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"Third Finger, Left Hand" starring Myrna Loy and Melvyn Douglas, comes to the Civic Theatre on Friday and Saturday. This outstanding comedy is accompanied by one of the biggest pictures of the year, "Foreign Correspondent," a thrilling story of news reporters in war-torn

Europe. Featuring in the picture are Joel McCrea, Laraine Day, and Herbert Marshall. Also the third chapter of "King of the Royal Mounted" will be shown. Mickey Rooney's latest musical show "Strike Up The Band" comes to the Civic Sunday, Monday and

BIRTHS, DEATHS DOWN IN COUNTY, MARRIAGES RISE

There were fewer births and fewer deaths in Oakland County for the 12 months from December 1, 1939 to December 1, 1940 than for the previous year. In 1939, there were 3,802 births for that period the past year as compared with 3,951, for the same period the year before. There were 2,214 deaths during the 12 months just closed as compared with 2,454 for the 12 months preceding.

The clerk's office did a big business in the issuance of marriage licenses during 1940 when 1,756 licenses were issued. During 1939 there were but 1,301 licenses, or at least the best year of 1935. Divorces showed an increase of 133 in 1940 as compared with 713 in 1939. Issuance of certified copies of records in the file in the office of the county clerk became a major business during the past 12 months because there was a heavy demand for copies of birth certificates. Fees from the preparation of copies of records on file ran as high as \$113.25 in July. The total for the 12 months from this source was \$5,827.87.

He that can have patience, can have what he will—Franklin.

SAMUEL J. & HARCOURT S. PATTERSON, Attorneys, 616 Peoples State Building, Detroit, Mich., have been named by the court as administrators of the estate of **JOHN H. HARRINGTON**, deceased, of the City of Pontiac, Michigan. The court is the Circuit Court of the County of Oakland, Michigan. The court is the Circuit Court of the County of Oakland, Michigan. The court is the Circuit Court of the County of Oakland, Michigan.

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Fear

By MAGNUS OLESON
(Associated Newspapers)
WNU Service.

THEY were dressing her for her wedding. Emily submitted passively, more concerned with the darkened sky and continuous roar of distant thunder than with the silk. Mrs. Lape had been so busy over these past weeks. The two elderly women in the room tried to forget to ignore the coming tempest though their efforts merely made them hysterically cheerful. Minerva Lape's babble was hindered by a hare-lip, but her troubled voice muttered as if in competition with the storm. Stout Ma Snively had no such handicap.

Emily merely knew that they were talking. Pale and tremulous, with eyes glazed by emotion, she looked in her half-dazed slenderness like a bird by the window. Bitter's creek was bank full from the morning storm. She could see the liquid yellow mud swirling under the old bridge.

Men's voices mumbled from the porch below. Emily impulsively leaned up the window sash and leaned out. Her father was there, stiff and clumsy in his starched linen and black clothes; the hired hands were there in their chamberlaine's blue.

Emily had little more than a glimpse of the anxious group. Ezra looked up at the rattle of the window sash. His dark face flamed at sight of her and his lips parted. Her father glanced upward, too.

"He's coming," Pa Snively bellowed. "Seen his car rack" down Blackhawk hill." Emily's mother pulled her back to the room and slammed the door shut. Emily heard little of the tirade that followed; it was something about showing herself shamelessly like that—and what would Ezra think? Though he be her man, quick enough, if the storm would get by and the reverend would come.

"He's coming," Emily said. "Pa saw his car."

Driven rain lashed down unexpectedly, with an impact that smothered under its continuous roar the snap of lightning and crash of thunder. In the dusk they lit a kerosene lamp, lowered the window shade and went on hurriedly to complete Emily's costume. But Emily could not be kept in the center of the room. She was staring at the bridge, until at last she saw a dark car dart over.

"Well," she said, "he got across. It didn't wash out."

"I'll run right down," Ma Snively said. "Reverend Perkins' son, a brave man—never afraid when it's the Lord's work. I'll tell him you'll be ready soon as the thunder stops."

"I'll go, too," Mrs. Lape said nervously. "Emily's ready now. It's comforting to have a man of God in the house during such a terrible storm. Comforting and protecting." "The Lord's work," Emily said and stared at the shaded window, where blue light came fitfully, and the rain clattered against the glass. It was hailing now. A tinkle of stones on the panes threatened to break them. "Yellow clouds," she thought dully, "always hailed." And again, "The Lord's work." Well, money and fear had more to do with it than God. Fear of poverty and love of money. Ma had known how to use arguments like that. Pa's way had been more forthright; it had been, "Marry Ezra, or take a beating! Hail came again; or was it hail? Emily ran to the window and whipped up the blind.

A yellow dusk was out of doors; dusk and the black rain, flooded by the blue glare of hurried bolts. Sheets of water washed the window glass, but at times she could see the cars parked in the yard below; among them Ezra's roadster, already decorated with its cans, and beside it a small, battered runabout. The hall rattled again close to her face; but it was not hail. And the runabout was Jim O'Hara's.

Course, Jim! She flung the window open to the storm.

He extended his arms. His gray Irish face was laughing as the water ran over it. His lips moved. She couldn't hear, but she knew what he was saying.

"If you're not afraid of the storm, darlin', and 350 a week—if you're not afraid—"

She had been afraid, horribly. Always she shrank to a pin-point when the lightning came. And she had been afraid of life—of 350 a week. But now she was afraid of Ezra; afraid of his thick lips flushed face and prisoning farm-house. Fear of Ezra had smothered other fears. She had welcomed the storm, praying that it would wash out the bridge, do something, anything, to keep the Reverend Mr. Perkins where he belonged, at home. Afraid of it! It was glorious.

She climbed to the window sill. Her white silks were instantly drenched.

"If you're not afraid, jump, darlin'!"

Afraid! Emily laughed sleepily; laughed at the impotent thunder, the dull house and its stony occupants, the lashing, drenching rain, the mud she was going to roll in; laughed at Jim's ugly car, Jim's wet face.

"Jump, darlin'!" Emily's laugh pealed out over the storm-captivity, gaily, a challenge and a triumph, as she obeyed.

Royal Family of Stuart Knew Great Misfortune

If you look into the history of a royal family, you may find a great deal of adventure and sadness, but you will have to search a long time to match the story of the house of Stuart.

Eight centuries ago, a young noble was sent to Scotland by the English king. The Normans had held power in England for nearly 100 years and had obtained some control over the Scots.

The young noble was named Walter, and he was given a great deal of land in Scotland. The king also gave him the office of steward of Scotland.

Walter's son held the same office, and so did his grandson and great grandson. That is the reason for the family name of the house of Stuart or Stewart. The French spelling was Stuart, and that is how it is most often spelled in history books.

As time went on, the Stuarts came to feel more Scottish than English. They fought in battles for the freedom of Scotland.

In the year 1315 one of the Stuarts married a Scottish nobleman, the daughter of Robert Bruce. A son of this marriage at length came to the Scottish throne.

From that time onward there was a cross of Stuart kings in Scotland. It is a tale of strange tragedy. Later came Mary Queen of Scots, who was three times a widow and was held prisoner for 20 years.

The cross of Stuart kings in Scotland was given the English throne, ruling both England and Scotland.

Teach Children to Cross Streets, Parents Advised

Selection by parents of the best and safest route to the store and to school for small children will help greatly in reducing chances for child traffic accidents.

Eventually the child must use the streets and highways. Let it be the parent's duty to teach the child how to use streets safely just as much as it is a duty to teach him how to dress? Since children are prone to imitate, parents must be careful of their own actions in traffic while having a great deal to do with the actions of the children.

Whenever possible the most hazardous crossings should be avoided. Walk the child over the route to be followed—and explain why that route is best; why others are dangerous. One very effective way of teaching small children the safe way to cross the streets and avoid traffic accidents is used by many parents. They take a walk with the youngster and play a game at the street crossings by letting the child observe traffic conditions, conducting the parent across the street.

Sometimes it will be impossible to choose a route with all crossings protected. In such cases, parents should explain the importance of looking in all directions, and of always looking to the left just before stepping off the curb, and looking to the right at the center of the street before crossing. Explain where the child should be especially watchful and why.

Device for Deflecting Glare

An attorney of Sumter, S. C., has recently obtained a patent on a device for automobiles that reflects car lights over the head of the driver and at the same time gives him clear visibility on meeting a brightly lighted automobile traveling in the opposite direction. Harman D. Moses, who lays claim to this invention, explains the device as being a thin, transparent device, attachable to an automobile windshield, which is placed to the inside of the windshield, with the thin edge downward, deflecting the light rays upward over the driver's head. The first prism was made of glass, but recently he has been experimenting with a plastic substance which is as clear as glass and less fragile, and which will probably last longer.

Treaty of Versailles

It is commonly asserted that the Treaty of Versailles terminated hostilities between all the warring powers engaged in the 1914-18 World War. The truth is that this treaty concluded the war only for Germany and the Allies when it was signed on June 28, 1919. Peace between Austria and the Allies was signed September 10, 1919; between Bulgaria and the Allies on November 10, 1919; between Hungary and the Allies on June 4, 1920; between Turkey and the Allies on August 10, 1920; and between the United States and the Central Powers (Germany, Austria and Hungary) on August 25, 1921—nearly three years after the armistice was signed.

Scant Bloom of Wistaria

Wistaria seedlings some times take six or seven years to make up their minds and produce racemes of flowers. To insure immediate flowering, plant grafted stock or layed cuttings from proven plants. Other reasons for lack of blooms, is too rich a soil, lack of sun, or too much water. If growth is too rampant, withhold feeding and prune the long runners to within three or four buds from the old wood. The seedling should be pruned to force the formation of flower buds. If these precautions fail, then next fall prune the roots by spading down 12 inches deep at a distance of 18 inches from the main trunk.

Farmington O.E.S. Holds Regular Meeting Tuesday

Farmington Chapter, No. 239, O.E.S. will hold their regular monthly meeting Tuesday evening, January 14. At that time plans will be made for a school of instruction which will be given on Tuesday evening, January 21, by a Grand Officer. There will also be a practice at the close of the meeting next Tuesday.

TELEPHONES FIRST USED IN PHILADELPHIA IN 1877

George W. Russell became Philadelphia's first telephone customer on November 1, 1877. This was before the commercial telephone switchboard had been developed, and telephones were leased in pairs for use between two points only.

Thomas E. Cornish, who had a burglar alarm and signal bell business in Philadelphia, had obtained permission to introduce the telephone commercially in 1877, and immediately set out to obtain customers. His first was Mr. Russell, who had a line which connected his home on North Sixth Street with his place of business at 722 Chestnut Street.

It was not until 1878 that a switchboard was installed in Philadelphia. Subscribers were few at first; but as telephone engineers made progress and transmission improved, the service was extended. In 1879 Philadelphia and Camden were linked by telephone, and in 1886 the last pole was set on a line from New York to Philadelphia. Today, there are nearly 400,000 Bell telephones in Philadelphia.

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