

Director's Worried Over His Latest Production

Film Costing Cool Million May Be Flop

Clarence Brown Claims Public Misses Many Hits Due To Titles

HOLLYWOOD, April 20—(UP)—We had lunch today with a worried movie director. And we don't guess anybody can worry better than the man behind the megaphone. It's like the eight-ball.

Our man was Clarence Brown, one of the most distinguished in the business, and what had him in the doldrums was the impending release of his latest picture. It cost almost \$1,000,000 had Spencer Tracy for star and reflected the lavish care of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer. Its title: "Edison, The Man." There was no doubt of its high quality.

"Only that's not the point," Brown said. "Mere fact that it's a good show doesn't mean it will be a box office success. And no movie is any good if you can't persuade the people to pay their way in to see it."

Two years ago Brown made "Of Human Hearts," a drama of Civil war days, with Walter Huston, Beula Bondi and James Stewart. "I still believe it was the best picture I ever made," he said. "And the records show it was an outstanding fizzle. So I try to analyze a thing like that."

"James Stewart wasn't too well known then. Neither was the rest of the cast. Then I remembered the studio engaged in a nationwide exploitation campaign, offering a \$5,000 prize for the best title. How 'Of Human Hearts' won is beyond me; it doesn't mean anything at all."

"So the people stayed away in droves from that picture; if they only could have been lured inside the theatres. I think they would have had a good time."

Brown said he supposed the only sure-fire method of attracting movie customers is to offer a film with a lurid, sexy, title for the marquee and three big name stars, two men and a woman, to play in the picture.

"Give me a title like 'Flesh and the Devil,'" he said, "plus Garbo, Gable and Tracy for actors and I wouldn't ask for anything more. That combination would draw the people in. They'd know they'd see Gable fighting Tracy for the favors of Garbo. And that seems to be what the majority wants."

"Or maybe it's what the majority thinks it wants. If you can ever get the average man inside to see a high class movie, he comes out satisfied. So I suppose the problem is one of selling our products to the public."

That's a problem that is a problem. The movies have used so many superlatives to describe some superlatively bad dramas of the silver sheet, that when they have a really good show, they're all out of words.

SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST TEAM IS APPOINTED

(Lima News Bureau) OTTAWA, April 20—Pupils from Sts. Peter and Paul parochial high school who will take part in the district-state scholarship contest at Bowling Green university May 4 were announced here today.

Two pupils in each of 12 subjects will make up the team. The members follow: Latin I, Rosaline Borer and Virgil Droll; Latin II, Floyd Klausling and Rita Kruse; world history, Francis X. Hermiller and Floyd Klausling; geometry, Cletus Weber and Florence Meyer; United States history, Robert Moening and Robert Trame; algebra, Betty Buescher and Rosaline Borer.

General science, Carl Drupur and Betty Goedde; chemistry, Robert Moening and Janet Borchert; English nine, Virgil Droll and Eleanor Goedde; English 10, Alice Labadie and Esther Klemm; English 11, Gerald Goedde and Rosemary Meiler, and English 12, Frances Klemm and Esther Drupur.

Pupils of the school recently won their school high honors in the National Catholic High School Typists-assign contest, it also was announced today. Third place in the first-year division and honorable mention in the second-year division were awarded the Ottawa parochial pupils.

Rosemary Schmenk won second place in the first-year group. She received a ribbon while the school won a cup and a plaque.

CONTRACTS AWARDED FOR CARE OF SIX CEMETERIES

(Special To The Lima News) BLUFFTON, April 20—Contracts for the care of six cemeteries in Richland-tp has been let by township trustees, as follows: Old cemetery, Bluffton, Dan McCafferty, \$32.50; Old Memorial cemetery, Wayne Yoakam, \$40; Gratz cemetery, Walter Schaublin, \$24; Old cemetery, Beaverdam, Max McCafferty, \$55; Woodlawn cemetery, Max McCafferty, \$53.50; and Pleasant Hill cemetery, Hiram Reichenbach, \$41.50.

MAJOR MOVES OFFICE

OTTAWA, April 20—Major J. S. Ogan, Jr., of Ottawa said today that he has moved his insurance office and his office for handling automobile license registrations to the Huber-bldg. on Taft av. from the Kable Home Equipment store.

Jack Benny Will Report On Night Life Work In Gotham

Charlie McCarthy Still In Bondage Due To Auto Wreck; Two Stars Set On Screen Guild Show

Jack Benny will show how he is doing the town during the first of two broadcasts from New York over WEAF, Sunday, at 7:00 p. m. The visiting comedian will tell Mary Livingstone, Dennis Day, Phil Harris and Don Wilson how he has been setting the metropolitan night life on fire.

Charlie McCarthy's state of peonage to Donald Dickson since he "borrowed" and wrecked the Dickson car during the troupe's recent visit to New York, will not be eased by the guest coming up to the WEAF program, Sunday, at 8:00 p. m. The guest is Charles Laughton, British screen actor who proved on a recent visit to the program that he can be tough—and particularly with McCarthy.

Rosalind Russell and Spencer Tracy, supported by a stellar cast of featured movie players, will be co-starred in a radio adaptation of that politically-daring film, "Ninotchka," on the "Screen Guild Theatre," Sunday, over WABC, at 8:00 p. m.

The appearance of Miss Russell and Tracy will mark the last program this season of the "Screen Guild Theatre" series which will be replaced by that popular detective program, the adventures of Elzey Queen, the following Sunday, April 28.

The brilliant artistry of Albert Spalding, distinguished American violinist, will be featured on the Sunday Evening Hour. Fritz Reiner will conduct the Symphony Orchestra and chorus in the program, which is to be broadcast from 9 to 10 p. m. over WJL.

Mr. Spalding will open his part of the program with the popular Rondo from "Symphonie Espagnole" by Lalo. Later he will contribute the Sarasate transcription of Chopin's familiar "Nocturne in E Flat," and Granados arrangement of Kreisler's "Spanish Dance in E Minor."

In recognition of the Children's Crusade for Children, a financial drive for the benefit of refugee children in all parts of the world, the "Hour of Charm" will present Mrs. Dorothy Canfield Fisher, novelist and originator of the campaign, as its thirty-second "Woman of the Week" in the current series. The program will be broadcast Sunday, from 10:00 to 10:30 p. m., over WEAF.

Baritone Perry Coma will sing "Too Romantic" as a musical feature of Ted Weems' "Beat the Band" broadcast, Sunday, at 6:30 p. m. over WEAF. Elmo Tanner will "Give a Little Whistle" and Ted Weems' orchestra will play "Little Girl" and "Take Another Guess." Garry Moore will man the question counter.

The circus is coming to Radio City and the National Broadcasting Company's Studio 8-H, world's largest, will become the "Big Top" when Merle Evans' Circus Band clambers aboard the Bandwagon Sunday, over WEAF.

Jean Dickenson will sing the soprano aria, "Dolce Pensiero," from Rissini's opera "Semiramide," during the broadcast.

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

(Eastern Standard Time)—Subtract One Hr. for C.S.T. 2 Hrs. for M.T. (Changes in programs as indicated due to last minute network corrections)

- 1:00—Music for Moderns—nbc-wef
- The Pilgrimage of Poetry—nbc-wjz
- 1:30—The Big Broadcast—nbc-wjz
- 2:00—The Family in Songs—nbc-wjz
- 2:30—The Family in Songs—nbc-wjz
- 3:00—The Family in Songs—nbc-wjz
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- 12:00—The Family in Songs—nbc-wjz

NEW NYA SUPERVISION OPENS OFFICE AT ADA

(Special To The Lima News) ADA, April 20—Paul V. Jaqua, formerly of Marion, and who was appointed recently as NYA supervisor of Hardin-co, has assumed his duties and will receive applications for certification from Hardin-co youth desiring NYA work at his office on the second floor of the municipal building in Ada. Mr. and Mrs. Jaqua and two children have moved to Ada from Marion, where he served as Marion-co NYA supervisor for two years. Miss Ruth Hutchinson, member of the NYA staff in Columbus and supervisor of women's projects, is at the State Resident Training center in Ada where she will temporarily supervise the operation of this project.

NIGHT LIFE FOOTNOTES

MOXY GRILL—A dandy drink drink emporium. Open on Sundays for food of high quality. A very popular spot.

LOST CREEK—Very fine food. It is said. According to the management the demand is strictly on the steak side. Very dignified and quiet surroundings.

CASTLE FARM—Hoss racing is still the main go at this. Slick system of jockey encouragement. Gals show the customers how easy it is to migrate about on the wooden nags. Then the gents rush madly in and leap into the saddles. And out again.

ALPINE VILLAGE—A real whoop-and-shout annex. One of the freskiest thrust-extinguishing resorts in the area. Good dance floor and liberal jug portions. Also to be had are reasonable eatments.

BLINKING OWL—Remodeling process is now complete and all looks swell. Bud Warneke and orchestra play Friday, Saturday and Sunday in the Terrace Room.

DIXIE NITE CLUB—When northbound in Jackson-st, by all means don't fail to stop and fill your canteen at this oasis. Very large drinks and fine small talk from the barkeeps.

GRASTONE—Special reservations, executed in grand style, are the main go here when you plan on having a party. Congenial atmosphere on the site of one of Lima's one-time headquarters of opulent night life.

BLUE CIRCLE—As emcee in the vanguard of Dunc Williams' band, this guy Eddie Snyder does a masterful job. Jam session is featured Sunday afternoon with the band augmented by several fine fiddled musicians.

STONE'S GRILL—Tallest li-quid portions in town. By the bye, Harry Minton, big chief of the Lima chapter, hereby reminds his clients that anywhere you go in Ohio, you're only a step from a Stone's grill.

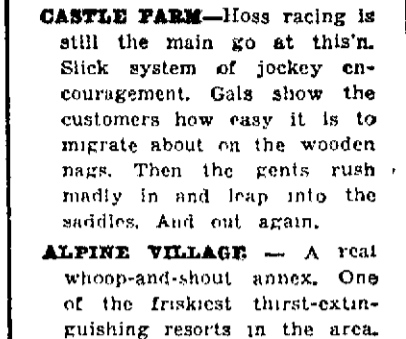
BARR RAINBOW ROOM—Lima's famous display either sport with myriads of young things constantly at-twitch and a jitterbugging.

STARLITE CAFE—All redecorated. New booths. Fresh paint. Pink elephants on the walls. Good place.

DANCELAND—Arden Wilson and his band play here Sunday night.

WALDO BATHSKELER—Harry Fields, dispenser of the cheer, does a mighty fine pouring job. Besides his famous by-play and conversation, he directs the blending of some mighty fine beverages.

DICK'S PLACE—Judging from the cheerful customers that seek cheer in this relaxation spot, they really must have something at Dick's.



BEST BETS SUNDAY

- 5:30—"Cavalcade of America," WLW.
- 6:00—Conrad Nagel's Theatre, WJR.
- 7:00—Jack Benny Program, WLW.
- 7:30—Mr. District Attorney, WLW.
- 8:00—Charlie McCarthy, WLW.
- 9:00—Sunday Evening Hour, WJR.

ing the American Album of Familiar Music, Sunday, at 9:30 p. m., over WEAF. Miss Dickenson also will join tenor Frank Munn and the Buckingham Choir in a choral version of Beethoven's "Minuet in G," featuring Bertrand Hirsch as violin soloist. Munn's solo will be "Sylvia" by Oley Speaks. Elizabeth Lennox, contralto, will be heard with the choir in "By the Waters of Minnetonka" by Leaurance, and with Frank Munn in "Wanting You" from Romberg's "New Moon." Gustave Hamneshen will conduct the orchestra.

Hanley Stafford Myrna Marsh, Lucene Tuttle, C. Henry Morgan, Jane Morgan and Fred Mackaye will be heard in the "I Want a Divorce" drama Sunday, at 3:00 p. m., over WEAF, when a realistic short, short story by Hugh Wiley, is presented. "When a boy and girl marry, do they 'marry' each other's family, too?" is the problem with which the play, adopted for radio by Van Fleming, will deal.

Felix Miller, king of clowns, and Paul Jung, another clown who specializes in making those ridiculous masks which which convey circus abounds, will go on hand to greet youthful passengers of the Coast in Coast on a Bus program, when they make a stop at Clowen Alley, under the seats of Madison Square Garden, for the broadcast over WJZ, at 10:00 a. m.

Police Saturday arrested a 16-year-old boy who they claim stole \$28 from a filling station at North and Union-sts Thursday evening. George Miller, station attendant, claimed the money was stolen while he was away from the establishment for 15 minutes.

NEWS IN COLORED CIRCLES

Social Items, Lodges, Societies, Personals

There will be a called meeting of the Ladies League of Second Baptist church Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock in the church parlors.

Mrs. Linnie Richardson was confined to her home last week on account of illness.

Among out-of-town relatives and friends who attended the Eliza Copeland funeral Monday afternoon were Mrs. Cassie Richardson of Springfield, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Chancellor, Mr. and Mrs. Clint Copeland, Ralph Copeland, Mrs. George Venable and son Lehman of Anna, Lytle Copeland of Piqua, Mrs. J. Adams of Urbana, Mrs. Helen Clemens and Mrs. Thelma Lee of Sidney.

Mrs. Nora Shoecraft was hostess to the Needlework club Friday afternoon in her home, W. Wayne-st. The members responded to roll call with "Current Events." Members attending were Mrs. Clara Halthcox, Mrs. Florence Cook, Mrs. Grace Webb, Mrs. Della Moxley, Mrs. Lydia King, Mrs. Cora Turner, Mrs. Luella McGee, Mrs. Esther Johnson, Mrs. Anna Johnson, Mrs. Alberta Davis, Mrs. Emma Halthcox, Mrs. Etta Reasley, Mrs. Virginia Reasley, Mrs. Volena Peters, Maurice Halthcox was an only guest.

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CASTLE FARM

"THE SHOWPLACE OF LIMA"

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The Swing Sensation

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THE MINIATURE "MARTHA RAYE"

AND ALL NEW ACTS

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BUDDY SHEPHERD Comedy Mimic

AMERICA'S LOVELIEST GIRLS

HORSE RACES—SUN., MON., TUES.



STARS OF LYRIC'S COMEDY

"Beware Spooks," Lyric comedy stars Joe E. Brown and Mary Carlisle.

Book Reviews

By MARY LATHROP Lima Public Library Staff

WELL-TEMPERED LISTENER—By Deems Taylor—Simon and Schuster, Inc.—\$2.50.

A book based primarily on Taylor's radio talks during intermissions of the Philharmonic Symphony orchestra's Sunday broadcasts. We cannot but admire the urbanity, respect the learning, enjoy the good humor in his book. Because these sketches were given as broadcasts they had to be entertaining, informative and sound. His tendency to over-simplify the personality of the great men with whom he deals is offset by his broad background and his method of presentation makes as interesting reading as it does listening.

COME SPRING—By Ben Ames Williams—Houghton Mifflin Company—\$2.50.

A novel which is long, rich and completely real. It begins in 1776 from the deck of a sloop winding slowly up a Maine river. Mima Robbins gets her first sight of her new home. Mima was 19, liveliest member of a large and lively family. Thru her eyes we see cabins springing up in the frontier and the town come to life. There are fires, droughts, and near-starvation winter after winter. But always faith remains that things will be well.

WALK LIKE A MORTAL—By Dan Wickenden—William Morrow and Company, Inc.—\$2.50.

In his second book, Dan Wickenden has lived up to the great promise shown in his first book, "Running of the Deer." This is the story of one year in the life of 17-year old Gabe Mackenzie. It was the year he was a senior in high school, the year his mother gave up all pretense at devotion to her husband and took up with a livelier man. It was the year he grew up. The story is handled quite simply with a deftness of touch that lifts it out of the ordinary. There are many fine characters, admirably created. Seen thru the eyes of a normal boy, this story of the break-up of a home and marriage is a true picture of American life.

STAR-GAZER—By Zsolt de Harsanyi—G. P. Putnam's Sons—\$2.75.

Galileo stands to this day as the most truly significant figure of the Renaissance, the champion of free scientific inquiry. This novel based on his life could just as well have been biography, except that a novel can weave in guesses and fill in gaps in accepted knowledge, and it can also present the truths of human character. The truth about anyone can only be told in fiction. Thus, the there is no proof, we see Galileo as warm-hearted, absent-minded, impulsive, hesitant and stubborn. He is not romanticized either in his private life or scientific relations, but his life makes a most absorbing story.

GAULEY MOUNTAIN—By Louise McNeill—Harcourt, Brace and Company, Inc.—\$2.00.

Anyone who has travelled thru the Allegheny mountains in West Virginia will enjoy this book of poetry describing the history of Gauley mountain, the river, the forest, and the people who inhabit it.

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Concession For Green Mill Is Let To Fleming

DANCERS IN STATE FEATURE

(Lima News Bureau) FINDLAY, April 20—For the 17th consecutive year, Charles Fleming of Findlay was awarded the privilege of operating Green Mill Gardens at Riverside park here, Albert R. Cole, director of service-safety, announced Saturday afternoon. Deadline for taking bids was Saturday noon.

Fleming, one of the three bidders for the concession, was awarded the contract on an offer of \$1,500. The contract allows him the concession for one year beginning May 31. The nearest competitor, Cole said, bid \$300 under Fleming.

Fleming, who has had the dance hall concession ever since the present pavilion was constructed, will be required to hold dances at least three nights each week, according to the contract given him.

Not long ago, a group of roller skating fans appeared before city council asking that skating be continued at the Mill. There was some talk and discussion among council men at the time, that skating was injurious to the floor, but also city-owned, actual operation of the hall is up to the successful bidder and contractor.

On the other hand, dance fans asked that skating be discontinued and more dances held. As a compromise, Director Cole had inserted in the contract, the clause that dancing is required at least three evenings each week. The rest of the time it is up to the judgment of the contractor.

Other concessions let included pool hall and bowling alleys, confectionery stand, rides, fortune telling, taffey stand, and several outside games.

This year's Riverside park will be almost a new one in view of the fact that all the old frame buildings housing the various concessions for many years have been torn down and are being replaced by new brick structures.

The rebuilding program is being carried on under a WPA program. Brick being used in construction were salvaged from the razed high school building which was replaced by a new \$325,000 plant. All buildings at the park are expected to be finished by the official opening date, May 31.

MAGAZINE ARTICLE IS TRIBUTE TO WAPAK FIRM

(Lima News Bureau) WAPAKONETA, April 20—Wapakoneta's toy industry recently received nation-wide recognition in the current issue of the magazine, "Playthings," which contained an illustrated item of a new product of the local J. C. Turner Toy Co.

The product is described as a "re-use toy shipping container," and is known as the "Toy Town Garage." The container is a replica of a regular garage, including doors and windows that open outward.

The toy was designed with the aim of teaching youngsters to put away their playthings when finished playing. The automobiles that come with the toy can be shoved thru the doors and the garage then closed and put away. The toy is of sturdy construction and will stand rough handling.

JUNIORS HONOR SENIORS

BLUFFTON, April 20—The junior class of Mt. Cory high school entertained members of the senior class and faculty at the high school gymnasium Friday evening with a dinner being served by the sophomores. Later in the evening the class attended a theatre in Findlay.

The United States has more land covered by forest than is planted in crops.

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