

THE EVENING TIMES AND STAR ST. JOHN, N. B., THURSDAY, JANUARY 3, 1918

# WHAT'S NEW AT THE MOVIES

## OPERA HOUSE

**TONIGHT 7.30 and 9**  
**Afternoons at 2.30**

**Julia Redmond & Company**  
COMEDY SKETCH

**The Belmonts**

**Bennett & Lee**  
SOME TALKERS AND SINGERS

**Two Other Good Acts, and**  
**THE RED ACE**

## VAUDEVILLE

**TONIGHT**  
**PICTURES** 2.30, 7.15, 8.45

**Another New and Gripping Picture**

**GAIL KANE**  
Famed World-Brady Actress in Five-Reel Feature Story

**"PAYING THE PRICE"**  
The Deadly Torpedo of the Submarine Has Part in the Picture

**DONALDSON and GERALDINE**  
Bits of Sage Bush Humor. A Good Specialty.

**BRENNAN and MERLEY**  
Comedy Singing and Talking Act, Bright and Snappy

Coming Saturday—Gladys Rockwell in  
**"HONOR AND OBEY"**

**GEM THEATRE - Waterloo St.**

**THE MYSTERY SOLVED!**  
Final Chapter of the Popular Serial  
**"THE SEVEN PEARLS"**  
The ending is a genuine surprise! Where does the seventh pearl come from?

**"ALONG THE RIVER TANGU"**  
A pretty hand-colored series of photos of the Japanese River.

**"FISHING IN JAPAN"**  
Talk about a catch—and its no fish story either.

**Mon. Tues. Wed.**

**The Fatal Ring**

**And Subjects.**

**Petite Billy Rhodes and Gay Jay Belasco**  
In a Really Phunny Philm

**"A MAID TO ORDER"**  
(Some Class to the Butler, Too)

## SPORT NEWS OF THE DAY HOME AND ABROAD

**BOWLING.**  
City League.  
In the city bowling league on Black's alleys last night the Ramblers defeated the Colts by three points to one. The highest average for the evening was 106.14 and this was bowled by McKel of the Colts who rolled 108, 108 and 103 for the three strings. To night the Ramblers will bowl the Maples.  
The individual scores last night were as follows:

Ramblers—	Total.	Avg.
Betty	99 102 95	98.7-3
Corey	102 96 113	101.8-3
Duffy	98 87 80	88.3-3
Coughlan	97 91 104	97.3-3
Riley	86 90 88	88-3
	477 469 490	143.8

**Colts—**  
Owls

Colts—	Total.	Avg.
Smith	95 85 87	88.6-3
Alley	85 72 88	84.3-3
McKiel	108 108 103	106.3-3
Ramsay	110 84 84	92.3-3
	404 435 429	138.8

**Owls Make Record.**  
The Owls took all four points in their match with the Canaries in the Y. M. C. I. League last evening and incidentally set 1.444 as a record score. Then 807 in the third string was only two pins under the league record. Joseph Kennedy had the highest single string and Richard Cleary the best average. In the last

## HAVE YOU SEEN IT YET? WHAT?

Whatever You Do, See  
**The Fall of The Romanoffs**  
Only Three More Days Left.  
Usual Feature Prices.  
Matinees at 2.30  
Evenings 7.15 and 8.45

**THE FALL OF THE ROMANOFFS**  
AT LYRIC  
The Starting True Story of Russia's Downfall!  
It Cost a Fortune to Make.  
500 PEOPLE! 1,500 SCENES!  
The Doings of Rasputin—One of the Worst Criminals of History!  
Events Pictured as They Really Happened!

## BRILLIANT MATCHES LIVENED GOLF YEAR

Although few Championships Were Held, Play Was of a High Calibre

Huge Sum For Red Cross—Patriotic Tournaments Raised Nearly \$500,000—Evans and Quimble Led Amateurs

New York, Jan. 1.—Golfers of 1917 need fear no comparison with their brothers of the past. Although the season suffered, as was inevitable, from war conditions, still the many followers of the game acquired an even closer tie of "sport for the sport's sake" from this very circumstance and enjoyed immensely whatever stacks they were allowed to make against bunker, sand pit, or other hazards.

Entering the season, golf seemed so stable, so fixed in the recreations of this country, that there appeared to be nothing which could shake the game to its foundations. Plans made during the winter by officials of the different sectional associations and by the national organization indicated so many tournaments that the modest golfer would be kept jumping from one eighteen-hole course to another.

Then the world went wrong! Immediately following the declaration of war by the United States Golf Association cancelled all its annual fixtures. Closely following this decision came one from the big Eastern association abolishing all championship play. Only the Western Golf Association and the Southern held title tournaments this year.

In many quarters the cancellation of championships was deemed unnecessary but subsequent events proved that the fixtures, with all their attractiveness and power to bring out golf of the highest kind, were not the only reason for the existence of the game. The tournaments, which might be spent at a title tournament, golfers began to arrange for exhibition matches from which one or another would receive a benefit. Golfers lost no time proving their patriotism, and their value to the country.

Huge Sum Raised by Golfers.

In this respect it can be said that no other sport has contributed so much to the sum of money for Red Cross and other war societies as has golf. Through the U. S. G. A. more than \$750,000 was raised in one day of tournaments throughout the land.

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## Imperial Theatre Today!

**NORMA TALMADGE**  
In the Lewis J. Selznick Production  
Six Reels **"THE MOTH"** Six Reels  
A Society Play With a Lesson

**Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Drew in**  
Another of Their Polite Comedies

## BRITISH GOVT. OFFICIAL WEEKLY

**Willis Flanagan | Page & Dorrell**  
Tenor Robusto | Soprano-Contralto

## SPLENDID ORCHESTRAL CONCERTS

## North Ends Home of Leading Serial Stories

## STAR THEATRE TOMORROW

THE FIRST CHAPTER OF THE GREATEST SERIAL WE HAVE EVER SHOWN

## THE FATAL RING

FEATURING THE MOST FEARLESS OF ALL MOVIE STARS  
**PEARL WHITE**

See the first chapter of "The Fatal Ring" this week. You can depend upon seeing every chapter, as we always finish our serial stories.

## A Great Story For Children Saturday Afternoon

## STARTING TOMORROW NIGHT

## THE PALACE THEATRE

Screen the First Episode of  
**"THE FIGHTING TRAIL"** (Western Serial)

though he did not meet the top notchers, showed great racing qualities.

Thrilling races marked the competition for the leadership of the three-year-olds. Omar Khayyam won, and also declined the handicapper's allotment of even weights with his rival in the Bowline Handicap, in which Omar Khayyam began his racing career earlier and ended later than Hourless. He performed on all kinds of tracks equally well, defeated Hourless in two races out of three, and in scoring eight stake victories to four for Hourless.

Other good three-year-olds which were put in the shade by the brilliancy of Omar Khayyam and Hourless were Cudgel, Westy Hogan, Liberty Loan, Ricketty, and Ticket. Though unable to hold her own when pitted against the sterner sex, A. K. Macomber's imported Sumbonet, by Sumstar-Marian Hood, was easily the queen of the three-year-olds.

Old Rosebud carried off the palm in the aged division and earned the title of miracle horse, because of his remarkable return to form after a long absence from the track. The Finn, last year's champion, broke down early, while Boots, after winning the Suburban and Brookdale Handicaps, was soundly beaten by Old Rosebud, when the pair met at even weights in the Frontier Handicap at Windsor. Old Rosebud won seven out of eight races and earned \$25,000. His only defeat was in the Brooklyn Handicap, in which he ran third to Harry Payne Whitney's Borrow and Regret. Andrew Miller's Roamer won several good races, including the Sartoga Handicap, and finished well up on the list with \$18,800 to his credit. Edward M. Weid's St. Charles replaced his stable companion, Weidshipp, as the king of the steeplechasers.

Interest in the sport was sustained from early spring until late in the fall, many track records were broken, and veterans of the racing world were unable to recall a season in which so many well-fought races had been seen as those which marked the year of 1917.

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## HISTORY WAS MADE BY DUELS ON TURF

Sun Briar, Omar Khayyam and Old Rosebud Aroused Great Interest in Racing

New York, Jan. 1.—Keen struggles for supremacy among two-year-olds and three-year-olds, together with the wonderful rejuvenation of Old Rosebud, which established him as the undoubted leader of the handicap division, made the racing season of 1917 the most interesting of the last decade and one which compares favorably with those in the palm days of the American turf.

On the New York tracks during the spring season the thoroughbreds performed before large crowds, while at Saratoga the daily attendance exceeded that of 1916 and established a record, at least, for recent years.

In Maryland, where racing is conducted under the jurisdiction of the Jockey Club, the sport broke all records both in the class of the horses competing and the number of persons present to see the tests. Maryland also had the credit of organizing and carrying to a successful issue the most sensational contest of modern days—the race between August Belmont's Hourless and Wilfrid Vial's Omar Khayyam—which aroused so much interest that it attracted the largest crowd that had ever attended a track race in that state.

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Practically also made great strides forward by conducting an eleven-day meeting in the fall, in which \$85,000 was paid to the winners. The distinctive feature of this meeting was the first running of the Manly Handicap, a six-furlong race, which added to the importance of this branch of racing, as the purse of \$10,000 and the \$10,000 prize given for a race through the field.

Sun Briar Better Than Papp.

In view of Sun Briar's consistent races and numerous stake victories the crown of the juvenile division must be bestowed on him, though so far as actual racing went the margin between the imported son of Sandringham and George W. Lott's homebred son of Peter Quince, Papp, was very slight. Sun Briar was favored on most of the occasions when these horses met with a track to suit him rather than Papp, and in addition G. W. Lott's horse generally had poor racing luck.

Sun Briar's record is a brilliant one. His only defeat in a big contest was in the Great American Stakes at Aqueduct, while at Saratoga he won four more important races, bringing his total of stake victories up to five and placing him in the position of the largest individual winner of the year, with \$39,250.

In both the Saratoga Special and the Hopeful Stakes, Papp finished behind Sun Briar, being third in the Special and second, beaten a length in the Hopeful. On neither of these occasions did the imported son of Sandringham capture the prize, which would be the liking of those who believe that the son of Peter Quince had shown great form at the Spa, winning the Flash Stakes, Sanford Memorial and United States Hotel Stakes, besides taking second place in the Grab Bag Handicap and Hopeful, and third in the Saratoga Special.

He followed this with a runaway victory in the Futurity at Belmont Park, the race that usually determines the two-year-old title. Sun Briar, however, was not eligible for the Futurity, so the influence on the merits of the pair was negligible.

Papp had one more opportunity to prove his worth in the Breeders' Futurity, and, even though Sun Briar was not a starter, a victory there might have turned the balance in his favor. He failed, however, and ran unplaced to Escoba, a colt which he had defeated handsomely on a sloppy track the Futurity, so the influence on the merits of the pair was negligible.

There are many other two-year-olds with worthy performances. Escoba, a son of Bromstick, owned by Kenneth D. Alexander, had four stake victories, including the Breeders' Futurity, in which he defeated all the leading youngsters except Sun Briar. He was third in the Sanford Memorial and second in the Futurity under adverse track conditions.

A youngster which had a promising career cut short was August Belmont's Lucille, by Trap Rock-Lucky Lass. He was hailed as a champion when he won the Colorado Stakes at Jamaica, and followed this with victories in the Juvenile at Belmont Park and the Youthful at Jamaica. After the Aqueduct meeting he was laid on the shelf by skin disease, while Sun Briar and Papp were acquiring all the glory.

Tippley Wilchey, which won more stake races than any other two-year-old, was in Nigeria, Uganda or Nyasaland.

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