

● Robust Eugene Pallette Tells 'Inside Hollywood'

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Portly Eugene Pallette was one of a large number of passengers on the north-bound Cascade Sunday night. The gruff voice, the bushy eyebrows and other Pallette fixtures were very much in evidence as the movie star and a group of Hollywood noteworthies attracted the attention of fellow passengers.

The actor stated that his trip was one of a purely business nature and that he intended to spend a short stay in Portland.

Industry Hit Hard

"The movie industry has been hard hit by the selective service program," Pallette commented. "Most of the top ranking stars of two or three years ago are now in service uniforms."

When asked to discuss the case of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's insistence of a government deferment for Mickey Rooney, the comedian remarked: "Unfortunately, Mickey is the guinea pig in the situation. I understand he wants to go into the army, but his studio insists that he will be more valuable to citizen morale if he continues his picture work."

Pallette stated that the proposed \$25,000 wage ceiling per year would hit the film capital extremely hard.

Not Only Actors

"Not only the actors would be affected, but the producers, technicians and directors as well. There is too big a turnover of money in Hollywood to clap down a fixed limit on wages."

The comedian has been in the motion picture business for 32 years. He confessed that he hasn't seen any of his own pictures in the last 12 years, or any other pictures either, for that matter.

"No, I'm not superstitious," he chuckled, "I just haven't got time to go to shows."

The farthest away from Hollywood he has been while on location was to Honolulu, and Alaska.

No Better Than Parts

"An actor is no better than his parts," Pallette maintains. He confided that the annual motion picture academy awards are not taken too seriously in Hollywood.

He considers his best work to be that of the father in "My Man Godfrey," the comedy which starred Carole Lombard and William Powell.

Pallette just completed work in a new flicker titled "Heaven Can Wait," starring Don Ameche and Gene Tierney and a big supporting cast.

Television Help

The actor feels that television will put more actors to work, but that the actors would have to have "real ability," because they would be forced to complete a 15-minute program, or half hour show without a break, a far cry

Fire Strikes Home Of UO Professor

Fire struck at the home of a University professor last weekend and came very near leaving R. D. Horn, associate professor of English, homeless.

The fire broke out about 1 o'clock Saturday morning and the fire company arrived almost immediately after the flames were noticed, according to Mrs. Horn.

The fire evidently started in a storage pile of sawdust beside the house when heat from the chimney caused spontaneous combustion. Flames did considerable damage to one corner of the house, burning from the basement

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Neighbors helped the Horns remove their furniture from the house and they were able to move back into their house Saturday.

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The little group of directors around Pallette were seeking his attention, so the interview was terminated.

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