

IN THE SPOTLIGHT NEWS and GOSSIP OF THE STAGE

AT THE TACOMA. HARRY BERESFORD HERE TOMORROW

After raising a cloud of favorable criticism in every city along the coast, as well as those in the east and south, Harry Beresford, known as "that odd comedian," has finally reached Tacoma, and will appear at the Tacoma theater tomorrow evening in "Who's Your Friend?" his latest comedy success.

Mr. Beresford's presentation of this newest of all freak comedies is said to be the greatest laughter producer seen in many a day. The successes scored by him in New York, Chicago and London testify as to the brightness of the play.

Lillian Russell in "Wildfire" Lillian Russell comes to the Tacoma theater Friday and Saturday, April 23 and 24, for her appearance in this city in her latest raucous hit, "Wildfire." Miss Russell, who is really the whole show, has gained wide notoriety through her intense interest in racing, and her present play was specially written for her on this account. The plot is said to be clean and smartly clever.

Richard Carle's much-talked-of "Mary's Lamb" will be seen at the Tacoma soon. The play is said to be one of the most ridiculously comic shows ever put on the road. Mr. Carle, who has scored in every thing that he ever attempted, is doing his best work in this year's production.

Norman Hackett in "Classmates" When Norman Hackett comes to the Tacoma theater soon he will be seen in the great New York success, "Classmates," which was played at the Hudson theater all last season. The play is American from start to finish, and Mr. Hackett, it is said, is more American than the play.

AT THE STAR.

One of the best known musical plays ever put before the American people, and one which has been presented more times than any other English-speaking play, will be given at the Star theater next week by the McRae players, "Shore Acres," written by the late James A. Herne, is a character study carefully staged and executed. It deals with everything that is human in man, and the story, simple in its own clothes, is so interestingly told that the average audience is enthused to rounds of excited applause.

Realism is the keynote of the presentation. Birds in the trees, sailing yachts in the distance, horses moving about the pasture, the ticking of a clock on the mantle in act 2, the storm, the lighthouse, and the terrific struggle between the two brothers, each is so graphically given, that the story takes on new features and assumes the proportions of a huge dramatic poem.

A feature of the McRae presentation will be the old-fashioned turkey dinner in the third act. Hot, steaming roast turkey—real turkey, too—together with all the accessories of a real dinner, will be taken from the kitchen oven before the eyes of the audience and placed on the table. A large company will be seen at the Star next week, and a very good show is promised.

AT THE PANTAGES.

Rafayette's acrobatic dogs lead next week's bill at the Pantages. They are the best acrobatic dogs that have ever appeared on this circuit. They do side twisters, forward somersaults, hand stands, head stands, and one of the dogs does a stand on one fore leg. Mogan and McGarry, wooden shoe and soft shoe dancers, with six singing and dancing girls, make five complete costume changes.

Scott and Wilson have a gymnastic and wrestling act that is worked in a very unique manner.

Mr. Scott comes out and announces that his partner is unable to appear and that the act cannot be put on, but that the remainder of the show will proceed. As he turns to walk off the stage, his partner, who is in the audience dressed as a farmer, yells out, "Why don't you get someone to take his place?" and goes on to say that he has come a long way to see that show and he wants to see it all. They talk back and forth a while, getting a lot of laughs, and finally the partner in the audience goes upon the stage, and the act proceeds.

Harland & Rollinson do an eccentric novelty musical act. The act has a distinctly English atmosphere and style. Chartres Sisters, singers and whistlers, Georgia (soprano) and Willette (whistler), will be a feature of the show. They make four changes of costumes during the course of the act.

AT THE GRAND

May Ward's eight Dresden dolls will be the principal attraction at the Grand theater next week. Eight very good-looking girls are said to compose the display of unique crochery, and the singing and musical interpositions are very dainty and pleasing. Jessie Morris, a former musical comedy star, is featured. Each matinee a beautiful doll will be given away as a souvenir.

Something new and original in the way of a vaudeville playlet will be presented by the well-known protean actor, V. L. Granville. There are five characters in the act, and Mr. Granville will portray all of them.

Norton and Russell, character change artists, will be seen in what is said to be a particularly strong turn. Their closing specialty, "The Organ Grinder and the Monk," is new and decidedly unique.

The Meeh International Trio will offer some original, sensational and artistic feats of strength and skill. Gaynell Everett, singing and dancing soloist, will present a pleasing turn.

Geo. F. Keane will sing "Sweetheart, Won't You Come With Me to Dreamland?" and the Grand-scope will show "Daughter of the Sun."

WIFE SAYS SHE WAS OFTEN TOLD OF NO. 1'S SUICIDE

MRS. HEMETER AVERS HUSBAND AWOKE HER AT NIGHT TO TELL SAD TALE.

CLEVELAND, O., April 10.—Mrs. John C. Hemmeter told Judge Schwan in divorce court that her husband, an accountant, was wont to wake her up in the night and tell her the story of his first wife's suicide. It was a sad story, and at its conclusion, said Mrs. Hemmeter, her husband would get out a revolver, twirl the chamber and say, "One wife is dead, another is on her way, but the old general is still alive."

PAYROLL IS \$60,000 OVER LAST YEAR

Councilman Wilkeson is working up a report on municipal finances to show just where the council and the various departments are heading. He proposes to have the controller issue every couple of weeks a statement showing just what the annual levy provided for each department and just how much of this has been spent. This will show the councilman how much there is left for the rest of the year. At the rate the council has been urging new expenditures lately, it is feared there will be a shortage at the end of the year, unless something is done to show the solons where they are going.

The salaries of the last year have jumped a total of \$60,000 above the expenditures of the year before.

She woke his wife up to tell her any such stories in the night. Mrs. Hemmeter said the story of the suicide wasn't her only reason for seeking a divorce. There was the parrot.

Mrs. Hemmeter said she had a great affection for her parrot, and that when they separated she asked her husband to send her the parrot. Hemmeter, she said, sent her the parrot dead by mail. She said the shock was even greater than that she suffered when she was waked up in the night and told all about how the first wife committed suicide. Hemmeter, who is about 60 years old, acted as his own attorney. He began by borrowing a pencil of the judge. In cross-examining his wife he knelt dramatically and said, "Woman, for God's sake, tell the truth."

TO BEGIN BRIDGE WORK AT ONCE

Work is to be started at once looking to the erection of the new bridges for which bonds were voted by the people last Tuesday. The bridge engineers in the office of Engineer Davis will be put to work on plans at once and Mr. Davis himself will look up the matter of concrete bridges while he is in the East. "The Tacoma avenue bridge will be of steel, as the height from the bottom of the gulch too great to make a concrete bridge feasible."

UP BEFORE THE BAR N. H. Brown, an attorney, of Pittsfield, Vt., writes: "We have used Dr. Kitcher's New Life Pills for years and find them such a good family medicine we wouldn't be without them. For Chills, Constipation, Biliousness or Sick Headache they work wonders. 25c. All druggists."

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EXPLOSION

(By United Press Leased Wire.) JOHNSTOWN, Pa., April 10.—Seven men are dead and three injured, one probably fatally, as the result of an explosion of dynamite at the Berwind-White company's mine at Berwind near here, late yesterday.

Inexperienced miners placed over charges of the high explosive in six holes in the rock and paid for their mistake with their lives.

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After a most exciting chase for an automobile thief, in which two large autos bounded over the road from Seattle to Tacoma during the early hours of morning today, Guy Havaugh, a Seattle chauffeur, arrived here about 9 o'clock and applied to the police for aid. He said that he had followed his own automobile, which was stolen by an unknown person in Seattle about 3 o'clock a. m., until he reached Pacific avenue and Puyallup avenue, this city, where he suddenly lost the trail.

Havaugh says that he was called to an address on Seneca street, Seattle, early this morning and he drove his large Pierce Arrow car, valued at \$5,000, to the place. While searching in the dark for the supposed address he heard some one cranking his machine. Next moment the auto had disappeared down the hill. Havaugh secured another car and gave chase, finally arriving here. No trace of the missing machine has been found.

It is a large dark green car, with cushion covers on the seats. The state number is 2749 and the car number 4060.

ELKS TO HEAR A LECTURE ON PASSION PLAY

Tacoma Elks are anticipating with considerable pleasure an illustrated lecture on the "Passion Play," to be given in Elks' hall next Wednesday evening by John Jay Lewis. Mr. Lewis comes to Tacoma highly recommended, and the entertainment gives promise of being one of the best ever given by the lodge. All Elks are invited to be present.

AUTHOR THREATENED

(By United Press Leased Wire.) SAN FRANCISCO, April 10.—It was learned today that Horace Whitaker, author of "The Planter," has received a letter from Mexican planters warning him that his life will pay the forfeit if he again sets foot on Mexican soil. The Planter, published by Whitaker a short time ago, exposed a system of peonage which is alleged to exist on the great plantations in the northern part of Mexico.

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