



AT THE THEATERS

the Virginian Dustin Farnam Trampas Frank Campeau .. Hennet Musse Honey Wigght Frank Vall Nebrasky...... Craig Mulr Baldy Frank Nelson Baldy Frank Nelson Spanish Ed Charles R. Gilbert Razorback Charley . . . H. M. Gannon Frederick Ogden ... William Conklin Meille Wood...... Mabel Wright Mrs. Henry...... Helen Whitman Mrs. Hewie Elieanor Wilton Mrs. Westfail Frances Hemrie Mrs. Carmody Bessle I. Starr

WHEN Owen Wister wrote "The Virginian" he gave Cattleland a prose epic; he immortalized the cow boy and performed a distinct service in particular owe him a real debt in that he came near putting an uniquely Western type of man right with the

It fell to the lot of Dustin Farnum to create the part of Wister's hero when the stage version was produced and his selection was an inspiration. Farnum is a knight-errant in "chaps." the genuine cowpuncher idealized perhaps, but near enough the verities of

hans, but near enough the verifies of the open range to identify him for all time as the great stage cowboy. The play and the star were seen here two years ago when they cre-ated no end of a sensation, fairly sweeping the town off its feet. As an evidence of the lasting impression they made the Heilig was crowded to its utmost itmit last night on the oc-casion of "Tae Virginian's" return. So many people have read the novel. So many people have read the novel, so many saw the play here two years ago and so many again last night that there's no use detailing what the play's about. Sufficient to say that it has lost none of its power to hold an au-dience to the point of fascination.

Mr. Farnum is giving an even more finished performance than he did in the earlier days of the play. He has studied the cowpuncher scientifically and to good purpose in the two years that have elapsed since he visited the that have clapsed since he visited the West. At Cheyenne and Laramie he has met the breed and learned of their ways at first hand. He was in the form last night and the reception given him amounted to a tumult. He simply

ine regret that he told me last night that it seemed best for his future that he have a new play next season. I'm sure we all feel the same way about it. Augustus Thomas is now in Mexico writing him a new play, and coming from such a source we may well hope.

Trampas last night so wonderfully that degree of praise. atood shoulder to shoulder with the r. One who has not seen this actor y this part has missed something hout which no theatergoer's experi- Ayres, Charles Conners, S. M.

The company is practically the same as that of two years ago. Frank Nelson, a former Portland boy by the way, is still playing Baldy and is still a distinct and delightful feature of the performance. Frank Vail, as formerly, is the Honey Wiggin and Charles R. Gilbert continues his excellent work as Spanish Ed

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The new leading woman, Mabel Wright, is sweet and appealing as Molly Wood, the pretty Vermont schoolma'am. She is a new acquaintance but promises well.

It can be said for the entire cast that and their united efforts make the play all you have a treat in store for you and if

At the Stock Theaters

"Deserted at the Altar," at the Star

THE STAR presents a melodrama this week, "Deserted at the Altar," and although the play is faulty in spots the players present a good performance. The plot is an old one, the same story that has been seen on the stage for years. In it are all the essentials of a live melo-drama, the waif of the streets, the old farmer, and the sly detective, who intro-duces a pair of handcuffs in the last act. Forrest Seabury deserves the credit of resenting the best part this week, and shines as he always does in comedy, is work is the strong feature of the prformance and without him the per-rmance would limp. Irving Kennedy also does good work, and is as natural a newsboy as could be expected. If a person would see him on the street, he would not notice any difference between him and any of the horde of "newsys" who crowd around the newspaper offices about press time.

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This week Manager Allen has shifted Verna Felton from the lead to comedy, verna Feiton from the lead to comedy, and in her place is Miss Josephine Fairchild. Little has been made by this change, and it seems that Miss Feiton would have been able to present a far better part than Miss Fairchild. The rest of the company have parts adapted to them, but there is little done by the other players worthy of notice.

"Michael Strogoff" at the Lyric.

A N old friend of many seasons and no small degree of popularity comes to Portland again this week, this time at the him amounted to a tumuit. He simply had to respond to a speech call, and atthough oratory is not his long suit in g "Michael Strogoff." Melodrama stock must have advanced several points on the satisfaction of his admirers.

This is Farnum's hast season with "The Virginian" and the splendid ranch foreman as a stage entity will die when he steps out of the role. It was with genustics of strongord and season stage and stage a

goer on the keen edge of excitement as

and Lillian Griffith, severally and collec-

At the Vaudeville Theaters

Pantages.

HE Pantages comes forward with J. good bill this week, and the Eddy trio, late of the Barnum & Bailey Circus lead the bill. performers, clever gymnasts, and graceful performers on the bars. Their work is one of the best exhibitions of acrobatic feats ever seen in the city and without fear or favor, it may be said that they are the best that have visited the city

for a long time.

F. H. Stansfield, a quaint humorist who presents a monologue as a country parson, is another of the best acts, and his work is natural and real throughout. His makeup and dress is perfect and one would imagine that he was in an old-fashioned country church, listening to the Sunday morning sermon, when in the audience listening to this clever actor, His performance is without tinge of bur-lesque, and is in all very good. The Florentine Trio, in a clever musi-

cal skit have a good act and receive a number of encores. The Biair Brothers with a funny playette, the "Porter and the Chambermald." and Roxey and Wayne, comedy sketch artists are the other circuit bills, while Lee White with an illustrated song, and the biograph make up the rest of the bill.

Grand.

66T HE best of the wine for the last of the feast" seems to be the theory upon which Manager Errickson has acted in arranging his bill this act at the opening the really good acts, and those which save the show, come at the fag end of the programme. Opening with the Ozavs, burlesque jugglers, whose act is much above the average for comedy juggling, the show holds forth a promise which it does not quite justify. Harold Hoff's ab-sence is a sore disappointment to the many admirers of that popular young singer, who has been forced to go elsewhere for a living since the Child Labor Commission decided that he not warranted by the facts in the case, but at all events Harold will no longer be one of the Grand's attractions. The young man who was tried out yester-day for his place may or may not be retained permanently. At all events

attractive sketch, "Our Honeymoon," which comes pretty well up to the Grand standard. Smith O'Brien, an Irish comedian of some attainments as a comedian, helps the bill considerably, while Mr. and Mrs. Walter Deaves contribute the "Merry Mankins," which comes up to advance promises. The moving pictures are unusually good. The bill while not a notable one

What the Press Agents Say

Famous Western Drama Makes Big Hit at Hellig.

The attraction at the Heilig Theater. Fourteenth and Washington streets, tonight and tomorrow night will be the Kirke La shelle Company presenting Dustin Farnum, supported by an excellent company of players. In Owen Wister's famous Western drama. "The Virginian." A special mattnee will be given tomorrow (Wednesday) aftermoon at 2115 o'clock. Seats are now selling at box office of the theater for the entire engagement.

PIANIST SHERWOOD TONIGHT

Famous American Artist Will Appear

at Murlark Hall.

This evening at Muriark Hall, corner Twenty-third and Washington streets. William H. Sherwood, the world-renowned pianist, whose fame has been sung in both Europe and America, where lovers of the artistic gather to listen to renditions of the masterpieces of the world's great composers, will greet Portland music-lovers with an unexcelled repertory.

Mr. Sherwood has been greeted in every city throughout the East and on the continent where he has appeared, with spontaneous outbursts of applause. He will make but one appearance in Portland and it will be of special interest to teachers and pupils.

'Shannon of Sixth," Military Play.

The Baker Company is presenting one of the most successful military plays of the season this week, "Shannon of the Sixth," and it is proving an ideal St. Patrick week attraction. The title role is the character of a young Irish Lieutenant in the English army and is artistically portrayed by Mr. Baume. Jolliest Tramp Ever in Portland.

"The King of Tramps," which is the Em-pire attraction this week, is pronounced by all who have seen it as a rearing success and the tramp himself the jollest one who ever came to Portland. He is an up-to-date dispenser of sunshine and mirth. Matines

COMING ATTRACTIONS. Charming Actress, Roselle Knott, in "Alice-Sit-by-the-Fire."

This morning at 10 o'clock the advance seat sale will open at the box office of the Heilig Theater. Fourteenth and Washington streets, for the charming actress Reselle Knott in J. M. Barrie's beautiful comedy-drama, "Alice-Sit-by-the-Fire," which will be the attraction for three nights, beginning next Thursday, March 21, with a special matinee Saturday afternoon.

Silverton's First Brick School. SILVERTON, Or., March 18 - (Special.)

-Contractors will begin work next Mon-day on the new high school building in this city, which is to be built of brick at a cost of \$13,000. KISER FOR SOUVENIR PHOTOS.

SAWMILL WORKERS REFUSE TO ADMIT DEFEAT.

Strike Has Been Lost and No Trouble Anticipated in Resuming

While striking sawmill workers are still talking to keep their courage up, the opening of four box factories yesterday indicates the strike has failed. Other sawmills are busy on repairs and will not attempt to open until these are com-pleted. Mill-owners predict there will be no trouble in resuming when the plants

The Standard Box & Lumber Company, the Multnomah Box & Lumber Company, Union Box & Lumber Company and Ore-gon Box & Manufacturing Company started work vesterday with small crews. Not over 25 per cent of the machinery could be worked, but the managers expect to increase their forces gradually until the normal output is restored.

Thinking all the mills intended to start work resterday morning, strikers sent large delegations of pickets to each mill at 5:30 yesterday morning to dissuade any workmen who reported for duty. But there was no attempt made to open the mills and owners say they had no intention of trying to start work. Pickets are also to be sent out this

morning to the different plants and efforts

will be made to induce box factory crews to remain away from work. Resources of the strikers are limited and as their funds grow short, the men grow uneasy. Other employment is being taken by some and many desire to return to work. The strike leaders said last night that the sash and door factories of the city which employ about 400 men, will be the next to close. Demands were made of the management of Smith's sash and door factory yesterday at noon for a nine-hour

day and a minimum wage of \$2.50. The

mill-owners were notified that unless the demand is acceded to by noon today, a general strike in all the sash and door factories in the city will result. factories in the city will result.

Strike leaders also revived the report last night that the longshoremen will refuse to handle lumber at the mills that it may be desired to load on ships.

Mill-owners made the announcement yesterday that orders of lumber for city delivery will be received and filled from the stocks now in the yards. This action will avert an immediate slump in building operations and probably means that Portland will not be hampered during the land will not be hampered during the present building season, for by the time the stocks on hand are exhausted, mills

full capacity.
"Strikers may try to prevent the de-livery or use of this lumber," said a mili-man last night, "but I doubt if they will be able to do either.'

will doubtless be running again to their

Postpone Keel-Laying.

Coghlan and the officers of the station will be in attendance. The Vestal is to craft, the construction of which was au-thorized by Congress several years ago. Her sister ship, the Prometheus, is to be

His Conscience Has Been Eased. ASTORIA, Or., March 18 .- (Special.)- by embezziement of \$4000 from the Fisher

Mr. Lincoln Steffens: Will you investigate the Port of Portland meat graft? It isn't such a tremendous graft as grafts go; it's only a few thousand dollars a year out of the pockets of the taxpayers and into the coffers of the Beef Trust, but it shows how a body of Portland's representative men are manipulated for the interests of the

FRANK L. SMITH MEAT CO

226-228 Alder Street, Between First and Second Streets.

"FIGHTING THE BEEF TRUST"

	Smith's Prices	Prices at Which
	He Is Willing	the Beef Trust Markets
	to Supply the Port of Portland.	Supply the
	Port of Portland.	Port of Portland.
Hindquarters Beef	81/se	101/se
Rounds Beef	7¢	7¢1/2
oins Beef	11¢	141/5c
oins Pork	13¢	15e
Veal	7¢ to 10¢	11¢
Hindquarters Mutton.	121/se	141/se
orned Beef	6¢	8e
Breakfast Bacon	171/6¢	20¢
ard	12¢	14c
orn Pork		

Here are a few of Smith's retail prices; everything else in proportion:

Fancy Prime Rib Roast Beef 10¢ Smith's Hams 171/2¢ Smith's Bkft. Bacon.171/2¢ Tenderloin Steak121/2 Smith's Pure Lard ... 12¢ Soup Meat 3¢ Smith's Bologna Sau-Plate Cuts of Beef... 5¢ sage (pure), 3 lbs... 25¢ Brisket of Beef 5¢ Smith's Frankfurt Lean Cuts of Beef, boil 5¢ Sausage (pure) ... 10¢

If you should buy a pound of meat at any other market except Smith's, take it home and weigh it and see if you have been cheated. We have the affidavit of a man who paid 25 cents for 6 pounds of meat at a Beef Trust market; when he got home it weighed only 31/2 pounds. Chances are the scales were not right, or maybe the meat was Eastern cold-storage stuff and melted on NEW YORK, March 18.—Laying of the keel of the big naval collier Vestal, in the Brooklyn navy-yard, which had been set for today, has been postponed for a few days in order that Naval Constructor Capps, chief of the Bureau of the way home; possibly it was both. That is a trick of the Beef Trust throughout the United States-to adver-