ON THE SCREEN AT THE NEW LYCEUM

BUCK BENNY RIDES AGAIN

These grim faces, drawn with suspense, give evidence that trouble is brewing. But don't take it seriously, folks; it's a scene from Jack Benny's newest comedy, "Buck Benny Rides Again," which Paramount will present on Monday and Tuesday, May 27 and 28 at the New Lyceum Theatre. The other buckaroo is Andy Devine, and the cowgirl is Ellen Drew.

It's a hard riding, straight-shooting, two-fisted Jack Benny, a mighty tough hombre, who appears in "Buck Benny Rides Again," the newest screen vehicle of the famous film and radio comedian, which Paramount will present here on Monday and Tuesday, May 27 and 28 at the New Lyceum Theatre. Wild Bill Hickok and Billy the kid were tenderfeet by comparison with the rip-snorting buckaroo, the terror of the plains, the mad man of the west, Buck Benny of Bar None.

It's a new dynamic Benny, with a scowl on his face and a glint in his eye—a hero to everyone except his valet, who happens to be Rochester. Rustlers quail at his approach—they were paid to quail and they earned their money. Redmen cower, and raise their hands furtively to their own scalps—the tribes were scoured for braves who really knew how to cower in a pinch. Buck Benny rules the range—through extensive tribery.

Poses As Bad Man

For "Buck Benny Rides Again" tells the story of a harmless, inoffensive radio performer, Jack Benny played by himself, who discovers that his girl friend adores the West, and the only way to win her is to make like Hopalong Cassidy.

With the aid of Andy Devine, who actually owns a dude ranch in the West, Benny is enabled to pose as a rancher of the old school. He pays Andy's cowhands to pose as bandits, so that he can put them to rout. He brides them to let him bully them in badman style. Everything works out until Benny, who hates horses, is forced to mount one of the diabolical animals for the round-up. His performance on horseback gives the show away, but he redeems himself—if accidently—when genuine bandits appear on the scene.

The picture is based on a story by Arthur Stringer, adapted by Zion Myers, and with the screen play by William Morrow and Edmund Beloin. Mark Sandrich, Paramount producer, also directed.

Marked by another sterling performance on the part of Spencer Tracy, who again demonstrates the fact that he is Hollywood's leading actor, "Edison, the Man", comes on Wednesday and Thursday, May 29 and 30 to the New Lyceum Theatre.

As Thomas Edison, Tracy has a role that fits him like a glove. This is becoming a trite but true description of Tracy's screen work, for it is difficult to remember a role that Tracy hasn't made fit him whether it is the kindly Father Flanagan or the super-man Major Rogers. Tracy

Spencer Tracy
in "Edison, the Man"

gives Edison a sincere and deep understanding that brings out the real greatness, the down-to-earth humanness and the sparkling sense of humor of the celebrated American inventor.

The story itself is so filled with real drama that it is almost unbelievable that it is almost unbelievable that all of it actually could have happened in the life of one man. Truth, it is proved again, is really much stranger than fiction. Although Americans remember the beloved Edison as he was in later years, this story is of the inventor as a young man—a man who is a youthful genius because he was only thirty when he invented the phonograph and thirty-two when he achieved the electric light. Tracy does a few brief scenes as Edison as we remember him—at eighty-two—but the body of the story is of a young man's career.

STILL POND

Owing to the absence of our pastor, We held only one session of the church services, Sunday morning our Supt. Mrs. F. B. Harper being in charge.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Ford spent Sunday in Baltimore. Their daughter, Miss Eleanor returned to Clinton Prince George Co., after spending the week-end at her home.

Ned Hepburn, of Washington and Virginia was a recent visitor of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hepburn the past week.

Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Davis attended the opening session of the Peninsula Conference in Wilmington, Wednesday.

Galen Clark spent Wednesday in Wilmington.

The Betterton and Chestertown Fire Companys, responded to a call early Monday morning when Mr. John W. Robinson's home was damaged quite badly by fire.

Mrs. Florence Watson had as her dinner guests last Wednesday, Mrs. Mary Johnson, Mr. Bidwell, Mrs. L. B. Harper, Miss Edna Wroth.

Mr. James A. Lee, of Florida, Mrs. Earl Thomas and Miss Lillian Skully, of Bridgetown, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Andrew LeSage several days last week.

Mrs. Stanley Mathews and Mrs. Wm. Cordory and little son of Wilmington were week end visitors at their home here.

The Annual "Play Day" for the scholars of Still Pond and Rural Schools was held Tuesday in Chestertown. There being a program of sports and competitions games arranged by our teachers of the rural schools, our pupils attended accompained by Mrs. Taylor, teacher.

Dr. Reid Issacs, Supt. of the Strawbridge Home for Boys, at Sykesville, Md., was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Medders over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Davis with family of near Wilmington, Del., are spending sometime at their place "Elmwood Farm" near here.

Wednesday evening the Still Pond, School Parent and Teacher Association, held their final meeting for the school year:

The program was presented by the pupils of the school and consisted of dramatization by grades one, two and three under the directions of their teacher, Mrs. Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Clark, Mrs. Boulden, Miss Pearl Coleman, accompanied by friends, enjoyed the day Sunday at "Longwood Gardens" near Wilmington.

The Rev. C. E. Davis attended the testimonial dinner given Bishop Edwin H. Hughes at the Y. M. C. A. Wilmington, Del., Thursday evening, May 16. Bishop Hughes is retiring from the Episcopacy at the Jurisdictional Conference in June.

Mrs. Carroll Hadaway was hostess of the Still Pond Home Makers group Friday afternoon, plans was discussed of the Annual Homemakers Short Course to be held in June on the campus of College Park, Maryland University as a result of suggestions from women who have attended previous short courses, the 1940 short course program has been designed to give ample time for discussion and visiting among Home-Makers from different parts of the State. This year's program includes home Crafts Instruction Clases inspirational talks and several recreation features. The program is set up to be of interest to all Home-Makers, and anyone is eligible to attend. Mrs. Earl Thompson is President of the Still Pond Club.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Price, Mrs. Howard Toulson and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Geary attended conference in Wilmington, Sunday.

Several of the League group wish to attend the services in Wm. Smith Hall, Sunday evening, Jervis Cooke, has kindly consented to be leader at a future date.

Miss Edna Wroth has been entertaining her friend, Mrs. Wm. Rowland, of Mechanicsburg.

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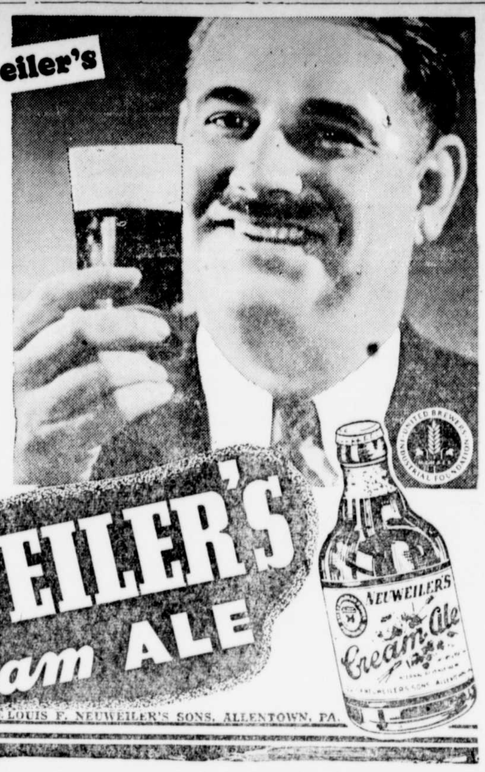

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