

The Daily Advance

Biggest Throng Yet Hears Program At WKBG, The Advance

Singers and Others Give Excellent Entertainment at Alkrama Theatre; Specials Slated Tonight.

NOVELTIES PROMISED

Dances and Unusual Duet Promised; Children of City to Take the Air en Masse Saturday Afternoon

With the biggest crowd of the week on hand and a succession of artists of exceptional merit, last night's two radio programs broadcast from Station WKBG, of The Daily Advance, went over literally with a bang at the Alkrama Theatre. Through experience gained as the week went along, the singers and others were able to overcome a trace of self-consciousness that had been noticeable at times, and gave the best they had.

Several interesting novelties are promised for tonight, together with songs and instrumental numbers. Among the former, there will be a dance number in which Miss Billie Saunders will demonstrate the Charleston and the Black Bottom, and a piano and hand saw duet by the team of Russell & Kirby, which is guaranteed to please.

Others to appear in the programs tonight, beginning at 8:30 and 10:30 o'clock, will include Karl Walston, soprano singer; Z. C. Wagoner, pianist; Bill Hamill, soloist; J. T. Jackson and Miss Jeanne Houts. With additional talent being slated today, another excellent evening's entertainment is forecast freely.

Saturday afternoon will be turned over to the children, and a great good time is promised all. Parents whose children can play of sing have been asked to send them to the theatre, prepared to broadcast during the afternoon, and all in the audience will be given an opportunity to be heard over the radio.

On the entertainment menu last night, Representative J. Kenyon Wilson introduced a distinctive feature in broadcasting a series of questions about Elizabeth City and the Albemarle District, announcing that free passes to the Alkrama, good for one month, would be awarded for the three first correct sets of answers turned in, provided the winners are present at the theatre tonight at 8:30 o'clock when the awards are to be made.

The prize questions follow: When was Elizabeth City made the County seat of Pasquotank County?

Where had the county seat previously been?

What other names has Elizabeth City had?

For whom was Elizabeth City named?

For whom was Hertford named?

For whom was Edenton named?

For whom was Albemarle Sound named?

For whom was Collington Island named?

For whom was Camden County named?

What was Camden Court House formerly called?

What was Currituck Court House formerly called?

What Civil War battle was fought near South Mills?

Where and when was the first legislative assembly in North Carolina?

What is the oldest Baptist Church in North Carolina?

Where was the first Quaker Church in North Carolina?

What was Culpepper's Rebellion? When did it begin?

Who commanded the first expedition sent to Carolina by Sir Walter Raleigh? When did they reach Carolina?

When and where was the first successful airplane flight made?

What is the oldest house in Elizabeth City?

What is the oldest house in Pasquotank County?

Mr. Wilson explained afterward that the last two questions, referring to the oldest houses in Elizabeth City and Pasquotank County, would not count in the contest, inasmuch as they probably could not be answered with certainty. However, he expressed the hope that many would answer them, in the hope that valuable historical data might thus be made available.

Entrants in the contest are asked to leave their answers at the ticket booth at the Alkrama. The awards will be announced at the beginning of the broadcasting.

Nazimova



Here is Mme. Alla Nazimova, the stage star, as she returned to New York aboard the Ile de France from her theatrical engagements abroad. The photographer has "caught" one of Nazimova's stage expressions.

FILE ANSWER TO CHARGES MADE BY NEEDLEMAN

All Defendants in Case, Except One Who is Dead and One Who Escaped from Prison, in Federal Suit

Washington, N. C., August 26.—(AP)—Invoking the statute of limitations, and an agreement that no civil action would be brought, defendants in the Needleman masked mob mutilation damage case have brought their answer in Federal Court here.

The case is set for hearing on October 17th. The defendants cite the law which provides a suit for damages in North Carolina must be brought within a year from date of the assault which occurred in 1925.

Joseph H. Needleman, Philadelphia tobacco salesman, who was mutilated near Williamston, recently petitioned for \$100,000 damages. All but two of the defendants filed answers. A. T. Lilley has died and Julian Bullock is still at large following his escape from State Prison.

Needleman's complaint has been amended to include Miss Effie Griffin among the defendants instead of Miss Ethel Griffin as was erroneously charged.

Needleman is charged originally with attacking Miss Effie Griffin of Williamston, relative of some of the alleged mob members. Defendants L. A. Croom, Lester Crofton, Lester Edmondson, Edgar Johnson, S. L. Roberson, James Henry Gray and Grady Smith allege that they did not visit the cell in which the plaintiff was incarcerated and that they were not in the masked mob and had nothing to do with the crime. They admit they did plead guilty as accessories of the crime when called to trial.

"As a further defense," these defendants contend, "Needleman's alleged agreement that he would not bring civil action to recover damages was made with them when they agreed themselves, they alleged, to plead guilty as 'accessories in the mutilation.'"

They contend further that this agreement, alleged to have been made with consent of the court, will bar Needleman from recovering damages he seeks.

Dennis Griffin, alleged ringleader in the mob that mutilated Needleman denies all sections of the complaint except that he was convicted of participation in the crime, but declares he has both old and new evidence that will prove he was not in the mob.

Pride Of Detroit To Circle Globe

Old Orchard Beach, Maine, Aug. 26.—(AP)—The monoplane Pride of Detroit hopped off at 5:25 a. m., daylight time today for Harbor Grace, New Foundland, where the start of an attempt at a new world circling record will be made.

PORT BRUNSWICK OFF BAHAMAS ON WAY TO BRAZIL

Radio Message Says Paul Redfern's Plane Sighted by Steamer; no Word from Porto Rico

WEATHER IS GOOD

Aviator Should be far Long His Route Now but Little Can Be Heard From Him For Some Time

St. Petersburg, Fla., Aug. 26.—(AP)—A radio message from Station 4QF, Nassau, picked up here by the Financial Journal's 40 meter wireless station today said that the Port of Brunswick piloted by Paul Redfern, on a non-stop flight from Brunswick, Georgia, to Brazil, was sighted 300 miles east of the British Bahamas by a steamer which arrived at Nassau at 11:40 p. m., last night. The message said the plane was flying at an altitude of about 2,000 feet headed in a southerly direction.

San Juan, Porto Rico, August 26.—(AP)—If Paul Redfern, Georgia aviator, who is now enroute from Brunswick, Ga., to Rio De Janeiro, passed over Porto Rico in his huge Stinson Detroit monoplane during the night his passage was unobserved so far as any reports received here this morning.

Aviators said today that light-houses along the coast of Porto Rico as well as the reflected lights of towns and cities on the island would be sufficiently strong to aid him greatly in keeping his course if he came within 25 or 75 miles of the island.

Locally the weather was reported excellent throughout the night.

(Redfern was expected to pass Porto Rico about 2 A. M. eastern standard time).

Brunswick, Ga., August 26.—(AP)—A vast expanse of sea and sky stretching away to the tropics held behind its walls of silence today the fate of its newest explorer.

Roaring away from Brunswick at noon yesterday in the face of unusually favorable weather conditions, Paul Redfern Georgia aviator, piloted his huge Stinson Detroit monoplane seaward on his proposed 4,500 mile non-stop journey to Rio De Janeiro. He sought to establish new endurance and distance marks.

Despite head winds forecast along his route, Redfern today should be far along on his route through the tropics, steering a course east of the Bahamas, the young aviator headed for Porto Rico, which his schedule indicated he should have reached by midnight. Passing on, Redfern hoped to be speeding during the day over the waters of the Caribbean sea toward the Isle of Trinidad.

The daring aviator had not been heard from since his plane winged its way southerly over the Atlantic yesterday from a beach near this city.

Far out of the path of ships plowing through southern waters during the early stages of the twenty-four hours in darkness before he reaches Porto Rico, Redfern was not expected to be sighted until he had swung over the Caribbean sea, the cradle of hurricanes.

As soon as he entered this stage of his trip, passing steamers may give first reports of the plane's progress. Radio advices have been broadcast throughout the region requesting any information.

If the big ship is aloft today, Redfern has passed a big portion of the twenty four hours in darkness. Naval navigators and hydrographers at Washington pointed out that Redfern in addition to bucking head winds over practically his whole course, would be flying without a moon.

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Lost Rescuers' Last Picture



This picture of Capt. Bill Erwin (left) and his navigator, A. H. Eichwald, was taken just before the two daring aviators started on the brave attempt to rescue the lost Dole flyers in the Pacific. Now battleships and planes are seeking Erwin and Eichwald.

Old Glory Is Held Back By Weather

Roosevelt Field, N. Y., Aug. 26.—(AP)—The monoplane "Old Glory," loaded and fueled, perched at the runway top today, earth-bound by a fresh east wind that definitely precluded a take-off on the non-stop flight for Rome.

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The officers found a gasoline drum and five boxes partly full of mash, which they destroyed. The site of the liquor plant was to the rear of the home of Henry Poole, colored, and a search for liquor was made there, but without result. Poole, by the way, is not Elizabeth City's well known colored barber.

In discussing the raid Friday, Officer Twiddy voiced a suspicion that the still is reposing on the bottom of Knobbs Creek, at the end of a rope tied ashore. This may possibly explain a tinge of something resembling iron rust that is all too noticeable in the city water after it has been boiled, as many Elizabeth City householders will agree.

Says Widow And Deputy Asleep After Killing

Greenville, S. C., August 26.—(AP)—Testimony that Mrs. Ethel Willie and Henry S. Townsend were lying on her bed apparently asleep within three hours after Sheriff Sam D. Willis, had been shot to death was given at their murder trial today by Coroner John L. Parks.

Parks said he saw the defendants on the bed when he went into Mrs. Willis' bedroom to get one of the widow's shoes.

The shoe, he swore, fit snugly into the woman's foot prints which the witness had previously testified to tracing from Mrs. Willis' automobile to the rear of the sheriff's car in the direction of the spot where the dead officer's body was found.

Townsend appeared to be drunk shortly after the sheriff was shot and smelled strongly of whiskey, Parks said.

The coroner told of finding on a sack of salt in Mrs. Willis' car, the print of a man's foot with toe pointing downward.

Townsend said, spent most of his time after the tragedy up to his arrest, at Mrs. Willis' home. After his arrest, the witness said, the former deputy made up protestation of innocence, except to say: "Well, I'll be d—, keep digging and you'll get to the bottom of this yet."

Mrs. Willis, who appeared on the verge of a breakdown when the bloodstained clothing her husband wore when shot was offered in evidence, regained much of her composure. She leaned forward to hear every word the witness uttered. Her heavy black veil was thrown back from her careworn face.

Parks said Mrs. Willis told detective W. S. Rogers that she had never suspected her husband of any infidelity during their 12 years of married life.

Townsend was quoted by the witness as saying shortly after the killing that he could name the slayer after the seeing "a certain party" after that he swore Townsend made no effort to assist in the investigation.

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BIG CIVIL ACTION NEVER TO REACH JURY, FORECAST

Compromise Predicted in Quarter Million Dollar Suit Against Gregory and Chemical Company

ANSWER AWAITED

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The biggest civil damage suit ever instituted in Elizabeth City, in point of amount of money involved, never will come to trial, in the opinion of J. C. Thompson, deputy clerk in Federal Court here, with whom the complaint of the plaintiffs was filed last week. It is an action in which T. S. White, of Hertford, and other former stockholders in the Eastern Cotton Oil Company are asking judgments aggregating a quarter of a million dollars against Willis N. Gregory, of Baltimore. The defendants were allowed 20 days from the date when the case was moved to Federal Court, in which to file their answer. This is expected in the next week or ten days, and is awaited with keen interest here.

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Nine Dead and Others Believed Lost In Storm Off the Canadian Coast

Further Reports from Fishing Fleets Awaited with Trepidation as Force of Winds Sweep Northward

DAMAGE ON LAND

More Than Million Dollars Damage to Crops, Highways, Railways, on Land But Toll of Life At Sea

Boston, Aug. 26.—(AP)—Reports from Cape Cod to New Foundland today awaited with trepidation further reports from their fishing fleets which had already told of nine dead, four missing and many injured, with ships lost or broken by the force of a hurricane which swept the coast.

Severe damage to crops and highways was reported from the land but the toll of life was exacted at sea. As the storm swept northward came reports first of the grounding of three yachts at Nantucket, then the grounding of one schooner and the dismasting of another off Cape Cod, three vessels and dozens of small craft wrecked in Nova Scotia, one sunk, six grounded, and two forced adrift at St. Pierre, Miquelon, with the storm still raging at St. Johns, New Foundland.

A vivid narrative of the force of the blow was brought here by the steam trawler Harvard, which lost one of her crew, had another severely injured when the sea which took him off flung him back to the deck, and had two others hurt. Grave fears were expressed for the smaller boats fishing on George Bank. No lives were lost from the British schooner Minus Princess although she lost all but her foremast before being taken in tow for Vineyard Haven Massachusetts.

Nova Scotia, felt the full fury of the storm and damage there was estimated at more than \$1,000,000. The Dominion Atlantic Railway Tuesday and Wednesday between Halifax and Yarmouth alone which highways in some sections were eight feet under water.

New York, Aug. 26.—(AP)—Ocean liners arriving today reported a wind of from 80 to 100 miles an hour which churned the sea into 40 and 50 foot waves during the big blow which swept the Atlantic Tuesday and Wednesday.

Captain Kruse of the Hamburg American Liner Resolute said his vessel passed through the center of the storm but was only forced to heave-to once and then for only 20 minutes.

The Coastwise Liner Yoro arrived from Jamaica 40 hours overdue. The captain said the decks were washed for 48 hours and at times 40 and 50 foot waves swept over the navigating bridge.

The Santa Marta, arriving 20 hours overdue, from Kingston and Havana reported that it was able to make but six knots an hour.

Four Barrels Chips Made Of Tyrrell County Spuds Served Columbia Visitors

A. J. Cohoon, Chairman of Arrangements for Scuppernon Bridge Celebration, Says They Will be Served as Nearly Fresh from the Oven as Possible

Columbia, August 26.—Four barrels of choice potato chips made from fancy spuds grown in Tyrrell County will be passed out to visitors to Columbia on the occasion of the formal opening of the Scuppernon River bridge.

A. J. Cohoon, chairman of the committee on arrangements, has just shipped four barrels of spuds to Kingston where they will be chipped and put in bags and sent back to Columbia—just as near "fresh from the oven" as possible.

Old King spud has pulled many a Tyrrell County farmer out of the hole financially this year and has cleared many homes of mortgage so the committee on arrangements feel that proper homage should be paid the spud when the County pauses to formally celebrate the opening of the State bridge over the Scuppernon River on September 7. And, in addition to giving proper credit to the spud, the committee realizes that everybody likes potato chips—especially from good Tyrrell County potatoes.

The four barrels will make 3,520 bags of potato chips. A. J. Cohoon, chairman of the arrangement committee, says that that number will be needed.

As September 7 draws nearer, plans for the great road and bridge celebration here are beginning to take definite shape.

Though details are not yet complete, tentative plans for the day's event call for the grand parade to start at eleven o'clock and open the formal celebration.

The address of welcome will be made by Mayor W. J. White, and Columbia's mayor has the reputation of being a good speaker as well as a hard worker.

Francis D. Winston of Windsor will make the response. Then will follow addresses of Congressman Lindsey Warren, Frank Page and Frank Kugler. Information has not yet been received as to whether or not Governor McLean can attend.

"Plans for feeding the five thousand people expected here are in the hands of A. J. Cohoon, enterprising proprietor of the Columbia Hotel, and W. S. Carawan, local banker and business man. The committee on arrangements wants it understood that those who do not like baked spuds will find plenty of other things to eat. The folks of the County are being called upon to prepare chickens, hams, and other good things for the occasion. "We don't want anybody to come here and leave hungry," a member of the committee said this morning.

Two big seaplanes will arrive here early on the morning of September 7. They will park on the north side of the new Scuppernon River bridge.

Decorating the town began this morning with Floyd Cohoon overseeing the job. Those who know the capabilities of Mr. Cohoon along this line say that he will see to it that the visitor will feel the welcome spirit of Columbia as soon as his car gets in view of the new Scuppernon River bridge.

Chamonix, France, August 26.—(AP)—A mountain tourist party, after gazing upon the vast sea of ice filling the highest basin of the Mont Blanc Chain was suddenly changed into a party of death and suffering when the cog railway train in which the descent was being made was wrecked near Monteviers last night. Fifteen persons, 10 women and 5 men, were known today to have been killed outright and six died of injuries.

Seemingly none of the sixty occupants of the wrecked coach escaped unscathed. Twenty five injured were taken to the Chamonix hospital and others to Clinics at Monteviers, Anancy and other places in the region.

Among the injured were, Mrs. Newton Perry of Chicago, and her daughter, who suffered broken legs. Their maid was among those killed.

The identity of all the victims was still unknown this morning but so far as could be learned the two Chicago women and their maid were the only Americans.

It is supposed a cog slipped owing to the sinking off the track through recent incessant rains. The train ran away from the engine and the first coach, going off the rails, dashed over a viaduct to the ravine below just in front of the Monteviers Hotel. Through the presence of mind of a passenger named Remery, who applied the emergency break, the second car kept from following the first.

Tourists Killed In Train Wreck Near Mont Blanc