

"Island of Dr. Moreau" arrives at Odeon Theatre

by Terry Dupuis
The novels of H.G. Wells have provided a solid amount of screen material over the years. The Invisible Man, Things To Come, War Of The Worlds, The Time Machine, and The Food of the Gods have all been filmed.

International picture, The Island of Dr. Moreau, which is starting at the Odeon Theatre in Midland. The results are above-average for a film of its type.

There was an earlier version of this movie made back in 1933 under the title Island Of Lost Souls. In that one, hero Richard Arlen was shipwrecked and washed

onto the shore of a strange island where a sinister doctor was experimenting on animals in an attempt to turn them into humans. The doctor was played by Charles Laughton and the leader of the beast-men was Bela Lugosi.

The new version of The Island of Dr. Moreau casts three excellent actors in the main roles who are not usually associated with horror shockers. Burt Lancaster plays Dr. Moreau, Michael York is the shipwrecked sailor and Richard Basehart portrays the leader of the animal people.

Moreau follows the novel and the original film fairly closely. Wisely there is no attempt to jazz

up the new version to the modern day. The result is an interesting and effective thriller.

Museum has fans!

There was a time when no self-respecting lady would have thought of going out without carrying a fan. She would have felt undressed without it. Fans were almost an integral part of her costume, and she would in all likelihood have had several styles to use for various occasions.

am sorry. Closing it—I wish to speak to you. Letting it rest on right cheek—Yes. Letting it rest on left cheek—No.

which becomes obvious when viewing the displays of clothing from the late 1800's and early 1900's, is the fact that ladies in those days were generally smaller in size than they are today. In some cases it might not have appeared so, but this was mainly because of the numerous layers of clothing which covered them.

At Huronia Museum, in Midland, there is an excellent display of milady's fans, and along with them the following "Language of the Fan".

Dropping it—We will be friends. Fanning slowly—I am married. Fanning fast—I am engaged. Open wide—Wait for me.

Huronian Museum and Gallery of Historic Huronia, in Little Lake Park, is open until Thanksgiving from 9:30 to 5:30 daily, 11:00 to 5:30 Sundays.

"The Japanese are credited with devising the folding variety and these became very popular in the Western World."

Another interesting fact

"At first the idea was simply to keep the flies off or to cool the person, but gradually the ladies invented a fan code as a rather charming way of saying 'Yes', 'No', or 'Maybe'.

Open wide—Wait for me.

The following is a code which originally appeared in print in 1879: Carrying in left hand—Desirous of acquaintance. Carrying in right hand—You are too willing.

Open wide—Wait for me.

Drawing across forehead—We are watched. Twirling in left hand—I wish to get rid of you.

Open wide—Wait for me.

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Open wide—Wait for me.

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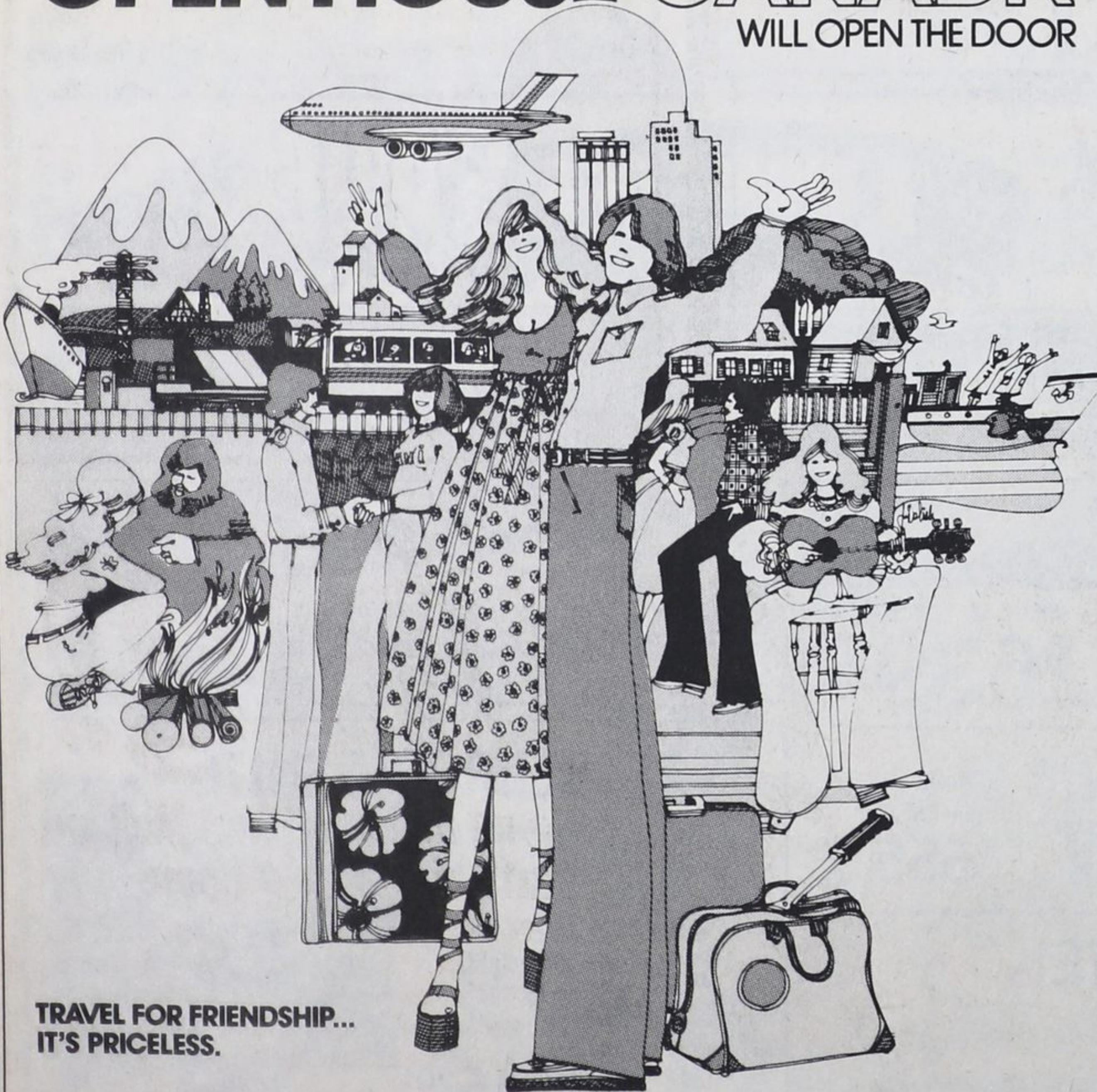
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