

Sonja Waits 'Curtain' . . . Stilt Skater Chats With Wife . . . Laughing Off Opening Night Tension . . .



Sonja Henie's mother, Selma, puts a final touch on the star's hair before she "goes on" in her first number of the 1941 Hollywood Ice Revue, which opened last night at the Coliseum.



With time to relax between acts, stilt-skater Fritz Dietl (center) sits down with Mrs. Dietl (left), one-half of the Brandt Sisters, and Dorothy Caley (right). The lounge, incidentally, is from the set for the "Rendezvous" number.



A few minutes before the overture, the men's dressing room was a scene of quick dressing and grease paint. And the boys were nervous, for last night was opening night here and there were a few added turns in the first number they hadn't tried before.

Hoosiers in Washington—

PLAN STATE CAMP FOR NEW DIVISION

War Department Informs Rep. Wilson of Program In Case It Is Built Near Columbus; Marshall Hopes It's Not Needed.

By DANIEL M. KIDNEY
Times Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—When and if the new Army cantonment is constructed near Columbus, Ind., it will house a complete new Division, with everything from a commanding general down, Rep. Earl Wilson (R. Ind.) was informed by the War Department this week.

"The first announcements of the proposed camp was predicted on the idea that this would merely be a training camp for selectees," Rep. Wilson said.

"But to equip and train a complete new Division there will give the place far greater standing."

The Ninth District Congressman made inquiry regarding the camp because he thought that perhaps it might be built from funds included in the eight-billion-dollar defense deficiency bill just passed by the House. Such isn't the case, however, and Gen. George Marshall now is on record as expressing the hope that the Columbus camp need never be built.

Surveys Made

Cross-examined on the subject by Rep. Louis Ludlow (D. Ind.) when he appeared before the House Appropriations subcommittee, Gen. Marshall said: "There is no immediate prospect of its establishment. We are asking only for a small item of construction in here for the Air Corps, and for 28,000 men of the ground army not otherwise provided for. The purpose of the surveys you mention was to avoid having to move suddenly into another construction program without having foreseen and calculated upon every contingency."

"All of the reconnaissance engineering tests, working plans and surveys were made, so that we could proceed to advertise for bids on construction if suddenly called upon to do so."

Marshall Hopes Not

Rep. Ludlow—"I understand that it had been gone into very elaborately in detail, so that it was all set, and you might go ahead at any time."

General Marshall—"Yes, sir."

Rep. Ludlow—"I get inquiries all the time from our State as to whether or not the camp is going to be established."

General Marshall—"We hope not, but we want to be prepared to get in the most efficient and economical manner if any change in the situation requires us to do so."

No Statue of Living

MARTIN MILLER, well known in the Indiana Legislature as the representative of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and a great orator of Alex. Gordon, is now the national representative of his organization with headquarters here. As one of his first assignments

463 Clothed

\$2384 Contributed in First Week of 12th Campaign.

THE NUMBER of children clothed in the 12th annual Indianapolis Time-Cloth-A-Child campaign neared 800 today after 64 more were outfitted by Times shoppers and direct donors yesterday.

The direct donors yesterday were the International Chapter, Retired Railroadmen and Railway Mail Clerks, who took four children to outfit, and the Ace Auto Radiator Co., which clothed one. The 64 clothed yesterday brought the total to date to 463. Of this number 442 were clothed by Times shoppers and 21 by direct donors.

Cash contributions yesterday were from N. M. R. \$5; the Thursday Afternoon Euchre Club, \$2; the Clermont Homemakers Club, \$1; Mr. and Mrs. John Blackwell, \$1; and M. D. Shea, \$1. The receipts for the first week of the campaign totaled \$2384.15.

CLAIMS STRIKES EMBITTER ARMY

Officer From Evansville Calls for Higher Morale at Home.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Strikes and bickering among the civilian population causes bitterness in Army camps, Col. Louis L. Roberts of Evansville asserted here.

Col. Roberts, commander of the 139th Field Artillery, 38th Division, addressed the National Institute of Municipal Law Officers at their convention last night.

"The morale, discipline, confidence and will to win of a citizen army can never be greater than the amount of these qualities possessed by those at home," he said.

"The plain, unvarnished truth is that the morale of the Army, its fighting heart, its unity of purpose, its sacrifice in service and its devotion to a single purpose which should engage us all, is the shining light which will follow in our defense effort."

Edward H. Knight, Indianapolis corporation counsel, led a discussion on the model provisions for licensing ordinances. James Deery, Indianapolis city controller, and Michael B. Redding, city attorney, also attended.

Otto K. Jensen, State Examiner of Indian title, led a round table report on "State Experiences With Local Government Reporting."

Miss Georgia Cooley, 29, of 4501 N. Illinois St., said a man grabbed her, put his hands over her mouth and jerked her purse away at Blue Ridge Drive and Illinois St.

Miss Alice West, 36, of 1835 Arden Ave., said two men slipped up behind her, one of them grabbed her arms and the other taking her purse which contained \$8.

REDUCE COUNTS IN AUTO CASES

Officials Order Charges Consolidated as Aid To Disposition.

The number of charges contained in Municipal Court affidavits will be reduced and consolidated in the future, enforcement officials and judges decided at a conference last night.

Judge John L. Niblack announced that all arrests involving speeding and reckless driving will be reduced to only the reckless driving count. "Speeding always is involved in reckless driving cases anyway, and eliminating the speeding charge will help save a lot of time for the court and clerks," he said.

Consolidate Charges

Police Chief Morrissey and Prosecutor Sherwood Blue agreed to instruct all officers to eliminate duplications in charges whenever possible.

"The old police practice of registering charges for trial on both vagrancy and drunkenness charges also will be stopped," they said. In the future such cases will be filed on only the drunkenness charge.

"The other day there was a case in my court in which six charges had been filed," Judge Niblack said. "The defendant probably was guilty of all of them but the case could have been handled more quickly and efficiently if the charges had been consolidated to eliminate duplications."

Pleas to Be Allowed

All officials agreed to continue the practice of permitting persons charged with speeding to appear and plead guilty and pay their fines without having to wait in court several hours for their trials. "There are some details of this procedure that will have to be re-adjusted but I think the plan can be made to work," Judge Niblack said.

Others attending the conference were Municipal Judge John L. McNellis, County Clerk Charles R. Ettinger, Chief Deputy County Clerk Celsus Seibert and Deputy Prosecutors Wilbur Royce and Louis P. Adams.

TWA ADDS MORNING FLIGHT TO DETROIT

A new morning flight from Indianapolis to Detroit will be inaugurated Monday by TWA, according to W. R. Bunker, district manager.

Passengers may leave Indianapolis at 9:30 a. m. and be in Detroit at 1 p. m. Eastern Standard Time, with stops at Dayton at 11:16 a. m. (EST), and at Toledo at 12:26 p. m. (EST). The new schedule offers an early flight also to eastern cities. A change of planes at Dayton will land passengers at Washington, D. C., at 2:50 p. m. (EST); Philadelphia at 3:30 p. m., and New York at 4 p. m.

OFFICIAL WEATHER

U. S. Weather Bureau

INDIANAPOLIS FORECAST—Fair and slightly colder tonight with lowest temperature 36 to 38 degrees, fair and rather cold tomorrow with rising temperature at night.

Sunrise . . . 6:33 | Sunset . . . 4:30

TEMPERATURE
—Dec. 6, 1940—
6 a. m. 27 1 p. m. 51

BAROMETER
6:30 a. m. 30.23

Precipitation 24 hrs. ending 7 a. m. 0.00
Total precipitation since Jan. 1 1.58
Deficiency since Jan. 1 2.78

WEATHER IN OTHER CITIES, 6:30 A. M.

St. Louis Clear 30.15 15
Bismarck, N. D. Clear 30.15 15
Boston Partly Cloudy 30.15 15
Butte Partly Cloudy 30.15 15
Chicago Partly Cloudy 30.15 15
Cincinnati Partly Cloudy 30.15 15
Cleveland Partly Cloudy 30.15 15
Denver Clear 30.15 15
Detroit Clear 30.15 15
Kansas City, Mo. Clear 30.15 15
Little Rock, Ark. Clear 30.15 15
Los Angeles Clear 30.15 15
Miami Partly Cloudy 30.15 15
Mobile, Ala. Clear 30.15 15
New Orleans Partly Cloudy 30.15 15
New York Clear 30.15 15
Omaha Clear 30.15 15
Philadelphia Partly Cloudy 30.15 15
Portland, Ore. Rain 30.15 15
San Antonio, Tex. Partly Cloudy 30.15 15
San Francisco Foggy 30.15 15
St. Louis Clear 30.15 15
Tampa, Fla. Partly Cloudy 30.15 15
Washington, D. C. Clear 30.15 15

MIDWEST WEATHER
Indiana—Generally fair tonight and tomorrow, slightly colder in south and west portions, below freezing temperatures to night.

Illinois—Fair tonight and tomorrow, hard frosts tonight; slightly warmer in north portion in afternoon tomorrow.

Lower Michigan—Generally fair and colder with freezing temperatures tonight; temperature in west portion.

Ohio—Somewhat colder with fair in south and central portions and some cloudiness in extreme north portion tonight; tomorrow fair with slowly rising temperature in west portion.

Kentucky—Fair, slightly colder in east and central portions tonight; tomorrow clear with slowly rising temperature in west and central portions.

Color That Outdoes Ziegfeld Features Dainty Star's Newest Skating Spectacle

By FREMONT POWER

Sonja decided it would be color this time.

She splashed it about with wild, rich and eye-biting abandon and before she was done there was \$72,000 worth of it.

An estimated crowd of 11,000 crowded into the Coliseum last night to see it. And there they gazed on an over-flowing parade of earthly rainbows as Sonja Henie's 1941 Hollywood Ice Revue opened for a seven-day stay. It will play here nightly through Thursday.

Even when the great Ziegfeld was at his glorious height as the "madman-genius of the show world," he never went further to stifle the eye. Sonja, for sure, has out-Ziegfelded Ziegfeld.

In the ice revue costuming, Indianapolis saw perhaps the most arresting spectacle here in many years. Sonja's show had all the variety and wide appeals that one expects from her.

There was boogie-woogie and barcarolle . . . comedy and sheer beauty . . . "Chattanooga Choo Choo" . . . Tschaikowsky . . . DeBussy and "dignity."

In all, the pert, little Miss Henie skates in five numbers, three of them of the spectacle variety.

Appearing first in the "Gay Parisienne," set to Offenbach music, Sonja follows with a hula in "Isle of the Trade Winds." She does her famous "Tango" as a part of the "Mexicans" number and delights the hearts of all as the happy Fairy Queen of the finale, "Make Believe."

As for showmanship, Sonja is still a master and on her fifth tour, she remains somewhat of a marvel as a combination ballerina and skater.

2000 OFFICIALS END CONVENTION

Oppose Loss of Duties to State, Federal Agencies; Elect Officers.

More than 2000 members of the Indiana County and Township Officials Association returned home today after a three-day convention here in which they adopted resolutions opposing further concentration of powers in State and Federal agencies.

Don O'Neill, Logansport, Cass County attorney, was elected president. William T. Ayres, Marion County Commissioner; Clarence E. Baxter, of Tippecanoe County and Ruel Steele, of Bedford, were elected vice presidents. Dr. O'Dell Archer, of Clinton, was elected secretary-treasurer, succeeding Mark R. Gray, Indianapolis.

The Indiana Trustees Association, largest of the 12 organizations comprising the officials' association, re-elected all officers for another year.

They are John M. Doan, Decatur, president; Mrs. Frankie Helman, Gary; Fred Wissman, of New Haven; Charles Devlin, Brazil, and J. E. Smith, Sullivan, vice presidents, and Otto Walls, Knightstown, secretary-treasurer. Leo X. Smith, Indianapolis, was reappointed association attorney.

Of course, there are other stars in the revue and they get many rounds of applause.

Twenty-year-old Eugene Turner, whom Miss Henie first saw on skates when he was 14, is her new partner now. He makes his first entrance in the third number in a solo exhibition of figure skating.

And then there are the Swiss twins, Inge and Helga Brandt, two pretty girls who glide out with some of the finest skating of the evening. Fritz Dietl is back on his stilt skates and Geoffe Stevens, whom many have seen in other shows here as one of the "Four Bruses," is the comedian.

The 1941 revue opens on a patriotic note, with the choruses in a display of precision work. Following Mr. Turner's solo act, Irving Gregg is a very much befuddled and over-stimulated gentleman in "Three A. M."

Comes then a trio of stunt skaters in "On Wing of Steel," jumping over rows of big balls, and then Sonja's first entrance in "Gay Parisienne."

This one has all ingredients usually included in the ballet, the can-can, the barcarolle and the waltz. Here the spectators get their first big splash of color as the French mademoiselles wave their skirts in the customary manner.

The Brandt Sisters, decked out in blood-red jackets, and white shakos, on a zesty act, Mr. Stevens is funny as "Monsieur le Major Dome" and the girls' chorus does a beguiling number in hoopskirts called "Design in Dresden." Each character moves apparently without stepping and the effect is one of the most novel of the evening.

The richly-dressed "Isle of the Trade Winds" ends the first half of the show. It is a fantasy of the South Seas, with Sonja doing a hula. That is something new on ice.

The second act presents Sonja in two of her favorite guises, as the ballerina in "Clair de Lune," with Debussy music, and as Mr. Turner's partner in her ever popular "Tango." Miss Henie has danced the tango here with a variety of partners and it never fails to be one of her very best received numbers.

Setting a precedent, maybe, the chorus gets an encore in "Tonight We Dance," wherein the ladies are in flashing red formals and the men in tails. It is a velvety, sophisticated act.

And the same sort of smoothness is executed by the Brandt Sisters, again, in "Three Blue Notes," with Peter Kilian making the third of the trio.

But that's not all. The choruses do a bit of jitterbugging in "Rhythm Time." Mr. Dietl amazes the crowd again on his high skates, two boys and two girls are seen, "Skating Around in Circles" and Mr. Stevens is the lead comic in "The Open Road." Again in this one there is a new thing on skates, a midget.

The finale, of course, is a smash. It's designed to appeal to all ages 1 to 100.

All the characters of the childhood stories and a few more created by Walt Disney are present: Mickey Mouse, Donald Duck, Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs, the Three Pigs, the Big Bad Wolf—and even a big, floppy-eared dog, Sonja herself is Queen of the Fairies.

Cloaked in seemingly every color, all the members of the show parade, strut and run about with the gayness that a fantasy should have. The music is Tschaikowsky's Nutcracker Suite, the theme from his Piano Concerto, Prokofiev's "Love for the Three Oranges" and some of the tunes from Miss Henie's last picture, "Sun Valley Serenade."

\$30 a week—the median average of milk consumption is approximately one quart per family per day, or less than half the amount recommended by health authorities.

The low consumption of milk apparently does not arise entirely from ignorance of the amount that should be consumed.

The survey found, for example, that 65 per cent of persons in families with one or more members under 21 years of age knew that one quart of milk or more a day for each child is the amount recommended by the government.

In a second question, the survey found that 17 per cent of all families—or approximately 6 million families—say they have changed their diets in recent months almost entirely because of higher prices of food.

Those who have reduced their living standard because of higher food costs have tended to cut out the very foods which the Government has been trying to get them to use. The principal items reduced because of costs, the survey shows, are meat, eggs and butter, milk, and fresh vegetables.

In the low income groups, where 20 per cent indicated a reduced diet range because of higher food prices, the omission of foods rich in minerals and vitamins was particularly pronounced.

Yet the Department of Agriculture has been concentrating its efforts to persuade families to consume more dairy products and green leafy vegetables, not less.

Dr. Francis' remedy consist of a mixture of three parts phenol and one part camphor which can be prepared by any pharmacist. He reports that the mixture is "non-irritating and may be painted between the toes several times a day. The sock may be replaced immediately without danger of corrosion."

Users are warned, however, that the preparation should not be applied to wet skin.

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica, Dec. 6 (U. P.).—The worst earthquake in years shook Costa Rica at 2:50 p. m. (Indianapolis time) yesterday.

Panic-stricken residents of San Jose rushed from their swaying homes into the streets. Bottles, ornaments and dishes were shaken to floors and smashed. Utilities were interrupted temporarily.

In the Services—J. L. SLAUGHTER NOW AT DEBERT

Graduate of Tech Flies for Canada; Former Draftsman Here.

John L. Slaughter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Slaughter, W. 30th St. at Plackville, is now in the flying service of the R. C. A. F. and is stationed at Debert, Nova Scotia.

Pilot Slaughter is a graduate of Tech High School and was employed as a draftsman by the Engineering Metal Products Co. of this city before his enlistment Oct. 25.

Maj. Paul E. Congdon, staff judge advocate at Ft. Harrison, will explain the Civil Relief Act at a meeting of the National Woman's Service League, Inc. Tuesday. The meeting will be at 8 p. m. in the Service Club, 128 W. Wabash St.

Miss Mary Louise Clodfelter, will give a program of music following the address and hold an open forum.

An elevation in rank has been ordered for nine Indiana men in the service of the United States Navy. Eight of the Hoosiers, one from Indianapolis, have been approved by the President for promotion from the rank of lieutenant (junior grade) to that of lieutenant. They are:

George D. Good, Indianapolis; Walter J. East Jr., South Bend; Earl R. Crawford, Peru; Robert L. Newman, Terre Haute; James R. Hansen, Gary; Ralph W. Arndt, Michigan City; Frank E. Hayler, Muncie, and Richard W. Meyers, Columbus City.

Edwin E. Berger, Huntington, a chief carpenter's mate, has been promoted to carpenter.

New enlistments and reassignments department:

Paul Harry Ieman, of Indianapolis, will begin a four months training course in radio operation at the Naval Air Station here.

Pvt. Richard M. Keck, 53 Cossel Drive, recently completed a course in air mechanics at Chanute Field, Rantoul, Ill.

Indianapolis enlistees in the Air Corps who will begin training at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., are: Irvin G. Van Osdel, 1513 W. 25th St.; Lloyd R. McClellan, 2185 Gent St.; Paul A. Hutten, 1403 1/2 W. 27th St.; James H. Knopf, 310 N. Alabama St.; Max L. Harman, 121 W. Vermont St.; Jack E. Coshaw, 2223 Brookside Parkway, and Alvin H. Elckhoff Jr., R. R. 9, Box 371.

Harry R. Wallace, 1504 Orange St., has enlisted for three years in the regular Army but has not been assigned. He is now stationed at Ft. Harrison.

IN INDIANAPOLIS

Here Is the Traffic Record

County	City	Total
1940	55	81
1941	62	124

Accidents . . . 29 | Arrests . . . 257
Injured . . . 11 | Dead . . . 0

FRIDAY TRAFFIC COURT

Violations	Tried	Convicted	Fines Paid
Speeding	14	10	\$103
Reckless driving	5	4	27
Failure to stop at through street	3	3	8
Disobeying traffic signals	0	0	0
Drunk driving	2	1	70
All others	20	14	44
Totals	44	32	\$232

MEETINGS TODAY

Indiana Society of Architects, meeting, Claypool Hotel, 1 p. m.
Laymen's Retreat, meeting, Butler University, 2:30 p. m.
Twin Hall, Princess Sophia, English theater, 8 p. m.
Davis Valley, Catholic Student Peace federation, conference, Marian College, all day.

Marion County Teachers (outside), institute, Warren Central High School, 10 a. m.
Also Marion County Orchestra, all day.

Max Harold C. McGraw Auxiliary No. 3, Spanish-American War Veterans, dinner meeting, Colonial Tuxedo, 6 p. m.
Native Study Club of Indianapolis, meeting, Crosby Auditorium, 7:30 p. m.

MEETINGS TOMORROW

Indianapolis Open Forum, Harry W. Plummer, Kirtland Center, 8:30 and 9:30 p. m.

Indiana Astronomical Society, Dr. W. A. Cogshall, Crosby Hall, 2:15 p. m.

DeHeuck, War Memorial, 7:30 p. m.
Omaha, 21, grand council meeting, business session, 10 a. m.; luncheon, 12:30 p. m.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

These lists are from official records in the County Court House. The Times, therefore, is not responsible for errors in names and addresses.

Ray Passwater, 21, of 514 E. Walnut; Bertha Curren, 18, of 258 S. Keystone.

Paul Littlefield, 32, of Wayne; Mary Davis, 24, of 307 E. Walnut.

Raymond G. Goff, 24, of 2328 W. 16th; Thelma Fendell, 24, of 1233 N. Holmes.

Edw. Padgett, 21, of 2332 N. Temple; Margaret Campbell, 18, of 2806 N. Spruce.

Richard Smith, 24, of 2121 N. Talbot; Helen Marr, 14, of 2121 N. Talbot.

Carl Bailey, 18, of 561 N. Hamilton; Alice Dixon, 16, of 561 N. Hamilton.

Ansel Jones, 21, of Evansville; Rita Amos, 24, of Evansville.

Norma Sheels, 44, of 110 Sherman Drive; Herbert, 44, of 110 Sherman Drive.

Walter Smith, 35, of 1523 Fruitdale; Wickliffe Neikirk, 35, of 1523 Fruitdale.

Hypatia McGraw, 25, of 3001 College; Helen, 21, of 3001 College.

Washington; Rhea Questray, 18, of 629 S. Rybol; Dorene Foxworthy, 20, of 629 S. Rybol.

Max, Ruth Alkire, at Coleman.

Robert, Mariah Lattin, at St. Vincent's.

Edwin, Dorothy Gard, at St. Vincent's.

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