

THE EVENING TIMES-STAR, SAINT JOHN, N. B., TUESDAY, JULY 27, 1926

Motion Picture Programmes Enjoyed By Many At Local Theatres

NEW YORK TRIO HIT AT IMPERIAL

Mordelia Musicians Delight Large Audiences—Fine Picture Bill Also

Overflow crowds were surprised and heartily regaled with the Imperial's surprise musical package, the Mordelia Trio, yesterday, especially in the evening when, in spite of the lovely weather and the band concert in King Square, the theatre was packed to the doors. A good deal had been read in the Halifax papers about this Mordelia act and the theatre staff as well as the public were waiting for a nice offering. They sure got it. Signor Mordelia, who is a master of the huge piano-accompanied instrument capable of any composition—has brought with him Nina Spaulding, a youthful violinist, whose excellent technique, masterly style and excellent appreciation of her art made her an instant favorite. Helen Mahler, talented as a pianist and doubly talented as a vocalist, with a perfectly modulated soprano voice, sweet, of wide compass and sympathetic. The Mordelia Trio rendered a varied array of numbers. Their opening piece was "The Bridal Rose" overture, a dainty, exquisite composition. Signor Mordelia's work on the big accordion with the violin and piano supporting it, gave the effect of a whole orchestra. Then Miss Spaulding played and responded to an encore in which the Imperial's full orchestra accompanied. The accordionist next rendered that trickiest of all old numbers the overture to the "Ben Hur." Miss Mahler sang an operatic aria with coloratura effect to Signor Mordelia's accompaniment and the finale was both instrumental and choral, the lifting Neapolitan song "Funiculi, Funicula," the orchestra and organ supporting. The trio bowed itself on and off the stage several times before the audience desired applauding. Pictorially the Imperial had a fine bill too. Richard Barthelmess and Dorothy Gish was a new combination of stars but a splendid one. They

When The Directors Are Away



Movie maids like to slip away for a dip these days and here we have (left to right) Doris Hill, Myrna Loy and Jane Winton ready for the water. Doris plays the lead with Sidney Chaplin in a recent release and the others are in John Barrymore's recent picture.

UNIQUE HAS IRENE RICH IN FINE FILM

"Compromise" is Feature With Illustrated Organ Selection, Parisian Fashions Comedy

A new and distinct comedy was introduced in Saint John last night, when Victor Lee, popular leader at the Unique, rendered "Just a Cottage Small by the Waterfall," Harms, Inc., success on the organ. It was beautifully illustrated on the screen, making a very pleasing effect. Parisian fashions in colors proved a delight to the eye, displaying the very latest gowns in effective colors on beautiful models. The program also contained the usual comedy and a splendid feature, "Compromise," starring Irene Rich and Clive Brook. This Warner feature gives beautiful Miss Rich the best role of her brilliant career as Joan Teyvora, heroine of Jay Geller's dramatic story. Pauline Garm plays the part of Joan's selfish little sister, and Louise Fazenda furnishes the comedy as the Swedish maid.

COPYRIGHT MATTER BACK TO OLD STATUS

Dissolution of Parliament Leaves Situation of Anxiety in Musical Circles

There is considerable anxiety in musical circles, particularly in the theatres, over the collapse of the late federal government before amendments to the Copyright Act had been passed, for under the existing law European music published prior to July, 1912, and American music published prior to January 1, 1923, is the only music that may be played with absolute protection against risk of infringement. Under the Copyright Bill, which was being handled through the House by Mr. Laidlaw of Victoria, B. C., an attempt was being made to collect a title, percentage or direct yearly amount from all theatres, churches, musical clubs or individual performers making use of hundreds of thousands of musical compositions whose authors or descendants have formed a syndicate. It was said the tax would amount to many hundreds of thousands of dollars.

STRIKING PLAY AT QUEEN SQ. THEATRE

"Siberia" Gripping Melodrama Picture of Old Russia With Alma Rubens in Lead

More than twenty-five years have elapsed since Bartley Campbell's sensational play, "Siberia," was first produced on the stage; therefore, to the younger generation, at least, it is new. Victor Schertzinger, who directed the Fox Film version, which was shown for the first time yesterday at the Queen Square Theatre, has retained all the original melodramatic flavor, with the added advantage of scenic realism which was impossible on the stage.

"Siberia" is a tale of Russia in the days when Czar Nicholas was at the height of his power. It deals with the efforts of the down-trodden to throw off their imperial shackles and pictures the fate of those leaders who were so bold as to champion the cause of freedom.

Beautiful Alma Rubens has the role of Sonia, daughter of Andrei Vronsky, a tyrannical overlord. She and her brother Kyri, resolved to bring about better conditions. So she became a school teacher, only to see her little school burned by brutal Cossacks and herself arrested as a revolutionary agitator. Her brother is likewise arrested and sentenced to Siberia, where his health becomes undermined and he dies.

Sonia becomes involved in a perfect maze of political intrigue. The role of Sonia affords Miss Rubens every opportunity to display her ability as an emotional actress. Edmund Lowe plays Leonid Petroff, the young lieutenant and Lou Tellegen has the role of Egor Kaplan, a flaming revolutionary. Other notable names in the cast are Tom Santschi, Paul Panzer, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Gaudet have become the new proprietors of the Cyr Hotel, at St. Leonard's.

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CLIFTON FESTIVAL AIDS CHURCH FUND

CLIFTON, July 26.—The Old-Tyme Strawberry festival, held at Clifton on Thursday, proved most enjoyable as well as financially successful. The weather was all that could be desired, the famous Clifton strawberries at their best, and actors brought their quota of pleasure seekers from city and suburban points as well as the surrounding country. The proceeds which amounted to more than \$100 will be devoted to the painting of All Saints church at Clifton.

PATROLMAN LOSES JOB AT BELFAST, ME.

BELFAST, Me., July 26.—Lloyd Sewall, of Bangor, state highway patrolman since the organization of the force six years ago, resigned and was relieved from duty after a hearing here today. Sewall was charged with conducting unbecomingly an officer at the Belfast city park by riding through a rounding country. The proceeds which amounted to more than \$100 will be devoted to the painting of All Saints church at Clifton.

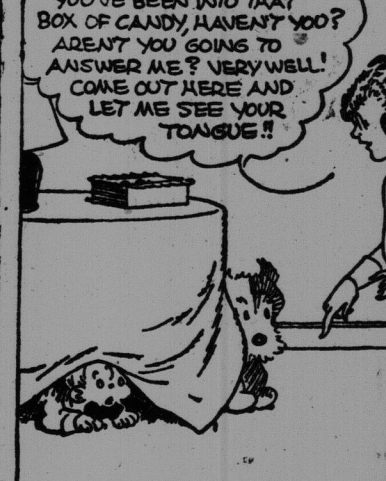
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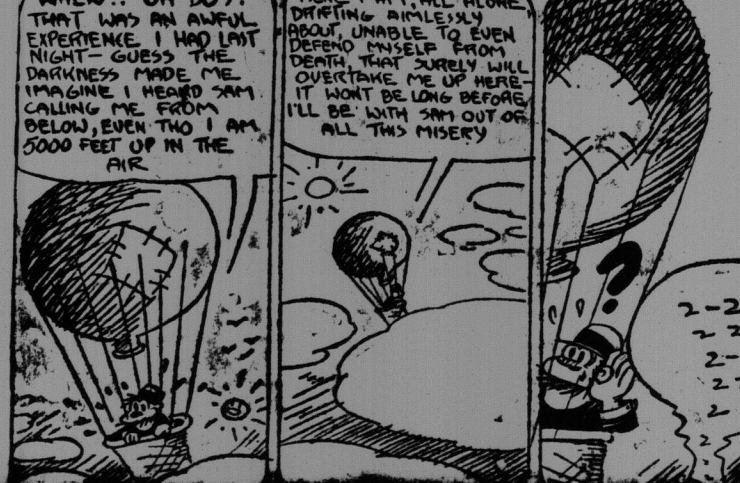
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"SIBERIA"
Bartley Campbell's Soul-Stirring Drama of Love and Intrigue in Darkest Russia with Alma Rubens, Edmund Lowe, Lou Tellegen, Lilyan Tashman, Tom Santschi, Helena D'Algy
A Tremendous Story of Russia, Land of Darkness and Treachery.
ALSO SHORT SUBJECTS
WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY
A Merry Drama, Based on The Family Bank Roll
"WAGES FOR WIVES"
MATINEE 2.30-10c., 15c.
NIGHT 7.15, 8.45-25c.

PALACE WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY

"THE ENCHANTED HILL"
Peter B. Kyne's Great Novel Now a Smashing Motion Picture
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