

"Topper" With Constance Bennett And Cary Grant, On Craterian Bill

ROLAND YOUNG AND ALAN MOWBRAY ADD FINE PERFORMANCES

A screen show that should tickle the funnybones of all who see it opens a three-day run today at the New Craterian theater. It is "Topper," the picturization of Thorne Smith's hilarious escapade, one of the most novel comedy attractions to ever be filmed and a fitting unit of the new season's many outstanding attractions.

The astounding adventures of Mr. Conomo Topper, sedate Wall Street banker, who was destined to take part in several ribald adventures with sundry madcap gentry of another world, has become one of the author's most popular novels. Transferred to the screen, with Constance Bennett and Cary Grant as the young couple who meet a violent death and find themselves imprisoned in space with their only hope of advancing to a higher plane (presumably heaven) by achieving some good deed, the film has proved to be one of the funniest farces of all time.

Roland Young as "Topper," finds the ethereal couple a source of constant embarrassment in their material and invisible efforts in his behalf. They upset his henpecked life with his domineering wife, played by Billie Burke. How they fit in and about stouped natives, how they pursue an incredible series of adventures across a bewildered countryside, lifts "Topper" from his mug existence and makes of him a disreputable but happy human being.

Photographic effects, spectacular to say the least, are introduced in "Topper" to portray the startling and hilarious episodes of beautiful ghosts taking shower baths, changing automobile tires, driving a car at 90 miles an hour and various other gay escapades.

Among others featured in the cast are Alan Mowbray, Eugene Pallette, Arthur Lake, Hedda Hopper, Virginia Sale and J. Farrell MacDonald.

On the same program with "Topper," the Craterian will show for the first time, the motion picture filmed last month in Medford. Service clubs, including Rotary, Lions, Active, 20-30, Kiwanis, will see themselves reproduced on the screen, as will school students, city and county employees, and many other Medford folk.

Jean Harlow's Hit on Rialto Program; Air Drama Featured

In response to the requests of patrons of all tastes and ages the Rialto theater, starting today, will present Jean Harlow's "Platinum Blonde," the unforgettable screen comedy which placed the beloved screen star among the film immortals. Loretta Young and Robert Williams share with Jean the leading roles in "Platinum Blonde," which was directed by Frank Capra.

It was in this picture that Jean finally shattered the Hollywood tradition which had always cast her in underworld roles, and revealed herself as the gay and unsurpassingly lovely comedienne whom the world was so joyously to acclaim.

In "Platinum Blonde" she plays a well-bred modern society girl who marries a happy-go-lucky newspaper reporter. The complications that follow are said to provide some of the most hilarious fun ever achieved on the screen. Gaily portraying the conflict between the "glided cage" existence of a social butterfly and the carefree Bohemia which is the newspaper world, the merriment marches on to a rollicking climax, in which

Sonja Henie in "Thin Ice" Coming Wednesday



The long-awaited successor to four day showing. One of the new show season's most dazzling entertainments, "Thin Ice" not only has Miss Henie in several new skating miracles, but has surrounded her with such favorites as Tyrone Power (her real-life sweetheart), Arthur Treacher, Raymond Walburn and comical Joan Davis among many others.

all the lovers concerned finally find themselves in the right pair of arms.

"Flight from Glory," a strange romance that flourishes under stranger circumstances at an unusual locale, plays as the added feature with the Henia opus. Sharply etched against the atmosphere of a distant settlement beneath the towering peaks of the Andes, the story reveals its strange romance of a young girl loved by three fliers, but who, because of duty to one, valiantly strives to stifle the dictates of her heart. Chester Morris heads the cast of the South American aviation drama.

The two films will remain at the Rialto through Tuesday.

Scottish Rite. Stated Meeting Council and Consistory, 7:30 p. m., September 27. L. E. Williams, Secy.

Closing time for Too Late to Classify Ads is 1:30 p. m.

Stars of Double Bill This Week



Bill Robinson starring in "One Mile From Heaven" and Bruce Cabot and Virginia Grey co-starring in "Bad Guy," both coming to the Rialto theatre for Wednesday and Thursday.

"Polo Joe" Role



Joe E. Brown in his regalia in "Polo Joe," new comedy which plays at the Rialto theatre today and tomorrow. Carol Hughes, "Skeets" Gallagher and Joseph King support the funnel-mouthed comedian.

MOUNTING TAXES, MONEY MUDDLE, SLOW BUSINESS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—(AP)—The United States Chamber of Commerce said today federal, state and local taxes take so much of the national income that they "discourage business, threaten the security of wages and savings and retard employment."

The chamber, regarded as the spokesman for a large segment of business, asserted in a "statement of policies" that the federal budget should be balanced. It added: "Unless expenditures are curtailed, any revenue program designed to obtain an early balance of the budget will fail of its purpose."

The chamber demanded "restoration of a satisfactory international monetary standard and strict maintenance of the integrity of the currencies of the world."

"The gold standard," its statement said, "is the only international monetary standard that has commanded general acceptance."

The chamber expressed opposition to cancellation of war debts. It said that modified payment agreements should be effected only on condition that debtor nations grant American "fair competitive terms" in foreign trade and agree to reduce expenditures for armaments.

The area of the Canal Zone, including land and water, is 552.3 square miles.

NATURE OUTWITS BRAIN TRUSTERS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—(AP)—Farm administration officials said today that Mother Nature had put a crimp in their plans with the second consecutive year of short yields from red clover, alfalfa and alsike seed crops.

These are three of the crops classed as "soil-conserving" or "soil-building" under farm benefit programs. H. R. Tolley, chief of the agricultural adjustment administration, said detailed 1938 regulations probably

would make allowance for the unusual supply and price conditions in these seeds.

The extreme drought in 1936, alternating winter thaws and freezes, and grasshopper damage in some areas reduced the red clover seed crop.

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energetic easterners.

The native sons of the old Oregon territory are Senators McNary and Steiwer of Oregon. Representative Coffey of Washington and Representative D. Worth Clark of Idaho.

McNary was born in 1874 near Salem, Ore., and Steiwer in 1883 at Jefferson, Ore.

Oregon—Representative Mott was born in Clearfield county, Pa., in 1883; Representative Pierce, in Morris, Ill., in 1861, and Representative Honeyman, Oregon's first woman congressman, in 1881 at West Point, N. Y.

Visiting members welcome. Refreshments will be served. C. Pichtner, C. C.

DRY PARTY PLANS NOVEMBER MEET

CHICAGO, Sept. 25.—(AP)—The Prohibition party is planning a national meeting in November, much in the manner of that proposed by Republican leaders for the G. O. P. to map its strategy through next year's congressional election and the 1940 presidential race. National Chairman Edward E. Blake announced today.

Blake said correspondence was being carried on with state chairmen and party stalwarts in the 34 states in which the prohibitionists are fully organized to determine the time and place.

appeared to be the likeliest choices, he said, with a date some time after November 10.

Because of efforts being concentrated on state elections this year—in New Jersey and Virginia—Blake said he would not determine the caucus details until late next month. The prohibitionists have candidates for governor in both states which vote this fall.

PORTLAND OPPONENTS WILL DEPEND ON DRAW

PORTLAND, Sept. 25.—(AP)—Fans attending the opening of the Portland interscholastic football season at Multnomah stadium tonight will buy their tickets without knowing which two of the city's eight high schools will match kicks, passes and line bucks.

Following preliminary ceremonies in which bands of all schools will take part, the opponents for the opening game will be selected by lot.

RETURNED!... TODAY FOR THREE DAYS!

The Picture That Gave the Beloved Platinum Blonde Her Name!



Remembered by all... the flaming story of the platinum-haired heiress and the gay sob-sister who took Broadway for its first ride!

"FLIGHT FROM GLORY"

with CHESTER MORRIS
Whitney BOURNE • Onslow STEVENS

Shows Sun 1:45-3:15 6:45-9:15
Mats . . . 35c
Eves . . . 35c
Kiddies . 10c
"Blonde" at 2:00-4:45 8:00-11:00
"Flight" at 3:45 7:10-10:00

RIALTO

NOW YOU SEE 'EM..... NOW YOU DON'T

Ghosts Walk... Ghosts Talk... Husbands Fly the Coop....!

An invisible beauty takes a shower! Unseen hands change an automobile tire! Glamorous Connie steps right out of her evening gown—into invisibility (Darn It!)... as a couple of gay spooks change a timid soul into an ever-loving Romeo... out for no good — and plenty of it!

TODAY 3 DAYS ONLY

Constance BENNETT Cary GRANT

Topper

SHAME ON YOU!
If you give away the secret. Don't spoil it for your friends!

ROLAND YOUNG AS "TOPPER"
BILLIE BURKE
EUGENE PALLETTE
ALAN MOWBRAY
ARTHUR LAKE
HEDDA HOPPER

90 ROARING MINUTES OF LAUGHS!

EXTRA! ON THE SAME PROGRAM!
Now You Can See Yourself in the Movies!

Lions, Rotarians, Activists, 20-30s, Kiwanians, school students, city and county employees and just plain citizens... see yourselves and your friends on the screen... in the first showing of the motion pictures actually filmed in Medford last month.

Shows Today 1:45-3:30 6:45-9:00

THE New CRATERIAN

Mats . . . 30c
Eves . . . 40c
Kiddies . . 10c

ROXY

Today and Mon
Gangway Folks That Mouth's Here Again
ELEVEN-GOAL MAN!

You'll howl and scream at Joe's new-man polo team!

Joe E. BROWN

POLO JOE

They courted in sometime SOOP BETTY BOOP NYAS

CAROL HUGHES SKEETS GALLAGHER