

THE EVENING TIMES AND STAR ST. JOHN, N. B., MONDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1917

# WHAT'S NEW AT THE MOVIES

Here's Wishing You Have Seen  
the Worst of Your Days

**EMPRESS**

The West Side House Mon. and  
Tues.—Xmas Matinee



**Baby Marie  
Osborne**

**"TEARS  
AND SMILES"**

The strongest play the  
little star with the big  
charm has ever had.

This is a society drama with a punch and  
also with comedy and pathos. It will hold  
grown-ups and children alike spell-bound.

Baby Marie Osborne proves her right  
to the title "The Baby Bernhardt."

Pathe Gold Rooster Plays  
Shorten the longest days

PEARL WHITE in "THE FATAL RING"

## PORT NEWS OF THE DAY HOME AND ABROAD

**OCKEY.** Toronto Wins.  
The Toronto professionals under Chak-  
errie defeated Ottawa at the opening  
of the 1917-1918 hockey season with a  
score of 11 to 4. The game was a very  
tense one and both sides showed excep-  
tional skill with the puck.

**Canadiens Victors.**  
In Montreal the Canadiens defeated  
the Wanderers to the tune of 11 to 2.  
Only 1,000 spectators were present.  
For Mederic Martin faced off the  
puck after addressing the players.

**RESTLING.**  
Zbyzbo the Champion.

In New York, Dec. 26—Walter Zby-  
zbo, of Poland, won the world's catch-  
can wrestling championship here last  
night by throwing Ed "Strangler" Lew-  
ing of Lexington (Ky.), in one hour, 41  
minutes and 47 seconds, with a body and  
sore head.

**SEBALL.**  
Alexander Wants \$10,000.

Chicago, Dec. 19—Grover Alexander,  
star pitcher purchased by the Chi-  
go Nationals from Philadelphia, stated  
that he thought \$10,000 would be a  
fair share of the purchase price paid  
Philadelphia, and he thought the latter  
should pay it.  
"I'm not making any threats," said  
Alexander, "but I think the public should  
know the situation. Seven years ago  
Philadelphia paid \$750 for me. They  
paid me for \$50,000. Hard work brought  
out the boom in my stock, and the  
man who did the work ought to get  
some of it."

Alexander said he expected to leave  
his home at St. Paul, Neb., tonight,  
has not yet signed a contract with  
Chicago.

**IE RING.**  
Ten Round No Decision Bout.

Chicago, Dec. 22—Jess Willard today  
won the Willard-Johnson fight picture,  
the ring along with a championship  
title for the Red Cross. He said if the  
management would raise its ban on these  
fights he would donate his share to the  
Red Cross organization.  
Willard also took some of the edge off  
million dollar championship battle  
when he stipulated that the bout he has  
posed must be for ten rounds with no  
suspense. He prefers that it be  
done in one of the Chicago baseball  
parks, but has no objection to some other  
place.  
The champion also suggested that a  
million of five newspaper men should  
set his opponent.

## DEATH OF OMAR KHAYYAM DIES IN ENGLAND

London, Dec. 20—The London Sport-  
Life says: "We are informed that the  
Marzo, who has been infirm for some  
considerable time past, has been de-  
stroyed at the Tilgate Forest Stud Farm,  
Wiley.  
Bred in 1892 by F. Luscombe, Marzo  
is a chestnut colt by Barcaldine-  
diate. He commenced his career by  
winning the Southport T. Y. O. Stakes  
Liverpool in 1894, beating The Rush-  
scope and others, but on the follow-  
ing day he was beaten by Telescope in the  
T. Y. O. Stakes. He was then  
sold to Whittier and Keelson for the  
vital Produce Stakes at York Au-  
tumn meeting, and won a Triennial Pro-  
duce Stakes at Newmarket first Octo-  
ber, beating amongst others, Grey  
and La Sagesse.  
As a three-year-old he ran third to

## Tonight and Xmas at GEM

Hours: 2.30, 7.15, 8.45; Same Prices as Always—  
Afternoons 5c, and 10c; Evenings—10c. Gallery and  
Part of Main Floor; Rest 15c.

### JUNE CAPRICE in "PATSY"

Dainty tale of the Sunshine Maid. Thrills and ad-  
ventures, as well as fun. A fine picture for the holi-  
day. Five reels.

### CROWLEY & BURKE Man and Woman in Singing and Talking Skit, En- titled "Two Bits"—Twelve Minutes of Fun.

### FRED NORMAN as Charlie Chaplin

A hummer of a wind-up to the programme. Norman  
is a dandy juggling comedian. Tomorrow he will  
do his act in dress and imitation of Charlie Chaplin.  
It will be a scream.

**NOTE THIS!**—For an hour before the after-  
noon show, Fred Norman will do Charlie Chap-  
lin stunts in front of the Gem. Now, kiddies, and  
grown-ups, too, come and have some real fun in the  
open.

COMING WED.—Ethel Clayton in "THE BOND-  
AGE OF FEAR."

**GEM THEATRE - Waterloo St.**

## THE UNIQUE

Extends  
to One and All  
Hearty  
Wishes  
for  
A Christmas  
of  
Happiness  
and  
Good Cheer

STRAND  
FUNSTERS

Celebrating the Yuletide Season  
in Sparkling Photoplays!  
ALMOST, But Not the Finish  
of

### "THE FATAL RING"

Pearl White and the other fa-  
vorites in the cast are still kept on  
the qui vive in trying to solve the  
problem of the mystic jewels.  
This Week's Chapter a "Corker"  
A Weekly Feature That Never  
Disappoints

**THE PATHE NEWS**  
A Mighty Interesting Edition  
Some Speedy Holiday Comedy

### "A TWO-CYLINDER ELOPEMENT"

THURS. FRI. SAT.:  
Continuation of "THE SEVEN PEARLS"—Other  
Features

Whittier and Best Man for the March  
Stakes at Newmarket first Spring, and  
then won the Payne Stakes at the sec-  
ond Spring. He was third to Keelson  
and Bentworth in an Ascot Biennial, but  
was not again beaten that season, win-  
ning the Lewes Handicap, a Triennial  
at the first October meeting, the Cam-  
bridgeshire (beating Best Man, Count  
Schomberg and others), and the Free  
Handicap for three-year-olds.  
"As a four-year-old he ran six times,  
but his only success was in a Triennial  
at the first October meeting, when Dingle  
Boy was his only opponent. At five years  
he was again beaten by Telescope in the  
T. Y. O. Stakes. He was then  
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According to the official averages just is-  
sued.  
He won twenty-eight games and lost  
twelve for the low average of 1.63 earned  
runs per game. He pitched in forty-eight  
games altogether, and 346 innings, a  
higher number than any other pitcher in  
the league, and he held his opponents to  
seventy-eight runs, of which fifty-nine  
were earned.  
On top of this he struck out 150 men,  
and in this respect also led all others,  
while he gave only seventy bases on balls  
and made only one wild pitch. Alto-  
gether he established a striking record  
and one which puts him far above Wal-  
ter Johnson, of Washington, for this  
year at least.  
As a matter of fact, Johnson was less  
effective this year than the previous sea-  
son, and stands eighteenth on the list,  
with an average of 2.80 earned runs per  
game. He won twenty-three games and  
lost sixteen.  
Next to Cloutier, Carl Mays of the Bos-  
ton Red Sox, and Eddie Plank, of the  
St. Louis Browns, were the most ef-  
fective of the American League pitchers  
last season, while Stanley Coveleskie, of  
Cleveland, Jim Scott, Urban Faber and  
Eddie Russell of Chicago, were close  
to their heels. All six held opponents to  
less than two earned runs per game.

Speak softly, it is better far  
That angry words be barred.  
Speak softly whosoever you are—  
But keep on thinking hard.  
—Washington Star.

## CICOTTE WAS THE BEST PITCHER

New York, Dec. 21—Eddie Cicotte,  
who did so much to help the Chicago  
White Sox win the American League  
penalty, and the world's champion-  
ship, headed the list of winning pitchers  
in the American League this year, ac-

## THE LYRIC

Dispenses Christmas  
Cheer  
and at the same time offers  
food for much thought to  
every element of the  
world's society.

To You and Yours—The Greetings of The Season

ANNOUNCING

Our Special Holiday Week Attraction, the Startling  
Truth Play of Uplift and Morals

## IDLE WIVES

From the Pen of James Oppenheim

INTRODUCING four types of humanity, setting forth in  
startling reality the reasons for many sins committed  
against society, and the solution for many of the complexing  
problems of life.

IT IS A PICTURE WITHIN A PICTURE CONSTRUCTED  
ALONG NOVEL LINES



Life's Mirror is Held Up to You in "IDLE WIVES"—Dare You Look In?

Matinees.....At 3 O'Clock  
Evening Performances.....7 and 8.45

PRICES:  
Matinees.....10c. and 25c.  
Evenings.....15c. and 25c.

A BIG SPECIAL PRODUCTION.  
SEE IT!

LOIS WEBER, PHILLIPS SMALLEY and MARY McLAREN The Stars

The production makes one feel the supreme neces-sity of appreci-  
ating life—the simple life—the eye of sincerity and truth, as op-  
posed to the hollow masquerade, the hypocrisy in silk and sapphires  
that is so characteristic of the existence of "IDLE WIVES."

COMING—"THE FALL OF THE ROMANOFFS"—The Story of Russia's Downfall

## OPERA HOUSE

## VAUDEVILLE

TONIGHT 7.30 AND 9

NESTOR and VINCENT  
Comedy Variety Offering

IVANHOFF and VARVARA  
A Musical Novelty That is Far Above  
the Average.

LOUIS LONDON  
English Character Comedian

CAPT. POWERS AND CO.  
Ventriloquism de Luxe

VERCE and VERRI  
"A Twentieth Century Elopement"

Eddie Polo in  
"THE GRAY GHOST"

ON CHRISTMAS DAY  
Two Performances—Afternoon at 2 and  
8.30; Evening at 7.30 and 9

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

AT THE MONDAY GAIETY IN FAIRVILLE TUESDAY

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS FEATURE

### "IRIS"

By Sir Arthur Wing Pinero

The greatest play by the greatest  
living playwright, acted by a dis-  
tinguished cast including Henry  
Ainly and Stuart Rome.

### "PATRIA"

The Eleventh Chapter in Two Acts

MATINEE CHRISTMAS DAY

Wed. LITTLE ZOE RAE in "THE CRICKET"

## THE STAR THEATRE

Extends to Its Many Patrons  
Best Wishes For

## A Merry Christmas

### FANS WARN ONE MAGNATE

New York, Dec. 22—The methods of  
friendly finance which are being adopted  
by club owners in the major leagues are  
already causing much unrest among  
baseball fans which will have a serious  
effect on the game next summer. The  
latest blast from the fans comes from  
St. Louis, where they will present a peti-  
tion to President Branch Rickey warn-  
ing him that if he sells Rogers Hornsby  
to the Cubs they will not go near the  
National League Park. It is expected  
that the petition will have more than

\$50,000 names when presented to Rickey.  
In Philadelphia the fans are preparing  
to show their disapproval of the meth-  
ods of both clubs by withdrawing their  
patronage.  
The big offers which are made to ball  
players excite dissatisfaction among the  
clubs and create a lot of bad feeling,  
which often breaks up the harmony of a  
team. This happened a few years ago  
when Manager McGraw of the Giants  
made a big offer for Sherwood Magee of  
the Phillies. When the Phillies refused  
to let Magee come to New York he was  
dissatisfied and he has never played as  
well since. Now he has been uncondi-  
tionally released by the Cincinnati Reds.



## TODAY AND CHRISTMAS IMPERIAL'S BIG SHOW

Jack Plakford and  
Louise Huff in

### "THE GHOST HOUSE"

A Creeping Funny  
Yuletide Comedy  
Drama  
By Boulel Marie Dix

A Great Big Laugh  
for Everybody

### FATTY ARBUCKLE

In  
"His Wife's Mischiefs"  
A Riot of Fun  
ALSO BRITISH GAZETTE

Eva and Adele—Violin and Accordion Duo  
Signor Guarino—Italian Tenor



Enticing Programmes All This Week to Delight Our Holiday  
Crowds.

## TONIGHT and CHRISTMAS DAY

At North End's Popular Picture House

## STAR THEATRE

Just Think of it! The Serial That Has Mystified You for so  
Many Weeks Has Reached Its 14th Chapter.

### "THE NEGLECTED WIFE"

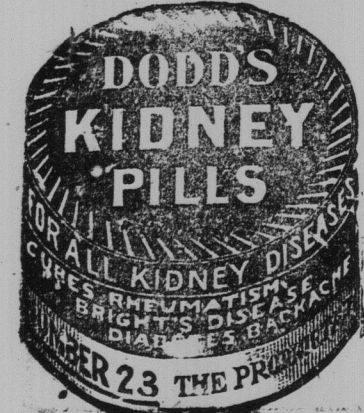
This Week's Episode Entitled  
"DESPERATION"

Does the Poor Wife's Untiring Struggle Become Fruitless?  
Only One More Week—Don't Miss It!

Fox Comedy "HER FATHER'S STATION"

... OTHER REELS ALSO ...

TOMORROW—Afternoon Show 2 and 3.30; Evening Shows  
6.45 and 8.30.  
Admission—Afternoon and Evening: Adults 10c, Children 5c.



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The frequent offers which were made  
for Alexander of the Phillies caused  
friction among the players on the Phila-  
delphia Club and it was partly because  
of this that Baker decided to sell him.  
The fans in Cincinnati now fear that the  
big offers Weeghman has made for  
Groh will cause Heinie to become rest-  
less and want to be shifted where he  
can get more money. It is the same in  
St. Louis. So many big offers have been  
made for Hornsby that this player is be-  
ginning to believe that there are several  
teams which cannot get along without  
him and he will be more persistent than  
ever about forcing his claim for a three-  
year contract at \$10,000 a year.  
The action of the Philadelphia

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