

At The Theatres

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Grand
Bret Harte cannot be excelled in drawing western characterization. "Fighting Cressy," in which Jesse D. Hampton and Fathé present Blanche Sweet at the Grand theater for one more day, is adapted from Bret Harte's story, "Cressy," which tells a charming romance in the days when California was new and rugged and undeveloped.

The plot of "Fighting Cressy" has to do with a feud carried on by two old settlers over the boundary line of their property. Romance enters to their sunshine when Cressy, the daughter of one of the pioneers, loses her heart to a member of a rival camp. Her heart is reached by one of the heroes with picturesque scenes in the Cressy, spirited, vivacious and utterly charming, is the dominant figure. You catch the glamour of these early days in the Golden West. There are with quaint humor and atmosphere, pathos and poetry, that engage you and lift you from your environment.

In the title role Blanche Sweet gives an exquisite performance—one which is filled with charm and feeling. She can humanize a Bret Harte heroine better than any other actress on the screen. Her absence from the camera will recently has brought depth to her interpretative ability. She makes Cressy and unforgettable figure. A splendid cast including Russell Simpson, Edward Peil, Walter Perry, Frank Lansing, Pell Trenton, Antrim Short, George Stone, Eunice Moore and Billie Bennett, has been assembled to interpret the remaining characters.

Victoria.
Motion pictures have brought the beauties and glories of nature closer to those who have not traveled than all the books ever written and all the pictures ever painted. And to those who have seen in actuality the views flashed on the screen the camera has afforded added pleasure.

Rex Beach's newest book to be pictured is one of his best known stories, "The Brand." Admirers of the Rex Beach books will remember it is a story of Alaska and the Klondike. Obviously impossible to send a company there in winter, Mr. Beach journeyed to the Goldwyn studios in California to confer with Reginald Barker, the director, and other studio executives to determine what should be done. The success of his other cinema achievements made it impossible to wait until summer to penetrate into the northern country. He decided that Truckee, far up in the Sierra Nevada Mountains, would approximate the frozen beauties of Alaska and there the company was sent. The public will appreciate Rex Beach's judgment when "The Brand" plays at the Victoria the last times today.

The tiny town of Ophir, newly sprung from the rock ribs of the lower Yukon trail, will be seen in all its primitive crudeness and vigor. The author describes it as "a husky he-camp preparing against the imminent, icy grip of grim winter, which will lock the Yukon fast in its bed."

Victoria Tomorrow.
In picturing his famous novel Rex Beach enjoys an advantage shared by no other author. It consists of his personal supervision, which begins with the choice of the novel and scarcely ends when the motion picture is projected on the screen. He never ceases to re-edit the captions and improve the action, guided by what he hears when he visits theaters where his photoplays are shown.

"The Crimson Gardenia," which comes to the Victoria theater beginning tomorrow is his newest offering, and the novelist journeyed from New

York to California to be present at its production in the Goldwyn studios.

As a matter of course he supervised the preparation of the scenario, personally selected every member of the cast from Owen Moore and Hedda Nova, who play the most important roles, down to Tina Marshall, who characterizes the telephone girl. Throughout he conferred with Reginald Barker, entrusted with the actual direction of the play, and aided the technical staff in a score of ways.

Grand
Prospective brides may find valuable hints for happiness in "A Temperamental Wife," starring Constance Talmadge and which will be seen at the Grand theater, commencing tomorrow.

Taking the part of Billie Billings, pretty, wealthy and afflicted with an unreasonably jealous nature, Constance Talmadge has a novel assortment of experience both before and after her marriage to the prim Senator Newton from Nevada. Rather sickly before marriage, by the time the solon has experienced some of his jealous-wife's eccentricities he is in a most vigorous physical shape and able to whip his weight in wildcats and Bulgarian counts who should know better.

HECKLERS IN GALLERY DISTURB SENATORS
Irish Sympathizers Persist in Asking Questions.

Washington, June 1.—The United States senate was heckled from the galleries today by a dozen women sympathizers with the cause of Irish freedom.

Stationed in the four quarters of the gallery floor, the women began their volley of inquiries when Senator Brandegee, republican, Connecticut, speaking against the Armenian mandate, made a passing reference to the ravages of the "huns." "Why not eject the English Buns from Ireland?" shouted the first interrupter.

"I didn't give my boy to —" began another woman, but an usher pounced upon her before she finished the sentence.

Simultaneously five other women, Misses Moyra Quinn, Kathleen Savage, Mary Ferrick, Helen O'Brien, of Boston and Mary McCarty, of New York, sprang up in the galleries, challenging members to deny their appeal for Irish sympathy. Their cries were answered by cheers and hisses while proceedings were suspended until they could be ejected.

Representative Blanton, democrat, Texas, asked that the galleries be closed and that the sergeant-at-arms take the women into custody.

"You can't do that, the whole crowd can't do that," one of the women shouted.

Others joined in their demands that they be heard. Doorkeepers attempted to take them up. They ran around the galleries, however, and it was several minutes before they were finally ejected.

DISORDER IN GERMANY.
London, June 1.—Riotous disorders are taking place in Germany as a result of the political campaign in that country, according to a Berlin dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company.

A meeting of the democratic party in Berlin Sunday ended in a serious fight. It is said, communists attacking nationalists with sticks, beer glasses and chairs, and storming the speaker's platform.

Everywhere in Germany there is great tension, the dispatch declares.

CARPENTERS QUIT WORK.
New Orleans, June 1.—Approximately 2,000 union carpenters were on strike here today following their vote last night to reject a compromise offer of contractors.

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