

Abbott And Constello Movie Due At Lyric Tuesday

"Hold That Ghost" Packed Full Of Laughs; "Tillie The Toiler" To Be Second Attraction On Double Bill

Bud Abbott and Lou Costello are the stars of the Lyric film, "Hold That Ghost," commencing Tuesday, with Richard Carlson, Joan Davis and Mischa Auer, in supporting roles.

The troubles that beset a brilliant but impoverished stage personality when he attempts a comeback by hitching his wagon to a radio star, makes for the hilarious theme of "Playmates," at the Ohio starring Kay Kyser and John Barrymore.

A deeply moving, human story of real men and women who fight desperately for life, love and fortune on hard-won new frontiers, "Texas," starring William Holden, Claire Trevor and Glenn Ford.

Nelson Eddy and his new singing partner, Rise Stevens, of Met Opera fame, appear as the married couple in "The Chocolate Soldier," a musical comedy now at the Sigma theatre.

Current State theatre attractions are "The Little Foxes," starring Bette Davis, and "Bad Lands of Dakota."

Theatre Guide

- OHIO—"Playmates."
QUILNA—"Texas" and "Sing For Your Supper."
SIGMA—"Chocolate Soldier" and "Niagara Falls."
STATE—"The Little Foxes" and "Bad Lands of Dakota."
LYRIC—"Gun Man From Bodie" and "Marder Among Friends."
MAJESTIC—"Black Cat" and "Mr. and Mrs. Smith Go to Washington."
COMING UP
OHIO—"Dr. Kildare's Victory" commences Wednesday.
QUILNA—"Swamp Water" and "Small Town Deb" commence Friday preview.
SIGMA—"Lydia" and "Week-end For Three" commence Wednesday.
LYRIC—"Hold That Ghost" and "Tillie the Toiler" commence Tuesday.
MAJESTIC—"The Reluctant Dragon" and "The Round-Up" commence Thursday.

ter whose fabulous exploits do not prevent him from being a con-... gold-hungry killer. As Doc Thorpe, sanctimonious dentist who is the brains behind the bandit's depredations, Edgar Buchanan is said to provide a performance worthy of an Oscar.

Playing in support of the stellar comedies are such outstanding marquee "names" as Richard Carlson, Joan Davis, Mischa Auer, Evelyn Ankers, Shemp Howard, the Andrews Sisters and Ted Lewis and his orchestra.

Carrying a rip-roaring story as a means of holding together their zany dialog and gags, and given a far more elaborate mounting than any of their earlier films, "Hold That Ghost" promises to elevate Abbott and Costello to new heights of cinematic popularity.

Opening in a night club, where Lewis and his band and the Andrews Sisters supply the entertainment, the vehicle moves speedily to a gas station, where Abbott and Costello accidentally become entangled with a gangster, inheriting the deserted inn when he is slain by police.

Carlson and Miss Ankers provide the romantic interest in "Hold That Ghost." "Tillie the Toiler," Russ Westover's popular newspaper comic strip character, makes his initial screen appearance at the Lyric theatre on Tuesday in the person of lovely Kay Harris.

A portable runway at Randolph Field, Tex., teaches aviation cadets the art of short night landings. Sixteen small hooded lamps, hooked up to a portable power plant, outline a small area on the big landing field.

Hitler Unmasked

By Pierre J. Huss

(Editor's Note: Here, for the first time, is the full story of the greatest double-cross in all history—save for Japan's attack upon Pearl Harbor—Nazi Germany's invasion of Russia, planning with meticulous care for six months before the coup was staged. Pierre J. Huss, for eight years chief Berlin correspondent of International News Service, tells in full detail how the Nazi Fuehrer laid his plans, military and psychological, to betray Joseph Stalin. There are four installments, the first tells of the initial steps taken by Hitler to crush his oldest enemy under a lying guise of friendship and cooperation.)

NEW YORK, Jan. 19—(INS)—Late in December of 1940, when wind laden with snow swept the bleak fields of East Prussia, the hard-bitten farmers of the land in the areas closest to Russia scratched their heads and went around to the local branch house of the Nazi party to ask why they shouldn't prepare their fields for spring planting.

They showed the official circular they had received thru the mails that day advising them that spring planting would have to be dispensed with; many of those living in the immediate vicinities of the frontier in succeeding weeks were even told to move with livestock and bodily possessions to points inland. Questions and counter-questions by the worried farmers were answered by local Nazi party administrators with gruff reminders that orders are orders neither to be questioned or disobeyed.

It wasn't much comfort, and the farmers were made even more miserable by the sudden ruthless requisitioning of all available draught horses. That hit home hard, for in East Prussia the farmer and his horse are one and inseparable. The horse does the work in those wind-swept open fields and never bogs down during the rainy spells. It is a part of the family.

Other orders, equally strange and mystifying, came around from time to time, leaving the impression after awhile that the area in which they live was being transformed into a sort of military operations zone. They began to hear over the grapevine, as did all of us foreign correspondents in Berlin, that in the areas of former Poland now bordering that of the Soviets, the situation was much worse. There the Germans didn't bother to instruct and compensate people for their removal from house and home or for the loss of spring planting; they simply marched the Poles out of those villages and towns to already crowded places in Galicia and let it go at that. That is the way the Nazis do all things where Poles are concerned.

I remember well the gnarled little woman from East Prussia who came to relatives in Berlin just after New Year, weeping bitterly at the cruelty and injustice of having to vacate the house and the patch of ground she lived on. Without explanation, but at least some compensation.

"Der gute Hans ist weg, Eingezogen." And she cried some more. I sympathized politely with host and hostess and their troubled visitor. "Ja, Hans was a good worker. He never made trouble in the fields or the barn and the veterinary told me he is the finest horse in the country. Now he has to go out and pull cannons."

I felt somewhat better, disinclined to feel sorry to the point of tears for a horse drafted into the army. Our hostess, the visitor's sister-in-law, apparently looked at the same way and made an added explanation for my benefit: "What made it so hard for her is that her only son was called to the military a few days earlier," she said. "He ran the farm, didn't he, Gretchen?"

The tearful visitor looked up, trying to stem her grief to focus her mind on the conversation going on around her. "Ja, my son was called too. I have a letter from him, and all is well. But I cannot bring myself to write him that Hans is gone. It is terrible."

REPORTS FEVERISH ACTIVITY

She wiped her eyes with a moist handkerchief. "Last week," she added, "they brought many bus loads of men and trucks of supplies to the village. Out in the fields and woods they are building and digging like crazy men. We could not visit our own fields to measure the snowfall. All is forbidden, with soldiers standing everywhere like policemen. I think they heard of our Hans and came to get him for the work."

I perked up my ears and looked out of the window, away from the host and hostess, as if I hadn't heard or taken notice. They were Germans of middleclass, none too bright but straightforward and honest. The woman from East Prussia had babbled forth something in the presence of a foreigner which could have brought the Gestapo down on their heads. They apparently didn't notice, and I felt relieved.

Rumors had come from time to time of vast activity on the eastern borders, where Hitler was said to have ordered his construction master-at-all-tasks Engineer Todt to complete him an eastern wall of fortifications as solid as the Siegfried Line. Thousands upon thousands of labor service men going out on trains and by bus towards the East. I now knew for certain, were engaged in large-scale military activity of some sort on the Russo-German frontier. This woman had seen it, not just heard the rumor.

URGENT NEED FOR SECRECY

I can look back now and understand the urgent necessity of keeping all they did secret in those months preceding the attack on Russia. None knew at that time of the startling decision Hitler had announced to his inner circle on December 15, when he summoned them to hear that the time for a showdown with Soviet Russia had come.

From that day on, the wheels began to function. In effect, the Nazis and Hitler's armies basically were ready and waiting to take on Russia at the first opportunity, but it required some months to assemble the vast war machine in all aspects and with all its striking power.

Hitler gave his generals orders for the attack to take place on April 20, 1941, but Moscow learned of the threatened attack and pulled the coup against him in Yugoslavia which forced him to march thru the southeast first and postpone the Russian invasion to June 22.

All moves against Russia, massive in scale, were to be carried out until the zero hour under the mantle of friendship with Moscow as properly established in the Amity Pact of 1939 and the subsequent trade deals.

In fact, Hitler reinforced his orders that everything and anything dealing with Russia inside Germany or going out of Germany must be couched in the nicest vein. He made speeches lauding Stalin and Russia, reaffirming that the Reich and the Soviet Republics had buried the hatchet and never again would be foolishly at each other's throats.

WARNED AGAINST RUMORS

We foreign correspondents were constantly warned against falling

Bette Davis, Star Of Radio Drama, 'An American Is Born'

Cavalcade Of America To Present Actress At 7:30 P. M. Over WEAF; Martial Music Featured On WJZ At 9

Bette Davis, dramatic screen and radio actress, will be heard on "Cavalcade of America" Monday at 7:30 p. m. over WEAF in an Arch Oboler radio drama entitled "An American is Born." In the play she is given the opportunity to demonstrate all her dramatic art as the young refugee mother whose determination to have her child born in the United States finally overcomes hindrances presented by villainy and circumstances.

Frank Munn and Elizabeth Lennox will be guest soloists on the "For America We Sing" program on WJZ Monday, at 9:30 p. m. with the orchestra under the baton of Dr. Frank Black.

Spotlighting this broadcast in the U. S. Treasury Department series will be three stirring martial airs: "Anchors Aweigh" as a tribute to the Navy; "U. S. Field Artillery March," as a tribute to the Army, and "March Across the Sea," as a musical greeting to America's allies abroad.

Maureen O'Hara, bewitching dark-haired colleen who is the toast of the Rialto today for her fine performance in John Ford's "How Green Was My Valley," will do a guest spot on Herbert Marshall's new show Monday at 7 p. m. over WJZ. Comedians Bert Wheeler and Hank Ladd will do their part to entertain their glamorous guest and the Merry Maes will sing for her.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt will inaugurate "Women's Week for Infantile Paralysis" on Monday with a women's meeting and tea at the White House in behalf of the Diamond Jubilee Celebration of the President's Birthday for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, it was announced today.

Forty distinguished guests have been invited to attend the meeting, which will be broadcast from 4:30 to 7:45 p. m. over WJZ. Speakers to be heard include Mrs. Roosevelt, Dr. Thomas Parran, surgeon general of the United States; Mrs. John L. Whitehurst, president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs; Mrs. William Kletzer, president of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers; and Miss Dorothy Ducas, national chairman of the women's division of the Committee for the Celebration of the President's Birthday.

MONDAY, JANUARY 19

- Eastern Standard P. M.—Subtract One Hour for CST, 2 Hrs. for MT.
(4:30 to 7:45 p. m. over WJZ)
5:45—The Vagabonds Song—the-red-1
The Tom Mix Serial—the-blue-east
6:00—Dance Music—the-blue-west
6:15—String Orchestra—the-blue-east
6:30—Lionel Lincoln—the-blue-east
6:45—The Five Minutes of News—the-red
6:55—The Lum and Abner Serial—the-blue-west
7:00—The Three Stars—the-red-1
7:15—The Lone Ranger—the-blue-west
7:30—Cavalcade Drama—the-blue-east
7:45—The Five Minutes of News—the-red
8:00—The Lone Ranger—the-blue-west
8:15—The Lone Ranger—the-blue-west
8:30—The Lone Ranger—the-blue-west
8:45—The Lone Ranger—the-blue-west
8:55—The Lone Ranger—the-blue-west
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11:45—The Lone Ranger—the-blue-west
12:00—The Lone Ranger—the-blue-west

TIRE RATIONING IS STARTED IN PUTNAM TODAY

(Lima News Bureau) OTTAWA, Jan. 19—One new tire and one tube for passenger cars will be available for rationing in each of the 15 incorporated villages of Putnam county during the remainder of January, it was learned today from Edward J. Utendorf, county rationing coordinator.

PAT, 8, JUST THE BOY TO LICK JAPS, SAYS SIS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19—(AP)—Secretary of War Stimson has received a suggestion from a small girl that her 8-year-old brother, Pat, is just the boy to lick the Japs.

From Menominee, Wis., came this letter: "Dear Secretary of War, 'Secretary of War, will you please take my brother Pat, send him over to fight the Japs. He is always fighting with my brother Jim and I. He is Irish and can fight. All you have to do is give him a club. A gun is not necessary. Pat, age 8, my grandfather was a soldier in the Spanish-American war. He has our flag over his gage. We are proud of it."

"Sincerely In Love, "Barbara Anne"

PREVIEW TUESDAY 17c 7 P. M. Children 10c... BUD ABBOTT and LOU COSTELLO... HOLD THAT GHOST... MAJESTIC... TODAY ONLY HUGH HERBERT in BLACK CAT... Mr. and Mrs. Smith

632 Merchant Ships Planned TO PROBLEM OF RAISING ARMY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19—(AP)—The Maritime commission announced today it had negotiated contracts for the construction of 632 additional merchant vessels.

These, it said, would bring its program up to President Roosevelt's request for 8,000,000 deadweight tons of shipping this year and 10,000,000 deadweight tons next year.

All the vessels will be completed by the end of 1943, Vickery said. "This will mean," he explained, "American shipyards will turn out over 1,900 vessels in the next two years, the greatest shipbuilding effort in history. The ships newly contracted for represent over 2,000,000 deadweight tons and will give the United States a total of 18,500,000 tons of new maritime construction."

WAR IS NEARER TO WEST AFRICA

MONKEY-INFESTED ISLAND OF Fernando Poo May Be New "Altmark Incident"

NEW YORK, Jan. 19—(AP)—A pestilential, monkey-infested little isle of Fernando Poo, athwart American air supply lines to the Middle East, is the alleged scene of an incident which may mean that full-blown war is coming soon to West Africa.

Arriba, the Fascist mouthpiece of non-belligerent Spain, declared a Free French destroyer invaded the port of this island, just off shore from the former German colony, the Cameroons, and seized three Axis merchantmen.

This may be West Africa's "Altmark incident," or it may prove to be just another of the numerous meaningless happenings which have added to the mystery of this war.

There seemed to be considerably more involved here than met the eye, however—partly because Free French headquarters in London issued a categorical denial of a report it called "incredible," partly because the Germans promptly took up the report, attributing the attack to a British destroyer and identifying the seized vessels as two German and one Italian.

It was not quite two years ago that the British destroyer Cossack, among others, steamed into Josting Fjord near Stavanger, Norway, set a boarding party on the German prison ship Altmark and freed 300 British captives. The Germans shrilled protests and it was not long after this incident of Feb. 16, 1940, that Norway was invaded.

The reported incident at Santa Isabel, Fernando Poo, is no dissimilar except that three belligerent ships, instead of prisoners, have been declared seized by belligerent ships in a neutral harbor.

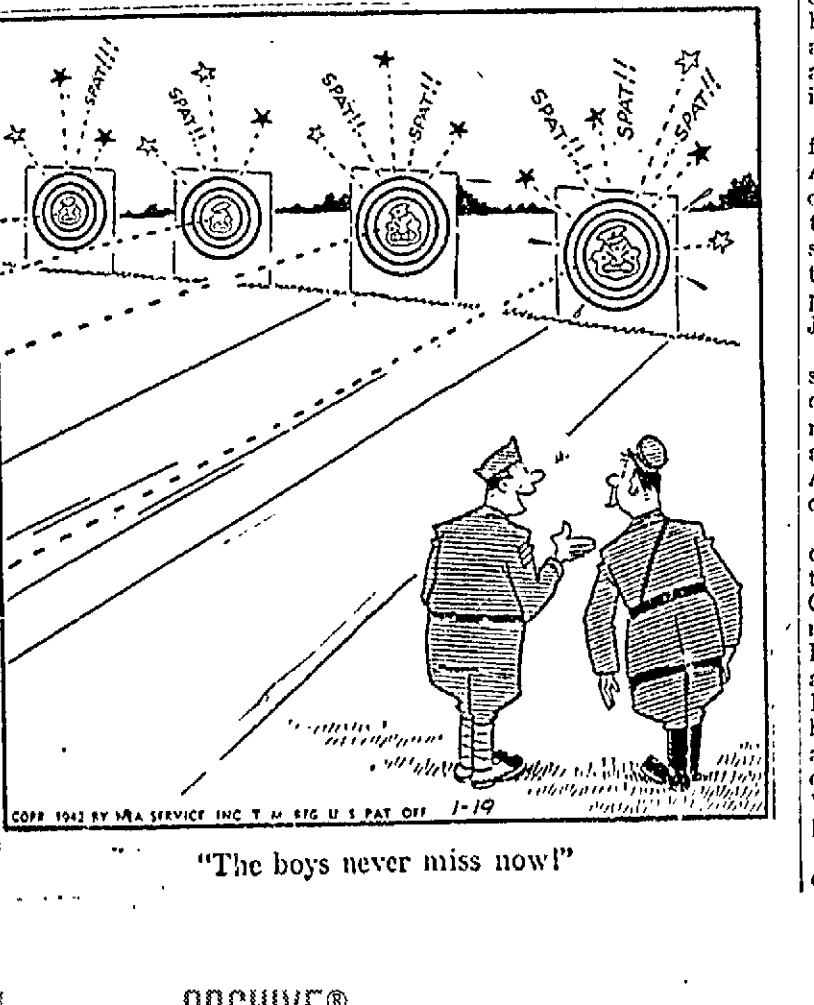
Fernando Poo pops into the news just as the British capture of that flinty center of resistance, Halfaya pass, on the Libyan-Egyptian border, points up the need of Adolf Hitler to do some renege work for his Axis in Africa.

If the German story in Africa is not to be one of "too little and too late," he may revive the project of using Spanish or French territories in the Gibraltar-West Africa area to rush in full-scale reinforcements—employing the Fernando Poo incident as the reason for his action.

And, of course, anything that he can do to upset the arrangements by which United States planes flow across the South Atlantic to Africa and across to Suez would help.

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