

# AMUSEMENTS

**Grand Opera House.**  
Friday, February 7.—"Kerry Gow."

**Auditorium Roller Rink.**  
Morning, afternoon and evening sessions.

**The Vaudette.**  
Moving pictures and illustrated songs, every afternoon and evening except Sunday and Monday afternoons.

**Kerry Gow.**  
During last season there were produced for the first time on any stage in New York city, exactly 307 new plays. Of this number only 17 will be seen "on the road" the present season, the other 290 being either failures or not strong enough to tour. The record for the past 20 years shows a little better average than this, but not 10 per cent of the plays produced are real successes. A drama with inherent merit and with strong human interest that appeals to the mind and the heart of the audience will live and live for many years. These are the things that make any play a favorite with the public. "The Little Minister," "The Man of the Hour," "The Lion and the Mouse," will live with such plays as "Virginius," "The Three Musketeers" and the Shakespearean dramas. Some Irish plays are long lived because they combine all these qualities, but not one has remained so long and so firmly established with the public as Joseph Murphy's "Kerry Gow."

## PAPKE MAY BE THE NEXT HEAVY WEIGHT

(By Bob Edgren.)  
New York, Monday, Feb. 6.—Willie Papke is the Apollo of the fighters. Physically he is a model. He is built for the fighting game from his toes to the top of his head. There isn't a weak spot in his anatomy or a line of his make-up that the most critical of sculptors would care to have changed. For a 21-year old lad his development is remarkable. Papke weighs today just a hundred and fifty-six pounds stripped. He isn't "fine," for he didn't have to train down to meet Stanton in Boston a few days ago. Papke stands five feet eight and three-quarter inches. His reach is seventy-one inches. This is only an inch less than the reach of Jim Corbett former heavyweight champion who is just five inches taller than the new king of the middleweights. The "Illinois Thunderbolt" has arms and hands that are perfectly adapted to the fighting game. He has great forearms, and fists as big and strong as John L. Sullivan's. Much of his truly remarkable hitting power comes from these fists. And he can hit harder than any other middleweight in the world. He usually wins his fights with a clean knockout in the first, second or third round. I asked Papke how he happened to become a fighter.

to knock fighters down with it, and now it is often good for a knockout. I twist around and get a free uppercut with my right and at the same time I punch the other fellow's head over into the punch with my left. That's my best blow. I beat Kelly to a pulp with it. He couldn't get away from it to save his life." Billy Papke is a larger edition of Terry McGovern at his best. He is just as great a fighter among the middleweights as Terry was years ago among the little men. He fights like a fury, baring his teeth in a grin of actual pleasure. He likes the game—no doubt of that. His sturdy head hardly feels the effect of the hardest blow.

## TREASURE BURIED NEAR MILTON

The report comes from Walla Walla that \$25,000 lies buried within two miles of the present town of Milton and now awaits only the lucky efforts of some one with pick and shovel to be reclaimed. The only objection against the treasure is that it bears the taint of unlawful seizure. From time to time since the 60's when the money was buried by stage coach robbers, individuals and parties have sought the fortune, but without success. "The overland stage which used to make the run between Salt Lake and Walla Walla," said Police Sergeant Frank Morse yesterday, "set out one



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ry Gow," which for more than a quarter of a century has been played in every town in America time and time again, and "time cannot wither nor custom stale" its infinite strength.

For the present season it will be presented in a manner and style far superior to anything ever attempted before and the company has been more carefully selected than is usual with traveling companies. Mr. Bernard Daly, the wonderful Irish singing and acting comedian, will enact the "Kerry Gow" and melody will be a feature of this Irish play as it is a feature of true life in Ireland. Scenery, costumes and effects are all correct and of the best, and a more genuinely pleasant evening's entertainment could not be expected than will be given by Mr. Daly and his company in "Kerry Gow" at the Grand opera house next Friday night. Seats on sale at the box office Friday, Feb. 7, at 9 a. m.

The dull feeling in the head which is not quite an ache, but bad enough to make one miserable, can be driven grip cough than Kemp's Balsam, the best cure for headache.

A thoroughbred is a man who buys pictures of actresses and claims they were given to him by the parties they represent.

### In Game Only Two Years.

"I've been fighting less than two years," he said. "I fought my first main event a year ago last November. I knew Jim Barry a couple of years ago. That was before he ever thought of fighting men like Langford. He was boxing and training in my town and he liked to ride around with me and help me unload coal. I began boxing with him a little and helping him train. I used to box and then give him a rubdown. One day another friend of mine had to draw out of a match down in Peru, Ill. He asked me if I'd like to go down there and fight for him. I went, just for fun, and knocked my man out in 20 seconds with only a couple of punches. I thought that was pretty easy, and so I changed by profession. It's come pretty easy ever since."

**Describes His New Punch.**  
Papke was born in Illinois, of German parents. "They say German scrappers don't like the gaff," he told me, "but I seem to like it. The harder a fight I get the more fun it is."

Papke's description of the blow he has made famous is interesting. "I noticed a lot of fighters using a 'loop' punch," he says, "but it was nothing more than a slap. I thought there ought to be some way of making it a dangerous punch, so I went to work and studied it out. I began

morning carrying a consignment of money of about the value of \$25,000. Although hold-ups were common in various parts of the country in those days no unusual precautions were taken to guard the treasure since it was believed that nobody but the express messenger knew of its presence on the stage. The information had leaked out somewhere along the line however, and when the coach neared the Ireland ford of the Walla Walla river which is between one and two miles north of Milton it was stopped and robbed by three highwaymen.

"Before the men could effect their escape out of the country, news of the hold-up had reached Walla Walla and a posse was immediately raised and started in pursuit of them. The three, seeing their chance of escape with the stage strongbox growing slim, buried the treasure. They were all overtaken, and all three of them were lynched by the posse. They died refusing to tell where the money was hidden.

"Many people have tried to find this money, but no success has ever been reported. In some families the story of the holdup with detailed descriptions have been handed down from generation to generation in the hope that some member would be lucky enough to find the fortune. "Some day, some one will be digging around in his garden, maybe and he will stick his pick or shovel against a rusty iron box. And that man will be an easy street inhabitant afterward."—Ex.

William Cherrington was among those who went to Portland this morning.

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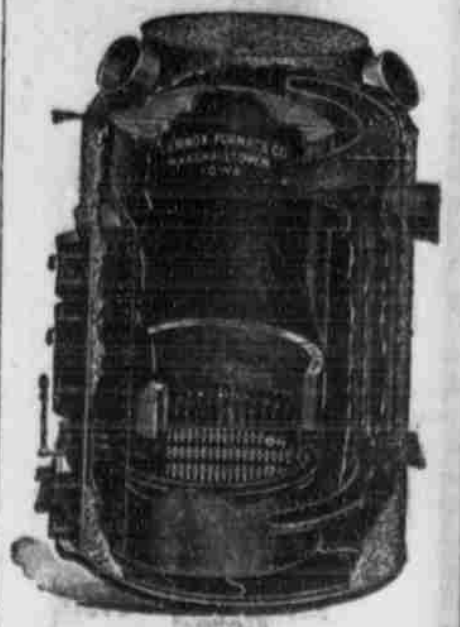
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