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**WHAT'S ON AT THE TORRANCE THEATRE**  
Friday and Saturday—Hoot Gibson in "Broadway or Bust"; Aesop's Fables; Cameo Comedy; International News.  
Sunday—Five acts Orpheum Circuit Vaudeville. "Fools in the Dark," with Matt Moore and Patsy Ruth Miller; two-reel Western; Comedy.  
Monday and Tuesday—"The Beloved Brute," with Marguerite de la Motte, Victor McLaglen, William Russell, Stuart Holmes. "Junior Partner," a Juvenile Comedy. International News.

**Vaudeville For Theatre Goers Starts Sunday**

Beginning Sunday afternoon, the Torrance theatre announces five acts of "big time" vaudeville every Sunday, in addition to its regular picture program. The show on Sundays will be continuing, from 2:30 to 10:30. For the convenience of the public, a chart or time-table will be put up in front of the theatre to apprise the theatre's patrons of the time schedule for the entire Sunday program.

This vaudeville program will be welcomed by people from all over this district, especially so in view of the fact that the theatre promises acts of unusually fine caliber. The weekly legitimate program is being supplied by the Western Vaudeville Managers' Association, a subsidiary of the famous Orpheum circuit. Every act shown is said to have played, or to be booked to play, over the Keith's or Orpheum circuit. This means that Torrance is to be provided with entertainment which the large vaudeville houses throughout the country are playing.

Sunday's program consists of 12 people, in addition to the orchestra. The acts are: Bernard's Dogs; Michel, boy-wonder xylophonist; Rathburn Duo, eccentric dance artists; Murray and Murray, comedy singing, talking, dancing; Five Kirksmith Sisters, "music makers." The picture program consists of "Fools in the Dark," a feature starring Matt Moore and Patsy Ruth Miller; "College Cowboy," a two-reel Western; "That's the Spirit," one of the famous series of "Hysterical History."

**TOWNE ALKE**

"Just for Fun"  
By RAS BERRY

Mose Tolson and a bevy of boozes decides that they is too many ducks in the world. So they shoulder their trusty guns and step on the gas. On the way to the mecca of duck hunters they takes a census and finds that there ain't a dead shot in the crowd. So to be sure they'll have some ducks when they come home they buy five of 'em. Then they clip the wings of these birds so they can't fly very fast or high. When they get to the hunting grounds they releases their ducks and prepares to shoot. But behind them is a hunter that can shoot for keeps. This other hunter, not in Mose's party, knocks off all five ducks and lays claim to them as his own. Naturally they is a argument, but this stranger wins and totes off the bag. Next time Mose goes duck hunting he is going to buy birds that is plumb defunct.

Little Tommy Rice goes to visit some friends of his dad's named Ham. They ask him to stay for supper. Nope, says he. You can have anything you want, says Mr. Ham. All right, gimme eggs, says Tommy. How'll you have 'em, says Mr. Ham. One fried and one boiled, says Tommy. And he gets 'em just that way.

Business men held a meeting the other afternoon. Ray Tomkins come in and set down. He didn't know what the meeting was for. He sat five minutes and then says, Say this is a funny meeting. I been here five minutes and nobody ain't asked me for no money yet.

But they did before he got out.

Wallace Post thinks his new son George is going to be a quarterback. Why already he is, calling signals, says Wallace.

They was going to put on the Legion show again for the school students but they couldn't because the leading lady was sick and Doc Shidder says he can understand her being sick all right after playing opposite Ras in the show.

Well, says Ras, maybe I made her sick, but you make me sick, and Doc seen he couldn't kid Ras, so he shut up.

Rev. Lingenfelter can't keep chickens in his back yard. He had a big fat hen and the other night he heard a commotion in the back yard and run to the window and seen a neighbor just going into the house with the fowl under his arm. Maybe the neighbor thought a parson's back yard is no place for chickens.

Books is expensive luxuries, especially Blue Books. Ask Jerry Lyons or John Erwin. They know.  
A big truck hits a Ford out in front of the Herald office and Geo. Peckham bobs right up and Geo. Proctor who was sitting in ye ed's office says business must be dull with Geo. Peckham hunting repair jobs right at the scene of the accident. Business is never dull for anybody who is sharp, says G. P. (Guess which Geo. said that.)

Wrong, Ras said it.

**Fine Features Are Booked at Lomita Theatre**

Starting with "Wine of Youth," which will be shown tonight, the Lomita theatre has arranged an attractive program for its patrons for the next few days. On Saturday the program will be featured by Rube Miller's big Country Store, and Jack Hoxie will be shown in "Back Fire."

The singing contest will be staged Sunday afternoon. Last week a 3-year-old child won the \$5 in gold awarded in this feature event.

Sunday and Monday the Lomita theatre will screen Elinor Glyn's "Three Weeks," starring Aileen Pringle.

**Professor Says Fasting Beats Old Man Time**

CHICAGO.—The real enemy of old age is fasting.

That is the conclusion of Prof. A. J. Carlson, of the department of physiology, University of Chicago, formed after three years of investigation.

Fifteen-day fast periods are the right dose, the professor believes. "This so increases the metabolic rate that the faster arises with song and retires with a jest."

Three adults in the physiology laboratory were found to have increased this rate after a long fast. When they resumed eating their tissues consumed as much as those of youths of 15. As far as basal metabolism went they were nearer 12 than 40.

The experiments have proved also that prolonged fasting increases the secretion of gastric juices after eating is resumed and the body has regained normal weight.

Dr. Carlson, who has himself submitted to the experiment, says fasting is not painful. He carried on his work while fasting, and though he grew somewhat weak, there was no pain or mental reaction.

"The precise mechanism by which prolonged fasting induces changes of gastric secretion and metabolic rate in the body is as yet unknown," says Dr. Carlson. "We are sure, however, that fasting brings the tissues back to more youthful condition as measured by the basal metabolism."

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No other changes are to be made in the personnel of the organization.

Mr. Seelig desires to thank the patrons of the Company for the loyal support given to himself and associates in the years past.