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DISTRICT ATTORNEY AIDS WOULD-BE BURGLAR

San Francisco's District Attorney Gives Amateur Thief Money to Return Home.

Cassidy was only a poor little street rat who never had a chance, but he came back strong and showed the world he was very much a man in the engrossing Triangle play, "Cassidy," to be shown at the Arcade Theatre on Sunday only.

He landed in San Francisco, hungry and broke. Wanting to get back home to New York he robbed the house of the District Attorney.

Caught red-handed, Grant, the district attorney, finally realized the boy was dying, and giving him money to take him home let him go free, but not before Cassidy had seen a picture of the district attorney's daughter, whose eyes were those of his own girl, Mamie, far away in old New York.

Shuffling out of Grant's house in a pouring rain, Cassidy went to the Palace bar-room to get a warm drink and found the place locked. Just as he was leaving he heard a scream, and as he looked through a crack in the door he saw Garvis, the owner, the bartender and a cop struggling with the girl with Mamie's eyes.

His chance had come, the chance he had always been awaiting, the opportunity to make good, to show the world he was a man. With a frenzied cry of rage the frail and wasted youth broke down the door and tackled the two men who were holding the girl a prisoner. With only a bar-room ice-pick as a weapon, rescued the girl from the men who were bent on ensnaring her.

Dick Rosson is starred in the title role of Cassidy, and his admirable acting in this Triangle drama is one of its greatest features.

WHO IS A BOY'S BEST FRIEND?

Her boy, grown to manhood, ventured to the great city and won fame and fortune. In his self-worship he neglected his mother. She went to him and he, wantonly, denied her. Then conscience smote him—and he tried to repair his great wrong. The happiness that was his came because he saw the light in time; awoke to his duty before it was too late.

"Mother O' Mine," the Bluebird photoplay to be exhibited at the Arcade theatre on Monday and Tuesday will beautifully illustrate the great truth that "a boy's best friend is his mother." Rupert Julian will play the lead, co-starring with dainty Ruth Clifford, while Ruby La Fayette, a veteran actress of seventy-two years, will play the mother role. Bluebird banks its reputation on "Mother O' Mine."

S-T-A-R

GIRL ACCUSED OF MURDER

A powerful drama, written to deny the influence of heredity, is the Butterfly picture, "Fear Not," which comes to the Star theatre on Sunday and Monday with Brownie Vernon as the star. The girl's family for two generations has been cursed with a craving for drugs. Her father and uncle are both slaves, and she determines never to marry, so that the curse shall not be transmitted to posterity through her. She meets and loves a young physician, interested in the investigation of just such problems, whose pet theory is that heredity plays no part in such cases. Realizing that she loves him she induced her father and his brother to move to the country under another name. The uncle, half-crazed for lack of the drug, kills the doctor who denies it to him. The crime is fastened, by his perfidy and by circumstantial evidence, upon his niece. The unraveling of the story brings the girl and the young physician who loves her together again on the night before her execution. He determines to save her by inducing her uncle to confess. The original manner in which he goes to work, the suspense, the agony of waiting which the girl goes through, pile up at the end to a climax which is almost unendurable. Rescued at last, the girl is not yet persuaded to marry, for fear of her inheritance. But the young doctor succeeds in convincing her of the truth of his theory, and we leave them happy.

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NEWS OF LA GRANDE

Guest at Foley—E. K. Allen of Enterprise is a guest at the Foley.

Guest at Sommer—Jay Williams of Imbler is a guest at the Sommer.

Joseph Man Here—Chas. Gellank of Joseph is spending the week-end here.

Has Rheumatism—Fred Synhorst is suffering from an attack of rheumatism.

Visits Friends—C. Verlie Kneil, of Albee, is spending a few days here with friends.

Idaho Man Here—Albert Kinny, of Homedale, Idaho, is a guest at the Foley.

North Powder Visitor—H. L. Hess of North Powder is a business visitor here today.

Returns to Wallowa—E. M. Hall returned to Wallowa after spending a few days here on business.

Traveling Man Here—D. Kallmyer, representative for the Red Fern garment, is in the city today.

Will Join the Army—Ben Duffy of Cove leaves tonight for Portland where he is going to join the army.

Returns to Wallowa—J. H. Minnaugh returned to Wallowa this morning after spending a few days here.

Elgin Visitor—Mrs. Alice Mayfield proprietress of the Sommer hotel at Elgin, is in the city for a few days on business.

Rev. Winters to Speak at Albee—Rev. Winters of La Grande will speak in the church at Albee Sunday, January 13.

Returns From Enterprise—Mrs. A. H. Beebe and daughter, Esther, have returned from Enterprise where Mrs. Beebe was formerly interested in an eating house.

Leaves for Portland—Clay Rhinehart of the Putnam Drug company leaves tonight for Portland, where he will appear before the Oregon State Board of Pharmacy.

Major Coolidge at Work—H. E. Coolidge, major of the La Grande Home Guards battalion, is working to have La Grande made the headquarters of the Home Guards of Eastern Oregon.

Making Progress—Ed. H. Ford, who was operated on for appendicitis at the Grande Ronde hospital, is making steady progress. He is resting well and will probably be out in a week or ten days.

Joins "Y" Staff—Mr. John Pickering, of Roslyn, Washington, has accepted the position of assistant secretary at the Y. M. C. A. Mr. Pickering comes to La Grande to train for future Y. M. C. A. work.



DICK ROSSON IN TRIANGLE PLAY "CASSIDY" ARCADE, SUNDAY ONLY

under the direction of Secretary J. G. King. The Association is fortunate in securing him because of the scarcity of good material at the present time. Mr. Pickering is an all-around athlete, especially qualifying in basketball, baseball and track.

La Grande Men Appointed—George T. Cochran was appointed director of the Oregon Drainage Association for Eastern Oregon. Walter M. Pierce was appointed a member of the legislative committee.

Snow Is Melting—A mild rain set in yesterday which started the snow to melting and made the streets and sidewalks sloppy. Some roofs also started leaking. The weather today is mild and the sun is out, and the snow continues to melt.

Registered in Portland—The following people registered at the Imperial Hotel, Portland, January 10: L. A. Stoop, Elgin; Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Andrews, La Grande; A. Wilson, Enterprise; Mr. and Mrs. Robt. A. Pratt, La Grande.

Russell Conwell's Lecture—At the high school auditorium last night the lecture in the High School-Y. M. C. A. lecture course was given by Russell H. Conwell, the famous lecturer, on "Acres of Diamonds." Mr. Conwell is a magnetic speaker and he was greeted by a large and enthusiastic audience who greatly enjoyed the lecture which was full of wit and wisdom. Mr. Conwell was formerly a newspaper man. He was at one time the London and Paris correspondent of the New York Tribune; in fact he occupied that position during the Franco-Prussian war and is therefore perfectly familiar with the rise of German militarism. He is a very entertaining personality. The money he makes from lecturing he uses to pay the expenses of poor boys through college.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Business Men's Luncheon. The business men's luncheons will be resumed Wednesday, January 16 at the Foley Hotel. Colan R. Eberhard is the chairman. 1-2-3L.

I. O. O. F. Special Meeting. La Grande Lodge No. 14, I. O. O. F., Wednesday evening, January 16, at 7:30. Work in the first degree. All Odd Fellows are invited. By order of Lodge, W. A. WORSTELL, Secretary. 1-12-18

NOTICE: To all members of the Wing, Fin and Fleetfoot Club. Your dues for 1918—\$1.00—are due. Please pay A. D. Andrews, Notice of the annual feed to be given in about a week will be published later. 1-11-3c AL D. ANDREWS.

Y. M. C. A. Class in Telegraphy Class meets at 7:30 p. m., Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday nights, two hours each evening. Six more students wanted. Call at Y. M. C. A. building evenings for particulars. Students placed in positions as soon as they qualify for either railroad or Western Union positions. 1-12-18

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WANTED—Woman to assist rancher's wife with house work and cooking. Only four people. Address Ray Vest, O. K. Garage, Enterprise. 1-12-3p.

SPECIAL—There will be a demonstration of Wittenberg-King's products at Snodgrass Grocery on Monday and Tuesday. Call in and let the lady show you these goods. 1-12-18

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