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## "UNCLE RUBE" COMES TO ALAMOGORDO

Jolly Old Scout With a Right Merry Crew

### MERITED RECEPTION IS NOT GIVEN

Four Act Comedy Presented by Fire Department

"Uncle Rube," a comedy in four acts, was presented by the Alamogordo Volunteer Fire Department at the Majestic last Thursday evening, and the performance repeated Saturday evening.

The play is a good one, and was well presented, the costumes were good, all indicating that a great deal of work and study had been devoted to the preparation. In fact everything was alright except the audience, and the only trouble with the audience was that it was absent. Of course that is a sort of negative fault to charge against an audience, yet it had the effect of discouraging the players. Playing to a capacity house is a snap, even for amateurs, but playing to a big house with empty seats predominating is a hardship on even the most seasoned players.

The five principal roles were sustained with truthfulness to life as to make-up and interpretation. The principal roles were carried by Mr. and Mrs. George Weigele, Ed. Kreamer, George Weigele, Jr., and Miss Ruth Murray.

The specialty introduced between the second and third acts, Miss Murray, whistling, with George Weigele, harmonica, and Elmer Land, guitar, playing the accompaniment, was particularly good, and the trio had to respond to an encore.

Miss Loma Woods left Friday afternoon for El Paso to attend Miss Ella Jackson's debut party.

Leaves on the trees and the green grass growing round and round. Looks mighty good, eh?

Everybody is arranging to attend the big dance to be given Saturday evening by the Beavers.

## POLITICS COMES FIRST WORK CLOSE SECOND

This Is Present Status in the National Capital

### PRESIDENTIAL MANAGERS HUSTLING

All Cheerful About Results of Conventions

Washington, April 15.—While congress is bravely hammering away at tariff bills and appropriations, there's a heap sight more interest being felt in politics than in legislation, whether the latter be constructive or destructive, progressive or reactionary. This week has seen a big stride in the rounding up of convention delegates, especially in Illinois where Clark surprised everybody. Practically everybody in the running has gained something, but then most of them have not gained so much as they had expected and of course there are a few wails reading the atmosphere. Cries of "fraud," "influence," "pernicious activity," "corruption," and the like are becoming familiar to newspaper readers. Meanwhile the standing of the candidates is changing so rapidly that it is difficult to keep track of it, and in fact scarcely any two of the political headquarters can agree on the exact distribution of the delegates.

On the surface it seems that Col. Roosevelt has been making big gains, and on the democratic side, Speaker Clark's friends have been very busy and highly successful. Wilson and Taft are not at all down-hearted to judge from the tone of their literary managers, while Underwood, Harmon, La Follette, Gaynor, Marshall,—in fact all of them, seem to be advancing cheerfully to the big skirmishes at Chicago and Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. John Prather left today for a weeks visit at their ranch in the Sacramentos.

Matinee at the New Alamo theatre Monday afternoon at four fifteen, to show the big feature film, "Dante's Inferno."

## NEW VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT ORGANIZED WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Biggest Mass Meeting in History of Town Assembled

Board of Control of Twelve Members Selected to Govern

The largest mass meeting which has been held in Alamogordo was assembled last night in the court house for the purpose of organizing a new volunteer fire department. Ladies were not invited, but the big court room was filled with representative citizens and boys who were old enough to feel an interest in the volunteer fire department.

F. C. Rolland made a motion to elect Dr. J. R. Gilbert chairman, in order to have an organized meeting so as to proceed with the work. Motion was carried and then W. E. Warren was elected secretary.

There ensued considerable discussion as to the sort of an organization to be effected and the means of proceeding. A motion was carried to have the chairman name a committee of five to select a board of control, to consist of twelve members. The

chairman named J. L. Lawson, F. C. Rolland, W. E. Carmack, Emery Joy and D. M. Barringer as the nominating committee. The committee suggested the following for the members of the board of control: W. W. Mann, W. B. Murrell, J. A. Thomas, A. J. Buck, J. H. McRae, Geo. Weigele, Jas. Hunter, G. J. Wolfinger, G. F. Rousseau, R. Baldonado, J. A. Baird, S. H. Nimmo. The report of the nominating committee was adopted.

This board of control is to have entire and absolute control of the affairs of the department, and will proceed at once to organize a company. The name selected for the new company was "The Citizens' Voluntary Fire Department."

Ed. Kreamer, chief, and Geo. Weigele, secretary and treasurer of the present volunteer fire company, tendered their resignations at the meeting.

### MISS JACKSON'S PARTY

Mrs. Rue Jackson, of 1025 Arizona street, gave a dance Friday evening at the Elk's club for her daughter, Miss Ella Jackson. Bart Hilburn assisted. Mr. and Mrs. L. D. O'Shea, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. McCleary, Mrs. W. D. Tipton and Mrs. W. G. Schwartz acted as patrons and patronesses. Punch was served during the evening.

Following is a list of the guests:

Misses Van Surdam, Ruth Atterbury, Helen O'Shea, Mary Lewis, Grace and Dena Fleck, Maria Schwartz, Stella Lattner, Irma Kuhn, Margaret Bryan, Camille Kibler, Birdie Hawkins, Sara Bridgers, Mamie Clark, Beulah Brown, Velma Chenoweth, Meta Ormsbee, Mathilda Baldwin, Ada Wickenhauser, Amoret Cobb, Grace Wingo, Rosalie Behr, Vivian Reed, Bess Murtle, Blanche Garvin, Edith McCleary, Anita Mentze, Minnie Lee Lassiter, Aileen Moore, Elizabeth Marks, Margaret Bennett, Alma Morrison, Clara Fink, Marie Jefferies, Beatrice Patman, and Mildred Hood; Messrs. Bart Hilburn, H. E. Van Surdam, Mortimer Johnson, Wayne Chenoweth, Wendell Kuhn, Albert Farmer, Robert Hoover, Earnest Myles, Nelson Rice, Baylor Foster, Charles Wolff, James Keady, Vernon Lyman, Leon Roman, Everett Long, Walter Bateman, Fred Hoy, Frank Fickelton, Cliff Elliott, Laurence Shea, Carl Tipton, Scott White, Monroe Proctor, Eugene McSweeney, Blair Rodgers, Phillip McCleary, Edgar Verden, Spencer Darbyshire, Roy Pickens, Wallace Lane, Jack Hayes, John Burch, Wm. Glardon, Edmund Behr, Kuntz, Clarence Borran, Archie Vaughn and Livesay. Out of town guests were Miss Loma Woods and Clarence Hunter, of Alamogordo, and Ralph Warnock, of Artesia.—El Paso Herald.

### SHAKESPEARE CLUB

The regular fortnightly meeting of the Shakespeare Club was held on Friday, at the home of Judge Sherry, with Miss Pinaire as hostess. Considering the inclemency of the weather, there was an excellent attendance, several of our country members having braved the wind storm.

A brief business session was followed by the program for the afternoon. Mrs. Cady was leader, and the reading was in Hamilton Wright Mabie's work on "William Shakespeare, Poet, Dramatist, and Man." This book will be studied during the remaining meetings of the year.

The Club adjourned at four-thirty, to meet on April twenty-sixth, when Miss Peregrine will be hostess.

### Anderson-Anderson

Miss Lizzie Anderson was married to Mr. Leo Anderson at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Fribley, at seven o'clock Monday evening, Rev. Ed. LeBreton, pastor of Grace Methodist church, performing the ceremony. The only guests at the wedding were the members of the family and a few intimate friends. A supper was served after the ceremony. Louis Hill's orchestra, accompanied by friends, serenaded the wedding party about nine o'clock.

The bride has taught in the public schools of Otero county for several years and is widely acquainted. The groom is a brother of Mrs. D. A. Fribley and J. E. Anderson of Tularosa. He has been in the Forest service for two years, for the past few months assigned to the Carson National.

Bride and groom left Tuesday afternoon on the limited for Questa, where they will make their home.

Finally the weather gradually is growing warmer.

## "DANTE'S INFERNO" BIG FEATURE FILM MONDAY

Presented by Special Arrangement at The New Alamo

### MATINEE AND TWO EVENING SHOWS

Film Cost Over One Hundred Thousand Dollars

"Dante's Inferno," the greatest motion picture which has ever been shown in Alamogordo, will be put on at the New Alamo Theatre, Monday afternoon and night. The ordinary picture is 1,000 feet in length, while this wonderful picture, complete, comprises five films of 1,000 feet each. The cost of making the picture was \$100,000.00. There will be a matinee beginning at 4:15 p. m., and the evening shows will begin at seven-thirty and nine o'clock, respectively. The price of admission is twenty-five cents.

The following report from the El Paso Times of Wednesday morning, will be of interest to those who are wondering what the picture is like:

"Weird, cruel, fascinating, the Dante's Inferno pictures which are being shown at the Airdome by special arrangement this week, are so impressive that they are gressome. The films are the last word in color and light effects. The pilgrimage of Dante through the lower regions, piloted by the poet, Virgil, as he immortalized it in his famous poem, is reproduced upon the screen with much vividness.

"The films are the result of careful study of the text and the synopsis given preceding each picture includes a quotation from the poem upon which the motion picture spectacle is based. Wonderful as is the conception of the horrible scenes in the Inferno of Dante's imagination, the scenery is almost as impressive as the action in the pictures. Mountains, caves, pits and crags are utilized for the stage setting of this remarkable series of animated pictures. The mechanical

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## BEAVERS' BIG BALL TO BE BEST DANCE EVER

Saturday Evening; Best of Music and Lots of Refreshments

The head written for this little announcement is not so bad, considered strictly from an alliterative point of view. The dance, however, will be lots more fun. In fact, it has been announced as "The Best Dance Ever," and to judge from the preparations which are being made, it will be all of that.

After the arrival of the guests at the hall, the programs will be given to the ladies, and that feature will be a Leap year.

Coffee, sandwiches and cakes will be served without charge. Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Jones, demonstrators for the Western Coffee Co., of El Paso, have agreed to serve the coffee, and it is a certainty that the coffee will be

## STATE SOLDIERS' HOME IS WANTED HERE

Blazer Post of G. A. R. Drafts Memorial

### TO CONGRESS AND LEGISLATURE

Many Natural Advantages are Set Forth

Whereas, the matter of a State Soldiers Home is being considered, a committee was appointed by Blazer Post G. A. R. of Alamogordo, New Mexico, consisting of D. M. Sutherland, chairman, N. H. Herbert, J. C. Dunn, Henry Cramer, J. S. Kerr and T. J. Poage who were authorized to select five citizens to cooperate with them, in presenting the matter to the state legislature. The said committee selected the following citizens to act with them, J. A. Baird, Chas. E. Thomas, Chas. Mitchell, W. E. Carmack and A. F. Menger, a majority of said committee met on Saturday afternoon, April 13, 1912, at the court house in Alamogordo, New Mexico, and selected school section thirty six (36) in township 16 south range 9 east as the most suitable place for the location of the home.

Enclosed find a copy of the minutes of said meeting.

Alamogordo presents for your consideration fine climate, having a mean winter temperature, maximum 62, minimum 30, good water, having a good water works system, and perfect drainage also other facts which are embodied in brief, in the enclosed circular and envelope, and many other favorable conditions which we wish to present to you for your consideration and request you to present a bill to the legislature embodying this proposition which has been submitted for your consideration.

The committee requests your influence in this matter.

D. W. Wood,  
Secretary.

D. M. Sutherland,  
Chairman.

Louis Hill's orchestra will play for the Beaver's dance.

## GREATEST STEAMER AFLOAT GOES DOWN AT SEA

Titanic Strikes Iceberg; Thirteen Hundred Lives Are Lost

One of the greatest disasters in history occurred early Monday morning, when the steamer Titanic, the largest vessel afloat, struck an iceberg off the Newfoundland Banks and went down with the major portion of its enormous human cargo. The Titanic was making its maiden trip from Liverpool to New York and had on board twenty-two hundred people.

When the ill-fated steamer struck the iceberg, the "C. Q. D." signal was flashed by wireless and responded to by the steamer Carpathia, which rescued eight hundred and sixty-eight of the passengers. Other steamers hurried to the rescue but reached the scene after the

Titanic had gone to the bottom. Of the rescued passengers nearly all are women and children, who were picked up from life boats and rafts. The passenger list shows an unusually large list of people who were prominent in the affairs of the world. President Taft has ordered revenue cutters and cruisers to put out to sea to meet the Carpathia, which is bringing in the rescued passengers.

No other single disaster has resulted in such an awful loss of human lives and entailed so great a loss of property. Over thirteen hundred people lost their lives, and the property loss is estimated at about thirteen million dollars.