

AT THE THEATERS

"AT PINEY RIDGE."

A Play That Pleases the Most Skeptical.
Put these facts together and see what a wonderful plot you have for a play: Col. Briarson, a wealthy Tennessean, has a little son. He has an Octoroon house-keeper, Dagmar. Dagmar has a little son, whose skin is just as fair as that of Col. Briarson's child. The colonel is called to war. He tells Dagmar to take care of his son and that if he returns from the war he will provide for both the children. He does not return. Dagmar's motherly instinct forces her to resort to drastic means to insure her son of a bright future. What does she do? What would you do if you had been in Dagmar's place? There is also a girl, two girls in fact, that are connected with the story. One of these is in love with Mark Briarson, and she has just cause to declare her love. The other girl is in love with Jack Rose, a young and very wealthy mountaineer, but several things transpire that compel her father to forbid their attentions to each other. What would you do if you were a father, you knew a young man, and that man had saved you from financial ruin, and your daughter was in love with him, you had all the confidence in the world in him, and five minutes after you had announced the engagement of your daughter and this young man, Dagmar claimed him as her son, and people said he was an octoroon! These are only a few of the things that happen in "At Piney Ridge," or "The White Nigger," the play to be presented at the Edna Park Theatre beginning tonight.

Todd's Jazz Orchestra will start Thursday night and will be here for the rest of the season.

HEARING THINGS UP AROUND ABOUT WAYNESVILLE.

Waynesville Mountaineer.
Great excitement has prevailed among the people of Pines Creek and the lower part of the county for several weeks on account of a supernatural voice which calls Zeb Ferguson in or near his home each morning about 4:30, just when the lamps are being lighted. "Hello, Zeb, Hello!" are the distinct words that have been heard for almost a month, sometimes seeming to come from under the stove, or somewhere near the house. No person can be found from whence the voice came and no ghost has been seen. The family and many neighbors have tried to locate the source of this salutation and all have failed.

Scores of people are there nearly every morning to hear this uncanny call and they scatter and try to find cause, but fail each morning. Friday morning O. G. Kinsland and a number of others were there and several were scattered around the house and the garden. Mr. Kinsland was in one corner of the garden when the voice seemed to be quite near him, he thought, and one or two others in the garden also located it near him, but nothing could be found. Some dogs in a shed nearby became frightened and ran away, howling. Kinsland says he wasn't scared, but felt queer and picked out a path in which to run if he say anything scary. This unusual and unexplainable thing has been all the talk of that section of the county near the Tennessee line and no one can explain it but some think it is the work of a ventriloquist or some one wishing to purchase the place at a cheap figure.

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