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"AIR MAIL"

#### RALPH BELLAMY — PAT O'BRIEN

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"THAT'S MY BOY"

Sun., Mon., Jan. 8-9 Richard Cromwell-Dorothy Jordan

Tues., Wed., Jan. 10-11

"HOT SATURDAY"

Cary Grant-Randolph Scott-Nancy Carrol

Thurs., Fri., Sat., Jan. 12-13-14 "TOO BUSY TO WORK"

Will Rogers

"OLD DARK HOUSE" "LEARNED ABOUT

Boris Karloff-Charles Laughton

Alison Skipworth-Stuart Erwin-Sidney Tole WOMEN" "RACKETY RAX" Victor McLaglen-Greta Nissen "IF I HAD A MILLION"
"SHERLOCK HOLMES" Jack Oakie-Geo. Raft-Chas. Ruggles Clive Brook—Earnest Torrence Lew Ayres—Maurine O'Sullivan Janet Gaynor—Chas. Farrell "OKAY AMERICA"
"TESS OF THE STORM COUNTRY"
"EVENINGS FOR SALE" H
"MASK OF DR. FU MANCHU" Herbert Marshall—Charles Ruggles Borls Karloff—Lewis Stone

# Faring Forth

Of Detectives, Sherlock Holmes, Opposes Gangsters in Mirth-Thrill Film at Varsity Theater

The Varsity theater begins its new year with the old maestro of sleuth technicians — Sherlock Holmes admirably played by Clive Brook with a touch-and-go of spontaneous humor blending into deep insight that penetrates the shadowy motives of the slyest villains.

"Sherlock Holmes" (this is the clever critic's deduction after reading the schedule) will thrill Varsity patrons Monday and Tuesday, January and 3. The drama answers the query, "What would Sherlock Holmes do if the gangsters tried to 'take' London?

Ernest Torrence is the sinister Professor Moriarty, and everyone will like Miriam Jordan, a newcomer. But wait till you see Clive Brook (What a Sherlock)! made up as an old maid. This film can't fail to please-plenty of thrills and chuckles.

#### Joan Meets the Test

Joan Crawford succeeds in what is perhaps her most difficult assignment, the role of Sadie Thompson in "Rain," drama of torrents and tempestuous passions, featured at the Varsity theater on Wednesday, January 4. Sharing honors with Joan Crawford in the excellently photographed, cleverly directed and superbly interpreted film, are Walter Huston as the blue-nosed reformer, William Gargan as Sadie's true lover, and Guy Kibbee as the tropical drifter saturated with booze and beautiful literature.

"Prosperity," featuring Marie Dress-ler and Polly Moran, is the big event at the Varsity theater on Friday and Saturday of this week. This play simply bubbles with mirth, but there are plenty of big, serious moments. Marie Dressler plays the president of a small-town bank who turns her job over to her son (Norman Foster) on his wedding day. Well, before the mand, "Who killed Jenny Wren?" his wedding day. Well, before the picture ends, Marie has plenty to do. That woman—with a heart as big as Kate Smith—just seems to thrive on adversity!

#### Here's Real Screen Find

Katharine Hepburn, considered by some as the greatest screen find since Greta Garbo, has her first talking-picture role in "A Bll of Divorcement," showing at the Varsity theater on Thursday of this week. Then, too, John Barrymore gives one of the finest performances of his life. And John's pretty good, it's been rumored.

### Jack Oakie Will Agree There's Plenty in Name

Jack Oakie spent his childhood days in Oklahoma, and it was as "Oklahoma" that he was known while he was attending high school in New York some years later, though the name was sometimes shortened to "oky." When he went on the stage, though his real name was (and is) Lewis Offield, he took the name of "Oakie," and just pulled the "Jack" out of the air, so to speak. Oakie is appearing in the leading role of "Once in a Lifetime," Universal's hilarious satire on life in the Hollywood film studios.

#### WHAT A COMMUTER!

Hollywood's foremost commuter is Leslie Howard, who moves constantly between Hollywood, New York and London, alternating between stage and screen appearances.

## THE OLD MAESTRO Wilmette Theater **Does Good Turn** as Year Begins

The Wilmette theater starts 1933 by doing a good turn—yes, a good turn of the spotlight so that it reveals the lives and methods of snooping columnists who can hear a certain bird flapping its wings hundreds of miles away.

"Blessed Event," hailed as one of the most entertaining vehicles in which columnists (the snooping kind, you know) were ever brought before the public gaze, is scheduled for showing at the Wilmette theater on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, January 1, 2 and 3. The audience is promised a breathless time keeping up with the film's surge of events, dizzy chatter and fast, wise-cracking dialogue.

Of course, Lee Tracy is the star, cast as Alvin Roberts, the columnist who first tiptoes and then tells. Said to be based on the career and exploits of one of Broadway's most famous gossiping columnists, "Blessed Event" has a furious tempo and a tremendous "punch."

Listen to This Whisper And confidentially, there'll be special holiday matinees Sunday and Monday for "Blessed Event."

On Wednesday and Thursday, January 4 and 5, the Wilmette theater presents Warner Baxter, popular screen star. The picture is "Six Hours to Live." Baxter sympathetically portrays an international diplomat, standing firmly in the face of ruin and death, in defense of his country.

"Six Hours to Live," directed by William Dieterle, marks the screen debut of Miriam Jordan, beautiful young English girl.

"To be, or not to be" was the question for the highly publicized Hamlet. but that query is but a feeble whisper

The answer to this question, inspired by the well known radio story, will be received in thrilling fashion at the Wilmette theater on this Thursday and Friday when the drama, "The Phantom of Crestwood," is shown. Ricardo Cortez and Karen Morley head the excellent cast of this thriller.

#### Whirl of Excitement

"Madison Square Garden," featuring Jack Oakie at the Wilmette, Saturday, December 31, is just the right bowl of cherries for persons who crave sports. Six-day bike racing, wrestling and prize fighting are but a few of the events that whirl in a kaleidoscopic dazzle which makes us all glad that we're living in a fast and furious century even though it was so slow that it came twentieth instead of first.

And say, that would have been a horse on us-how sad for a poor, feeble critic! We almost forgot to tell you that the first chapter of the serial, "Devil Horse," will show at the Wilmette theater matinee, Saturday, December 31.

#### CARTOONS CHASE CARE

Betty Boop, Mickey Mouse, and Flip the Frog are popular cartoon characters who help to drive dull care back to its den.

#### CAMERAS WIDE-AWAKE

Events and personalities the world over fill the eyes of the wide-awake and roving cameras which capture newsreels for north shore theaters.