

Good Things Coming to Theatres of St. John

"THE WAR WAIF"

Drama of Spectacularism and Sentiment With "Grant, Police Reporter" Unique Tonight

"The War Waif" a remarkable story of the present war, featuring little Zoe Rae, the Universal child star, depicting the outrages perpetrated against Belgium by the Germans, shown at Unique tonight, with a stirring adventure of "Grant, Police Reporter."

PINAFORTE TICKETS

The exchange ticket sale for Pinaforte will open at the box office of the Opera House on Friday (to-morrow) and continue right along to Tuesday evening next. This sale will be for holders of exchange tickets only—the general public sale will not open until next Wednesday. Exchange tickets are being sold by members of the Royal Standard Chapter, I. O. O. E. The performances will be given on Thursday and Friday evenings of next week, at 9 o'clock, April 21 and 22.

THE PALACE HAS "ROPED IN" CHARLIE CHAPLIN

The patrons of the Palace Theatre last evening enjoyed the first of a series of Chaplin specials for which they have contracted with the Mutual Film Co. Tonight is your last chance to see "The Freeman." Included in the bill is a three part drama featuring Ed Coxen and Ligetta Thorne, a dandy show right through.

BIG THINGS AT GEM

Lew Fields in "The Man Who Stood Still," also good vaudeville tonight. Watch for next Saturday Theda Bara, in Outta's great war story, "Two Inters Two Flags."

WHEAT UP AGAIN

Chicago, Ill., April 19.—Wheat prices ran up swiftly today about eight cents a bushel, jumping at times one and two cents between sales. Opening prices, which ranged from 1-1/4 lower to 2-3/4, advanced five cents at 2:30 P.M. to 2:55 and July at 191-1/2 to 197-1/4, were followed by advances to 240 and 204-1/2 respectively, but then by setbacks of two or more.

GARDENING IN MONOTON

Transcript.—Announcement has been made that a plan of the ten acre lot to be cultivated by the citizens of Moncton has been prepared by the city engineer, John Edgington, and is now in the hands of J. S. Magee, city clerk. All those interested and who would want their share of the land are cordially invited to call at the city clerk's office and choose their plot of ground. These lots will be registered by the city clerk and work will be started as soon as possible. The land will be plowed and harrowed and placed in condition for planting. The remainder of the work will be completed by the applicants who choose their plots. Amos O'Brien has been notified that he, on behalf of the school children, should have first choice.

Canadian Chaplain Wounded

London, April 19.—Rev. Capt. Paulin of Hamilton, in Reading Hospital, suffering from shrapnel wounds received while performing the funeral service over a fallen soldier at the front.

IN MEMORIAM

MEANNING—Lieut. F. C. Manning died of wounds, April 16th, 1917. Since in some way each man must die in chamber hushed—neath open sky—Better the solitary ground Where the soldier sleeps till the trumpet sound. What tho' no stone with sculptured grace Attest his final resting place, The Angels whisper o'er his head—"T'hy country lives—sleep quiet dead."

Notices of Births, Marriages and Deaths, 50c.

BIRTHS

FILLMORE—On April 18, 1917, to Bombardier and Mrs. Willard Fillmore, 2 Queen street, West End, a daughter. BARTLETT—On April 16, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bartlett, 51 Queen street, West End, a daughter, Viola Frances. SILLMORE—On April 18, 1917, to Bombardier and Mrs. William Sillmore, 2 Queen street, West End, a daughter.

MARRIAGES

McNEVIN-CAPEN—At St. John, N. B., on April 19, 1917, Rev. F. H. Wentworth united in marriage John McNevin of Godrich, Ont., to Miss Mae Capen, of Fredericton, N. B. BURDON-PITT—At Trinity church, St. John, on April 18, by the Rev. L. Ralph Sherman, Dorothy Eleman, eldest daughter of Sergeant W. Pitt (late of 26th Battalion) and Mrs. Pitt, and Sergeant Bert A. Burdon (late of 8th Battalion, C. E. F.), elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Burdon of Fredericton.

DEATHS

HOUSEN—At his parents' residence, 255 Union street, West End, on the 18th inst., John Edward, aged two months, youngest child of George and Mary House. Burial on Saturday afternoon at three o'clock. NORTON—At Detroit, Michigan, on April 17, William J. son of Nora E. and the late William Norton, leaving his mother and one sister to mourn. Notice of funeral later.

IN MEMORIAM

MURPHY—In loving memory of our dear mother, Mrs. Charlotte Murphy, who departed this life April 19, 1916. One precious to our hearts is gone. A voice we loved is stilled. A place made vacant in our hearts Which never can be filled. FAMILY.

FRIDAY'S ENTERTAINMENT AT IMPERIAL

Entertainment in aid of Major Birk's Fund Y. M. C. A., France, given by the 177th Battalion Band through kindness of Lt. Colonel McPhee, under auspices of Loyalist Chapter, I. O. O. E., at Imperial Theatre tomorrow, Friday night, between ten and eleven. Band under leadership of Bandmaster Andrews. The programme, which is particularly complete both in talent and selections, follows: 1.—March "Old Comrades," by Lelke 177th Batt. Brass Band. 2.—Vocal solo, "Blue Eyed Nancy," by Weatherly—Bandman Hemmings. 3.—Dance—Military Stamp. 4.—Dance. 5.—Male quartette—"The Farmer," by M. W. Plunkett—Sgt. Plunkett, Henry Leatherdale and Leonard. 6.—Band Selection, "Southern Melodies," by Hayes. 7.—Vocal solo, "Irish Lullaby,"—Sgt. F. R. Plunkett. 8.—Vocal solo, "A Little Irish Girl,"—Bandman Ferguson. 9.—Overture, "Pretzelack," by Scraggs. Brass Band. Tickets will be sold at Gray & Ritchey's, 25c.

AT THE OPERA HOUSE

If you have not enjoyed the splendid vaudeville programme at the Opera House this week you should go tonight or tomorrow, as it is one of the best and most varied entertainments that the Opera House has offered since the vaudeville season opened. Only one performance tonight, starting at 7:30. There will be an entire change in pictures for tonight and to-morrow, the subject showing the latest issue of the famous Florence Rose Fashion Review—a beautiful hand colored picture showing the rare birds of the Amazon; scenic views in Sweden and a lively comedy subject. Usual performance tomorrow afternoon at 2:30—two shows tomorrow night at 7:30 and 9.

TO PROVIDE CAPITAL FOR MAINE SHIPYARDS

Portland Business Men Considering Plans for Construction of Merchant Fleet in That State

No limit will be placed on the number of merchant ships to be constructed in the yards for the United States. Shipping Board Emergency Fleet Corporation organized at Washington on Monday, according to William H. Hand, naval architect, who arrived in Portland on Tuesday to inspect shipbuilding plants interested and who would want their share of the land are cordially invited to call at the city clerk's office and choose their plot of ground. These lots will be registered by the city clerk and work will be started as soon as possible. The land will be plowed and harrowed and placed in condition for planting. The remainder of the work will be completed by the applicants who choose their plots. Amos O'Brien has been notified that he, on behalf of the school children, should have first choice.

GERMAN PAPERS ON THE AISNE BATTLE

The Hague, via London, April 19.—The German papers comment at length on the Aisne battle. They express relief that the French did not break through the German lines on the first day and confidence in Von Hindenburg's ability. They all acknowledge, however, the vast superiority of the French artillery. The Kolnische Volks Zeitung describes the use of munitions by the British and French as "a crazy waste." It admits that the French have local success, but say they won't have any more.

ESTY AGREES TO COME TO ST. JOHN FOR TRIAL

The Boston Globe says that final disposition was made on Wednesday of Wesley H. Esty case, which has been pending for nearly a year before United States Commissioner Hayes. The defendant has signed an agreement to waive extradition and report to the Canadian authorities at St. John on or before June 26. Esty is charged with embezzlement.

Will Avail Nothing

Copenhagen, via London, April 18.—The German government granted permission to a second delegation of Russian exiles to return to Russia from Switzerland. This fifteen social revolutionists of the extreme radical type will be repatriated. The earlier delegation were social democrats of a milder persuasion.

Voorhis-Kaye

Friends in St. John will be interested to learn of the marriage of Miss Dorothy Kay to Percy Voorhis in New York on Monday, April 9. Mrs. Voorhis is a sister of Mrs. G. Clifford McAvity and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Kaye, of New York, who resided in St. John for the last two years.

McNevin-Capen

Rev. J. H. Wentworth, on April 19, united in marriage Miss Mae Capen, daughter of Fred R. Capen of Fredericton, to John McNevin, of Godrich, Ontario. They were remembered with presents by members of the S. S. Battalion, on which steamer the groom is an engineer.

Boston Fads and Fashions

Tailored suits are in favor. Children's hats are very simple. Princess dresses are in again. The fashionable frock is straight. You may wear your furs all summer. Charmeuse and satin are great rivals. Crocus-mauve is a lovely new spring color. Slim lines are first favorites with smart women. Yellow continues to be used to relieve navy blue. Formal afternoon hats are both large and small. Buttons are used very freely in decorative ways. Long silk jerseys in bright colors are favored. White silk net fashions a delightful evening frock.

PERSONALS

Miss Ethel Adams of the West Side, who spent the winter in Florida, arrived home via Boston today. Mrs. Ada Neve, 29 Dorchester street, who has been suffering for the last three weeks with rheumatism, is slowly improving, and it is hoped that, after a few months rest, she will be able to resume her business duties.

H. C. Groat, general superintendent of the New Brunswick division of the C. P. R., arrived home this morning after a tour of inspection along the division. Colonel J. G. Langton, deputy inspector-general, of headquarters, Ottawa, accompanied by Captain G. Barclay, deputy assistant adjutant general, passed through the city today en route to Halifax.

J. T. McAllister of this city left last evening for Cranbrook, B. C., on a short visit. Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Milner left Halifax on last Saturday for a trip through two months, she also visited friends in Boston on Monday night to attend the funeral of Monsignor Kennedy. They were the guests of His Grace Archbishop McCarthy.

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LOCAL NEWS

M. R. A. advertisement, page 6. T.F. AMDURS, W. E. A special line of ladies' waists, silks, voiles and crepes; also sporting coats, most up to date. Call in, we are pleased to show them to you. 4-28.

No. 8 Field Ambulance Depot is calling for recruits to go overseas. Enlist at once. 4-30.

Chad's Assembly, April 24. Hear the best dance orchestra in the city. 4-24.

SOMETHING UNUSUAL Short hour after the regular show at the Imperial Friday night, from ten to eleven P.M. Music and solo selections by band, military stamp by loyal dancers and a feature that is a decided winner will be a regular Zulu dance by an imported duo who are leading exponents of the art. Proceeds for patriotic purposes and under the auspices of the Loyalist Chapter I.O.D.E. Tickets, 25c, at Gray & Ritchey's.

EUROPEAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION All members meet at rooms, 730 p.m. Thursday night for reception of new colors (in uniform if possible). Bud Tippett. 4-20.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS' CONFERENCE TONIGHT St. John County Sunday School Association workers' conference in Douglas avenue Christian church this evening at 7:45. This is a public meeting. All interested in Sunday school work are invited.

Help your chums at the front by joining No. 8 Field Ambulance Depot for overseas. They expect you. 4-30.

BAARGAIN PRICES IN Millinery line at Amdur's, West End. 4-21.

For sale, sectional refrigerator, 880. 51-2651-2681-2 feet. Phone 2445-11. 4-17.

AMDURS, WEST END Just arrived, a big assortment of house dresses, also special out sizes; prices the very lowest, from 79c up. 4-28.

Persons who bought goods at sale, 87 Broad street, please call and get same at once. 4-20.

All present and former class members invited to attend Chad's assembly April 24. Remember the song story, "Centurion" in Marsh Bridge Mission Hall Sunday evening. 58526-4-22.

There's a khaki waiting for you at No. 8 Field Ambulance Depot now recruiting for overseas. 4-30.

ATTRACTIVE MILLINERY At Amdur's, W. E. Trimmed and pattern hats most up-to-date, also untrimmed hats and finest shapes. Our prices are the lowest. 4-21.

ANOTHER DAYLIGHT SAVING MEETING TONIGHT So much has been said in a scattered way about the daylight saving plan during the past few days that another meeting of those opposed to the plan is being held in the board of trade rooms this evening starting at 8:15. The board of trade have nothing to do with the meeting, the room is simply loaned to oblige. Feeling that St. John's playing a lone hand in this matter is doing harm to many citizens and to the business and that the plan should be made nation-wide to obviate these drawbacks, this additional meeting is being held to confirm statements made in many quarters. (Advt.)

Two hundred and twenty-five of our boys are now doing their bit in the trenches. John No. 8 Field Ambulance at once and do your part. 4-30.

NOTICE The members of York, L. O. L. No. 8 are requested to attend lodge meeting tonight to help entertain visiting brothers from the battalions in our city. We would like all our members to make a special effort to be present.

A large assortment of boys' suits, as well as men's at Turner's, out of the high rent district, 440 Main street. T.F.

AT AMDURS' The finest middles, all styles and shades, at greatly reduced prices.

VON REVENTLOW WOULD KEEP UP COURAGE Amsterdam, via London, April 19.—The proposal of Count Czernin, Austrian foreign minister, for a peace conference of all the belligerents, is attacked by Count Von Reventlow in the Page Zeitung as meaning ruin to the German Empire. Von Reventlow declares that Count Czernin look no account of the fact that the German Empire is now fighting a battle "which must lead to victory." He declares that a conference, on the basis of the principles recomended by the Austrian minister, would destroy German internally and externally.

DEATH OF CHILD Friends of Mr. and Mrs. George House, 289 Union street, West St. John, will sympathize with them in the loss of their infant son, John Edward, who died this morning.

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THE BEST QUALITY AT A REASONABLE PRICE As Others See You You can blame your watch if it is slow, fast or stopped. But other folks wonder why you don't carry a good watch. Why take a chance on "getting in bad" when you can get a reliable, good-looking watch for a sum you can easily afford to pay. Step into Sharpe's and look at watches priced from \$6 to \$125. L. L. Sharpe, & Son Jewelers and Opticians, 21 KING ST., ST. JOHN, N. B.

ALL HABITUAL LOAFERS ARE TO BE ARRESTED

Chief Simpson Issues Order—Two Men Taken to Headquarters Soon Afterwards

"Arrest all habitual loafers in the streets in St. John," was the order which appeared on the order sheet in the local police headquarters this morning. Scarcely had the ink dried when two men were arrested at the corner of Charles and Union streets by Sergeant Journey and Policeman Ward. One was charged with drunkenness and being an habitual loafer, the other was charged only with loafing.

Chief Simpson in speaking of the order said that there should be no one idle in the city of St. John under present conditions. "There is plenty of work for everybody and farmers are daily coming to the jail from outside the city in quest of help," said the chief. He signified his intention of rounding up all those who make a practice of loafing around street corners when there is no work for them to do. "The order will be rigidly enforced," concluded the chief.

The men under arrest are John Sharp, charged with being an habitual loafer and John Givén for being intoxicated and also with loafing.

DOUBLE CAPACITY OF THE C.P.R. ROUND HOUSE AT BAY SHORE

Plans have been completed by the C. P. R. for doubling the capacity of the round house at Bay Shore. There are six stalls in the present structure, and the new plans call for six more. A new machine shop also is to be erected, of sufficient capacity to meet the demands of the enlarged round-house. The present machine shop will be converted into a repair shop.

Notice has been given, through an advertisement in the local religious weekly, that the railway company will apply at the next session of the legislature, for legislation authorizing the municipality of the city and county of St. John to grant to the company permission to occupy a certain portion of road lying between and connecting the Bay Shore road and Sea street, in the parish of Lancaster, for the purpose of an extension of the round house of the company.

This permission will leave a roadway building to encroach a distance of nine feet on what is known as Bay shore road, the road running parallel with the shore. The road would leave a roadway at least forty-three feet wide.

MANUFACTURERS PLAN TO ASSIST IN WORK ON THE FARMS IN QUEBEC

Montreal, April 19.—Some thousands of men will be released from business activities to engage in agricultural work in the province if recommendations made by the Montreal branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association are carried into effect.

The association yesterday adopted a resolution recommending to its members that they arrange to release one man of agricultural experience for every fifty men in their employ for one month and that they pay each man half pay on their return from actual work on the farms, and that the co-operation of the national service board be obtained to assist in the proper distribution of these men.

ST. BRIDGET'S CHURCH AND RECTORY AT CHAPEL GROVE REPORTED BROKEN INTO

A report reached the city this morning that St. Bridget's church and rectory at Chapel Grove had been broken into and that considerable damage had been done to the furnishings and interior. The church is owned by the Redemptorist Fathers of the North End, and is picturesque located on the banks of the Kennebecasis river.

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FAMOUS STAR AT THE GEM—LEW FIELDS

One of Most Satisfying of Pictures Shown is "The Man Who Stood Still"—Bright Vaudeville Also

Stand on any corner of any large city and you would never think that anything stood still, especially the men. Therefore when you hear about "The Man Who Stood Still," you are inclined to think, at this wonderful age of progress, that he must be something picked up in the old curiosity shop.

"The Man Who Stood Still" was Louis Mann's triumphant stage success. It is now produced in motion picture form with that wonderful artist, Lew Fields, who has demonstrated his ability to make people laugh, the world over. "The Man Who Stood Still" is one of the most interesting stories ever screened. In one scene you laugh until it becomes painful, only to find your laughter blending into tears, when, behold, there is another laugh coming. It is a clean drama, highly entertaining, instructive and chuck-full of wholesome amusement.

The Gem showed it last night, in its programme, in the new vaudeville series. Mr. Fields was outstanding as the lovable old New York Jeweler, who is so wrapped up in his pretty daughter that business is secondary. Great sorrow comes to Marie and joy goes out of the life of the old man, but all comes right again. Miss Davis Kenyon plays Marie very daintily. The picture made a lasting impression. It is wholesome, satisfying and a master play of the best of our emotions. Its five reels were brimful of interest. The vaudeville acts also are very entertaining. Florence and Lillian, two clever young women provide an interesting quarter of an hour of fun and music. They have a lot of sprightly jokes and snappy dialogue with dancing and several song numbers.

Gayles and Raymond, man and woman, have a classy act, well presented. They offer pleasing comedy, good talking and singing in solo and duet. The young woman's singing was particularly pleasing; her voice is of excellent quality. On the whole the Gem's programme is a very meritorious one. It will run until including Friday night with an entire change on Saturday afternoon.

NEW PICTORIZATION OF ROMEO AND JULIET

Wm. Fox Production of Shakespeare's Great Play at the Star

Some time ago the Metro Film Co. challenged any other feature producing company to make the same production to compare with theirs, of "Romeo and Juliet." William Fox took up the challenge and put out what all critics claim to be the superior production. However, those who have seen both these features can better judge for themselves.

Theda Bara as Juliet and Harry Hilliard as Romeo are well adapted for their parts, and ably supported by an all-star cast.

Shakespeare's immortal play has been portrayed with settings more sumptuous and magnificent than anything yet done in moving pictures.

The story tells how the two lovers are married secretly, because of a feud which has long existed between their families. Just after the ceremony, Romeo becomes embroiled in a duel with Tybalt, cousin of Juliet, and kills him. The result is that the bridegroom is banished from Verona. Juliet's father tries to force her to marry Count Paris, and the girl in desperation, takes a heavy sleeping potion, which makes her parents think her dead. Romeo also gets tidings of the supposed death of his wife, and hurries back to Verona. There, in the tomb of the Capulets, he takes poison, and falls dead beside Juliet's bier. The unhappy girl awaking from the effects of the potion, finds him there and kills herself with his dagger.

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