

ST. CLAIR WRITES ANOTHER NEW PLAY

Patrons of Berkell Company Have a Chance to Give Title to New Comedy-Drama—"Kempy" Is the Last Offering of Walker Season.

BY WALTER D. HICKMAN
LAST season Robert St. Clair wrote a mystery play and this season his playwriting contribution is an unnamed comedy drama which is being offered for the first time on any stage at English's this week. The reason that the play has no name is that both Charles Berkell and St. Clair desire to have their patrons name the play.

This is good from a business standpoint as it does stimulate box office interest as \$100 in gold for the best title in the opinion of the judges, four in number. The St. Clair play is in a prologue and two acts. In the prologue we meet the characters of a small town one night stand dramatic company playing "East Lynne" and the other barnstormers. The prologue is the best part of the play.



Milton Byron

We are concerned with the career of Norine O'Day (Edythe Elliott) and Paul Jearpux (Milton Byron). They are married and in the same company. Paul is a good actor and his wife is terrible. So when his chance comes to go to New York, she forces him to leave her while she goes on barnstorming. In the first act we see Norine and her daughter. Paul did not know that he had a daughter because his wife refused to correspond with him. He makes a hit on the stage, retires with a pot of money and adopts a son. The son, played by St. Clair, writes a play.

The leading woman of the play gets soured and Norine's daughter is put into the role. Norine had always kept a song that her husband had composed and named "Norine." This is put into the show and the daughter makes a hit. The first act is back stage of a New York theater. Norine O'Day is wardrobe mistress and her daughter was in the chorus before she got her chance.

The second and final act is placed in Paul's bachelor apartment on Fifth Ave. His adopted son falls in love with Norine's daughter. Paul objects, but when he hears her sing "Norine," his memory of his first happiness comes back. Then his wife walks into the apartment and everybody is happy.

As a story, the plot is mighty thin. There is no reason except possible temperament for Norine staying away from her husband.

The prologue is placed in a small town Michigan hotel in 1908. This gives Miss Elliott, Mildred Hastings, Irene St. Clair a chance to wear some old-fashioned clothes.

St. Clair in the first act not spotted the "Norine" song right. It now sounds just as a vaudeville specialty would, having no connection with the story. It should be the key-note to the plot.

As this play now stands, it is not a big city play. St. Clair has lost nearly all of his definite types in the first and second acts. His prologue is good, but not strong enough to make a play.

There were all kinds of bad directing on the opening night. The snow scenes were a farce instead of being atmospheric. And the church being next to the hotel was another bad move. Both the storm and the

Ate Very Little, So Easily Upset

Lady Tells How Smothering Spells and Indigestion Troubles Were Relieved by Theodor's Black-Draught.

"For a long time, I had a severe case of indigestion," says Mrs. Bell Buckheister of 7 River Street, Piedmont, S. C. "So many things that I ate hurt me. I almost quit eating until I was so weak and run-down, I could not do my work, or go about to see my friends."

"I would burn in my chest. I had severe headache, and such a tight, smothering feeling. I would be obliged to eat a little, then it would hurt me."

"A friend said to me: 'What causes your smothering spells?' and I told her indigestion and constipation." She said: "Why don't you take Black-Draught more often?"

"It was just too weak then to do my work. I began taking small doses after meals, and in just a few weeks I could eat anything. I wanted to, then take my small dose of Black-Draught and feel fine."

"I soon regained my health and strength, and could eat most anything."

"I am now seventy-five years old. I keep boarders. I cook for nine, and do all my work with ease, and feel strong and well."

"I haven't taken any other medicine for five or six years. I am rid of the stomach trouble, don't get constipated and give the praise to Black-Draught."

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Cemetery Love

By Times Special
UNION CITY, Ind., Aug. 7.—The following "made" Page 1 in a local newspaper:

"For some time there has been several couples who are quite indiscreet, who have persisted in breaking the locks at the Catholic cemetery gates and driving inside of the cemetery at night and doing their loving surrounded by tomb stones and the croak of bullfrogs. So persistent have they been, that they have even went so far as to cut the wires loose from the gates and the other evening a well-known couple was caught in the cemetery. The girl tried to hide her identity by throwing her coat over her face, but one of the men who was trying to break up the practice removed the mask and was surprised at her identity."

"This is bad business and had better be eliminated."

that the vaudeville stage has seen here in the last two years is being presented this week at the Lyric under the very bad meaning title of "Garden of Roses."

The chief woman dancer is Rosemary Dering and she can do symphonic expression things with her toes that would make some headline women dancers become alarmed.

Miss Dering has grace that is not only startling, but commanding in its strength. She does her dancing with Gerard Fawcett, if I have the name correct. Here is a male dancer that does not offend in his poses. Splendid and honest in his work.

Miss Dering works out her various dances in a routine that is new. Tommy Tucker is the chap who sings if I am right on the name. He is good, but rather uncomfortable in his attitude. But he knows how to do a song. There are a number of girls who dance here and there. Villa and Strigo have an instrumental act that develops the personality of the man. The man saves the act with his intimate handling of the orchestra. He doesn't appear serious and that is relief.

Walzer and Kuban have a hokum burlesque offering. Only fair in spots. Joe Fanton and company live up to their title of "Sensational Seconds." These people do astonishing things.

Very sad, very sad is the thing attempted by Elizabeth Nelson and Barry Boys. If I were to name the bad acts in vaudeville, this one would top the list. Jack and Sol Freed are dancers. Good. I was late and missed the first act.

Now at the Lyric.

Other theaters today offer: "Lights of New York" at the Apollo; "Dick Powell at the Circle," "Fox Sons" at the Indiana; "Beau Broadway" at Loew's Palace and "Street of Forgotten Women" at the Colonial.

Boy, 13, Sells Drinks

BROOKLYN, Aug. 7.—Edward Bronkowski, 13, was arrested as the youngest bootlegger. Patrolman John Sassek alleged he purchased a drink from the boy, who was behind the bar in his father's saloon.

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Verdict of the Stage

ENGLISH'S—Robert St. Clair's new play is not a big city show. Prologue good but the show doesn't hold up.

LYRIC—The best of the dance acts of the last two years at this house is found in "Garden of Roses." Two other acts stand out. Rest of bill so so.

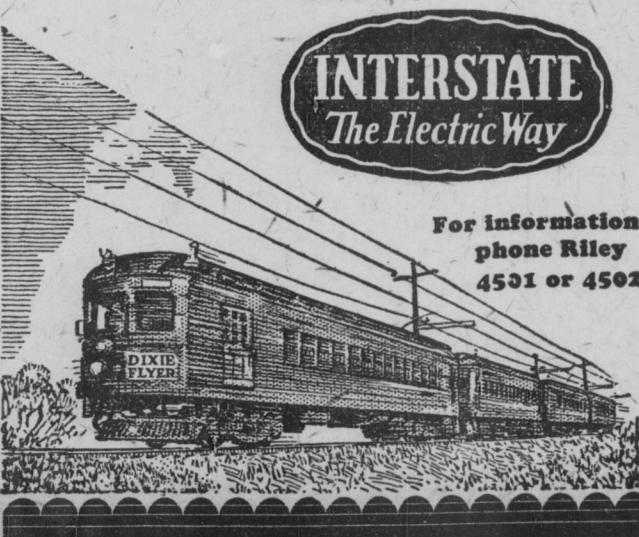
KEITH'S—"Kempy" is the final bill of the Stuart Walker season here.

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LABOR NEUTRAL FOR PRESIDENT

Federation Decides Not to Favor Candidate.

By United Press
NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—The American Federation of Labor will be neutral in its treatment of candidates in the presidential campaign, it was decided today by the executive council of the federation.

The decision to be neutral was reached after meetings of the council late yesterday and today, when the members failed to endorse either Governor Alfred E. Smith or Herbert Hoover for the presidential nomination.

The council earlier had heard a report of its nonpartisan political committee. Although neither candidate had been endorsed, many members of the Hoover forces regarded the outcome as a victory for their candidate, as they had defeated an apparent effort to endorse Smith.

FACES BOOZE CHARGE FOR AID TO WIDOW

Ft. Harrison Soldier Is Arrested by Federal Agent.

His effort to assist a widow with two children in making a living by selling liquor today was responsible for Orrell C. French, Ft. Harrison soldier, being under arrest on a Federal liquor charge.

Recently a Federal dry agent visited a barbershop stand operated by French near the Fort, and asked where he could get some liquor. According to the agent, French volunteered to get him some, and did.

"Understand, I am not selling this liquor," the agent quoted French as saying.

The woman, Mrs. Lennora Trent, 26, was arrested and pleaded bootlegging was her only means of supporting her children. She was held to the grand jury Monday. On advice of the district attorney's office, French was placed under arrest also.

RETURN SUSPECT HERE

Youth Arrested in South Dakota for Mail Robbery.

Charles Ross, 19, Terre Haute, is being returned here from Aberdeen, S. D., where he was arrested on Federal postal charges in connection with robbery of the postoffice at Lewis, Vigo County, June 8.

Ross was located at Redfield, S. D., by Postal Inspector C. B. Speers, who caused his arrest and removal here.

Six other members of the alleged gang which is charged with having robbed twenty stores and two post-offices are under arrest, Speers said. Loot from the Lewis postoffice, where the safe was removed from the building, consisted of about \$80.

Allison Complaint Text

Mrs. Lucille Mussett Allison, 35, bride of only five days when her millionaire husband, James A. Allison, 55, Indianapolis-Miami capitalist, died last week, is branded "a skillful expert" in "the fine arts of love-making," in a \$2,000,000 alienation of affections suit brought late Monday against her by Allison's first wife, Mrs. Sara C. Allison, who divorced him June 27.

The complaint says that Mrs. Allison always sought "to minister to his comfort and happiness and endeavor to and did contribute to his progress and success in his business and worldly affairs; that during all their said married life until about the year 1920 her said husband was kind, affectionate, devoted and faithful, and supported and maintained the plaintiff upon a most liberal and high standard of living."

Alienation Is Charged

"And plaintiff says that about 1919 or 1920 the defendant, a young woman of great attractiveness and personal charm, whose name was Lucille Mussett, became acquainted and associated with plaintiff's said husband as secretary or stenographer to him and has remained in such apparent capacity or under the pretense and guise of such capacity with him down to the date of her marriage to him, as hereinafter averred:

"That from the time of defendant's first association with plaintiff's said husband down to the time of defendant's marriage to him as hereinafter averred, defendant designed and inaugurated a course of deliberate, systematic and continuous intimate conduct toward and relations with plaintiff's said husband for the purpose and design of winning and alienating from plaintiff the affections and marital relations of her said husband and of destroying the society and companionship, conjugal love, harmony and happiness existing between plaintiff and her husband, to the end that the defendant might marry him."

"That said course of conduct on defendant's part as aforesaid and that the aforesaid wicked purposes, consisted of and comprised, among other things, intimate and continuous love-making to plaintiff's husband, living and remaining in his home days and nights in affectionate and intimate relations, persuasions, solicitations, enticements, bringing to bear upon him the fine arts of love-making, at which she was a skillful expert, dinners, various characters of pastime, trips on railway trains and in automobiles to various places and voyages on the ocean in his yacht, all for the aforesaid deliberate, sinister purposes and designs."

"And plaintiff avers that defendant, by her said acts and conduct toward and relations with plaintiff's husband, gradually more and more and finally completely won and alienated the affections of her husband from her and wholly destroyed their marital relations, harmony and happiness."

"That during all the time defendant was engaged in her persuasions, enticements, arts of love-making, intimate relations and other influences she was bringing to bear as aforesaid and by reason thereof, plaintiff's husband became gradually more and more cool and indifferent to plaintiff, more and more restricted in his former liberal support and maintenance of plaintiff, declaring to plaintiff that he did not love her any more, but only pitied her, seeking by various means to humiliate and offend her, threatening to reduce her maintenance to the barest living, building on Star Island, off the coast of Florida, a large, magnificent home, costing scores of thousands of dollars, in which the defendant spent her time with him, sleeping in his bedroom, her said husband barring her from entering his magnificent and beautiful home and estate in Indianapolis, known as Riverdale Springs, worth from \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000, which was dear to plaintiff's heart and in which she had spent many happy years with him."

"That the plaintiff thereafter, sick, almost prostrated and helpless, was compelled by the aforesaid acts and influences of the defendant to come to Indianapolis and take up her residence in a hotel, while the defendant, in furthering her designs and completing the alienation of her husband's affections, and bringing her to shame, as aforesaid, came to plaintiff's said husband in his private car attached to the same train on which plaintiff was traveling and went into and occupied said old home of plaintiff at Riverdale Springs, and on July 29, 1928, married plaintiff's said husband on Long Island."

"That after their said marriage they came to his said home at Riverdale Springs, and said James A. Allison died, suddenly, at said home on the evening of Aug. 3, 1928, living only five days after his marriage to the defendant."

Ask Two Millions

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DRIVERS BATTLE IN TAXI SCRAP

Four Cabs Are Damaged as Detroit War Rages.

By United Press
DETROIT, Aug. 7.—Although Acting Mayor John C. Nagel has ordered the arrest of all taxicab drivers for the slightest infraction of the law, the taxicab war here today resulted in several fist fights.

Four men were arrested and four cabs were damaged, but police said Nagel's order resulted in last night being the quietest along the fronts since the Checker Cab Company slashed rates one-half, to 15 cents a mile, undercutting all competition. Attorneys for the United Cab Company, largest competitor of the Checker forces today gave city officials a formal statement offering to mediate all differences.

The attorneys declared the company was willing to submit the entire controversy to a board of arbitration.

The United company and smaller independents today are sticking to their prices of 20 cents a mile. Persons of money and importance are still riding in Yellow cabs with their 30 cents a mile rate, and the Yellow company today reported business as usual.

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