COL. GROOME DECORATED

Former Police Head of State Given Order of the Black Star

Order of the Black Star Another foreign decoration, the "Etoile Noire" or Order of the Black Star, has been awarded Colonel John C. Greome, of this city, for meritorious work in his conduct of the American military police during the war. This is the fourth foreign decoration to be received by Colonel Groome, others being from the British, Kolchak and Eathonian governments. Colonel Groome is no longer head of the state police, having resigned re-cently to enter the banking business. His son, John C. Groome, Jr., who nevered in France as a captain at the

His son. John C. Groome, Jr., who served in France as a captain at the military police training school, has just been commissioned a first lieutenant in the remount service, officers' reserve corps of the United States army.

Mr. Mantell's Hamlet

Mr. Mantell's careful and intelligent Mr. Mantell's careful and intelligent conception of Hamlet was given before an appreciative audience at the Broad last aight. A particularly gratifying feature of this admirable actor's por-trayal of one of the most trying parts in the Shukespearean repertoire is his absence of a certain robustness that formerly marked an otherwise credit-able performance. Like good wine Man-tell's Hamlet has improved with age, and if it does not have the psychical beauty which marked the work of some great exponents of the role who live in dramatic history. it is scholarly, well rounded and altogether satisfying to the student of Shakespeare. The cast was adequate and the scenic investiture all that could be desired.

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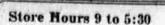
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