

The Alkrama Theatre A Model of Excellence

One of Best Ventilated Play Houses In the Country. A Variety of Attractions that Appeals to all Classes Pleasure-Loving Folk.

The Alkrama theatre has long since won the public's approval. "As we started to say, Warren Kerrigan—"

Ah! we knew that would take your eye, dear lady. You're no more than human, and where is there a well posted woman in all the land who doesn't sit up and take notice at the mention of that name? But this story hasn't any thing to do with Warren Kerrigan further than that, as we started to say, he will be seen occasionally at the Alkrama. He will be in the best of company, too, for in the distinguished gathering with him will be, perhaps Mary Pickford, Pearl White, King Baggott, perhaps once in a while Maurice Costello, Charles Chaplin, and scores of other celebrities of the movie world. The Alkrama is a specialty playhouse, for there is a feature—a distinctive feature, not a silly subject boosted up for a topline simply because there must be something at the top of the bill—presented every night. If there is a vaudeville to be had good enough for the Alkrama's patrons, and the management realizes that the Alkrama's patrons are a critical lot, vaudeville is the feature. When it can be had the best of the le-

gitimate dramatic offerings or opera or lighter stuff takes precedence over the pictures. And when neither the legitimate nor the vaudeville—good of either—can be had, and the bill is solely pictures, the pictures are only of the best.

The Alkrama is a lovely place on the interior. It cost a pretty penny, and John Drew even wouldn't make remarks about it in the dressing room's seclusion to the janitor nor the "other" actor folk. There isn't anything gaudy about the decorations. The proprietors had enough money to spend to avoid that, and Director Walter Damrosch could hardly be expected to grunt "vaudeville" if he were called upon to conduct his famous orchestra upon its stage. There is something about the arrangement of the interior that makes whatever is going on in it seem perfectly natural. There is a perfect blending of the decorations with the stage fixings that suppresses any harsh effect that the production being played might have. A Drury Lane pantomime might be rendered. Hamlet's father's ghost might prow around, any hamfatter of the old school might howl out his abuse of a frock-coated villain to his

hearts content, or little Willie might die all over the stage and in the orchestra pit without the scene losing one whit of its effect because of imperfect environment. The Alkrama is distinctly a theatre, and wasn't built for a grocery store. The acoustics are good.

The Alkrama is equipped with two moving picture machines, a number 6 Powers operated with a motor and one crank machine in reserve.

The Theatre has been in operation five years. A. K. Kramer is owner and manager. He knows what his patrons want and caters accordingly. The theatre has a seating capacity of eight hundred, and the gallery is yet to be extended into a horseshoe to bring the capacity up to more than a thousand. Four boxes are contemplated. The stage space is also to be increased.

The Alkrama has been called by experts one of the best ventilated theatres in the country. It is open all the year round.

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In 1904 the capacity was enlarged to 35 tons a day.

In 1911 a large new brick plant was erected and machinery to turn out 75 tons per diem installed. The plant would be a credit to a much larger town.

Mr. W. T. Love has been president of the Crystal Ice and Coal Co. for the past four years. The first of this year he took full charge of the business, and now has in mind the enlargement of the coal business.

The supply of coal is large, and the grades handled varied. The extraordinary freight rates enjoyed by Elizabeth City makes this business profitable, all of the black fuel nearly coming to the port by water. When the improvements contemplated have been made President Love will boast of the largest yard in Eastern Carolina.

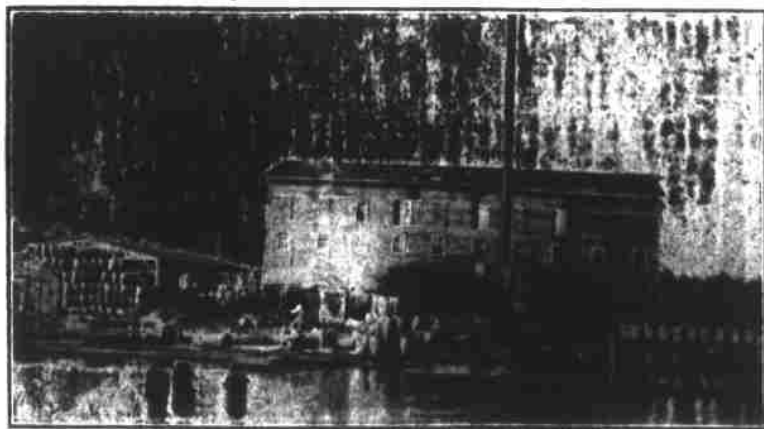
The following Elizabeth business men comprise the directors: J. Q. A. Wood, Dr. J. H. White, W. S. Overman, W. E. Dunstan, F. P. Spencer, D. M. Love, the secretary, and President and general manager Love. All are substantial citizens and well known in the city.

The Crystal Ice and Coal Company is an enterprising organization, with a prosperous business and a growing one. Not many cities of this size have a plant to make seventy five tons of ice per day. Too many citizens frequently face famine when the weather gets extremely hot and the demand is too great for the supply. Thanks to these business getters and city builders, the supply here is not apt to fall short for years to come.

The Back Yards of Elizabeth City Clean as the Front Yards in Most Cities and Towns.

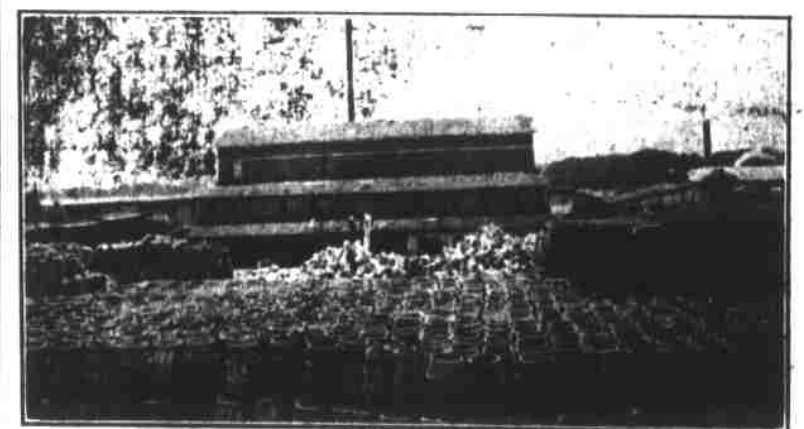
The steady, persistent determination of Elizabeth City's health authorities to preach to the people and not to be contented with temporary makeshifts is resulting in tremendous good. Elizabeth City is not only one of the healthiest of Tidewater Carolina towns; it is one of the cleanest. It is a community in which "clean-up week" is of little importance, for Elizabeth City is being cleaned everyday in the year. Backlots here after a careful inspection by a non-resident convinced him that Betsy is cleaner than any of her sisters. Backlots are very clean because the health authorities would have it so. They are when littered with broken bottles and tin cans breeding places for all kinds of mosquitos including the malarial kind, as well as the filth carrying domestic fly, destroyer of babies and one of the Dark Angel's most willing accomplices.

Elizabeth City is getting cleaner every day. The people have the "live longer" spirit. They have had it so long that the generation now being born has it innate. Paint brush, rake and broom are popular and honorable implements in this community now.



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