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Four Big Features Booked For the Torrance Theatre



Sally O'Neill and Charlie Murray in "MIKE"

A picture that abounds with the type of humor that amuses young and old alike is coming to the Torrance Theatre Thursday and Friday. It is Marshall Neilan's production of his own story, "Mike," and is a Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture. It is his third original story for the screen, the other two being "Minnie" and "Dinty."

"Mike" tells a simple, rather melodramatic story with all the curve of the usual melodrama removed by the sly wit, the subtle humor, and the hilarious comedy. It is said to be Marshall Neilan's best picture.

Sally O'Neill, a new "discovery" of Neilan's, makes her first appearance on the screen in the title role, and according to advance reports is proving a real find. She is a typical American girl of Irish ancestry. William Haines, the popular young juvenile, plays opposite Sally as "Harlan."

No less than three stars of the legitimate stage are prominent in the splendid cast of "The Thorough." Truett's latest production, which comes to the Torrance Theatre Saturday.

Carter De Haven, Maelyn Arbuckle and Thomas Jefferson are the footlight celebrities known to millions of admirers throughout the country who are featured in this comedy thrill-drama of the turf.

"Paucity of ideas" is one ailment of the cinema from which Harold Lloyd never appears to suffer. The great comedian is given credit for developing more new comedy themes, situations and ideas than

any other man on the screen today. His supply of new material seems inexhaustible. This will be quite apparent to the host of his admirers who see him in "For Heaven's Sake!" his first Paramount release, which is booked for the Torrance Theatre Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

Lloyd is enabled to maintain the pace he has set for individuality because of one thing: He never makes his story idea fit the situations, or "gags," as the funny bits of business he portrays are called in cinema parlance, but makes his "gags" and situations mould into the general theme of his story. For this reason he cannot use stock material, and thereby avoids the rut into which so many comics fall.

When father starts "stepping," does mother stay at home by the fireside? That's the question answered in "Dancing Mothers," the new Paramount picture which comes to the Torrance Theatre next Tuesday and Wednesday. And the answer would seem to be that, although this may have been the correct thing to do years ago, when driving a horse and buggy was considered the height of fashion, in this year of our Lord it is distinctly not so. No, sir, in the words of the song, "Mama goes where papa goes, so papa don't go out tonight!"

So we have the situation of a "dancing mother" who falls in love with her daughter's bachelor friend. And then—but you'd better see the picture in order to find out what happens.

Herbert Brenon directed "Dancing Mothers," which co-stars Conway Tearle, Alice Joyce, and Clara Bow.

West Side Health Edict Postponed

In keeping with the custom inaugurated last year, the Beacon Drug Company will give every visitor at its store on Saturday a carnation to wear Mother's Day, Sunday, May 9.

"This is a gift from the heart without any thought of return," said Arthur Finster, manager of the Torrance store. "You will not be required to buy anything in order to get a flower. It's just our way of expressing our gratitude for all the kindnesses you have done for us during the past year, and we cannot think of any more appropriate time to recognize your thoughtful deeds than on Mother's Day."

The carnations will be given away on Saturday only, not Friday.

Easy Lessons in AUCTION BRIDGE

New Series by WYNNE FERGUSON
Author of 'Ferguson on Auction Bridge'

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ARTICLE No. 31

A large proportion of the questions submitted by correspondents are in reference to a take-out of partner's no-trump when second hand has passed. Every player has his own pet theory, and the writer is no exception. In his opinion, a player should overbid partner's no-trump under the following conditions:

- (a) Having an original bid in either major suit;
- (b) Any six or more cards in either major suit;
- (c) Any two five-card suits;
- (d) Any five-card major suit if the hand contains a void suit, a singleton, or no help for partner's no-trump.

In any discussion of the advisability of taking out partner's no-trump bid with a bid of two hearts or two spades, careful consideration should be given to what the no-trump bidder should do. That is, if the dealer bids one no-trump, second hand passes, and the dealer's partner bids two hearts or two spades, with what type of hand should the dealer bid two no-trump or pass? Any theory of the take-out that you may adopt is incomplete without a thorough understanding between partners as to the procedure dealer should follow subsequent to the take-out. I am of the opinion that if this procedure becomes thoroughly understood there will not be the various differences of opinion as to the take-out. With a partner who understands what to do after a take-out it is much easier to arrive at the best bid of the two hands. The purpose of the take-out, of course, is to bid a suit that offers a better chance for game than the no-trump. If, however, the original no-trump bidder still considers the no-trump offers a better chance for game he should bid two no-trump. If you adopt this procedure it is much safer to take out the no-trump with any five-card major suit. Such a bid gives that information to partner, and if he doesn't consider it the best bid for game he should bid two no-trump. Such a procedure can never do any harm, and in many hands will enable partners to make a game not otherwise possible. Auction is a partnership game and gives the best results when partners endeavor to bid twenty-six cards correctly, rather than thirteen. The free take-out of partner's no-trump handled as just outlined seems to obtain the best bid of the two hands, and for that reason seems to be the right thing to do.

In the following hands there is no score, partner has bid one no-trump and second hand has passed. Do you think you should take him out? Think it over and compare results in the next article.

- Hand No. 1
Hearts—10, 8, 2
Clubs—7, 5
Diamonds—A, 10, 8, 5, 4
Spades—8, 4, 3
- Hand No. 2
Hearts—K, 6, 5
Clubs—9, 5
Diamonds—J, 7, 3
Diamonds—J, 7, 3
Spades—J, 10, 8, 2, 2
- Hand No. 3
Hearts—A, 4
Clubs—7
Diamonds—J, 10, 9, 4, 3, 2
Spades—A, K, Q, 4
- Hand No. 4
Hearts—A, J, 9, 6, 5
Clubs—A, 5
Diamonds—7, 6, 5, 4
Spades—A, 3

Here is a clever little problem that will tax your ingenuity:

- Problem No. 16
Hearts—Q
Clubs—Q, J, 8, 2
Diamonds—Q, 10, 7
Spades—none
- Hearts—7, 5, 2 : Y : Hearts—9, 8, 4
Clubs—K, 10, 6 : A : Clubs—none
Diamonds—none : Z : Diamonds—K, J, 6, 5, 3
Spades—K, 7 : : Spades—none
- Hearts—K, J, 3
Clubs—none
Diamonds—8, 2
Spades—A, Q, 6

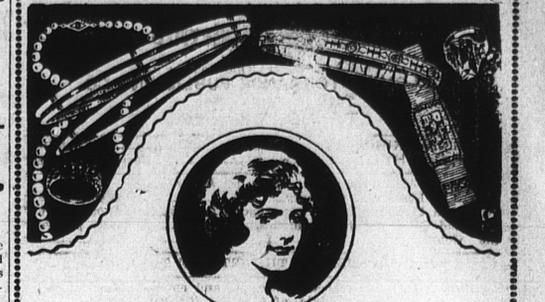
Hearts are trumps, and Z is in the lead. How can YZ win five of the eight tricks against any defense? Solution next week.

E. W. Brumpton of Lomita was a Torrance visitor Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sutton spent Saturday in Los Angeles.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Baptist Church held an all-day meeting at the church on Tuesday.

Mrs. Sam Henderson and mother, Mrs. Nellie Cook, visited relatives in Los Angeles Monday.



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