

Fay Bainter in "The War Against Mrs. Hadley" at Craterian Today

**RICHARD NEY IN
PICTURE, EDWARD
ARNOLD IS STAR**

Comedy, Drama Mingle In
Show—Jean Rogers And
Van Johnson Appear.

Washington in wartime is the setting for a vivid story of a woman's soul, in "The War Against Mrs. Hadley," which brings Fay Bainter to the screen as the embodiment of many women who, when the war started, refused to be drawn into it until awakened to the truth about national defense. The picture, literally a cross-section of a woman's soul, opens a 3-day run today at the Craterian theatre.

Miss Bainter in the title role plays a wealthy widow who, despite changes brought about by war, tries to live her life as usual. Her friends go into war work, leaving her lonely. Her daughter goes into a canteen, marries a soldier. Her son is drafted. When he is sent overseas she blames her lover, a government official. Then, in a dramatic climax, she awakens to the truth, and throws her life into the conflict, in common with millions of other American women.

Comedy and drama mingle in the down-to-earth human story. Miss Bainter plays her role with a deep conviction. Richard Ney, as the son, makes good the prophecies made for him following "Mrs. Miniver." Young romance is furnished by Jean Rogers and Van Johnson, who make an engaging pair. Edward Arnold is compelling as the wealthy socialite's suitor, and Spring Byington plays a social leader turned war worker convincingly. Halliwell Hobbes as the butler who becomes an air raid warden provides much of the comedy. Dorothy Morris, Miles Mander and Frances Rafferty are other principals.

CUBA CHIEF HERE
New York, Dec. 12—(U.P.)—Maj. Gen. Fulgencio Batista, president of Cuba, and Mayor F. H. LaGuardia exchanged greetings at a reception for the visiting residential party at City Hall today.

Ginger Coming



Medford's most popular actress, Ginger Rogers, returns to the Rialto Theatre Tuesday for a three-day run in "Stage Door," the picture which made her a star.

**Gloria Jean Heads
Holly Cast, Donald
O'Connor Co-Stars**

Stardom becomes a reality for two of Hollywood's most talented youngsters in tuneful and spirited picture, "Get Hep to Love," coming today to the Holly Theatre.

The two new stars are Gloria Jean and Donald O'Connor. Both have appeared in many screen successes and now, it is announced, they are honored by top-billing and will be seen in a story devised to exploit their individual and remarkable personalities.

Jane Frazee and Robert Paige have the important supporting roles in this story in which Gloria, as an 11-year-old concert singer, escapes from a greedy aunt and pretends to be a foundling. Miss Frazee and Paige, as a newly married couple, adopt the young masquerader, then the excitement begins.

Plenty of added excitement is promised in "Eyes of the Underworld," starring Richard Dix and Lon Chaney and playing as the added mystery. Both features will stay at the Holly for three days.

A Pennsylvania housewife scrapped a pancake griddle, made by one of her ancestors at his forge shortly after the Revolution. It has served five generations of pancake enthusiasts.

Maxie Baer Star of Navy Drama



The most eagerly-awaited picture of the year is "The Navy Comes Through," scheduled to open Wednesday at the Craterian.

an Theatre with Maxie Baer, George Murphy, Carl Esmond, Pat O'Brien, Jane Wyatt and Jackie Cooper heading the all-star cast.

"Flying Fortress" Comes to Holly



Richard Greene and a member of his B-17 crew receive orders for a raid on Berlin in the thrilling climax to all airplane pictures, "Flying Fortress," which opens a four-day run Wednesday at the Holly Theatre. "Raiders of San Joaquin," will play as the companion Western.

Roxy Romance



Gene Tierney and Henry Fonda co-stars in "Rings on Her Fingers," opening for today and tomorrow night only at the Roxy Theatre. "Juke Box Jenny," plays as the added comedy.

make North Africa look less like "a one-man show by Admiral Jean Francois Darlan." Appointment of an American commissioner, it was suggested, might be a step toward convincing the Allied governments and peoples of occupied countries that Darlan is not in charge.

**ANCIENT CANNON
STIRS MISSOURI**

Jefferson City, Mo., Dec. 12—(U.P.)—A Mexican war cannon stood guard tonight at one corner of the statehouse grounds, leaning a bit lamely on its broken wheel but still the cause celebre of a battle now in its opening rounds between Missouri's republican governor and the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

"On some dark night" started the whole affair. That was the caption of a Post-Dispatch editorial which lashed at the governor for his refusal to junk the relic of Doniphan's march to Mexico.

As a result, Ralph Coghlan, chief of the newspaper's vigorous editorial staff, was under \$2,000 bond, due for preliminary hearing December 22, on a charge of grand larceny in connection with an attempt to toss the gun into the nation's scrap heap.

**RANGOON BLASTED
BY YANK AIRMEN**

New Delhi, Dec. 12—(U.P.)—Heavy bombers of the American 10th air force stationed in India have renewed their offensive against Japanese-held Rangoon and Port Blair in the Andaman Islands, an official communique said tonight.

Crew members reported that at least 20 large bombs were seen to strike warehouses in Rangoon while a direct hit was reported on a dock installation. Fires broke out along the waterfront before the raiders left, the communique said.

Shipping at Port Blair escaped attack, the communique reported, because "other remunerative targets" were sighted.

All planes and crew members returned unharmed from the Burma raid.

MINE DISPUTE DEADLOCK

Washington, Dec. 12—(U.P.)—Appalachian field coal operators and the United Mine Workers announced today that they had failed to reach an agreement under which, as requested by the government, mines would operate six days a week instead of five.

See Mail Tribune Want ads.

**WALL ST. SCENTS
ARMS REVISIONS**

New York, Dec. 12—(U.P.)—Confirmation of reports that major revisions in the nation's armament program are being planned by military authorities, and centralization of manpower and food controls were the highlights of business developments this week.

Announcement by the military that certain orders for defensive armament had been scaled down on cancelled confirmed reports circulating in business channels since the American invasion of North Africa.

However, this does not mean that armament production will decline over the coming year. In fact, war expenditures for 1943 probably will double the estimated total of \$50,000,000,000 spent this year. What it means is that the military, because of the piling up of various types of armaments, now is in position to be selective, choosing the specific weapons needed for the various theaters of war.

Cutting one gallon from the "A" gasoline ration coupon, in 16 eastern rationed states, is estimated to save about 20,000 barrels of gasoline daily.

**AIRCRAFT UNION
WORKERS WARNED**

Los Angeles, Dec. 12—(U.P.)—Officials of the AFL Machinists union tonight warned employees in southern California huge aircraft companies "to stick by us now" in their fight to obtain a higher wage scale for aircraft employees.

"Do not quit your job until all hope is lost. Do not become hot-headed," the spokesmen urged the employees.

Representatives of more than 300,000 members of the International Association of Machinists will attend tomorrow and Monday's conference to protest against the war labor board's stabilization agreement.

AFL officials said aircraft

workers' wages, which start at 60 cents an hour compared to 87½ cents in the lumber industry and 95 cents an hour in shipyards, is unfair.

**BRITISH SUGGEST
CURB ON DARLAN**

London, Dec. 12—(U.P.)—British circles suggested today President Roosevelt appoint a political-diplomatic commissioner to direct all non-military affairs in North Africa.

Army observers have felt that something should be done to

**WILLIS
Loves
PHILLIS!**

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**For That Best
CHRISTMAS GIFT** SAY IT WITH
BONDS

**The Grand, Down-to-Earth Story
of An American "Mrs. Miniver"!**



MRS. HADLEY...
She said: "It can't
happen here!"

ELLIOTT FULTON
He saw the hand-
writing on the wall!

PATRICIA...
She lost her heart
to a man in khaki!

THEODORE...
"Mrs. Hadley's" son...
snatched by the draft!

**THE WAR
AGAINST
MRS.
HADLEY**

starring
**FAY BAITER
EDW. ARNOLD
RICHARD NEY
JEAN ROGERS**

Spring BYINGTON
Van JOHNSON
SARA ALLGOOD
"Alfalfa" SWITZER

**TODAY
for 3 DAYS!**

For the millions who loved
"Mrs. Miniver"... comes
this heart-warming story
of a woman jolted into
reality by the war!!!

TODAY for 3 Big Days!
TWO FUN AND EXCITEMENT FEATURES!

**Your Heart Will Dance
with JOY...!**

at this gay-star-studded
musical-comedy... with

**GLORIA
JEAN**
Jane FRAZEE
Robert PAIGE
Cora Sue Collins
Donald O'Connor

Plus This Companion Mystery-Filled Thrill Show!
**HE RIPS OPEN THE WEB OF A CRIME-
RIDDEN, FASCINATING CITY OF SIN!**

**EYES of the
UNDERWORLD**
with RICHARD DIX
WENDY BARRIE
LON CHANEY · DON PORTER

**GET HEP
TO LOVE**

The Gift They'll Like!
MERRY CHRISTMAS
WITH
BONDS
"THE PRESENT WITH A FUTURE"

SUNDAY SCHEDULE:
"Get Hep" Today at
2:00-4:45-8:00-10:45
"Eyes of Underworld"
3:45-7:00-9:45

**HOLLY
THEATRE · DIAL 5094**

Mats 1:45-3:30
30c
25c-11c inc. tax

Even 6:45-9:30
40c
25c-11c inc. tax

RIALTO THEATRE
DIAL 2424

Continuous Shows - 1:45
(til 6) 40c-25c-11c Inc. Tax
(after 6) 50c-25c-11c Inc. Tax

Ends Tomorrow!
**BETTY GRABLE
ALICE FAYE**
"Tin Pan Alley"
with John Payne

Give War Bonds for
Christmas Gifts!

**Here's Another
"Old Favorite"**

—back by Pop-
ular Demand!!



Tuesday - 3 Days!

**GINGER
ROGERS**
and
**KATHARINE
HEPBURN**
in
"Stage Door"



These Are Coming Too:
G. Raft-Dorothy Lamour
"Spawn of the North"
Alice Faye
Tyronne Power
in "IN OLD CHICAGO"

THEATRE DIAL 2424
CONTINUOUS TODAY
(til 6) 22c-11c Inc. Tax
(after 6) 25c-11c Inc. Tax

2 GREAT STARS!



**TODAY
and Mon Nitel**

And this companion

JIVE TIME of a LIFETIME!



JUKE BOX JENNY
with THE KING'S MEN
and ADRIAN · DON DOUGLAS
and the MILD HEATH TRIO

Continuous
Today
From 1:45

CRATERIAN
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