

SIDE LIGHTS OF THE STAGE AND SCREEN

Elsinore Theater
For thrills, chills and a thousand laughs see "The Gorilla," the mystery comedy melodrama that showed at the Elsinore tonight, with Charlie Murray and Fred Kelsey featured as the two demon sleuths, Mulligan and Garrity.

"The Gorilla," written by Ralph Spence as a stage play, in its screen version is one of the fastest, spookiest thrillers to be seen here in some time. "The Gorilla" himself is a weird, menacing looking ape, and every time he appears the crowds shriek as if he were right in the audience.

Anyone who has seen the stage play will recognize the cast of players and the story plot—except the ending. That has been changed so that a complete surprise is enacted.

The new screen team of Murray and Kelsey live up to their advanced notices. They make a typical pair of detectives who suspect everyone in the place but themselves.

"The Beggar's Opera" which opens in Salem on Tuesday evening December 27 at the Elsinore theater, is a ballad opera or musical play. It is a string of tuneful melodies, some 88 in all, that are introduced to carry on the thread of the story. These old melodies, some centuries old, are nearly all English, Scotch, Irish, and Welsh origin, and are airs that were whistled and sung on the streets, in taverns and in the fields. The old script has been edited by Arnold Bennett and softened down considerably as our forefathers in the days of Queen Anne and the Georges used rather broad monosyllables, but the spirit of the original is still retained. All in all, "It is quite the gayest old thing," says the critic of the New York Evening Globe, "that has reached New York in years. It is a gay and racy old musical show with more charm, satire and sweet tunes than reaches Broadway in six seasons.

Its musical effects is increased by the use of a ladies orchestra modeled after that which accompanied the singers in the days of yore. The Harpsichord, the viola d'amore, and the viola di gamba lend their plaintive voices to the ensemble. It is sweet music, melodious, and suggestive of the remote past, yet retained a youthfulness and charm that enables it to more than hold its own in these days of jazz.

There are also gay dance tunes in which the players respond with lively steps and graceful postures. It is exceedingly doubtful if ever in its long history "The Beggar's Opera" has had such an excellent singing and acting cast when it will be presented in Salem two days after Christmas.

Oregon Theater
"Every young boy and every young girl should see "Is Your Daughter Safe?" the sex-ational drama of life and love which is now showing at the Oregon, in the opinion of Captain J. J. Dougherty, head of the Los Angeles police vice detail.

"If the young people of this generation," said Captain Dougherty, "would observe the moral which is pointed out in this production, I believe we would have less work to do in the police department. There is not a boy or girl, a father or a mother, who will view "Is Your Daughter Safe?" without leaving the theater in a thinking frame of mind. The production is one which I firmly believe will do a great deal of good in helping the boys and girls of the nation to lead better lives."

The production was produced by St. S. Millard and is presented by a capable cast including Vivian Winston, Henry Roquemore and Jerome Young.

Once in a blue moon there comes along a screen play which the whole family, especially the younger folk, can see, enjoy and profit by.

Such a picture is "Mother," a super production by FBO which will show at the Oregon today. "Mother" is suggested by Kathleen Norris' story of the same name with J. Leo Meehan turning in a fine piece of directorial work.

And in the title role Belle Bennett, who rose to the heights some time ago by her surpassing performance in "Stella Dallas," has eclipsed that in this picture.

"Mother" is one of the most human documents that has ever come to the screen. It is a picture that every member of the family ought to, and should, see.

Capitol Theater
An entertaining vaudeville bill has been arranged for the Capitol theater today. On the bill the following may be seen:

Bardell and McNally offer one of the fastest comedy juggling acts in vaudeville today, introducing many new and novel stunts. Special attention is called to the ball bouncing by Mr. Bardell also his cup and spoon trick which is as fine as they come.

The popular joy boy of fun, Jack Bradley, late of "Gay Paree" and "Girl of Mine" will entertain with snappy stories and singular songs. He's a skillful raconteur, and his monologue is bright, witty and topical.

Late of the Student Prince, Henry Iblings and Juanita Thomas will present their attractive selves in "Novelty and Songs." They have a program of popular numbers and ballads, accompanied on guitar and ukulele.

Mr. Ivy is a dancer. She specializes in ballet dancing, the majority of which is done on her toes. She is said to be one of the best contemporaneous toe dancers, having been a member of several well known ballets.

Arthur Miner and Dorothy Van offer a diverting little romance of a married couple who are shipwrecked on a south sea island entitled "Tropics of the Day."

SPOUSE ASKED TO BE KILLED BANKER SAYS
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pressing it into my hand. Then she leaned over against me as confidently as a child against its mother and put her finger on her neck.

"Cut right here," she said. "I felt myself dazed as if my mind was leaving me. I raised the knife and put its blade against her white throat. Then, as she felt the sharp point against her skin she raised her face to mine, stroked my cheeks with her hand, and said:

"Oh, Ivan, I love you." "I slashed the knife across the throat. Then I got out of the car, slashed by own throat and wrists, and got back in the car, to await death. It came too slowly, so I started to walk to the river, thinking I could drown myself. On the way the loss of blood weakened me, I dropped in the briar patch, where I was found."

The defense made it clear in the preliminary summing up of the case that an attempt would be made to show that Mabel Mormont Hart was wildly insane on the subject of motherhood and that she dominated Hart's weaker will to such an extent that her insanity was communicated to him.

NORMAL TAKES PRACTICE TILT
OREGON NORMAL SCHOOL, Monmouth, Dec. 8.—(Special)—

The Monmouth normal quintet won its first practice game last night by a 36-24 score against the Sigma Phi Sigma men of Corvallis. The game was slow and uncertain due to the condition of the floor.

The score stood 18 to 17 in favor of the Normal at the end of the first half. Owens and Adams checked with 12 points each were high men for the S. P. S., and Schrank with 16 and Cook 10, scored high for the Normal. The lineup:

Monmouth (36) Corvallis (24)
Price Owens
Fildert Division
Best plate Barclayton:
First, Harry Pearce, Salem;
second, H. B. Harlan, Corvallis;
third, D. H. Berg, Noosak, Wash.
cup and spoon trick which is as fine as they come.

Best plate DuChilly:
First, H. B. Harlan, Corvallis;
second, R. W. Grant, Portland;
third, R. H. Turk, Vancouver, Wash.
Best seedling, S. T. Walker, Forest Grove.

The prizes were offered by the Salem chamber of commerce, Ladd & Bush bank, U. S. National bank and First National bank.
Judges were S. H. Van Trump, Salem; J. J. Doerfler, Silverton, and Robert J. Forbis, Forest Grove.

Pruning Discussed
The Thursday morning session was devoted to discussion of pruning. C. L. Long of Corvallis opened the general subject and J. J. Doerfler of Silverton and George Dorris of Springfield discussed the topic from the respective viewpoints of the walnut and filbert grower.

SOLONS SPEND DAY'S SESSION IN VARE ROW
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Vare's democratic opponent last year in the senatorial election in Pennsylvania.

Argument Consumes Day
With Senator-designate Vare himself in a floor seat over in a far corner, the senate argued all day long and a vote on the resolution to bar the Pennsylvania, as Smith of Illinois was barred yesterday, went over until tomorrow.

Some of the debate was dull to the point of drowsiness, but some of it was highly colorful. At one point Vice President Dawes, in the chair of the presiding officer, became so interested that he all but missed keeping an appointment to speak at the unveiling of a statue in another part of the capitol.

Both senate and house interrupted their regular procedure momentarily to listen to the reading of the presidential flood message, recommending a relief program costing \$294,000,000 and the house also heard at intervals short digressions on subjects apart from the public building and other appropriations items in which it had been immersed for hours.

It is said that Russia and Poland are getting ready to fight over Lithuania. We don't know how it will come out but we can make one safe prediction—either way it won't do Lithuania much good.

Senator Dill says the thing for the democrats to do is to nominate a candidate for president who will be strong enough to carry a democratic congress and senate into power with him. Well, every democratic county chairman knows that much.

SMOKER AT S.H.S. BIG EVENT TONIGHT

Fierce fighting for funds and fun! And, incidentally, for the entertainment of Salem high school supporters who attend the "smokerless smoker" at the high school gymnasium tonight.

Red and Black athletes will do it; and from the array of talent signed up for the bouts, capped by the Bobby McIntyre-Ted Fox four round struggle, the dish will be hot.

The big show will start off with two wrestling matches; get well under way with 34 rounds of boxing; and taper off with an interclass shirt-tearing contest, calculated at least to please the Salem shirt merchants.

Old man football deficit will get the greatest punishment from the evening's frolic as advance interest indicates a larger crowd even than last year.

The complete card follows: (best in five minutes)
Wrestling
Lee Tate vs Joe Dolby.
Boxing
Fred Smith vs Wayne Black.
(Three two-minute rounds)
Beauford Birchett vs Bruce Cooley.
Wallace Munson vs Kenneth McKenzie.
Merwin Wheeler vs Edward Reynolds.
Richard Baker vs Michael Fitzpatrick.
Raymond Bedwell vs John Evans.

Main Event
(Four two-minute rounds)
Ted Fox vs Bobby McIntyre.
Shirt Tearing Contest
Seniors: Edwin Morgan Pemberton.
Juniors: Emmett Moriarty and Kelton Butler.
Sophomores: Clyde French and Roland Hardman.
(Each entry has shirt on. In five minutes the class having the largest amount of shirt left wins.)

Read the Classified Ads

NEW BLIZZARD SWEEPS SOUTH FROM CANADA

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storm. In Minnesota and some places in other states schools were dismissed, while telegraph wires and poles were down and train service was hampered.

Air mail service virtually came to a standstill as the storm vented its fury, but when the weather cleared companies having mail contracts prepared to take the air again.

In central Illinois there was a menace of floods as well as of cold, as many streams were reported bankfull and some were overspreading the valleys.

In addition to half a dozen deaths reported earlier as the cold wave reached over Canada, deaths attributed to the weather were reported from Iowa, four; Illinois, 7; including 4 in the Chicago district; South Dakota 1; Wisconsin 1; and Montana 1. Some of the deaths were from exposure, some from accidents and some from heart disease attributed to the cold.

Gales Sweep Waters
Lake vessels at Buffalo, Detroit, Milwaukee, and other ports were menaced by the gale. Four freighters and a passenger steamer were torn from their moorings at Buffalo, a steamer was on the rocks near Michael Bay, and boats moored in the Detroit river, were torn from their fastenings.

Fire added to the suffering caused by storm and cold and at several points disastrous fires were reported. A group of students and several families were driven from their homes in Chicago into zero temperatures by fires attributed to overheated furnaces and a blaze at East Chicago, Indiana, starting from the same cause, wiped out part of a business block, with a loss estimated at \$200,000.

Chicago, the largest city in the path of zero temperatures, found hundreds of homeless clamoring for shelter, as the first real winter weather struck. Scores were given temporary quarters in police stations and relief organizations were attempting to provide food and warmth for many others.

Parts of the northwest were almost isolated from the outside world by the combination of cold and snow. Telephone and telegraph communications were cut off in train service was crippled and roads were impassable in parts of Minnesota, Iowa, North and South Dakota, and Nebraska.

THE PENITENTIARY ANNUAL SHOW BIG

Three Act Comedy and Vaudeville Feature Acts In the Fine Program

There is all kinds of talent at the Oregon penitentiary—you can find some one who can do most anything there; who has done something, among the more than 625 inmates.

Every year, they are allowed to give a show. They use the profits for their amusement fund. To buy music. To purchase musical instruments. To buy baseball paraphernalia. Everything in the line of things needed for amusement in the institution.

This year, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of next week, in the evenings, they are to give "The Private Secretary," a three act farcical comedy. And they are to have vaudeville feature acts. The prison symphony orchestra will furnish the music.

This is something different. The amusement hall will no doubt be filled.

Nearly every one wants to see what the men behind the grim gray walls can do to amuse themselves and the people whom they attempt to entertain. Always, there are surprises, especially to the uninitiated.

This year, the show is to be better and bigger than ever. Notice the advertisement, for particulars.

HARRY HILL PASSES
NATIVE OF ENGLAND PRAISED BY FRIENDS HERE
Nothing but high praise and appreciation from his employers and friends have been expressed for Harry Hill, who passed away Tuesday afternoon at the Deaconess hospital.

Mr. Hill was for five years night watchman at the Ramsey Brothers garage, and also worked several years for Don Upjohn. He came to the United States from England in 1911, arriving in Salem some time later.

Scrupulously honest, trustworthy, ever dependable and kindly, Mr. Hill endeared himself to all who knew him. He was a member of the Episcopal church in England.

Funeral services will be held at the Webb Funeral parlors Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment will be made in the City View cemetery.

There are said to be 32,000 bars in Paris. Wonder where they got all the brass railings?

WET-DRY BALLOT PLAN OF AMERICAN LEGION

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legislation should not remain a dead letter, which permits people to scoff at our institutions, but should be removed from our public records.

Questions to be submitted are: "Shall the eighteenth amendment and the Volstead act be approved and continued?" "Shall the Volstead act be amended so as to permit the use of light wines and beers, with the usual natural percentage of alcohol?"

The results of the poll will be registered by states.

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1926 Master Buick Sedan, Rubber 80%,	\$1150
1926 Buick Standard Coach, Fully Equipped, Rubber Like New, Original Paint	\$985
1926 Buick Standard Coupe, New Rubber, Original Paint, Fully Equipped,	\$975
1923 Light Six Studebaker Coupe, Fully Equipped, Original Paint	\$345
1923 Maxwell Sedan, New Rubber, First Class Upholstery, Going at	\$325
1925 Model 66 Willys Knight Sedan, Fully Equipped,	\$975
1923 Light Six Studebaker Sedan, Fully Equipped, Rubber 80%	\$345
1926 Paige Coach, Fully Equipped, First Class Rubber, Four Wheel Brakes, Priced To Sell	\$850

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