



TODAY'S FILM FEATURES. People's—'Maria Rosa.' Pickford—'The Come Back.' T. & D.—'Gloria's Romance.' 'God's Country and the Woman.'

WHILE as yet no papers have been signed, which always permits of eleventh-hour reversals, it seems practically certain that there is to be a big merger of motion-picture producing concerns within the next few weeks.

This combination of producers, to represent something like \$25,000,000 in capital, will in no way affect the release of the concerns involved, for President Hodgkinson, of Paramount, is quoted as saying that he has his producers tied up on a 25-year contract.

It is understood that Adolph Zukor, president of the Famous Players Company, is to have a commanding position in the councils of the merger.

The genuine and most important object of the affiliation of film interests for which these conferences were arranged, said Mr. Zukor, is the tremendous advantage that will thus be created for the production of bigger and better pictures.

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Geraldine Farrar in 'Maria Rosa' at Peoples.

of water covered Mr. Bruce. Then of a sudden the submarine began to slowly submerge, and before the panic-stricken star could utter a sound the water was up above his waistline.

Charles Chaplin is on the warpath! Woe to the person who pinched his hat, that famous one which he wears in Mutual releases, and which, at one time, was a perfectly respectable derby.

Just what the sentiment involved concerns, the comedian wouldn't say. The thief—Chaplin cannot believe anyone actually stole the hat; he is more inclined to believe that someone took it away as a souvenir.

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It has often been asked how the Triangle-Keystone gets some of its stars to do the stunts daily pulled off. For those who know, the answer is very simple—by employing people in various lines of work.

Clifford Bruce, who is starred in 'Soul's Affairs,' with Dorothy Green, a forthcoming Popular Plays and Players production, which will be released on the Metro programme, made the victim of a cruel joke while Director Burton King was making one of the principal scenes for the feature.

Billie Burke, Who Features Opening of T. & D Theater



Harold Lockwood and May Allison in 'The Come-Back' at Pickford.

California last summer making this production that she first met Mr. Lou-Tellegen, the striking young actor, to whom she was married in New York several months ago.

Produced and directed by Cecil B. DeMille, 'Maria Rosa,' in the opinion of those who already have seen it, is decidedly the best of the three productions which Miss Farrar thus far has made for the Lasky Company.

Joy, Anita King, Horace B. Carpenter, and James Neill are members of the cast. 'COME-BACK' AT PICKFORD. Harold Lockwood and May Allison Appear in Thrilling Drama.

Harold Lockwood and May Allison, one of filmdom's most popular dramatic teams, and recent additions to the Metro staff of stars, will feature today's Pickford Theater programme in 'The Come-Back,' a story of the great outdoors and a redemption of a young and dissipated collegian.

Wm. S. Hart's Star of 'Hell's Hinges' at Columbia



Charlie Chaplin and his Double, in 'The Floorwalker' at Majestic

over by Mr. Balshofer for use in this picture. One of the striking features of 'The Come-Back' is a realistic fight in the snow, which Mr. Lockwood has with the 'bully' of the camp.

Billie Burke, whose success in 'Peggy' is one of the outstanding features of filmdom, will appear on the T. & D. screen for 20 weeks in the series written especially for her by Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Hughes, and filmed by the Kleine Company.

Charlie Chaplin at Majestic



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Interest in Chaplin and his work, particularly since being signed to a contract by President John R. Freuler, of the Mutual, is manifested in the scores of letters received at the studio each day.

That interest in Chaplin is increasing, and has not been declining of late, as some assert, was shown yesterday by the activity about the Majestic Theater during the Chaplin contest.



Harold Lockwood And the Charming Little Star May Allison In a Picturesque Metro Wonder Play

Advertisement for 'The Come Back' at Pickford. Features: Big Double Show Today, CHARLIE CHAPLIN In His Big Three-Reel Laugh Festival, CHARLIE, THE GANG LEADER, ALSO Harold Lockwood And the Charming Little Star May Allison, THE COME BACK A vital drama, brimming with thrills and romance, portraying regeneration of a society idler in rugged north woods, ALWAYS GOOD PICTURES, PICKFORD Main 3452 Washington at Park

of the first chapter of 'Gloria's Romance,' the two-reel episode introducing Miss Burke as Gloria Stafford, daughter of a wealthy banker. At Palm Beach, Florida, for the winter, Gloria, full of life and animal spirits, and rebelling against formality, breaks loose from her governess and romps about in her veritable comedy. Her pranks, including the theft of an automobile, and its disastrous aftermath, furnish material for the opening chapter.

'Gold and the Woman' is a vital story of the great outdoors, filmed in the Bear Valley canyon of California, 5000 feet above the sea. This special Vitaphone blue-ribbon feature is characterized by critics as one of the really big productions of the season. With much of the action taken in the region of winter's deep snows, the opportunity for some wonderful photography was presented and not overlooked.

William Duncan, Neil Shipman, George Holt, and strong supporting cast of Vitaphone players are presented in 'God's Country and the Woman,' a film which was made up of difficult scenes and is a veritable comedy. It is a 10-piece orchestra, under the leadership of Walter Hays, will be a permanent feature of the T. & D. programme in Portland.

William S. Hart is featured in 'Hell's Hinges,' a strong Western drama, with perhaps the biggest Western character portrayed, William S. Hart, in the leading role, will be flashed on the Columbia Theater screen for four days, commencing today.

