

ED. WYNN TO APPEAR IN CHICAGO SOON

Make Appearance at Grand Opera House in "Manhattan Mary"

Recognized as the world's funniest comedian; known from one end of the country to the other by the affectionate title of "The Perfect Fool," Ed. Wynn, peer of all laughmakers, makes his appearance at the Grand Opera House, on Sunday night September 16 for a limited engagement, in the successful musical comedy, "Manhattan Mary."

Produced by George White, the originator of the popular "Scandals," headed by the king of comedians and coming to Chicago direct from a long run at Mr. White's Apollo Theatre, New York, "Manhattan Mary" takes its place among the most important theatrical offerings of the year.

Funnier, even than in Ed. Wynn's "Carnival," "The Perfect Fool" and "The Grab Bag," Mr. Wynn rises to heretofore undiscovered comedy heights as Cricket, the waiter in a Broadway night club. How, by accident, he puts the quietus on a notoriously tough gangster and is by virtue of that fact appointed leader of the tough "Hudson Dusters," a gang from the New York underworld, makes an evening of unrestrained hilarity. A pretty love story, that of Jimmy, the jazz orchestra leader, and Manhattan Mary, runs through the entire action, which is richly inter-pollated with catchy songs, clever lyrics and bright, breezy dialogue, to say nothing of the unusual dancing by the large and gorgeous chorus, without which no George White production would be complete.

HOLDS CLOSE TO WAR DRAMA OF PAST DAYS

"My Maryland" Operetta Now Playing at Great Northern Theatre

Theatre goers and music lovers who have lost faith in the present day revues and musical comedies, are having their faith revived in the latest Shubert operetta, "My Maryland," which is now packing the Great Northern Theatre to absolute capacity. This truly American musical hit, with its score by Sigmund Romberg and lyrics

by Dorothy Donnelly, has been acclaimed by critics and public in general as a greater success than its predecessors, "The Student Prince," "The Vagabond King" or "The Desert Song."

Holding closely to the war drama, "Barbara Fritchie," which was an outstanding success in the American theatre some years ago, the present production, which started a limited engagement here last Saturday night, offers, together with an inspiring and thrilling musical score, a well told story of the earlier days of the great strife between the north and the south. It is a tale of color and romance, with moments of great dramatic intensity. The story has been so constructed that it has been easily adapted to music, without, in any way, destroying its effectiveness. There are at least half a dozen absolutely intriguing musical numbers excellently sung by Nate Wagner and Olga Cook; and an all inspiring martial song, "Your Land and My Land," grippingly sung by a very fine male soldier chorus of 60 especially picked voices. Taking it all together, "My Maryland" is the most outstanding musical hit Chicago has ever had.

RARE POTTERY FROM MADAGASCAR SHOWN

A piece of clay pottery, an odd storage jar which belonged to the last king of the Betsileo tribe in the south of Madagascar, is now in the possession of Field Museum of Natural History, and is soon to be exhibited, it was announced recently. The jar, which is believed to be the only one of its kind in existence, was obtained by Dr. Ralph Linton, leader of the recent Capt. Marshall Field Anthropological Expedition to Madagascar. The vessel was used for storing the royal supply of rice, chief staple food of the Malagasy.

The curious design work was fashioned in strips of clay, afterwards stuck on the outside of the jar, which was then fired. According to Field Museum ethnologists the design bears a strong resemblance to work produced by Papuans and Melanians, and it therefore suggests the possibility of a historical connection in the remote past between these people and the Malagasy.

PRINTED GOWN NOW PROVING POPULAR

The printed gown has come to stay—as least for another season. Not only in silks, as was the case last year, is it in the ascendant, but in transparent velvets and more interesting still in woolen and rayon mixtures is the print displaying continued and approved liveliness.

It seems to us that in these days of high power politics it is more difficult for the average workers to find the bandwagon than it used to be.

SCIENTISTS BELIEVE GORILLAS MONOGAMOUS

Indications Are That They Mate For Life and Live Together In Happy Family

"And they lived happily together ever after."

This favorite ending for the old-time romance or fairy story would be applicable in telling the story of gorillas in the African jungles when they pick their mates, if the findings of some zoological observers are without error. The incomplete but apparently reliable observations of some naturalists, among them the late Carl E. Akeley who spent many years studying the wild life of Africa, have led to the conclusion that gorillas, and some other animals, are monogamous. Furthermore, it is believed that they mate for life—their mating is no companionate marriage. Once having paired, Mr. and Mrs. Gorilla ignore the charms of all other gorillas whom they may meet. They live in simple domesticity, and raise their young. The young cling to the family group until matured, and often longer, bringing their own mates to live in the habitat of their parents. A family of gorillas is on exhibition at Field Museum of Natural History. The reputation of this type of ape for ferocity has been much exaggerated in fiction. As might be expected of an animal loving peaceful home life with its family, the gorilla rarely becomes dangerous unless attacked. In defense of its family or itself, however, it will savagely attack an aggressor who forces it into battle. Among other animals believed to be monogamous and inclined to live in family groups are lions, bears, and a number of birds, including parrots and eagles.

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Deerfield News

Former residents of Deerfield, now of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Moore, were guests of Miss Amelia Petersen, Sunday, and on Thursday Mrs. J. P. Shaw and Mrs. H. W. Wheaton of Wheaton, Ill., were guests of Miss Petersen.

George Stryker, Kenneth Wessling, Arthur Cashmore, Wessley Stryker and Vernon Giss have returned from a motor trip through Wisconsin and Michigan.

Wessley Stryker will attend Iowa State university this year.

Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Hutchison and daughter, Louise Ann, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Reeds, Tuesday.

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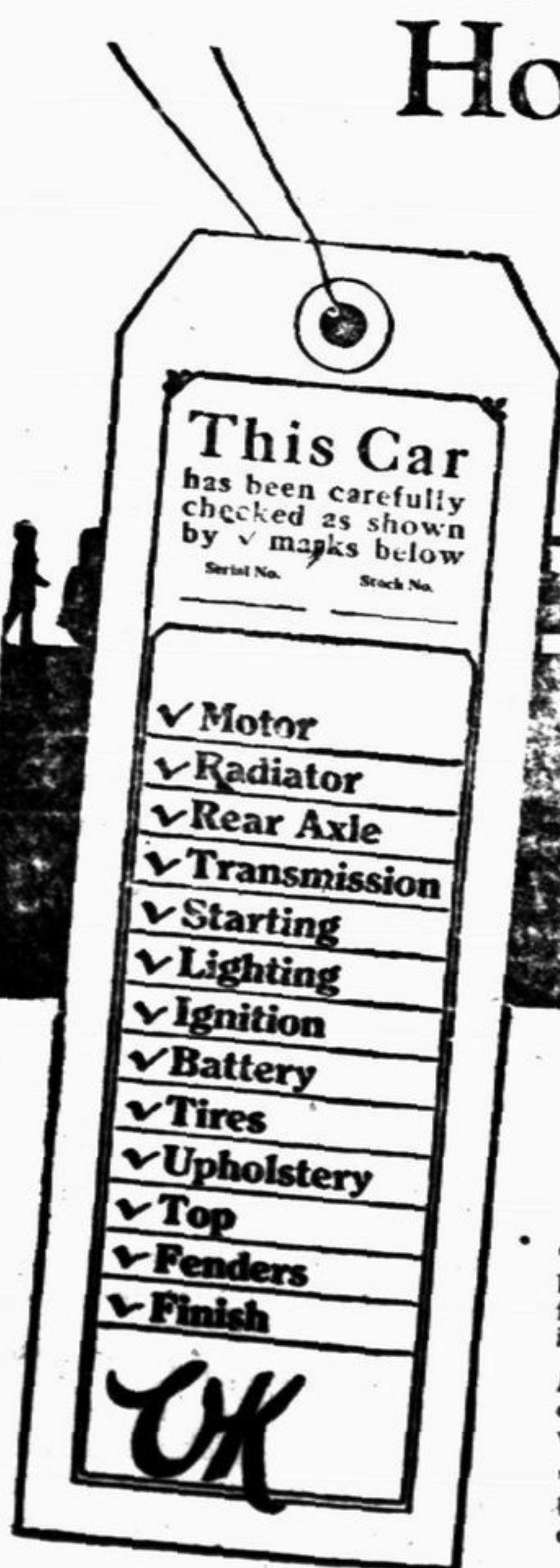
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