a good team as the Grand Junction boys.

SEVEN CARS IN A TRAIN WRECKED

On the Lakeside siding Saturday afternoon seven cars of ore became detached from the engine and ran away. They soon collided with refrigerator cars and completely demolished them. The pilot and tank of the engine were broken and the engine derailed. In the mixup the fireman suffered a badly sprained ankle.

The train, in charge of Conductor Ratigan, was picking up the ore cars at the Lakeside siding when the seven cars broke loose. The accident was caused by the slippery condition of the rails making it difficult to get the string properly started. The strain of the engine pulling was too much for the couplings, and the train parted, crashing into other freight cars set out there.

The injured fireman went to Montello after the accident to have his ankle treated.

As the accident occurred on the side track, the traffic of the regular trains was not delayed, the main line being left clear.

A wrecker and a string of flat cars were ordered by the conductor of the unfortunate train, and the three derailed cars, and the engine were soon placed on the rails.

JAPANESE STABS A WHITE MAN

At the corner of Grant avenue and Twenty-fourth street, Saturday night, a cutting occurred, a Jap being the wielder of the knife and a white man, B. Pursel, being the one assaulted. The cutting was caused by a previous quarrel with another Jap, the fight being renewed at the place designated.

Pursel, with another youth, entered a chile parlor next to the Red Seal pool hall and sat down to enjoy his dish at a table occupied by two other men. Before they had finished one of the two men opposite got up and left the place without paying his bill. When the second man, who had but one arm, had finished, he started to go, but when he offered to pay but for one, the Jap at the desk insisted that he settle the bill of the man that had occupied the seat next to him.

This the one-armed man refused to do, and the pair were soon locked in a scramble. The little Jap secured a jiu-jiutsu hold on the customer's thumb and was pressing him rather hard when young Pursel interfered. He dealt the Jap a heavy blow with his fist and knocked him out before he could bring his jiutsu art into play. He then left the place and strolled to the corner of Twenty-fourth street.

The Jap appeared and approached the young man, asking him if he desired to continue the fight. Pursel answered by knocking him into the gutter, and was following up his attack when a second Jap stole up from behind and sunk his knife into the white man's back.

Pursel fell to the ground and both Japs disappeared before help arrived.

Pursel was taken to Badcon's drug store and was treated by Dr. Paul Ingebretsen. His injuries were not as bad as at first thought, and he was soon able to continue his way homeward.

The Japs implicated in the stabbing could not be found when the police sought to arrest them. Neither of the pair were known to any who witnessed either fight, and it is doubtful whether they will be apprehended.

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