THEATERS

BIRMINGHAM

Today

"Square Crooks," a rapid-fire comedy romance of the underworld told with laughs and thrills is being shown today at the Birmingham theater. It features John Mack Brown, Dorothy Dwan and Robert Armstrong.

Friday

Bringing with them the hilarious atmosphere of the American Legion convention in Paris, Al Cocke and Kit Guard, veteran FBO comedians, are coming to the Birmingham Theater on Friday in "Legionaires in Paris," the smashing comedy success directed by A. E. Gillstrom.

As two ex-doughboys sent abroad as delegates by their buddies in their local Legion post, Cooke and Guard trace a trail of fun and laughter, through the French capital in their efforts to escape from a general who only wishes to decorate them for valor.

Saturday

One of the most thrilling cafe battles brought to the screen in years will be witnessed in this city when "The Escape" opens at the Birmingham Theater next Saturday with Virginia Valli and William Russell in leading dramatic roles. Russell, long regarded as the screen's greatest fighting man, faces a squad of gorillas in the most realistic fight since "The Spoilers."

A special junior matinee featuring Buster Keaton in "The General" will be held from 2 to 5 p. m.

Sunday

William Haines may be seen at the Birmingham theater, Sunday, in his latest picture, "Spring Fever."

Monday and Tuesday

Harold Lloyd's newest comedy, "Speedy," released by Paramount, and which comes to the Birmingham theater next week, will bring to the screen the horse drawn street car, which was a familiar figure on the streets of any city, a few decades ago. As far as is known, this marks the first time that any film company has used the now out-of-date vehicle in a picture, which only serves to stamp Harold Lloyd as one of the most original producers in motion pictures today.

Wednesday

Electrocution of a murderer in a state prison, a bank robbery and a gun battle between police and a cornered gunman and his wife are thrilling episodes in Clara Bow's new Paramount starring picture, "Ladies of the Mob," Wednesday at the Birmingham theater.

SHUBERT DETROIT

Lew Fields' "Present Arms," described as a musical comedy sensation dealing with the adventures of the Marines in Hawaii and the south seas, will open at the Shubert-Detroit Opera House on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 3rd, for an engagement of one week only.

"Present Arms" is one of the outstanding musical hits of the current season on Broadway and comes to the Shubert Detroit direct from its long run at Lew Fields' Mansfield Theater, New York, with its original cast and production intact. This new and spectacular musical comedy is by that talented and successful trio, Fields, Rodgers and Hart, youthful authors and composers of more than a dozen recent Broadway successes, including "Dearest Enemy," "Garrick Gaieties," "The Girl Friend," "Peggy Ann," "Hit the Deck" and "The Connecticut Yankee;" the latter is still on view at the Vanderbilt after more than a years' successful run. "Present Arms" numbers four song hits in its musical score. They are: "You Took Advantage of Me," "Do I Hear You?" "Crazy Elbows" and "Blue Ocean Blues." The dances are as exceptional as they are new and are the creation of Busby Berkeley, who is credited with staging the dances for six of New York's latest hits.

Numbered among the company's 100 members are such popular musical comedy favorites as Charles King, remembered as the lovesick goose in the New York production of "Hit the Deck;" Doris Patston, English beauty, imported by Florenz Ziegfeld to play opposite Len Errol in "Louis the 14th;" Franker Woodof the funny legs and squeaking voice last seen as comedian in "Hit the Deck" in New York; Joyce Barbour, another English beauty who succeeded Gertrude Lawrence in "Charlot's Revue;" Fuller Mellish, Jr.

CASS

On Monday next Schwab and Mandel's glorious musical romance "The Desert Song" will begin its last week at the Cass Theater, Detroit, where it has broken all records for long runs.

Theatergoers who have not seen this popular success will have eight more performances to attend before the farewell show which will be given on Saturday night, Sept. 8th.

It is of great interest to know that with the final week Alexander Gray returns to sing the role of "The Red Shadow" and that Bernard Granville, the great comedian, is again performing as 'Benny', the timorous newspaper correspondent. The rest of the favorites including Edna Torrence, Sally Sloan, Philip Ryder, Ben Hendricks, Carlotta Miles, John Ehrle and the stirring Male Chorus and fine dancing ensemble, complete the array of talent that has carried "The Desert Song" through two years and a half of constant playing without a rest.

Owing to the size of this production and contracts calling for its appearance in all the large cities in America, this will be the last opportunity Michigan theatergoers will have of hearing the Romberg music and seeing what has been acclaimed as the greatest light operatic musical production of the past decade.

"Frail Emma," the comedy drama scheduled for a metropolitan premiere at the Cass Theater Sunday night, Sept. 9th, is nothing less than the first stage presentation of the career of Emma Lyon, who later became Lady Hamilton and the object of the great Lord Nelson's passionate devotion.

LAFAYETTE

"Excess Baggage," coming to Detroit with the same cast and production seen at the Princess and Garrick theaters during its recent eight-month run in Chicago, will be the attraction at the Shubert Lafayette Theater, Detroit, commencing Sunday, Sept. 2nd.

The play comes with the high regard of the midwest metropolis, attested by the longest run any dramatic attraction enjoyed last season.

In "Excess Baggage" Jack McGowan has fabricated a play about the folk of whom the public knows little, save as they strut their stuff before the footlights. McGowan, himself a successful practitioner of the arts seen in vaudeville, has taken a small-time acrobat and his pretty wife as the pegs on which to hang one of the most interesting dramas of recent years.

From the time that Elsa, the wife, acknowledges herself to be excess baggage, until the highly sensational "Slide for Life" and its amazing denouement, the gripping quality is never allowed to lag.

The company includes James Spottswood, Florence McFadden, Charlotte Loarn, Albert Downing, Dorothy Martin and a score of others.

DETROIT CIVIC

Some familiar faces and several new ones will appear in "The Queen's Husband"—the romantic comedy by Robert Sherwood, which will be the opening production of the fall and winter season at the Detroit Civic Theater, beginning Wednesday night, Sept. 5. Among the new members of the company are Vera Allen, who last played in Detroit in "The Silver Cord," with Laura Hope Crews and Melvin Douglas, and Miriam Scars, whose latest Detroit engagement was in "The Charm School, and who since then has been under Frohman management. Craig Ward and George Blackwood will return as leading men and will share the honors and responsibilities of this position as before. Viola Leach, who won so much applause with her character work last season, will continue in her position, and the two "Walters," Sherwin and Young will be in their usual places. Norma Vail, Lester Vail's sister, and Burton McEvilly, will be among the new members.

Adams T. Rice, technical director, and Steve Fastfogel, scenic artist, 11th veteran Bonstellers, will be on hand to shoulder the work during the season. Royde Whitehead returns as stage manager, and Helen Morrow continu

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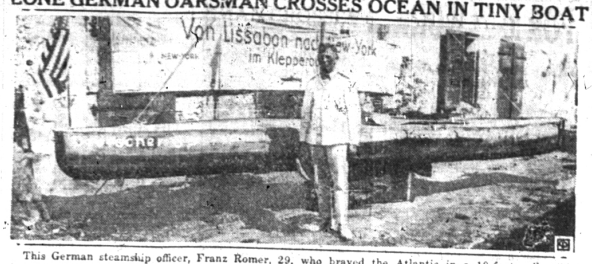
LONE GERMAN OARSMAN CROSSES OCEAN IN TINY BOAT



This German steamship officer, Franz Romer, 29, who braved the Atlantic in a 19-foot collapsible rowboat, is snapped at Saint Thomas, the Virgin islands (lying east of Porto Rico), after his arrival there following a five months' journey from Lisbon, Portugal.

"Happy the man whose wish and care
A few paternal acres bound,
Content to breathe his native air
In his own ground."
—ALEXANDER POPE

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AUCTION SALE

The following buildings will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, on Sept. 4, 1928, at 3 o'clock P. M., on the property:

Dwelling, 111 Martin St.

Village Office, 202 Pierce St.

Dwelling, 115 Martin St.

Dwelling and barn, 114 Merrill St.

The Village reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

H. T. ELLERBY,
President.

MYRTLE E. CARSON,
Clerk.

Troy Township
PRIMARY ELECTION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a Primary Election will be held in the Township of Troy (Precincts Nos. 1, 2, and 3) County of Oakland, State of Michigan, within said township, on

Tuesday, Sept. 4, A. D., 1928

The polls of said election will be open at 8:00 a. m. and will remain open until 8:00 o'clock p. m., of said election, unless the Board of Election Inspectors shall in their discretion, adjourn the Polls at 12:00 o'clock, noon, for one hour, Eastern Standard Time.

Where to Vote

PRECINCT NUMBER 1—Troy Township Hall

PRECINCT NUMBER 2—Clawson High School, John M Street

PRECINCT NUMBER 3—Detroit-Pontiac Homes Real Estate Office, Ruffner and Adams

Garner Miller,
Clerk Troy Township.

Bloomfield Township
PRIMARY ELECTION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a Primary Election will be held in the Township of Bloomfield (Precincts Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6), County of Oakland, State of Michigan, within said township, on

Tuesday, September 4, A. D., 1928

The polls of said election will be open at 8:00 a. m. and will remain open until 9:00 o'clock p. m., of said election, unless the Board of Election Inspectors shall in their discretion, adjourn the Polls at 12:00 o'clock, noon, for one hour, Eastern Standard Time.

Precinct No. 1—

BOUNDED

N. by Lone Pine Rd.
E. by N. Woodward Avenue
S. by W. Maple
W. by West Bloomfield Twp. Line

(Vote at Harmon and Woodward)

Precinct No. 2—

BOUNDED

N. by Lone Pine Rd.
E. by Troy Twp. Line
S. by E. Maple Ave.
W. by N. Woodward Ave.

(Vote at Adams School)

Precinct No. 3—

BOUNDED

N. by W. Maple Ave.
E. by S. Woodward Ave. and Southfield Rd.
(from Lincoln to Twp. line.)
S. by Lincoln Ave.
(from S. Woodward Ave. to Southfield Rd.)
and Southfield Twp. Line
W. by West Bloomfield Twp. Line

(Vote at Baldwin Public Library)

Precinct No. 4—

BOUNDED

N. by E. Maple Ave.
E. by Twp. Line
S. by Lincoln Ave.
W. by S. Woodward Ave.

(Vote at Village Players Theatre)

Precinct No. 5—

BOUNDED

N. by Lincoln Ave.
E. by Troy Twp. Line
S. by Southfield Twp. Line
W. by Southfield Rd.

(Vote at Woodward and Lincoln)

Precinct No. 6—

BOUNDED

N. by City of Pontiac and Pontiac Twp. Line
E. by Troy Twp. Line
S. by Lone Pine Rd.
W. by West Bloomfield Twp. Line

(Vote at Barbour's Store, Bloomfield Center)

JAMES V. BAYLEY,
Clerk Bloomfield Township.