

MARY ROBERTS RINEHART PICKED JOAN BLONDELL

"She is just the type!" Mary Roberts Rinehart crossed the room and shook hands warmly with Joan Blondell, blonde siren of the screen, who showed no trace of her hard-boiled screen manner as she met the author of her next screen vehicle.



Joan Blondell as she appears in "Miss Pinkerton"

"Miss Pinkerton," the story which had been published serially in the Saturday Evening Post, which comes to the Torrance Theatre Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday next week.

Mrs. Rinehart lost no time in getting to a discussion of the chief character in the story. "You are confident and sure," she told Miss Blondell. "You have seen life and are sophisticated. You know what it is all about. But you have sympathy, plenty of it. I hope they let you play Miss Pinkerton just that way."

"I hope so too," Miss Blondell replied, "it sounds just as I had visualized the character."

The two had met at Warner Bros. First National Studios in Hollywood to discuss the picture which was to be Miss Blondell's first starring vehicle, and which is to be adapted from Mrs. Rinehart's interesting mystery story, "Miss Pinkerton."

Miss Blondell plays a nurse in the story—a nurse who lands in the center of a mystery and who eventually helps to solve it. Her experience in "Night Nurse," Joan's previous picture, which the picture fire was in production, made her right at home in a uniform.

Mrs. Rinehart was asked if she was not often disappointed when she saw her characters brought to the screen, if they did not fall to come up to her expectations.

"To be truthful," she replied, "I do not believe I have ever seen more than three of my pictures on the screen."

"I went to see 'The Bat' in its second or sound version, and I saw 'Twenty-four Hours Leave' and I believe one or two others. But I found I suffered too much, so I just send my family now."

"I do not mean that I do not enjoy pictures. I do, very much. But I worry so when I see my own stories screened that I just don't go."

"I'm going to see 'Miss Pinkerton' though," she hastened to assure Miss Blondell. "I know that it is splendid screen material, and I know that you are going to make Miss Pinkerton the interesting character that I tried to make her in the story."

Mrs. Rinehart believes that good mystery stories, like Miss Pinkerton, make splendid motion pictures.

"They sustain interest and make for good entertainment," she said. "There is just one trick, as I have found it, that makes or breaks a camera looking through the eyes of the central character only, and do not let the audience in on what others of the cast see or know, it is certain to be successful."

"County Fair" On Sam. Bill "Miss Pinkerton" is one of two big pictures on the double feature bill at the Torrance Theatre next week, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

The other picture on the pro-

Colden Receives Endorsement of National Group

Chas. J. Colden, candidate for the Democratic nomination for congress, has received notification of the endorsement of his candidacy in the 17th congressional district by the Women's Organization for National Prohibition Reform. Mrs. John C. McFarland is the Los Angeles county chairman and the national chairman is Mrs. Chas. H. Sabin of New York. This organization is country-wide and in its membership are the names of many women civic and political leaders.

The Southside Co-operator also has this to say of Colden's candidacy: "There is no question in the minds of the supporters of Charles J. Colden for congress, but that he will receive a large majority over the other candidates in the primaries. Mr. Colden is running on the Democratic ticket but does not belong to the old school of 'stand patters.' He is progressive as can be plainly seen by his platform. One reason that he has so many supporters and friends who are registered Republicans, is that they know whenever a bill is introduced for the good of the people it will receive his support regardless of the party affiliation of the one introducing it."

Mr. Colden is the outstanding candidate. His whole life has been a preparation leading up to the responsible position he is seeking. Step by step he has qualified himself by study and experience in public service until he is now considered to be the one man who can and should represent this district in congress. Democrats will vote for him, Republicans will write his name on their ballot and it goes without question that he will receive the majority of votes of those who decline to state at the finals.

The County Fair—Coming to Torrance



Hobart Bosworth, William Collier, Jr., and Marion Shilling are shown above in a dramatic scene of "The County Fair," coming to the Torrance Theatre, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday next week.

New Radio Firm Opens In Lomita

Wm. L. Cowan and Paul Juvinnell have opened a new radio sales and service store under the firm name of the Harbor Radio Company at 1118 Narbonne avenue, Lomita, sharing the location with Stark, Your Jeweler. Both Messrs. Cowan and Juvinnell are experienced radio electricians, having devoted the past 12 years to this work. Special emphasis is being given to servicing and repairing all types of radios, and estimates are furnished on any work without obligation. The Harbor Radio Company also carries a full line of tubes and radio accessories in stock. The firm's telephone number is Lomita 88.

Miss Eva McCormick, who is visiting here from Hillsboro, Oregon, accompanied by Joe Engel, attended "Strange Interlude" at Grauman's Chinese Theatre Sunday evening.



Tallulah Bankhead, Charles Bickford and Paul Lukas in a scene from Paramount's tropic romance, "Thunder Below," coming to the Torrance Theatre, Sunday and Monday, August 21 and 22.

gram for these three days is "The County Fair," a romance of the races in the background of the great American Pageant. Hobart Bosworth, Ralph Ince, Marion Shilling and William Collier, Jr. are among the stars in "The County Fair."

Dahlia Show to Open September 1

The 18th annual dahlia show will be held in Los Angeles September 1-2 at the Biltmore hotel. Hundreds of varieties from France, England and Germany will make up a striking international exhibit. Many local dahlia growers are entering their products.

REDONDO WOMAN BREAKS LEG IN FALL

Mrs. H. B. Huckins, 317 Torrance boulevard, Redondo Beach, is receiving treatment at the Jared Sidney Torrance Memorial hospital for a broken leg. Mrs. Huckins was on her way to the beach in company with Mrs. May B. Hopkins, former mayor of Redondo, and Mrs. Mel More, when she fell and broke her leg in two places below the knee.

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