

"Father Takes A Wife" Is New Show Opening At Sigma

Lyric And State Offer Double Features With New Films At Quilna; Air Picture At Ohio

With its basis the stormy marriage of a temperamental stage star and an equally volcanic financier, "Father Takes a Wife," opens Wednesday at the Sigma theatre. Gloria Swanson comes back to the screen as the imperious actress-heroine of the gay offering, and Adolphe Menjou is co-starred in the role of the shipping magnate who leads her to the altar. "Riding the Wind" is the co-feature.

"The Richest Man in Town," drama of everyday folks, is currently at the Lyric theatre.

featuring a cast including Frank Craven, Edgar Buchanan, Roger Pryor and Eileen O'Hearn. Also showing is "Her Enlisted Man," starring Robert Young and Barbara Stanwyck, with Cliff Edwards, Gordon Jones and Hardie Albright as featured members of the supporting cast.

Joan Crawford, Robert Taylor, Greer Garson and Herbert Marshall head the brilliant cast of "When Ladies Meet," a story of four sophisticated people mixed up in love, in the film now at the State theatre. Orville O. Dull, formerly of Lima, was an associate producer of the film. Co-featured is "Dr. Kildare's Wedding Day," starring Lew Ayres, Lionel Barrymore and Laraine Day.

The exciting story of the escape of a German flier over the Canadian border is the thrilling plot of "Man At Large," starring Marjorie Weaver and George Reeves and commencing Tuesday evening at the Quilna theatre. Portraying the most fearless fighting man in all Zane Grey's gallery of Western heroes, George Montgomery is starred in the co-feature, "Last of the Duanes." Showing for the last time Tuesday is "The Men in Her Life," starring Loretta Young.

Bud Abbott and Lou Costello, aristocrats of the comic world, have the leading roles in the Ohio film, "Keep 'Em Flying," a comical episode of two nitwits in the U. S. Army Air Force. Others in the cast include Martha Raye, Carol Bruce, William Gargan and Dick Foran.

Olsen and Johnson's "Hellzapoppin," which opens Monday evening at the Ohio theatre for one performance only is not the only musical production which has become a by-word throughout the country. There has been quite a parade of others. The "Passing Shows," "Ziegfeld Follies," "Scandals" and "Artists and Models" were also in their time a readily recognizable standard entertainment.

But there is an important difference to be noted. Each of these other shows passed into the language of the American theatre by virtue of a series of annual productions which gradually added fame to the title and gave it substance. But "Hellzapoppin" gained this distinction almost from its very birth. So sensationally successful was it, so rapid the growth of its hold on the affections of the theatregoing public, so spontaneous the reaction of its audiences, that "Hellzapoppin" skipped the need of a build-up accrued by a list of annual editions.

In this connection it is interesting to note further that no other musical in the history of the American theatre has run up the number of consecutive performances on Broadway as has "Hellzapoppin." And it has been a record breaker not only in length of run but also in the number of people who have seen it and the amount of money it has collected at the box office.

Sigma
What happens when two fiery and independent personalities marry forms the zany theme of the co-feature, "Father Takes a Wife," the new Adolphe Menjou-Gloria Swanson film which is said to be the season's surprise comedy hit.

Bringing the glamorous Gloria back to the screen in the colorful role of a temperamental actress who marries a wealthy shipping magnate, the film weaves many sparkling situations into its swiftly-moving plot.

The strong supporting cast includes John Howard, Desi Arnaz, Helen Broderick and Florence Rice.

LYRIC
Already acclaimed as the season's biggest "hit picture," "The Richest Man in Town" is now at the Lyric theatre. Headed by Frank Craven, of "Our Town" fame, the cast includes Edgar Buchanan, Roger Pryor and Eileen O'Hearn, sensational new Hollywood discovery.

Directed by Charles Barton, the story is an unusual one, based on the exciting drama to be found in the lives of lovable, everyday people. The picture opens in the small town of Weston, where the daily battles between Edgar

Theatre Guide

OHIO—"Keep 'Em Flying,"

QUILNA—"The Men in Her Life,"

SIGMA—"Appointment For Love" and "Unexpected Uncle,"

STATE—"When Ladies Meet" and "Dr. Kildare's Wedding Day,"

LYRIC—"Her Enlisted Man" and "Richest Man in Town."

COMING UP

OHIO—"Birth of the Blues" commences Saturday.

QUILNA—"Man at Large" and "Last of the Duanes" commence Tuesday preview.

SIGMA—"Riding the Wind" and "Father Takes a Wife" commence Wednesday.

STATE—"Frank Buck's Cavalcade" and "Broadway Limited" commence Thursday.

LYRIC—"Citadel of Crime" and "Wide Open Town" commence Friday.

MAJESTIC—"Captain Cutler" and "Frontier Town" commence Thursday.

Buchanan, editor of the local paper, and Frank Craven, wealthy banker, furnish the only exciting moments for the peaceful community. Really good friends, the two men have been friendly enemies for almost fifty years.

However, their quarrels reach an unusual high after Roger Pryor comes to town. Pryor, a veteran swindler, succeeds in convincing Buchanan that what Weston needs is a summer theatre. He plans to promote the deal, get the localities to buy stock in the company and then skip with the money. Craven, always a crafty investor, refuses to believe that Pryor can actually put a show on with local talent and bitterly berates Buchanan for endorsing the plan in his paper.

Pryor goes ahead with his scheme and leaves town with the money, only to realize that he has fallen in love with Eileen O'Hearn, Buchanan's lovely daughter. In an exciting climax, the young man returns to Weston to face the wrath of an aroused town. However, after receiving the support of both Buchanan and Craven, Pryor is allowed to put on the show and it is an amazing success!

QUILNA

The newspaper headlines shriek the news: "Nazi Ace Escapes Crosses Canadian Border—G-Men Grab 21 Spy Suspects." Combining these headlines into a suspense-filled film, "Man At Large," the film slated to open Friday evening at the Quilna theatre, depicts what might be the F. B. I.'s daring grab of the spy suspects.

In a story packed with thrills, unsuspected twists and potential dynamite, lovely Marjorie Weaver is cast as a news reporter. Assigned to get a statement from an escaped German ace, she unknowingly stumbles into an F. B. I. counter plot.

Puzzled by the behavior of Investigator George Reeves, she innocently enlists the aid of the fifth column's head. How she gets out of the fix makes for top-notch entertainment.

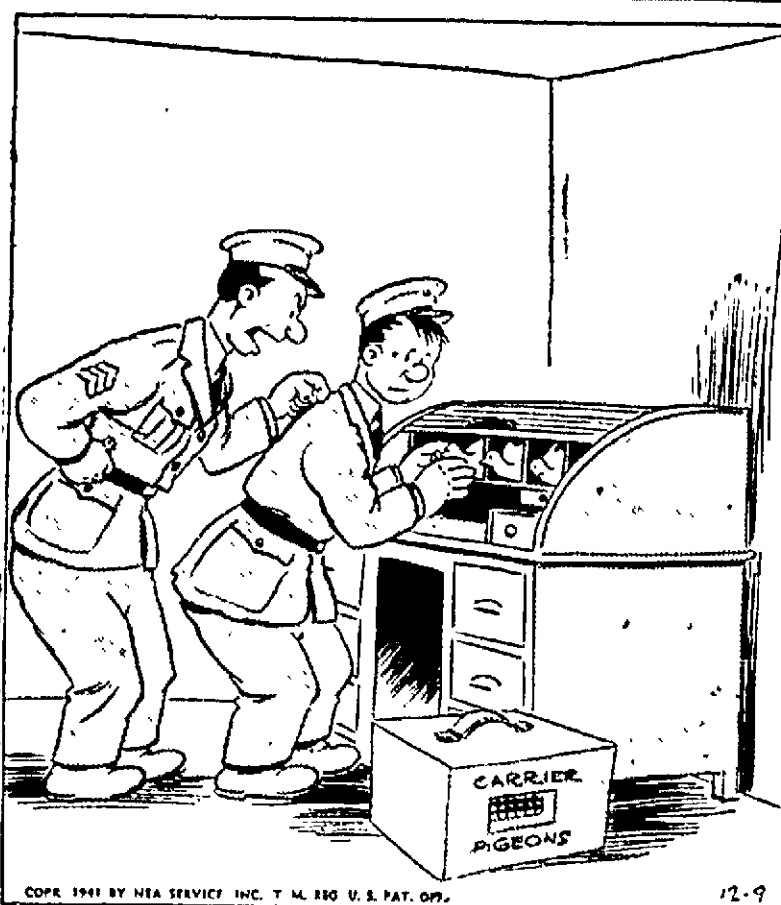
Preview audiences have hailed "Man At Large" as an exciting story of the F. B. I.'s activities in a fight against spies in this country that might be going on now. The featured cast of "Man At Large" also includes Richard Derr, Steve Geray and Milton Parsons. Zane Grey's "Last of the Duanes," with George Montgomery in his first starring role, is the new exciting western adventure which also starts Tuesday at the Quilna theatre.

WAYNESFIELD GIRL IS WINNER

(Lima News Bureau)
WAPAKONETA, Dec. 9.—Miss Betty Joan Wilson of Waynesfield will represent Auglaize-co at the district Prince of Peace declamation contest, having won the county contest. Rev. George Herd, pastor of First Methodist church announced.

Miss Virginia Becker of Criddersville was named alternate. Other contestants were Miss Norma Jean Mack of New Hampshire and Miss Norma Earl of Waynesfield.

HOLD EVERYTHING



"No, you dope! Pigeonholes is not the place to put pigeons!"

FUNNY BUSINESS



"That was a great idea of yours, McTavish, installing that outdoor escalator!"

LIMA LAD SAYS NAVY IS READY

Youth Stationed At Pearl Harbor Believes Quick Victory Probable

Feelings of one Lima youth aboard a U. S. destroyer in the Pacific Ocean on the Japanese situation were expressed in a letter received by his parents about four weeks ago, it was learned Tuesday.

The youth, Robert Kimble, 22, second class machinist's mate, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Kimble, 748 N. Elizabeth-st., and has been in the navy for nearly four years.

The last letter received from him was mailed from Pearl Harbor, which was one of the first points attacked by the Japs on Sunday.

His letter, dated Nov. 13, read in part:
Dear Mother and Dad,
Well, we are going to sea tomorrow, only for one day tho to fire torpedoes for practice. We will be back in port tomorrow night.

There isn't much going on here. The news which ceased to be much more than routine with us. We have been ready for these Japs two years out here now. All we are doing now is waiting. I guess, until Hitler puts too much pressure on them and they have to start fighting. It all adds up to an old issue between the Russians and Japanese. That is more or less the reason for Japan's siding for Germany. The Nazi regime spotted this split between the Nipponese and Russia in the preparation for world conquest, using it to keep Uncle Sam occupied while they annihilated Europe was their strategy. The only thing that is going to smelt is the overnight blitz-

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Iona Massey Will Be Guest On Herbert Marshall Spot

Igor Gorin Makes Return Appearance On Treasury Hour; Hope To Play Host To Pat O'Brien

Iona Massey, ravishing continental beauty currently dazzling movie-goers in "International Lady" and "New Wine," will be Herbert Marshall's guest on his "New Old Gold Show" Monday, at 7:00 p. m., over WJZ. Also featured will be comedians Bert Wheeler and Hank Ladd and the robust melodies of the Merry Maes quartet.

By popular acclaim, Igor Gorin, talented young Russian baritone who "stole the show" on a recent "Treasury Hour" program will make a return appearance Tuesday at 8:00 p. m. over WJZ when the cast will include Eddy Duchin, the king of the ivory keys, and lovely Jane Pickens, soprano star of stage, screen and radio.

Another chapter in the lives of Wistful Vista's first citizens, including Mayor LaTrivina again, will be exposed in the "Fibber McGee and Molly" broadcast over WEAF Tuesday at 9:30 p. m.

Bob Hoge will play host to his old pal of the flickers, Pat O'Brien, during his WEAF broadcast, Tuesday, at 10 p. m. The comedian's guest will add some expert libelous heckling to the efforts of the principals of the regular cast, Jerry Colonna, Frances Langford and Skinny Ennis.

"Whistling Cowboy," a song of the plains which was penned by Kay Toomey, New York jewelry designer, will be introduced by Fred Lowery, star whistler with Horace Heidt's orchestra, during the "Treasure Chest" program, Tuesday, at 8:30 p. m., over WEAF.

Ozzie Nelson, musical host for the Red Skelton Tuesday night show, will feature the Navy and them, "Anchors Aweigh" on the program Tuesday, which is heard over WEAF at 10:30 p. m. Ozzie Nelson and Harriet Hilliard will be heard in a novelty duet, "Ollie Ollie Out's In Free." Other numbers include, "Love Is" and "Central Avenue Shuffle." Red Skelton heading the show, with Wonderful Smith his chief stogge and heckler, furnishes the background for the comedy side of the program.

Mayor LaTrivina continues to be the bee in Fibber and Molly McGee's bonnets by blasting some well laid plans of Fibber's on the McGee program Tuesday, 9:30 p. m. via WEAF. "The King's Men" will sing "Don't Ever Leave Me," and Martha Hilton will sing "The Last Time I Saw Paris." Billy Mills will close the program with "You Go Your Way."

THOMAS MANTON DIES TOLEDO, O., Dec. 9.—(UP)—Thomas Manton, 51, Toledo real estate broker, died of a heart ailment today. He was a brother of Paul Manton, assistant U. S. district attorney who died of a similar ailment last Friday.

OHIO 30c

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in "BIRTH OF THE BLUES"

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EXPANSION OF AGE LIMIT FOR DRAFT STUDIED

Congress Considers Possibility As Recruiting Offices Are Swamped

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—(UP)—Recruiting offices were swamped with applicants today as congress talked about the possibility of expanding the selective service age limit from 21-28 years to 18-35 years.

The original draft law had a top age limit of 35 but it was reduced to 28 early last summer. The house military affairs committee met today to draft legislation that may be the first step in wholesale revision of the draft law to mobilize manpower required to defeat Japan.

The committee will consider War department recommendations for removal of existing prohibitions against use of selective and national guardsmen outside the western hemisphere. Chairman Andrew J. May, (D-Ky.), said it also would discuss the possibility of broadening the age limits.

Reg. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, national selective service director, said in a speech at Bates, Mo., last night that state induction quotas "will be doubled and tripled for January and succeeding months." The scheduled quota for January, before Japan's attack, was 29,000 men.

The selective service program, as it now stands, would have 892,000 selectees in the Army by January. Tentative induction plans, all made before the outbreak of the war with Japan, were expected to bring 500,000 new selectees into the Army by April 1, 1942.

If the army decides to call back men who have been discharged because of age, dependents of essential to defense industries it would bring the present army of 1,600,000 men to around 2,200,000. Officials were heartened also with the prospects of record enlistments.

Army, Navy and Marine recruiting stations throughout the country were besieged by prospective men.

PREVIEW TONITE

QUILNA THEATRE

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"MAN AT LARGE" — 10:00

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