

IN THE FRONT ROW

HEADLINERS TONIGHT

Musical Comedy. Hippodrome—Hotel de Royal Grand. For the Love of Mike Photoplays. Nelson—Son of Democracy Dixie—Princess Virtue Princess—Secret of Storm Country

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

Nelson—Fox comedy and Holmes Travelogue. Hippodrome—"The Lost Express" (screen). Dixie—Charlie Chaplin. Princess—Hearst-Pathé News.

HARVEY A. MARCH knows the continent over in theatrical circles as "Doc" March, hails from Canton, Ohio. His Musical Merry Makers are at the Grand this week upholding "Doc's" reputation as a showman of the first division. Doctor March likes politics as well as the show game, and has been a conspicuous figure at all Republican National conventions since he has been of voting age.

We first met "Doc" at the convention in Philadelphia which nominated Theodore Roosevelt for Vice President. While in the lobby of the old Walton Hotel Mr. March invited us over to the cigar counter to have a smoke. Just fresh from an inland country town, we had not yet acquired the vice of smoking "luxurious" cigars. "Doc" threw down a dollar bill, saying to the clerk: "Give us a couple of smokes." I leaned over the cigar case in a sophisticated fashion and called for "a good five-cent perfect." The clerk snickered and replied: "You can't get a five-cent cigar here." Before I could recover from my embarrassment Mr. March's wit had asserted itself, and he jovially remarked: "Oh, yes you can get them here, but not for five cents."

New Bill at Hippodrome. A change of program at the Hippodrome today will bring to the boards a brand new line of comedy, songs and an elaborate display of wardrobe and scenery. The "Submarine Girls" have been drawing pleased crowds all this week despite the fact that they were unfortunate to offer a bill that had been worked high unto death at this theatre. Individually and collectively the members of the company are qualified to give a faultless interpretation of the new comedy called "Hotel de Royal" and general all-round satisfaction is assured. There are some comedy bits in the new program that are declared "positive screams," and with a vein of wholesome humor running through the plot of the play there apparently will be plenty of material to dispel the severest case of "peeviness."

On the screen comes the fourth chapter of the thrilling Helen Holmes serial, "The Lost Express." It is called "The Oil Well Conspiracy." Valquez, the diplomatic crook, orders Helen, unconscious, she having been brought there from the wreck, removed at once. This excites the curiosity of Detective Murphy, who sees in Valquez's anxiety possible explanation of the mystery of "The Lost Express." Helen has traced "Harelip" to a lonely cabin where the missing part of the Thurston patent is hidden. Then it is discovered that "The Leech," "The Hare" and "The Baron," have found duplicates of the Thurston key plan and that they have been paid \$100,000 for it by Valquez. Pitts is revealed as "Harelip."

"Merry Makers" Again Score Big. June Mullin and Ruth Wheeler carried away the singing honors of the feminine portion of the cast which yesterday appeared at the Grand in "My Best Girl." In a duet with Don Macmillan Miss Mullin was vociferously cheered in the song number "I Do Like Your Eyes," and again in a selection by herself scored a pronounced hit, and later with Mrs. Macmillan again proved a delightful somebody in "A Cottage in the Country." Miss Wheeler is a vivacious sourette with eyes that won't behave and gestures that add to the "raggy" musical numbers in which she appears several times assisted by the excellent chorus. Al Warner figured in nearly all the musical numbers in which male voices

were included and at such response since gained in popularity. "Bell" of the "Light House" required several responses by J. Warren Lawler who has a voice that is rich in quality and the number was admirably suited. The comedy of the piece is rollicking, and the irrepressible Macmillan could not be overshadowed by the various other members of the cast who introduced witty lines and played important parts.

There is no disguising the fact that Mr. March's company is proving a revelation to local theatre patrons who are not familiar with the fact that such a good show were possible at so small a price. The chorus work was splendid and the runway out to the audience was frequently used. "My Best Girl" is a military satire with just enough plot to give continuity to the fun and it is given with patriotic numbers beautifully arranged and faultlessly rendered.

The scenic environments were in keeping with the whole production. "For the Love of Mike" is the offering today. Chapin Picture at Nelson. Benjamin Chapin's series, "The Son of Democracy," one of which is at the Nelson theatre today, has met with immediate success. The stories, presented by Paramount, are humorous, pathetic and full of adventure. Mr. Chapin's portrayal of Lincoln is remarkable. That he does look like Lincoln is proved by the fact that window cards, being distributed nationally, bearing pictures of Wilson, Lincoln and Washington, actually show a picture of Mr. Chapin instead of Abraham Lincoln. The man who made the card used the Chapin photograph because, he explained, "it looks more like Lincoln than any picture of Lincoln I could find."

Added to this feature today is a Fox comedy and the famed Holmes Travelogue. The latter shows views of "Yellowstone Park" and the photography and manner of presentation are a positive delight. "Princess Virtue" Elaborately Set. Mae Murray's first flight on the wings of Bluebird has the appearance of being a very expensive proposition. She has been given a production lavishly staged and her gowns, one for every scene, are gorgeous creations, even if a little extreme for the drawing rooms, ball rooms and boudoirs of real life. As a fashion show for extremists, "Princess Virtue" (at the Dixie today) can be said to have few competitors among recent productions.

"Princess Virtue" has a story that would be thoroughly interesting were it allowed to predominate. It follows the career of an American girl who is being reared in Parisian society. It is a fast set (but the producers make them travel slowly), and in it are various men angling for the girl's attention. After some rather hectic incidents, including duels, testings of faithfulness and fistfight encounters, this aggravatingly insincere young woman chooses a handsome native of her own country for her husband. He is visiting Paris at the request of the girl's guardian to look into the matter of her ward's nickname of Princess Virtue.

Miss Murray and a capable company in support thoroughly interpret the story whenever it pops up amid the gorgeous settings and costumes. Norma Talmadge at Princess. A story of mother love is the theme of "The Secret of the Storm Country" which is scheduled at the Princess for

today and tomorrow. Norma Talmadge is cast in the leading role and her interpretation of the emotions which accompany the pining of widowhood against motherhood possess quality sufficient to apprise the most exacting of lovers of emotional dramas.

"CLOSE-UPS"

Izetta, who is with Pepple & Greenwald's "All Girl Revue," has heard from Harry F. Rose, her husband, who has been getting out a show paper called "Vaudeville" in Chicago which announces that he will suspend his paper as he goes to war March 29. Izetta expects a visit from him at Uniontown, Pa., or Gratton, W. Va. Mr. Rose is in the draft and has been expecting to get started for some time.

Norman Friedenwald's "My Honolulu Girl" company, which recently appeared at the Hippodrome and breaking the company's own record of the previous season, is now playing other dates in this section, being at Keyser today. The show is doing a remarkable business everywhere and is getting enthusiastic praise from the newspapers as well as house managers.

Verna Elliott, a conspicuous member of the Merry Makers' chorus at the Grand is the Uniphone's only rival in volume of sound, but she completely outtrials that "bell-collared" in quality of tone, for she possesses a rich contralto voice that has had audiences literally by the ears all week. In private life Miss Elliott is Mrs. Lew Pietel. Her husband is now "over there," having left for the battlefield less than two weeks ago. Mrs. Pietel visited her husband at Charlotte, N. C., where he had been stationed previous to his departure for France. When wife bids her husband good-bye neither one had the slightest idea that Mr. Pietel would be "called" so soon, and it was in the nature of a surprise when "Miss Elliott" rejoined her company to receive word that he had "gone."

"The Time of His Life," a comedy, will be given by the Junior Class at the High school auditorium tomorrow night at 8 o'clock.

Old Stages First Warder Held For Pistol Toting

Jesse Morris, of the First ward, has been prosecuted before Justice Conaway for pistol toting. He was arrested late yesterday afternoon. Bail has been entered for a hearing on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. Attorney E. R. Bell represents Morris.

MRS. MARY A. BOYLES BURIED. The funeral of Mrs. Mary A. Boyles, widow of John Boyles, whose death occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fred Kerns on Murray avenue, Bellview, on Sunday morning, took place this afternoon at two o'clock from the residence, and interment was made in the Jones cemetery by Undertaker Musgrave and Son, Rev. Clarence D. Mitchell, pastor of the Central Christian church, conducted the funeral services.

BURIED AT HOLY CROSS. The body of Robert Michael, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Rynd, whose death occurred yesterday morning at the home of his parents at Huntington, was brought here this afternoon and interred in Holy Cross cemetery by Undertaker R. C. Jones.

VERDICT OF GUILTY AGAINST M. JONES

Charged With Having Robbed Isadore Zaslaff, a Clothing Salesman.

Last night at 6:15 the jury in the case of the State vs. Manuel Jones indicted for robbing Isadore Zaslaff, returned a verdict of guilty or robbing the complaining witness on the highway without a revolver. Twice the jury came into court to ask instructions before they arrived at their verdict. First they wanted to hear Judge Haymond's charge and secondly they came into court for the purpose of ascertaining whether they could find the young man guilty of holding up Zaslaff without having a revolver. The jury apparently did not want to send the young man to the penitentiary any longer than necessary. The charge of robbing on the highway without a revolver carries with it a five year sentence in the penitentiary.

When the jury was polled and the verdict given, Attorney E. R. Bell, representing Jones, made a motion to set aside the verdict and asked for a new trial. This will be argued later.

Attorney Musgrave in his remarks to the jury argued that the Joneses set the date by the illness of Manuel's mother. He picked flaws in the evidence of the State. He urged acquittal for the young man.

In his address to the jury Attorney Bell attacked Zaslaff's description of

"A SPLENDID TONIC"

Says Hixson Lady Who, On Doctor's Advice, Took Cardui And Is Now Well.

Hixson, Tenn.—"About 10 years ago I was..." says Mrs. J. B. Gadd, of this place. "I suffered with a pain in my left side, could not sleep at night with this pain, always in the left side..."

My doctor told me to use Cardui. I took one bottle, which helped me and after my baby came, I was stronger and better, but the pain was still there. I at first let it go, but began to get weak and in a run-down condition, so I decided to try some more Cardui, which I did.

This last Cardui which I took made me much better. In fact, cured me. I have been a number of years, still I have no return of this trouble. I feel it was Cardui that cured me, and I recommend it as a splendid female tonic.

Don't allow yourself to become weak and run-down from womanly troubles. Take Cardui. It should surely help you, as it has so many thousands of other women in the past 40 years. Headache, backache, sideache, nervousness, sleeplessness, tired-out feeling, are all signs of womanly troubles. Other women get relief by taking Cardui. Why not you? All druggists. NC-132

the highwayman. He contended that Zaslaff testified that both highwaymen were smooth-shaven and that one of the highwaymen had dark brown eyes and wore a brown suit. Attorney Bell asked how it was possible for Zaslaff to make such a minute description on a dark night. Attorney Bell attacked the State's contentions especially that in reference to identification of the highwaymen. The prosecuting attorney urged conviction and the case went to the jury at 4 o'clock.

At 5:30 o'clock the jury came into court and asked the court to again hear Judge Haymond's instructions. L. G. Holbert, the circuit court stenographer, read his stenographic notes. After the trial Judge Haymond told the jurors in the case that owing to the similarity of the facts that none of the same jurors could serve in the case against Jones' brother, Harry, who will be tried today.

Both men are charged with being implicated in the same offense. The evidence in both cases will probably interweave. Due to this fact Judge Haymond said, "gentlemen do any of you desire to be excused for this term of court?" Immediately a few signified their willingness to decamp and within the next moment the entire twelve said they wanted to go. Judge Haymond then dismissed them from jury service for the remainder of the March term. Court adjourned until this morning, after which the jurymen on the Jones case presented their bills to the clerk.

CROUP Spasmodic croup is usually relieved with one application of VICKS VAPORUB

HIPP Home of Tablets 3 SHOWS DAILY Matinees at 2:45, 15c; Nights at 7:45 and 9:00, 15c and 25c.

Change of Program Today SUBMARINE GIRLS Offer HOTEL de ROYAL Specialty Acts — Good Comedy Active Chorus — Good Singing On the Screen 4th Episode

THE LOST EXPRESS Don't miss the big added feature Nights Girls' Nail Driving Contest and Amateur Night

Mrs. Helen Meredith Is Buried Today

Funeral services over the body of Mrs. Helen Layman Meredith, wife of W. F. Meredith, whose death occurred in St. Mary's hospital in Clarksburg early yesterday morning were held this afternoon at two o'clock from the Highland Avenue Methodist Episcopal church. The body arrived here last evening on the six o'clock interurban car and was taken to the home of F. J. Smith and this afternoon was removed to the Highland Avenue church where services were held. Following the services the body was interred in the Jones cemetery by Undertaker Eli Musgrave and Son.

Grocery Company Appraises Report

Clyde Morris, C. R. Hawkins and C. V. Fear, appraisers of the Fairmont Co-operative Association, insolvent debtors, was filed in the office of the county clerk into yesterday afternoon. It shows that the total merchandise stock in trade amounted to \$1,733.17. The total accounts considered as collectable are \$478.32, while those considered bad amount to \$1,762.28. The accounts considered doubtful amount to \$1.39. The total bank balance and cash on hand according to the report, is \$127.13.



THIS IS A WOMAN'S WAR AS WELL AS A MAN'S WAR

In every country at war women are performing the work of men in many occupations. They will sometimes do the heavier work for which they are supposed to be unfitted. It all depends on a woman's health and condition. If a woman is weak, tired and listless all the time, due to the weaknesses or diseases of womanhood, it will be impossible for her to take her place among the brave American women who are rendering aid in every way to the men at the front. This is the proper time for every woman to "put her house in order" and to gain in strength and energy. A strong, healthy woman can be obtained and her condition improved by taking a well-known herbal tonic which has had a thorough test in the past fifty years. Such is Dr. Pierce's Female...

At THE NELSON Today MY FATHER A rattling good story centered around an effort of an unscrupulous farmer to take advantage of Tom Lincoln's inability to read. The boy Abe, who can read, discovers the sharp practice, and tells his father who trounces the farmer in a rousing fashion. Tom Lincoln who had discouraged Abe's efforts to learn to read at last realizes the value of education. HUNGRY LIONS IN A HOSPITAL A two reel Fox drama full of humor and catchy scenes. WONDERS OF THE YELLOWSTONE A Holmes travel story of the most famous park in the United States. TOMORROW William S Hart in "The Narrow Trail."

PUBLIC SALE I will sell at public sale or outcry at my farm on Mudlick, two and one-half miles from Shinnston on Friday, March 22 Beginning at 1 o'clock P. M. my dairy herd of registered and high grade Jerseys, consisting of 19 registered cows and six grade cows, also one Durham cow. This herd has been carefully selected from the best herds in the surrounding country and all are A1 animals. Terms made known on day of sale. Benjamin Anderson Shinnston, W. Va.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE The Big House Next to the Postoffice. MARCH'S MERRY MAKERS TODAY MATINEE & NIGHT All for Fun—Fun for All For the Love of Mike 30 1/2 People in the cast. The most beautiful made of its kind in America. 30 1/2 500 SEATS AT 15c 400 SEATS AT 25c 200 SEATS AT 35c 350 SEATS AT 50c CURTAIN-NIGHTS, 8:00—MATINEE, 2:30. DON'T FORGET BUSTER BROWN SATURDAY MATINEE FOR THE KIDS OF 4 AND 94.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS.—(ALEK IS A BETTER COMPROMISER THAN A SHERLOCK!)—BY BLOSSER. GOSH—A WHOLE HUNDRED DOLLARS—THINK OF TH' SODDIES I COULD BUY—GEE! \$100.00 REWARD ANSWERS TO THE NAME OF FRECKLES' MFGOSBY. EIGHT YEARS OLD SHORT AND STUBBY AND HAS HABIT OF TWISTING HIS HAIR. —JIM CRICKETS! GEE—THAT'S FRECKLES' CAP!! WHY THAT'S ONLY HIS CAP—THE REWARD IS FOR FINDING FRECKLES! WELL, TH' CAP OUGHTA BE WORTH A DIME THEN!

DIXIE A Superb Bluebird Attraction Today AME MURRAY In a special 6 part Bluebird Feature

PRINCESS VIRTUE Louise Winter's widely popular novel of the same name. In this production Mae Murray displays some of the most elaborate and daringly original gowns and dress creations ever shown upon the screen. Also Today Charlie Chaplin in BY THE SEA Tomorrow Tyrone Power and 100 Diving Nymphs in "A Modern Lorelei"