

THEATRICAL ATTRACTIONS

STRONG PLAY PRESENTED

The Steward was filled last night to the limit with an appreciative audience, when "The Man of the Hour" was presented by a company that was as near the "O. K." mark as any com-

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Frank Kemble, as Sergeant Keller, in "Arizona."

pany that has visited in La Grande in several years past. "The Man of the Hour" is a play that pleases all: the men because it teems with politics,

and the women because it throws more or less light on what their gentlemen friends mean when they say "politics."

The plot is strong enough to hold rapt attention, but is far from heavy. What branded the play presented last night as the best thing seen in La Grande in many a moon, is the superb acting talent, and the well adapted physical make-up of each player. There were no stars, but nevertheless it would be hard to name one part that was in any way inferior to any other. All the by-ways and tricks of political grafting were laid bare in a well-arranged series of events that, all combined, furnished food for thought and occasion to laugh.

An All-American Play.

In "Arizona," an American play, by an American author and played by American players, Mr. Augustus Thomas has written what critics and public have unambiguously pronounced the greatest dramatic success that America has seen in a generation. It teems with life and action, the dash of cowboy frolics, the military duties, while the atmosphere is so subtle and real that one can almost catch the breath of the sagebrush and cactus, and feel the sting of the alkali dust in one's nostrils. This western flavor is so pungent with local color, charac-

ter and force, that the whole seems more like a bit of real life from the Aravaipa Valley itself than the artistic creation of the playwright's brain. An essentially human play, throbbing with romance and sentiment, there is withal a virile force in "Arizona" that imparts a thrill to every word and action, while the climaxes are surprises, wrought with skill that disarms anticipation. Having a military background, there are moments too when the nation's flag floats into the story with a deft touch of patriotism. But "Arizona" is humorous as well as human, and behind each tear there lurks a laugh. In his treatment of the story, character and details Mr. Thomas has been notably realistic. "Arizona" will be seen at the Steward on Thursday, Jan. 22.

Felines Hold a Reception.

Washington, Jan. 22.—The social leaders in feline circles of the national capital formally opened the season today with a reception, which will continue until Saturday night. The thoroughbred Toms and Marbas of cabinet members, senators, congressmen, department heads and diplomats, assisted by their friends of the army and navy and by cats from other cities, are taking part in the affair, which is being held at the Halls of the Ancients in New York avenue. The exhibition is undoubtedly the greatest gathering of the feline aristocracy ever held in the capital and is attracting much attention. Not alone is the Persian, with its gorgeous ruff and plumed tail, to be seen, but the Manx, without any caudal appendage, the Siamese, the short-haired blues and even a few superb specimens of the ordinary short-haired English house cat. The membership of the Washington Cat club includes some of the most prominent women in official and diplomatic society and there is great rivalry among them for the prizes offered.

Will Prosecute 1500 Saloons.

State Treasurer Mills of Washington, will call upon prosecuting attorneys to prosecute about 1500 saloon keepers and other sellers of liquor who have failed to secure the \$25 state liquor license required by an act of the last legislature, says an Olympia dispatch. So far about \$60,000 has been collected from this source out of about \$100,000 due. The treasurer has just secured from the federal internal revenue collector for this state a list of all who pay the government license. This license will be checked with those who have paid the state and the names of the delinquents will be furnished the prosecutors.

Rev. Haudenschild Will Arrive.

Rev. Haudenschild, the evangelist who will begin a series of union meetings at the M. E. church tomorrow evening previous to going to La Grande for the same purpose, is expected to arrive tonight from Eugene, where he has closed a highly successful series of meetings. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Haudenschild. The singer who is to assist in the union meetings is expected to arrive from Chicago today or tomorrow. The union meetings will be opened at the M. E. church at 7:30 tomorrow evening, when Rev. Haudenschild will preach.—Pendleton East Oregonian.

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