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Radio And Stage Wonder How Regard Each Other

Question of Whether They are Rivals or Mutual Friends
 Raises Difference of Opinions but at Least One Theatrical Manager Now Has Own Broadcasting Station

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New York, March 14.—Vaudeville performers and hundreds of other members of the theatrical profession are being warned against the radio. "Don't broadcast except for pay—and do very little even then." This is the slogan that is being raised in the professional ranks and has started a lively debate along the Great White Way as to the ultimate effect of the radio upon the theater as a means of popular amusement. Many of the stage workers and not a few of the theater managers are divided on the question. Marcus Loew, one of the biggest managers of them all, believes that radio can be made to feed the theaters and he is planning along that line, having erected the broadcasting station which called forth the ire and the whole battalion of lawyers of the powerful American Telephone and Telegraph Company. Mr. Loew's station does not broadcast at the time that people have been going to the theaters. It waits until the crowds are safely in and then it starts up for the stay-at-homes. The station advertises all the acts and actors that are appearing at the Loew theaters, all that have appeared, and all that hope to appear.

Other managers believe that so long as the broadcasting stations continue to send free entertainment through the air thousands of would-be theater patrons are going to sit by the receiving apparatus and wear that smile of contentment which comes only with the sense of getting something for nothing. The theatrical papers are taking part in the discussion and at least one of them has told the managers that all too many persons are becoming alienated from the theater by the high prices charged for mediocre shows. The paper does not believe that the radio will hurt the theater, provided the theaters wake up to the fact that they have one more rival in the field and improve their offerings accordingly. At least one manager is quoted as saying that the broadcasting of his show brought many patrons to the theater who frankly said they had been attracted by what they heard and now wanted to see what it was all about.

It is estimated that today there are between 3,000,000 and 4,000,000 radio receiving sets in use in the United States. Theatrical men estimate that there are ten million potential theater-goers to be appealed to every day. They say it is foolish to overlook the fact that many of the latter are today putting their money into radio apparatus and are getting their money back in the way of free entertainment at home.

It is not alone the 3,000,000 or 4,000,000 owners of the sets that worry the theater folk, but all of the radio owners have friends and invite them in in the evening to "listen" when a particularly big feature is advertised "on the air" the theater men say they suffer accordingly. There is no question but that the radio has been very upsetting in many quarters and no one, in the business or out, seems at the moment to know just where he is "at." It is hinted, however, that the theatrical people and the song writers might take a hint from the newspapers. Radio once was hailed as taking the place of the newspaper in the home. No prognosticating could have been more erroneous. The newspapers joined hands with the radio and now the two are inseparable.

No one would know what was what in the radio without the newspapers.

SATURDAY IS LAST DAY FRENCH CHEF IS HERE

Saturday will be the last opportunity for the ladies of the city to hear the famous French chef, Alderic W. Riendeau, who is giving such interesting and helpful talks with his demonstrations at the high school cafeteria this week.

Every afternoon larger and larger crowds attend, as the good news spreads, and Mr. Stallings, manager of the Gas Company, hopes the ladies who have not yet heard Mr. Riendeau will not wait until it is too late to see the able French chef demonstrate the stove he uses in his cooking and benefit by his advice on baking and pastries. Mr. Stallings says: "The stoves will be in stock and available at all times, but Mr. Riendeau will only be here this week. You have one more chance to receive his recipes and one more chance to win a cake."

The lectures begin in the afternoon at 2:30.

FEBRUARY COTTON REPORT

Washington, March 14.—Cotton consumed during February totaled 507,867 bales of lint and 41,698 of linters, the Census Bureau announced today.

Never throw rocks at jail windows or borrow money from kin-folks.

GASTON MEANS WILL TELL ALL

Waives Immunity Before Daugherty Investigating Committee and Relates Many Matters About Work.

Washington, March 14.—Gaston B. Means, former Justice Department agent, and man of many connections, told the Senate committee investigating Attorney General Daugherty today that he had been urged by his counsel not to, but had decided to waive all immunity and "tell it all."

Means said he also had worked for the German, British, Mexican and United States governments. Means brought Secretary Mellon's name into the Daugherty investigation. He said that for President Harding he investigated matters connected with "certain permits having to do with violations of the Volstead Act."

"Jesse Smith wanted us to catch Mellon and we caught him," said Means. "President Harding wanted the information." Also at Harding's request, Means testified, he investigated Senator Caraway, Democrat, of Arkansas, and also Senator LaFollette, after the latter had been agitating an investigation of the Teapot Dome scandal.

Means testified that in February, 1922, he received 100 \$1,000 bills from "a Japanese representing Mitsui and Company" to stop Government prosecution in the standard aircraft case and that he turned the money over to Smith, Daugherty's "bumper and friend."

A resolution broadening still further the power of the Daugherty investigating committee was adopted by the Senate.

Roxie Stinson, divorced wife of Jesse Smith, who has been telling of alleged "deals" between him and Daugherty was reported sick and unable to continue her testimony.

DISTRICT DEPUTY WILL ADDRESS ELKS TONIGHT

H. E. Longley of Wilmington, District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler of B. P. O. Elks, who is now on his official inspection tour will be with the local lodge tonight at 7:30 o'clock at the Elks Home on West Fearing street. After the business meeting an informal smoker will be enjoyed.

SENATOR WALSH IS ILL

Washington, March 14.—Plans for today's hearing by the oil committee were suddenly changed because of the illness of Senator Walsh, committee prosecutor. The hearings will be resumed Tuesday. Walsh has been suffering from a cold and will be confined to his apartment for a few days.

MRS. STILLMAN WINS IN SUPREME COURT

New York, March 14.—The Appellate Division of the Supreme Court today unanimously upheld the recent findings of the referee in favor of Mrs. Anne Stillman in her defense of the divorce suit brought by her husband, James Stillman, former head of the National City Bank.

BURIAL SOUTHGATE MANN

The burial of Southgate Mann, 14-year-old son of Dr. and Mrs. S. M. Mann of Moyock, was made in Hollywood Cemetery, this city, Thursday morning, immediately after the arrival of the southbound train.

BONUS VOTE TUESDAY

Washington, March 14.—The House will vote next Tuesday on the soldier bonus bill under agreement reached today.

NO REDUCTION THIS YEAR'S TAX

Washington, March 14.—The attempt to pass a resolution to reduce this year's income taxes failed in Congress last night and first payments must be made at the four per cent rate on March 15. If a reduction passes later, the tax payers will be given the benefit of it.

Win Long Grind



Marcel Buysse and Maurice Brocco, veteran bike riders, won the recent Madison Square Garden (New York City) six-day race, and are shown receiving acclaim of the crowd afterward.

TRAINS RUN ON DETROIT STREETS

Increasing Number of Passengers for Street Cars Lead to New Type of Street Transportation.

By J. C. ROYLE
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New York, March 14.—Street railway men all over the United States are watching with keen interests the operation of the new three-car street railway train just put into operation in Detroit. The street railway traffic is increasing constantly in the majority of cities of the United States and the problems of economical operation and speeding up of traffic are of the utmost importance, not only to the public utility companies but to the general business public.

All records for carrying passengers were broken in 1923, with the total reaching almost 16,000,000,000 fares. The reports so far indicate that this will be exceeded this year, and many of the companies are worrying over equipment to handle the flood of passengers. This is complicated by the necessity of relieving traffic congestion due to motor vehicles.

The features of the new Detroit system include operating savings as well as a reduction of original cost, according to its sponsors. The three-car trains require four operators as compared with six for three separate cars of equal seating capacity. Instead of six sets of four wheel trucks, only four sets are used.

In other words, there are 16 wheels and eight motors as compared with 24 wheels and 12 motors in the equipment of three separate cars. In first costs there is a difference of about \$10,000 as the three-car trains cost approximately \$29,000 while three single cars cost about \$13,000 each.

Street railway companies in other cities are spending millions both in the purchase of new equipment and the remodeling of old cars which will permit of a double door system of entry and discharge of passengers. The remodeled cars, however, are cheaper in operation only insofar as they shorten stops to take on and discharge passengers and thus add to mileage covered during the 24 hours. Additional millions are being expended by traction companies for equipment of subsidiary or feeder bus lines; for the trend in jitney and motor bus operation during the last year has been toward the operation of these lines in conjunction with electric railways instead of in competition.

Development of airplane transportation also is promised for the coming year, although in this respect the United States undoubtedly is far behind European countries both in the number of machines in operation, the regular routes covered and in reduction of fares. The Aero Marine Airways Corporation for the fourth consecutive season has flown a section of its fleets to Florida where they will be engaged in voyages up and down the coast and to Nassau and Cuba until well into the spring.

This summer they will resume schedules on the Great Lakes, Lake Champlain, the St. Lawrence, the Hudson, Long Island Sound and other Northern waterways. Aeroplane interests are confident that they will be able to arrange a more extensive co-operation with land and water transportation lines this summer and that this will lead to a marked increase in the number of regular routes covered and in the number of

Investigation Fails Show Any Criminal Culpability

Senate Committee Has Uncarved Interesting Information on Teapot Dome and Sinclair Oil Leases but Question of Crime Must be Tried in the Courts

By DAVID LAWRENCE
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Washington, March 13.—The Teapot Dome "scandal" has to date failed to develop "criminal culpability" on the part of any of the persons mentioned in the controversy and it has not yet proved that the oil leases made by the Government were disadvantageous.

CURTIS D. WILBUR NEW HEAD OF NAVY

San Francisco, March 14.—Curtis D. Wilbur, Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court, was tendered the post of Secretary of the Navy by President Coolidge yesterday and has accepted.

VISITOR TO BESTCITY LIKES CHIEF GREGORY

A Norfolk visitor called upon The Advance today to tell a story that may seem trivial but in reality belongs to the big things.

This gentleman said: "It is the little things in life that count, and this morning in your beautiful city I had the opportunity to see one of these examples clearly. Upon arriving in the city, I made a mistake in driving and made a left hand turn. Of course, this is against the law, and upon seeing the chief of police walk up I expected to be reprimanded, and looked forward to an unpleasant interview, but your chief came forward with a pleasant smile upon his countenance and in the most courteous manner explained the law.

"I have been in many cities throughout the East and have never before had my attention called to an error that made the call a pleasure. I can truly say that it was a very pleasant experience to see the general smile of your chief. Somehow or other it seemed to say, 'you are welcome here and I am not reprimanding you but only reminding.'

"Just this little experience this morning will make me remember your city for a long while and with pleasant recollections. It is such acts of courtesy and politeness that make your journey through life worth while, and I have to heartily commend your progressive city upon its selection of a splendid gentleman as the head of its police department."

COLORED SCHOOL TAKES HOLIDAY ATTEND COURT

The colored school on Simpson Ditch road had a holiday Friday when Sadie Bryant, colored, was before Assistant Trial Justice Markham on a charge of assault.

Sadie, it seems, undertook to take over the discipline of the school when her little boy came to her crying at being snowed. Gathering two or three switches by the wayside Sadie lit into Narcissa and Cora Davis, accused of the snowing, with such effect that the affair was aired in court Friday morning.

Sadie was fined by the court \$15 and costs.

FREE MOTION PICTURES AT THE FIRST METHODIST

About 425 attended the motion pictures at the First Methodist Church last Friday evening. A lover of childhood would be delighted to see the little folks of the community in their enjoyment of clean, instructive and helpful pictures. All in all, there is an enthusiastic glad time at the First Methodist Church each Friday night for the young and the old.

The program for this week is as follows: "Inside Out"; "The Spirit of the Birch"; "Give a Thought to Music"; "Tis Tough to be Tender"; and the Bible picture "Abraham and Lot."

The exhibit begins promptly at 7:30 o'clock. "A hearty welcome is there for all," says the pastor and there is no charge except a free will offering.

JOHN D. MIDGETT DEAD

John D. Midgett, formerly of Manns Harbor, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. W. Burfoot, 304 East Burgess street, Friday at noon, after a long illness.

Mr. Midgett is survived by seven children: Mrs. T. S. Mann, Mrs. E. M. Cox, Mrs. J. W. Burfoot and Alonzo Midgett of this city; Mrs. Gus Mann of Norfolk, and Mrs. Connery Craddock and C. B. Midgett of Manns Harbor.

CREW PLEAD GUILTY SMUGGLING CHARGE

New York, March 14.—Five of the seven members of the crew of the Royal Mail liner Orduna today pleaded guilty for smuggling and were remanded for sentence Wednesday.

Heroism



President Coolidge is shown pinning the Congressional Medal of Honor on Henry Breaux, torpedo man, 2nd class, assigned to the submarine C-5. Medal was given him for heroism and devotion to duty when the sub sank some time ago.

ATTENDS FUNERAL

A. C. Metcalf is in Norfolk to attend the funeral of his brother, Harry Prescott Metcalf, who died shortly after a street car accident Wednesday night. His death occurred at St. Vincent's Hospital. He was 60 years old. The funeral is to be conducted Saturday afternoon and A. C. Metcalf will return to his home here Saturday night.

SEARCH CONTINUES FOR ENTOMBED BODIES

Castlegate, Utah, March 14.—At 2:30 this morning 163 bodies had been recovered from the mine of the Utah Fuel Company in which 173 men were entombed last Saturday. Every part of the mine has been explored, according to rescuers, but a more thorough search is being made today for the ten bodies still remaining.

COTTON MARKET

New York, March 14.—Spot cotton closed steady this afternoon, advancing ten points, middling 28.99. Futures closed at the following levels: March 28.62; May 28.92; July 28.19; October 25.58; December 25.20.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Whaley of Elizabeth City, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Whaley and Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Bas- night were the guests of Mrs. Mag- gie Whaley of Camden Sunday.