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Droll Comedian and His Merry Company of Players Make Hit at Princess

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Hartman had to make a speech, too. He dodged it on his entrance with difficulty, but he had to give up at the end of the first act. His little line of talk, was of his own make, and was exuberantly funny. The lyrical and ensemble moments of the comic opera were hugely enjoyed. Oscar Walsh, who in the play is a captain in the United States navy sent to Santo Domingo, is a light opera tenor we have heard here for many months. He sings with gusto and understanding. Three recalls followed his interpretation of "Cupid Has Found My Heart."

Walter de Leon and Miss "Muggins" Davies made a big hit in their interpolated number, "Spanish Hot Air." The song and the dance were written by de Leon and the workmanship was approved by four encores. Walter Catlett, in an eccentric role, is his nimble self, and Joe Fogarty made a bombastic speech as governor, sitting on the lid of a revolution.

Miss Octavia Broske, as Bonito, the daughter of the rich Santo Domingo widow, and Miss Josie Hart as the widow herself were effective. Miss Anna Little, in a minor role, was prettily and vocally good, and the music and action went with quick movement yesterday. Particularly pretty was "Mosquito and the Midge" number, sung by Miss Davies and a lively chorus.

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E. S. Bernard of Los Angeles is at the Granada.
D. E. Lane of Goldfield is registered at the Stewart.
L. Hanson and wife of Los Angeles are at the Holland.
Dr. M. H. Keyt of New York is staying at the Argonaut.
J. F. Wilson and wife of Los Angeles are at the Holland.
William J. Cooper of Honolulu is staying at the Stewart.
Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Vinson of Tucson are guests at the Manx.
Robert Ewing of New Orleans is a guest at the St. Francis.
Mr. and Mrs. L. J. O'Farrell of Reno are staying at the Manx.
E. W. Gillett, a railroadman of Los Angeles, is at the St. Francis.
Thomas B. Broadhead of Salem, Ore., is staying at the Union Square.
John D. Maguire of Washington, D. C., is a guest at the Fairmont.
Thomas O. Patterson, a banker of Fresno, is registered at the Fairmont.
David Whiston, proprietor of the Carlton hotel, Denver, is a guest at the Argonaut.
C. D. Beran and E. Guy Ridpath and their families of London are at the Fairmont.
D. E. Llewellyn of the Llewellyn iron works, Los Angeles, is staying at the St. Francis.
J. Keeley, managing editor of the Chicago Tribune, arrived from the east last night en route to the Orient. This is Keeley's first visit to San Francisco. He is accompanied by his wife. They will sail Wednesday.

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"I told him I felt sure his sickness was due to coffee and after some discussion he decided to give it up.

"It was a struggle, because of the powerful habit. One day we heard about Postum and concluded to try it and then it was easy to leave off coffee.

"His fearful headaches grew less frequent, his complexion began to clear, kidneys grew better until at last he was a new man altogether, as a result of leaving off coffee and taking up Postum. Then I began to drink it, too.

"Although I was never as bad off as my husband, I was always very nervous and never at any time very strong, only weighing 95 lbs, before I began to use Postum. Now I weigh 115 lbs, and can do as much work as anyone my size, I think.

"Many do not use Postum because they have not taken the trouble to make it right. I have successfully fooled a great many persons who have drunk it at my table. They would remark, 'You must buy a high grade of coffee.' One young man who clerked in a grocery store was very enthusiastic about my 'coffee.' When I told him what it was he said, 'Why, I've sold Postum for four years, but I had no idea it was like this. Think I'll drink Postum hereafter.'

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CITY DESERTED BY THE AUTOBILISTS

Two Holidays Allow of Extended Trips Through the Country

By R. R. L'HOMMEDIEU

The city was deserted by the automobilists yesterday, as it was a two days' holiday. No one section enjoyed the patronage of the motorists, for they went in every direction.

An economy test of the kind that appeals strongly to the owner was that of the Pierce-Arrow, which figured as the winner in the annual endurance run held at Minneapolis recently. The run was to Duluth and back and every ounce of gasoline, oil and water put into the contesting cars was measured and recorded. The cars were also weighed with their passengers in and in this way it was possible to obtain accurate comparisons of the ton mileage of each car.

In several places it was necessary to use the power of the motor in descending grades, so heavy was the sand. The route included over 40 miles of corduroy roads. At its best it presented actual road conditions that are experienced every day by tourists throughout the country. The result of the ton mileage contest was a distinct victory for the Pierce-Arrow, a six cylinder, 48 horsepower car of that make, driven by Walter F. Winchester, winning this feature event by a wide margin.

The final score showed that the Pierce-Arrow had a lead of 27 per cent over its nearest competitor. Winchester's car showed 26.43 ton miles to the gallon of gasoline, while its nearest competitor showed but 20.73 ton miles. The entire distance of the run was 370 miles.

Henry Plow of the Mitchell motor car company of Racine, Wis., recently made a complaint against a road hog in that vicinity.

Ernest Novak, a farmer of Racine county, as the result was fined \$10 and costs in the municipal courts. Plow was returning from the city with a party of friends and his driver, when Novak refused to allow him to pass, driving his horse in such a manner as to unduly block the highway. A small pace was kept up for 55 minutes, during which time five miles were covered by both horse and touring car. Each time Plow attempted to pass Novak drove his horse across the road. This was the first case that has ever come up in the courts of Wisconsin.

NOTES OF THE AUTO

Harold Stone, in a roadster, smashed the Los Angeles-San Diego round trip automobile road record Saturday. The new mark is 10 hours 23 minutes. Stone made only two stops in the entire 329 mile run. He cut off nine minutes from Harvey's mark.

L. E. Harvey, in the Rambler roadster, was the former holder of the Los Angeles-San Diego record, which Harvey set at 10 hours 32 minutes. Stone drove on a closer schedule than Harvey. He held the wheel on the entire distance, as did Harvey, and left his seat only twice during the more than 10 hours' run.

H. H. Lewis Sr. of Fort Worth, Texas, recently executed with a motor car, a performance in the way of gasoline economy that is seldom surpassed even in the more notable contests. With three companions he drove to Waco and back, a distance of 278 5-8 miles, with an 18 horsepower Franklin touring car, the entire cost of gasoline and oil being only \$1.32. This is less than half a cent per mile.

The Pioneer automobile company reports the sale and delivery of the following cars: D. D. Carrier, Oroville, 40 horsepower Chalmers-Detroit; N. M. Nye, Chalmers-Detroit "30" runabout; F. E. Chandler, Vacaville, Chalmers "30"; S. M. Phillips & Co. of Sacramento, Chalmers "30"; E. T. Huffman, Clunie, 1910 Chalmers-Detroit "30"; John T. Jennings of San Francisco, a Chalmers-Detroit; A. A. Capwell, Ferndale, Thomas Flyer.

INVENTOR CLAIMS NEW DEATH DEALING DEVICE

BOSTON, Sept. 6.—Dana Dudley of Wakefield, to whom is ascribed the invention of the dynamite gun and torpedo tube now in use and a disappearing gun