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MISS MARJORIE DAVIS

AMUSING AND AMBITIOUS

Dainty Little Ingenue of
Thompson-Woods Co.
Talks to Standard.

HOW SHE ACQUIRED
"ROSIE'S" DIALECT

Amusing Manner in which
Miss Davis Qualified Her-
self to Handle One of Her
Parts—Her Ambitions.

With six years' experience in the dramatic profession Miss Marjorie Davis, the delightful little ingenue of the Thompson-Woods Stock Company is the baby of the aggregation as well as one of its most popular members. The conventional conception of an ingenue is a young lady who is chiefly noted for her simple direct outlook on life, i. e. an ingenuous person. In the old days before there was an attempt to elevate the ingenue, the ingenue was an unknown quantity. If a lady desiring to shine on the stage was young and petite she became a comedienne. If young and not petite, at the same time endowed with the ability to handle "sobby" scenes with a due appreciation of their most qualities she was utilized as an emotional actress and had her name in the electric sign over the door. Then it was realized that there was a demand for the character of the sweet girl graduate type, the young person whose world was a mixture of matinee and chocolate fudge, dainty, innocent and frivolous. Of such came the ingenue, but of such did not come Miss Davis for the young lady who is the subject of this week's sketch is a very serious minded young person indeed who confesses that she is in sympathy with the campaign for votes for women, but not at all taken with the methods of the militants.

A Canadian Girl.

Miss Davis also possesses another distinction which should make her even more interesting to St. John folk. She is a Canadian girl, born in Montreal and educated there. In a chat with The Standard this week she talked interestingly of her work and her life, largely her work for she carries the idea of seriousness with her behind the footlights in that she believes that what is worth doing at all is worth doing well. She illustrated this in a novel fashion a couple of weeks ago when she was called to play the part of "Rosie" in the play "Merely Mary Ann."

Now Rosie is not a large part but it has possibilities for the actress to impress with the quality of work well done, and those who saw the production will remember that Miss Davis made of the little, daughter of the Cockney boarding house keeper a delightfully romantic little person showing the lack of early training but anxious to acquire the fashionable accomplishments which had been denied to her earlier in life. A feature of special excellence was the manner in which she handled the difficult dialect lines, easy enough possibly for one born in the shades of "old London" but not so easy for a Canadian-born girl educated amid all the refinement of a covenant to whom a dropped or added "r" meant something almost disgraceful.

How She Did It

Well Miss Davis was cast as Rosie and if she could not juggle her "hatch" it was up to her to learn and she did it. Coming out of the Opera House one afternoon after a painful rehearsal when the "hatches" refused to mix and the giggle could not be whipped into the proper musically mellow quality she came upon a woman wheeling an infant in a carriage and talking to it the while. Oh such a dialect! If she, the unconscious leader of the perambulator, had been born in the very house with Miss Davis' Rosie she could not have talked more as the stage director had insisted that Rosie should talk. Quickly Miss Davis seized on the opportunity and as she herself tells it "I followed my unknown benefactor until I thought she would certainly suspect I had designs either on her baby or her perambulator but I did not care for every word she uttered was like a lesson to me. When she finally went into what I suppose was her home I was farther from the theatre than I ever expected to be but I had learned the dialect well enough to practise it and the papers were good enough to say my performance was not altogether awful."

Started in Nebraska.

It was because Miss Davis possessed in a large measure the quality of ambition that she devoted herself to the stage as a career of possibility because she found herself unable to acquire stenography. "I tried for weeks to get shorthand and copy so I decided that I would try what I could do in other lines. I had been told I had something of a voice, so I tried to get engagements at singing, and succeeded for a time. Then I had a try at vaudeville and finally came to be a member of a really truly company. My first part was in a play called 'The Missouri Girl' and we opened in Nebraska."

It was a very pleasant engagement. Then I went with other companies where I assimilated quite a lot of experience, but not much else. Gradually, however, I did better. All the time my mother filed very serious objections to my being on the stage.



MISS MARJORIE DAVIS.

WILL REQUEST PROTECTION FOR SAILORS

Recent Awful Disasters on
Great Lakes Shows
Needs.

R. R. GAMEY, M. P., TO
TAKE THE MATTER UP

Absolute Disregard for
Storm Signals a Very
Serious Matter—Work for
Law in Ontario.

Toronto, Ont., Nov. 14.—The recent disasters on the Great Lakes has inspired R. R. Gamey, M. P. for Manitowish, to investigate the lack of protection for sailors, with the result that at the next session of the legislature he will seek to have placed on the statute books of Ontario some provision for the protection of the sailors and employees of sailing vessels and steamers of all kinds.

Mr. Gamey, speaking of the great loss of life in the recent storm, said: "Sailing is about the only calling where there is no effort made to protect human life."

"The absolute disregard of the storm signals by captains and vessel owners is a very serious matter. These storm signals are never displayed except when the circumstances warrant the precautions, yet they are rarely heeded. Every vessel owner should be compelled to insure the lives of the crew. Some provision must be made for the protection of the widows and the children of the men who are forced to take their lives in their hands at this time of the year. Men are compelled to go and in times like this fully 75 per cent. of the sailors go out against their own good judgment. If they decline to go they are accused of mutiny and liable to arrest. It seems they must either take a chance with death in the storm or be branded as mutinous or cowardly."

"Every captain should be compelled to supply to the office of the shipping company or at the port of departure a list of the names of the crew with the next of kin the same as is done on the railways in the case of brakemen and conductors."

but I think she is rather reconciled to it now.

Her Pet Ambition.

Asked as to her ambition Miss Davis said it was to have some one write a play for her like "Peg O' My Heart" and let her play the lead. "Oh that is a glorious part," she declared. "The best part I have ever played is that of Nora in 'The Chorus Girl,' which I believe we play here. In a stock company, however, one often gets good parts, and in that way it is better than playing in one role for an entire season."

"I like St. John, and I like the company. One can do better work when one is congenially situated, and I am happy here."

During the time the company has been in St. John Miss Davis, like the other ladies, has made many friends, all of whom have words of the highest praise for her. Thoroughly wrapped up in her work and desiring to succeed there is every reason to believe that the day is not very far distant when her ambition will be fulfilled, and she will play with much success the lead in a piece written especially for her.

HOPPER SCOWS WILL PROVE GREAT AIDS TO WORK IN COURTENAY BAY



The two hopper scows for use in Courtenay Bay and which arrived in the harbor on Thursday are at present in Kennedy slip. The scows are propelled by their own power and are 165 feet in length. They are 187 tons register and draw about thirteen feet of water.

It is said that these scows are especially adapted for the kind of service for which they are required in Courtenay Bay. They are especially fitted for work in heavy weather and should prove a decided improvement on dredging scows so far seen in the harbor.

The above illustration gives a good idea of the appearance of the gigantic self-propelled scows.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO. OFFERS MEDIATION TO STRIKERS

Willing to Discuss Grievances with Four Labor Organizations Involved in Matter—Alternative Arbitration by Act of Congress—A Settlement may be Difficult.

New York, Nov. 14.—Julius Kruttschnitt, chairman of the executive committee of the Southern Pacific Company, announced this afternoon that the railroad company was willing to discuss with a representative committee of the four labor organizations now on strike the question of inaugurating a system of dealing with controversies through a joint committee representing all four organizations.

"The railroad company is willing to discuss with a representative committee from the four organizations, the question of inaugurating the system of dealing with controversies through a joint committee representing all four organizations," reads Mr. Kruttschnitt's statement, "and if no agreement can be arrived at, to have the controversy adjusted in the manner provided by the recent act of congress."

"It is further willing to have the controversy over its refusal to grant certain specified cases of grievances, sixty-seven in number, some already settled, some in course of settlement, and some presented for the first time, but all covered by the existing contract with each organization."

"The company stands ready to submit its case to the tribunal appointed by the people as its representative for the settlement of such controversies."

A host of relatives and friends from the neighborhood and from Hampton, assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edgerton H. Seely at Lower Norfolk, last evening, taking them very much by surprise. The gathering was to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Seely's marriage. A number of handsome and valuable gifts were presented by the visitors, along with congratulations and best wishes for the future, after which the young folks took possession of the nearby hall where they made merry with music, dancing and games until an early hour.

GIRL TAKES FIELD WITH MEXICAN REBEL ARMY



Among the firm believers in the revolutionary cause in Northern Mexico none are endowed with a higher degree of patriotism than Senorita Maria Sanchez, the mascot of the army and the companion of fighting men in the field. Beloved and respected by every trooper on the line of battle, the young woman is free to come and go as she pleases and on more than one occasion she has fought side by side with hardened veterans.

RECOGNIZE HUERTA NOW

Portugal and Bulgaria Give Recognition to Provisional President—Anxious for Peace.

Mexico City, Nov. 14.—Portugal and Bulgaria have been added to the list of countries whose governments have given recognition to the provisional government of General Huerta. Querido Moreno, the Mexican minister for foreign affairs, today announced that he had received letters from President Arlaga of Portugal and King Ferdinand of Bulgaria, had been presented yesterday to President Huerta.

General Huerta's counselors, who have expressed themselves as being anxious to reopen the negotiations between the Mexican government and Washington, had received no intimation up to one o'clock this afternoon of President Wilson's willingness. They still hope, however, that the D'Aulaires O'Shaughnessy will be instructed to resume the conferences. Up to the hour mentioned the counselors of the provisional president had received nothing definite from General Huerta in the way of promises.

INDUCT MINISTER AT CHIPMAN CHURCH

Interesting and Impressive Service in Presbyterian Church on Thursday Evening.

On Thursday evening, November 13, an interesting and impressive service was held in the Presbyterian church, Chipman, N. B., when Rev. John T. MacNeill, M. A., B. D., was ordained to the Christian ministry and inducted into the pastoral charge of that congregation by the Presbytery of St. John. The members of Presbytery present were Rev. J. H. MacVicar, moderator, T. A. Mitchell and J. H. A. Anderson, minister, and C. G. Baird of Chipman, elder.

Dr. MacVicar presided. After conducting devotional services he called upon Rev. Mr. Anderson, interim moderator of Chipman session, to warrant the steps leading up to this service. He then put the regularly prescribed question, and after these were fully answered by the minister-elect, Mr. MacNeill was by prayer and the laying on of the hands of the Presbytery, ordained to the ministry of the Gospel and inducted into the charge of Chipman congregation. Rev. Mr. Anderson then delivered the charge to the minister and Rev. Mr. Mitchell fittingly addressed the congregation. At the close of the service, a cordial welcome was extended by the people to their new minister.

Mr. MacNeill enters upon his work in Chipman under most favorable auspices. The people are loyal and generous to them with their personal abilities, well disciplined by a successful course of study in the colleges of Canada and the old land.

FAIRVILLE VS. ROTHESAY.

The Fairville football team will journey to Rothestay this afternoon and meet the team of the Collegiate School. An exciting contest is expected. The Fairville players will be as follows: Morris, full; Coates, Durand, Fox, Baker, Quigg, halves; Hennessey, Mullins, Keefe, quarters; Cromwell, Kelly, Henderson, Driscoll, Gould, Coates, and Cripps, forwards.

LONGSHOREMEN WATER WILL BE SETTLED SOON



HOW THE GRITS
PLAY THE OLD
FACTION GAME

Grit Organ Very Wrathful
Because C.N.R. Liners will
Make Terminus at St.
John this Winter.

Halifax, N. S., Nov. 14.—The Chronicle, Liberal in an editorial under the caption "Halifax Sold-Out," says Hon. Mr. Hazen's announcement that the Royal Liners will be sent to the port of St. John during the coming winter, affords a fresh illustration of the way in which the present government juggles with the business interests of the country to serve partisan ends. For the first time in the history of Canada, since the Liberal policy of sending trans-Atlantic mails through Canadian ports was inaugurated, Halifax loses at least half the trans-Atlantic mail service. The announcement made by Mr. Hazen at St. John was not unexpected. For weeks past there have been rumors of a "deal" between the government and the Canadian Northern, and, in spite of the emphatic denials repeatedly issued by Mr. Hanna, of the Canadian Northern, it was well known that the government were trying to make a "dicker" by which the Royal line steamers would be stolen away from the port of Halifax. The "deal" has now been "pulled off" successfully, and Halifax, which from the inception of the Royal Line's trans-Atlantic service has been the winter terminus of the Royal Edward and the Royal George, is to lose two fine steamers. The trampers excuse put forward by apologists for the government's trickery, that the Royal Line is withdrawing its boats from Halifax because of lack of accommodation at this port, has not a vestige of foundation. In fact, as we have shown repeatedly in the discussion of the winter mail service, Halifax possesses ample facilities to accommodate the Royal Liners and all the steamers scheduled to make this port their terminus, or port of call during the coming season. The simple fact is that the Royal Liners had been forced by the government to change their winter terminus from Halifax to St. John, and to send their steamers to the port of St. John for political reasons.

It is admitted that the interests of the Royal Line lie in Halifax. Sir William MacKenzie has stated publicly and privately in the most emphatic terms that Halifax was to be the permanent port of the Royal Line. Mr. Hanna re-affirmed this determination on the part of his company in the mysterious telegrams which were issued at the very time that the pressure was being applied to the Canadian Northern to abandon the port of Halifax. The "gruel" fact of the story is that the interests of Halifax have been sacrificed in the hope of saving the political skin of the Hon. Mr. Hazen in the City of St. John.

It is not a question of antagonism between this port and the port of St. John. There should be nothing but the friendliest feelings and co-operation between the two cities. There is room enough for both to grow and prosper in friendly rivalry. But chaff begins at home, and the forcing of Royal Liners to leave Halifax, with which they have been associated ever since the inception of the service, is a blow at the prestige and business interests of this port.

The interests of Halifax have been badly betrayed to serve the partisan ends of the "Tory" party in St. John. The port of Halifax has lost the Royal Line for this season, and it may be for all time, simply because Hon. J. D. Hazen's political scalp was in danger in his home city, Halifax has been "sold out." We ask the people of this city to think it over.

OBITUARY.

Thomas L. Owens.

Many friends of Thomas L. Owens will regret to hear of his death which took place yesterday. Mr. Owens had only been ill a few days with pneumonia and his death was a great shock to the members of his family. He was 71 years of age and had spent practically all his life at Silver Falls where he operated a farm. He leaves two daughters and three sons to mourn. The daughters are Mrs. John Magee and Mrs. William McNeill, both of St. John. The sons are Edward and Daniel of St. John and Michael of Lakewood, St. John county. Two sisters, Mrs. Mary Duffy and Mrs. Bridget Haney of St. John, and two brothers, Patrick Owens of Boston and John Owens of this city, also survive. The funeral will be held on Sunday afternoon at 3.30 from the residence of his daughter, Mrs. John Magee, 38 Elmwood street.

Mrs. Ambrose McGourty.

There was deep regret felt by many yesterday on learning of the death of Mrs. Alice McGourty, wife of Ambrose McGourty, of the Globe's composing room staff, which occurred yesterday morning at their home in Waterville street. She had not been in

Minister of Labor Receives
Report of Conciliation
Board.

BELIEVE THE AWARD
IS SATISFACTORY

Local Men will Meet Sunday
Afternoon to Consider
Decision of Board—
Dealing with Disputes.

Ottawa, Nov. 14.—The Minister of Labor received this afternoon a unanimous report from the Board of Conciliation and Investigation, established under the Industrial Disputes Investigation Act, to deal with matters in dispute between the "longshoremen of St. John, N. B., to the number of 1,049, and the various shipping companies trading to that port. The board submits the terms of a draft agreement which in its opinion should govern the parties concerned until December 31, 1914, and thereafter from year to year unless or until either party gives notice to the contrary. It is hoped that the same may be accepted as the basis of a satisfactory adjustment of the difficulties respecting wages, hours, and other conditions of employment, with which the board has been continuously engaged since the 18th ultimo.

The steamship companies concerned in this application include the Robert Reford Company, Ltd., Furness Withy and Company Ltd., Allan Line, Elder Dempster and Company, New Zealand Shipping Company and the Canadian Pacific Railway Steamship lines.

Since dealing with the foregoing dispute, the same board has taken up and is today considering a dispute between the Dominion Coal Company and its coal handlers at St. John, members of Local No. 810 of the International Longshoremen's Association. The members of the Board of Conciliation and Investigation dealing with these matters are as follows: Walter E. Foster, Esq., St. John, N. B., chairman, and Messrs. John E. Moore and J. E. Tighe, both of St. John, N. B., representing the employing companies and the employees respectively.

Will Meet Sunday.

A meeting of the "Longshoremen's Union" will be held Sunday afternoon to consider the report of the recommendation of the Board of Conciliation. The finding of the Conciliation Board is not binding on either party, but there is said to be good reason to believe that the men as well as the companies will accept the award.

The companies which the men have been working under for five years expires today, and it is likely that some days will elapse before a new contract is signed. The companies are said to be anxious to have the men enter into a contract covering a period of several years, but following the policy of other unions, the "longshoremen" are not inclined to sign an agreement for more than a year.

The shipping companies as yet have given no indication of their intention in regard to the award, but in view of the strike at Portland and the unrest at Halifax, it is believed they will be inclined to avoid trouble with the "longshoremen" at this port. There may be a hitch when the question of the term the agreement shall last comes up, but it is hoped that a struggle may be avoided.

GOOD TIMES IN WEST ARE PASSING AWAY

An unusual number of young men who have been sojourning in the west have passed through the city recently, bound to their old homes in various parts of the Maritime Provinces. Many of them look as if the killing of the fatted calf would be a ceremony calculated to rouse their heart-felt gratitude. They are not so enthusiastic about the west as young men returning from that direction have been wont to be. According to their reports, there has been a good deal of unemployment in the west this summer, and the outlook for the winter is not at all encouraging. It is said that business continues active in the west; but the money stringency has prevented expansion, and there have not been sufficient development work to provide employment for the constantly increasing army of workers rushing in to the west. It is expected that before Christmas a pretty large number of wage-earners who have been trying their luck in the west will return to the Maritime Provinces.

good health for some time and had been very ill for the last six weeks. Mrs. McGourty was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Heffernan. She was a woman of very fine qualities, a devout Catholic and esteemed by friends on every hand. With her husband and three children and her brothers, who are left to mourn, many will join in sorrow over her death. The brothers are Thomas and Cornelius Heffernan of St. John, and Patrick of Perth, N. B. The funeral will be held at half past two o'clock tomorrow afternoon from her late residence, 168 Waterloo street.