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**"Vergie Winters" Poignant Romance Coming to Lomita**

A small town scandal, with all of its gossip, malicious comment, and petty persecution is revealed in "The Life of Vergie Winters," starring Ann Harding, showing at the Lomita Theatre, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, August 26, 27 and 28.

The cause of the scandal is the tremendous romance of Vergie Winters, played by Miss Harding, and John Shadwell, portrayed by John Bole.

Vergie is the town milliner. Shadwell is the community "favorite son," with a brilliant political future. Prevented from marrying Vergie, he carries on an affair with her in defiance of conventions after they discover, after Shadwell has been wed to another girl, that they were tricked into their mating by Vergie's father.


The story covers an epochal span of 22 years to the present time—tracing the poignant romance through its many vicissitudes to what is said to be an intensely dramatic climax.

**Richard Dix In Emotional Role**

A daring indictment against a certain type of modern women is contained in "His Greatest Gamble," coming to the Torrance Theatre Tuesday and Wednesday, August 28 and 29, as Richard Dix's latest starring production for RKO-Radio Pictures.

Dix's role in "His Greatest Gamble" presents the adventurous film

**JOE E. BROWN, GUEST ARTIST ON SAFEWAY RADIO PROGRAM FRIDAY MORNING, AUGUST 24.**



A special stage show circus, with the orphans of Los Angeles as guests, will be given Friday, August 24, at Warner Bros. Hollywood Theatre, it was announced today by Saway and Piggy Wiggly stores. This show will be broadcast over the "Family Circle" KFWB, 10:30 to 11:00 a. m. Friday.

In addition to the regular staff of the "Family Circle," there has been secured as special guest artist, Joe E. Brown, star of the "Circus Clown"—sensational attraction now at Warner Bros. Hollywood and Downtown theatres.


The public is invited to tune in on this radio treat—a full hour with the circus. Children will particularly appreciate this broadcast.

star as a scapegrace father who breaks jail to save his daughter from the oppressive influence of his divorced wife.

Father and daughter mark the climax as he restores his daughter to the arms of the man she loves.

John Robertson directed "His Greatest Gamble," with Dorothy Wilson, Bruce Cabot, Erin O'Brien-Moore and Edith Fellows.

**TWO GABBING GOBS**



There's ten days in the brig if they're caught talking, but James Cagney and Frank McHugh risk anything for a laugh. They joined the navy for Warner's latest gob-fest, "Here Comes the Navy," which is shown tonight, Friday, and Saturday, August 23, 24 and 25, at the Torrance Theatre. Pat O'Brien, Gloria Stuart and Dorothy Tree round out the cast. On the same bill Warner Oland in "Charlie Chan's Courage."

**Opens At Lomita Tonight; Mills Brothers In Cast**



The Four Mills Brothers, radio's celebrated musical mimics, have important roles in Marlon Davies' new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer-Cosmopolitan picture, "Operator 13," which comes to the Lomita Theatre Thursday, Friday and Saturday, August 23, 24 and 25.

The Mills Brothers whose realistic voice imitations of various musical instruments are known to every radio fan, play the parts of colored entertainers with Ted Healy's medicine wagon troupe and present several musical numbers for the picture.

**Una Merkel Seen In New Mystery Play At Torrance**

Una Merkel, who offers another of her inimitable comedy portraits in "Murder in the Private Car," coming Tuesday and Wednesday, August 28 and 29, to the Torrance screen, was born in Covington, Kentucky, finished high school in Philadelphia and received her stage training at a dramatic school in New York. She appeared on the stage in a number of hits including "The Poor Nut," "Pigs" and "Coquette" and on the screen has been seen in a wide variety of roles.

Miss Merkel will be seen here in person at the dedication of the Torrance park Sunday afternoon.

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Sun., Mon., Tues., Aug. 26-27-28  
ANN HARDING and JOHN BOLES in "Life of Vergie Winters"

—and—  
JACK HOLT, FAY WRAY in "BLACK MOON"

Also—Cartoon Comedy FREE—Tuesday Night ONLY! An autographed picture of Clark Gable will be given to each lady attending the Tuesday night show.

Wed., Thurs., Aug. 29-30  
PAT O'BRIEN and ERIN O'BRIEN-MOORE in "PERSONALITY KID"

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CHESTER MORRIS and MARION NIXON in "Embarrassing Moments"

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KAY FRANCIS and WARREN WILLIAM in "DR. MONICA"

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**Shirley Takes A Bow In Her First Feature**

Five-Year-Old Miss Temple is Delightful in "Baby, Take a Bow"

Shirley Temple certainly is entitled to take a bow for her performance in "Baby, Take a Bow," at the Plaza Theatre in Hawthorne Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

**Greatest Circus Organization Coming to Los Angeles Sept. 6**

The world's mightiest amusement entourage, the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Combined Circus with its gigantic 1934 program of new, world-wide wonders, many of which have never before appeared in America, is definitely scheduled to exhibit in Los Angeles five days beginning September 6.

The gorgeous, vastly enlarged inaugural spectacle, "The Durbar of Delhi," stupendously introduces the multitude of arenic marvels that succeed this pompous panoramic display.

The great new international congress of features presented in the seven rings and stages, huge hippodrome track and the maze of aerial rigging includes the recently imported Otari Troupe in the most astounding mid-air feats ever witnessed. These intrepid performers fly from all points of the compass at the same time, in perilous forward and reverse flights through space from their lofty aerial cross.

The Otaris with such arenic novelties as Mlle. Gillette, Europe's sensation of the air, now appearing in this country for the first time and the celebrated Torrence-Dolores, Merckels, Willos and Spurgat Troupes, all new to this continent, are among the 800 men and women, circus stars presented by the big show this year.

The circus bears on its four long trains of 100 double-length steel railroad cars more than 1600 people, 50 elephants, 1009 menagerie animals and 700 horses.

The great Con Colleano, tumbling, forward-somersaulting thrill wire star has been recalled from European triumphs to join the great Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Constellation of stars. The celebrated Wallenda Troupe of high wire thrillers, the famous Loyal-Repenski family, world's greatest bareback riders, Dorothy Herbert, most daring horsewoman in history, the marvelous Yacopi, Danwills, Uycenos and the famous Concellos, Harolds, Rooneys and Walters, aerial wizards, are but a few of the headliners among the better known acts.

There are 150 internationally famous clowns in the gala 1934 performances of the world's largest circus—the greatest congress of funmakers ever assembled.

Autographed pictures of Clark Gable will be given to all ladies attending the evening show at the Lomita Theatre next Tuesday, August 28, it was announced by the management today.

**Three's A Crowd In Any Party**



Jean Harlow, Lionel Barrymore, Patsy Kelly in "The Girl From Missouri"

As a dazzling background for the new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture, "The Girl From Missouri," which is showing Sunday and Monday, August 26 and 27, at the Torrance Theatre, studio architects designed replicas of many of society's most exclusive haunts.

Scenes in the picture which stars Jean Harlow, and in other fashionable resorts such as the Embassy Club and the Lido at Palm Beach, the Union Club in New York, the palatial steamer, Berengaria, and in Buckingham Palace, London.

Produced by Bernard Hyman and with Jack Conway as director, "The Girl From Missouri" has a cast that also includes Franchot Tone, Lewis Stone and Patsy Kelly.

Also showing on these dates, Lew Ayres and Alice Faye in "She Learned About Sailors."

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**Durante Loves Lupe In 'Strictly Dynamite'**

Jimmy Durante is a better comedian than a lover, according to his co-starring role with Lupe Velez in "Strictly Dynamite," RKO-Radio laugh film coming to the Plaza Theatre in Hawthorne Wednesday and Thursday, August 29 and 30.

"Schnozale" portrays a radio comic who contends he is really a John Drew in a clown's cloak. His microphone mate thrusts her affection on his gaffer, while the gaffer's wife enamors the comic's agent.

"Strictly Dynamite" weaves music into its romance and comedy in Durante's own "I'm Putty In Your Hands" and "Hot Patata," Miss Velez' crooning ballad, "Oh Me, Oh My, Oh You," and the Four Mills Brothers' interpretation of "Money In Your Clothes." Norman Foster, William Gargan and Marian Nixon are in the cast, directed by Elliott Nugent.

**Last Chance At Grunion This Week**

HERMOSA BEACH.—The final grunion run of the season is scheduled for the 25th, 26th and 27th of this month, reports Capt. J. M. Anderson, skipper of the Olympic fishing barges, I and II.

According to Anderson, who is recognized as one of Southern California's leading piscatorial experts, the "runs" are scheduled as follows: 25th, 9:45 to 10:45 p. m.; 26th, 10:30 to 11:30 p. m., and 27th, 11:15 to 12:15 a. m.

Grunion must be caught in the bare hands. "All receptacles such as dish pans, derby hats, beer bottles, ash trays and tea pots are barred by law," says Anderson.

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RICHARD DIX in "HIS GREATEST GAMBLE" —A N D— CHARLES RUGGLES and UNA MERKLE in "Murder In The Private Car"

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, August 30-31 September 1  
BING CROSBY in "SHE LOVES ME NOT" —A N D— WALTER CONNOLLY and DORIS KENYON in "Whom The Gods Destroy"

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