

Pauline Lord Asks Why London Has So Few Plays From U. S.

Actress Playing Title Role In
O'Neill's 'Anna Christie' Says
Foreign Productions are Wel-
come.

London, May 25.—(By Mail).—Miss Pauline Lord, an American actress who has made such a stir by her brilliant performances in Eugene O'Neill's "Anna Christie," at the Strand Theatre, said to William Pollock, of "The London Daily Mail," the other day:

"Why is there so much fuss about the number of imported plays and players on the London stage just now?" "Why, it's nothing to what we always have in the States. There, so long as a play's a good one, we don't care where it comes from. On the contrary, we want it. And as for 'foreign' actors and actresses—well, there are almost as many Britishers acting in our theatres regularly as there are in yours. Before I came away from New York recently there were English players in most of the pieces running. It doesn't seem to me that you can ever say the opposite about London."

"You cannot. There are at the moment thirty-seven London theatres giving stage plays," Mr. Pollock declares. "Less than half these plays come, either wholly or in part, from foreign sources."

"The outcry that our stage is overcrowded with plays and players from abroad is grossly exaggerated. The complaint does not stand examination. Even when the forthcoming production of 'Little Nelly Kelly,' an American musical piece, 'The Plantation' company of colored performers at the London Pavilion, the visit of the Guitrys from France, and the coming of Fritz Massary, Berlin's fifty-nine-year-old musical comedy star, to Daly's, are added to the importations list, the balance should still be substantially on the native side."

"The business of the theatrical manager is to provide what is likely to be acceptable to the majority of playgoers. He would be a fool both commercially and artistically if he were to take the attitude: 'I will not produce this very good play and company because they are American (or Czech-Slovakian or French or German); I

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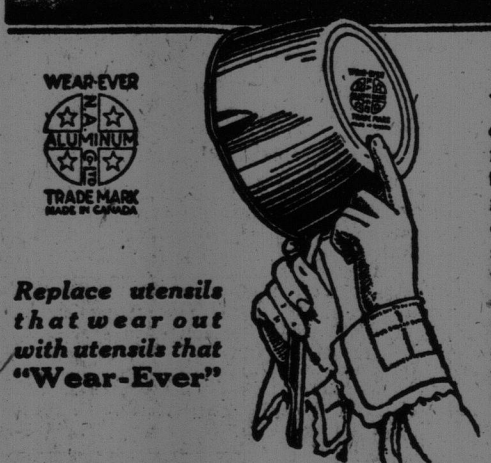


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(Canadian Press.)
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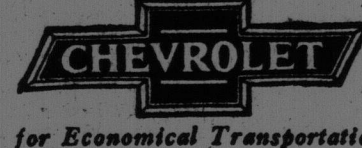
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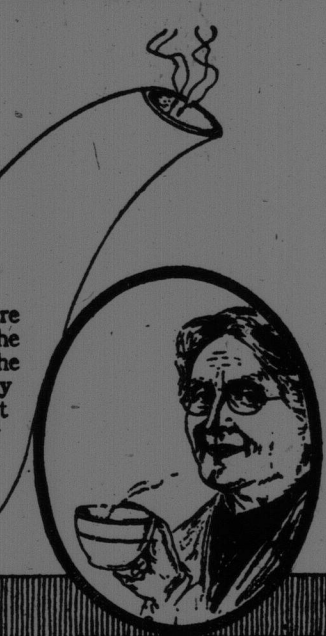
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