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ATTRACTIONS TONIGHT
COLISEUM—Lon Chaney in "Flesh and Blood."
PALACE—Conway Tearle in the "Man of Stone."

COMING ATTRACTIONS
COLISEUM—Wanda Hawley in "The Truthful Liar."
PALACE—Hobart Bosworth in "The Cup of Life."

LON CHANEY MAKES HIT IN COLISEUM FEATURE

Love, hate, revenge, a transition of soul in a man who hates mankind, but who conquers himself—these form the motif of one of the greatest motion pictures of the year—"Flesh and Blood," which, opened at the Coliseum and is repeated tonight, only one show. It is a drama that will hold you spell-bound with its flash of startling events.

Lon Chaney, aptly described as the man "of a thousand faces," plays the leading role of an escaped convict, whose determination to have liberty so that he might look upon the faces of his loved ones, and to mete out vengeance upon the man who brought him such anguish of soul, in a manner which will earn him instant recognition as the screen's greatest character actor.

It is an inspired performance in a story throbbing with human emotions. The pathetic of this buffeted creature—this pitiful figure who is hunted by the law for a crime of which he is innocent will be caught by every spectator—no matter whether he is endowed with sentiment or not. You see him break jail and your sympathy is acute. Will he make a successful get-away? But the eager eye of the law is on his track. And to avoid detection, he is forced to play the part of a helpless cripple—a part which stamps Chaney as a superb artist. He stumps through Chinatown, ever careful to avoid arrest, though fully determined to look upon the fair beauty of his daughter—a girl he cannot even touch, much less admit his relationship with her. He finds his enemy, but in the moment that he triumphs he is brought up sharp with the fact that his daughter loves the financier's son. Rather than bring any disillusionment to her he forgives his enemy and calmly returns to prison.

PALACE "MAN OF STONE"
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Conway Tearle has brought with him in "The Man of Stone" shown at the Palace theatre last evening, a breath of the great Arabian desert which was thrown on the silver sheet in all the wealth of color and character that we have learned to associate with tales of that interesting land of mystery and romance.

Specifically, this new Selznick spectacle with Capt. Neville Deering, D. S. C., of the British Army, who filled by his fiancée, Lady Fortescue, accepts active duty in Arabia where the English colonial troopers are facing a native insurrection. Naturally, battle scenes, desert scenes and the inevitable love scenes are here inextricably interwoven.

The fourth round of "The Leather Pushers" is also shown.

WANDA HAWLEY AT COLISEUM TOMORROW

For the feature at the Coliseum at the matinee tomorrow and tomorrow night, Wanda Hawley will be shown in "The Truthful Liar," a delightful comedy-drama with plenty of good natural laughs. Wanda Hawley is popular in Juneau and this feature will add to her reputation already established here.

PALACE SATURDAY "THE CUP OF LIFE"

"The Cup of Life," Thomas H. Ince's Associated Producers special production, is announced as the attraction at the Palace theatre for Saturday night and Sunday matinee.

A melodrama of the Orient and Occident with Singapore the locale, the forthcoming feature presents an all-star cast including Hobart Bosworth, Midge Bellamy, Tully Marshall, and Niles Welch. The plot and action of the story call for many spectacular scenes including a desperate battle between Bosworth and a "killer" shark, taking place beneath the ocean's surface. The architectural beauty of the Orient has also been exploited to a heretofore unattained extent.

MARY PICKFORD PLAYS YOUTHFUL ROLE AGAIN

Mary Pickford's latest United Artists production, "Through the Back Door," will be shown as the feature attraction at the Coliseum theatre for two days, beginning Sunday night.

This picture shows Mary Pickford in a child role which at the same time is a character part. The story is a combination of comedy and drama, punctuated with many of those laughable pranks for which Little Mary is famous when portraying a pig-tailed kiddie.

From the farms of Belgium to the mansions of Long Island the camera follows this clever little actress in "Through the Back Door." Mother love, and the heart-hunger of a child all bound up in an intricate society drama, supply the emotional impulses of the play.

CONSOLIDATION PLAN URGED IN ANNUAL REPORT

Bone Makes Eight Specific Recommendations in Annual Report to Work.

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Individual or group opinion, a consensus of faith in Alaska today abounds.

Administrative officials and national law-makers who came with open minds, undoubtedly gained much of profit from their visitation, through contact with the people and close-range inspection of conditions. Thus will they be qualified to deal intelligently and helpfully with problems calling for solution and appraisal the worth, or lack of worth, of much misinformation which, in the past, has mischievously served to confuse and complicate Alaskan issues.

Inherently Alaska is all right. Its paramount need is and ever has been to be known and understood. Popular misconception has been its heaviest handicap. Climate fallacies are now being eradicated. Truth is at last implanting itself. The world is belatedly learning that Alaska is blessed with ideal Summers; that its winter weather in the interior and toward the Arctic is no more bleak and forbidding than that of the Northern and Northwestern States and that along its Southern Coast its climate is mild and equable and its ports are open all the year around. Moreover, although rich in resources, exaggerated ideas that it is an Eldorado, with its mountains and streams laden with gold, are being dispelled. Visits such as have made the current year historic and memorable disclose and promulgate these facts.

A fortnight's travel, if it extends beyond the Inside Passage, is illuminating and general conditions may be seen and grasped; but the colossal size of the Territory precludes the possibility of visualizing it as a whole even in a month or a year. Alaskans themselves, in major numbers, have intimate knowledge only of sections of the great domain, and thus, naturally, consider and discuss Alaska questions largely in local or sectional terms. But they are as one in love of their adopted country and in confidence in its destiny. Nowhere else is the American Spirit more pronounced and adamant.

Of the inefficiency of Federal administration in Alaska, through innumerable agencies constituting a bureaucratic form of government, official testimony, based upon experience, is in full accord. The system is too complicated to render satisfactory service, however earnest its aims, and this fact has been uniformly attested and emphasized by those who have been brought into direct contact with the system since Alaska became a Territory and upon

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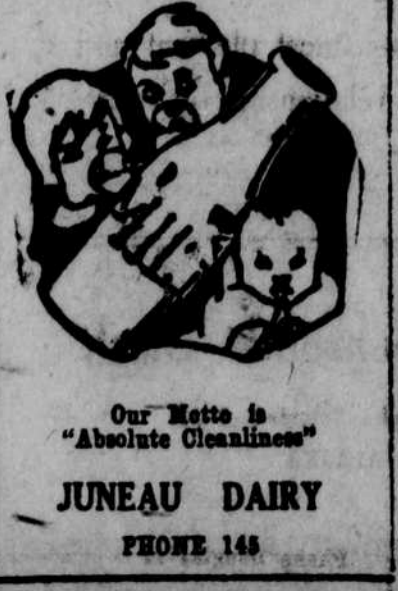


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whom administration as a whole has chiefly devolved. Upon this point there is and has been a perfect unanimity of opinion. A simplified and centralized system brought closer home to Alaska is urgently and obviously needed to speed the progress of the line of construction as much as possible between Alaska and Washington," as suggested by the late President, in order to "bring about the closest cooperation and understanding between the national agencies" operating in the Territory.

It is gratifying to report that cooperation in fuller degree and a better understanding have been attained and that further coordination and increased efficiency are surely coming about. It is altogether manifest, as stated in the report for 1922, that Alaska's destiny "can not be shaped at long range through multitudinous bureaus operating at long range, however commendable their aims and activities," and in this connection, to prevent misunderstanding, it is well to repeat that condemnation of bureaucratic control "does not imply criticism of the bureaus, as such, constituting the system" and "the value of their expert services is not gainsaid or underestimated." A centralized and coordinated organization, consistent with the desires of the Territory, in succession for years, clearly would rob Alaska of the expert service of any needed bureau or minimize its usefulness in the very least. On the contrary, in promoting efficiency, it would manifestly turn such expert service to fuller account, and increase the usefulness of the bureau.

Resistance of administrative reform invariably finds expression in the outcry that sinister influences are seeking to despoil Alaska and waste its resources. Such unworthy propaganda too often serves its designing purpose. Jealousy of official prerogative rather than concern for service plainly inspires it.

Alaska requires conservation—favors it, and welcomes it, and gives steadfast support to every practical safeguard, existent or proposed, necessary to prevent reckless exploitation in any direction in the development of the Territory. A concentration of authority and responsibility—a business-like organization of Alaska's affairs, in lieu of divided authority and responsibility—certainly would make for administrative efficiency and hasten the safe solution of Territorial problems. That government through bureaus is good for any land or any community is too untenable for sober discussion. Equally so is the thought that conservation in Alaska is dependant upon such a system, or that the abrogation of bureaucracy would render the protection of the resources any less secure.

The Territory since it was granted a limited form of self government has exercised its powers wisely. It administers its purely local affairs efficiently and economically. Its legislatures, meeting in biennial session, have made exceptionally good records during the decade since the organic act was passed and in personnel, measured up to legislatures of the States. All plans for the future government of Alaska, in preparation for Statehood, should contemplate extension of Territorial powers and a fuller exercise of those powers.

Conservation of the fisheries, so essential to the preservation of the great industry, is being enforced by the Department of Commerce, through its Bureau of Fisheries, under the reserve system adopted as the only alternative in the absence of needed legislation, and the Territory is co-operating fully toward the desired end.

Material Progress

Materially the fiscal year 1922-23 showed appreciable improvement in business and industry, and an almost complete recovery from adverse conditions immediately following the World War. Mining activities increased in many parts of the Territory, notably in the Hyder district, at the head of Portland Canal; in the Willow Creek District, contiguous to the Alaska Railroad, and in the Nome District, in the far north, where dredging operations were renewed on an extensive scale, supported by ample capital. Throughout Southeastern Alaska, on the islands and mainland, mining enterprises received a stimulus and were put upon a basis of more successful operation. No notable strikes or discoveries were recorded. During the fiscal year the mineral output showed a gratifying gain, as revealed by the detailed statistics following. Dredging work and placer mining were handicapped somewhat the latter part of the year by lack of water incident to an unusually clear and dry summer throughout the Territory.

Gains in commerce, exports and imports, were most gratifying and indicative of prosperity. Postal receipts in towns along the coast were the largest since 1917. All communities on the lines of travel, water and rail, shared measurably in the benefits of the influx of tourists which was the largest in Alaska's history. A successful fishing season, in most districts, contributed largely to the sum total of prosperity.

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ship lines carried 20,000 passengers to Alaska from January 1 to August 31, 1923. Of these it is estimated that two-thirds were transients or tourists and the number exceeds all records. The previous year 5,537 tourists came to Alaska.

Transportation on the Yukon has been much improved between Dawson and Holy Cross, through the successful operation of two steamers in conjunction with The Alaska Railroad; but below Holy Cross to St. Michael and Nome facilities of travel are most inadequate. The Territory has authorized a subsidy for steamer service between Nome and St. Michael and Nome and Kotzebue.

Tourist Travel

The season of 1922, in bringing thousands of visitors to Alaska, emphasizes decidedly that a systematic development of tourist facilities offers great immediate opportunities for Alaska. The two American steamship companies and the Canadian line, with eleven passenger-carrying vessels running on schedule from Seattle and Vancouver, five of them making regular trips across the Gulf of Alaska to Seward, and two other large vessels making the voyage by outside Passage to Nome, were taxed to the very limit of their capacity, and over three thousand applicants for reservations could not be accommodated. The coming season promises likewise to be limited only by the facilities provided.

Under the existing transportation situation, tourists must make a continuous round trip through the Inside Passage or to the westward and return, or risk long delays in securing passage outward-bound. Thus but fleeting glimpses of the beauties of Alaska are permitted the many visitors who would otherwise tarry, if they could.

One new and modern American steamship was added to the regular service during the year and at least another will be in the service the coming year. It is probable that two more large Canadian vessels will also further relieve the situation in Southeastern Alaska. Meanwhile, the transportation companies and tourist agencies are working out in conjunction or separately a better system of handling tourist traffic.

The need of more adequate hotel facilities in the Territory, with hotels especially designed and equipped to please tourists at vantage points on the coast and in the interior, is apparent and steps are being taken to meet this need.

The refusal or disinclination of the Canadian and White Pass Railroad lines to enter into a tourist arrangement with the American lines, whereby visitors might make the trip over the White Pass and down the Yukon River to Tanana and up the Tanana River to Nenana, with a side trip to Fairbanks, and out over the Alaska Railroad to Seward and thence by steamer to Prince Rupert, Vancouver, or Seattle, deprives visitors of the privilege of a most attractive scenic journey. However, it is believed that this and other obstacles to the development of tourist traffic will be overcome.

The American and Canadian steam-

ing areas and closing streams and reducing cannery waste in the public good.

The consolidation of all law-enforcing agencies in Alaska under the Department of Justice, a colonization plan to be operative in connection with The Alaska Railroad, with priority rights to lands freely granted to Alaska soldiers of the World War and their dependents, allotment of a fair percentage, at least one-half, of the net revenues derived from the Pribilof Islands, which are in Alaskan waters, to the general fund of the Territory.

Recommendations

The needs and general conditions of Alaska were adequately and accurately presented in the reports for 1922-23 and 1921-22 and are, therefore, not repeated at length. Recommendations hitherto made are earnestly renewed as follows:

The placing of affairs of Alaska under one Department head at Washington and the substitution of a coordinated and centralized system of administration for the present inefficient bureaucratic system at the earliest possible date.

An appropriation of \$300,000 to supplement a fund of \$150,000 heretofore authorized for the erection of a capital or administrative building to house Federal and Territorial offices and thus facilitate the transaction of business and save the rentals of scattered quarters.

Adequate provision for the operation and upkeep of The Alaska Railroad, and for the building of branch lines and spurs as required for the development of tonnage and to meet industrial needs.

An appropriation of \$1,500,000 annually for the building of roads and trails in the interior and provision for the construction of roads and trails into Mt. McKinley and Mt. Katmai Parks.

The vesting in the Department of Commerce of complete authority over the fisheries of Alaska, with its Bureau of Fisheries adequately equipped and empowered to make and enforce rules and regulations limiting the catch and number of traps, curtailing fish-

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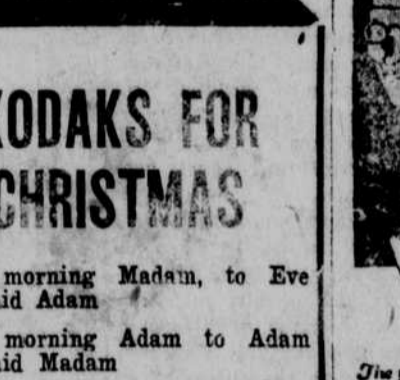
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