

MOVIE GOSSIP

OREGON
"To Have and to Hold," a big special attraction for Holiday week.

BIGH
Hickman Bessey Stock company presents "The Slave Girl" and William Duncan in "The Fighting Guide."

LIBERTY
Tom Mix in "Do and Dare" a 6-reel comedy and three other subjects.

GRAND
Tonight, Mitzl in "Lady Billy," her latest musical comedy success. Company of 50.

As usual, Tom Mix won the staunch and unanimous approval of the audience that packed the Liberty theatre last night for the opening performance of the robust star's latest "Do and Dare." The daring, dashing hero of western screen dramas seems to reach new heights with each production, and in "Do and Dare" an enraptured audience watched breathlessly the Fox light as he shone through an hour and a half of supremely entertaining action. And it was action from the time the title was flashed on the silver sheet to the omnipresent "clinch" at the finish of the love race.

William Duncan in "The Fighting Guide," which will be shown at the Bigh theater today and tomorrow, has injected one bit of stirring realism that is believed to be entirely new, on the screen.

Grand Theatre
One Night Only
WEDNESDAY, DEC. 27
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OF MUSICAL COMEDY

LADY BILLY

This is positively the same company that played one year in New York, 3 months in Chicago and 3 weeks at the Columbia theatre, San Francisco.

Cast and Chorus of 50
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or off it. In a breakneck horse-back chase, when at a distance of six feet to the left and a full length to the rear of the pursued, he crouches on his feet in the saddle, and with a spring like the strike of a rattler he lands on the back of the other rider, bearing him to the road. The horses were not slackened in the least, and the two plunge with the momentum of the fall with a crash into the bushes at the side of the trail. Duncan paid for this stunt with a week of lameness, despite which he appeared on location daily. Joe Dominguez, the chap who participates as the victim, took his medicine like the good Indian that he is.

With John Gilbert in the star role, "Honor First" his latest, will open at the Liberty Theatre Friday. Press reports from other cities where this picture has been shown accord it high praise. Many who have reviewed the feature assert that Gilbert is at his best.

The story deals with the difference in character and temperament between twin brothers, both of whom served in the French army during the war. Gilbert portrays both brothers. His work as the cowardly both-er is said to be especially worth while. This characterization is a cal forl extraordinary force in acting.

Sixty dressmakers worked for a month to prepare the seventeenth century costumes of Betty Compton and the feminine members of the cast of "To Have and to Hold," the picture at the Oregon theatre this week. The costumes of Raymond Hatton as King James; Lucien Littlefield as "Duke of Buckingham," and Theodore Kosloff as "Lord Carnal" are eye-filling in their abundance of jewels, satins and laces.

Striking crowds are a feature of this production. Several hundred Indians and settlers are used in the Jamestown sequence and several hundred banquetters indulge in an orgy of the 17th century variety; a hundred of the "doves" or wives for the colonists land at Jamestown—and then, of course, there are the picturesque pirates, one-legged ones, Moors, Spanish, Chinese, representing every kind and variety of villainous looking individuals.

The Hickman Bessey Stock company opened their weekly engagement at the Bigh theater last evening in another of their popular three-act comedy dramas entitled "The Slave Girl." This same bill will be presented for two more nights — tonight and tomorrow night.

That's hard to believe, but we refer to the quarts of medicine

she was forced to choke down, in Harold Lloyd's latest feature comedy, "Dr. Jack." Before the filming, Lloyd asked his leading lady what her favorite fluid was, and being a patriot of California she replied, "Orange Juice." So every time that Mildred, as the Sick-Little-Well-I-Girl, was handed a spoon of medicine in the picture, she had a difficult time to keep from smacking her lips—it was pure orange juice! At the Grand Thursday and Friday.

Matching Priscilla Dean's dynamic personality and masculine punch in emotionalism, James Kirkwood, with his manly virility and John Davidson, with his cool suavity, provide excellent foils for the star of "Under Two Flags," adapted from Ouida's famous romance, coming to the Grand theatre on Saturday for a secondary feminine role Ethel Grey Terry, an artist of the highest standing, was engaged. "God Browning directed Miss Dean in "Under Two Flags," and it is said they have outdistanced their mutual success, "Outside" the Law," a sensation of the past.

The Oregon theatre announces another big special attraction to usher in 1923. Rudolph Valentino in his greatest success, "The Young Rajah." This popular star is said to be at his best in this vehicle. Wanda Hawley has the leading feminine role.

3 PORTLAND MEN ATTEMPT SUICIDE

One Dies, Others Take Poison and Cut Wrists But Are Still Alive

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 26.—One man ended his life and two others failed in their attempts at death today. E. L. Collins, 45, shot himself twice through the heart at the Metropolitan club, dying almost instantly.

G. R. Osland, 40, staggered into a grocery store at 40 North Third street and gasped that he had taken poison. Emergency hospital doctors treated him and he will recover. Papers indicated that his home was in Seaside, Wash.

Alfred Dennis, 40, was found with his wrists cut in the furnace pit of the hotel where he lived. Indications were that he had attempted suicide. He will recover.

EARTHQUAKE SEVERE

WELLINGTON, N. Z., Dec. 26.—The earthquake of Christmas afternoon was confined to the upper and middle portions of South Island. The shock was especially severe in North Canterbury and recalled memories of the earthquake in Cheviot county in 1901.

BILL FOR BLOOD TESTS ON BALLOT

Measure Prepared for Examination of Both Men and Women

(Mrs. Dr. Owens-Adair has had prepared a measure to be submitted to the legislature at its coming session, providing for the medical examination of both men and women before marriage licenses shall be issued to them in Oregon. The plan is, as will be seen by the reading of the proposed bill, printed in full below, to ask the legislature to submit the measure to the vote of the people. The publishing of the proposed measure in advance is for the purpose of securing the widest possible discussion of it, especially as to its form and wording. Those who are in favor of the introduction and submission of the measure say that a visit to the state institutions here, more especially the state institution for the feeble minded, will convince any one of the wisdom of submitting and of enacting such legislation. Following is the wording of the measure proposed.)

A BILL

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any county clerk in the state of Oregon to issue a marriage license to any person or persons applying for the same unless there has been filed with the county clerk a certificate of examination of each of the persons named in such license as to his or her health with reference to contagious or communicable venereal diseases and mentality as hereinafter provided, except that where such female person is 45 years of age or older she need not be so examined. If either or both of such applicants fail to pass the health and mental tests, such license shall not be issued unless or until one or both have been rendered sterile according to the rules and regulations provided therefor by the state board of health, and in no case shall any license issue or a marriage be solemnized where the certificate of examination shows a mental capacity of not to exceed that of a child of 12 years of age.

Section 2. Such examination shall be made by a regularly licensed physician competent to examine such applicants and whose certificate thereof shall be made under oath and, in addition to a statement of his findings as to the physical and mental qualifications of the applicants for a marriage license, said certificate shall contain a statement of the educational qualifications of the physician making such certificate.

Section 3. Such examination, unless the usual examination and tests made by physicians show positively the presence of communicable venereal disease or mental capacity of not more than 12 years, shall include in addition a blood test for communicable venereal disease in accordance with the rules established by the state board of health. The physician making the general examination and certificate herein required shall take from the applicant in each instance the necessary blood specimen and shall submit the same to the nearest medical laboratory which is maintained by the state, county, city, or other municipality or at public expense, or if not maintained, which will make the blood test herein provided free of charge.

If no such medical laboratory exists within the county where such blood test can be made free of charge, then the county court of such county is hereby authorized and directed to provide for the establishment and maintenance of such laboratory or to contract for the performance of such blood tests by any person or persons competent to do so, such competence to be established by the certificate of the state health officer.

The laboratory, upon receipt of any such blood specimen, shall forthwith make the required test and examination thereof and transmit to the physician forwarding such specimen its findings and report thereon. Such physician making the original examination of such applicant, upon the receipt of the findings and report upon the laboratory blood test, shall include a statement of the results of such blood test so furnished to him in his certificate of examination which he shall deliver to the applicant.

Section 4. It shall be the duty of the state board of health to formulate and adopt rules and regulations for the making of such examinations, both of the person and of the blood as herein provided, which rules and regulations shall be followed by all physicians and other persons in making such examinations and tests.

Section 5. Any person applying for a marriage license and failing to pass the examination as to health and mentality as provided herein, who shall feel that the examinations or conclusions therein were unfair, shall have the right to appeal to the county court of the county wherein he or she makes application for a marriage license, by filing the certifi-

cate furnished by the examining physician as hereinbefore provided with the county clerk of the county where such application for license must be made, together with a request to said clerk that the same be referred to the county court and thereupon said court shall cause a re-examination of said applicant to be made by a board consisting of three competent physicians or psychiatrists, or some of both, as the circumstances may require, to be selected by said court, which physicians may, in their discretion, forward another blood specimen to a different laboratory than the one making the former test. Said board shall make and file with the court a statement of its findings as to the physical and mental fitness of said applicant, which findings and decision shall be final.

Section 6. The fees and charges for making the original examination and issuing the certificate shall be paid by the applicant therefor and shall not exceed the sum of \$2.50.

In case of an appeal to the county court as herein provided, the fees of the examining physicians and psychiatrists shall not exceed \$3 and shall be paid by the county.

Section 7. That Sections 9737, 9738, 9739, and 9740 Oregon Laws, be and the same are hereby repealed.

CHINATOWN GETS BIG SHOCK

The elder Chinese of Mott, Pell and Doyer streets, masked the emotions they may have behind imperturbable faces, shook their heads and kept stony silence before the little army of reporters that invaded their city within a city.

No Mildred Appears
Members of the younger generation were less reserved, but still could not add much to the story of the disappeared bridegroom and the unheated wedding feast.

All they knew was that George Num Lee had expected his betrothed to arrive on Christmas eve, and that she didn't; that thousands of dollars had been spent on jewels for the bride and for a wedding feast, but that the jewels had not yet found a place on Mildred Wenn's comely figure and the wedding feast was still unheated.

There were several stories concerning the cause of the mixup, but no one could say which one was the true one.

One thing they all were agreed on—that Miss Wenn had not been forced, according to ancient Chinese custom, into marriage with a man she did not even know. They met many months ago at the Chinese legation in Washington, went through all the phases of an American courtship and became engaged a year ago.

Jewels Wait
So the question really is not whether George Num Lee and Mildred Wenn are to be married. The question is where, when and how the marriage will be solemnized.

Meanwhile, the gorgeous red rooms of the On Leong tong, with their decorations of poppies and gold dragons, yawn empty for the wedding guests; the wedding feast reposes in cold storage, the wedding jewels wait in Lee Quon's strong box—and Chinatown is all a-gossip.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Mildred Wenn, 19-year-old American reared Chinese girl, who was returned to her parents, according to police, after having disappeared for several hours in plaque over selection of a bridegroom for her by her parents, was reported as again missing late today.

BRUSH COLLEGE

Mrs. Frank Munson has been ill the past week with what seems to be an attack of La Grippe.

Little Maxine Olson is very sick.

Loyal Whitney, who has been suffering for the past few weeks with tonsil and ear trouble, is better.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Olson were Portland visitors last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell and son, Harold, came up last Friday from Portland to spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. John Schindler. Mr. Mitchell is Mrs. Schindler's brother.

"The Night Hawks" held their annual Christmas celebration at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Gorsline last Saturday night. Their Christmas tree was a great success. So were the refreshments.

Arehle Ewing is again able to be out after an attack of the influenza.

The Community Christmas exercises were held in the schoolhouse last Friday night. The large crowd, which was present, was enthusiastic over each number on the program, and highly praised the whole. After the program a treat consisting of candy, popcorn balls and apples was served, and a general good, social time enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Hoag, teachers in the Brush College school, left Saturday for their home at Monmouth, where they will spend the holidays. School work will be resumed January 2,

OPERA STAR MUCH BETTER

Mme. Bernhardt Able to Sit up—Looks Forward to More Years on Stage

PARIS, Dec. 24.—(By The Associated Press.)—The household of Sarah Bernhardt was jubilant this evening over the remarkable improvement shown in the condition of the famous actress. The deep gloom which had settled down upon the family and faithful followers of the star was almost entirely dispelled by the continued optimism of the doctors, who had permitted Mme. Bernhardt to sit up in her room during the last 24 hours.

Eats Christmas Dinner
Madame Bernhardt had Christmas dinner last night with the members of her family and a few intimate friends. She ate a small piece of turkey and talked cheerfully and hopefully of her return to the footlights. She was beginning to believe, she said, that she would be spared to act ten years more. She confided to several friends that she expected to assume her role in the new guilty play that was about to be produced when she was stricken, within three weeks.

The physicians smiled when Mme. Bernhardt indulged in this three-week's talk, merely saying "perhaps." They frankly stated, on the other hand that the "divine Sarah's" condition was very weak, her long years of hard work on the boards having told upon her, and that it was quite possible it would be many months before she was able to appear in public. There are not lacking, indeed, those who think Bernhardt may never act again.

Many Call
Scores of prominent people continued to call at the Bernhardt home today to express their happiness over her improved condition and there was unrestrained rejoicing among the actors and actresses of Paris, many of flowers and filled her room with roses.

Many cable messages arrived from American friends and admirers, including actors and actresses on the American stage.

Madame Bernhardt was especially pleased with the American cablegrams.

Red Cross Roll Call

Fund now Totals \$2316

While more than \$2000 has been secured in the annual Red Cross roll call it is felt that this amount will be materially increased when full returns from Dallas and West Salem are made, according to an announcement made yesterday.

Polk county memberships total only 364, but is thought this

LATEST FASHIONS FROM PARIS WILL BE SEEN IN MITZI'S PRODUCTION TONIGHT

When Mitzl, the elfish musical comedy star of "Lady Billy," at the Grand tonight, appears in the various roles created for her by Zaida Sears she will be surrounded

number will be doubled when the final returns are made. Other parts in the territory covered by Willamette chapter of the Red Cross report as follows: Monmouth, 95 memberships; Independence 127; Valsetz 76; Falls City 20, and Arlie 21. The total amount received to date is \$2316.

SCOTTS MILLS

SCOTTS MILLS, Or., Dec. 26.—A Christmas program was given Tuesday afternoon by the primary and intermediate department. The program was unusually good, especially the music. The decorations were beautiful.

The Freshmen class had their last social meeting at the home of Lorina Dole. They were honored by a visitor from each of the sophomore and senior classes.

Miss Emma Nelson, who has been seriously ill, is rapidly recovering.

A pie social and short program were held at the I. O. O. F. hall Friday, December 15. The pies brought a total of \$27.90.

The new water system is in working order for the school. There is now an abundance of water all the time.

A black overcoat was found between Silverton and Salem Saturday afternoon. Owner may prove identity and get coat at East's garage, Scotts Mills.

Instead of the usual Christmas program the high school conducted a short-story contest. The freshmen-sophomores choose six of the best stories of the class to contest. The junior-seniors also chose six contestants. Clyde McKillop won first prize of the first division and Glen Magee honorable mention. Alice Weeks received first prize of the second division and Dale Magee honorable mention. The program was varied by Christmas songs by the high school and violin and piano duets rendered by Glenn Herigstad and Raymond Kellis, both of the alumni.

A community Christmas tree was set up in the I. O. O. F. hall Saturday evening. A capacity house was present. A fine program of readings, solos, instrumental music and community singing was given. Santa appeared to the delight of the small folks and distributed many appropriate presents.

The Friends Sunday school gave an interesting and appropriate program Sunday morning, following the Sunday school meeting.

The Christmas spirit of good cheer and friendship has been generously manifested by everyone.

Claude Gidley and family had Christmas turkey with Postmaster Henry Rieckers.

Many have been home for the Christmas vacation, among whom are students from Eugene, Willamette and Portland.

HOTEL BURNED

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 26.—Fire which broke out in the private office of T. N. Kerr, manager of the Dewey Palace hotel at Nampa, early this morning caused damage which may exceed \$1000, it was estimated. Manager Kerr was unable to give the probable cause of the blaze.

Some people run automobiles and others allow automobiles to run them.

MIDNIGHT MATINEE
New Year's Eve
Bigh Theatre

How Is This For a New Year's Resolution?

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sonal stage gowns. Upon her arrival in New York it took the customs officer four hours to inspect the dresses. "I gave him a fashion show," laughs the dim-

the cape is of heavy cloth over a gold chain girde.
Miss Peggy Hanlon has been assigned to wear an original model of watered silk designed on

ed with an ensemble of beautiful girls who will wear the latest creations from Paris.
These gowns include the latest models for flappers, pajama tea length skirts and drapes.
Mitzl spent the summer in Europe, where she selected many of the costumes. She returned to America with four trunks of per-

French lines with a long waist and full skirt. The skirt is trimmed with graduated bands of orange velvet.
Henry W. Savage sponsors Mitzl, the gowns, and the excellent company that is coming here in fact after long eastern engagements. A special orchestra from the Liberty theater, New York will augment the local orchestra-