

It's Some Job to Be Baseball Hero; New 'Trilby' Arrives—'Backbone' a Hit

By WALTER D. HICKMAN.
ARE YOU a boy in your home? If you have, there is a pleasure duty before you this week. Take that boy of yours to see Rockcliff Fellowes and Buddy Messenger to the Apollo to see "Trifling With Honor."

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with a ball bat on a vacant lot. He dreams of being a big man just like Babe Ruth. This hero worship has aided many a boy growing up with the right ideas of citizenship and sportsmanship. There is nothing finer in the world than a boy's devotion to his favorite baseball player.

Some time ago a magazine published a short story about a boy's love for a baseball player and the effect that each other had on the great American game, as well as upon the life of the youth of the land. This story has been made into a movie in the title of "Trifling With Honor."

"Trifling With Honor" may not be the great American movie story, but it comes mighty near being perfect in picturing the value of clean sports for the youth of the land. Buddy Messenger is cast as a boy who believes that "Bat" Shugue is the greatest man in the world. Buddy reads a story in a paper about the clean life of "Bat"—a baseball hero who doesn't drink, smoke, swear, gamble and the like. Buddy decides to stop smoking cigarettes on the side and gives up the practice of making his sister's life one of dull care. Buddy reforms because he wants to be like "Bat."

In private life in this movie, "Bat" has a yellow streak but he becomes the great hero that thousands of boys believe him to be when he realizes that a boy's love is worth more to him than bribe money.

This picture makes Rockcliff Fellowes a full fledged star. He is cast as "Bat." He is splendid showing the contrasting good and bad natures of "Bat" Shugue.

"Trifling With Honor" is to my way of thinking, a real American movie. The boys of this country will love every foot of it.

I recommend "Trifling With Honor" to every boy and baseball fan in Indiana.

The bill includes Reginald Denny in "Round Five" of Third Leather Pushers Series," a news reel and orchestral music.

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Concerning a New Trilby and a New Svengali.

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AUTO ACCESSORY SALESMEET

Marketing of New Shock Absorbers Discussed.

Plans for marketing the new Rob-

ert H. Hasser (Inc.) friction type shock absorber for heavy cars will be discussed in a three-day conference starting today between district managers and James C. Piper, former Indianapolis man, general manager of the Hassler interests in Canada. Robert H. Hasser, president, has called

and it is excellent entertainment for Gibson fans. (By the Observer)

Other attractions on view include

"Enter Madame" at the Murat, William Russell in "Boston Blackie" at

Mister Smith's, Lady Tsien Mei at the Palace, and "Marriage vs. Divorce"

at the Lyric.

BURGLAR FILES OFF LOCK

Grocery Keeper's Clerk Reports 75 Cents Gone.

Using a file a burglar cut the pad-

lock from the door of H. H. Steinberger's grocery, 2401 E. Michigan St., early today, according to H. Dickman, a clerk, who told police seventy-five pennies were missing.

CROSSING ACCIDENT FATAL

Erie C. Meredith, Hit By Train at Coatsville, July 16, Dies.

Erie C. Meredith, 39, Hall, Ind.,

who suffered internal injuries when struck by a Vandalia train at Coatsville, Ind., thirty miles west of Indianapolis, July 18, died Sunday at St. Vincent's Hospital.

Funeral arrangements have not

been completed. The coroner is in-

vestigating.

TWO KILLED IN RAID

St. Louis Detectives Wounded By Fusillade of Bullets.

By United Press.

ST. LOUIS, July 30.—In a gun duel at midnight police shot and killed Zigmund Woljik, 35, proprietor of a rooming house the officers were trying to raid. Walter Borski, 21, was killed by Woljik, police claimed.

Detectives McNamara and Kelly were shot in the leg by Woljik's fusillade.

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