



It's not all work and no play in Dennis O'Keefe's luxurious office in "Brewster's Millions," with beautiful Helen Walker perched on top of his desk taking dictation. The film is now showing at the Grand.

Grand Offers Real Comedy—How to Spend

How would you go about spending a million dollars in two months' time? That's the intriguing problem that confronts Monty Brewster in Edward Small's engaging comedy, "Brewster's Millions," now at the Grand theater.

The title role is played by Dennis O'Keefe. As Monty Brewster, he characterizes a jovial GI Joe, recently discharged from the service, who falls heir to an eight-million-dollar fortune left him by a daffy uncle he has never met. The uncle, desiring to rob his nephew of the enthusiastic joy of spending, has put quite a few dampers on the gift. First, and most important of all, is that Monty has to spend his first million dollars in two months' time. The very worst part of Monty's problem, though, is that he has to keep the terms of his uncle's will secret. Naturally Monty hits on some of the funniest, gayest, maddest ways to get rid of money in a hurry.

First there is the little matter of his beautiful fiancée, blonde Helen Walker, who thinks Monty has gone stark, staring mad, especially when he takes up with Trixie, a show girl with no talents but plenty of feeling for dramatic milk costs and diamonds. Trixie is played by svelte June Havoc, own sister to the body beautiful—Gypsy Rose Lee.

Eddie "Rochester" Anderson, who rose to fame as Jack Benny's valet, shines as Monty's man-of-all-jobs.

Others in the fine star roster are lovely Gail Patrick and droll Mischa Auer.



Greer Garson and Gregory Peck in M-G-M's film version of "The Valley of Decision," which opens today at the Elsinore theatre, with a cast including Lionel Barrymore, Donald Crisp, Marsha Hunt and Preston Foster.



Farmers Use More Help to Boost Output

Evidence that the farmers of Marion and Polk counties came through with their share of increased crops called for by the federal government is reflected in figures of the Marion county emergency farm labor office, Ralph P. Laird, farm labor assistant, said Saturday. The figures show that 5064 man days of labor were used up to June 30 of this year, as compared with 2943 for the same period in 1944.

During June, 223 farmers from the two counties ordered workers from the labor office as against 292 growers in the same month last year, but Laird pointed out the fact that cherries were in full harvest two weeks earlier last year than this year. Seasonal workers who were placed through the farm labor office in June totaled 2193 as against 3494 in 1944. Twenty-eight full time workers were placed in June this year as against 23 last year.

Despite lateness of the crops, Laird said he was gratified to note that 524 growers had ordered hands through the labor office thus far in 1945 as compared with 479 in a like period in 1944.

"It indicates a trend toward the use of the office as an asset to growers," he said, "which is the real reason for the emergency labor setup being set in motion."

A breakdown of the placements made in June show 1191 men, 1394 women and 2479 youths as against 388 men, 410 women and 2145 youth in 1944.

Three discharged veterans were placed in full time jobs in June and five veterans worked in the harvest during their furloughs. "The figures indicate that the farmers and fruit growers are endeavoring to produce the heaviest crops in years," Laird said, "and this accounts for the fact that we are short in the neighborhood of 200 workers. We need cranberry pickers, cherry pickers and hay hands. Need for more workers has never been more urgent than now and unless every available worker registers some of the much needed crops will be lost."

IWO JIMA—(AP)—Crandall Wilson, Portland, Ore., was driving an ambulance jeep when the concussion of a shell blew his hands off the wheel and ran the ambulance into a shell hole.

He related that before he could get out of the cab "a marine was peering in at me."

"Unless you got a priority," the marine barked, "get that thing out of here. This place is overcrowded now."

30 SPANIARDS KILLED ZARAGOZA, Spain, July 7—(AP) Thirty Spanish soldiers were reported killed and at least 32 injured in a violent explosion in a powder warehouse near here today.



Joseph Cotten and Ginger Rogers in a scene from the forthcoming picture, "I'll Be Seeing You," co-starring Shirley Temple with Spring Byington, now showing at the Capitol.

'Valley of Decision,' With Top Cast Opens at Elsinore Today; Garson and Peck Co-Starred

Boasting one of the top casts of the year, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "The Valley of Decision," opening today at the Elsinore theatre, is a vivid and exciting film version of Marcia Davenport's best-selling novel.

Co-starring an outstanding new romantic team in Greer Garson and Gregory Peck, the film also offers such sterling performers as Lionel Barrymore, Donald Crisp, Marsha Hunt, Preston Foster and Dan Durvey in characterizations matching in depth and excellence the work of Miss Garson and Peck, both of whom have surpassed themselves in the film.

"The Valley of Decision" is the story of the Scotts, who have built a steel empire, and of Mary Rafferty, the girl from across the tracks who comes to work as the servant in the big Scott house. In love with Paul Scott (Peck) from the moment she meets him, Mary struggles against this love she feels can never be realized. Mary takes the younger Scotts under her wing, sees them married; finds too, that Paul returns her love.

But Mary's father is bitter against the Scotts, feeling that it was their fault that he lost the use of his legs while at work in the steel mill, and the conflict is temporarily resolved when Mary goes to England with the newly-married Connie Scott.

She returns, after two long years, at the elder Scott's request, to marry Paul, only to witness her employer's death at the hands of her own father in a dispute.

Again she leaves Paul, although he still wants to marry her. Then, in a thrilling climax, Mary returns to claim her rightful place in the Scott home.

"The Valley of Decision" is a worthy successor in the roster of Garson hits to "Mrs. Miniver," "Random Harvest" and "Mrs. Parkington." The entire production is in the usual handsome M-G-M manner and Tay Garnett has directed with great understanding.

From 1900 to 1942, the year when manufacture of automobiles was halted by the war, the American automobile industry had turned out 69,000,000 cars with a total wholesale value of 44 billion dollars.

Versatile Dance Team Will Be At Supper Club

Leonard's Supper club is bringing to Salem for one week only beginning Monday, July 9, one of America's most versatile dance teams, the youthful boy and girl duo, George and Mickey Winters in daring exhibitions of tap, acrobatic, contortion and ballet—in fact all routines of the dance. Co-featured will be The Cush-

ings with their London Picadilly Puppet revue, a decidedly amusing act that is different from the average run of puppet offerings. This team has just completed successful engagements in Hollywood and San Francisco.

Rusty Colman, popular master of ceremonies, will preside.

COTTONWOODS

On the Albany Lebanon Hiway



HERE HE IS! MCA PRESENTS IN PERSON CHARLIE BARNET AND HIS FAMOUS ORCHESTRA Don't Miss Them Sunday, July 15 Dancing 9 to 1 Admission 1.50 Inc. Tax

Official Canvass Of Special Vote Nearing Close

Official canvass of the vote at the recent statewide special election probably will be released here Monday, Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell, jr., said Saturday.

All counties, with the exception of Josephine, reported their figures by last week.

Only two measures, both referred to the voters by the 1945 legislature, were on the statewide ballot. One of these, providing for a \$10,000,000 building program at the state institutions and higher educational centers, carried by a substantial vote. The proposed cigarette tax, to raise \$2,000,000 annually for support of the public schools, was defeated.

Acting Gov. Howard Belton will certify to the official vote tabulation.

Woman 'Groom' Held in Seattle For Investigation

SEATTLE, July 7—(AP)—Chief Deputy Pros. John J. Kennett said tonight Marcella Majerus, 25 years old and huskily built, had masqueraded as a bridegroom for five months and was found to be a woman when arrested for failure to have a draft registration card.

Under the name "Danny D. Carroll," Miss Majerus worked here as a welder after marrying a Tacoma woman in February, the prosecutor said. She was held on an open charge pending action by the prosecutor's office.

"Mrs. Carroll" became suspicious of her husband's sex a few weeks ago and asked his office to investigate, Kennett said. Workers at the plant where "Carroll" worked said they never suspected "he" was a woman.

Remnants of rice have been found in Neolithic pottery in China, dating probably from the end of the third millennium B. C.

Swedes Plan N. Y. Service With Boeings

SEATTLE, July 7—(AP)—The Boeing Aircraft company said yesterday it had learned that the Swedish government had been making survey flights for an airline connecting Stockholm and New York, and that four Boeing Flying Fortresses confiscated during the war would be used to provide the initial service.

The B-17s, which landed in Sweden after raids on the axis, were converted into passenger carriers with the approval of the American government, Boeing said. The first trial flight was made last week with a crew of 12 and a steward, the report added.

Rolland I. Jones Dies in Fort Worth; Funeral Saturday

Rolland Ingraham Jones, Oregon State college graduate and former resident of Salem, died July 4 at his home in Ft. Worth, Tex. Funeral services were held Saturday at Ft. Worth.

Born at Amity, June 14, 1903, he attended school there and in McMinnville. At Oregon State college he joined Phi Gamma Delta fraternity and was graduated in 1926. For a number of years just prior to his death he was with the Republic National Life Insurance company of Texas.

Survivors include the widow, Ruth; three daughters, Louise, Phyllis and Clarinda, all of Ft. Worth; his mother, Mrs. Edith E. Jones of Corvallis, and three sisters, Mrs. LuVerne Hardwick of Corvallis, Mrs. R. W. Wyatt and Mrs. F. Ivan Brown of Salem.

IRAN BUYS U.S. TRUCKS IRAN, July 7—(AP)—The cabinet today approved purchase of 815 American trucks and cars now being used by U.S. forces in Persia for a total of approximately \$18,000,000.

Gardening Today

By Lillian L. Madsen Statesman Garden Editor

Most persons who have lived in Marion county as long as I remember something of the Medicine Shows. They were free and they were about the only shows which came to Silverton. Only occasionally did a traveling troop come to town and give us a thrilling three-act "Uncle Tom's Cabin" or something — I never could remember what — from Missouri.

But the Medicine Man with his marvelous herb cures along with the few really old pioneers who could remember the Indian medicines taken from our wild growing things, fascinated me. As a child, I never could understand why we had to have old Doctor Brooks or older Doctor Leonard, now both long gone, when we were ill. They always stuck something down our throats which created an unpleasant sensation, whereas the medicine men and Indian herb believers only wanted us to drink something which tasted mildly of the way ferns smelled in woods on a rainy day. Not until I once concocted something from leaves of poison oak and not only drank it myself but gave it to my neighborhood playmates, did my "medicine" days cease.

Now it seems that some of the truly old Indian medicine men may have been just a bit ahead of their time. A recent report from the experimental division at Michigan State college, says that germ-killing substances have been discovered in the fruits of blueberry, currant, mountain ash and honeysuckle, and in the leaves of Scotch thistle, mullein and peony. Negative results were obtained from horse radish, turnip and cabbage.

However, I have no longer any desire to mix up a drink from these, but will leave it to our modern medicine men to mix them into prescribed doses.

ANSWERS AND QUESTIONS: Mrs. T. D. asks what makes the bark on her lilac split.

Ans.: There may be more than one reason. Does it split in many places or just one? One gardener told me that her lilac bark split because it grew too rapidly. In

the case of my own I have noted a kitten sharpening his claws on the trunk of the little shrub.

Mrs. M. K. J. asks me if birds will eat the petals off pansies and other flowers in bloom nearby. All of those eaten seem to be on low-growing plants.

Ans.: I would be more inclined to think earwigs or some other pests were responsible. Slugs will also eat pansy foliage and petals.

D. C. asks if Daphne can be pruned or if pruning will kill it.

Ans.: Ernest Iufer of the Salem Men's Garden club, tells me that Daphnes prune very well. He has shown me a sample of his daphne-pruning. I take it that D. C. refers to the Daphne odora. Mr. Daphne cut his so that it would grow more or less upright instead of sprawl about like most of them. It was quite an improvement.

R. G. asks what to use for woolly aphis.

Ans.: Nicotine sulphate will kill these just as it does the plain little aphid. But you must see to it that the spray strikes the insects. Add a little soap suds to the spray.

M. P. writes that she and her husband recently purchased a place with a "wistaria running all over everything. The blooms are lovely but we can't have such a huge vine. It makes the place look unkempt. Will it stand pruning?"

Ans.: Yes, the wistaria does much better with pruning than without and it stands for very severe pruning. You can head quite a bit of it back at once.

S. A. Y. asks where he can get information or a booklet on strawberry culture, especially the everbearers. What kind is best? Ans.: Your county agent at the Salem post office or the state college extension division can send you a bulletin on strawberry culture. Rockhill is considered one of the better varieties for here.

Advertisement for the movie 'The Valley of Decision' at the Elsinore theatre. It features Greer Garson and Gregory Peck. The ad includes the text 'Starts Today' and 'Continuous Today From 1:00 P.M.' and 'THE GAY AND EXCITING STORY YOU WILL SEE WITH YOUR HEART!'.

Advertisement for the movie 'Brewster's Millions' at the Grand theatre. It says 'CONT. FROM 1 P.M.' and 'NOW SHOWING! A Million Dollars Worth of Laughs!'.

Advertisement for the movie 'Liberty' at the Liberty theatre. It says 'NOW SHOWING! A TOP COST! TOPS IN FUN!' and lists other movies like 'Fibber McGee and Molly'.

Advertisement for the movie 'Mr. Emmanuel' at the Grand theatre. It says 'CO-FEATURE! Mystery! Suspense!' and 'LATE NEWS FLASHES! 50 Nations Sign World Peace Charter!'.

Advertisement for the movie 'Doomed Caravan' at the Liberty theatre. It says 'ACTION CO-HIT!' and 'CO-FEATURE! Mystery! Suspense!'.

Advertisement for the movie 'Laura' at the Liberty theatre. It says 'Desirable Beyond All Reason!' and 'CO-HIT!'.

Advertisement for the movie 'Something for the Boys' at the Liberty theatre. It says 'NOW PLAYING! TWO TERRIFIC HITS!' and 'CO-HIT!'.

Advertisement for the Portland Ice Arena. It says 'Limited Engagement! STARTS JULY 24 ICE-CAPADES of 1946' and 'WORLD'S GREATEST SKATING SHOW'. It also lists 'PORTLAND ICE ARENA N. W. 20th at Marshall MAIL ORDERS NOW!!'.

Advertisement for Fred Meyer Pharmacy. It says 'Fred Meyer Pharmacy Gives You CONFIDENCE' and 'The Priceless Added Ingredient In Your Prescription.' It also includes the text 'You know when you take your physician's prescription to the Fred Meyer Salem Pharmacy, that it will be compounded precisely as written.'

Small advertisement for a musical parade, saying 'Plus Musical Parade "Isle of Tabu" and Cartoon'.