

# At the Portland Theaters

Last Car Leaves For Oregon City at Midnight



Scene from the great Western play, "Texas," to be presented at the Baker Theatre, Portland, all next week, commencing Sunday.

**"TEXAS" AT THE BAKER**  
The Baker Players to be Seen in Famous Western Play Next Week

Everybody loves the real breezy and exciting Western play, and for that reason Manager Geo. L. Baker of the Baker players manages to present one about every four or five weeks. They never fail to hit the mark, and this time it will be Mauldin Feigl's well known "Texas," that will be the offering beginning next Sunday matinee for the week. The title almost tells the tale, at least there is only one thought connected with "Texas," and that is cowboys, cattle and ranges.

And about all the characters in the play are of this type too, with a few women thrown in, and a party of English people showing the great contrast between the lives of England's nobility and the raw Texan cattle ranger. Buck Head Ranch is owned by Colonel West and he has a daughter named after the state in which she was born. There is a love affair between little "Texas" and a handsome foreman of the adjoining ranch, which a certain English lady greatly disturbs for a while, but when a greaser bad man puts a bullet into the foreman he needs nursing. It is then that little "Texas" has her inning.

There is a whole raft of cowboys who get mixed up in the plot and great characters they are, some of them having little affairs of their own which create no little amusement, but the serious side of the story concerns the attempt of an English lord to get possession of Buck Head Ranch, and leave the West ruined and homeless, which same might have been successful but for a lucky accident. It is all a big breezy and exciting play, and will be splendidly portrayed by the popular stock company. Matinees will be given Wednesday and Saturday, and the bargain night Monday.

**"THE MERRY WIDOW"**  
PLAYED 5,000 TIMES

Portland will have the pleasures of seeing the five thousandth performance in America of Henry W. Savage's unapproachable musical triumph, "The Merry Widow," on Sunday night, April 20th, when it comes to the Heilig theatre, Eleventh and Morrison Sts., for an engagement which will terminate on Wednesday April 23rd.

Mr. Savage determined to make this year's tour of "The Merry Widow" an enormous all-star revival, and accordingly has not only given the piece new scenery, new and magnificent costumes, but has sent with it no less than five players for the leading roles, who have been playing their respective parts ever since "The Merry Widow" was first produced in America, all of them having passed well beyond their two thousandth performance.

To celebrate the five thousandth time in America, every day, in the audience on Sunday night will be presented with an appropriate souvenir.

Miss Mabel Wilber will play the title role, Charles Meakins will be the dashing Prince Danilo, Oscar Figman the suave and wily old diplomat, Baron Ponoff, Arthur Woolley the ludicrous Mr. Nish, F. J. McCarthy the blubbery Novokovich and Olga Rollert, a beautiful young Viennese prima donna brought by Mr. Savage to this country, will sing the part of Natalie. Adjectives are inadequate to describe the beauty of the girls of the chorus. As one of the San Francisco newspapers said two weeks ago, "There may be prettier girls somewhere, but we have never seen them."

The best of the musicians whom Mr. Savage assembled last year for his grand opera production, "The Girl of the Golden West," will play "The Merry Widow" score.

There will be a matinee at special prices on Wednesday afternoon. Sale of seats opens Friday morning, April

18th. Night prices 50c to \$2.00; matinee, 50c to \$1.50.

## DERTHICK CLUB CONCERT

Portland Solists to Appear Monday at Congregational Church

The Dertick club, the leading musical organization of Oregon City, has announced next Monday evening as the date for its concert at the Congregational church. The programme will be given by Mrs. Lulu Dahl Miller, contralto; Mr. Stuart McGuire, baritone, and Miss Carmel Sullivan, accompanist. Miss Sadye Evelyn Ford, of this city, will be the accompanist. This will be a real musical treat and the public should not miss it. The tickets are 50 cents, and there are no reserved seats.

## HAS GIBSON COME BACK?

**Veteran Pittsburgh Catcher Showing Old Time Form in Early Games.**  
Who says they do not come back? Well, they do. Look at George Gibson, the Pittsburgh Pirates' veteran catcher. Last season it was thought that he

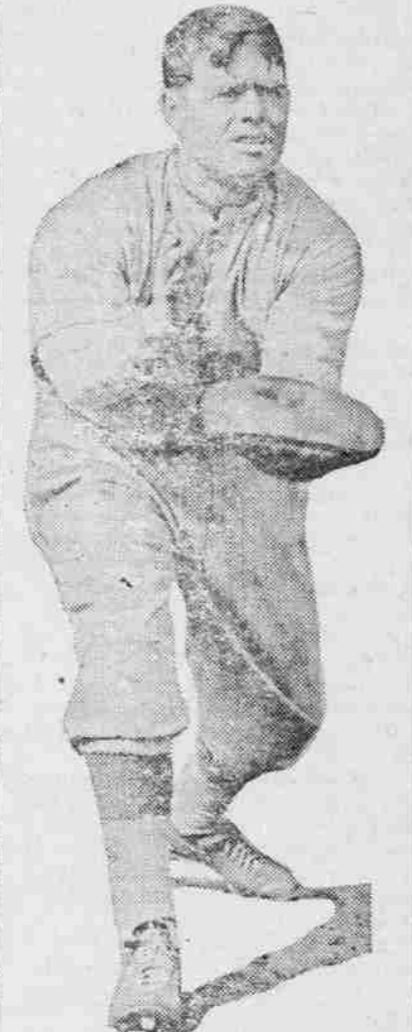


Photo by American Press Association  
GEORGE GIBSON, VETERAN PITTSBURGH CATCHER

had seen his best playing days; that in a year or two more he would be in the minors.

In the spring practice games George handled the pitchers as well if not better than he did in his best days. He now plays with lots of snap and pegs with deadly aim. Manager Clarke is highly pleased with the showing of the veteran. Two years ago Gibson was considered the best catcher in the country.

**Breitenstein to Umpire Again.**  
The veteran Theodore Breitenstein will umpire in the Southern league this year.

## CLACKAMAS SOUTHERN MEETING IS CALLED

There will be an important meeting of stockholders of the Clackamas Southern railroad in the Commercial club rooms Monday evening at 8 o'clock. Matters with which every local stockholder of the road should be acquainted will be taken up, and it is hoped that all will attend. Reports on the forthcoming extension of the road, and on the installation of a service to Beaver Creek will be among the matters taken up.

## AUTO TRIP POPULAR

Over 50 plates have been reserved for the big Clackamas County Automobile club banquet which will take place in the Wednesday evening in the club house of the Portland Automobile club on the Sandy river. It is a twenty-mile ride from Oregon City to the club house, and the start will be made from the Commercial club at six o'clock.

All persons wishing to attend should notify one of the members of the committee which is composed of M. D. Latourette, William Logus and Charles Risely. All reservations must be made not later than Monday.

## COUNCIL MEETING ON FOR MONDAY AFTERNOON

Mayor Jones has called a special meeting of the city council for half past four Monday afternoon. Matters pertaining to Booster day festivities will be taken up, as well as some

## VETERANS APPROVE LEGISLATIVE WORK

Members of Meade Post, G. A. R. held an interesting meeting Saturday afternoon, at which the Hon. W. A. Dimmick delivered the principal address. Mr. Dimmick was asked to tell the old soldiers of the work done by the past legislature and after hearing his comprehensive account, the veterans came to the conclusion that their interests had been well looked after. In the course of his remarks Mr. Dimmick also spoke of the plan to hold a great national celebration on the Field of Gettysburg in July, and while discussing this, threw many interesting sidelights upon the great struggle.

Preliminary arrangements were also made at the meeting for the sending back to the Gettysburg celebration of three of the local members, thought this matter will be taken up further at a later meeting. It was also decided to hold the Memorial Sunday services this year in the Catholic church.

The post has also decided to care for Dr. Piffer, a former army surgeon living near Oregon City and who at present is in very poor health. He will be sent to a hospital until his health better, and brother veterans will look out for his interests.

## POLICE FIND CITY IN BEST OF SHAPE

Since the licence of three Oregon City saloons was revoked this first of April, the town has become almost a model city as far as the police court is concerned. The first of the present month the city council refused to reissue licenses to three of the sixteen saloons of the town. These three saloons were said to have broken the laws in regard to selling liquor to drunken men and to minors.

During the month of March, the city police arrested 32 men on the charge of being drunk. During the first 19 days of April, but three men have been arrested for drunkenness. Chief of Police Shaw states that there has been a wonderful improvement in the town since the closing of the saloons.

Mr. Shaw stated that there was one of the saloons that was closed that was a constant source of trouble, and that the police could not always secure direct evidence against it. It is thought by many that the closing of the three saloons has been responsible for less drunkenness in two ways. The saloons were not strict, and many drunks came from them, and the closing of the three saloons has made other saloonmen, who might have violated the liquor laws, much more careful.

## MAN SEEKS WORK; DROPS FROM SIGHT

Worrying lest her husband has met with foul play, Mrs. Ralph Wildeman has asked Sheriff Mass to try and locate Ralph Wildeman, 24 years of age, a traction engineer, who left Oregon City on March 19, to go to Esk, Saskatchewan, Canada, to take a position and from whom she has not heard since. Mr. Wildeman was last seen in Portland, at half past six on the evening of the day he departed, when he boarded a train for Spokane, en route to his new work.

Mrs. Wildeman has written to his Canadian address several times, and has communicated with the firm for whom he was going to work, but has been unable to obtain any trace of her husband. Two young children and twin babies are here with the mother, who is staying at the home of G. Kelm, awaiting some word from her spouse.

Wildeman is described as being about 5 feet 6 inches in height, heavily built, of light complexion, with light hair and a smooth shaven face. Sheriff Mass will send out an alarm for the man.

## ROSE SHOW PLANS TO BE DISCUSSED

To complete plans for the annual rose show, there will be a meeting of the Oregon City Rose association on April 29. It is likely that at this time June 7 will be fixed as the date of the display of blooms in this city. While by many the date is regarded as somewhat early for the best development of the flowers, the fact that the Portland Rose show opens on June 9, and continues for the week, has made it seem best to have the local exhibit earlier than usual.

The proposal to postpone the local display until the week following the Portland show will be discussed, but it is not believed that the members of the home organization will care to put off their own event until such a late date. Rose bushes are already budding well, and there is every indication that there will be a plentiful supply of blooms for exhibition purposes.

## "DEAR DAD"

At last we've reached the promised land,  
Where crops were never known to fail;  
With plenty of money at our command—  
and pluck and health—  
We have prosperity "by the tail."

Better leave that dreary place,  
That old sun-baked, wind-swept land;  
Find here Nature's smiling face and mammoth crops;  
With rain and sunshine hand in hand.

When you seek our Oregon home,  
Come by the route called "Never-fail."  
Where live the people who never roam—happy, contented,  
Say, Dad, this is no fairy tale.  
Dear dad, and mother, come out soon;  
Here we always have plenty of rain!

The grass always green, flowers in bloom.

Come soon, dear dad!  
Your happy children,  
Jack, Baby and Jane.

The poetry given above is a bona fide letter sent back East to her friends by a woman who has recently come to the Willamette Valley to make her home.

The letter shows how a stranger sees Oregon, and the spirit of hopeful energy which possesses the new arrival on Oregon soil. Some time ago an article appeared in one of the weekly publications which told of the buoyancy of spirit which possesses one in the Western Country. There is a lightness of atmosphere, a purity of air, and a sense of freedom which one does not experience in a land where the humidity of atmosphere causes depression of spirit. One isn't afraid to take hold of a new venture, for while success for one reason or another does not attend every attempt, one is always ready to gather oneself together, and start afresh.

The spirit of the West—Advancing civilization not out distanced by the older effete civilization of the East, has not yet bereft the West of that wonderful spirit. It is in the very air we breathe, that spirit of achievement; and the man who was afraid of his own shadow back East (metaphorically speaking) will out here take up a new line—will venture—will work for success without the fatigue and the sense of failure, and the depression he has known.

There is a life-giving quality in the air and the blood courses through one's veins, and one isn't afraid but is ready to meet opportunity half way.

## THE NEW COMER.

The new comer wishing to locate a home in Clackamas County should never be too hasty, but should inspect the land, to learn whether it is suited to the tastes and requirements of his family and the industry which he expects to engage in.

If he does not find just what he wants in one part of the County it will pay to look further as conditions and soil are so diversified in Clackamas County, that no long search will be necessary. The land along the rivers, the bench land, the hill land, each have their own special qualification, and yet all grow the same good crop, the same stock, and poultry, and environments because of roads, are much the same.

Once located you will find yourself among hospitable and sociable neighbors, whose delight it is to be of service to the newcomer. A warm welcome into the churches, schools, granges, improvement clubs and other organizations and societies awaits every new citizen who comes to Clackamas County with the honest purpose of making a home.

Hundreds of families have located in Clackamas County in the past few years and by following these precautions have located happily and are prospering.

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## NO SPECIAL LUCK NEEDED IN OREGON

There is said to be a special Providence which takes care of children and fools, but there is no special Providence in Oregon which looks after the lazy man, and if he has been enjoying this rather doubtful blessing, he had better remain where he is, unless he wants to wake up, brace up and be a man, then we want him out here to help develop the country. If he keeps his eyes open and his hands and brain ready to grasp opportunity, which is better than all the special Providences which have a little way of deserting you at critical moments, he can make good here.

There has been a story going the rounds of Eastern papers, started by a letter purported to have been written by a man who had come out here, and who hadn't made his fortune in a few months. He roundly and bitterly denounced anything and everything Western. It is probable that it isn't the first time in his career he has become disgusted with his condition, and unless he met with some peculiar personal misfortune, there was no reason for his failure here, except himself. This is a wonderful country for individual endeavor, and there are such varied avenues for specializing, and so many fields for work that it would seem that every man could find some work in which he could make a success. But mark you the words, endeavor and effort and work—and success follows.

Clackamas County is full of men who write it that way, or rather who have lived it that way. In one walk of life or another they may be found. The manager of the largest mill of its kind in the world, situated in Oregon City didn't reach that position through an intervention of Providence or through luck. He started as office boy—and worked, and though he is still a young man is one of the substantial and prominent citizens, and a most public spirited man. An agricultural and horticultural authority in the county and State began without knowledge of farming after he had grown to manhood, but Providence had nothing to do with it. He studied nature and he made his own success—he worked. The young German

who took his brood of youngsters out onto an uncleared bit of Clackamas County land and in 8 years has been a farm out of the forest and is counted a success, didn't look to Providence. He just worked. A man who had been a dray man in one of the middle West states, came out here and bought ten acres. He cleared and planted this to the very best berries and small fruits between the rows of trees he set out. He brought his knowledge of business to bear in the manner in which he set about to market the products of his place. He had studied the best methods of producing, and sold only the highest quality of the very best that could be produced, and today he has an offer for his ten acres which seems mighty high, but he doesn't take it, for he is making more by far than he could reinvest for it pays him even at the high figure offered to keep his old plant, and not start again. But what has brought him his success?

There is a man in Clackamas County who has made a success of raising stock. His has been a greater than a financial success and it has been that too—but he raises the best of his kind, and is so proud of his success that he has spent much of his means to tell others about the rich rewards in this particular branch of animal husbandry.

And one could go into every neighborhood in the County and find not one but many who are not sitting down nor going back East to tell about their failures, but who are so busy making their way along the high road to success that they haven't time to be failures.

Opportunity! This is the land of opportunity, and opportunity is looking for you. But you have to meet her half way, and you have to carry your share of her burden, or she won't walk with you here any more than she will any place.

Opportunities are as many as they ever were, for we have more needs than we ever had, and some one has to supply the needs. Just because our hind sight is better than our foresight is no reason why we should feel that all the opportunities are gone. We can see what has been and there have been lots of things, but we must try to see what is, and so be ready when opportunity meets us on the road, just as the men who have been successes, were ready.



Mabel Wilber, prima donna in "The Merry Widow," to be presented at the Heilig Theatre, Portland, April 20, 21, 22 and 23. This famous production by Henry W. Savage of Frank Lehman's musical comedy will be given for four nights, commencing Sunday, with a special price matinee on Wednesday. During this engagement the 5,000th Performance of the sparkling play will be presented, and appropriate souvenirs will be given away.



## The Superiority of Electric Toast

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