

NEW LEADING MAN FOR JANET GAYNOR EX-COLLEGE PROF

Richard Carlson Is Writer, Director, Actor—Gets Novel Contract—Does Not Sneer At Hollywood.

HOLLYWOOD—Janet Gaynor's new leading man is 26, a former college instructor of English, a playwright, a stage director and an actor with a film conviction that six months at a time in Hollywood are enough.

Richard Carlson signed a movie contract only when he got the kind he wanted—six months here, six months away from here.

Another thing he wanted in his contract was provision that he could write and direct as well as act. He got that too. That is not unusual. Hollywood frequently gives that type of contract. It is unusual, however, that Carlson seems to be doing something about it. He is already working on his first screen directing assignment. It is already making periodical trips to cutting rooms and laboratories and all the studio departments to study the screen business from the inside out.

He has been writing plays since high school days in Minneapolis. At the University of Minnesota he kept on acting and writing and took on directing. In high school he had played football and hockey in addition to numerous extra-curricular activities. In college he concentrated on golf in the sports line, sailed through his regular courses with time to spare for dramatics. In 1934 he had his M. A. degree. Phi Beta Kappa, \$2500 in scholarship prizes, and a job as an English instructor. He stuck it out three months.

"By that time I'd realized the college life was not for me," he says. "It seemed like living in a world apart, behind a high protecting wall. I could look around and see examples of what I was afraid I might become. Professors who talked like pundits, positively, profoundly, dully. All were not like that, but enough were to frighten me away."

He took his \$2500 and started the Minneapolis Repertory company. In six months his \$2500 was gone. Merle Potter, Minneapolis drama editor, advised New York or Hollywood. He came to Hollywood, with a letter to Gloria Stuart and her husband Arthur Sheekman, who had been a St. Paul drama critic. They sent him to the Pasadena Community playhouse, where he directed and acted.

When he hit New York by bus, he pounded the pavement only three weeks before he got a job that lasted 32 weeks. When he played with Ethel Barrymore in "The Ghost of Yankee Doodle" in New York the picture offers began. He got the one he wanted—from Selznick—after Playwright Sidney Howard read his play, "Western Waters," which had flopped on Broadway.

Contract "Protection" He took his text for "The Young in Heart" from scenes he had dramatized himself from I. A. R. Wylie's novel. This was confusing when he came to play the same scenes for the picture—dramatized differently by Paul Osborn. He would keep rejecting the lines he had written instead of Osborn's lines. If he ever gets to write, direct and act in a picture he won't have that trouble.

The way these three-way contracts usually work out is that the producer, if the actor clicks, forgets about the writing and directing. Reminded of this, Carlson says: "Even if I click, the six months' clause would protect me. I'll be away writing, or in a play, before they can make up their minds." Although he's come a long way in 26 years, and thinks Hollywood can make a mind insurer, he hasn't a real sneer in his system for the place. And as for acting— "It's taught me how little I really know. We had one silent scene the other days—close-ups of Janet, close-ups of me, looking at each other through a train window. Both of us had to get it over in pantomime. Janet did hers in two takes.

Carlson? Six or eight. I found I was helpless without speeches to make!"

Foots Creek

FOOTS CREEK, June 17.—(Spl.)—Mrs. Daniel fell June 2 and broke her arm in two places. She is staying with her daughter, Mrs. B. Ward, in Gold Hill.

Among Sunday callers at the George Lacey home were Mr. and Mrs. Clay Biles and family of Rogue River, Mrs. Glenn Hewitt and daughter and husband of Klamath Falls, Henry Miller of Grants Pass and Dr. Seeley of Portland who, with Mrs. Seeley, have been spending several days with their daughter, Mrs. Howard Given, and family at Grants Pass. Mr. Lance has been ill for the past two weeks and still confined to his home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Elliott visited June 10 with Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Cook at Gold Hill. Mr. and Mrs. L. Ahngreen of Gold Hill spent June 12 with their son, Ernest Lindgreen, and family. W. Yordon was a business visitor in Medford, June 10. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Elliott and Mrs. Charles Wahl visited June 12 with Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Cook. Mrs. R. L. Miller and Mr. and Mrs. W. Yordon spent June 16 at the Disworth ranch.

Wagner Creek

WAGNER CREEK, June 17.—(Spl.)—The community extends its sympathy to Mrs. Maggie Goddard and family, who recently lost their husband and father, Hendrick Goddard. George Galbraith received minor injuries while working with his tractor.

Mr. Mahre has purchased the Mays place formerly owned by Mr. Miles of Medford. He plans to build and improve it soon before moving there. Mr. Oland lost one of his valued brood sows June 14.

Mrs. Curtis McGrew of Butte Falls visited Mrs. Lella Lynch. A son was born to Mrs. W. J. Griffin, May 20, at the Ashland Community hospital. Mrs. Griffin is from Seattle, Wash., and is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Al Nunstelt. Richard Fay, an employee of Mrs. Lella Lynch, was called to Medford Wednesday because of the death of his father, Mr. Pay. Alex Hayes is doing the work while he is gone.

Thompson Creek

THOMPSON CREEK, June 17.—(Spl.)—Mr. Rhodes and mother of California are visiting at the home of Clarence Gasaway. Joe Beebe and family have moved from the Anderson Mee house to the one recently vacated by Wiley Turnbaugh.

Most of the farmers on Thompson creek are putting up hay. Fred Powers has moved from the Gasaway place to the house of Mr. Kurtz near the schoolhouse. Mr. and Mrs. Van James have moved to the house recently vacated by Fred Powers.

We are glad to welcome Mr. and Mrs. William Jordan back on Thompson creek. Mr. and Mrs. Rolls and family, who have been living on the Jordan place are planning on moving to Medford. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mee returned the first of the week from Seattle, where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Mee's mother.

WASTE PRODUCT IS USED TO CUT COST OF PAVING

TULSA, Okla. — (UP) — From a hitherto little-used waste product left over from refining of crude oil may come the answer to today's congested arterial highways, according to the Western Petroleum Refiners association.

A new type road surfacing material, costing about one-eighth as much as concrete, has been developed from residue left in pre-heating stills. The residue, a form of asphalt, is mixed with a diluting agent, gravel and crushed stone to produce a long-wearing road surface.

The association said that employment of the bituminous surfacing material on relatively little-used secondary roads would divert a large amount of traffic to less congested routes. Roads built with the oil-base asphalt coat approximately \$3,000 a mile to construct. Concrete coats approximately \$23,000.

Bituminous surfaced roads are said to be skid-proof, wider, less tiring to the driver due to absence of jolting expansion joints, and safer because they taper off at the edges instead of falling off suddenly as do concrete highways.

Bituminous roads can be laid more rapidly than concrete, since speed of curing is determined by the diluting agent used to soften the asphalt to workable consistency. Use of rapid evaporating solvents results in a faster curing road surface.

Increase in the use of asphalt for highway surfacing during the past five years has been marked. According to figures compiled by the Asphalt Institute, the increase in bituminous type roads has been 114 per cent, compared with an increase of 33 per cent in all other types.

Thirty states last year built low cost bituminous roads. Colorado led the list with 746 miles. New Mexico built 619 miles, Nebraska 477 miles, Missouri 400 miles, Washington 445 miles, Texas 410 miles and Idaho 328 miles. Texas also built 379 miles of bituminous macadam surfaces, a high type and more expensive pavement. South Carolina built 406 miles of bituminous macadam and New York constructed a substantial mileage of such surfaces.

On Jan. 1, 1938, according to Engineering News Record, there were about 84,643 miles of bituminous surfaces on state highway systems and about 89,000 miles of concrete. During 1937, however, there were almost 10,000 miles of bituminous surfaces of all types built, compared with about 4,000 miles of concrete.

The Grange

Eagle Point Grange Mrs. Gertrude Haak will instruct the Eagle Point Grange in floor work at the next meeting, Tuesday night. Reports of interest will be given by Mrs. Beatrice Galbreth and Mrs. Millie Tingleaf of the state convention now in session in Klamath Falls.

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

Guardsman Brave In Mock War But Bees Not Playing

CAMP CLATSOP, June 17.—(AP) Private Ray T. Baxter of Klamath Falls swung bravely into action yesterday against the enemy at the national guard encampment and became the "war" first casualty. Baxter, a member of battery D, hacked away at brush obscuring an observation post. Hornets sprang from ambush. The private retreated and was placed temporarily on the hospital list with a swollen face.

Sun and High Wind Threatens Cherries

MILTON-FREEWATER, June 17.—(P)—Pear that 66 per cent of the cherry crop which still remains on the trees in the valley here will fall victim to cracking and blue mold was voiced here today by Harry Cline, assistant Umatilla county agent. Warm, sunny weather, following recent rains, is certain to crack the firm fruit, Cline said, while heavy winds prior to packing caused bruising which is a forerunner of blue mold. Forty cars of cherries have been shipped out of the valley so far.

SEC GIVEN TASK OF REGULATING BROKERS

WASHINGTON, June 17.—(AP)—The securities commission faced today the prospect of taking over a new police job. Under the Maloney bill, now awaiting President Roosevelt's signature, the commission would have regulatory powers over thousands of security brokers who are not members of national exchanges.

The bill provides that these brokers—known as over-the-counter dealers—regulate themselves through voluntary trade associations, which would be supervised by the commission.

Invalid Sidelined

THE DALLES, Ore., June 17.—(AP)—Ill health was given as the cause of the suicide of Allen H. Plegg, 65, Wasco county rancher for half a century, whose body was found at the home of Plegg's sister today. He shot himself through the dead with a .32 calibre gun. Coroner C. R. Callaway reported.

Winter Romance Ended

LONG BEACH, Cal.—(UP)—Only a little more than a month after their marriage, death ended the romance of the oldest couple that ever obtained a marriage license in the state. The bride, Mrs. Spencer H. St. John, who died, was 85, while the surviving groom is a 90-year-old machinist.

LUTHERAN BIBLE TO SEVEN MILLION

ST. LOUIS, Mo., June 17.—(AP)—Distribution by the American Bible society of more than 7,000,000 copies of the scriptures for the 13th year in succession was reported today by the Evangelical Lutheran synod of Missouri, Ohio and other states.

Dr. George William Brown, the society's general secretary in charge of home missions, said the Bible for the first time appeared last year in over 1000 languages. More Bibles were distributed in China and Brazil in 1937 than in any year since mission work was begun in those countries, he reported.

The synod's centennial convention moved to the consideration of other issues after settling, in part, the question of enlarging educational facilities at its preparatory schools.

BUY PORTLAND BUTTER FOR GOVERNMENT USE

PORTLAND, June 17.—(AP)—Purchase of butter for the Portland produce exchange by the federal government through the newly formed dairy products marketing association of Chicago, started yesterday when more than a carload was taken. Two lots totaling 200 cubes of 62 cubes of 91 score at 24 cents and 38 cubes of 89 score at 23 cents. The butter will be stored here for the present.

QUESTION SUSPECT IN MILWAUKEE KIDNAPING

OREGON CITY, June 17.—(P)—A 49-year-old suspect in the year-old kidnaping of Joyce Robertson, 11, Milwaukee, Wis., was questioned yesterday by department of justice operatives. Arrested on a charge of selling obscene literature, the man was questioned when Theodore Clifford Portland, a detective in a picture of the alleged killer.

CONGRESSMAN PASSES AS SESSION ADJOURNS

WASHINGTON, June 17.—(AP)—Rep. Allard H. Gasque, Democrat, of Florence, S. C., died early today of heart disease at Walter Reed hospital, only a few hours after the 75th congress adjourned.

The 65-year-old chairman of the house pension committee had been ill for more than a week. Gasque had been a school teacher before being elected to congress 16 years ago.

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