

## MARION DAVIES IN ZANDER THE GREAT

Scores in New Kind of Role For Her—Good Players in Support

"Zander the Great," opened yesterday at the Palace Theatre, starring Marion Davies. It is a Metropolitan production released by Metro-Goldwyn, proved a complete surprise to those who have grown accustomed to viewing Miss Davies in the elaborate period costumes of "Little Old New York," "Yolanda," and "Janice Meredith."

In this picture she evolves from a little orphan girl in an asylum to a young woman of strong character, great beauty and charm of manner, but it is not on this slender thread that the picture is based. Rather it is upon the exciting incidents and unusual situations that arise from the fact that as Mamma, the lovely, whimsical heroine, Miss Davies finds herself the centre of a hotbed of plot, counter-plot, adventure and romance generally.

The comedy touches are supplied by such noted artists as Holbrook Blinn, Harry Myers, Richard Carle and Harry Watson, Jr., while the more serious and dignified incidents are enacted by Harrison Ford and Hobart Bosworth.

Little Jack Huff makes his bow to the screen in this picture. He is the discovery of Miss Davies—and although only four years of age, he handles his role with the maturity of touch and experience of an actor of many years.

"Zander the Great" will have its final presentations at the Palace Theatre tonight.

## BALFOUR COMPANY PLAY PARTS WELL

Open Week at Opera House With Presentation of "Sex Against Sex"

The Balfour Stock Company scored another success last evening in the drama "Sex Against Sex," a modern version of Sydney Gundy's "Blowing the Wind." Loreta Nicholson added to her laurels as Rosamund Altheim, in the leading role, Miss Nicholson gave a sympathetic interpretation of the part of a young girl striving to find happiness in the face of adverse circumstances. Her part gave many opportunities for fine dramatic acting of which she took full advantage.

Charles D. Hiser, as Ned Annesley, played opposite Miss Nicholson, and won the sympathy of the audience as a young lover who refused to give up his chance on the strength of circumstantial evidence. Several of his scenes with Miss Nicholson were difficult.

J. E. Balfour, as the adopted father of Ned Annesley, gave an excellent portrayal of the role of a kindly and dignified old man, fearful lest the tragedy of his own life should be repeated in that of his adopted son.

W. W. Hankins, as Bob Watkins, a crusty but warm-hearted old bachelor with a penchant for private investigation, added to the drama by his excellent rendition of the part was excellent and he managed to inject considerable humor into his lines without in the least interfering with their effect.

Lillian Hampton, as Mrs. Fretwell, a haughty dowager also added a spice of humor to the piece, in which she was well assisted by Marie Fischer as her flapper daughter.

Valmore Balfour as a dissolute

## MIX PACKS THRILLS IN RAINBOW TRAIN

Stirring Western Performance in Gripping Story at Gaiety Theatre

Swift action and tense dramatic situations fill "The Rainbow Trail," Tom Mix's latest Western Fox picture, which opened at the Gaiety Theatre last night. Into this incomparable Zane Gray story, which is the sequel to "Riders of the Purple Sage," Mr. Mix has packed an abundance of thrilling exploits. Combining the genius of these two westerners, Mix and Gray, has made this picture of unusual distinction.

Lynn Reynolds, who directed the picture, has succeeded in carrying on the story of "Riders of the Purple Sage" with artistic adroitness. The action in "The Rainbow Trail" starts with the first foot and continues until the romantic conclusion.

Tony, Mix's wonder horse, carries his master through perilous situations, and Mix performs many deeds of new daring. Lucien Littlefield and Mark Hamilton, a picturesque pair, contribute several exquisitely funny incidents. Anne Cornwall is the charming heroine whom Mix rescues from George Bancroft, the villain of the drama. Steve Clemente, Fred De Silva and Diana Miller skillfully portray character roles. Others in the cast are Vivian Oakland, Tom Delmar, Doc Roberts and Carol Hallway.

"The Rainbow Trail" will close its run at the Gaiety tonight.

## OPERA HOUSE

FAREWELL WEEK TODAY

A POWERFUL DRAMA  
Balfour Stock Co.  
Presenting  
**SEX AGAINST SEX**  
Entire Change of Mat. Tue.-Wed. of Vaudeville at 2:15 Eve. at 8:15  
THUR.-FRI.  
**TWIN BEDS**  
SATURDAY NIGHT  
**"Is Marriage a Failure?"**

## IMPERIAL FEATURE GRIPPING PICTURE

The Dark Angel One of Best of Recent Offerings, With Excellent Players

For real entertainment, George Fitzmaurice's latest offering, "The Dark Angel," now at the Imperial Theatre cannot be beat. It is a First National picture presented by Samuel Goldwyn, and one calculated to please the most hardened picture-goer.

Ronald Colman is at his very best as Hilary Trent, the young and handsome army officer, and the story concerns his love for Villma Banks, as the beautiful Kitty Vane. This is Miss Banks' initial bow to local audiences, and a great future is predicted for the talented and beautiful young lady. She is the Budapest "find" of Samuel Goldwyn while in Europe some time ago.

The direction is most capable, and the supporting cast, which includes Wyndham Standing, Frank Elliott, Florence Turner, Helen Jerome Eddy, Charles Lane and other well known players, is well chosen and very capable.

Fitzmaurice, as usual, has overlooked no opportunity for artistic effects, his settings are magnificent, and he has injected some gorgeous episodes in natural color photography. Comedy relief is plentiful, and thrills galore are interspersed throughout the production, which is a screen version of H. B. Trevelyan's famous stage success of the same title.

Today is the last day for this picture at the Imperial.

## IMPERIAL TODAY

Last Showing

**The Dark Angel**  
From the stage play by H. B. Trevelyan  
Scenario by FRANCES MARION  
No greater love story ever found life before your eyes—no bigger thrill than this show gives.  
Astounding Night Battle Scenes  
Recruiting in England—Armistice Celebrations—Social Whirl

## Oil Magnate's Son and Teacher's Daughter Wed

BECKENHAM, Jan. 18.—The marriage of Ronald S. Detering, son of Sir Henri Detering, oil magnate, and Miss Ethel Philbrick, daughter of the headmaster of Clare College, Beckenham, was the culmination of a school romance. The bride and bridegroom met whilst the latter was a student at her father's college. At the wedding were old pupils from all parts of the country and two football teams of the college formed a guard of honor.

## MILTON SILLS AND VIOLA DANA HERE

Unique Presents Strong Drama of South Seas in "As Man Desires"

A glamorous and thrilling tale of the South Sea Isles is unfolded in First National's new picture, "As Man Desires," which opened last evening at the Unique Theatre. Milton Sills, of "Sea Hawk" fame, and Viola Dana are co-featured.

The story was adapted from Gene Wright's novel, "Pandora La Croix," and affords a quick-action drama

## GAIETY

WED. and THUR.

MARION DAVIES  
—IN—  
**"ZANDER THE GREAT"**  
The most rip-roaring film ever screened, with Marion Davies in her greatest role!

## PALACE

WED. and THUR.

## Thomas Meighan

—IN—  
**"OLD HOME WEEK"**

With LILA LEE.  
That old gang of Meighan's—George Ade and Tom Geraghty—author and scenarist of "Back Home and Broke"—re-united to make "Old Home Week" a bigger and better Meighan picture.

## "BUSTIN' THRU"

STARRING  
**JACK HOXIE**

A great outdoor picture of the cattle country, full of excitement from start to finish. You'll agree that you never saw Hoxie in so many thrilling stunts.  
A Blue Streak Western.

## 2 FULL LENGTH FEATURES AT REGULAR PRICES

ARENA—Band Tomorrow Night—ARENA

## NOTICE

Miss Saint John for 1926 will be chosen next Tuesday night, Jan. 26—not tomorrow as announced. This will give everybody a chance to have their skating costumes ready. 12 bands on the night. Continuous skating. The names of the girls will not be called or asked to skate around the ice as formerly. Only the winner to be announced and presented between sixth and seventh band. The Princess will be chosen Saturday afternoon of this week.

## NOTICE

Hockey this Friday, 8 p.m., Sussex vs. Saint John. Boxes now on sale at DeForest, Green's and Herman's tobacco stores, also Arena, Main 5067.

## Early Struggles of Christian Martyrs in Rome

IMPERIAL-Wednesday

This latest version of Quo Vadis is replete with all elaborateness and cinematographic splendor.

The races! The races!



## QUO VADIS

with EMIL JANNINGS

Nero Fiddles While Rome Burns  
Girl Fights Gladiator and Wins Chariot Race  
Vincius Rescues the Beautiful Lygion Princess  
REGULAR PRICES FOR THIS SHOW

## 200 WILL VISIT YALE

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Jan. 18.—Two hundred English medical students and practitioners, members of the Cambridge University Medical Society, will visit Yale on September 7 and 8 on a trip to the leading medical centres of the United States.

## MRS. DEMPSEY TALKS

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 18.—Estelle Dempsey wants it to be known she does not object to Jack fighting in the ring.

## GOES TO BED IN WINDOW.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—A display of bedroom furniture in a store window looked so attractive to Thomas Collins that he smashed the glass and went to bed. The police charge malicious mischief.

## FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



## TAG'S FULL OF PREPOSITIONS



## By MARTIN



## BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES



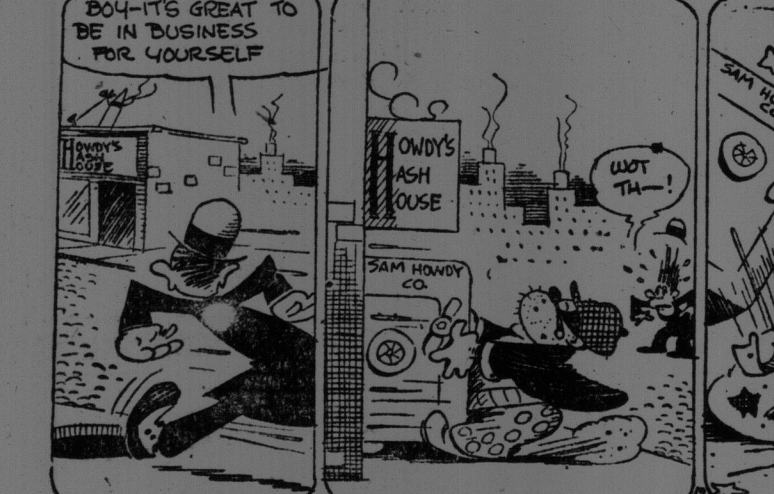
## NOW CORA KNOWS



## By BLOSSER



## SALESMAN SAM



## THE VERY IDEA!



## By SWAN



## UNIQUE - Today

MILTON SILLS and VIOLA DANA

## IN "AS MAN DESIRES"



Fighting Like Tigers—

for a South Sea Belle. One of them an outlaw—the other a strong man driven to this hidden isle by a woman's perfidy.

Also  
THE PACEMAKERS