

Colleen Proves Value of Adam's Apple; Hammerstein Appears in Jewel Drama

By WALTER D. HICKMAN
LL apples do not grow on trees. That you learn in "Painted People." One's character is often determined by one's Adam's apple.



COLLEEN MOORE

Anyway that is the theory of Colleen Moore in a gay little comedy called "Painted People." Colleen is cast as Ellie Byrne, a little roughneck who longs to be a "lady" although she loves to play baseball with the boys on the town lot. She learns the lesson that a fellow whose Adam's apple is mighty large and looks like a bump on his throat can be a gentleman. She also bumps up against the fact that some fellows' Adam's apple may turn out to be a prune. So be sure you have an apple and not a prune if you want to win in life's battle. This movie is a sort of a modern Cinderella story. That is, a little roughneck of a girl graduates into a great actress and the boy she loves becomes an author. It is the human comedy work of Colleen Moore which makes a visit to the Circle this week a joyful event in the business of attending movies.

Colleen Moore is accomplishing real things in the movies these days. Her road has not been an easy one, but by careful work she is becoming one of the leaders on the screen. "Painted People" has a serious side to it, but it is the natural work of Colleen Moore which puts the laughs into it. She is surrounded by a real cast. Look at these names: Anna Q. Nilsson, Mary Carr, Mary Alden, Ben Lyon, Bull Montana, Russell Simpson, Charles Murray and others.

Am going to let you walk into the Circle this week without knowing too much about the story. Am sure you will have a dandy time. The entire program at the Circle this week reflects credit upon the theater.

Bakaleinikoff is directing the orchestra through the delightful "Merry Widow" score. The Circle has a surprise in a unique presentation of a song, "I Love You." The orchestra first plays it as slides are thrown on the screen. Then a number of girls dressed to represent building blocks form the refrain, "I Love You." Clever and pretty.

The bill includes a cartoon movie, "Fun From the Press," and a news weekly showing some of the basket-

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HAMMERSTEIN DOES GOOD WORK IN STRONG DRAMA

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From then on Dorothy's usual calm routine of dances, operas and recitations is unceremoniously disarranged. Men are shot down by automatic pistols which appear mysteriously between porters; other men disappear without trace—all for the sake of precious stones.

Whole battalions of bewhiskered fereldgers, and regiments of men with slouch hats pulled menacingly over their eyes are in the pay of Karlov, the villain, played by Wallace Heery. No home appears to be complete without at least one behind each portiere and at least two behind each shrub. Heery makes a fine villain—his oily countenance fairly reeks ill-will in this role. Miss Hammerstein? Of course, she handles her role excellently.

But then, we're prejudiced. We like these mystery things because, although we're thrilled, we know that the hero isn't going to be shot, after all, that the gems will be turned over, unscathed, to the rightful owner, and that wedding bells will peal out, triumphant, at the end. It requires so much less brain work than so-called "problem plays." "You're in Kentucky" and "Those Izzy Is He!" sung by Jack Tilsen, received generous applause when we were present.

Bill includes "Mother's Joy," a Stan Laurel comedy. (By Observer.)

COLLEEN MOORE PROVES SHE CAN PLAY DRAMATIC ROLES

It is not often that two different movies, each featuring the same star, demands our attention in the same week.



CARMELITA GERAGHTY

Colleen Moore is the featured player in "Through the Dark," at the Ohio, and in "Painted People" at the Circle. In "Through the Dark" Miss Moore has no chance at comedy, but she scores with some splendid dramatic work. From a type standpoint the cast has been carefully selected. Her dramatic support includes Forrest Stanley, George Cooper, Carmelita Geraghty as a rich man's daughter; Margaret Seddon as Mother McGinn (she is splendid), and others. This is a crook drama. That you expect when you learn that this movie is a "Boston Blackie" story. These are all "nice" crooks because they have a code of morals. All are loyal to each other, with the exception of one guy who tips the "bulls" (meaning the cops) to a proposed job that Blackie is about to pull off.

Interest centers around Colleen Moore as the daughter of "Mother McGinn," so named because she is a "mother" to crooks. Her idea is to aid the boys in going straight. Mother has a daughter who does not know that her father was a criminal and a jail-bird. While at a fashionable girls' school Mary McGinn accidentally comes across a criminal who is trying to escape from prison. She aids him, but suffers when she is expelled from the school as the "daughter of a crook." On returning to her mother's home she becomes the "pals" of the crooks. Of course, she meets Blackie, the man she aided to escape. They learn to love each other. Mary wants him to go straight by returning to prison. He refuses and plans to get one more job so he and Mary can start life over together in another city. Mary "frames" the last job in the right way, but a "stool pigeon" frames it in the wrong way. Here is a corking good crook drama,

—this time, however, one with a full beard!

Richard Attwood, as Pierre Moreau, in "Shifting Sands," at Mister Smith's Theater, leave society to ride at the head of a band of Arabs.

Moreau breaks up one home only to find that the wife he stole does not care for him.

The rather unconvincing plot includes the unceremonious removal of the wife, Yvonne Lindsay, played by Della Villa, by a fall from a balcony; a sort of commuting service between England and Tripoli, and the uniting, of course, years later, of the hero and heroine.

The leading role is played by Peggy Hyland. Bill includes Harold Lloyd in "The Flirt." (By Observer.)

Other attractions on view today include: "Millionaire Jazz Band" at the Lyric; Steffi Bernert, lady boxer, at the Palace; Wilkie Bard at Ksith's; "Spooks" at the Lincoln Square; "Lafin' Thru" at the Broadway; "Happy-Go-Lucky" at the Capitol and "Hidden Spirits" at the Murat.

On Tuesday and Wednesday nights at the Murat, the Indianapolis Drum Corps will give its annual minstrel. On Thursday night, Al Johnson opens a three-day engagement at the Murat in "Bombo."

Tonight, Ethyl Hayden, soprano, will appear in concert at the Academy of Music under the direction of the Indianapolis Maennerchor.

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DICK TALMADGE APPEARS IN HAUNTED HOUSE MOVIE Haunted houses are popular as comedy and dramatic agents upon the stage and the screen.

Richard Talmadge, who is developing along Doug Fairbanks lines, has a thrilling time of it in a haunted house in "Wildcat Jordan" at the Isis the first half of the week. He is cast as Dick Jordan, the son of a wealthy oil man. No teapot scandal here.

His cast includes Eugenia Gilbert, Harry VonMeter and others. The bill includes a Century comedy, "The Caddy." The bill changes on Thursday and will feature Helen Holmes in "One Million in Jewels."

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Haney Sees Marked Progress Toward Settlement of Reparations Tangle.

By LEWIS H. HENEY (Director of the Bureau of Business Research, New York University.)

NEW YORK, March 3.—"General" Dawes, one of the American representatives on the commission of experts to examine German reparation matters, says: "If the French were not in the Ruhr we experts would not be here." That statement is a text on which much can be said.

France Wins War It reminds us that France has at last won the war. Defeated on the field of battle, Germany tried to escape paying the price.

It suggests what may be the biggest "bull point" that is likely to materialize this spring, namely the final settlement of the reparations dispute and the beginning of actual recovery in Europe. It may safely be stated that the outlook for peace and industrial improvement over there has not been so bright at any time since the war.

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French Honor Upheld It must be said of the French that they do not intend to defraud creditors by going into bankruptcy, as in my opinion Germany sought to do. In January our imports picked up materially, and rose about 7 per cent more than usual in that month. All

shops of the American Car and Foundry Company in Jeffersonville, Indiana. These cars, according to Bert Weeber, president of the company, are the finest sleeping cars that can be obtained. They are to be patterned after the new sleepers in use on the Soo Line, which have been pronounced the finest of the kind in use.

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