ON THE SCREEN AT THE NEW LYCEUM



High, Wide and Handsome

Irene Dunne and Randolph Scott are the romantic pair in Paramount's brilliant story of America in the brawling days when oil was discovered in Pennsylvania, "High, Wide and Handsome," which comes on Monday and Tuesday, November 15 and 16 to the New Lyceum Theatre. The supporting cast includes Dorothy Lamour, Akim Tamiroff, William Frawley and many other players.

A rip-roaring musical romance set against the background of the exciting oil boom days in Pennsylvania, "High, Wide and Handsome," starring Irene Dunne, will come on Monday and Tuesday, November 15 and 16 to the New Lyceum Theatre and will amply satisfy local expectations keyed by the praise which echoed across the country following this picture's premieres in New York and Los Angeles.

"High, Wide and Handsome" brings to the screen lilting melody, a tensely dramatic narrative and the grandest performances of a score of Paramount's best-known players. It is Paramount's "singing saga" of the year.

Oscar Hammerstein II, and Jerome Kern, who have contributed many musical successes of recent years, wrote the songs and story. Their melodies include the title song which everyone will be humming.

The perfect synchronization of songs and story can be credited to Rouben Mamoulian, the director, whose versatile talents won him the New York Film Critics' Circle award for the best direction of 1936 with "The Gay Desperado." He succeeds in making the infectiously tuneful melodies carry along a realistic narrative in spontaneously natural style.

The picture was inspired by the stirring times of the 1860's when Pennsylvania farmers struggled to cast off the exploiting railroad magnates who wanted the profits of the new oil industry. It was a period of intense warfare between wealth and industry when pioneers were called upon to display tremendous courage.

Randolph Scott, who did a first-rate job in "So Red the Rose," has the role of the courageous farmer who rigs up the first oil derrick, and when the oil boom comes, leading the farmers to rebellion against the exploiting railroad men.

Into his life comes Irene Dunne, song and dance girl, traveling with a medicine show. That is the beginning of one of the strangest romances ever recreated from history. Simple small-town and rugged farmer, is Scott, afire with his dream of founding a new industry. He cannot understand the lightheartedness of the gay carnival songstress who has become his wife. And she rebels against the demands of his task to keep the farmers' oil out of the hands of the railrodas. He loses Irene to a carnival and continues his fight alone.

Scott and his farmers, forced to begin their own pipeline to the refinery to fight raising freight rates, are continually being attacked while they work by the railroad gangster hirelings. In a last splurge of pioneer courage, Scott and a handful of men attempt a miraculous engineering feat of taking the pipeline on a short cut over the face of a cliff. The ruffians are sent again to mess up the job.

It is then that Irene, hearing of her husband's impending failure, rushes to his side, forgetting everything but her love. And hard to her trail comes the rescue crew, something that is spectacularly new. The ruffians are met and conquered by the entire personnel of Irene's carnival in a scene that will be remembered, along with the haunting songs.

In the brilliant supporting cast are Akim Tamiroff, Raymond Walburn, Elizabeth Patterson, Ben Blue, William Frawley, Charles Bickford, Irving Uichel, Lucien Littlefield and a score of other well-known players.

"High, Wide and Handsome" is a musical romance done in the most virile manner and does credit to a dusty era in America's adventurous past.

More than ordinary originality has gone into the making of the picture, "Big City," comes to the New Lyceum on Wednesday and Thursday, November 17 and 18 with Luise Rainer and Spencer Tracy co-starred.

There is no pretense at picturing the emotions rampant in any metropolis. Instead, the story devotes itself to the human adventure of a humble taxicab driver and his immigrant bride. The city is merely background.

Miss Rainer, Academy Award winner for her role as Anna Held in "The Great Ziegfeld," and undeniably a contender as O'Lan, the Chinese farm woman in "The Good Earth," retains the same human qualities that made those roles so powerful. Tracy, who was the priest in "San Francisco" and the seaman in "Captains Courageous," now becomes a hackman with the same human touch that made his previous characterizations stand out as the most impressive in years.

The story is a drama of romance and tribulation in the seething life of the city. It could be any city. As it happens, it is New York, because we recognize Jack Dempsey's famous restaurant in the shadow of Madison Square Garden and many of the sporting fraternity who dine there.

The supporting cast was carefully chosen and they achieve their respective roles effectively. Among outstanding players are Charley Grapewin, Janet Beecher, Eddie Quillan, Victor Varconi, Oscar O'Shea, Helen Troy, William Demarest, John Arledge, Irving Bacon, Guinn Williams and Regis Toomey.

The story is an original by Norman Krasna, brilliant young New York playwright, who also produced it for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, with Frank Borzage, the veteran of "Humoresque," directing.

"Big City" is vital screen drama. There is nothing trivial in it because, primarily, it is human.

Many Varieties of Maples

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MILLINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Wiest, Mrs. Leonard Jackson and Mr. Jackson, of Sudlersville, Md., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sudler G. Wiest on Sounday.

Mrs. Emma Ariery, of Catonsville, Md., spent hte week end with her parents, and attended the home coming services at Asbury Church on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred T. Lee were visitors of their daughter and son in law, Mr. and Mrs. Burton Green, of Crumpton, Md., on Sunday.

Miss Mary Wilson had as her guests on Sunday her aunt, and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pinder, of New Castle, Del.

Mrs. John E. Woodall is spenidng this week with her daughter Mrs. Frank Lambert and Mr. Lambert in Wlimington, Del.

Mr. an dMrs. Howard Anthony, of entertained on Sunday last the Rev. W. M. Parker and Mrs. Parker and son, of Millington. Miss Margaret Jones, of Chestertown, Mrs. Price, of Betterton, Md., Mrs. Garey and Mrs. Tolson and son, of Still Pond, Md., Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Bramble of Newark, Del., and Mr. and Mrs. Wempe of Highfield, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ross and Mr. and Mrs. Ford Philips, of Wilmington, Del., were guests on Sunday of their sister, Miss Marie Vansant, on Cypress street.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Greenwood, of Chestertown attended the homecoming services in town, on Sunday.

Mrs. I. Hollins came from Baltimore to spend a few days in her Millington home with her family on Thursday of last week and was called to return to that city at once on account of her brother.

Mrs. William T. Jones, Mrs. Mary E. P. Smith, Miss Elizabeth Bottomley and Miss Marie Vansant were visitors in Wilmington, Del., on Tuesday.

Bobby Logan and Jane Rasin have been released from their rooms after being confined there for three weeks with scarlet fever. There was a new case of fever discovered and taken out of Millington school on Monday of this week. Other cases are all doing well.

Mrs. Arthur E. Tonkin left on Monday for Sabillasville, Md., where she will be under treatment for a time, we hope for her quick recovery and return to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel W. Caldwell, of Chesapeake City, Md., Mrs. Walter Gale and Mrs. James Skinner, of Galena, Md., were Sunday guesst of Mr. and Mrs. W. Leo Gale and attended services at Asbury.

The Home Coming services at Asbury M. E. Church, Millington on Sunday was quite a happy event and thoroughly successful in every particular. There were three periods of worship, morning at 11 o'clock afternoon at 2.30 and evening at 7.30 p. m. The special music by the Price sisters, Mrs. Garey and Mrs. Tolson, of Still Pond, Md., was very delightful and enjoyed by all who heard it and the Sudlersville quartette were present at the evening service and sang sveral selections to the delight of those present. Rev. Dr. W. E. Gunby was the speaker at the evening service and rounded out a full day of worship and praise. His topic was "The God of our Fathers and it was handled in a masterful way to the uplift of all who heard it. Many were attracted here to participate in the services from a number of towns around, some coming a considerable distance.

STILL POND

The monthly meeting of the Ladies Aid Society met with Mrs. J. L. Price last Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Kate Ford and Mrs. William Thompson were guesst of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Thompson last Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Harris, of Baltimore spent several days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Ford, of near town.

The monthly business and social meeting of the Epworth League met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rasin last Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Katz, Mrs. Marie Shaw, of Collingswood, N. J., visited with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dittman.

Mrs. Gertrude Ewell and granddaughter are spending sometime with Miss Edna Wroth.

The Epworth League had as their guests last Sunday evening, Dr. and Mrs. Fred G. Livingood and sons, of Chestertown. They rendered several musical selections. Dr. Livingood gave an interesting and inspiring talk on peace. We will be glad to have them visit with us again soon.

The St. James Christian Endeavor wil lbe our guest next Sunday evening. We hope everyone will be present.

Mr. Ewell is visiting his wife at Knoxville, Tenn., this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Davis, of Washington, spent several days last week with Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Hallman.

Mrs. Katie Smith and Mr. Elmer Graham, of near Sudlersville, Mrs. Ben Nicholson and family, of Chestertown, visited with Mr. and Mrs. John Nicholson on Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. L. P. Atwell and family spent Friday in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Morris and daughter, Betty, of Elkton, visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Norris on Sunday.

Rev. Raymond Hallman and Mr. Kennard Jones visited in Baltimore on Monday.

Mrs. Lester Coleman, of Baltimore, visited her sister, Mrs. Kennard Jones and other relatives here on Monday. Her father, Mr. Willis Hackett returned home with her for a few days.

Members of the Betterton I. O. O. F. Lodge had as their guests members of the Chestertown Lodge last Monday night. The Odd Fellows are planning to have a play, Friday night, November 19th. Keep an eye open for furthur particulars.

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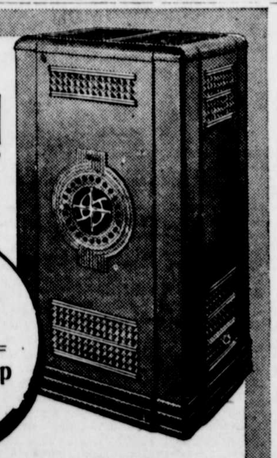
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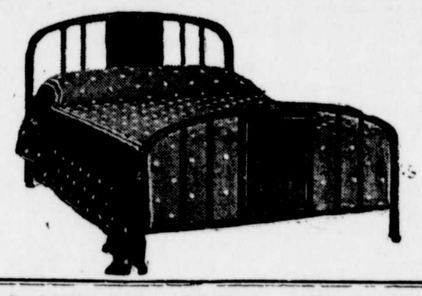
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