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AMUSEMENTS

"ARE YOU A MASON?"—ACADEMY
"Are You a Mason?" will be presented at the Academy of Music by the Pickert Stock Company for three days beginning tomorrow. This play will be staged for the benefit of the Sepa fund and it is a howl from start to finish. If you are not a Mason you will laugh, if you are you will howl. It is a play that is full of comedy and drama from life. So if you've got the time and all the world seems against you, and you want to cheer up and see "Are You a Mason?" It will run gloom right out at the front door. Seats now on sale at Livingston's drug store.

"THE ETERNAL FLAME"
Norma Talmadge has registered many such achievements starting under the First National releasing banner.

being released as a First National attraction. Here are some of the artistic settings it contains:
A rose garden, with fountains splashing in the silvery moonlight—a poetic youth and a beautiful maid! The streets of golden Naishapur, bustling with pilgrims, natives, vendors of everything imaginable, caravans of camels, bands of Bedouins on Arabian steeds—and beggars! A tavern, with bibulous youths roistering in the immemorial manner! The mystic Temple of Zoroaster, its altar looming up in the semi-darkness of the interior, its minarets where the muezzins chant their call to prayer! The gardens of the governor, with slaves who carry out his slightest wish, for his wish is law! The dungeon cells—"the home of ten thousand shadows"—in which the



Mae Collins in "Red-Hot Romance"

Opening Monday at the Royal.

of verses mingle with astronomical instruments!

"A RED HOT ROMANCE"
In Europe there is a little country—Andorra by name—which has a standing army of 250 men privates and officers. John Emerson, the noted producer, and his wife, Anita Loos, one of the most famous of photo-playwrights, visited it last summer, and while there conceived the idea of a motion picture which would "kid" the type of story written by authors who allow their hero's (generally American youths) to overwhelm royal suitors and win the hand of the princess.
The story they conceived abroad has now reached the screen. It is "Red Hot Romance," an Associated First National attraction, and it is coming to the Royal theatre on Monday for a two day engagement.
The hero of the play, Roland Stone, is compelled by the terms of his father's will, to become an insurance agent for the term of one year, but as the will did not specify that he had to remain in the United States he traveled to Burkonia, which appealed to him as a virgin field for an insurance agent. But he did not know that for \$9 the army would start a revolution and slaughter all his clients.
The authors, in keeping with the spirit of the story, have provided the hero with a series of burlesque adventures which keep audiences laughing through the entire production.

COBURNS MINSTRELS AT VICTORIA.
J. A. Coburns Minstrels for the past 25 years one of the leading white attractions and too well known for progressive methods, clean comedy and enjoyable amusement to require excessive adjectives, will make its annual appearance at the Victoria theatre, matinee and night next Saturday. Dan Holt the Georgia Cotton Blossom.

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ACADEMY PICKERT STOCK COMPANY
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Matinee Wednesday
Big Benefit Performance for **SEPA GROTT BAND**
"ARE YOU A MASON?"
Admission:
Night 25c, 35c, 55c
Matinee 10c, 20c, 35c
(Including War Tax)
Children, at Matinee, Any Seat, Except 200 Reserved—Saturday
Performances Begin
Night 8:30
Matinee 3:00
Reserved Seats at Livingston's Drug Store



Dan Holt, the Georgia Cotton Blossom, with Coburn's Minstrels, Victoria, Matinee and Night, Saturday, February 10.

of the most successful pictures, which will be remembered, was the emotional Spanish drama, "The Passion Flower." More recently came her notable triumph in "Smilin' Through." But Miss Talmadge has not yet been fully satisfied with the semicostume pictures she had appeared in. She was consumed with ambition to attempt a monumental all costume production, which ambition she has at last realized in "The Eternal Flame," the attraction which will be shown at the Grand theatre, opening Thursday.
"The Eternal Flame" is an adaptation of Helgus's "La Duchesse de Geais," which after months spent searching for a suitable story was decided upon for a fitting one for the versatile young actress. Her background of pomp and magnificence, its frivolities and heartiness. Therefore, she depicts the complex character of that notable court beauty and coquette, La Duchesse de Geais.
Those who have studied Miss Talmadge's work and followed her steady growth as an actress of great emotional powers are looking forward with keen interest to this latest part she is playing, for they are assured she will give a wish and flawless artistry to a role which will set graciously on her long-remembered.

"OMAR THE TENTMAKER"
"Omar the Tentmaker," which is scheduled to start a three day engagement at the Grand theatre on Monday, has been hailed as the screen's most colorful offering. Guy Bates Post is the star of the picture, which was produced by Richard Walton Tully and is



Opening Today at the Grand.

producer, comedian, dancer and black-face character artist, one of minstrelsy's best known funny men will be seen in the stellar role after ten years in big time Vaudeville. Manager Coburn has provided an all new cast of singers, dancers, comedians and entertainers with the best acts obtainable in Vaudeville adapted to minstrel requirements. The singing has always been a principal effort of the management with this attraction and is said to surpass all previous offerings carrying some excellent soloists and a fine male chorus. Manager Coburns effort to keep faith with his patrons in "Clean Amusement and Your Money's Worth" is well known as the motto of the aggregation. A fine band and daily concerts at noon and before the evening performance under the direction of Bert Proctor Bandmaster for those who like snappy and popular instrumental music. Tickets will go on sale Friday at the Wilmington Talking Machine company.

China Tries to Protect Trees in Kiaochow

TSINGTAO, Feb. 3.—Restoration of Kiaochow leased territory to China by Japan, has given the Chinese department of agriculture a new task in the preservation of millions of trees planted by the Germans during their occupation. Even in the recent period of transition, when Japanese vigilance became relaxed, the Chinese population of the territory began cutting trees.

HOORAY! I'VE JUST BEEN FIRED!
Molten mastiff! what a movie!
RED HOT ROMANCE
ROYAL MONDAY

Up to that time the Japanese had protected trees and shrubs with the utmost rigidity—so much so that anyone tearing a root from the ground without authorization, was subject to severe penalty.

The department of agriculture is alive to the danger threatening groves and forests in the restored area, and is taking steps toward conservation; but fear is felt even by representatives of that ministry that the measures possible in the present financial state of the government will be inadequate to stem the denuding of the territory.

Success. New series was a big success. If you did not secure your shares, stop by Monday and get book. Orton Building and Loan Association, W. I. Baxter, president; Linwood D. Latta, vice-president; and W. G. James, secretary and treasurer. Office James & James, Inc., Southern Bldg. adv.

fear!
for the first time menaced by the desperation her laugh aroused in men
Norma Talmadge
in **"The Eternal Flame"**
The Pinnacle of the Screen Art. Simply wonderful
OPENING THURSDAY AT THE GRAND



Guy Bates Post and Virginia Brown Faire in "Omar the Tentmaker"

VICTORIA SATURDAY, FEB. 10
Matinee and Night
J.A. COBURN'S MINSTRELS
With Dan Holt, the Georgia Cotton Blossom, and 35 Minstrel Entertainers
Edw. C. Clifford Minstrelsy's Premier Baritone—Boys of the Harmony Club, With Karl Denton—DeVero and DeCarlo, Black-face Comedy Bar Entertainers
Prices, Matinee 50c, 75c, \$1.00; Night, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50 (Plus Tax)
Seats on Sale Friday at the Wilmington Talking Machine Company

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Richard Walton Tully Presents
GUY BATES POST
IN **OMAR THE TENTMAKER**
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Never to forget—see upon scene of magnificence and multitude, Persian glitter, drama that races through eight glamorous reels.
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Matinee 20c - 1c - Nights 35c
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