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 The Prominent Vaudeville Manager Who is
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MUSIC

NEW YORK PUBLISHERS' NOTES

It is difficult to recall a little novelty song which has had so great a vogue so early in its career as Morris & Ephraim's Hel-loe, All Right, Good-bye. Not in a long while has a song of its particular class been in so great a demand only a few weeks after its appearance in print. Yet the number of those who are singing it in public is already large, and gives promise of a rapid increase. Other Witmark numbers that are making good are: All is Fair in Love and War, Only a Message from Home, Sweet Home, Star of My Life, Those Songs My Mother Used to Sing, Because You Were an Old Sweetheart of Mine and Lolita.

It seems that the little conversation number, I Love You All the Time, by Will Anderson, the writer of Tessie, which was originally introduced in The School Girls and The Girl from Kay's, is going to be as popular as Tell Me, Pretty Maiden, sung by the Floradora Sextette. It is written so that it can be used in a single specialty or as a duet, and there is hardly a sketch team now in the country that is not going to include this Witmark song in its repertoire.

SOME HARRIS HITS

Nella Bergen has appropriately been termed the handsomest prima donna on the American stage, but she is also probably one of the most astute and far-seeing. When the singer first started in vaudeville she herself says that her one great difficulty was in finding songs that were really new and of a quality that was away from the Soldier Boy, Beating Drums and Fruit Trees, which had been persistently and perennially done to death in the continuous houses, until it looked as if anything on the popular order would be an utter impossibility so far as her repertoire was concerned. Visiting a vaudeville office one day in the Chas. K. Harris Bldg., a few notes of Mr. Harris' latest triumph, Dreaming Love of You, reached her and the prima donna promptly dropped a bunch of contracts and got after the one song of the season, which she says suits her as if the composition was specially written, every word and note of it, for her own exclusive use. That Miss Bergen's keen appreciation of a good song and absolute artistic judgment was of the soundest and most tactful kind is borne out by the fact that she has scored a ripping success with Mr. Harris' latest offering and intends to retain it indefinitely and exclusively in her repertoire of songs on the popular order.

Tommy Bummet, the well-known vocalist and illustration, is making a feature of Would You Care, Dreaming Love of You, Fly Away Birdie to Heaven and Sister.

Werden and Gladish, the well-known song illustrators, are making a special feature of Fly Away Birdie to Heaven. This great baby song leads all others this season and will no doubt surpass the success of Hello, Central, Give Me Heaven and Always in the Way.

Ada Jones has been especially engaged by the Edison and Columbia Phonograph Companies to sing My Lovin' Henry. Miss Jones' voice is especially adapted to this song, the demand for which has been so large that Miss Jones has been selected to place same on record. This song is a sure hit; don't overlook it. It is different from anything and is strictly original.

STERN & CO.'S BULLETIN

At the Standard Theatre, Philadelphia, Allen May, the dean of all illustrated song singers, still offers his illustrated songs. It was he who first illustrated The Lost Child for Stern & Co., nearly fifteen years ago, and caused a sensation with it on tour with the Primrose Minstrels, who had engaged him on account of the novelty of the idea. Mr. May has been singing illustrated songs ever since. His present repertoire includes the two successes by S. R. Henry, When the Harvest Moon is Shining on the River, in the Golden Autumn Time, My Sweet Elaine; also the great minstrel ballad, When the Evening Breeze is Sighing Home Sweet Home. During Christmas week, as an extra feature, Mr. May sang and illustrated Max S. Witt's latest success, One Christmas Night in Dixie.

Several of the boys from Vogel's Minstrels called at the House of Hits recently. Percy Reed was one of them, and he reported splendid success with that grand song, King of the Vikings. Edmons Balz was another one of the Vogel company who called and spoke of his new high class ballad, Dear Starry Eyes, Good-night, in most enthusiastic terms. Vogel's Minstrels are certainly in the front rank to-day, and the careful selection of songs speaks well for the management.

HAVILAND NOTES

Sisters and Brothers Ford, a feature of the Orpheum Road Show, have selected their entire repertoire from the catalogue of the F. B. Haviland Pub. Co. Keep a Little Cozy Corner in Your Heart for Me is the hit of their act.

Two of the most successful numbers in the Dixie Serenader's act are Starlight and The Hoodoo Tree.

SOL. BLOOM NOTES

Carroll Johnson, the Beau Brummel of minstrelsy, has for a time engaged his services in vaudeville, and is making his customary hit. In addition to his usual routine of stories, dancing and recitations, he is using as the feature and only song in his act Raymond A. Browne's and Henry Clay Smith's dainty little number, Come Back, and expresses himself as being delighted with the way the number fits into his act and pleases his audiences.

Arthur Ritchie, of The International Stock Co., which plays the best houses throughout the New England and Middle States, is probably one of the best known song illustrators in this country. He is illustrating Sol. Bloom's songs, including Good-bye Dixie Dear, "Neath the Spreading Chestnut Tree and Come Back,

and writes that all of them, particularly the first named, are tremendous hits.

Miss Maude Muller, who for many months has been one of the mainstays of the Shubert shows, has decided to play, at least for a time, in vaudeville, and as is customary with artists making this transition, has had Sol. Bloom furnish her with her repertoire of songs. She will use exclusively the songs of this house, including Mickey, My Darling Mickey, Gretchen and Good-bye, Dixie Dear.

MUSICAL

Contending that she had seen her husband's contract with Lew Fields, guaranteeing him \$75 a week as musical director of It Happened in Nordland, Mrs. Mary Ellen Linne, through her counsel, George Robinson, of No. 99 Nassau street, has applied to the Supreme Court for \$50 a week alimony, pending determination of her suit for divorce from Hans. S. Linne. Mrs. Linne alleges that her husband's income from compositions, etc., is double his salary, and she makes her demand in the name of herself and their five-year-old daughter, Melba Linne. Musical Director Linne contends that a suit in which he is the plaintiff is pending in Chicago, where the couple were married in 1896. He alleges that Mrs. Linne has appeared there through counsel. Mrs. Linne is a Vassar girl, who left college to go upon the concert and operatic stage. Ill health has handicapped her starward course. The separation incidental to their engagements on the road is said to be at the bottom of the Linnes' marital unhappiness.

The Metropolitan Opera Chorus strike failed to secure recognition of their union, but it did secure them \$5 a week advance in salaries, and several minor concessions such as no rehearsals on matinee days, sleeping car berths on tour, etc., etc.

Edward Snyder, cornet player, has resigned from the orchestra at Ulrichsville, Ohio, to accept a similar position at East Liverpool. Frank Derry has succeeded him at the former house.

Heinrich Conried will continue as director of the Metropolitan Opera Co. for five years. His present contract which has two years more to run, has been extended three years.

Fritzi Scheff is making the hit of her career in Mile. Modiste at the Knickerbocker Theatre.

MUSICAL COMEDY

Harry T. Smith is the new advance man of the Alley Musical Comedy Co. Mr. Alley has strengthened his company by the addition of a number of chorus girls and in other ways. He has in preparation a new musical comedy, entitled The Boyer King.

Chas. A. Koster has closed as special agent ahead of Hurtig & Seamon's in New York Town. He will rest until the circus season opens.

Marmion Stone rejoined the Hoity Toity Co. at Galesburg, Ill., Jan. 6, after two weeks' illness at her home in St. Paul, Minn.

Miss Evelyn Kellogg, of The Girl from Kay's Co., is visiting her parents in Hartford, Conn.

Billy S. Clifford, of A Jolly Baron Co., spent last week at his home in Urbana, Ohio.

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RAYS FROM SUN BROTHERS

The Sun Brothers World's Progressive Railroad Shows are now in winter quarters at Savannah, Ga. They closed their fourteenth season at St. Augustine, Fla., Dec. 30, which also ended their second year as a railroad show. Business was very satisfactory the past season.

While the show will not be enlarged for the coming season, it will be improved in every way, and it is safe to say that when they open in March it will be one of the finest shows of its size.

Ben. Johnson will handle the Family Theatre and Annex while Orrin Hollis has been engaged as principal somersault rider and equestrian director. Walter Ashburn will enter his third successive season as elephant and pony trainer. Others with the show will be Mile. Ashburn and her high-school horse; Lamberto, novelty wire artist; Herr John Miller, flexible marvel; Chas. Johnson, bounding somersault rope; Wilfred Marion, hand equilibrist; Dan Randall, principal clown; Robt. M. Pierce, clown and concert specialties; Chas. Lanore, musical artist; Prof. Silvers, punch and magic; Geo. Sun, jr., pony rider and two horse carrying act, assisted by Orrin Hollis; Miss Rose Hollis, principal lady rider; Sun Brothers, jugglers; Four Richards, marvelous club swingers; Miss Josie Brown, flying ladder and Roman rings, beside other big acts now in consideration.

The advance force will consist of Pete Sun, general agent and railroad contractor; C. S. Clarke, contracting agent; Geo. B. Beckley, car manager; Jack Bledsoe, checker up; and Bert Moore, boss billposter, with fourteen men.

John Shelby, band master and the following musicians have signed: Chas. Piske, Arthur Bryant, C. F. Brown, John Dausch, Y. Gratton, Y. Chapman, J. H. Badger, Harry Knight, R. A. Simpson, J. L. Dock, and Jack Bellely.

Negotiations are pending for one of the largest band organs ever used under canvas. It will be used in the Family Theatre.

Joe Quinlan will handle the big canvas, Frank W. Neill will have the side-show canvas, J. D. Singleberry will act as boss property man, Dr. F. A. Smith, will be veterinary surgeon; Bill Randolph will have charge of the ring stock; Len Williams, will be train master; Johnny Baker will have the privileges, and Jack Benson will take care of the wardrobe.

Everything is comfortably housed, and J. C. Cherry is in charge of the winter quarters. Preliminary operations will begin the latter part of January.

For 1906 a new line of special paper will be used, and also an entirely new spread of canvas.

The Sun Brothers, George and Pete, are looking forward to a prosperous season.

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The United States Tent & Awning Co., of Chicago, recently received the following letter which was in no manner solicited, but is the sincere expression of a showman who is looking out for the interest of his show:

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AN APPEAL

The Billboard is in receipt of the following letter which is self-explanatory:

"Brother Showmen and Performers:
"Bainbridge, Ga., Jan. 8, 1906.

"I, Chas. E. Raymond, aerial performer and high diver, was recently arrested and convicted on a charge of which I am not guilty. I was fined \$375 including costs, or two years in prison. I pawned all of my rigging and personal effects, and with what money I had, paid \$300 of my fine. This left a balance of \$75, or six months on the chain gang, and as I have just recovered from a severe case of yellow fever, six months will put me in a hopeless condition. My wife and child are destitute, or I would not appeal for charity. I kindly ask all who can to donate and help me out of my predicament, to do so through The Billboard. The truth of my story can be corroborated by Sheriff Patterson of this place. "Trusting friends and brother performers will appreciate my predicament, and relieve me as soon as possible, I beg to remain,

"Sincerely yours,
"CHAS. E. RAYMOND."

The Jefferson Hotel in Cincinnati has not changed ownership, as was stated in these columns last week. Fred. Schiele is still the proprietor and manager of this thriving hostelry.

HALL DOING FINE

"Billy" Hall's Circus is now in snug winter quarters at Lancaster, Mo., and all animals are doing well; most of the snakes from tropical climate are dead. They were attacked by some sort of cancerous growth out of the mouth, probably caused by the cold weather. Some forty or fifty men are retained to look after the animals during the winter, and to attend to other work incident to the inclement period. Mr. Hall experienced a very satisfactory season, and will start out next spring with a circus larger and better in every way. The Cook & Barrett Show, which is also in winter quarters at Lancaster, will be added to the Hall Circus, which will swell the outfit to about thirty-five cars. During the entire tour Mr. Hall was in the market for horses, and did the greatest business of his life in that line. Now he is shipping one hundred horses to his South African stables every two weeks.

CIRCUS GOSSIP

We clip the following from an exchange:

Bridgeport, Conn., Jan. 8.—A light fingered person "jimmied" his way into the elephant-house of the Barnum & Bailey winter circus during the night and extracted an elephant.

Twenty-eight elephants thrashed about in rage. Their combined din aroused George Conklin, chief animal man, and he rushed to the elephant-house.

"Some one has swiped Koko," yelled an Indian mahout in perfect English.

It was true. Koko—"Baby" in Somali—was gone. Koko weighed a trifle over three tons.

Conklin, expecting to get word any moment that a mad elephant was loose in the streets of the city, sent the alarm through the quarters, and in five minutes a cavalcade of horsemen was started out after the thief.

Conklin ran to a telephone and began calling up persons on the outskirts of the town.

"Sure, we saw a man with an elephant go by here," said one voice.

Conklin and his men started on the trail. Half way to Stratford they saw something like a load of hay ahead of them. That was Koko.

The cavalcade surrounded the man and the elephant. The man was recognized as Joseph Harvey, elephant keeper, whom Conklin had discharged several days ago. Koko knew him and that was the only reason he was alive.

Conklin might have taken Harvey back to town, but let him go.

"Harvey thought we owed him money," said Conklin, "and he evidently wanted to take it out in Koko."

A member of the M. L. Clark Combined shows writes as follows: The members of advance car No. 2 were tendered an elegant banquet at Norma, Fla., Christmas, by Major E. S. Poutly, a great friend of General Agent Nello J. Campbell. Everybody had a most enjoyable time, and it was with regret that the festivities came to an end. Col. M. L. Clark and his son, Lee, were among those present at the Sells & Downs sale at Birmingham, Ala. An elephant, camel and a female bengal tiger have been added to the menagerie of Mr. Clark's show. The roster of the advance car No. 1 is as follows: Amos W. McKanney, mgr.; W. S. Washburn, Harry Curran, Fred. Whitmore, Jimmie Wood, Elwood Harper, Ed. Frust and Sunbeam McClosky.

Kennedy's Wild West, Indian Congress and Hippodrome will open its season at Wonderland Park and County Fair, which is being constructed at Revere Beach, Boston, Mass. The show will consist of sixty people and forty head of stock, and nothing will be left undone to make it the best show of its size. The show is wintering at Perry, Okla., where it will be put together and shipped to Boston the first of May. The show was formerly known as Kennedy Brothers' Wild West.

The Millican Minstrels, under canvas are now making one-day stands and doing nicely. Doc Hadley, formerly of the Sells & Downs Circus, has joined the show and is in advance doing great work. The Millican Minstrels are said to be the best of their kind in the country. They consist of some of the best colored performers.

R. J. Parvin, jr., last season press agent with the Wm. P. Hall Show and formerly advance agent for Elsie DeTourney, has just recovered from an attack of the grippe, and is resting at his home in Chicago. He has had several offers for the coming season, when he will be identified with one of the big shows.

In a recent issue of The Billboard it was stated that Mr. and Mrs. Lano closed a thirty-four weeks' engagement with the Orton Show. We wish to make amends by stating that these people were with the Wallace Show twenty-six weeks last season, and were this fall with the Orton Shows.

H. Stanley Lewis will have charge of the advertising privileges with the Col. Cummins' Wild West Show next season. Mr. Lewis is also executing the decorative work of the show at the Geneva, Ohio, headquarters. He can be addressed there for the next four weeks.

Col. Cody (Buffalo Bill) spent the better portion of last week in Washington, in the interests of hastening the plan for federal irrigation of arid lands in Wyoming. Col. Cody is a very large landowner in that state, and early irrigation means much to him.

C. C. Wilson, has again been engaged as assistant traffic manager to Mr. John Ringling, who handles both Ringling Brothers' Shows and the Sells-Forepaugh Shows.

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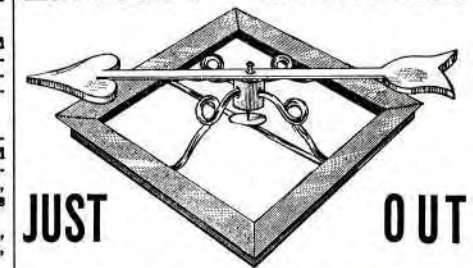
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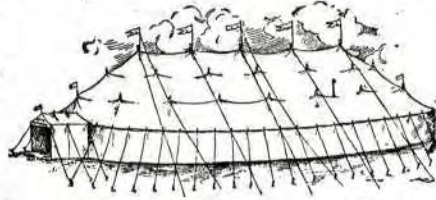
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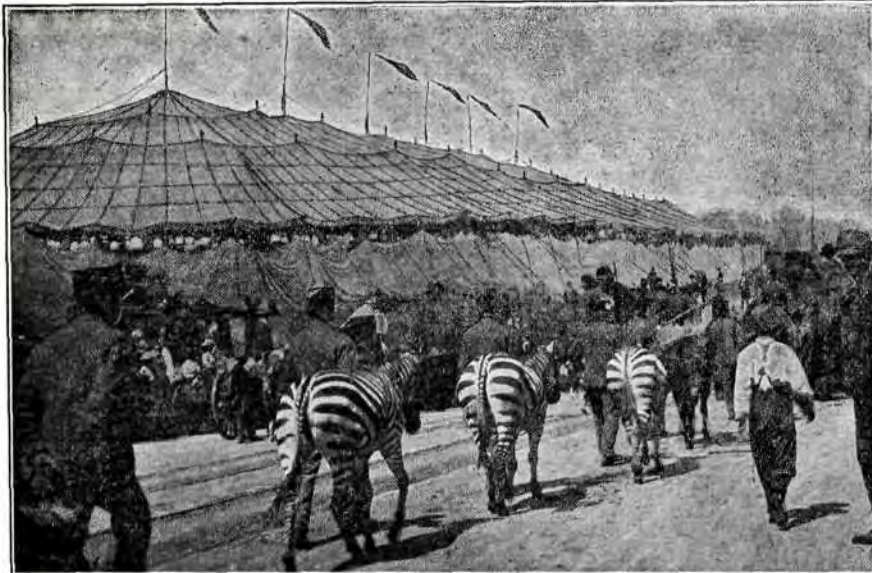
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Hilderra, aerial gymnast, has been visiting in New York, but will spend the rest of the winter at his home in Wilmington, Del., after which he will join the Lowery Bros.' Show, with which he will be featured as a special attraction.

Burton, the magician, writes that he has signed with The Great Wallace Show for 1906. He claims to be the first to introduce the levitation act in a side show, depending on day light and not darkness and using original ideas.

Chas. Park, jr., agent, has decided to remain with the Park Stock Co. during the rest of the season. He expresses his satisfaction with the circus agreement. He is an active member of Local No. 33, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Chas. A. Koster, special agent ahead of Hurlig & Seamon's musical comedy, in New York Town, closed his engagement at Dayton, Ohio, and is at present laying off prior to opening with the Forepaugh & Sells Show.

The Mighty Haag Show closed a successful season of forty-two weeks at Hattiesburg, Miss., Jan. 4. The show is now installed in its winter quarters at Shreveport, La., where everything will be carefully remodeled and several additions made.

J. Augustus Jones, proprietor of the Cole & Rogers Railroad Show, and who has been spending several weeks with his parents in Warren, Pa., has gone to Birmingham, Ala., to be present at the sale of the Sells-Downs Show. His wife accompanied him.

The large plot of ground in Austin, Tex., used by circuses in recent years, has been divided into building lots by the M. K. & T. Railroad Co., the owners. It will be a difficult matter to find a place in that city that will equal these grounds.

G. P. Kemp was recently in Chicago where he purchased seven cars to help transport his big wild west show next season. The Kemp Wild West Show will take the road about April.

The many friends of Mrs. W. H. Harris will be glad to know that she has finally regained her former robust health. She intends to leave early in February for a five months' trip to Europe.

The M. L. Clark Shows send \$15 for the fund to prosecute Husty, the man who it is alleged, wantonly murdered Davidson and Bennett at Gaffney, S. C.

Charles Knox is in Texas negotiating for twenty-five spotted ponies which are to be used with the Col. Uden Wild West and Hippodrome the coming season.

Jno. F. Harper, last season manager of advance car No. 3 of the Forepaugh-Sells Show, is spending the winter at his home in Chattanooga, Tenn.

Dan. R. Robinson will attend the sale of the Sells-Downs Show.

Ed. Hanley, the gun juggler and baton spinner, is wintering at the Lafayette Hotel, Chicago, where he will rest until the season opens.

Wm. Tod's Famous Continental Show is playing through South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, and is meeting with success.

Sam. Saunders, late of the Jno. Robinson advance force, is billing railroads for a Chattanooga, Tenn., billposting plant.

John Whitmire, of the Wisconsin Billposting Co., has signed with the Ringling Brothers Show for the coming season.

Allen Murray McPhail has signed as railroad contractor with the Hagenbeck Shows. Mr. McPhail is now in Cincinnati.

Martin J. Downs will go into the wholesale liquor business in Canada just as soon as he disposes of his show.

Frank Talbot and Harry Potter expect to get about ten of the Sells-Downs cars for their Fighting the Flames Show.

After closing with Texas Bill's Wild West in the spring, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Homer will join the Uden Wild West.

The Three Ketrows, wire cyclists, are wintering at Ironton, Ohio, where Master Frankie is attending school.

R. L. Rathburn has purchased a new tent under which he will put out a minstrel show the coming season.

W. E. Ferguson, general agent of Cummins' Wild West, is framing up a large and aggressive advance force.

Col. Fred. Cummins is in Geneva, Ohio, where he is holding down a desk in Walter L. Malm's office.

Lou G. Williams, general manager of the Gentry Shows, is spending a few days in New York City.

W. H. Gardner, of the Hagenbeck Shows, spent Friday and Saturday of last week in Cincinnati.

H. S. Rowe will come all the way from California to attend the Sells-Downs sale.

The directors of the Hagenbeck Shows held a meeting in Cincinnati last week.

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A. P. Scott has signed with Gollmar Brothers as assistant general agent.

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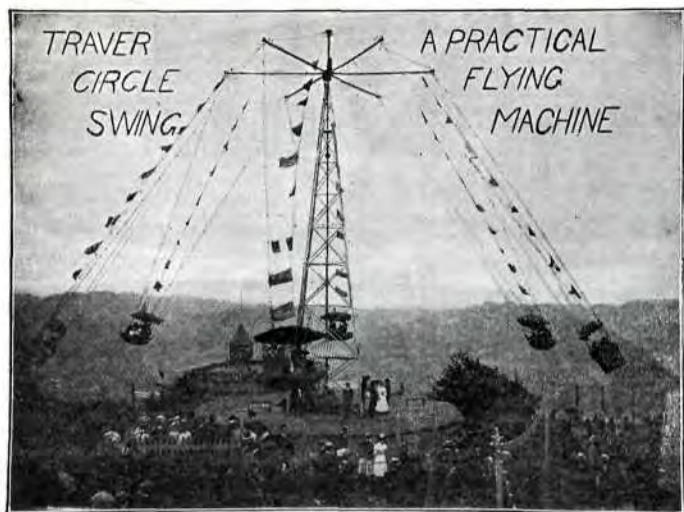
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- ALABAMA**
 Tuskegee—Tuskegee Negro Conference. Feb. 21-22.
 Montgomery—State Medical Society Con. April —. L. C. Morris.
- ARIZONA**
 Phoenix—G. A. R. State Encampment. April 19. W. F. R. Schindler.
- ARKANSAS**
 Little Rock—State Bankers' Assn. Con. April 19-20. C. T. Walker.
- CALIFORNIA**
 Ventura—Son of the Golden West Grand Parlor Con. April 23. Chas. H. Turner, sec'y, San Francisco.
 Fresno—Pacific Coast Advertising Men's Assn. Con. April 10. Louis H. Meriz, 228 Mercantile Pl., Los Angeles.
- CONNECTICUT**
 New Haven—Sons of Temperance Dist. Con. Jan. 25.
- DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**
 Washington—National Mexican War Veterans' Assn. Feb. 22-23. Mrs. M. Murdock, 2006 G st., N. W.
 Washington—National Railway Commissioners' Assn. April 2. Edw. A. Moseley, 113 16th st., N. W.
 Washington—Kappa Phi Fraternity Grand Arch Council. A. V. Snell, 8016 Dumbarton ave.
 Washington—Daughters American Revolution Congress. Virginia Miller.
- FLORIDA**
 Pensacola—I. O. O. F. Grand Encampment. April 16. A. M. Cushman.
- ILLINOIS**
 Chicago—Governors', Attorneys', Generals' and Insurance Conference. Feb. 1. Zeno M. Host, Madison, Wis.
 Chicago—American Railway Engineering and Maintenance of Way Assn. March 20-22. L. C. Fritch, Ill. Central B. B.
 Chicago—Royal League Supreme Council. April 10. C. E. Piper, 1601 Masonic Temple.
 Chicago—American Railway Assn. April 25. W. F. Allen, 24 Park Place, New York City.
 Springfield—State Historical Society. Jan. 24-25. Mrs. Jessie Palmer, Weber.
 Urbana—High School Representatives' Conf. Feb. 6-10.
- INDIANA**
 Indianapolis—State Oratorical Contest. Feb. 2.
 Indianapolis—Southern Indiana Teachers' Assn. March 29-31. Dr. E. B. Bryan, Franklin, Ind.
- INDIANAPOLIS**—American Detective Assn. April 11. Jno. B. Ray, Lafayette.
 Marion—State Lincoln League Con. Feb. 12. Geo. D. Hellman, 8-10 Frederick bldg., Evansville.
 Peru—Knights of Pythias Dist. Con. Feb. 21. H. C. Haas.
- IOWA**
 Crowley—Rice Assn. of America. Feb. —.
 Des Moines—State Telephone Assn. March 6-8. Chas. C. Deering.
 Des Moines—State Master Plumbers' Assn. Con. April —. L. W. Fitts.
 Newton—P. M., I. O. O. F. Dept. Council Con. April 24-26. A. J. Collinge, Manchester.
- KANSAS**
 Chanute—Y. M. C. A. State Con. Feb. 8-11. Andrew Baird, Topeka.
- KENTUCKY**
 Lexington—Optical Assn. Con. April 18. C. Bower, Winchester, Ky.
 Richmond—Royal Arcanum Grand Council. Mch. 20. W. M. O'Bryan, Owensboro.
- LOUISIANA**
 New Orleans—Knights of Templar Grand Commandery Con. Feb. 8. Richard Lambert, 337 St. Charles st.
 New Orleans—State Horticultural Society. Jan. 25-26. B. H. Burnett, Baton Rouge.
 New Orleans—State Medical Society. Feb. 6.
 New Orleans—Knights of Honor Grand Lodge. March 12. A. J. Searcy, 536 Common st.
- MAINE**
 Waterville—N. E. O. P. Grand Lodge Con. April 4. W. L. Quinby, Bangor.
- MARYLAND**
 Baltimore—Royal Arcanum Gr. Council Con. March 22-23. Wilbur S. Smith, 18 W. Saratoga st.
 Baltimore—Gr. Lodge of Maryland I. O. M. Con. March 19. Elmer Bernard, 630 W. Baltimore st.
- MASSACHUSETTS**
 Boston—American Benefit Society Supreme Lodge. April 11. L. B. Colpitts, 2 Park Sq.
 Boston—New England Cotton Mfrs.' Assn. Con. April —. C. J. Woodbury.
 Boston—S. A. R. State Society Con. April 30.
- MICHIGAN**
 Ann Arbor—State School Masters' Clubs Con. March 21-31. L. P. Jocelyn, 545 So. Division st.
- MINNESOTA**
 Minneapolis—Lumbermen's Convention. Jan. 23. J. E. Rhodes.
 St. Paul—National State Game Wardens' Assn. Jan. 25. M. Brewster, Grand Rapids, Mich.
- MONTANA**
 Bozeman—G. A. R. Encampment. March (last week). Chas. F. Gage Helena.
- NEBRASKA**
 Norfolk—North Nebr. Teachers' Assn. April 4-6. E. P. Wilson, Wayne.