

IN THE FRONT ROW

HEADLINERS TONIGHT.

Musical Comedy.

Hippodrome.....Dr. Nickola
Photoplays.
Nelson.....Cleopatra
Kings.....Back to the Woods
Marie.....The One Woman

MAKING him the highest-salaried male dramatic star in the film profession, William Farnum has just signed a contract for a period of years with William Fox for the unprecedented figure of \$780,000 a year. This salary, breaking all records in an industry noted for big salaries, is recognition of the unparalleled popularity which Mr. Farnum's de luxe productions are enjoying throughout the world.

Following the signing of the contract William Fox issued a statement in which he said:

"This announcement will set at rest all rumors being circulated throughout the country that William Farnum intended leaving the Fox Film Corporation. It is true that he was approached by nearly every producing organization in the field, but he decided to continue his old associations.

William Farnum's salary is only commensurate with his wonderful popularity and drawing power at the box office.

This new contract places William Farnum in a class by himself. It makes him the highest paid male dramatic artist in the picture world today.

Figuring on a basis of fifty-two weeks in a year, Mr. Farnum will receive \$15,000 a week. That is, he will be paid \$15,000 a week; but as he will actually work only thirty-eight weeks his salary in reality will be \$20,526.32 a week. For every day's work he will be paid \$21.57, but considering only the time he will actually be before the camera, he will receive a salary of \$5,420 a day. This is at the rate of \$1,140 an hour, \$19 a minute or 31 and 2/3 cents a second.

When Doctors Disagree.

The reviewers leave us in doubt as to what we ought to say about "Back to the Woods," showing Mabel Normand at the Princess today. One critic says it is the worst vehicle Mabel has had. An exhibitor says it is the best release in which she has appeared. They agree on two things, however, that Mabel is a star of the first magnitude, and that the photography and the rural settings are excellent. We will give you a short brief of the story and let you judge for yourself: Stephanie, a society girl, poses as a school teacher in a rural district. There she falls in love with Jimmy Raymond, a novelist—also in disguise. There is a plot formed against him by some lumbermen and Stephanie hastens to warn him, only to be subjected to brutal advances by Jimmy. Stephanie is heartbroken, but later learns that Jimmy was only using her as a bait case for a story. After many misunderstandings the two "make up" and plan to wed—soon.

Thomas Powerful Lesson.

When Thomas Dixon, who is also the author of "The Birth of a Nation," wrote "The One Woman," he had in mind one of his former close associates in the ministry who divorced his wife in order to enter into a marriage by proclamation with a woman who financed his new free church. At that time Mr. Dixon was a clergyman of the Baptist church. Fearing that the germ of the so-called new thought and emancipated womanhood might assume dangerous proportions, he set himself to the task of writing a drama-novel for the purpose of illustrating the folly of the new movement. How well he succeeded is evidenced by the sale of his story, "The One Woman," which, in addition to being a Select Pictures special, is in its seventh or eighth edition as a book.

"The One Woman" and the lesson it teaches is a powerful enemy to the decree issued by the Vladimir Soviet of Workers and Soldiers' Deputies of Russia, which recently authorized a government bureau of free love. The photoplay is repeating at the Dixie, and was well liked by Dixie patrons yesterday. A special attraction is offered today, a government war picture entitled "If Your Soldier is Hit." It shows the wonderful care Uncle Sam takes of his wounded soldiers from the time they leave the battlefield until they leave recuperation hospitals.

Massive Production Was Costly.

All who will see Theda Bara as Cleopatra, the Egyptian Queen, at the Nelson, will realize the tremendous difficulties of such a production. This was not a case of finding a fitting natural environment for the characters, and the actors once chosen, letting them play the story realistically against the background. In attempting to carry back the imagination of the audience nineteen hundred years, the producer called to his aid all the resources of the inventive stage carpenter and painter in order to create the illusion that this mighty drama of historical significance required.

He built temples and palaces. He studied ship construction so that the Egyptian galleys and the Roman triremes taking part in the battle of Actium looked like ancient vessels instead of the St. Lawrence skiffs. He was ever careful of keeping from his picture all reminders of the twentieth century.

But even after the settings were made historically correct the most trying part of the work was still before him. Whenever an ancient civilization is reanimated, the producer deals with large groups and not with individual actors. The people of importance in ancient times had to live very



THEDA BARA—DIRECTION WILLIAM FOX

In "Cleopatra," showing at the Nelson today, the famous star of vampire characters reaches her highest attainments.

much on the outside, with the turbulent, pleasure loving, easily swayed populace, who were the source of their power. The funeral of Julius Caesar, at which Brutus and Antony present their case to the people in the open market place, is a splendid example of this fact. We have another great public scene at the banquet of Isis, which is not a private dinner party for a select Egyptian "four hundred," but a great semi-religious festival.

The meeting of Cleopatra and Antony at Tarsus was a social affair of no small dimensions. The wily Queen knew well what she was doing—her aim was to impress, not only to dazzle the eyes of his large retinue of generals and to have reports of her beauty, wealth and generosity freely circulated among the soldiers of the Roman legions. She knew that a hundred tongues were better than one when it was a question of spreading the fame of Egypt over the Mediterranean. Nowadays, we have newspapers which send the reporters to witness the functions of the mighty. Nineteen hundred years ago each man was his own reporter, and if curious as to what the eminent statesman said or "the celebrated society woman wore, he went after the story himself."

BILL FIXES SALARY FOR W.VA. SHERIFFS

Marion and Four Other Counties Waved Pay \$4,500.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Jan. 29.—There is a bill now being considered by committees of the senate relating to the salaries of the sheriffs of West Virginia counties which gives the sheriff of Kanawha county a larger salary than the same officer of any other county in the state, placing his salary at \$5,000 a year. McDowell, Harrison, Ohio and Cabell and Marion counties will pay their sheriffs \$4,500 a year if the bill goes through. Monongalia will pay \$3,600, Logan \$3,500, Lewis and Preston \$3,000, Upshur \$2,500, Taylor \$2,000.

There is a bill also retaining its place on the calendar in the senate relating to the science of art of undertaking and arranging for enrollment of members, the handling of apprentices and that at least one member of every firm or corporation or a resident representative of the firm or corporation shall be licensed by the state board. This bill would require apprentices to be men of "good, moral character" and requires penalties both for failure to pay fees and for incompetence.

It is said that the sheriff's bill would reduce the salary of the circuit clerk of Marion County as it stands at present.

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LOCAL SOCIAL EVENTS

To Address Woman's Club. Fairmont women are interested in the coming here this week of Dr. A. J. Waychoff, of Waynesburg college, Waynesburg, Pa., who will address the club on Friday afternoon on the subject of Primitive Indian relics. Dr. Waychoff is an authority on the subject and added to the information he will detail is a splendid collection of Indian relics which will be exhibited to his audience. The meeting begins at 3 o'clock and will be held in the club apartments in the Masonic Temple.

Dr. Waychoff while in the city will be a guest at the home of his cousin, Mrs. W. H. Kunst, on Jefferson street.

Leave Tonight. Members of the William Haymond Chapter of the D. A. R. who will represent the chapter at the State convention which convenes in Wheeling tomorrow morning will leave tonight at 6:07 o'clock. In the party will be Mrs. W. H. Conaway, Mrs. George De Bolt, Mrs. Edwin Forrest Hartley, Mrs. Hugh Smith and Mrs. S. D. Brady.

Guest of Mrs. Falconer. Miss Lillian Garrett, who was here last night to sing at a meeting of the Music department of the Woman's club at the home of Mrs. C. W. Waddell, was a guest at the home of Mrs. H. S. Falconer on Fairmont avenue.

Polish Composers. Polish composers of music and their compositions formed the topic for study at the regular meeting of the Music department of the Woman's club held last evening at the home of Mrs. C. W. Waddell on Coleman avenue. The principal feature of the program was a group of Polish songs by Miss Lillian Garrison, assistant to Director of Music Black, of the W. V. U. school of music, whose work was up to the standard set by former appearances in concert in this city. Mrs. Minor Dunham and Miss Blanche Barnes rendered a piano duet, and Miss Hester Miller rendered a piano solo. Current events in music were related by Miss Harriett Schroeder and Polish Music was discussed by Mrs. Charles C. Robb and illustrated by Victrola records.

Entertained Daughters. At the conclusion of the regular meeting of the Daughters of Isabella last evening, members of the organization were entertained at the home of Mrs. Guy Waltz, on Ogden avenue, assisted by Mrs. Harry Downey and Mrs. A. Staud. Refreshments were served following a social hour.

Springston-Taylor. Miss Mariha Taylor, a sister of E. M. Taylor, of this city, and a former resident, was united in marriage on Sunday, the 26th of January, to J. D. Springston, of Huntington. The marriage ceremony was performed at Montgomery, W. Va., and Mr. and Mrs. Springston are now on a wedding journey to Richmond, Va., and other southern points.

Missionary Meeting. The regular monthly meeting of the Foreign Missionary society of the First M. E. church was held yesterday afternoon in the church and was well attended. Mrs. George Richardson's division had full charge of the meeting and a very enjoyable program was carried out. One of the special features of the afternoon was a talk on the subject "Our Young People—The Hope of the Church," by Miss Bessie Loomin and Mrs. G. E. Hecker spoke in a very earnest manner on the subject and their talks were much enjoyed. Refreshments were served as a surprise by Mrs. W. H. Kunst, furnished entirely by herself.

Following the increasing investment of Japanese capital in Philippine agricultural industries, it is announced that Japanese bankers and insurance companies are to open

PERSONALS

Born, on Tuesday, to Mr. and Mrs. John Mulvehill, at their home on Bononi avenue, a son. He has been named John Joseph Mulvehill, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Barnett went to Wheeling yesterday to attend the funeral of Miss Helen House, daughter of C. A. House, which occurred Monday at her home from pneumonia. Funeral services were held today. Mr. Barnett is local manager of the C. A. House company.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorraine Gainer and daughter have gone to Bellington to spend several days with the former's parents. Mr. Gainer who was a sergeant in the U. S. army, returned early this month from over seas and has been discharged from service.

Emza Willey, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clay Willey, who had been ill from typhoid fever at Cook hospital has recovered and has been removed to the home of her parents on Jackson street.

J. D. Bligh, of the local Western Union office, has returned from McKeesport, Pa., where he was called by the death of his sister, Mrs. Hilda Courson, which resulted after an illness from pneumonia following influenza.

Mrs. Guy Clayton has gone to Chanute, Kans. to visit her sister, Mrs. Carl Weiner.

DIXIE TONIGHT Last 3 Times THE ONE WOMAN Added Attraction Tonight If Your Soldier's Nit

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branches of their business in the islands. Japanese are entering the majority of them coming as agricultural workers, although many visit industrial and commercial lines. A great number of them are settling in Davao, which is especially adapted to agricultural enterprises. Recent figures report 2,728 as having established themselves in Davao during 1917.

Recent investigations show that the net hours of labor in nearly all industry groups in Germany were between 9 and 10 hours. They were less than

Firemen Have Hon—The Central station fire department were called to the residence of G. A. Blinn on By nonal avenue last night. After making a quick run the firemen discovered that a blaze in the chimney had already been extinguished.

New Foulard Silks in Lovely Colors and Designs Hartley's NEW SKIRTINGS In Unusual Plaids \$5.50 A Very Good Variety of Splendid Winter Coats Remain to Sell at HALF PRICE Women fortunate enough to get them will have the satisfaction of knowing that they are some of the best coats brought out this season and that they are exceptional values at their new prices. There Are Lots of Good Things Still in the Sale of White. We cannot go into detail about styles, but there are gowns, skirts envelope chemise, etc., both domestic and imported lines, in an excellent range at between 50c and \$5.00. New Arrivals Make Stocks of Wirthmor and Welworth Blouses at Their Best You Get the Utmost for Your Money When You Buy These Blouses Because every possible avoidable expense in their production and distribution has been eliminated. And then these splendid waists are made up in vast quantities, for nearly two thousand good merchants in all parts of the United States. New Styles Are In—SEE THEM Blouses, Illustration, \$1.50 Welworth Blouses, \$2.50 Beautiful Spring Weather—Why Shouldn't Mylady Wear a Spring Hat And how the new hats are popping out. Walk along the street any day now you will see numerous young women wearing smart-looking straw hats. Here are new hats in the newest 1919 shapes and they may be had in navy or bright blue, red, taupe and combinations of these colors. Some very smart shapes are shown in brown and black. They fit comfortably, they are light in weight and they are moderately priced. GREAT BARGAIN IN THE CLEARANCE OF SHOES There are other shoe clearance sales going on and there may be some showing reductions equalling ours, but where will you find the same qualities at the same low prices? These shoes were all made for Hatley's—made and bought to sell in the regular way at the prevailing prices. And good values at their original prices. For the reason that lots are broken they must be sold and we have lowered the prices sufficient to sell them. If you can find your size you may buy two and three pairs for the price of one pair. Black and Brown Kid and Calf Shoes..... \$4.85 Black Kid Shoes..... \$2.85 Black Patent Shoes..... \$1.85 Serviceable Shoes for Girls and Boys..... \$1.85

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