

..Theatrical..

"There's a lot of brothers knockin' about the world as we don't know of."

This striking sentence spoken by the Draln-Man in the second act of "The Servant in the House" furnishes the keynote of the entire play, which comes to the Academy Saturday, matinee and night. The play, which has been acclaimed from coast to coast as one of the greatest plays in all the range of English drama, and as a lasting contribution to the English literature, is built on the idea of universal brotherhood and it teaches with compelling force the lesson that man's highest happiness comes from unselfish service to others.

The central figure in the play is a quiet, impressive man, garbed in long, flowing Oriental robes, who has taken a place as butler in the home of an English clergyman, and who wields a ryme with whom he is brought in contact with whom he is brought in contact.

It must not be imagined that "The Servant in the House" is a dry preaching, a dramatized sermon, or a prosy succession of platitudinous speeches. It is a drama that throbs with life, that is instinct with power and dramatic force. And it is acted by one of the most remarkable companies recently seen on the American stage, a company which includes among its members no less than three former stars and is headed by the most popular of younger American players, Victor E. Lambert.

Seats will go on sale at Plummer's tomorrow morning. Holiday prices will prevail at both performances. The matinee prices will be 25 and 50 cents. At night the scale will go but to \$1.00.

The Pickerts All Next Week.

Extending the usual courtesy to the ladies, the clever, ever-favorite Four Pickerts will begin their annual engagement at the Academy of Music next Monday night, and will, no doubt, be greeted by a "standing room only" audience, as usual. The Pickerts will inaugurate their engagement with a fine presentation of "St. Elmo," a revival of which the attraction is making a splendid revival this season. Between acts a new and superb line of vaudeville will be presented, which will include a snappy, merry sketch by the Pickerts.

The popular attraction will hold forth all week, with a special Christmas matinee. Seats for the opening performance will be on sale at Plummer's Saturday morning.

At The Bijou

The smiling face, fat form and ever-lovable ways of John Bunny, the most popular of all moving picture comedians, will be seen at the fascinating Bijou again today. "Michael McShane, Matchmaker," a film of power and sweetness, heads today's fine list at the Bijou, and Bunny appears in the title role. It is a film of high class, wholesome humor, and one that affords Bunny ample chance to delight his hundreds of admirers in every

SEEK UNITED CABINET.

Wm. J. Bryan Pushes Oscar Underwood for Treasury Portfolio. (Washington Post.)

Democratic leaders from all over the country are endeavoring to persuade President-elect Wilson to make his cabinet representative of all of the different elements of the party.

It can be stated on high authority that not only is William J. Bryan practically certain to be a member of the next cabinet, but that Mr. Bryan himself is doing his best to bring about the appointment of his one-time political foe, Representative Oscar W. Underwood, of Alabama, to a cabinet portfolio.

The purpose of Mr. Wilson and the party leaders who are closest to him is not only to perfect an organization that will safely weather the storm of tariff revision during the next eight months, but which will be a solid, smoothly working political machine that can get more than half of the popular vote in the next Presidential election.

The Democratic leaders in Congress are not trying to fool themselves about the election last November. Only Monday night, in a speech at the Raleigh Hotel, Representative A. Mitchell Palmer, Democratic National committeeman for Pennsylvania, and one of the Wilson pre-convention managers, said that the Democrats should not forget that Mr. Wilson will be a minority President.

"We will probably have to fight only one party four years from now," said Mr. Palmer, "and we will find it harder to win. We did not win the Presidency last November. The Republicans threw it away, and we picked it up."

Representative Underwood, on the same occasion, said:

"The fate of the Democratic party will be decided during the next six months."

Word came to Washington yesterday that Mr. Bryan, who is now on his way to New York from Florida, to have a conference with the President-elect, held a conference with Alabama friends of Mr. Underwood, at Jacksonville, before leaving, and that the subject under discussion was the appointment of Mr. Underwood as a member of the Cabinet.

It is understood that Mr. Bryan has been, or will be, offered the place of Secretary of State and that he wants Mr. Underwood to be Secretary of the Treasury.

Present at this Jacksonville conference were Horace Hood and Gen. Graves, of Alabama.

Though Mr. Underwood continues to be reticent about his acceptance of a cabinet office, his friends know that he would be pleased if the offer should be made by Mr. Wilson and that he would doubtless accept.

The cabinet slate which has thus far been made up by Washington Democrats who have been studying the situation carefully is this:

Secretary of State, William J. Bryan; Secretary of the Treasury, Oscar W. Underwood; Postmaster General, Josephus Daniels, of North Carolina; Secretary of the Interior, Gov. John Burke, of North Dakota, or Governor George Norris, of Montana; Secretary of Agriculture, Dr. Harvey W. Wiley.

MYSTERIOUSLY MURDERED.

Two Aged Women Found With Heads Crushed in With Axe. Columbia, Mo., Dec. 18.—Lee Moore, who discovered the dead bodies of his mother, Mrs. George Moore, and his grandmother, Mrs. Mary J. Wilson, crushed with an axe when he entered their home near here today, was arrested late this afternoon following his testimony given at the coroner's inquest. Moore denied that he knew anything of the murder until he found the bodies this morning. He said he came here from Moberly to arrange Christmas for the women.

Columbia, Mo., Dec. 18.—Mrs. Geo. Moore, 61 years old, and her mother, Mrs. Mary J. Wilson, 82 years old, were found dead in their home near here today, their heads crushed in with an axe.

The discovery was made by Lee Moore, a son who had come to prepare a Christmas tree for the women who lived alone on the outskirts of Columbia.

The police are without a clue. The women had no money. A pocketbook containing a small sum was found on the kitchen floor.

A charge of first degree murder was placed against Moore, who has been employed at Moberly, Mo., as a railroad car repairer. When he reported to the police the discovery of the bodies, he said he had arrived from Moberly this morning, but the authorities have learned, they say, that Moore came here yesterday and registered at a local hotel under an assumed name.

A search of the hotel room where Moore alleged to have stayed last night, the police assert revealed a quantity of blood on the towels and bed clothing and on some of the clothing that the officers say Moore wore last night. The hotel clerk identified Moore as the occupant of the room and said Moore was nervous and acted strangely as he registered. According to the police authorities, Moore showed no emotion over the murders or his arrest.

All they have is circumstantial evidence. I know they have convicted many men on that, but I am going to stand my ground," he said tonight.

Mrs. Wilson is survived by six daughters, besides the one slain with her. Mrs. Moore had one son besides the one accused of the murder.



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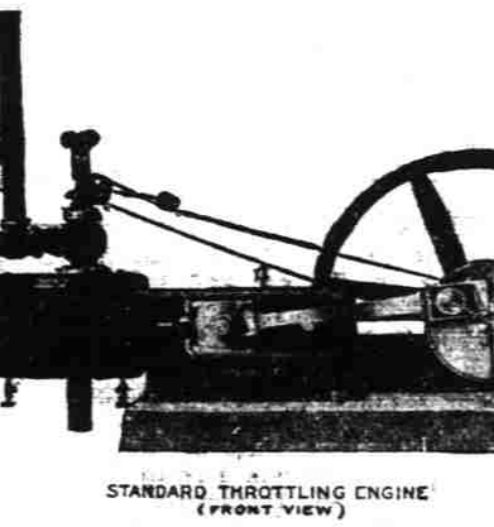
Fires Negro Murderer's Refuge, Then Shoots Him Down. Jackson, Miss., Dec. 17.—An unidentified negro, who shot and wounded Patrolman Joseph White, after wresting a pistol from the officer, was killed by a mob here today.

After the shooting the negro took refuge in a nearby house. The house was set on fire and the negro was shot to death while attempting to escape.

SUPPOSED SUICIDE TURNS UP.

Wife Had Collected \$2,000 Insurance on His Life. Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 18.—C. W. Jordan, who, it was believed, committed suicide last April at a seaside park, reappeared at his home yesterday.

His wife had collected \$2,000 insurance from a fraternal order after identifying the body of a man resembling her husband, whom she had not seen but once in three years. Several other persons agreed as to the identity.



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