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Valentino to Have His 'Artistic Liberty'

He Signs to Act for Ritz-Carlton Pictures When His Contract With Famous Players Terminates.

(N. Y. Times)

J. D. Williams, who until recently was general manager of Associated First National Pictures, Inc., and who now is President of the Ritz-Carlton Pictures, Inc., announced last night at a dinner in the Ritz-Carlton Hotel that Rudolph Valentino, who was present, had signed a long-term contract with his concern to appear exclusively under Mr. Williams' management.

It was stated that the contract and plans call for productions "commensurate with the actor's popularity," and that the arrangement becomes effective on the termination of Valentino's contract with Famous Players-Lasky Corporation.

Under the new agreement, declared Mr. Williams, "Valentino would enjoy the complete artistic liberty for which he has been fighting. He will be personally responsible to the public for the kind of pictures he makes—a responsibility he is eager to accept. I am confident, will fulfill with credit to himself, the public and the industry. During my connection as manager of Associated First National Pictures, it was ever my belief that the actor, whether he be a star or a producing director, should enjoy complete artistic freedom, guided and assisted by sympathetic, artistic and technical assistants of his own selection."

Valentino said he was happy that he had signed the contract, which would enable him to produce the kind of pictures he had hoped to appear in since "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse." He declared that the new contract would give him the liberty and opportunity to perfect the art in which he was deeply interested. He mentioned that he would be personally responsible for the artistic details of the production, and that he intends to surround himself with the finest organization it is possible to secure.

What will be done by Famous Players-Lasky Corporation is a matter of conjecture. According to an official of that concern, Valentino's last year on his contract with them does not end until Feb. 8, 1923. The corporation has an injunction restraining Valentino from appearing for any other film or exhibition until the case comes to trial, and from hints that were dropped, Adolph Zukor is going to make Valentino stick to his contract in the event that Famous Players are successful in court. Mr. Zukor has already offered to settle all differences with the actor with regard to salary, directors and productions, declaring that all that was asked in return was honest cooperation. Valentino has been deaf to all this, and recently has been drawing down huge sums from various places in which he and his wife have been lancing. It is believed that he has



First group picture of Ontario's New Cabinet taken at Government House, after they were sworn in. From left to right: C. C. McCrea, Sudbury, Minister of Mines; James W. Lyons, Sault Ste. Marie, Minister of Lands; Lieut.-Col. W. H. Price, Parkdale, Provincial Secretary; W. F. Nickle, K.C., Kingston, Attorney-General; His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor; Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, Grenville, Premier and Minister of Education; Hon. George Henry East York, Minister of Public Works; Hon. T. Crawford, North West Town, Minister without portfolio; Middle row: Dr. Leeming Carr, M.B., East Hamilton, Minister without portfolio; J. R. Cooke, North Hastings, Minister without portfolio; Sir Adam Beck, London, Minister without portfolio; Dr. Forbes Godfrey, West York, Minister of Labor and Health; Lincoln Goldie, South Wellington, Provincial Secretary; John S. Martin, South Norfolk, Minister of Agriculture; C. F. Bulmer, Clerk of the Executive Council; Col. J. Alexander Fraser, Lieutenant-Governor's Aide-de-Camp; Back row: Deputy Premier Horace Walmsley; Carl Hele, Secretary to Hon. Mr. Ferguson (between Dr. Godfrey and Mr. Goldie) and M. Currey, Assistant Clerk of the Executive Council.

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Keith's Takes Over Hippodrome In Fall

New York, July 21.—B. F. Albee, president of the B. F. Keith Vaudeville Circuit, announced recently that, in conjunction with the United States Realty and Improvement Corporation, owners of the Hippodrome, he will operate the world's largest play-house beginning in the fall as one of the chain of Keith theatres.

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