

Musical Show "Cocoanut Grove" With Brilliant Cast At Craterian

RUFFE DAVIS, YACHT CLUB BOYS APPEAR IN ROLLICKING HIT

The mecca of every "big name" band in the country, the Los Angeles Ambassador hotel's world-famed Cocoanut Grove, forms the background for the new film musical, "Cocoanut Grove," starring Fred MacMurray and opening a three-day run today at the Craterian theater.

Included in the supporting cast are Harriet Hilliard, Ben Blue, Rufe Davis, Billy Lee, the Yacht Club Boys, Dorothy Howe, Eve Arden and Harry Owens with his famous Royal Hawaiian orchestra.

A story that might have been taken from the lives of MacMurray and Miss Hilliard, who rose to fame via the orchestra pit and bandstand, makes "Cocoanut Grove" an ideal vehicle for the two stars. MacMurray is the leader of a crew of slap-happy musicians, hungry for fame, hungry for love, but most of the time just plain hungry, on a barnstorming tour of the country to the world-famed Cocoanut Grove, long the "springboard of the stars," and coveted spot for all aspiring young band leaders.

Miss Hilliard joins the band en route and becomes their vocalist, just as she did with Ozzie Nelson's group—and, just as she became Ozzie's wife, so she also finally wins the heart of genial Fred before the final closeout.

Rufe Davis, the hillbilly comic, is another who joins the band in the role of a Kansas rube who is stage-struck, had enough to take his chances with any fair possibility of gaining recognition of his talents. Billy Lee, the youngster, becomes the mascot of the band and it is through him that the boys get their big break. Critics everywhere have given the boy much attention for his fine work in the picture.

New song hits include two new numbers by Harry Owens—who wrote "Sweet Lullaby." They are "Cocoanut Grove" and "Dreamy Hawaiian Moon." Other new songs include "Says My Heart" and "You Leave Me Breathless."

PWA CASH GIVEN WITHOUT ASKING

WALLA WALLA, Wash., July 9.—(AP)—Walla Walla was in something of a furor yesterday upon receipt of telegrams from Senator L. B. Schwellenbach and Representative Knute Hill disclosing a \$31,500 PWA grant for an assembly hall.

Reason for the consternation—no body had asked for an assembly hall. City Commissioner C. W. Martin made a guess. He recalled vaguely that some time ago a PWA official visited Walla Walla from Portland to ascertain how much the city might profitably spend on public improvements. Two projects were discussed. One was the remodeling of the city hall, the second a public auditorium. But no application for funds had been made for either.

Trend For Lighter Oils in Cars Says Pennzoil's Chemist

In modern motor cars, the trend is definitely toward lighter oils, according to a statement recently issued by G. S. Cavanaugh, chief chemist for The Pennzoil company of California. Referring to a statement which appeared in a prominent trade magazine—"The sensible thing to do either in new cars or reconditioned old ones, is always to use the lightest oil that doesn't give excessive oil consumption," Cavanaugh stated that an oil must be light enough to penetrate the closely fitted parts of present day cars—yet tough enough to withstand even greater operating temperatures and pressures without forming sludge.

Quoting another article which appeared in Motor Service Magazine, Cavanaugh said, "The wrong kind of engine oil will put as much wear on piston rings, etc., in 10,000 miles as you would get in 25,000 to 30,000 miles with the right kind." He stated that over a period of time engineers have found that bearings do not burn out because of too light viscosity oil. They burn because of too heavy oil or because of an insufficient oil supply, which is the result when the oil is too heavy in viscosity, and cannot be forced into oil lines fine enough to cool the bearings properly.

The Pennzoil company, according to Cavanaugh, has tested its lightest weight motor oil in various cars under the most difficult of operating conditions. In one instance, he said, SAE 10 Pennzoil was used in a 1937 Pontiac which underwent a 5,000 mile test in Death Valley at the height of summer. Although the car was operated night and day in temperatures as high as 134 degrees Fahrenheit, oil consumption for the entire 5,000 mile run was only two quarts, four ounces. Further statistics, it was stated, showed that the Pontiac's water temperature averaged 190 degrees—and no water was added to the radiator during the five days and nights of the run. Cavanaugh pointed out, in this instance, the use of SAE 10 Pennzoil played an important part in keeping the water temperature down to this comparatively low level because of the oil's faster circulation and correspondingly faster dissipation of motor heat.

In 19 weeks of compulsory motor vehicle inspection in New Jersey, 731,000 cars were inspected, and 699,012 obtained safety stickers.

"Blockade" Coming Wednesday



"Blockade," the picture that has taken the country by storm with its daring presentation of an idea that has been tried to be kept secret, comes Wednesday to the Craterian theater for a four-day engagement, its cast headed by Henry Fonda and Madeleine Carroll.

The dramatic situation of the present day—the Spanish civil war—forms the background for the tempestuous

FARLEY ENDORSES WISCONSIN AIDE

POND DU LAC, Wis., July 9.—(AP)—Postmaster General James A. Farley, heading for Iowa today, left with the Democratic state convention here his warm endorsement of U. S. Senator F. Ryan Duffy and a prediction there would be a "big pickup" in business soon.

The Democratic national committee chairman, en route to a state postmasters' meeting at Sheboygan, steered 1,600 party delegates yesterday into a loud demonstration for the renomination of Duffy and approval of Roosevelt administration policies.

Decrying the recent dropping off of business definitely has been counteracted, Farley stated that such beneficial legislation was passed in the last session of congress and starting early in September you will find a big pickup in business.

During the middle ages dancing the tarantella was thought to cure a form of insanity contracted from the bite of the spider, tarantula.

Mystery Farce Coming To Roxy



Up to their ears in love, June Lang and Dick Baldwin are also up to their necks in crime in the mystery-farce, "One Wild Night," which heads the double bill coming to the Rialto theater for Tuesday and Wednesday. Weird walls in the night, clutched hands in the cobwebs, killers who leave no trace and moving objects

Mickey Rooney and Lewis Stone Stars 'Judge Hardy' Show

"Judge Hardy's Children," with Lewis Stone, Mickey Rooney, Cecilia Parker, Fay Holden and the rest of the "Judge Hardy Family," opens a two-day run today at the Rialto theater as the sequel to "You're Only Young Once," and third of the famous series. In the new picture Stone and his family visit Washington, D. C., for amusing adventures amid lobbyists and society.

In the film, Stone, as the father and judge, is called from his country town to serve as a power commissioner at the national capital. While he grapples with problems and lobbyists, Mickey Rooney falls in love with a little French girl and gets himself ousted from a fashionable dancing school when he teaches her the "Big Apple."

Cecilia is infatuated by handsome Leonard Penn, who plays a state department employee who is deceived by a pair of crooked lobbyists. The judge, after a series of trying adventures and manipulations, extricates his offspring from their tribulations in situations sometimes comical and sometimes heart-grIPPING.

Other players include Betty Ross Clarke, Ann Rutherford, Janet Beecher and Leonard Penn. "The Glory Trail," a thrilling screen drama that will reach out to every red-blooded American, plays as the companion feature today and tomorrow at the Rialto theater. The story of "The Glory Trail" tells of the pioneer days of the building of the west, the hardships and struggles of

Return Showing



Trene Dunne as Magnolia, and Allan Jones as Revere, in Edna Ferber's mighty story of the Mississippi, "Show Boat," which plays at the Roxy theater today and tomorrow only. Other members in support of the stars are Paul Robeson, Helen Morgan, Charles Winninger, Helen Westley and Donald Cook. Music is by Jerome Kern.

PORTLAND SALES PAST WEEK GAIN

PORTLAND, July 9.—(AP)—Retail sales for the past week showed a small increase over the previous week, while gasoline and retail hardware took a sharp rise, Dun's review said today.

Larger food market sales were up 8 per cent. Automobile dealers reported much interest in new cars and semi-luxury merchandisers reported increased activity. The lumber industry, affected by labor difficulties, showed no change, as did retail and wholesale collections.

SLASHED! Coats and Suits cut to \$10.00 up. Ethelwyn B. Hoffmann.

FARM MARKETING WESTERN STATES FOR MAY DECLINES

WASHINGTON, July 9.—(AP)—Receipts from farm marketings in May were off 18 per cent in eleven western states—the biggest decrease in any of the six major geographical regions—according to a bureau of agricultural economics report issued today.

Included in the western region are the states of Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, Nevada, Washington, Oregon and California.

Cash income from country-wide marketing in May was \$509,000,000 or 12 per cent less than the \$577,000,000 received in May last year. Income from crop sales was down 23 per cent and from livestock and live stock products was down generally only 5 per cent. Though the income from cattle in the United States as a whole was up from May last year, receipts from cattle marketings in the western states were down, resulting in lower cash income from livestock marketings in all the western group.

The western states, in the first five months of the year, reported receipts from crop sales 33 per cent below the figure for the same period last year. Livestock sales were 9 per cent smaller and government payments were unchanged. Total cash income, including government payments, was 19 per cent below last year.

Receipts from the sale of principal farm products, by states, included: Oregon—May, 1938, \$4,392,000; January-May, 1938, \$22,332,000.

Badge 100 Years Old MAHANOY CITY, Pa. (UP)—Harry Schatzlein, a constable, wears a badge more than 100 years old—made from the back of a silver watch case. Only one word—Constable—is on the shield.

WASHER SURVIVES TEN-STORY FALL

FRESNO, Calif., July 9.—(AP)—Take it from window washer Chester J. Wagner, a 10-story fall through several awnings and a skylight is likely to leave you with a deflated feeling. Wagner, 27, crashed into the ground floor barber shop of a downtown building via the skylight after his safety belt broke, but his only injuries were some minor cuts on his head and right arm.

"It sure took the wind out of my sails," he said. "I can't remember how many times I turned over in the air, but it was too many. It was the awnings and the skylight that broke my fall and saved my life. Boy, am I thankful!"

Co-op Formed For Purchase Of Bull

Seven Jackson county farmers have organized Eagle Point Cooperative No. 3, near Eagle Point, under sponsorship of the community and cooperative services section, farm security administration, USDA, Eugene Hampton, county PSA supervisor, announced Saturday.

Services of a registered Guernsey bull will be made available for use on member farms and a limited number of other farmers in the community may be enabled to participate. The new cooperative is set up on the master-borrower plan with members signing participation agreements on a fee basis.

L. A. Smith is manager of the service. Members include Paul Force, W. L. Childreth, C. C. Day, Millie Tingleaf, W. E. Carter and Alice Daley.

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