

AMUSEMENTS

What the Press Agents Say About Coming Attractions

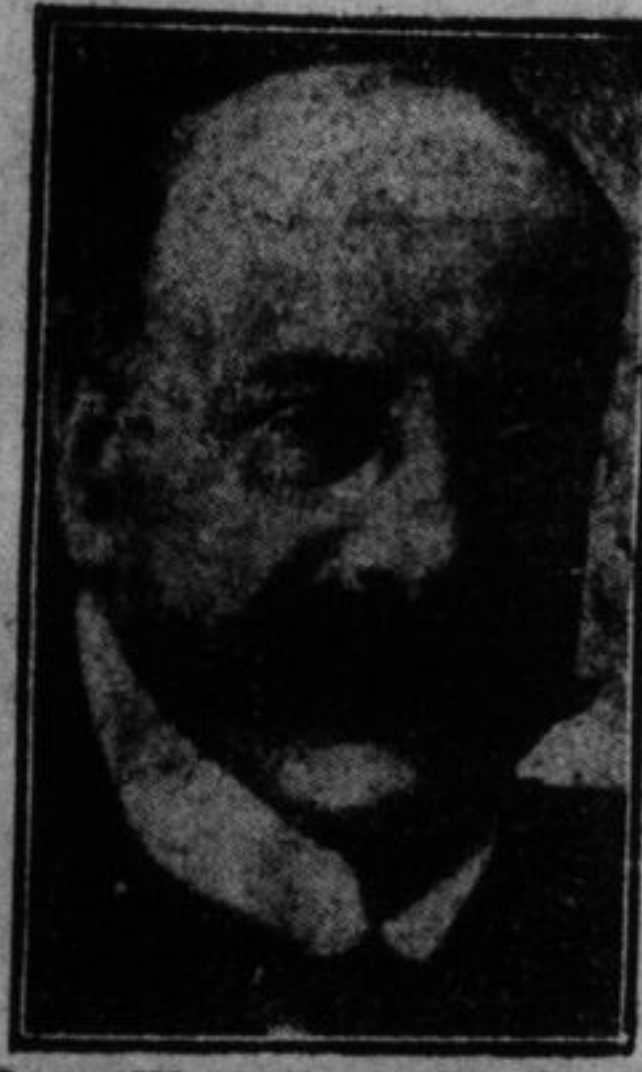
Claire Adams at Allen.

Another thrilling Zane Grey picture, "Golden Dreams," is coming to the Allen theatre for three days...

There is color and picturesqueness and adventure galore in this photoplay. Spectators early take sides with the lovers and root for them...

IN MARINE CIRCLES

Arrived: Arizona, Toronto, to dock for repairs; Toronto from Toronto. Cleared: Mapleboro, Port Colborne; Brookland, Toronto.



SIR ALFRED MOND British nickel king, who has delivered a warning that if labor comes into power in Britain, the banks will put an embargo on finances.

At Pleasant Valley. Pleasant Valley, July 19.—Haying is the order of the day and an average crop is reported.

George Barr met with a painful accident on Wednesday when he fell on a rusty nail which penetrated his knee. Dr. Whitelock was in attendance for a few days and Mr. Barr is able to resume his work...

Leading British physicians are puzzled as to the exact nature of Lord Northcliffe's illness, and are unable to definitely diagnose it.

U. S. Attorney-General Daugherty has all his plans made for a sweeping court action to protect coal producers who obey the president's invitation to open the mines.

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NATURE'S CHAMPION SLEEPERS.

Mud That Protects Frogs From the Dangers of the Winter.

During the cold days of winter every frog in the land is tucked away in the mud at the bottom of some deep pond, where he remains in a kind of trance, quite motionless and not even breathing.

On the arrival of warmer weather the frogs awaken from their long sleep and float up to the surface to draw their first breath for many months.

Then, rapidly becoming more active, they make their way ashore, and soon the evening air is resounding with their hoarse love-songs. The male's croak sounds like a cross between the cawing of a rook and the quack of a duck, while the lady frog trills her tremolo lay on a higher pitched note.

Once their courtship is over, neither parent takes the slightest interest in family affairs. The eggs, which look like great masses of soft pudding speckled with black points, are left to look after themselves, and they provide dainty morsels for a variety of water creatures.

Ducks, geese, swans, and other aquatic birds, water beetles, fish, and enemies of many kinds launch an immediate attack upon them, and it is just as well for us that they do, for otherwise the whole country would soon be one crawling mass of frogs.

At the end of a day or two the black speck that lies within each egg begins to grow in size, and gradually it takes on the shape of a tiny fish-like creature with a big head, no body, and a long tail.

In about a month the tadpoles eat their way through the covering that protects them and set out to find their own living in the pond in which they are born.

For the first week or two of their lives they have large branching gills, but gradually these grow smaller until finally they disappear altogether.

His own diet consists almost entirely of flies and other insects, which he catches in an ingenious way. His tongue is hinged, not in his throat, but at the front of the lower jaw, so that when it is extended it protrudes quite a long way.

The young frog sits quite motionless in the shadow of a leaf. Presently an unsuspecting fly alights and begins to walk about. The frog does not move; he is waiting until the fly comes within range. The instant it does so, out shoots the long tongue. The fly is captured and transferred to the frog's capacious mouth in a fraction of a second.

The frog which is eaten in European cities—the hind legs are cooked by the way—is not similar to the one we know in this country. He is bigger, and his voice is much more powerful. Often, just before rain, these frogs are so noisy that sleep is impossible in houses near lakes and ponds.

Fireflies.

Fireflies are not a particular kind of insect. The name is simply a general one for several kinds of beetles. There are two classes of them, one of which is found in Central and South America and the West Indies, the other in Europe and the United States.

Much the more brilliant are those of the tropics. One kind, called the lightning spring beetle, because when it falls on its back it springs into the air so as to get on its feet again, is more than an inch long, and gives forth such a beautiful light that the Cuban and Mexican ladies use them as ornaments.

The Indian natives of these countries catch them by holding up burning coals at the end of a stick, which attracts the insect. They sell them to ladies who shut them up in small cages of fine wire, and feed them on bits of sugar-cane.

When they wish to use them, they saw them up in little bags of lace and gauze, or twist them in their necklaces or girdles. Sometimes they cruelly put a long pin through the poor beetle's under the chest, and wear them in their hair instead of diamonds, or with the jewels, the result being a pretty effect.

Travelers who visited the West Indies, at first excited the incredulity of their friends at home by declaring that the natives sometimes put a number of the fireflies into a cage, and thus gain enough light to enable them to read. The story has been confirmed by many scientists, however, and is now accepted universally as the truth.

Useful Knowledge.

Farmer Anderson: "So your boy's got home from college. Does he take any interest in the farm?" Farmer Bowley: "He's beginning to. He's been showing me where we could have a fine golf course an' how easy 't would be to turn the barn into a garage."

Healthiest Year.

The year 1821, according to the records of thirty-seven insurance companies, comprising figures for 27,000,000 lives, was the healthiest year in the whole history of the United States and Canada.

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WHY FISH MIGRATE.

Purpose of Air Bladder Puzzles Science.

A fish has got to swim. To do that he must be able to float in the water without effort, using his fins only for travel. This means a nice balance in which air concerned his specific gravity and the volume of water he displaces.

The bones and lean meat of a fish are slightly heavier than an equal volume of water. Thus the finny creature, if starved to leanness, could not float but for an air-bladder which its body contains.

As the fish grows fatter its air bladder contracts, occupying less and less space, because the fat (which is oil) is lighter than water, and therefore less air is needed to give the requisite buoyancy. It has been figured out that a fish 29 1-3 per cent. fat would be in equilibrium in sea water without any air bladder. And, without an air bladder, a fish 46 2/3 per cent. fat could float in fresh water, which has a considerably less density.

Upon these data appears to hang a very interesting new discovery, which is thought to explain the reason why sea fishes, such as the shark and salmon, run up rivers to lay their eggs.

The Atlantic salmon, hatched in a river, soon thereafter seeks the briny ocean, where it spends two years getting its growth and developing bone and muscle. During the third year it puts on much fat, which lowers its specific gravity sufficiently to cause discomfort in its navigation. This impels it to seek fresh water, where, because of the lesser density) it can float nicely and agreeably.

So in the fourth year it runs up a river, where, under an arrangement conveniently made by nature, it breeds. But it is not the desire to spawn that brings it into the river; the impelling agency is fat. On the other hand, the salmon could not venture into fresh water unless it was fat, because, if lean, it could not float or navigate comfortably therein.

It is the same way with the shad and with other sea fishes that run up rivers to spawn. Such, at all events, is the new theory.

As for bladders, nearly all fishes have them, the under and swordfish being among the few exceptions. It was found that the air bladder contains more and more oxygen with increasing depths. Fishes taken from great depths in the sea have air bladders filled with nearly pure oxygen.

The purpose of the air bladder has been in dispute ever since the days of Aristotle; but apparently its chief function is to determine buoyancy, while almost undoubtedly it helps out the oxygen supply of the fish.

Guards Halifax.

The man who succeeded Beatty as commander of the battle cruiser fleet, the battle seekers of the grand old navy, is now in command of the North American squadron; that is to say, he is the defender of the Atlantic Dominion, now that the Canadian navy has gallantly sailed for the dry dock station.

Everybody knows who succeeded Lord Jellicoe in command of the grand fleet. It was Beatty, commander of the battle cruiser fleet, which tried in vain to make Heine fight it out at Julian. But Earl Beatty's promotion involved scores of promotions. Every vacancy at the top means a vacancy after vacancy below.

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SPORTING NEWS

Dinghy Races.

The third race of the third series of dinghy races was run off at the Kingston yacht club on Friday afternoon in splendid fashion. There was clean racing throughout with skillful sailing in a brisk wind. Fifteen dinghies participated in the races.

In the race of Class A dinghies started at 5.30 p.m., the finish was made in the following order: H. Hill, 6.17.53; D. Jemmett, 6.18.55; D. Carruthers, 6.19.24; S. Hill, 6.19.32; Dr. R. B. Hopkins, 6.24.20.

The finish was reached in the race of Class B dinghies which was started at 5.35 p.m. in the following order: H. Horn, 6.24.80; Principal R. B. Taylor, 6.25.20; W. Casey, 6.26.54; Nickle, 6.27.30; B. Cunningham, 6.27.60.

In the Class C races started at 5.40 p.m. the dinghies finished in the following order: Bishop, 6.31.33; D. Chow, 6.32.27; Campbell, 6.33.37; J. M. Farrell, 6.33.52; W. Rigney, 6.37.20.

Mercantile Baseball League.

A general business meeting of the Mercantile Baseball League was held in the Whig building on Friday evening, when a number of details of interest to the various teams were arranged to the satisfaction of all concerned. President "Jimmy" Kane was in the chair, and besides the executive members, there were also a number of team representatives present.

The question of final games and play-offs between the two group winners came up for discussion. The dates for the latter were changed to Tuesday, August 1st and Thursday August 3rd. In case of a third game to decide the championship, this will be played early in the following week.

It was decided to have the championship games of nine innings each, and George Sullivan will be the umpire for both games, and the final, if necessary. As soon as the play-offs are over, several of the Mercantile teams intend to play exhibition games during the remainder of the season.

Bowling Games.

The bowlers had almost a record evening Friday evening when seven games in all were played, three rink games and two doubles being on the schedule and two postponed rink games were also played. The rink games resulted: Skip J. P. McMillan won from Skip A. Turcotte, 14-9; Skip R. S. Graham won from Skip H. W. Newman, 14-12; Skip A. E. Treadgold won from Skip C. C. Hodgins, 15-13; Skip E. Green defeated Skip W. M. Campbell, 12-8; Skip A. E. Treadgold won from skip F. Crozier, 13-10.

The doubles resulted: N. Munsie and J. F. Hawkey won from F. Crozier and C. S. Crozier, 13-10; W. Frisell and C. Wood won from W. H. Dyde and A. Baker, 13-10.

Another game was played in the bowlers challenge series Friday evening. E. Green and A. Treadgold challenged the leaders, H. W. Newman and W. M. Campbell, but were defeated by the vice-president and his partner.

BASEBALL SCORES

FRIDAY'S GAMES.

International. Jersey City 5, Rochester 5. Buffalo 2, Reading 0. Newark 3, Syracuse 6. Baltimore at Toronto—postponed.

National League. St. Louis 6, Boston 1. Pittsburgh 6, Philadelphia 0. Cincinnati 5, New York 3. Chicago 1, Brooklyn 0.

American League. Cleveland 1, Washington 0. New York 7, Detroit 5. St. Louis 10, Philadelphia 2. Boston 3, Chicago 7.

SPORTING NEWS

Lawrence Solman has become head of the Toronto baseball club and sole owner of the franchise, succeeding James J. McCaffery, who died recently. They were formerly jointly associated.

"Ain't it tough," says Nick Altrock. "Here are a lot of youngsters who have had a year or two of success demanding twice as much as some of us old-timers ever got in our prime."

Walter Johnson's stretch of scoreless innings was stopped in the fourth inning of a game against the Red Sox on July second when John Collins slapped out a hit that drove in the first run of the game for the Boston club.

Umpire "Brick" Owens is gradually recovering from a bad contusion in the ligaments of his left side, sustained when he was struck by a foul tip from the bat of Bob Veach, Detroit outsider, in a Chicago-Detroit game on June 25th.

Eugene Whitkirk, pitcher for the Oklahoma State Penitentiary baseball team, struck out twenty-one men in nine innings in a recent game with the town of Gowen.

Talents are nurtured best in solitude, but character on life's tempestuous sea. A poor man served by thee shall make thee rich. Many a man who gets his back up like a camel acts like a bear.

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THE C.P.R. AGREES TO REVISE PLANS. So That Access to Properties Near Outer Station Will Be Possible. Mayor Corbett states that on Friday afternoon a conference was held with C.P.R. engineers and a settlement of the closed street matter was effected.

Miss Woodman's Pupils. Following are the successful pupils of Miss Olive Woodman, who recently tried examinations at the Toronto Conservatory of Music: Junior singing, pass, Vera Saunders; honours, Ruby Driver; honours, Marion Bruton. Theory candidate in intermediate form, honours, Junior counterpoint, honours. First class honours, Junior history, 30. First class honours, primary rudiments, 23. Primary rudiments and harmony honours, Marion Bruton.

Two unemployed men asked permission to sleep in the police station on Friday night. Their request was granted. No police court session was held on Saturday morning.

GANANOQUE. July 21.—A garden party under the auspices of the Anglican Young People's Association was held last evening at "Blinkbonnie" on Main street. The several booths were prettily decorated and well patronized. Dancing took place, the music being furnished by the Dixie Five orchestra.