

### Nicola, Famous Magician Heads Bill at Orpheum

Noted Sorcerer Has Played All Over World for 26 Years

Nicola, world-famous magician and sorcerer, will amuse and bewilder at the new show opening at the Orpheum Sunday, July 11, in an act that astounds with its deception of every description and features the sensational "trunk mystery." After 26 years in all corners of the earth this amazing mystic is now playing the Orpheum Circuit.

"The Crooning Troubadour," Nick Lucas, exclusive Brunswick artist, will meet a host of his admirers face to face for the first time. The well known tenor's original style of singing has already

won him a reputation through the medium of the talking machine. Franklyn Ardell, with Sonja Swan, promises a lot of laughs in his latest comedy success, "The Wife Saver." A real treat for the kiddies will be presented by Pearl Hickman in her Minifature Follies, in which 20 tiny tots take part, displaying a variety of juvenile talent that is sure to please. "Hoos Hoos," a comedy in one act by Hal Jerome and Gloria Gray, offers a new style in sketch presentation. In addition both of the artists are excellent musicians. Ledova, the brilliant danseuse, will hold over for another week by popular demand. The dancing star is assisted by Leon Varkas and Joseph Napollitano with the Stecherban Gypsy Quintet. Marjorie White and Ed Tierney, former musical comedy stars, will do their bit to enliven the program with an assortment of songs and dances in an act which they call "Gwatus-Gwatus-Gwatus."

Guests Monday of Mr. and Mrs. George Bryant of South Narbonne avenue were Mr. and Mrs. Gus Newman and son Gerald, of Long Beach.

### Norma Shearer In Circus Film At the Torrance

Tom Mix, Shirley Mason, Harry Langdon, Lewis Stone Also Booked

"The Devil's Circus," the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture coming to the Torrance Theatre Thursday and Friday, is Norma Shearer's second picture with a circus background. About a year ago she was in "He Who Gets Slapped," directed by Victor Seastrom, Swedish director, and by coincidence "The Devil's Circus" was also made by a foreign director, Benjamin Christianson of Denmark.

Tom Mix, in his latest Fox Films production, "The Best Bad Man," is the attraction at the Torrance Theatre Thursday and Friday.

In this story, written by Max Brand and adapted by Lillian Hayward, Mix is given opportunity for some of the most thrilling work of his screen career. Clara Bow has the leading feminine role and Judy King, Fox comedy queen, furnishes some hilarious moments. Big Tom Wilson, famous for his blackface portrayals, also contributes to the fun.

Having completed her five-year contract with Fox, Shirley Mason has declared her independence and will henceforth work as a "freelance." In this manner she will be enabled to choose her own roles. Her first selection thus was with Lewis Stone in First National's latest picture, "What Fools Men." It is an adaptation from Henry Kitchell Webster's delightful novel, "Joseph Greer and His Daughter." It will be shown at the Torrance Theatre Saturday.

Harry Langdon, film comedian, started as an usher in a small theatre in Council Bluffs, Ia. The comic has just completed his first feature-length comedy for First National. It is called "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp," and will be shown at the Torrance Theatre Sunday and Monday.

Spain-land of golden sunlight, flashing eyes, and serenades—forms a gorgeous background for the new First National photodrama, "The Girl From Montmartre," announced for the Torrance Theatre Tuesday and Wednesday, with Barbara La Marr and Lewis Stone in the featured roles.

### Mae Murray and Bushman Stars In Paris Film

Will Be Shown at Lomita Theatre Friday and Saturday

"Bustin' Through," a Universal-Blue Streak Western picture play, with Jack Hoxie as the star, will be shown at the Lomita Theatre Thursday. It is a big thrills picture of the west, with a big ensemble of favorite players supporting the star.

"The Masked Bride," Mae Murray's first starring vehicle since her sensational success in "The Merry Widow," will be the attraction Friday and Saturday at the Lomita Theatre. It is a colorful Parisian story, with gorgeous gowns and settings, directed at the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studios by Christy Cabanne. Francis X. Bushman is leading man.

Matt Moore and Marie Prevost are co-featured in "The Cave Man," to be shown Sunday and Monday at the Lomita Theatre. This story by Gelet Burgess was one of the dramatic hits of the stage. Miss Prevost has such a part as she had in "Ernst Lubitsch's" "Kiss Me Again," while Matt Moore is presented in an entirely new type of character.

Jerry Murphy, the new boy wonder of Hollywood, was born in Cleveland, where his father is a well known film man. He appears with Lefty Flynn in his new Gelet Beaumont comedy-drama, "The Traffic Cop," which comes to the Lomita Theatre on Tuesday and Wednesday.

"The Arizona Streak," Tom Tyler's latest western vehicle, which comes to the Lomita Theatre on Thursday, July 15, is an original story by F. A. E. Pine. Mr. Pine is best known, however, for the many musical compositions he has written for many of the best London musical revues. He has now cast his lot with the Hollywood scenario clan.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Ferguson of Redondo boulevard were Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Ferrier and daughters, of Glendale.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Grafe of Latic street spent Wednesday with friends at Long Beach.

Miss Marion Crittenden of George street spent from Friday until Tuesday at Santa Cruz. En route Miss Crittenden visited her sister, Mrs. Bill Smith, at Paso Robles.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Edwards of Eshelman avenue were Dr. and Mrs. C. Gonzales and son and Miss Constance Gonzales, of Los Angeles.

Mrs. Anna Kerber, who is visiting friends in the east and is now in Milwaukee, writes that she is having a wonderful time. Mrs. Kerber does not plan to return to California for at least two months.

# SOCIETY

## WILL DEPART FOR OLD WORLD



MISS WANDA STACHOWICZ

Miss Wanda Stachowicz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roman Stachowicz, well known family of Torrance, will sail for Europe the latter part of this month, where she will endeavor to complete her vocal studies.

This well known young lady is a pupil of Madam Felecia Romanoska, former grand opera star of the La Scala Theatre in Milan, Italy, where Miss Stachowicz is planning to go now. She is also a pupil of Miss Doris Carl, well known dancer of Los Angeles and former instructress of the Norma Gould school of terpsichorean art.

Great enthusiasm is shown by her many friends in the Southland for the preparation and cheerful hopes for a pleasant journey to her new home in sunny Italy.

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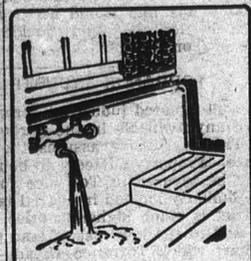
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### Commercial Nat'l Trust Has Agency In Movie District

The announcement comes from L. M. MacDonald, senior executive vice-president of the Commercial National Trust and Savings Bank, that the new Washington-Vermont agency of this institution was opened for business on Thursday, July 1. A reception to visitors and friends was held in the afternoon and evening.

A temporary office near the northeast corner of Washington and Vermont has been in course of remodeling for the past few months, to house this new banking agency. This particular district has become the headquarters for motion picture interests. The film exchanges have their booking offices here, and one of the finest theatres of the West Coast, Theatres, Inc., and its general offices, are at this location.

This agency of the Commercial National Trust and Savings Bank will be distinctive in that many of the prominent executives associated with motion picture interests will participate in its management. Joseph Schenck will be chairman of its advisory board. Associated with him will be A. M. Bowles, general manager of the West Coast Theatres, and other prominent business men in the bank's immediate locality.



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