

MOVIES HAVE PRIVATE DYNAMITE EXPLOSIONS

Fox Variety Wrecks Old Mansion and Almost Equals Munition Noise

By the Photoplay Editor
Hundreds of persons in Long Island City rubbed their eyes incredulously one night last week as they passed a historic site...

Under the supervision of Director Keanan Buel, of the William Fox forces, the wreck of the house had been accomplished in the interim for a scene in Virginia Pearson's latest picture.

A battalion chief of the fire department, two police captains and officials of the Bureau of Combustibles and a crowd of more than 5000 other spectators were present when the electric battery connecting with the dynamite charge of 25 pounds was touched.

The explosion which followed, as the landmark was shattered, could be heard almost 10 miles away. The entire three-story frame dwelling, surrounded by its century-old cupola, fell with a crash.

Spectators watched the blast silently. For a half-hour they stood without a word as four camera men ground out foot after foot of film in the heat. The flames were so intense that they in the neighborhood were badly scorched.

The scene which was screened represented the dynamiting of a munitions storeroom a few seconds after Miss Pearson saves a crippled little girl in the building. She had hardly got through the doorway, with the girl in her arms, when the explosion took place.

In the days of the old-fashion racetrack of 50 years ago, the Thomas Homestead was well-known as a mecca for the society people of Long Island. In its spacious drawing room, 50 couples could dance at one time.

On Friday there was only a slight wind blowing, and preparations were carried out. Several hundred feet from the house a platform was erected for operators to stand on, with their machines.

One of the interested spectators was the man who had occupied the building for 15 years. Once more William Desmond is playing the role of a minister in a Triangle-Ince play.

In which forces, little less than a year ago, he was cast to wear the frock in "Waffles." In "Hark! Hark! Hark!" Ivan Hunkoff and Lillian Gish were featured in "The Little Girl in the Big Woods" and a little of the "Three Shovel Boys" by Lacey and O'Connell.

ORLAND—Allman, leader, in "Fun on the Farm" (George and Faye in black face); "Sheet" Gallagher and Irene Martin, singers and dancers; George, pianist; Grey, Peck, and De Pinna; the Pathe News and Mutual comedies.

CROSS KEYS—First half of week. "Boarding School Girls" (Richard musical comedy); "Rucker and Winfield"; Rich and Stewart; "Margaret Dawson" in a double; "Richard Dawson" offered by Moore and Wright; Libby and Barton.

NINE SHARE \$40,000 ESTATE
Dempsy Property to Be Divided Among Children
An estate valued at \$40,000 in directed to be divided in shares among nine children by the will of John Dempsy, who died on July 15 at 9432 Bustleton avenue.

GIMBEL AS CHILDREN'S HOST
Foster Home and Orphan Asylum Little Ones Guests
Ellis A. Gimbel entertained the children of the Jewish Foster Home and Orphan Asylum, of Germantown, at the Philadelphia Country Club today.

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ALHAMBRA 12th, Morris & Passon Ave. Mat. Daily at 2. EVER. 1 & 9. Paramount Pictures. "THE SPOTLIGHT OF VENGEANCE"

ARCADIA CHESTNUT BELOW 10TH. Douglas Fairbanks. "Gloria's Romance" (13)

APOLLO 52D AND THOMPSON. MATINEE DAILY. "THE GRIP OF EVIL" (8)

BELMONT 52D ABOVE MARKET. Mat. 1.30 & 8.30. 15c. Edna Goodrich in "THE MAKING OF MADDALENA"

CEEDAR 60TH AND CEDAR AVE. PARAMOUNT THEATER. Florence Reed in "THE SUBMARINE" (10)

FAIRMOUNT 49TH AND GIRDAR AVENUE. Kathlyn Williams in "The Valley of Virginia" (Add. Attractions—Francis Ford and Grace Curran in "PEG OF THE RING")

PHILADELPHIA MARKETS

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LONDON STOCK MARKET

Americans Show Some Strength Under Lead of Union Pacific
LONDON, Aug. 2.—Continued hot weather was again responsible for a light turn over in securities on the stock exchange today. The markets were listless.

GRAIN AND FLOUR
WHEAT—Receipts, 162,581 bush. The market was strong and further advanced 2c. under...

PROVISIONS
There was little trading but prices were steadily held. Quotations follow: Choice western beef, sets, smoked and air-dried, 25c; western beef, sets, smoked and air-dried, 24c; western beef, sets, smoked and air-dried, 23c.

REFINED SUGARS
The market was quiet and unchanged. Raw sugar, powdered, 17c; confectioners' A, 15c; soft grades.

DAIRY PRODUCTS
BUTTER—Fancy stock was in fair request and firm under light offerings. Following are the quotations: Fancy, 32c; extra, 30c; extra extra, 28c; fancy, 26c; average, 24c; jobbing, 22c.

POULTRY
LIVE—Poultry was in small supply and firm. White chickens were again lower under free offerings and light demand. Quotations: Spring chickens, 14c; spring chickens, 13c; spring chickens, 12c.

FRESH FRUITS
There was a fair inquiry for suitable stock and prices generally were well maintained under moderate offerings. Quotations: Apples, Dakota, 10c; Apples, New York, 12c; Apples, Michigan, 11c.

VEGETABLES
Chestnut stock was in fair request and steady, with supplies under pretty good maintenance. White potatoes, per bush, No. 1 Eastern, 11c; No. 2 Eastern, 10c; No. 3 Eastern, 9c.

BOLD, BOISTEROUS, BELLIGERENT BAT'S BEWILDERING BEHAVIOR

Invades Mayor's Reception Room in City Hall, Defies Efforts at Expulsion, Then Departs With Mutinous Mutterings

A bold, boisterous, belligerent bat blew into the Mayor's reception room today and defied the highest authorities at City Hall, the room.

After fitting about impatiently, the defiant bird visited the pictures of many of the former Mayors, which adorn the walls and paused as though asking their opinion on the present condition of the city. It was comical. Then he ventured by their reticence that he was angered by their reticence.

Stenographers quickly covered their heads with newspapers, visitors retreated, and even the reporters looked leary. Although it is generally known that the Mayor recently issued an invitation to persons to call and tell anything they know about the vice situation, it is understood that this was specifically directed to humans. There was no mention of any members of the winged family.

On Up Hudson Excursion

THURSDAY, AUGUST 3
Hudson River Day Line Steamers will not stop at West Point, but will continue to the River to Newburgh and Poughkeepsie. Philadelphia & Reading Railway

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