

## TALES OF HOFFMAN

Another Splendid Performance of Opera at Belasco.

Mlle. Trentini in 3 Roles

Owing to illness, Mlle. Cavallieri Did Not Leave New York, and Place Is Acceptably Filled by Trentini-Dalmores and Renaud Assume Prominent Roles in the Cast.

The rule of packed houses for the Hammerstein opera season, now nearing its close, was not broken by last night's performance, although the announcement was made late in the afternoon that Mlle. Lina Cavallieri would not appear.

The nonappearance of Cavallieri served to test the resources of the Manhattan, and but for the presence of Mlle. Trentini, there would have been a vast and disappointed audience turned away last night. Trentini is a tiny little woman, with a voice big out of all proportion to her size. She was announced to sing Olympia and Antonia, two of Hoffman's lovelies, but until last evening had never sung the role of Gullietta.

Without rehearsal, she went on without rehearsal, and so capably did she sing and act that there is no reason to understand why Cavallieri should have been brought all the way from New York to sing in one short act.

The heroines of the Offenbach opera are ladies of widely divergent personality, and it is a test of a singer's acting ability, as well as her vocal powers. Mlle. Trentini is a delightful artist.

"Les Contes d'Hoffman," which is an excellent example of the pure French opera bouffe, has gained considerable vogue recently, not only because of the rich beauty of the Offenbach score, but because of the quaint nature of the story. It is a satire on love, this group of pictures from the amorous adventures of the poet Hoffman.

Three episodes are given, purporting to be his actual experiences, recounted by him to a gathering of his cronies in Lutter's tavern. The first tale is a comic experience, the second a romantic intrigue, and the third a tragedy. In each one Hoffman is made ridiculous, showing that the pursuit of the goddess of love is but a vain one for those in whose breasts burn the true fires of genius.

Each act, or each tale, is an exquisite little operetta by itself. The character of Hoffman is the only connecting link. The score is one of the most graceful of the many written by Offenbach, who, in spite of his German birth, will ever be counted among the composers of France, for he lived and studied in France, and was steeped in the atmosphere of Paris, a Parisian to the very core. During the second empire his operas were a positive rage, and he had the French capital at his feet.

"Hoffman" is an ambitious and scholarly work, and yet it comprises many lingering and gracefully melodious passages. The famous barcarole, which is perhaps the most distinctly Offenbachian air, and the dainty "Song of Olympia" are the best known, but all through the score there are entrancing numbers, which cling to the memory.

Dalmores in Favor.

Dalmores was the Hoffman of last evening, and he was in his element in the role, as he has made a deep study of it. His singing in "Thais" was only a slight foretaste of what was expected from this tenor. His several duets with Mlle. Trentini were beautifully rendered, and there is much sympathy and expression in

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his voice. His acting, too, is good, and there is much of that required of Hoffman.

Acting honors were due Renaud, who in the three roles of Coppellus, Dappertutto, and Miracle made up three widely different characters, and acted them all well. His comedy scenes in the first act, as the old clockmaker, was very amusing, and his Dr. Miracle was weird and repulsive. His singing was nothing short of superb. The Manhattan company is certainly well supplied with barytones.

Mention should be also made of the sweet voice and personality of Miss Alice Gentile, who sang Niclausse, and of M. Leroux in the buffo role. M. Gilbert, always a prime favorite in Washington, was the Spalanzani and the Gospel and sang and acted both roles with his accustomed vigor.

**Staging of High Order.**

The staging of "Hoffman" was above reproach. All of the Manhattan operas have been produced lavishly, and much credit is due to Mr. Engel, the stage manager, for his arrangement of the settings and the groupings, which are always in excellent taste. The Venetian scene last evening was especially beautiful. The costumes, too, are fresh and attractive.

This evening Mlle. Trentini will appear as Maria in Donizetti's "The Daughter of the Regiment," supported by Mr. McCormack and M. Gilbert, the opera to be followed by "Pagliacci," with Sammarco as Tonio. M. Zerola, who has not yet been heard during his engagement, will be the Canio. Mlle. Tetrazzini has announced that at the request of President Taft she will interpolate in "The Daughter of the Regiment" either the "Mignon" polka or the "Mignon" waltz.

The cast of "Les Contes d'Hoffman":  
THE TALES OF HOFFMAN  
(In French)  
Paraphrase Opera in Four Acts, by J. Offenbach.  
Gullietta, Olympia, Antonia.....Mlle. Trentini  
Niclausse and A. Volo.....M. Dalmores  
Coppellus.....M. McCormack  
Dappertutto.....M. Gilbert  
Miracle.....M. Zerola  
Lutter, Schlemihl.....M. de Gracia  
Cochetille.....M. Leroux  
Fanni.....M. Sammarco  
Hermann.....M. Sammarco  
Nathaniel.....M. Zerola  
Luther.....M. Zerola  
Musical director, M. Carlo Nicotri.  
Stage director, M. Jacques Gelin.

**SYNOPSIS OF SCENERY.**  
Act I.—The town of Master Luther.  
Act II.—Olympia.  
Act III.—Venice.  
Act IV.—Scene I.—Munch (in Gullietta's house).  
Scene 2.—Same as Act I.

### GIFFORD PINCHOT TO STAY IN FIGHT

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limitation in time and proper compensation to the public in grants for water power, was endorsed.

**Comprehensive Scheme.**

"In a word, the report of the commission and message, taken together, set forth a comprehensive, definite scheme for the conservation of our natural resources, and included the essential details of all the best that has been proposed since they appeared. We were ready to move forward."

"At this critical period, when the goal was in sight, enemies of conservation in the House of Representatives were endeavoring to appropriate with which to pursue the work, but attempted to forbid its progress by the Tawney amendment to the last sundry civil bill. Thereupon the work of the National Conservation Commission was stopped."

"The recommendations of the commission still wait for action. All who men will agree that the situation is serious. The Tawney amendment was more than a mistake—it was a deliberate betrayal of the future. The dangers which confront the conservation movement to-day must be met by positive action in Congress."

**Up to Congress.**

"No action will be equivalent to bad action, and will have the same results. Unless Congress acts the water powers will pass into the hands of special interests without charge and without limit of time. So with the phosphate deposits on public lands, when the withdrawals which now protect them are removed. So with the enormously valuable coal deposits in Alaska, which the present law would sell for \$10 per acre."

"The danger of bad legislation is no less serious. The special interests must no longer be allowed to take what they choose out of the great property of all the people. Those who steal public lands steal homes from men and women who need them. Congress can stop the pillage, or Congress can let it go on."

**May Yet Fail.**

"In the absence of proper action two great conservation plans for the public welfare may fail. The first is the control of water powers on navigable streams in the public interest. The second is the construction of the deep waterway from the Great Lakes to the Gulf."

"The unanimous opinion of the Mississippi Valley recognizes this waterway as a commercial necessity. It believes, with reason, that the cost, which is already officially known, will be trivial when compared with the benefits conferred. Transportation facilities create traffic. The failure to develop our waterways, together with adequate terminals and connections by rail, leaves to the railroads a complete monopoly of transportation in the Mississippi Valley."

"The conservation of natural resources and the conservation of popular government are both at stake. The one needs the other, and the other needs the one. It is the duty of every man of good will to make known without delay to his representatives in the House and Senate his firm intention to hold them responsible for safeguarding the rights and property of the people. The remedy lies there."

**Immediate Danger.**

"The first great immediate danger is that the waterpowers will be lost; the second that the coal lands will be lost."

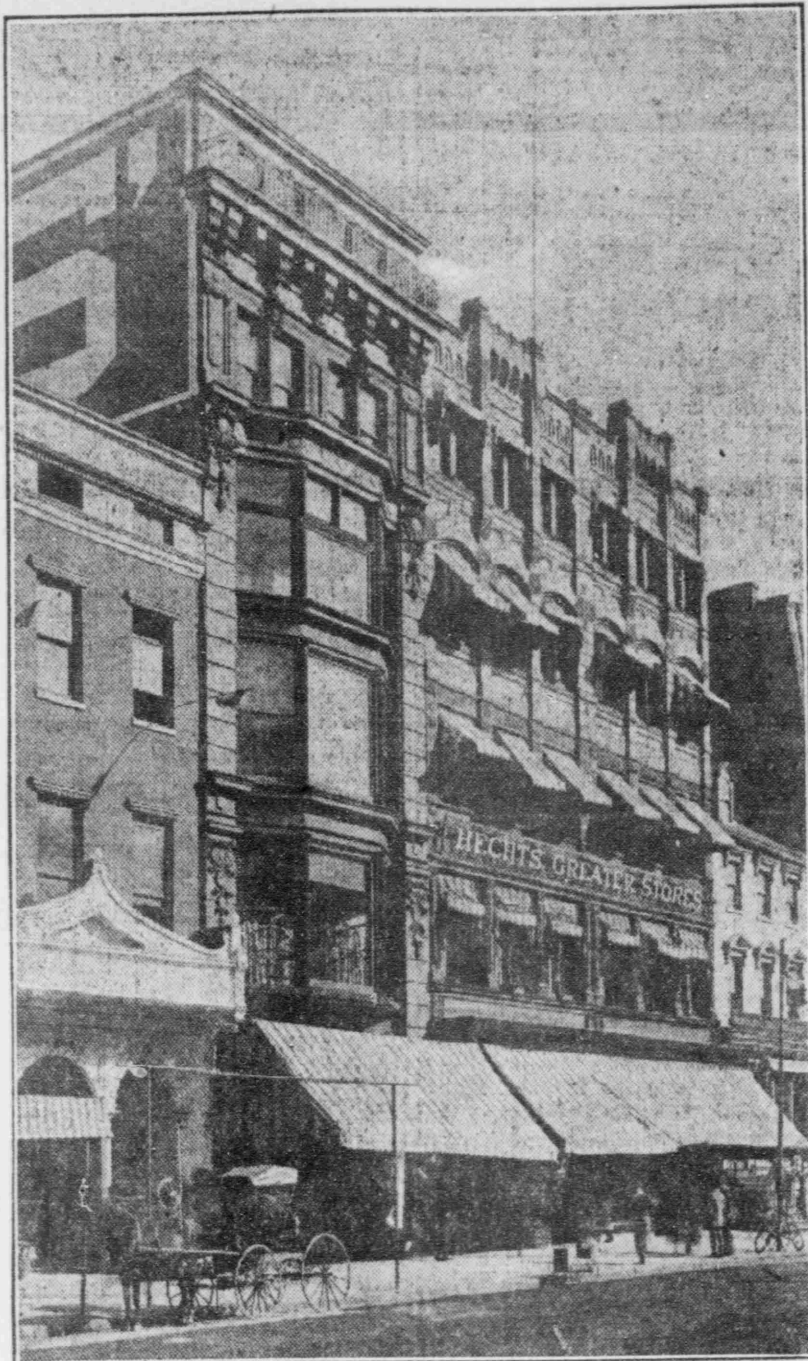
"But these specific dangers of public loss are merely parts of the great issue between the special interests and the rest of us. That issue is whether this country shall be managed by men for human welfare, or by money for profit."

"It is a tremendous moral issue, far greater than any man's personal feelings or personal fortunes. It lies between the people and their representatives on one side, and the interests and their representatives on the other; between progress and reaction; between special privilege and the welfare of the plain people. It is time to act."

**Sunday School Reception.**

There will be a reception of members of the Sunday school who have joined since October 3, 1909, at McKendree M. E. Church to-night. Forty-nine members will be welcomed by the superintendent and pastor. After religious exercises, Leon Malsen will play a violin solo, Horace Naylor will recite, the E. L. Hubbard class quartet will sing, and Gilbert M. Eisenman will read.

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Years ago, when the Hecht stores inaugurated the custom of a semi-annual clearance and called it the "clean sweep," the hearty indorsement of the people gave the event a place in the annals of Washington merchandising held by no other occasion of the kind in the history of the city.

Washingtonians are more or less familiar with the sales of various kinds and for various pretenses.

It is said that no other store at any time places its entire stock in a forced clearance at prices which admit of no profit whatever; but in this sale prices in nearly every instance are substantially below cost.

As stated by a member of this well-known firm yesterday, these "clean sweep" sales are arranged, not for the purpose of profit-making, but in order to clear out stocks prior to stock-taking, when every effort is made to have the lines at their lowest level. And the feature which commends them to the well-informed shopper is that they are not timed for the end of the season, when the need for the goods has practically passed, but always occur at the height of the season, when the demand and need are greatest.

The January "clean sweep" sale at the Hecht stores will begin this morning, and the firm states that never before have the attractions been so great or the underpricing so decisive. Every department and every line has its full share in the clearance selling, and the price reductions will undoubtedly create the biggest kind of a sensation.

Of course, the Hecht stores will gladly open an account, whether purchases are large or small, and payment can be made in such sums and at such dates as will be entirely convenient. That this plan has proved immensely attractive is shown by the fact that over 40,000 accounts have been opened by the house, and the number is constantly increasing.

The details of the "clean sweep" sale will be found on page 3 of today's Washington Herald.

## BREAD LINE INCREASED.

**Gospel Mission Makes Appeal for Cast-off Clothing.**

Men in need of shoes and undergarments were driven to shelter last night, their refuge being the Gospel Mission, in Pennsylvania avenue. Sup. H. W. Kline makes a plea for charitable disposed persons to donate cast-off clothing, for which there is a continued demand throughout the winter season.

During the last week approximately 1,200 men have fled by the mission larder mornings at 6 o'clock in the bread line. Each of these men has been provided with a quarter loaf of bread and a pint of hot coffee. Physical needs being satisfied, the men who comprise the bread line file into the main hall of the mission, where a short gospel service is held, the leader each time being one of the converts of the mission.

Sup. Kline, who desires also to make an appeal for funds to supply the needs of the bread line, states that \$2 will feed 100 men. Donations may be sent either to him or to Treasurer H. D. Gordon.

## QUEERLESS CHINAMAN WEDS.

**Henry Hom Takes German-American Girl for Wife.**

Henry Hom, a queerless Chinaman, of Baltimore, and Carrie Ecker, a German-American girl of the same city, were married yesterday afternoon by Rev. J. B. McLaughlin at his office.

Upon making application for the marriage license the Chinaman, who was accompanied by his bride-to-be, stated they both lived in Washington. Later the girl admitted they were from Baltimore, where they lived on Belair road. Hom, who until recently conducted a laundry in Baltimore, gave his age as twenty-nine and that of the young woman as eighteen. Following the ceremony, the couple left immediately for Baltimore, and will live with Mrs. Hom's mother.

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## FOOD PROBE ORDERED

Representative Moore Ready for Investigation.

SMITH APPOINTS COMMITTEE

Board Will Begin Hearings Early Next Week to Place Blame for Increased Cost of Living in the District—May Have Nationwide Effect. Plans Laid—List of Witnesses.

The first step in the investigation by Congress of the high and increasing cost of the necessities of life was taken yesterday, when Chairman Smith, of the House Committee on the District, appointed a committee of seven members to tackle the subject, with particular reference to the National Capital.

The committee consists of Representatives Moore, of Pennsylvania; chairman; Pearre, of Maryland; Wiley, of New Jersey; Coudrey, of Missouri; Johnson, of Kentucky; Rothwell, of Pennsylvania; and Cox, of Ohio.

**Based on Bill.**

The basis of the inquiry will be the bill introduced by Representative Moore, providing for the investigation of the cost of living in the District for a longer period than six months.

The hearing will begin next Monday or Tuesday, and will continue until the committee is satisfied it can place the blame for the present evil.

Representative Smith explained that in selecting the committee he had chosen members representing the different sections of the Union.

He has been of the opinion for several weeks that the investigation, which has attracted nationwide attention, should be begun in Washington, inasmuch as the findings of the committee will have an excellent moral effect on the rest of the country.

Representative J. Hampton Moore said last evening he intended to get his committee together at the earliest possible moment, to outline the plan of procedure.

**List of Witnesses.**

"We intend to make up a list of those officials and merchants upon whom we will call as witnesses," said Mr. Moore. "Until we have complete details and definite information on which to base intelligent and remedial recommendations, the committee will not stop the hearings."

"I have given much time and study to this question, and I have in common with many of my colleagues, arrived at the conclusion that the increased cost of living is one of the most momentous problems of the present and the future."

**Democracy's View.**

Representative Lloyd, of Missouri, chairman of the Democratic Congressional Committee, gave out the following:

"The cost of living has increased so rapidly since the adjournment of the extra session of Congress that the whole country's attention is called to the evil effects of the present tariff law."

"The extraordinary amount of theft and defalcation that is found in official places has alarmed the people and the attempt of the administration to conceal information as to the extent of it, and to avoid all investigation excepting such as the administration desires, brings a blush of shame to the average American citizen."

"Why should not the representatives of the American people see the books and make an investigation so as to bring to light the full extent of official wrongdoing?"

"I have no doubt that the coming election will be a determined rebuke against Republican policies. The extravagance of the recent past, and the present depleted Treasury is the cause of great solicitation on the part of the people. A working Treasury balance reduced from \$25,000,000 to less than \$80,000,000 in three years, and at a time of profound peace, is enough to cause every American patriot to call a halt and demand retrenchment in public expenditures."

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## HOUSE IS READY TO CHANGE DATE

Will Set Inaugural for Last Thursday in April.

RESOLUTION MAY PASS TO-DAY

Measure Reported by the Judiciary Committee Would Have Been Adopted Yesterday, but for Objection of Representative Gaines—Bennet and Olmsted Offer Amendments.

Unless unforeseen opposition develops, the House will to-day pass a joint resolution changing the date of the inauguration from March 4 to the last Thursday in April.

The measure authorizing this amendment to the Constitution would have been speedily adopted yesterday afternoon, had not Representative Gaines, of West Virginia, interposed an objection, and pointed out a defect in the resolution.

**Elimination of Error.**

Following his speech of explanation two amendments designed to eliminate all chance of error were submitted by Representatives Bennett and Olmsted, and adjournment was taken with the understanding that the resolution reported from the Committee on the Judiciary would be called up for passage this afternoon.

Mr. Gaines, who is chairman of the Committee on the Election of the President, Vice President, and Members of Congress, has under consideration a measure similar to the one called up yesterday and he intimated that the committee of which Representative Parker is chairman had in its anxiety to report a suitable measure failed to give due consideration to the subject.

"It would be a piece of folly for the House to pass the pending resolution," said the West Virginian. "It falls into a specific section of Article XII of the Constitution."

Judging from the sentiment expressed in several speeches, and from the repeated calls for a vote, little difficulty will be experienced in adopting the resolution.

**Urged Its Adoption.**

Representative Henry, of Texas, who introduced the measure on which the resolution reported from the Judiciary Committee is based, urged the adoption of the bill, and said no argument was needed to impress upon the House the necessity for a change.

"We have all concluded that March 4 has proven a disastrous failure, and such a change as is now proposed would not only save undue loss of life, but would give Congress an additional two months at its short session. History tells us that Washington's length of service was two months short of the four-year term. This measure will allow the present President to serve the two months that were taken from the first Chief Executive."

"It is a well-known fact that the Congress that expires every two years on the fourth day of March is rushed and legislative business is hurried in a disgraceful manner. I feel sure this resolution will be ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the States and if enacted now the States will have three years in which to approve it."

**Parker Wanted Action.**

Representative Parker, who called the bill up yesterday at the request of a number of members, voiced a plea that it be adopted.

He was borne out in his arguments by Representative Keifer, who dwelt on the fact that this was the first time a resolution changing the date of inauguration had been unanimously reported by the Judiciary Committee.

Senators and Representatives generally are of the opinion that the outlook is bright for the passage of the resolution at this session.

## ARMY AND NAVY.

**Army Orders.**

Leave of absence for ten days, to take effect upon the completion of his examination for promotion, is granted First Lieut. GEORGE B. SHARON, Third Infantry.

Leave of absence for one month is granted Capt. ARTHUR L. FULLER, Coast Artillery Corps.

Leave of absence for three months is granted Capt. LEWIS H. SAND, Corps of Engineers.

Leave of absence for twenty days, to take effect on or about January 15, with permission to be used in the Philippines, is granted Capt. WALDRON, Corps of Engineers.

So much of paragraph 3, special orders, as relates to Capt. LIVINGSTON HOLBROOK, commissary, is amended to direct Capt. HOLBROOK, upon the completion of duty at Fort Sheridan, to return to proper station via St. Louis, for consultation.

By direction of the President, First Lieut. DANIEL E. SHERAN, Sixteenth Infantry, is dropped from the rolls of the army for desertion.

So much of paragraph 6, special orders, as directs Capt. WILLARD D. NEWELL, commissary, to proceed, on January 22, to join the battery to which he may be assigned by the commanding officer, Third Field Artillery, is amended to direct Capt. NEWELL to remain on duty as assistant until March 1, or until the completion of the duty assigned.

So much of paragraph 3, special orders, as directs Capt. LOUIS B. BALL, Sixth Cavalry, to join a station assigned to him by the commanding general, Department of the Columbia, and then join his troop, is amended to direct him to proceed to Fort Des Moines, Iowa.

**Naval Orders.**

The following orders have been issued: Commanding W. W. GILMER, detached command (Casting) to home and wait orders.

Commander D. F. BOYD, detached command (Casting) to command Preston.

Lieut. Commander G. C. DAY, detached command (Preston) to command Smith, and as commander of the Seventh division, United States Atlantic Fleet.

Lieut. Commander E. McCauley, Jr., detached command (Casting) to home and wait orders.

Lieut. D. C. BINGHAM, detached duty command (Casting) to duty command (Casting) and duty as commander of the Third submarine division, United States Atlantic Fleet.

Lieut. A. H. HILL, detached command Grayling; to command Smith.

Lieut. R. A. KOCK, detached duty; to command (Casting).

Lieut. J. GRADY, detached North Carolina; to Dixie, as executive and navigating officer.

Lieut. F. V. MCNAIR, detached command Bonita; to command Smith, and as commander of the Seventh division, United States Atlantic Fleet.

Ensign S. DANENHOWER, detached command (Casting) to home and wait orders.

Ensign E. B. ARMSTRONG, detached command (Casting) to duty as executive and navigating officer.

Ensign A. K. ATKINS, to South Carolina, and on board when in commission.

Ensign C. H. SHAW, to duty North Carolina.

**LOCAL BRIEFS.**

Indoor concerts by the Soldiers' Home Band will be a regular feature at the Home the rest of the winter, on Friday evenings. The first will be held to-night at 7:30 o'clock.

Partial arrangements for the annual meeting of the Audubon Society of the District of Columbia were made at a meeting of the executive committee at the home of the president, Judge Barnard, on Wednesday.

Walter A. Johnston has been appointed by Justice Barnard, receiver of the National Bank of Commerce, of 212 L Street northwest. The appointment is based upon the petition of Morris J. Doeberner, a creditor.

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**QUESTION OF LEGALITY.**

Some Attorneys Assert Judge Kimball's Decisions Are Valid.

Some of the lawyers yesterday found a source of argument in considering the validity of decisions given in Police Court by Judge Kimball, inasmuch as his commission as judge expired on January 12 at midnight.

Among the attorneys were those who contended that Judge Kimball has no legal right to continue to try cases, and that consequently decisions he hands down, until he is reappointed or until some one is appointed in his place, will be null and void. It was rumored the question of legality would be raised by members of the District bar.

**MEXICAN AVIATOR TRIUMPHS.**

Mexico City, Jan. 12.—Alfred Brannif, the wealthy Mexican aviator, made a successful flight in his biplane on the plains near Lake Texcoco to-day, ascending twenty-five feet, and encircling the course several times at that elevation. In his first flight, owing to the rarity of the atmosphere, he could take his machine safely no higher than fifteen feet.

He is the only man who has ever operated an aeroplane at this altitude, a little over 7,500 feet above the sea level.

**Injunction on Coal Separator.**

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Jan. 12.—Judge Archibald, of the United States court, has signed a final decree, and a perpetual injunction was issued to-day in the suit of The Anthracite Separator Company against James P. Pollock, of Brooklyn.

The case involved infringements on three of a series of coal separator patents issued to Frank Pardee.

## AMUSEMENTS.

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