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The story of "Sporting Blood" is founded on fact. Bertram Bracken, William Fox director, who wrote the story, says that the incidents he gives in the film are largely taken from actual experiences he has had or heard of.

"My father owned a stable in Texas," Mr. Bracken said, "and he had some of the best racers of the state. Naturally I grew up with a great love of horses, and a knowledge of them that not many persons have. That interest made the writing of a racing story especially fascinating."

Director Bracken has made the study of horses one of his pet avocations. He knows the racing laws of Europe and the various United States backwards, and he can tell you just how much money was won and lost at the last English Derby.

"There has always been a great deal of superstition about racetracks," Director Bracken said. "I suppose it's the same with every gambling device,—superstition is supreme.

"I once knew a man who had the habit of betting always on the first horse he saw when he arrived at the race course, or on the horse ridden by the first jockey he saw. He called it a 'system,' but it amounted to little more than a hobby. He lost just as consistently that way as he could have in any other manner.

"I knew another man who would always turn down the cuffs of his trousers when he went to a race track, and would not turn them up again until after the event. The strange part of it was that he often won, though I don't know whether it was the 'system' or his own judgment that helped him along."

ARCADE

MARGUERITE CLARK AN IRISH LASSIE

Stars in Famous Players Production, "Little Lady Eileen"

Do you believe in fairies? When Maude Adams asked that question at the end of her marvelous performance in "Peter Pan" every man, woman and child in the theatre invariably joined in the chorus of affirmatives. Now Marguerite Clark, herself the incarnation of the elf spirit, is being starred by the Famous Players Film company in its delightful fairy tale, "Little Lady Eileen," which is the attraction at the Arcade theatre Friday and Saturday. And if, at the end of the performance, little Miss Clark were to step out of the screen upon the stage and ask the audiences of the Arcade theatre whether they too believe in fairies, there is little room for doubt that they would unanimously shout "Yes!"

Of course, if one were prosaic and of the earth earthy, one could talk at great length of the miracles which director J. Searle Dawley—the real king of the fairies in this picture—has wrought in introducing his weird little folk and in creating many illusions, exquisite scenes and real thrills. But that would bring the production into the realm of the commonplace for that is what this Famous Players director always does.

So let us talk rather of the little Lady Eileen Kavanaugh who is the despair of her unimaginative school mistress because she will not forsake her fairy tales for the more substantial studies like reading, 'riting and 'rithmetic. In fact, Eileen is one of those adorable Irish girls with a facile imagination that is as creative as the fairies themselves. She is bubbling over with the spirit of romance and with the sparkling wit and good humor that is typical of the best that is Celtic and even the total financial failure of her father and the fact that he had to withdraw her from school does not in the least affect her gaiety—for the fairies will take her to her love when the time comes, so why not romp and be gay while yet she may?

It seems that a very wealthy relative has left all his estate to Eileen provided she marry a certain very fine chap. Of course the blessed fairies see to it that they meet without suspecting that they are predestined to wed and when the handsome young chap's rascally brother, having heard of the will, succeeds in wedding Eileen under the name of his brother, the fairies become so incensed at him for his duplicity that they roll a huge rock down upon him and crush the impostor.

In support of Miss Clark there appear such well-known players as Maggie Halloway Fisher, Vernon Steele, John L. Shine, Harry Lee, and Russell Bassett.

SINGLE TAX FOE TALKS

"Could State Schools Live Under Single Tax?" Is Asked of People

The fate of such institutions as the University of Oregon and the Agricultural College, should the provisions of the proposed Single Tax bill ever become effective, is puzzling to those who have closely analyzed the measure. It appears on the ballot under the title of "Full Rental Value Land Tax and Homemakers' Loan Fund Amendment" to the state constitution. It was known as the "People's Land and Loan Bill" when the petitions through which it obtained a place on the ballot were circulated.

It seems inevitable that within three years at the most from the time of passage of this measure the state treasury will be practically empty. The bill is drawn to force all land now privately owned to revert to the state, the owners preferring to relinquish it rather than pay the enormous "land rentals" that operation of the measure will entail.

Taxes are to be levied upon land alone. With the bulk of all land within the state thrown back upon the state by the present owners, payments of taxes will practically cease.

Under such conditions, where will the money come from for the support of the university and the state agricultural college as well as the other public institutions now maintained by appropriation? That is the question.

It is conceded that were the Single Tax so named on the ballot there would be little chance of its passage. But, taking advantage of the campaign for the state Rural Credits bill, its sponsors have succeeded in getting it on the ballot under a title which leads many persons to believe it is the Rural Credits measure. They are two distinct and utterly different measures. The Single Tax bill is the first initiative measure. Its voting numbers are 306 yes, and 307 no.

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