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### CHRISTMAS TREATS

The annual Christmas treat for those who live in the Municipal Home was held yesterday afternoon. George A. Knodell, chairman of the board of governors, occupied the chair. Other governors present were, M. D. Coll, W. S. Clawson and J. E. Bryant. The speakers included these and Dr. Ferris of the Tuberculosis Hospital and Rev. Father O'Neill of Silver Falls, chaplain of the home. They all expressed pride that such capable management was exercised in the home and remarked upon the happiness among those there. Following the speeches, the children of the home gave a brief entertainment of songs, readings and choruses. Then last, but by no means least, the Christmas tree was stripped. The children were given tops, games, candy and so forth and the men and women received serviceable gifts of clothing and the like. Many visitors were present and enjoyed the treat as well as those of the home, some lingering after the affair was over to congratulate the superintendent and Mrs. Wood.

The annual Christmas tree party at the Boys' Industrial Home took place last night at 8 o'clock. Splendid exercises had been prepared and were well rendered. About thirty-five boys were present and enjoyed the good time that had been prepared for them. Prominent on the programme were a reading by Dr. McLeod and piano selections by Miss Magee. During the course of the evening each boy received a box of candy from Miss Marjorie Knight, which was greatly appreciated. The representatives of the W. C. T. U. also present gave each boy a gift. Those in the home for incurables had their annual Christmas treat yesterday afternoon. They had a large tree on each floor nicely decorated and laden with presents. The following ladies distributed the gifts: Mrs. S. Alward, Mrs. J. McAvity, Mrs. E. C. Elkin, Mrs. G. Ives, Mrs. R. Allan, Mrs. Scholfield, Mrs. S. Robertson, Miss Hazen, Mrs. Walker entertained with music. The members of the staff were all remembered by the directors of the home on Saturday.



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### AMUSEMENTS

## ENTRANCING BILL OPENS WEEK AT IMPERIAL THEATRE

Alluring Travel Views a New Feature—A Very Strong Film Story in "Kindling"—War Story Next

The Imperial Theatre opened holiday week yesterday in what might be justifiably termed a blaze of glory. The manager claims never was such pictorial entertainment purveyed by his house and the comments of patrons seemed to bear out this assertion. From beginning to end the programme was brim full of exciting story, scenery, comedy, photo-plays and melodramatic adventures. The musical part of the show was well cared for by DeWitt Cairns and Arthur Huskins, who sang ballads and patriotic numbers of a most inspiring character. This same programme will be presented again today. A notable feature of the bill was the inauguration of Paramount Travelogues in South America, which will continue every Monday and Tuesday for the ensuing thirteen weeks. The big item of the Imperial's programme was that charming story of tenebrous life, entitled Kindling, which was offered by the Leacock Picture Co. through arrangements with the owner of the story and play, E. J. Bowes. Patrons of the Keith house have already enjoyed many splendid Lasker features, but this present story is in a class by itself, not only because of its literary value and fine story quality, but because none other than sweet and demure Charlotte Walker, star of many big successes, plays the leading role. In the telling story of a poor woman who strives to earn enough money to go to the fresh and exhilarating western country that her child may not be born under the squalid conditions of big-city tenement life. It is a pathetic portrayal and yet dramatic.

The Paramount travel pictures of the south are going to prove an added charm to the Imperial's interesting bill. In this opening number the fashionable beaches of Florida, sports of millionaires, a trip in an aeroplane over land and sea, a journey in the picturesque and mysterious forest rivers and a walk through the orange growing districts, make most absorbing entertainment. These pictures are perfectly made and tastefully colored. The idea of this scenic trip is to make it a connected journey from New York through the South American continent through the Panama Canal and back to New York.

For the sake of those who are following the serial story, The Broken Coin, this feature was produced yesterday and will again be shown today. In addition, Pathé's Weekly containing splendid war pictures including naval combats in the Old Country and five or six other subjects, helped make the programme a success. Arthur & DeWitt sang in this programme such popular numbers as "When I Leave the World Behind," "The Call to Arms," "They All Had a Finger in the Pie," etc. They received a flattering response.

On Wednesday and Thursday the Imperial will present the Universal, in a five-reel reproduction of that dramatic incident in British history connected with the relief of Lucknow in India at the time of the Sepoy rebellion. The title of this pictureplay is The Campbells Are Coming. America's popular stars, Francis Ford and Grace Compton, assisted by 2,000 people and the redoubtable Rollo of The Broken Coin fame, will play the leading parts in this big Union Jack story.

## "OUR WIVES" AT THE OPERA HOUSE BY THE HARKINS PLAYERS

Delightful Comedy Excellently Presented Gives Audience a Happy Evening

The W. S. Harkins Players last night, at the Opera House, repeated their success of Christmas night with the presentation of "Our Wives," a delightful comedy, which, though familiar to many stage-followers, has a new charm in its repetition. The audience, which was large, and all present enjoyed the play, applauding generously in appreciation. It will be repeated this evening, while tomorrow night "A Spy in the House" will be repeated.

Laughter ruled last night throughout the presentation of the piece, which is highly humorous. The story is based on the dissolution of a bachelor's quartette, as all but one joined the benedictine ranks and that one, more strong in his views on the "eternal question" than the others, holds out rigidly, keeping women at a safe distance, until the very last. And then he, too, succumbs to a winsome charmer.

This brief synopsis does not take into consideration the many bright and sparkling lines, snappy dialogues, and amusing situations in which the play abounds, especially in the second act.

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where the "three happiest men alive" bring their wives to a supper party arranged by the fourth, Bowles, in their honor and are unable to enjoy it because of their better quarrels and quarreling and breaking up the "bunch."

The cast acquitted themselves satisfactorily. Though the title would suggest a greater tendency for a display of acting on the part of the women of the company, such is not the case, for they have in reality very little to do, with one exception, appearing only in one act. Miss Lotus was sweet and attractive as Wilton. Mr. Selman added further to his popularity as Bowles, a confirmed "bunch" particularly clever characterization as that of Mr. Alderson, who built a butter's role into something better than usual. Messrs. Townshend, Knapp and Watterson, as the three Newfangleds, and Misses Gordon, DuBois, and Chesmond as their brides, all contributed to the generous abundance of laughter.

## LYRIC HAS SENSATION; PRICE OF HER SILENCE

Flé Labadie and Mignon Anderson  
in Strong Picture Play

The Thansouther Company has undoubtedly excelled even its remarkable record in producing the splendid masterpiece of her chief feature, it will be the means of crowding the Lyric from orchestra to gallery, afternoon and evening yesterday. Featuring Flé Labadie and Mignon Anderson, two of the most popular movie actresses of the day, the Thansouther studio has released a picture which will hold its own with the very best.

The story in brief treats of a noble sacrifice for her younger sister who weds beneath her, and who, suddenly widowed, endeavors to conceal the existence of her child, fearing it will spoil her chance of a second marriage. By her act the elder is placed in a wrong position, and her sacrifice is not until the mother's love forces the younger to acknowledge her little one and exonerate her sister. The picture is difficult to describe, as it is a more interesting story for a picture drama, one that from the first to the last holds the undivided attention of every spectator. A happier ending to a delightful drama could not have been better chosen, and when the baby, whom the false and proud mother had refused to acknowledge, falls from a five story building, quite naturally there was an almost audible expression of regret, but this gave way to a happier feeling when Mrs. Anderson, after having confessed her indiscretion to her husband and has the child restored to her aching arms by an apparent miracle while, as a matter of course, the little one had been caught and saved by an interposing saving.

The denouement is of such dramatic interest that the audiences last evening were brought, literally, almost from their seats. The Price of Her Silence should attract large audiences Tuesday and Wednesday. The vaudeville offering, Sally and Arnold, singers and dancers, proved delightful. Their voices are young, fresh and pleasing, and their appearance is excellent.

## AT THE UNIQUE

Grace Valentine in "A Modern Adam and Eve" is Chief Feature

Few more novel and interesting picture-plays have been photographed than the new Rialto production, The Modern Adam and Eve, featuring clever and handsome Grace Valentine. This picture is different, a novelty, and for that reason alone would stand out. The role of Eve is most interesting; it is rather picturesque, the brown skin garment covered with leaves and flowers, the long flowing hair, and the unclothed limbs. It is quite similar to a role, it is said, she played at Daley's Theatre, New York, for six months. This Eve is none other than a very wide-awake, very charming and efficient young actress who believes that success comes through hard work. The fact that she can throw herself unreservedly into the simple clinging creature which was first called woman, is only direct proof that she has worked hard in the perfection of her art.

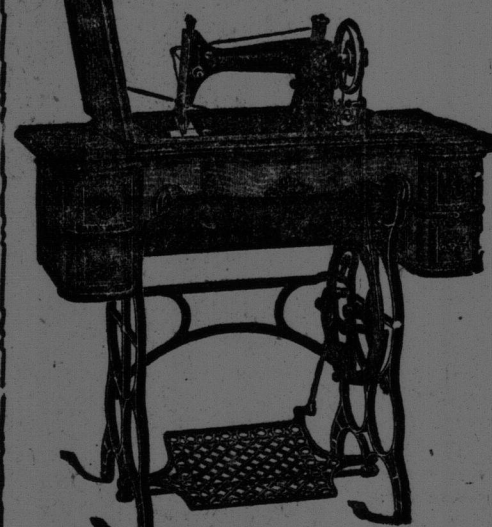
Opening with a picture of Oakland, California's new million dollar harbor, and the docking of the U. S. S. Milwaukee, the first ship to enter the harbor, and ending with King George of England reviewing the French cavalry, taken in France, the week's issue of the Mutual Weekly is just crammed with intensely interesting news items.

**GERMAN BOMBS AGAIN.**  
London, Dec. 28.—The Bucharest correspondent of the Daily Mail reports several arrests in connection with an unsuccessful plot, instigated by German agents, to blow up the residence of M. Filipescu, Take Jonescu and other prominent men, high cabinet ministers known to be favorable to the allies.

**German Prince Dead.**  
London, Dec. 28.—The Amsterdam correspondent of the Central News Association reports the death of Prince Egon Zu Hohenlohe-Schillingfurf, eldest son of the late German chancellor.

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### RECENT DEATHS

W. H. Brewer.

The death of William Henry Brewer, formerly of Fredericton, is reported by the Daily Advocate of Sterling (Col.). Mr. Brewer's death seems to have been due indirectly to injuries received in an attack by highwaymen some years ago. The Advocate of Dec. 20 has the following:

"After a lingering illness, superinduced, it is believed, by the head received about three years ago when he was held up by highwaymen, William Henry Brewer died at an early hour this morning at his residence, 188 Plate street, aged sixty years. He was born in Fredericton (N. B.), Feb. 16, 1855. He was married to Miss Alfretta Hawkhurst, of St. John (N. B.), on April 11, 1877, and they moved to the same place in 1880. In 1890 they came to Canada and settled in Sterling, where Mr. Brewer engaged in the restaurant business and a little later in the hotel business, which he conducted for a number of years. He is survived by widow and one daughter, Mrs. J. B. Smith. There is one grandson, Harlan Smith. Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon in the Presbyterian church, Rev. M. J. Madden officiating.

Rev. Thomas J. Madden.

London, Dec. 27.—Rev. Thomas J. Madden, archdeacon of Liverpool, who died yesterday in his 88th year, was well known in Canadian church circles as a delegate to congresses, and an active figure in social reform work. His only son, who was mentioned in despatches, was killed at Giverny in March last.

Charles Smith, of Middle Cove, died of pneumonia on Christmas Day. He was seventy-four years of age and had lived in Coveville all his life. He is survived by his wife.

**FOR TEMPERANCE**  
Toronto, Dec. 24.  
To the Editor of the Times:  
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For further particulars address the Social Service Department, Wesley Building, Toronto.

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### RUSSIAN FORCES TO LINK UP WITH BRITISH BAGDAD ARMY

Czar's Soldiers Have Also Renewed Their Activity on the Bessarabia Front

London, Dec. 28.—Events recently have developed rapidly in Persia, with the Russians advancing successfully on Teheran. The chief centres of rebel activity in Persia already are in Russian hands, and the rapidly with which the Russians are moving indicates that the opposition with which they are meeting is weak. Considerable distance still lies between the British position at Kuldarn and the nearest Russian forces, but if the Russians have continued success a junction between them and the British may be expected before long. There has been a renewal of activity on the Bessarabia front, the Russians attacking the Austrian forces there, according to an official report from Austro-Hungarian army headquarters received. The official statement declares the Russian attacks were repulsed, with heavy losses to the Russian troops.

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