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Four Big Features Set For Torrance Theatre Patrons

Tom Mix, the noted western star of photoplays produced by William Fox, who comes to the Torrance Theatre in "Do and Dare," July 7, recently contradicted the age-old theory that horses were afraid of fire. "Until a horse has been badly burned," said Mix to Director Sedgwick, "he knows nothing of the dangers of fire. But what he does understand when violently ousted from a burning stable is that he is being driven from his comfortable stable home. This he resents—and that is why he so often tries to run back into the fire."

How much can one eye applied to a keyhole "take in," and how long is it safe to continue the application? This question would be answered by different people in as many different ways, but members of the cast of "Bell Boy 13," Thomas H. Ince's latest comedy production, would unanimously agree that it is a mighty unsafe and dangerous occupation to begin at all. "Bell Boy 13" applies his eye to a keyhole beyond which he thinks a deadly rival is making love to the girl of his dreams. "Uncle Elrod" comes along and ousts his spying nephew, only to succumb to the same temptation himself. His discovery by a scandalized old maid who follows the same tactics later, leads to an amusing series of complications. "Bell Boy 13" will be shown at the Torrance

Theatre on July 8 and 9. Famed for its magic quality, the work of Marie Corelli, one of the world's most noted novelists, is soon to be seen on the screen at the Torrance theatre, where Marion Davies in "The Young Diana" will be presented July 10 and 11. "The Young Diana" is one of Miss Corelli's most striking novels and it has been filmed with great elaborateness by Cosmopolitan Productions. The picture is released by Paramount. Miss Davies in "The Young Diana" makes obvious her versatility as an actress. Seen recently as a gay young "flapper" in "Enchantment" and as a demure Irish girl in "The Bride's Play," the star enacts "The Young Diana" a part of much dramatic intensity. In a letter to the editor, a correspondent asks whether, in "Singed Wings," Bebe Daniels is a moth, a butterfly or an angel? Miss Daniels is neither. She is a beautiful café dancer, member of a once proud and wealthy Spanish family. The title of "Singed Wings" is taken from scenes in the picture where Miss Daniels clad in a moth costume, performs a "Moth Dance." The costume is one of the most unique and resplendent ever conceived for a motion picture. "Singed Wings" is a Penrhyn Stanlaw's production for Paramount, and will be seen at the Torrance theatre July 12 and 13. Bebe Daniels and Conrad Nagel have the featured roles.

Torrance Theatre

Show Starts Every Evening at 6:30. Second Performance at 8:30.
 Adults 25c—Including Tax—Children under 15 years, 10c

SUNDAY AND MONDAY, JULY 8 and 9
Douglas MacLean in "Bell Boy 13"
 A Merry Hotel Mixup with More Laughs Than a Bellboy has Buttons
 Clyde Cook Comedy "HIGH AND DRY" NEWEVENTS

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, JULY 10 and 11
 MARION DAVIES in
"The Young Diana"
 A Cosmopolitan Production
 Christie Comedy "IN HOT WATER" SCENIC

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, JULY 12 and 13
 BEBE DANIELS AND CONRAD NAGEL in
"Singed Wings"
 A Torrent of Tense Emotions; a Riot of Dazzling Beauty
 Christie Comedy "TIS THE BULL" NEWEVENTS

SATURDAY, JULY 14
 HOOT GIBSON in
"The Gentleman From America"
 A Whirlwind in Action
"THE PHANTOM FORTUNE," Episode 9
 Torchy Comedy "THE FRAME UP"

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Straw From Henry's Own Farm Makes Steering Wheels For Fords

DETROIT, Mich., July 5.—Invisible, yet daily gripped in the hands of millions of persons, straw from the farm of Henry Ford is literally scattered to the four corners of the earth.

Strange as this statement may seem, it is true. Out on the Ford farm at Dearborn, Mich., operated entirely by Fordson tractor power, there was no use for the great loads of straw annually harvested there with the grain until the Ford Motor company, given to doing unusual things, found a use for it.

For Steering Wheels
 The straw is used as an ingredient in the composition of Fordite, a material of flint-like hardness and a development of the Ford Motor company, from which steering wheels are made and the Fordite plant at Highland Park supplies these steering wheels for all Ford cars and trucks, wherever assembled throughout the world—in the United States, Canada and abroad—and also for use on Fordson tractors.

A Lot of Straw
 The straw from the Ford farm, which is sufficient in quantity for only about nine months' manufacture, after which straw must be purchased outside, is utilized, following a shredding process, as a binder in making that part of Fordite which forms the core of the steering wheel, insuring a rim of exceptional strength. The daily consumption at present is about a ton and a half.

Manufacture of Fordite begins with the raw materials. In preparing the core stock, the straw, rubber base, sulphur, silica and other ingredients are mixed in batches of 150 pounds each which then go to the rubber mills, where they are mixed between heated rollers for a period of 45 minutes. By that time the substance is ready for the tubing machines into which it is fed in small strips and from which it emerges through a round die, fifteen-sixteenths of an inch in diameter, much as sausage from a sausage grinding machine. As it comes out it is cut, on the bias, into lengths of 52 inches and then is ready to be rolled into the outside covering of fine rubber-like substance.

After the core has been wrapped into the covering, which is of equal length and seven and a half inches wide, affording a double cover, the whole is secured in circular form and sent to steel molds the exact size of a steering wheel. Held fast in these molds under hydraulic pressure of 2000 pounds to the square inch, these Fordite steering wheels are subjected to a heat treatment of 68 pounds of steam for a period of 50 minutes. Hot as they come from the steam ovens, they are soft and pliable, but within a short time after they are placed on the cooling racks

they assume a flint-like hardness that remains.

Next, the Fordite steering wheels go to the finishing room where they are smoothly trimmed and polished. The pressed steel "spider" or cross piece is then placed in the wheel and securely fastened on by a machine which in one operation borings a small hole and in the next screws in the screw. The steering wheel is then ready for shipment and assembly on the car.

Manufacture of these wheels is only a part of the work done in the Fordite plant. In addition it turns out a daily average of 9000 front spring pads, 150,000 commutator insulator bottoms, 9000 magnet contact insulators, 7500 cut out insulators, 8000 motor starter insulators, 8000 generator insulators, 8000 dash terminal blocks, 6000 battery cable bushings, 19,000 hood block bushings, 20,000 tail light wire bushings, 3200 battery covers, 6500 rear panel plugs and 10,000 cable insulators for metal dashes.

Folks From 6 States Will Picnic July 14

Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Maryland, Delaware. Former residents of these six Atlantic coast states will join in a union picnic, all day, Saturday, July 14, in Sycamore Grove Park, Los Angeles, with basket dinners at noon. If you cannot be there at noon bring basket suppers. County registers will be open all day for each state. There will be a brief program opening about two o'clock in which each of the six states have some part.

CERTIFICATE OF DOING BUSINESS UNDER A FICTITIOUS NAME

We, the undersigned, do hereby certify that we are transacting business in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, under the firm name and style of Higgs and Smith, that our principal place of business is on the south side of Wilmington Road west of Apple Way, Lomita, California; that the names in full of all members of such partnership are H. C. Higgs and M. C. Smith; that the place of our respective residences is set opposite our respective names subscribed hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 25th day of June, A. D. 1923.

H. C. HIGGS, Harbor City, Calif.
 M. C. SMITH, Lomita, Calif.
 State of California,
 County of Los Angeles, ss.

On this 25th day of June A. D., 1923, before me, L. J. Hunter, a Notary Public in and for the said County of Los Angeles, State of California, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared H. C. Higgs and M. C. Smith, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal in said County the day and year in this certificate first above written. (Seal)

L. J. HUNTER,
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