

CHERRY BLOSSOM (BIRMINGHAM) RED CROSS MUST OVER THERE WITHOUT LETTER

Large and Well-Pleasant Audience at High School Auditorium—Much Ability Displayed by All

Breaks Loose from Wayne County and in the Future Will Be a Unit of Old Oakland.

Norman McQuarrel Writes of His Struggle with a French Fort, and His Impressions of the Country.

From one of our boys "Somewhere in France." He Writes (J. Allen Bigelow.

Phone 38 CALL Phone 65

Washington Says:

USE LESS WHEAT AND WIN THE WAR

To that end, use other farinaceous substitutes. On and after March 4, with each 25 lbs. of Flour, 25 lbs. of the following, one kind or assorted, must be purchased: Corn Meal, Corn Flour, Corn Starch, Barley Flour, Hominy, Potato Flour, Rice, Rice Flour, Rolled Oats, Buckwheat Flour, or 100 lbs. Potatoes.

The people of Birmingham were given a rare treat Thursday evening when the Japanese musical comedy "Miss Cherry Blossom" was presented at High School auditorium.

It was the cleverest and most charming entertainment of the kind it is possible to imagine. There were about 50 young people in the cast and they carried through all the difficulties of the production, not only with cut, but with cleverness and artistic finish in a compliment not only to their native ability but to the skill of their director, and the enthusiasm with which she has been able to inspire them.

When the curtain raised the large audience was greeted by the Gelsa Girls attired in beautiful Japanese costumes, who were more than pleasing in their action and song.

The stage formed an effective background with its cherry boughs and trees. A Japanese tea house, constructed of lattice lanterns, and the natural scene, and Japanese lanterns, suspended from above, completed the decorations while every circle around their cages during the musical numbers.

The story of an American girl raised under Japanese environments after her parents' death and finally marrying a young American, was well connected and was characterized to the letter by our local talent.

The many complimentary words cannot be said of each and every part taken, but more especially of the leading parts.

Mrs. L. G. Potter with her beautiful soprano voice took the part of Miss Cherry Blossom, and the natural ease and grace which characterizes her presentation of the part shows she have had a great deal of training and experience.

Miss Neva L. Green with her sweet soprano voice as Jessica, Vanderpool and the American girl and boy took parts which showed the real pleasure of traveling in Japan, including the art of making love in all its stages.

Bob Rumsey as Jack Smith and Edwin Edwards as two young American visitors in the garden of flowers, both fall in love with Cherry and Jessica. They both met with opposition from the love game, and all Japanese society became interested in the courtship of Jack and Cherry.

Ted Brown as Togo, the Commercial Agent of Cherry, presented his part in a most able manner.

The interpretations by Messrs. Rumsey, Edwards and Brown were high class and most fitting and well played. All have exceptionally good voices and used them to advantage in pleasing the entire audience.

The speaking parts were well taken by Messrs. Potter, Shain and Green. Earl Potter as Kokomo, with appearance of a guardian of Cherry, brought the house down repeatedly with his funny Japanese expressions.

Chas. Shain as Worthington, the New York Stockbroker, was unusually well adapted to the part and presented it in a very able manner.

The following statement has been issued by the Birmingham Red Cross through Mary O. Wilcox, publicity chairman.

It seems advisable to give a resume of the work of the Birmingham unit, American Red Cross, at this time, as the annual election of officers is to be held next month, and also in view of the automatic change of the Birmingham unit from Detroit chapter to Oakland County chapter, A. R. C. C. We had a couple of very bad nights when about 9 days out a terrific wind which blew up quite a sea, which made some of the fellows think that they had never seen the ocean.

"Birmingham unit was organized by the Birmingham Red Cross, Detroit Chapter, March 24, 1917, with Mrs. W. C. Harris as chairman. This was the first time in the history of the Red Cross and as there was no county organization, no prospect of none at this time. Birmingham unit was organized with the chapter organizing the unit.

"Mrs. Harris was the first Red Cross instructor in the county, and entirely through her efforts a class was formed, and graduated in Birmingham for the first time, with a degree of white card teacher, from the national organization at Washington, D. C. This was the first time in the history of the Red Cross for instruction and work, and a large membership of capable work was obtained at this time.

"When the Oakland County chapter was organized a few months later, Birmingham unit was transferred to the three of inefficiency, and was running with a degree of proficiency here, a school for the first time, and very soon after this, Birmingham unit was awarded the privilege of wrapping and shipping the privilege of central work. It did not seem advisable at this time to have a separate arrangement, especially as the Detroit chapter was furnishing materials to the Birmingham unit free of charge, and giving them every privilege enjoyed by the units of the city of Detroit—advantages not likely to be put aside.

"However, in the last two months, there has been re-organization of the Red Cross work in the state, and Mrs. R. H. Ashbaugh, having been awarded the privilege of wrapping and shipping, Michigan, proceeded to re-organize the work with a view to economy and efficiency.

"Out of the first rulings was, that all cities or towns in counties, must submit to the chapter of the county for Red Cross work. Mrs. Ashbaugh requested the Birmingham unit to transfer its work to the Oakland County chapter, but granted to Birmingham a continuance of its privilege of wrapping and shipping, and the efficiency of this unit, and its rapid progress.

"At the meeting of the advisory board of the Birmingham unit, held in its rooms at the Baldwin high school, on the 14th of March, it was decided as Birmingham desired to work with the county organization, to transfer its work to the Oakland County chapter. Birmingham unit would not avail itself of this favor granted by the state, and would be unwilling to send all finished work direct to Pontiac, thus leaving the county, quota of work, and also showing a spirit of cooperation with the county chapter."

FARMERS ATTENTION

I have decided to put a few Tractors, with plows, disc harrows, and harrows, to work around Birmingham, and in the vicinity of Farmington, and propose to do plowing, double-disk harrowing, and spike-tooth harrowing cheaper than the farmers can do themselves, and thereby enable farmers to put a greater acreage, and to assist them in producing more crops, and win the war. I hope that the work that I may be able to do will be in addition to and in no way interfere with your regular work.

I propose to charge \$2.00 per acre for plowing, 75c per acre for double disk harrowing, and 50c per acre for pulverizing and packing with a double curved roller.

Or will lease the Tractor, including the operator and any equipment that is regularly used with the Tractor, for \$15 per day.

Dear Ones at Home:—Well, at last we're here, "Somewhere in France." Just what we've been waiting for and working for for nearly nine months. The trip passed without any setting experience. The most excitement we had was when the report of "Land Ho!" was passed through the quarters at 8:30 this morning. We had a couple of very bad nights when about 9 days out a terrific wind which blew up quite a sea, which made some of the fellows think that they had never seen the ocean.

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I wrote this letter last night but it was returned to me for corrections. I had no space on this page for the letter's name. So am copying it over. We're only allowed to write two letters a day, and they can't exceed seven pages. That is one of seven or two of three and four pages respectively.

We're quite comfortably situated here, in a new barracks, but some of the men are billeted. Of course there are no electric lights or iron beds, like we had at Quantico. I am writing this by candle light, but wouldn't I shouldn't have been surprised if they had put some candles here. They are dandy and the regular army ration, of which they say no man can eat out of his hands.

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Somewhere in France, Feb. 6, 1918. Cpt. J. A. Bigelow, Birmingham, Mich., U. S. A. My dear Captain Bigelow: Ever since we have landed in this part of the world our main diversion has been waiting for mail and writing letters. Although the facilities here for receiving and imparting affairs of much interest are rather limited, still I'm taking the chance that you might be interested in affairs of A. E. F. in France.

Although I do not claim to be one of the pioneers of the U. S. Army in France, yet with so many arriving here I am gradually assuming the role of advisor and reporter to "cover men." Our contingent arrived in France in time to enjoy the bounteous Thanksgiving spread furnished the so-called "Sammy's." Christmas was another occasion much in favor of the "Boys in Khaki."

Although somewhat hampered by difference in languages spoken, the French people have shown themselves very much pleased at the invasion of the American. They have known the Americans of the tourist type before the war, but the American soldier seems to be a novelty of never ceasing interest. Of course the mettle of the American troops is yet to be proved, but the French officers are not at all particularly worried in that respect.

The French retail shopkeepers consider the Sammies no inconsiderable part of their customers and many are endeavoring to master the classic English or American language. On the other hand the boys are picking up French bit by bit, although they still find the language varies somewhat as they move from town to town. I feel constrained to comment upon the courtesy of the French in not boosting the price of commodities, as they are well able to.

Things probably look a lot different here in equipment and manner of operation than in the old Civil War, but I imagine the spirit of the men remains the same. We shall probably have to pass through the same periods of heat, hunger, and cold as the men in the trenches, behind the guns, and in the planes have anything to do with the final result, that we ought to be the same.

We are at present on the verge of the rainy season according to the prediction which have been here longest of the Americans, but to date we have had the palest winter I have ever spent.

Once in awhile we have a frost at night but the sun rises warm and the clouds are being shed. Thanks to Uncle Sammy and the volunteer cooks in our bunch we are having good grub to fatten up on; also hiking and drilling are kept up in the morning. We are lucky enough to get the Paris edition of Daily Mail, New York Herald and Chicago Tribune, also regular issue of mail box so, things have been pretty good so far.

Sincerely yours, (Capt.) RALPH H. CORWELL, 10th Foreign Detachment, Air Service, A. E. F., France.

Spring is Nice, But—Lack of fresh vegetable food and interrupted changing habits make these trying weeks for any one residing in this constellation. Foley Cathartic Tablets are just the thing for indigestion, biliousness, gas on stomach, headache, or other condition in digestive-clogged bowels. Cause no bad after-effects. Sold everywhere.

ORBITARY.—Reuben J. St. Clair, was born in Ovid Township, Clinton County, Mich., May 25, 1859, in which local he spent most of his time, until he moved with his family to Southfield, Oakland County, in 1911. Where he died with pleurisy pneumonia, Feb. 28, 1918. He was married in 1880 to Miss Alice Mock. To this union were born 4 children: Mrs. Carl W. Kose and Caroly St. Clair. Besides the widow and children he leaves to mourn the sister Mrs. Millard McCruen of Ovid.

Program for the Home Economic Extension Society. To be held in the Home Economic Laboratory of the Baldwin High School, Tuesday and Wednesday, March 18-20. 9:30 Table—Some Patriotic Notes. 10:15—Some dishes for needless food (Illustrations). 1:30—Feeding the family (Talk and Exhibit). 2:30—Community Singing. 2:45—Clothing the Family. SECOND DAY, M. 9:30—"Waste Bread" (Demonstration and Discussion). 1:30—The Family. 2:00—The Children and Food Conservation.

The Clawson Aid Society met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Spinney in Clawson.

Land of Flowers—Feeding Stock Food Pays. L. H. Rousseau Writes to the Editor, told on the Features of the South Land.

Mansville, March 6, 1918. Dear old Geo. Mitchell and Miss Hazel Windolph and Charles Fisher the boss printer of the Dear old Paper the Evening News. Just a few lines from L. H. Rousseau from dear old Florida. Sun shine a good water and fish come to Now we are located 18 miles from Palatka, a town of 13,000 inhabitants. The place we are at is called a very quiet place and home comforts—four trains, passenger train, car, Plakka at 11:30 and leave at 1:55. The early trains 6:30 and go to Jacksonville, so you are right in love. We get our mail from Mansville, Florida from there it is to Koub, the real pleasure we have is we can take our axes and go to the woods and cut all the wood we want. We get a horse for 15 cents per hour in a half day cutting you have enough to keep out all the wood we want. We get the buck saw and saw it up. We have to have a little fire to cook by, and when you have a cold storm, we get the tail end, so a little don't come any. Now we eat three square meals for 12 cents, and a home and a home for today, March 6, 1918, Kettle roast, good Michigan potatoes, good brown gravy, milk, bread and butter, and now bread, and other things to go with it. Now for dinner a great big strawberry, and lots of cold water. Now we have a good cook in the party, Mrs. B. B. Wilkinson, lots of good help to keep the house, and here, the clerk, but he has the best 8:24. Now we have a good hotel, reasonable rates by the week. We have a nice Park and 16 of our shine. Don't think that you can live here, a nice Park and 16 of our shine. Don't think that you can live here, a nice Park and 16 of our shine. Don't think that you can live here, a nice Park and 16 of our shine.

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