

Johnny Long Fans Here To Get Musical Treat Monday

Popular Young Maestro Has Talented Band

The lilting strains of "White Star of Sigma Nu" will identify one of the most talked of bands in the nation Monday when Johnny Long and his popular band play the Ohio theatre for a one-day stand.

Long, who takes his theme from his fraternity on the Duke university campus, has become known for his novel arrangements of the old timer "Shanty in Old Shanty Town," and the ever-popular "Blue Skies."

The outfit is recognized as one of the ablest show bands in the country. All during the record breaking 16-week engagement at the Hotel New Yorker, Johnny and his "Longfellows" had the added responsibility of playing letter perfect the large production on display nightly.

With Christmas just around the corner, we find many good shows coming to the screens of the different theatres. Even now, the movies are exceptionally good and will be even better over the holidays.

A girl on a GI honeymoon and a boy who almost keeps the Army waiting is the basis for the new screen of a movie, "In the Meantime Darling" now playing at the Quilna theatre. In addition to this, another hilarious picture, "Bib Noise" with Laurel and Hardy completes the bill.

She could play any part like a trouper as you can well see in the picture "Presenting Lily Mars" now playing at the Sigma theatre. Judy Garland in this picture has been called back by popular request.

He is really "Tall In The Saddle." This phrase perfectly describes John Wayne who plays in the picture of the same name now at the State theatre.

The only adjective that could describe these two comedians is "fantastic." Yes, these two nit-wits perform some of the craziest antics known to human beings in "Crazy House" now playing at the Lyric theatre.



SCENE FROM LYRIC FILM—German girls must pass incisive examinations before mating with SS troopers, the elite of the so-called "master race." In "Women in Bondage" opening Monday at the Lyric theatre Gertrude Michael supervises the tests of Nancy Kelly.



NEW HIT AT QUILNA—Jeanne Crain is the center of attraction as she displays her gown to an envious group of army wives on the eve of a formal dance at the Officers' Club in the Quilna theatre. "In the Meantime Darling," which is now playing at the Quilna theatre. The story of furlough love stars Jeanne Crain with Frank Latimore, Eugene Pallette, Mary Nash, Stanley Prager and Gale Robbins in featured roles.

In Hollywood Plastics For Pilate's Platoons

By ERSKINE JOHNSON

HOLLYWOOD—The well-dressed Roman soldier in Hollywood next year will be wearing plastic armor. "The sound effects department," Producer Frank Ross said, "will solve the clanking problem—I hope."

Producer Ross ordered a plastic clad Roman soldier yesterday after two months of unsuccessful attempts to land a metal priority for the film version of Lloyd C. Douglas' latest best seller "The Robe." Desperate and in the interests of authenticity, Ross even went to a gentleman in the Los Angeles manufacturing district who makes coffee urns.

Could he possibly make some Roman soldier breastplates, knee pads and helmet out of scrap metal from his coffee urns? Just one outfit to see if it were possible? The man said he would try.

Six weeks later the coffee urn maker showed up at the studio with what from long range looked like the armor of a Roman soldier. On close inspection it proved to be a very amateurish job. Some wagsster in Ross' office even reached out, pretended to turn a spigot and said "Cream and sugar?"

Two Pairs Pants?

The coffee urn man said it was the first and last Roman armor he had ever made. The bill, he added, was \$1,750.

"That did it," Ross said. "I need 150 suits of armor. At \$1,750 a throw, I wouldn't have enough money left to make the picture. We're going to have plastic armor."

Producer Ross purchased the film rights to "The Robe" before author Douglas even completed the book. An agent told him that Douglas was writing a story about a young Roman soldier who crucified Christ. Intrigued, Ross went to Douglas' Bel-Air home and asked to read what had been written.

Two hours later Douglas had a check for \$100,000 and Ross had the film rights for an RKO release. Since then the book has become a best seller with two million copies in circulation and sales growing. A year ago one of the major studios offered him \$500,000 for the film rights, Ross refused. A few weeks ago another studio offered him a million dollars. Again he refused.

With Mervyn LeRoy as director and a budget of \$4,000,000, Ross believes he will have the super-super celluloid epic of all time. Even with plastic armor.

The moth of the silkworm has lost the ability to fly and is completely dependent upon man for survival.

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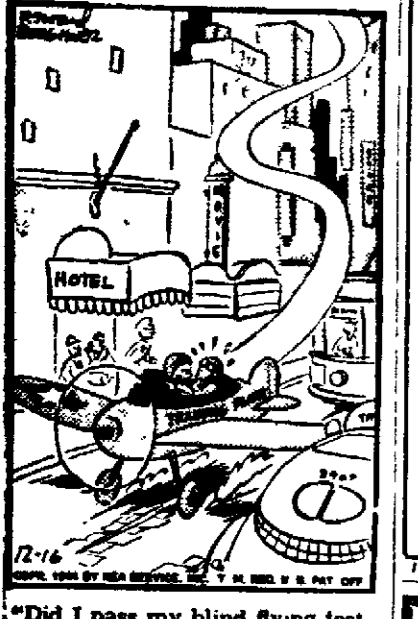
State Representative L. H. Myers of Lima Saturday was appointed to a five-man committee of the Ohio house of representatives to pass on patronage. Other members of the committee are Jack Easton of Willoughby, chairman, J. Harry Asmann of Cincinnati, Gay D. Hawley of Greenville, and L. P. Mooney of Logan. The group was appointed by Jackson E. Bitts of Findlay, speaker-designate of the house. It will select persons for upward of 50 jobs in the lower branch of the legislature which meets Jan. 1, 1945.

El Salvador has about 12,000 coffee plantations, or fincas, with a total of about 140,000,000 trees.

ASK INJUNCTION

CELINA, Dec. 16—An injunction in which electors of the Burntwood school district seek to enjoin the transfer of the area into the Coldwater and Franklin school districts, was taken under advisement by the court following a hearing. Auglaize county Common Pleas Judge W. T. Copeland heard evidence in the case.

HOLD EVERYTHING



"Did I pass my blind flying test, sir?"

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Afternoon and Evening
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BRINGING ORCHESTRA—Johnny Long, above, brings his orchestra to the stage of the Ohio theatre Monday for a one-day appearance. Be on hand to see this fast rising band and also the only left handed violinist in popular music.



HERO PURSUED—Handy with his fists and sparse with his words is Rockin, played by John Wayne in "Tall in the Saddle," opening Sunday at the State theatre. Despite his aversion to women, the hero finds himself pursued by a temperamental ranch owner (Ella Raines) and by a lovely Easterner (Audrey Long).

Sorghum can be any number of varieties of a small-grained cereal grown largely in warm countries.

Old Home Week Finds Vallee, Charlie McCarthy Together

It will be strictly "old home week" when Ruddy Vallee visits Edgar Bergen and Charlie McCarthy Sunday at 7 p. m. over WEAF. Rudy, just out of the Coast Guard and back on the air with his new show, will be given a warm welcome by the whole gang.

How can a murdered man talk back to the detectives who are seeking his slayer? That's the mystery Jim Lawton (Carleton Young) and Gloria Dean (Gloria Blondell)

want to solve in "The Case of the Shooting Star," the "Hollywood Mystery Time" tale to be broadcast Sunday at 8:15 p. m. over Station WJZ. Wayne, star of Jim's movie, fails to show up at the studio and, fearing foul play, Jim and Gloria set out to trace his movements from the time he left home in the morning. The sleuths are mystified by hearing Wayne's voice in several places they visit . . . a clue that finally leads them to the murderer.

The label on the Christmas package said "Do not open 'til Christmas," but it didn't say anything about having the package X-rayed, and so William Bendix, as Riley, is off on another comic adventure, in "The Life of Riley," Sunday, at 9 p. m. over Station WJZ. Stimulating Riley's curiosity are the facts that the package is from a son he doesn't know . . . and from a town he's never visited. The X-ray treatment results only in deepening the mys-

RADIO GUIDE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

12:00	News—Fifteen Minutes Newscast—nbc
12:05	Church of the Air Sermons—cbs
12:15	15 min. Recital by Scripps—nbc
12:30	U. of Chicago Roundtable—nbc
12:45	Ed Murrow's Commentary—cbs
1:00	Theatre We Love, Dramatic—cbs
1:00	Matinee Theatre, Dramatic—cbs
1:30	John Chas. Thomas & Sons—nbc
2:00	World Parade, Upton Close—cbs
2:00	N. Y. Philharmonic Symph.—cbs
2:30	Official Hour by Army—nbc
2:30	Music America Loves Best—nbc
2:45	Andre Kostelanetz Concert—cbs
4:00	NBC Symphony, Toscanini—nbc
4:15	Family Time, Patrice Munsel—cbs
4:45	Bill Shiver in Commentary—cbs
5:00	Catholic Radio Service—nbc
5:30	Great Gildener Comedy—nbc
5:30	Farrell Boese, Comedy Show—nbc
6:00	Jack Benny Comedy Show—nbc
6:30	Kate Smith Hour of Variety—cbs
7:00	Chas. McCarthy E. Bergen—nbc
7:00	Blondie—Dagwood Comedy—cbs
7:30	Crime Doctor, Drama Series—nbc
7:55	Five Minutes News Period—cbs
8:00	Sunday's Merry Go-Round—nbc
8:00	Farrell Boese, Comedy Show—nbc
8:30	Album of Familiar Songs—nbc
8:30	James Melton & Alec Templeton—cbs
9:00	Phil Spitznagel & Girl Orch.—nbc
9:00	Phil Baker, Take It Or Leave It—cbs
9:30	Comedy, Har. Lloyd, M.C.—nbc
9:30	We the People, Guest Show—cbs
10:00	Variety, News to 1 a. m.—nbc

tery, until a surprise twist brings the story of an unusual climax.

"T" GAS STAMPS INCLUDED IN OFFICE BURGLARY LOOT

Burglary of the office of the Howard Sober, Inc., of Lansing, Mich., driveway establishment at the intersection of State Route 117 and U. S. Route 30-S was reported to Sheriff William V. Daley, Saturday morning.

Thomas C. Dorgan, manager of the office, told Deputy Sheriff Forest Bidlack thieves took between 750 and 1,000 "T" gasoline stamps belonging to the company, \$2 in cash and three railroad tickets.

The entrance was made thru a south window or west door, both of which were broken, the deputy reported.

It is reported that women make 90 per cent of the attempts to smuggle goods thru the United States customs.

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