

Master Writer's 'Kidnapped' Is Picture Triumph

From the world's greatest stories come the greatest motion pictures and "Kidnapped" which Robert Louis Stevenson considered his best, proves this axiom to the hilt. It opens at the Plaza theatre in Hawthorne on Saturday.

With the typical lavish hand that characterizes all the 20th Century-Fox productions "Kidnapped" brings an array of fine motion picture thrills to the screen in a romantic adventure story. Warner Baxter portrays in all his swashbuckling, vigorous best, the never-to-be-forgotten Alan Breck, fugitive clansman of the highlands. And Freddie Bartholomew, a size or two larger than when he last appeared so brilliantly on the screen, gives a fine performance to the role of David Balfour, the boy hero of the piece.

The movie takes liberty with the original script in introducing a "heart interest" to the life of Alan Breck. But even Robert Louis Stevenson might have rewritten his story had he known Arleen Whalen. This bright-eyed, mischievous Irish lass brings a freshness and beauty to the story that makes "Kidnapped" a treat for eyes jaded with glamour girl after glamour girl.

The story concerns Alan Breck's leading the clans in revolt against union of the North Country with George III's domain. David Balfour is the lad with the unscrupulous uncle who tries to keep the boy's rightful estate by having him kidnapped and shipped to America. The lives of Alan Breck and David Balfour cross at the point where the girl, fiancée of a lesser rebel, falls in love with Breck.

An impressive cast headed by C. Aubrey Smith, Reginald Owen, Nigel Bruce, Miles Mander, Ralph Forbes and H. B. Warner appears in the film.

TWO HEROIC ADVENTURERS



All the heroic adventure, stirring romance and endless excitement of the story Robert Louis Stevenson always considered his best is packed into "Kidnapped" which opens Saturday at the Plaza theatre in Hawthorne with Warner Baxter and Freddie Bartholomew in the leading roles.

HOLIDAY FUN FOR THREE



Sister fights sister in "Holiday," opening Sunday at the Torrance theatre, not only for a boy's heart but for his romantic dreams of freedom. Doris Nolan is the socialite who wants to tie Cary Grant down to earth. Katharine Hepburn, co-starred with Grant, is the girl who wants to help him fly.

Hollywood Bowl Opening July 12

Offering what is declared to be the most spectacular series of musical events in the history of Hollywood Bowl, the 17th festival season of Symphonies under the Stars will open July 12 with a lavish production of Wagner's dramatic "Die Walkure." So keen is the interest in the Bowl opening, that the grand opera will be given a second night, July 13.

An all star cast of artists headed by Maria Jeritza as Brünnhilde will perform the emotionally beautiful opera. Among the singing notables are: Greta Stueckhoff, Paul Althouse, Friedrich Schorr, Douglas Beattie, and Marie von Essen. Thirty-two Valkyries will be used and the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra of 100 musicians will be in the orchestra pit.

Other features of the first week will be the conducting and playing of Jose Iturbi, dynamic conductor-pianist, July 14, and the singing of Rosa Ponselle, celebrated American soprano. Second week of the Bowl will bring John Charles Thomas, noted baritone in the title role of Rossini's "Barber of Seville" conducted by Pietro Cimlin.

Clock of 1492 Still Ticks ST. BONIFACE, Man. (U.P.)—An ancient clock said to be of the Christopher Columbus days still ticks away the minutes in the sitting room of a St. Boniface home. The old relic is stamped with the date 1492 and bears the head of the famous explorer.

LOMITA THEATRE

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Thurs., Fri., Sat., July 7, 8, 9 Joan Blondell and Melvyn Douglas in

"There's Always A Woman" also

"When G-Men Step In" Cartoon News Serial

Sun., Mon., Tues., July 10, 11, 12 Clark Gable, Myrna Loy, Spencer Tracy in

'Test Pilot' also

"Little Miss Roughneck" Cartoon News

TORRANCE-LOMITA REALTORS FORM DISTRICT BOARD

Formation of the Torrance-Lomita District Realty Board, composed of active real estate brokers in the two communities, was accomplished Tuesday night at a meeting in T. B. Hill's office at Narbonne and Highway 101. Lomita has had such a board for several years and now the joint organization will serve that community and Torrance in a number of ways, chiefly in regard to land transactions, improvements and legislation.

Hill is president of the board with John W. Welte, Lomita, vice-president, and B. C. Buxton of this city, secretary-treasurer. Torrance members are J. C. Smith, Tom Waters and J. C. Smith, who are now endeavoring to enlist all local realtors in the organization. Buxton and Waters were added to the by-laws committee composed of Edith Smith, H. Lee Monroe and Welte.

Meet Here July 19 Principal speaker at the meeting was William Gaede, Long Beach, realtor who is on the membership committee of the California Real Estate association. He complimented the local board highly for linking realtors of Torrance and Lomita in a common cause.

The 10 realtors present voted to circulate petitions in Lomita for the acquisition of a new postoffice for which an appropriation of \$70,000 was adopted by the last Congress. These petitions will be sent Senator William G. McAdoe. The next meeting will be held in Tom Waters' office here July 19 and Attorney Ben Hill, brother of the board president and former state assemblyman, is expected to be the speaker.

GUARD TRUCK GARDEN Police are keeping a close watch on Mr. Austin's truck garden at 2318 237th street these nights in an effort to catch the boys who have been stealing vegetables there more or less regularly for the past several weeks.

REDONDO SHOKING-LOGES & BALCONY

Starting Saturday Loretta Young-Joel McCrea in "THREE BLIND MICE" and "GOLD DIGGERS IN PARIS" with Buddy Vallee, Rosemary Lane

Former Local Matron Hurt In Nevada Crash

A tire blowout was responsible for a major accident last Wednesday that injured Mrs. C. S. Wittenberg, nee Olive Lee, well-known local matron who was married May 31, her husband and two other women near Hawthorne, Nevada, which is about 100 miles from Tonopah. Mrs. Wittenberg and the other victims are making a good recovery, it was learned, yesterday.

Accompanied by her husband, Mrs. May Burdick, wife of a Tonopah physician and sister of C. S. Wittenberg, and two of the latter's nieces, Dixie and Florence Butler, the former Torrance resident was en route from San Francisco to her home in Tonopah when the accident occurred. Their car turned over several times and Mrs. Wittenberg was thrown from the machine.

Sister Goes to Aid Mrs. Wittenberg suffered a severe cut over her left eye which caused concussion and a number of other cuts and bruises. She was treated at a hospital and now is recovering at her home under care of her sister, Miss Joan Wheaton of this city. Wittenberg was badly shaken up but otherwise unharmed. Mrs. Burdick was the most seriously injured of the party. She had several vertebrae in her back crushed or broken, several ribs broken and severe cuts about her head. She is now confined in a Reno hospital. Miss Dixie Butler was bruised and cut but her sister, Florence, was unharmed.

STRAND Redondo's New Show Place!

Thursday-Friday "CALL OF THE YUKON" "LITTLE MISS ROUGH-NECK" KENO EVERY FRIDAY

Starts Saturday "MARCO POLO" AND "COLLEGE SWING"

Townsend Club Activities By BETH PAIGE

We will meet tonight at the usual place, Portola hall. Last Thursday being Birthday-Night, the committee on decorations turned out a lovely job, flowers and ferns and other decorations in profusion transforming the hall into a regular June bower of beauty. Heartfelt thanks for flowers go to Mrs. Mueller, Mrs. Quigley and Mrs. Brown. The latter was called on for her observations of the convention. We feel that the fame of our local Torrance Townsend club good-times must be traveling far beyond its borders, for we noted among our visitors Thursday evening, ten members from Club 37 of Los Angeles, six members from Redondo No. 1, two or more from Venice No. 2.

After the regular business session, the birthday table received many admiring comments, the "victims" were escorted thither being a beautiful birthday cake made and decorated by Mrs. Ella Quigley; after they paid their penalty of "confessing all" they were served ice cream, birthday cake and coffee and gifts, the same menu being served (minus gifts) at the large tables. A lovely cake furnished by Mrs. Hattie Giddon was auctioned off and J. Holy Brown and Mrs. Alberta Boudin and Mr. Shields, soon had the real entertainment spot on the program.

On July 9 at Torrance Park an all day picnic for the whole 17th district will be held. Speakers: Captain Russell Hand, J. P. Charlebois of headquarters, Glen Wilson of the San Francisco district, also the talented 14-year-old boy that delighted the thousands at Bixby Park's reception to the delegates. Bring lunches and friends for the noon repast: hot coffee will be furnished.

On July 14 we shall have another pot-luck luncheon in our hall. Bring a covered dish. Mr. and Mrs. Irving Allen of Portola avenue have had as their guest, Mrs. Nellie Bates, voting delegate from Medford, Oregon. Mrs. Nellie Zuber, of 1011 Portola, has been entertaining her cousin Audrey Zuber, delegate from Ohio, whom she had not seen in 29 years.

Five Patients Enter Hospital

Five new patients were received at Torrance Memorial hospital during the past week. They were: Alvin E. Bechtel, Los Angeles, for an infected thumb, Tuesday; E. E. Geer, Palos Verdes Ranch, for a left knee injury, last Thursday; John Boyd, 18, 1887 Lomita boulevard, for treatment of a fractured elbow, suffered as result of a fall last Wednesday.

Mrs. Rennie Jean Houdashelt, 1414 Cravens, entered Tuesday for an operation which was performed yesterday. Percival C. Whitley, Redondo high school instructor, entered Friday suffering from acute appendicitis. He is recovering following an operation.

HEPBURN AND GRANT STAR IN NEW FILM

Katharine Hepburn, co-starred with Cary Grant, comes to the Torrance theatre starting Sunday in "Holiday," screen version of the Philip Barry stage success. In the cast supporting the stars are Edward Everett Horton, Binnie Barnes, Doris Nolan, Lew Ayres, Jean Dixon and Henry Kolker.

"Holiday" is the story of a young debutante, stifled by wealth and family position, confused by the crowded and meaningless activity of a socialite's life, who falls in love with a young man with a sense of humor and a sense of proportion. He thinks there is more to life than the accumulating of money for the sake of accumulating money, and he intends to continue his career no longer than he has to. He wants to retire while he is young and can still enjoy life.

Miss Nolan is seen as another member of the wealthy Seton family. Her gods are family position and a fat bank account, and she has no desire to abandon them for love. Lew Ayres is the inebriate younger brother of Miss Hepburn and Miss Nolan, a boy who finds alcohol a pleasant substitute for the pleasure life should have given him but didn't. Henry Kolker is the complacent father.

Legion Nominates Officers for '39; Election Aug. 2

Members of the local American Legion post will vote August 2 for new officers and the commander for the coming year will either be Charles Myers of this city or "Pete" Peterson of Lomita. Other nominees announced at the post meeting Tuesday night were: For first vice-commander: Lyle Doan, George Thompson; for second vice-commander: Thomas T. Babbitt, D. A. Murphy and Rowland; for finance officer: Doan, Robert Deininger; for chaplain: James Wilkes, James Scott; for sergeant-at-arms: H. C. Bandy, Lloyd Warhan, Leon Webb, Clarence Younghen and Zimmerman.

For service officer: Dewey Goddard, William H. Stanger and Grant Barkdull, the retiring commander; for historian: George Thompson, Lou J. Deininger and Ralph Sackell; for executive board: Barkdull, Stanger, Pat Boyle, James Burchett, Ray Begue, Monroe Intermill, Charles Myers and Jim Wilkes.

STATE PICNICS

NEW MEXICO, ARIZONA, NEVADA AND UTAH... Former residents of those western states and visitors are invited to attend the picnic reunion to be held in Bixby Park, Long Beach, Saturday, July 17. Each state will have its own section in the park. A program will be given after the basket dinner hour.

The Herald—50c for three months.

DETOUR

Col'm. Under Construction By BETSY BYRNES

"Groweth the morning from gray to gold, Wake, my heart, to greet the sun! Yesterday's cares are a tale that is told. Yesterday's tasks are a work that is done." —Louise Manning Hodgkins. That third line is a wonderful one to remember!

QUESTIONS: The proper name for a young sheep is a lamb. You know that, of course. But, do you know the proper name for papa and mama sheep? The following list is for you who like words; earwig, juffy, funicle, whiffletree. Can you give the definitions? And who remembers the name of the author of that perennial favorite, "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch"?

TODAY'S PROVERB: "A coconut shell full of water is an ocean to an ant." That's a dandy! Cervantes once remarked that good proverbs were "short sentences drawn from long experience."

ANSWERS: Now, don't take it too hard if you don't remember the right names for the papa and the mama of the lamb! We'll tell you: A male sheep is a ram and a female sheep is a ewe.

Ready for definitions? Let's go: An earwig is a harmless little insect, somewhat like a beetle. A juffy is a jetty, and a jetty is a projection in a building or a pier. A funicle is only a boil! Lastly the whiffletree (cute name, isn't it?). That's a projection in a building, and is a bar to which the traces of a harness are fastened.

"Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch" was written by an American novelist, Alice Caldwell Hegan Rice.

ADIOS: "Where'er thou journeyest, or whate'er thy care, My heart shall follow, and my spirit share." —Lydia Sigourney.

Janitor Takes Mis-Step NORRISTOWN, Pa. (U.P.)—The janitor of the Montgomery Trust company looked up from his nightly sweeping into the guns of a corps of policemen. He had accidentally stepped on the burglar alarm.

PLAZA THEATRE HAWTHORNE, CALIFORNIA "The Friendly Family Theatre" Telephone 299 EARPHONES? ... YES! Thursday—Last Day!—July 7 ERROL FLYNN in "The Adventures of Robin Hood" ALSO SELECTED SHORT SUBJECTS 2 COMPLETE SHOWS—7-9 Friday Only—July 8 SPECIAL ATTRACTION! PATRICIA ELLIS in "Romance on the Run" and "The Crime of Dr. Hallett" \$5—COME EARLY—\$5—OPEN 6 P. M.—\$5 Saturday—Tuesday—July 9-12 WARNER BAXTER and FREDDIE BARTHOLOMEW in ROBERT LOUIS "KIDNAPPED" STEVENSON'S also PAT "Women Are Like That" NEW PETE SMITH AUDIOSCOPICS Wednesday Only—July 13 LEW AYRES in "King of the Newsboys" and "Gun Law" \$5—COME EARLY—\$5—SPECIAL ATTRACTION—\$5

TORRANCE THEATRE ADULTS 25c Phone Torrance 132 CHILDREN 10c "ROBIN HOOD" Last Day Thurs., July 7 Friday and Saturday, July 8, 9—Two Days Only... "KIDNAPPED" with Freddie BARTHOLOMEW and WARNER BAXTER ALSO "CASSIDY OF BAR 20" LATEST HOPALONG CASSIDY \$\$\$—FRIDAY PLAY NITE—\$\$\$ 3rd EPIISODE OF "THE LONE RANGER" Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, July 10, 11, 12... KATHARINE HEPBURN and CARY GRANT in "HOLIDAY" and WAYNE MORRIS in "THE KID COMES BACK" JIMMY FIDLER'S "PERSONALITY PARADE" Wednesday Only—July 13... "PRISON NURSE" also "ISLAND IN THE SKY" \$\$\$—CASH NITE—\$\$\$

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