

## RAVINIA'S MINSTREL SHOW MARCH 28-29

### Gen. J. Jackson Showboat Troupe Is Heading for This Port; Features

(By F. V. Degenhardt)

Yes sir, the ol' "Ginral" Jackson showboat troupe is headin' this way, —chugging up the Mississippi under full steam, and will pull into dock at the foot of Roger William avenue on March 28-29. And this bunch is jes' got everything,—yes sir, everything. Swell little hoofers whut does buck and wing, and barrel-chested bassos whut, sure kin sing. Octoroon gals fum ol' New Orleans with that come-thither look, and pearly teeth that glisten as they lean over the footlights to sing "Won't You Come and Play with Me?" And hoofers,—say, folks, you never seen such step-pers Voodoo men from canebreak country of Louisiana,—sure-enough medicine show men with the funniest gags in the world,—tumblers, comedians, gingham-clad Topsyies, big-footed tap dancers, and a trained chorus of dancing-singing mammy-shouting chocolate drops! Man oh man, dey am,—dat's all, der jes' am!

#### Magnolius Conception

The entire scenic effects for this production have been constructed in our own studios, and present a magnificent, magnolius conception of the ante-bellum south, rich with the fragrance of wisteria blossoms, and eucalyptus buds. You will be taken back to the days of the hoop-skirt and crinolines, when the darkies gathered down at the levee as the old showboat came to town.

And right this moment the Ravinia showboat am chuggin' up the Mississippi, loaded to the rails with a peppered conglomeration of high-stepping melodious smokes! Boy, is dey got fun! Dey all is jes' bustin' out with wisecracks,—crazy as a bunch of March hares, and rarin' to go! As Mister Frogleg Leonard done express hit,—

"Ah kin shake mah shoulders

Ah kin shake mah knees

Ah'm a free-born American

Ah kind shake whut Ah please!"

"Excus' me fo' interruptin' you', Mister Frogleg," chimed in Hamfat Bennett, "but whut bizness is yo' in when de show season closes?"

"Oh," replied Frogleg, "Ah drives a bus whut holds 14 people with upholstered seats." "By the way Hamfat," asked Frogleg, "How come yo' is so bowlegged?" "Well, yo' see when Ah wuz a little baby mah pappy done swat so many flies on mah haid dat he bent mah lajgs," said Hamfat. "But let me ast yo' a question, Hamfat,—ef one of de gals wuz to fall in the water whut would you all do?" came back Frogleg. "Why," said Hamfat, "Ah would throw her a cake of soap." "A cake of soap, — why would you all do dat?" "To wash her back," laughed Hamfat.

"Man, said Frogleg, yo' is jes' full of foolishness tonight,—you all better save some of dem gags fo' de show." But we all ain't worrying about dat, 'cause we is just bustin' with jokes. "Ah guess Ah'll go sit on deck with mah gal and watch the yellow moon come up," said Frogleg. "Wait a minit, Ah wants to ast yo'

jes' one question mo,' "said Hamfat, "Why is yo' gal's teeth like de stars?" "Sho' Ah don't know." "Why, cause dey comes out every night!" roared Hamfat.

Well folks, we will see yo' all directly up yander in Ravinia on March 28, 29,—en don't fergit to git yo' tickets early!

#### DEERFIELD CIVIC CALENDAR Monday, March 17

Psychology class, Grammar school auditorium, 7:30 o'clock.

Card party, Holy Cross church hall 8 o'clock.

#### Tuesday, March 18

Masonic meeting, Masonic Temple, 8:00 o'clock.

Holy Name Society meeting at the Holy Cross church, 8 o'clock.

#### Wednesday, March 19

Lions club, 12:30.

#### Thursday, March 20

Sewing circle, at the home of Mrs. F. Horenberger, 2 o'clock.

Missionary meeting at the home of Mrs. M. J. Andrew at 2 o'clock.

O. E. S. chapter meeting, Masonic temple, 8 o'clock and card party party.

First game of basketball tournament, Deerfield Grammar school 8

o'clock, St. Paul's and Deerfield A.C.

#### Friday, March 21

Boy Scout meeting.

#### Saturday, March 22

Second game of basketball tournament, grammar school 8 o'clock.

Servant Girl: Madame, master lies unconscious in the hall, with a piece of paper in his hand and a large box alongside.

Mme. X (joyously): Ah—my new hat has arrived.

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