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Remember the Scarecrow? And the Tin-Man? And Little Dorothy? And the Lion? And the Wizard? And the cyclone and all the other thrills and fun in the land of Oz? Well, they are all brought to life in "The Wizard of Oz," which is to be shown at the Torrance theatre today and Wednesday.

This fantastic story has been familiar to the world for the past 20 years. Adults have been fascinated and charmed with its whimsical humor, which is worthy of the pen of a Barrie; children have been delighted with it, reading it again

**'Fair and Warmer' Is Being Presented By King Players**

"Fair and Warmer," Avery Hopwood's farce-comedy masterpiece and admittedly one of the funniest plays ever brought to the American stage, is being presented by the Charles King Players this week at the Mission theatre, Long Beach, and its engagement is one of the highlights of the 1925 season.

Millions of playgoers the country over have laughed until their sides ached over "Fair and Warmer," and its presentation in Long Beach has started a mirthquake of far-reaching effect.

"Fair and Warmer" has to do with the domestic affairs of two couples who reside in a New York apartment house. Billy and Laura, who occupy one apartment, are the two extremes, the former yearning for quiet evenings at home, and the latter for hectic nights of cabaret entertainment. On the floor above are Jack, who goes out several nights a week, and Blanny, his loving, faithful spouse, who stays home and believes everything Jack tells her.

Thrown together for an evening, Blanny and Billy, becoming suspicious, decide to have a bit of a party themselves, and have it right at home. They do so, with the result that their wilder halves are taught the greatest lesson of their young lives.

"Fair and Warmer" is one laugh after another, representing the highest type of fun-making comedy. Commencing Sunday, April 19, the King Players will offer their patrons "The Old Soak," one of the greatest of recent New York comedy hits—a play in which Harry Breresford, Raymond Hitchcock and Tom Wise, heading separate companies, scored so decided a hit. It is recognized as ranking with "Rip Van Winkle" and "Lightnin'" as a character comedy-drama.

Mrs. E. L. Bowers and daughter Ruth spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Rees of 700 Border avenue.

Bargains galore will be offered at Eby's Clearing the Deck Sale, which begins Thursday. Look for further announcements.—Adv.

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**Hart Players Will Present "Virginian"**

The Hart Players at the Oriental theatre, North Long Beach, this week were unanimously praised for the presentation of the famous comedy drama, "The Virginian," from the book by the same name. The play overflows with genuine laughs, irresistible humor, funny situations, and delightful surprises. In order to get the best seats at the Oriental nowadays it is necessary to attend early in the week.

Starting Monday, this popular company will present George M. Cohan's well known comedy, "Johnny Get Your Gun," which gives the truth about Hollywood, and has been a gloom-chaser, from New York to Los Angeles.

**Born**

To Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Craig of 2205 Arlington avenue, on April 7, a son, Robert Clemons.

To Mr. and Mrs. Dee Scroggins of 1823 Cabrillo avenue, on April 10, a daughter, Lillian.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Dexter of Los Angeles were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. U. Acree of 1747 Gramercy avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Hans Top were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Maude Cheney of Gardena. Mr. and Mrs. Top and Mrs. Cheney enjoyed the evening in Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Kent and Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Kent spent Sunday in Long Beach.

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**R. R. Smith Relates Amusing Details**

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men's First Annual Ball on Feb. 22, 1913.

The first newspaper came out about the same time and made its appearance thereafter as often as the publisher was possessed of enough money to buy news print paper. Mr. Smith related that on one occasion numerous citizens, bossed by Mrs. Harry McManus, saved the paper from the ignominy of falling to appear when they went into the shop and laboriously set up and printed the organ.

**The First Store**

J. Isenstein was the first storekeeper in town. He was followed by the Dolley Drug Company and Hardware Reeve.

In the early days, according to Mr. Smith, groceries were purchased from an itinerant grocer who appeared in Torrance twice a week from Gardena. This twice-a-week service, according to Mr. Smith, made it difficult to keep the family larder stocked, especially if company arrived unexpectedly.

Jones, the first butcher, was a real character, according to Mr. Smith, who, when one went in to buy a bit of meat, was wont to remark "Will you eat it here or do you want it wrapped up?" or "You must be going to have some company."

A Hectic Schedule Mr. Smith told of the early problems of transportation, of automobiles stuck in the deep sand between here and Redondo, of the impossibility of getting out of the district on the street car after 6

o'clock, of the spasmodic and decidedly dependable street car schedule.

He told of the formation of the Masonic lodge with 12 members and the organization of the first Sunday school—and better still, he promised to gather a lot more data and anecdotes about those interesting days when Torrance was being transformed out of a desert, and to present them at a later date.

**Building Permits**

2307 Cabrillo Ave., 4-room dwelling, \$1500, T. B. House, Contractor, Dr. Bell Cont. Co.

1415 Amapola Ave., garage, \$125, and screen porch, \$175, Rev. Ling-enfelder, Contractor, J. A. Barnes. 632 Sartori Ave., 3-room dwelling, H. L. Whaley, \$1500.

Mrs. A. L. Warthan of Riverside and Mrs. George Horton and daughter Barbara were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Warthan of Border avenue.

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