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Scene from A. H. Wood's new comedy, "Mary's Ankle," Academy of Music, Thursday, December 13.

THEATRE

There is a wealth of original and surprising fun in "Mary's Ankle," the ingenious farce comedy by May Tully, which A. H. Woods will present at the Academy of Music on Thursday, December 13, with the original New York cast and production. "Mary's Ankle" was the first of the season's metropolitan successes, and delighted large audiences for three months at the Bijou and Thirty-ninth Street theatres, New York. The plot of the piece deals with the farcical adventures of three desperately poor young men who pretend that one of them has been married and send out fake invitations in order to get the much needed wedding presents. The complications result from the unexpected appearance of a young lady who is identified with the name and address on the wedding announcements. Miss Tully's farce abounds in unusually amusing comedy situations, and crisp comedy lines, and is splendidly acted by the original New York Company, including Lillian Claire, Bert Leigh, May Wallace, James Hester, Edward Butler, Louise Sanford, Donald MacLeod, Gertrude Mann, Frank A. Meehan and others. The prices will be from 50 cents to \$1.50. War Tax extra. Tickets will go on sale next Wednesday morning at Elvington's.

A FULL-VALUE PICTURE.
Lockwood again! And "Under Handicap" is a real Lockwood picture, full of bravery, determination and results—with the love of a fine girl to illuminate it all.
"Under Handicap" is another book play. Its author, Jackson Gregory, has demonstrated that he knows how to hold the attention, and in the photo-drama made from the novel, Harold Lockwood and Fred Balshofer, who has adapted it, show their ability to take that story and put it on the screen in terms of good, red-blooded action.
"Under Handicap" is a story of New York—and the desert, principally the desert. It shows the workings of a gigantic reclamation project, the problem of wresting great gifts from nature. Its greatest lesson is perhaps to win from nature requires grit and strength, both moral and physical. It is partly because Lockwood plays are so clean that the public has learned to trust them and Lockwood—and to want more of them.
"Under Handicap" is in eight reels and is the biggest money's worth in pictures ever presented in Wilmington. At the Grand Monday and Tuesday at regular admission prices.

A TRIANGLE.
It's been quite a while since Wilmington audiences had the pleasure of witnessing a Triangle picture, and they will be surprised at how these always great productions have grown in the past 12 months. The Grand has signed a contract for one every Saturday, beginning tomorrow, and were extremely lucky in securing an opening attraction, the biggest Triangle attraction of the year, "The Ten of Diamonds," starring that superb Triangle star, Dorothy Dalton in the leading role, supported by J. Barney Sherry, Jack Livingston and Billy Shaw.
"The Ten of Diamonds" is a mammoth six-reel Triangle super-picture, the story of a super-man and a super-woman. It tells how a cabaret girl is picked by a millionaire to wreak revenge on the man who stole his love.
Beautiful Dorothy Dalton as Neva Blaine, the cabaret dancer, has one of the most fascinating roles in her entire career, and patrons should most certainly not miss this—the biggest attraction of the entire week.
Will continue Public Sale all next week. Wilmington Shoe Company.—adv.

SOUTHERN EXPENSES

Over \$6,000,000 Paid Out in the South (Special to The Dispatch)
Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—Disbursements by the Southern Railway Company during the month of October, 1917, for labor, material, supplies, and other purposes, amounted to \$7,945,419, of which \$6,461,948, or 81.33 per cent, was paid to individuals and industries located in the South, this sum being \$64,261 in excess of the total moneys contributed by the South for transportation purposes according to figures announced by Comptroller A. H. Plant.
For improvements to its roadway and structures, the Southern spent \$1,616,019.13 in October, 1917, as against \$1,377,424.43 during October, 1916; during the four months ended October 31, \$5,887,797.82, as against \$4,737,227.33 in 1916.
Results of operation, exclusive of interest, rentals, and other income charges were as follows:
Gross revenue, October, 1917, \$9,139,552, an increase as compared with 1916, of \$1,891,483, or 26.10 per cent; operating expenses, taxes and uncollectible railway revenue, \$6,035,365, an increase of \$1,220,582, or 25.35 per cent.

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