

At The Theatres

Academy : Bijou : Victoria : Royal : Grand

ROYAL
The most dazzling assortment of comedies and dramas ever shown by this first National picture, "Harriet and the Piper," closes its engagement at the Royal today. In one scene she appears as a "queen of Greenwich Village," wearing a bizarre princess costume, heavily laden with gems and beads, and displaying a brilliant feathered headdress. The settings, which are reproductions of Greenwich Village studios, were arranged by Director Bertram Bracken, who made a special trip to New York's famous Bohemian quarter to get atmosphere for the production. "Harriet and the Piper" has been accorded a warm reception by Royal patrons and will undoubtedly do the best business of its engagement to date. With a magnificence of settings seldom equaled, plus the big story by Kathleen Norris, it is truly one of the great pictures of the year.

GRAND
"Don't wink or you'll miss a scene—the wedding gifts will be in another hiding place," the case of "Stop Thief!" comedy featuring Tom Moore, which will be shown for the last time at the Grand today. In the play, the wedding gifts of a bride (Irene Rich) are juggled by two kleptomaniacs and a pair of clever thieves (Tom Moore and Hazel Daly). The Carrs spend most of their time looking at the furniture, which disappears and reappears in a baffling manner. The actors in "Stop Thief!" finally had track of the "props" in the various ridiculous situations was no small task.

MUCH DISSATISFACTION OVER ROAD CONDITIONS

Columbus County People Want Legislation That Will Give Them Relief

(Special to The Star)
CLARENDON, Jan. 18.—Very great dissatisfaction prevails in the county over the present system of keeping up the public roads. Up to the 1919 session of the legislature, the roads were worked by free labor of all able-bodied men between the ages of 21 and 45. At this session free labor was discontinued, and since that time the highways have been worked by taxation. It is said that \$120,000 has been spent during the past 12 months, and many of the roads are almost impassable. Some sections of the county has had little or no work done on the roads in two years. The public is anxiously awaiting the action of Representative J. R. Williamson, to come to the rescue with some highway legislation that will improve the condition of the roads. The old system of working free labor had its imperfections, but the roads were in far better condition than under the present regime.

Mrs. Sallie Jane Wright, aged 87 years, passed away at the home of her son, Maloy Wright, on Tabor Rt. 1, Sunday night, January 16, at 8 o'clock. Until about two months ago, Mrs. Wright was enjoying good health for a woman of her age. She was able to visit with her children in different communities. Since that time her health declined very rapidly until the end came. She was a member of the Primitive Baptist church, and held her membership at Mill Branch. She is survived by four sons, Julius, Mayan and Maloy Wright, of Tabor, and three daughters, Mrs. John A. Mills, of Tabor, and Mesdames H. C. Harrison and J. J. Williams, of Clarendon, besides a large number of grand and great-grand children, and a host of friends. For the past several years a



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COMING GRAND TOMORROW

Mary Roberts Rinehart, eminent American author, has again done something individual and different. She has admitted that "Empire Builders," a pen-child of hers, is better as "It's a Great Life," a moving picture, than it was as a story. It is a Goldwyn-Eminent Authors production and will be shown at the Grand theater, for two days, commencing tomorrow. "Empire Builders," as a Saturday Evening Post story, was read and doubtless chuckled over by thousands. This picture, when it played at the Capitol theater in New York City, packed that theater to capacity and was proclaimed as the comedy hit of the year. It's big cast, lavish settings which are spectacular, the wholesome story. All go to make this one of the most satisfactory productions offered by the Grand in some time. The latest Pathe News will be an added attraction Thursday while a Bray Pictograph will be seen Friday.

BIJOU

"Ruth of the Rockies" now nearing the grand finale, gets swifter each succeeding week, and the crowds are constantly increasing as it takes on more speed and the plot becomes more tantalizing. Beginning with today's thrilling chapter, the plot will begin to unravel, and will take on added interest until the final episode is unfolded three weeks from today. Ruth Roland, in a role of all serial stars, is enacting her greatest screen role in this thrilling serial, and it will be a long while before she will be seen in another one. Another one of those great Ambrose comedies, which strike the high mark of hilarity, will also be an attraction on the Bijou bill for today.

family reunion has been held on her birthday in her honor, and a big dinner served. Her remains were laid to rest Tuesday.

Farm work is moving forward apace and farmers in the free range territory, prior to the stock law election, are adjusting things to comply with the new conditions. Removing old fences, clearing away the growth of grape and jessamine vines, bushes and stumps from the fence-row, is seen on every hand. Pastures are being built and orders placed for seed to be sown for summer pasturage. Scrub stock is being dispensed with and will be supplanted by pure-blooded cattle and hogs. Within the next few months it is expected there will be a nice pasture on every farm stocked with thoroughbreds, with all opposition to the stock law passed into oblivion and everybody prosperous and happy. The eyes of the traveler through the country is occasionally attracted by a strip of canvass stretched over a tobacco seed bed, but such a sight is much less frequent than in recent years. The acreage in both tobacco and cotton will be materially decreased this year. Unless there is a big reduction in fertilizers in the very near future there will be a very small amount of guano used by the farmers the coming season. With the prevailing high prices of commercial fertilizers, and low prices of farm products, farmers will move very cautiously in buying guano and setting money crops. The slogan this year will be "hog and hominy."



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ROYAL

LAST TIMES TODAY

TOM MOORE

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LAST TIMES TODAY
MUTT AND JEFF, TOO!
COMING! Mary Roberts Rinehart's "EMPIRE BUILDERS" as "It's a Great Life!"

FEAR MEAT CONTROL BY AMERICAN PACKER

British Board of Trade Committee Views With Alarm the Situation

LONDON, Jan. 1.—(Correspondence of Associated Press).—Apprehensions of a world-wide meat control by American packing firms were disclosed in a recent report to the board of trade by a sub-committee of the standing committee on trusts. "At present, the American meat companies have nearly 80 per cent of the beef output from Argentina and Uruguay and about 75 per cent of the capacity of the meat plants built or building in Brazil," the report stated. "Moreover, they control nearly one-half of the whole trade of Smithfield (the great London meat market) and they have procured in Canada and Australia. "Pursuant to the extension of their activities are not confined to the United Kingdom, but are equally strong in the dominions," it continues. "The more they may be able to extend their operations in South America, the more they may be able to divert supplies from reaching the United Kingdom, and the more they are able to control distributive business here, the more securely they will have the British consumer in their grip." Suggestions were made by the committee to restrain, by taxation and by subsidizing refrigerated shipping companies, the expansion of foreign interests here, and an international investigation was recommended to go into the only effect of the report must be to

WATAUGA AND YADKIN ROAD ARGUMENT IN SUPREME COURT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Arguments were heard by the supreme court to-

whole situation with a view to taking common action. A rejoinder to the committee's findings is made by R. H. Cabell, the London manager of Armour and company, who in an interview with a press association representative, complains that none of the American firms were heard by the committee and charges that the latter's report was compiled "under strong prejudice." "Several passages in the report show a clear but very ill-informed animus against the American firms," Cabell states. "Particularly in its reference to Argentina. No one would guess from the report that the Chicago packers entered the Argentine trade at the request, almost at the entreaties of the British firms, which had opened up the territory and had paid heavily for their experience and were anxious to be bought out." Mr. Cabell suggests that part of the supposed animus disclosed in the report is due to the reluctance of certain British firms to compete with the "less wasteful and more efficient methods of their American rivals," and he says the raise meat prices all over the United Kingdom.

SILK MILLS CUT WAGES

HOLYOKE, Mass., Jan. 18.—Wage cuts ranging from 12-1/2 to 15 per cent were announced today by William Skinner and Sons' silk mills here today. These are the largest silk mills in this part of the country and employ about 2,300 hands.

day in the suit brought by Kenneth D. Steere, of Glencoe, Ill., as trustee of the Watauga and Yadkin Railroad company, against stockholders, and creditors of that railroad and the Grand Lumber company, both North Carolina corporations. Steere intervened in the latter courts in a bankruptcy proceeding, instituted by certain stockholders who ascertained the lumber company was unable to meet current obligations and that the railroad company was a party in the action because of a trust agreement with the lumber company. Steere contended there was no controversy between the railroad company and the complainants such as would give the federal courts jurisdiction. His petition to have the proceedings dismissed was denied, and an appeal was taken to the supreme court. The railroad operates between Watauga and Denny, N. C., a distance of 25 miles, and owns a franchise authorizing further extensions within the state.

GUILFORD CITIES VOTE FOR BIG BOND ISSUE

Greensboro Votes Million and High Point \$600,000
(Special to The Star)
GREENSBORO, Jan. 18.—Greensboro voters today declared for a million-dollar bond issue for better city schools. Of 1,321 registrants, 1,035 voted for the bonds. This means that every school building will be adequately equipped and that four or five new buildings will be erected. The money will be expended during the next 12 months. It is declared that the woman vote put the bond issue over. There were 109 more women registered than men and every woman who went to the ballot box cast her vote for the schools. Mayor Stafford opposed the bond issue to the last and lost. Guilford county only a month ago voted two millions for roads.

HIGH POINT TOWN AND ITS TOWNSHIP VOTE \$600,000

(Special to The Star)
HIGH POINT, Jan. 18.—The city and township of High Point voted by a majority of 164 for bonds to the amount of \$600,000 for the construction of a new

central high school. This will be the first of its kind in the state where the city and the township combined to build and maintain a central high school. The election has excited unusual attention throughout the state for that reason. Educators are watching closely the development and hope to find in it a solution to many problems of school consolidation.

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- Men's better grade shirts and drawers, each 89c
- Men's fine ribbed shirts and drawers, each 69c
- Men's better grade fine ribbed shirts and drawers, each 89c
- Men's extra fine grade shirts and drawers, each \$1.29
- Men's Wright's fine ribbed shirts and drawers, each \$1.69
- Men's Moore's fine ribbed shirts and drawers, each 98c
- Men's fine ribbed union suits, each, at only \$1.48
- Men's better grade fine ribbed union suits, each \$1.69
- Men's seamless cotton halfhose, white or black, a pair 10c
- Men's seamless cotton half hose, good value, assorted colors, a pair 15c
- Men's woolen finished cotton half hose, gray mixtures, a pair 15c
- Men's heavy woolen half hose, gray mixtures, a pair 39c
- Men's heavy woolen half hose, blue mixtures, a pair 48c
- Men's seamless cotton lisle hose, assorted colors, a pair 39c
- Men's fancy silk hose (seconds), formerly sold at \$1.25 a pair, now a pair 65c
- Men's Cooper's fine ribbed union suits, each \$1.98
- Men's Oneita fine ribbed union suits, each \$2.23
- Men's Wright's fine ribbed union suits, each \$2.98
- Men's Wright's wool union suits, each \$3.29
- Boys' fine ribbed union suits, each 89c
- Boys' better grade union suits, each 95c
- Boys' heavy fleeced union suits, each at only 89c
- Boys' fleeced shirts and drawers, each 29c
- Men's \$4.25 outing flannel pajamas, per suit \$2.98
- Men's \$3.95 outing flannel pajamas, per suit \$2.69

MEN'S, WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S SHOES

- 100 pairs men's shoes, Goodyear welts, vici kid, gun metal, plain toes and blucher styles, a pair \$4.00
- Men's Belk's shoes, Goodyear welts, gun metal stock, blucher and English styles, a pair \$4.75
- Men's mahogany calf shoes, Goodyear welts, Wingfoot rubber heels, English or blucher styles, \$10 values, a pair \$6.50
- Men's Ralston's shoes, in tan, Lotus calf and gun metal, English or blucher, a pair \$7.75
- Men's Ralston's shoes, Russia calf and glaze Kangaroo, full English styles and combination last, a pair \$9.75
- Men's Bion F. Reynold's fine shoes for men, Russia calf, vici kid, English and combination last, a pair \$11.50
- Boys' all-solid leather shoes, gun metal calf, sizes 2 1/2 to 5 1/2, a pair \$2.75
- Boys' shoes as above, tan calf, a pair \$3.75
- Misses' Billikin shoes, fine grade, gun metal and vici kid, size 11 1/2 to 2, a pair \$5.00
- Misses' Red Goose shoes, brown calf, sizes 11 1/2 to 2, a pair \$5.00
- Misses' Red Goose shoes, gun metal calf, sizes 11 1/2 to 2, a pair \$4.75
- Boys' fine all-leather shoes in tan calf and gun metal, 2 1/2 to 5 1/2, a pair \$5.00
- Children's shoes, brown kid, sizes 8 to 11, at a pair \$3.25
- Children's shoes, gun metal calf, sizes 2 to 11, a pair \$3.00
- Misses' shoes, gun metal calf, English lace, sizes 8 to 10, a pair \$3.25
- Godman's women's shoes, all solid leather, formerly sold at \$5.00 and \$6.00 a pair, sizes 2 1/2 to 8, a pair \$3.85
- Godman's women's shoes, all solid leather, formerly sold at \$6.50 to \$7.50 a pair, sizes 2 1/2 to 8, a pair \$4.85
- Belk's Special-made shoes for women, black kid, formerly sold at \$9.25, a pair \$6.00
- Belk's Special-made shoes for women, fine black kid, \$13.00 grade, now \$8.50
- Holter's high-grade women's shoes, black kid, full Louis heels, a pair \$8.25
- Holter's high-grade women's shoes, extra fine quality of kid, new military heels, a pair \$9.25
- Dorothy Dodd women's shoes, fine quality Havana brown kid lace boot, full Louis heels, a pair \$8.00

JANUARY CLEARANCE SALE OF WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S SWEATERS

- Women's woolen sweaters, coat style belted models, assorted styles and sizes, each \$3.98
- Women's heavy woolen sweaters, coat style, belted models, assorted colors, each \$7.75
- Women's woolen sweaters, slip-over and coat styles, assorted styles, each \$4.95
- Children's woolen sweaters, coat style, assorted styles, each \$1.98
- Women's brush woolen scarfs, assorted designs and colors, each \$2.98
- WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S KNIT UNDERWEAR (Second Floor)
- Women's medium weight vest and pants, each 69c
- Women's fine ribbed vest and pants, each 98c
- Women's fine quality vest and pants, each 98c and \$1.19
- Women's heavy ribbed vest and pants with light fleece, each—\$1.19 and \$1.38
- Women's woolen vest and pants, each \$1.98
- Women's Merino wool vest and pants, each—\$1.98 and \$2.25
- Women's fine Merino wool vest and pants, each—\$2.25 and \$2.48
- Women's fine Merino wool vest and pants, each—\$2.25 and \$2.48
- Women's heavy silkateen and wool-mixed vest and pants, each \$2.25
- Women's woolen vest and pants, medium weight, each—\$2.25 and \$2.48
- Women's fine wool vest and pants, each \$3.69
- Women's flat wool vest and pants, each \$1.98
- Women's heavy cotton ribbed union suits, each \$1.19
- Women's medium weight ribbed union suits, each \$1.69
- Women's fine quality ribbed union suits, each—\$1.98 and \$2.29
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