What the. Theaters Offer

HOSE who are planning to witness "Lightnin" will have only one more opportunity because the famous comedy classic will terminate its engagement at the Brandeis theater with extra performances today, matinee and evening. There are still plenty of seats at all prices and those who visit the box office during the day and early evening will be in no danger of disappointment.

True to predictions, Lightnin' Bill Jones, the flirtatious vaudeville actress, the Reno judge and other characters of "Lightnin" have captivated this city as completely as they did New York during their historic three years' run at the Gaiety theater. The production which John Golden has sent here was staged under the personal direction of Winchell Smith and it lacks nothing of the smartness or splendor of the presentation in New York and Chicago. The cast is headed by Thomas Jefferson, son of the late Joseph Jefferson, in the Bill Jones role, and Bessie Bacon, daughter of Frank Bacon, as the vaudeville actress. Other principals are Charles E. Evans, Ida St. Leon, Robert Keith and Grace Henderson.

Including the two extra performances today, a total of 12 perform-ances have been given in Omaha during the eight days with extra chairs the rule, at each of them, so that all records for attendance and receipts will undoubtedly be smashed.

Avery Hopwood's successful comedy, "The Gold Diggers," under the direction of David Belasco, will be presented Monday night at the Branteis theater for three days, with a matinee Wednesday. The story of 'The Gold Diggers" has to do with a phase of metropolitan life. Mr. Hopwood has brilliantly and humorcusly pictured that of the New York chorus girl, who when not appearing publicly in her professional capacity, addresses herself to the business of adroitly wheedling money from her admirers and spending the same with a free and lavish hand. The unusual atmosphere of "The Gold Diggers" has afforded Mr. Belasco abundant opportunity for novel and effective stage adornment. The company, which is headed by Gertrude Vanderbilt, is of the high quality that is to be expected in an organization bearing Mr. Btlasco's name, and includes in its membership Charles Hammond, David Glassford, Thomas M. Reynolds, Day Manson, Harry Alexander, Richard W. Haines, Harry D. Shook, Walter Hagerty, Lorraine Lally, Winifred Barry, Cora Williams, Daisy Rudd, Ursule Hollande, Edna Bennett, Katherine Walsh, Marguerite Austin, Lucile Adams, Sally Bergman and

cast of 10 clever artists, is the headline attraction in the new vaudeville and photoplay program at the World theater. Many Caroline Daniels is featured with Dominic, a youthful Italian handling the comedy, Songs and dances, comedy chatter and instrumental music make up the en-

sent one of the oddities of vaudeville. The Four Ortons, comedy wireists, feature that awful Orton, "The Duke of Duck." Fun is the keynote of this offering, with plenty of thrills, Maurice, the French conjurer and card manipulator, making his first American tour, presents an act warranted to kill any case of grouch. Premier xylophonists are the Three Avolos, who present one of the largest xyl phones in the world. Nash and Marsh in a melange of comedy song and dance complete the vaudeville portion of the bill.

The full length photoplay is a story of romance and intrigue captioned The Woman Who Fooled Herself." It serves as an ideal starring vehicle for May Allison and Robert Ellis.

at the Empress for four days start-Good looks and a winsome personality are by no means the least of the alluring endowments possessed by Miss Bobby Folsom. Gifted with a voice unusually well trained and assisted capably by Jack Denny, she omes to the Orpheum this week with the Metropolitan orchestra. She and her associates present modern music and songs in a manner thoroughly charming. Little Billy, known as vaudeville's tiniest headliner, is to present "Story Songs;" seven numers of them in three scenes, as one of the featured attractions. He has the assistance of Irving E. Plummer at the piano. In the 1922 edition of their amusing skit, "Will Yer, Jim?" J. Francis Dooley and Corrine Sales offer another featured part of the bill. The show is to have four other standard Orpheum acts. Among these is "A Study in Pep," acrobatic dancing, presented by Pearson, Newport and Pearson. Fred Bernard and Sid Garry have an act in which clever impersonations are mingled with entertaining songs. They give impressions of Eddie Cantor, Belle Baker and Al Jolson. DeWitt, Burns and Torrence offer DeWitt's fantastic creation. "The Awakening of the Toys." A French doll, a Jack-in-the-box and wooden soldier accomplish amusing feats. European poseurs and equilibrists, Virgii and Blanche Florenis, perform daring and hazardous feats. Once again the cartoon comic, Aesop's Fables will be a screen feature. Topics of the Day and the Pathe Weekly are also to be shown.

One of the principal attractions at the Empress starting Thursday will be a contrast in appearance to be offered by Moore and Shy. One memher of this duo is a man more than 6 feet in height and weighing 400 pounds. The other less than 4 tall and with an avoirdupois of 87. They will sing, dance, talk and introduce some knockabout acrobatics that are designated a scream. The net comes here direct after playing some of the largest theaters in the country, where is scored a pronounced

A song and dance diversion, in which all the joyousness of youth will he depicted, is the feature atraction at the Empress for four days starting today. This act is to be offered by Gibson Sisters and Grady, Both Audrey and Eva Gibson are stars of the dance firmament, although they are scarcely more than 16. Their partner, Al Grady, likewise will be



noted as being endowed with person- titled "Somehting New Beneath the talk, hinged together in an original Maude Daniels' miniature musical ality and the spirit of youth. The Sun," which Ray Shannon and Meyer manner. A new form of wire walking comedy revue, "Youth," employing a second offering on this bill is en- Gordon present of songs, tunes and feats will be demonstrated by The

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Philmers, a highly skilled man and woman. Lew Sully will close this vaudeville program with "Words and Music." The musical program for the first four days of this week is entitled "When Winter Comes," which will be rendered by Sutton's All Star Empress orchestra.

furnish this week's entertainment at the Gayety theater, including the customary daily matinee. "Krousemey. producers of Columbia burlesque at er's Alley." the every-verdant source tractions. Mr. Cooper was personally of merriment that Billy Watson has known to practically everyone in burfor nearly two decades presented to lesque from stage hands to stars. He patrons of Columbia burslesque thea- had traveled with his own companies ters, will serve in new and brightened over the Columbia wheel, both as form as the princiapl medium of the star and manager for several years, entertainment the "Beef Trust Beau- and his death becomes a loss to burfies" will afford. Clarence Wilbur lesque because of his constant effort plays the role of "Grogan," who heads to improve the character of his shows the clan that disputes "Krousemey and thus influence others. ing the belligerents apart. In addi- cal life. His career starts from the stars of the list Morette Sisters, New York city he discovered on the prima donna of the singing forces, playmates. is said to be a sweet voiced balladist / He eventually formed a partnership ensemble will include 20 girls picked and Stewart were started upon

Ardine will be prominent in the en- clean burlesque could be made poputertainment to be offered at the Or. lar and profitable. pheum next week. With a cast of He was one of several other burseven carefully chosen players headed lesque producers who helped form the by Helen Goodhue, the A. H. Woods' Columbia Wheel and his efforts durby Helen Goodhue, the A. H. Woods'

ence, personal attendant upon his vives the late showman. majesty, the king, impersonated by Town," William P. Nunn. His thorough as stage manager, which posin he occupies with "Tangerine."

Doug Fairbanks Says:

they go bigger and bigger.

James E. Cooper Columbia Leader, Mourned by Many

people around the Gayety theater be-Billy "Beef Trust" Watson will Monday, January 29, of James E. (Blutch) Cooper, one of the foremost

er's" supremacy; Jules Jacobs will be "Blutch" Cooper's struggles and the policeman who is kept busy pry- successes are no new story to theatrition vaudeville features introduce as age of 16, when as a boy at home in elever instrumentalists. Sweeney and school playground that he had a Rooney who have danced their way knack for dancing and foolery that around the world. Dot Leighton, made him popular with his fellow

of special attainments. The chorus with Harry Stewart and soon Cooper by Watson to represent his "Beef "career" that lasted more than 10 Trust" ideas of feminine pulchritude. years. Their work led them into bur-Friday night cash prizes will be lesque, which at that time was a far given to the patrons guessing nearest different entertainment than is now the gross weight of the Beef Trust provided by Columbia attractions. As choristers. Today's matinee starts at the seasons passed Cooper appeared with many and various kinds of bur-In their new offering, "The Night lesque troupes, until he became one Watchman." George McKay and Ottle of a number of men who believed that

success, "Parlor, Bedroom and Bath," ing several years past have been dipromises to score as a special laughin' rected exclusively to producing shows The farce has been rewritten and starring in them on the Columbia for vaudeville presentation, but all circuit. A few years ago Mr. Cooper the hilarious situations have been re. and his wife, Lucia Cooper, a popular burlesque leading woman, retired from stage work, Mr. Cooper to de-One of the several amusing comedy vote himself to producing shows, characters in "Tangerine," coming to while Mrs. Cooper dedicated her efthe Brandels theater, Saturday and forts to the care of their daughter, Sunday, February 17 and 18, is Clar. Henrietta, who, with his widow, sur-

During the present season "Folly Fown," "Keep Smiling" and "Big knowledge of all that appertains to Jamboree" were three of the Columthe region behind the footlights has bia wheel shows that Mr. Cooper rained for Mr. Nunn a fine reputa- produced and managed. One of his more recent activities in behalf of the social side of burlesque was the interest he had taken in the Burlesque club of New York, as its enthusiastic president. He was a mem Every day in every way pictures ber of Pacific lodge, A. F. and A. M., are getting harder and harder; but if and a member of New York lodge, ou make them gooder and gooder, B. P. O. Elks. He was 49 when he

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