Merely Pleasant Play Stands Little Chance

amiable little collection of foot- tics. light nonsense which opened a few days ago at the Biltmore the-

It is not all dull, is general-

comedy formula. Sad to recount, however, merely mild little theatrical pleasantries don't seem to go on Broadway. If a play is simply a bit of amusing fluff, it seems fated Newspaper Publisher to drag along a few weeks, swiftly exhausting its clientele, before heading disconsolately for Cain's warehouse. On Broadway nice The greatest, funniest, loudest,

brashest, even on occasion, the dirtiest, have the inside track. Therefore, while I view "The Whole World Over" as a nice little tries, the chances are it will be gone in a month or two after runring up a deficit for producers and backers encouraged by moderate Cabby Finds Not praise from critics.

This mildly merry little divertisement is a Konstantine Simonov comedy adapted from the Russian by Thelma Schnee. Unlike a good many Russian plays, it contains no heavy propaganda preachments nor international Soviet subtleties but is simply a postwar comedy which could have been writter about Americans as well as the Russian colonel and the Moscow engineering student with which it is concerned.

The ingredients are familiar: There's a Moscow housing shortage similar to our own; two war-shattered romances in which one half of each has died in battle, and the happy ending for both by the simple and traditional device of boy-meets-tovarcih; the comedy father, a cultured man who blusters amusingly while creating obstacles for the unwanted future son-in-law and helping his favorite; a low comedy apartment superintendent, and sundry diverse characters chosen for casting variety.

This is no complaint, for successful American comedies have een tossed together from similar

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Today Only

NEW YORK, April 5.—(P)— obvious components. What the plot lacks in bright originality it makes up in familiarly droll family an-

the days ago at the Bitthore are the start of the colline lead for the start of the process of which he takes down whatever acting honors the producamusing, and includes some tion contains. UTA Hagen, the asant characters who say and admirable desdemona of "Thello" do funny things. Coming from Hollywood, it probably would have been welcomed as some new disillusioned colonel who finally disillusioned colonel who finally discovers he's in love with the lady engineer. Walter Fried and Paul F. Moss produced. Harold Clurman directed.

Announces Candidacy

little things aren't accepted with Dan Tompkins of Jackson county open arms, or even open palms. a Sylva Newspaper publisher, today announced he would be a canmoodiest, loveliest, most tuneful, didate for Lieutenant-Governor in the 1948 Democratic primary.

Tompkins is the first candidate to declare for the post. He has been an active leader of dry forces addition to the season's pleasan- in the current session of the General Assembly.

All Fares Honest

Cabbies have to be on their guard these days when they're hauling strangers around in their hacks.

At least that's the way W. T. Futch, local hackster, feels about it after he was allegedly hit over the head Saturday morning by one of his custom-

He told police he picked up a man at the bus station, and upon request, took him to 204 Sixth street. On the way the cabbie and the passenger chatted cordially.

But when they got to the destination, the friendly "customer" reportedly whacked Futch on the back of the head with a bottle and took off down the street in a gallop.

The only compensation Futch got out of the trip was a two inch cut and a lump on his head, for which he was treated and released from the James Walker Memorial hos-

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spect," starting with Homer and

Paintings by Soutine Utrillo, Picasso, Forain, Gris, Laurencin and other moderns, from a Bryn

Mamr estate and New York col-

lections, will be sold at auction in

the Parke-Bernet galleries next

Yugoslav Sculptor Ivan Mestrov-

ic will have a one-man show in the Metropolitan museum of art

from April 11 through May, his

first American showing in 20

American Academy of Arts and

letters and the National Institute

GREENVILLE, S. C., April 5

Judge J. Robert Martin of

Earle was taken from the Pick-

To Be Tried Together

Robert T. Ashmore said

of Arts and Letters.

and Karl Zerbe, Boston.

winding up with Luks.

Books And The Arts

By W. G. ROGERS Associated Press Arts Reporter maintain and extend the importance of American art and in gen-NEW YORK, April 5.-(P)-A re eral to advance the economic invival and a premiere have marked terests of members. the spring season of the Original Ballet Russe at the Metropolitan Thomas H. Benton, Kansas City; opera house.

The first was "pictures at an exhibition," choreography by Nijinska and music by Moussorgsky, taken over from ballet internation-al, and the second a pas de trois, a divertissement with choreography by Jerome Robbins and music Berlioz's "Damnation of Faust."

The pas de trois is in two parts: minuet-presto and waltz. The waltz will do, but the minuet-presto section is one of the wittiest peices on the ballet stage today. Intended to bring Alicia Markova, Anton Dolin and Andre Eglesvky together in a single number, it failed in that purpose for Rosella Hightower substituted for the indisposed Markova.

Robbins' idea to mock classic choreography, is not new, but it was developed freshly and much of the credit for its success should go to the three expert dancers, who drove the Metropolitan audience to loud laughter. Dolin, a born wit, was bound to hit it off just right, but Eglevsky, whose traditional repertoire makes him seem like a regular poker - face 26 In Lynching Case sobersides, drew the noisiest guf-

If you have heard a great deal of Brahms this season, it is in - (P) -The thirty-one Greenville recognition of the 50th anniversary men indicted for murder in conof his death, on April 3, 1897, in nection with the lynching of Wil-Vienna. Born in Hamburg in 1833, lie Earle, 24, Greenville Negro, son of a double-bass player, he will be tried together during th chose for his instrument the pi- May 5 general sessions term here, and it was on the concert stage that he won the attention and praise of Schumann and vio- Greenville will preside. linist Joachim.

A perfecter more than an inno- ens county jail by a group of armvator, he secured a publisher for ed, unmasked men last Feb. 17, his compositions by the time he and found dead in Greenville counwa's 20, received the warmest wel- ty several hours later. He was come in Vienna where he became being held in connection with a director of the Singakademie in fatal attack on T. W. Brown, 48, a 1863, and made the music-loving Greenville taxi driver. All but four capital his home from 1872 on. taxi drivers.

"The mother of us all," a new Sam Watt, solicitor of the Spar-opera by Virgil Thomson, music tanburg district, has been assigncritic of the New York Herald ed by the state attorney general Tribune, and the late Gertrude to assist Ashmore in the prosecu-Stein, will feature Columbia Uni- tion. versity's third annual festival of contemporary American music, The pois May 12 to 18. Public performances oily resin. of the opera will be May 7 to 10, invitation performances May 12 to 15. The work was commissioned by the Alice M. Ditson fund, which also is used to finance the festival.

BOOKS A book about highbrow music written so that lowbrows can actually understand it is the unusual achievement to be credited to John Hallstrom; and he performed the feat in spite, or because, of the fact that he has studied music only two months and cannot read

Hallstrom, lanky and breezy, is general merchandise manager of RCA Victor. It has been part of his job to persuade stores to take on a line of records, and to that end he developed a line of his own. Popular music was popular any-way, but red seals needed redhot sales talks; and after his method had proved successful, he decided, by heck, to get it all down in

In Philadelphia, where he was born and now lives, he goes to the orchestra every week, to the opera occasionally. His sister has a musical education, his father plays a lot on the piano, his mother plays one piece. Somebody got the idea, when he was young, that he could sing, and so he went over to Peabody institute, a very aloof and difficult place, barged in and said he wanted lessons. They put some sheet music on the piano and offered him a tryout. He couldn't read it and asked them to play it first. He made the grade, but he didn't stick it

His children, eight and four years old, like to listen to good music, he says, but he never tells "now you sit down there and listen." They may take it or leave it, and he finds they take it. His book, which will be pub-lished April 10. is called "Relax and Listen." Asked what he wants to do when he retires, he says "relax and listen."

June book of the month will be John Gunther's "Inside U. S. A.;" Harper is publisher of the 500,000word. 1,000-page volume.

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ON STAGE!

Sparkling

Vaudeville

REVUE

"BREEZIN'

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ART Artis's Equity association, head-ed by Yasuo Kuniyoshi and having a membership of more than 150 well known American painters and sculptors, has just been organized with headquarters in New York and regional centers across

the country.

The association's purposes are to encourage private and insti-tutional patronage of the arts,

Congresswoman To Be

(D-Cal.) will be the commence- May 22 following a fist fight. Arnold Blanch Woodstock, N. Y.; Aaron Bohrod, Chicago; Fhilip Guston, St. Louis; Millard Sheets, ment in the west the previous day. ment.

TRUCK DRIVER **BREAKS LAWS**

At That, He Says, The Police Would Not Arrest Me; Had Gun At Back

BALTIMORE, April 5. - (AP) -Cab Driver Gerald E. Caldwell told police today he broke every traffic regulation he could think of in a five-mile cross-town trip but couldn't get arrested. His passenger had a gun in his back.
"This is a pistol, I've had a roughime tonight, and now I'm going o give you a rough time.' He gave a destination and Caldvell set out on his carefully planned orgy of speeding and stop-

light running, expecting any moment the gunman would relieve him of his receipts. At the end of the trip, Caldwell said the passenger got out and

"Here's \$5.25. That's all I've got, and that's all you're going to get." The meter reading was \$1.50.

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WATERTOWN, N. Y., April 5.

— (P) —Pvt. Jesse V. Hill of Fort
Bragg, has been exonerated by a
Jefferson county jury in the death RALEIGH, N. C., April 5. -(AP) of Master Sergeant Frederick E. Rep. Helen Gahagen Douglas Miner of Adams, who died last ment speaker at Peace college A jury of five men and seven celebrates its '5th anniversary.

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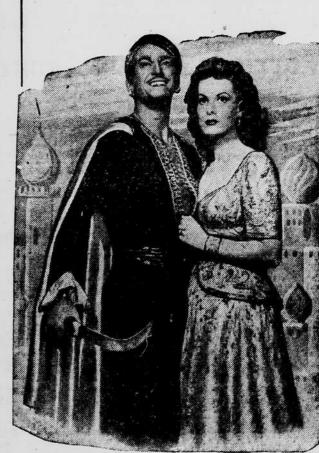
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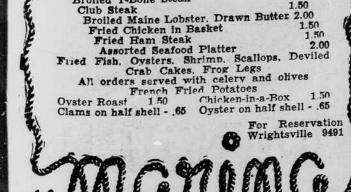
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