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Today
 "Old San Francisco," the Warner Bros. extended run production which portrays the lurid days of the tin-town and the Barbary Coast before and during the "Great War," is acclaimed by New York viewers as one of the finest melodramas of the generation. The cast includes Josef Swickl, John Miljan, William Demaree, Anders Hansehoj, Charles E. King, Sojin, Angelo Rositto, Ina May Wong, Rose Dione, Swann Butt, Otto Mattison.

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actor, who plays the part of the clown in "The Wagon Show," Ken Maynard's latest starring western feature which comes to the Birmingham Theater Saturday, holds the distinction of entering more dramatic parts in feature comedies than practically any other screen player.

Sunday
 Greta Garbo, famous Swedish film star under contract to Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, wears one of the most elaborate film wardrobes of the year in her new starring production, "The Divine Woman," at the Birmingham Theater Sunday. She plays the role of a noted French actress and wears more than two dozen elaborate gowns of latest Parisian design. The picture was directed by Victor Searstrom.

Monday-Tuesday
 (Eulogizing a day when Gauchos hold rule the boundless pampas and the law of might made right, in his thrilling new United Artists production, Douglas Fairbanks as The Gaucho, which is to be at the Birmingham Theater Monday and Tuesday. A more colorful romance than this South American story, with its majestic scenery, its tense rivalries and conquests, could scarcely be conceived. Again, Fairbanks, actor-producer, brings to his world audience a green narrative destined to rank with the epics of all time.

The star has the role of a banished chief, the leader of a horde of Gaucho riders, who cross the mountains and occupy a stately shrine city whose wealth is the prey of the cruel usurper of the country. A madcap mountain lass (Lappe Veisz), thrilled by the notoriety of the Gaucho chief, joins him en route. News of the outlaw's presence reaches the usurper (Gustav von Seyffertitz), who puts a price upon his head.

A beautiful girl of the shrine, (Eve Sogtherm), whose healing as a child brought fame to the place, stirs strange emotions in the outlaw. The jealous mountain girl betrays him to the commandant (Michael Vavitch), who has placed his garrison in the city by the usurper's orders. A treacherous Gaucho lieutenant (Charlie Stevens), dismisses the band on a false promise. Witnessing his cure at the shrine from the touch of a plague-stricken beggar (Al MacQuarrie), the mountain girl understands the "girl of the miracle" for the first time, and too late tries to prevent the arrest. She rides off to bring the Gaucho band to the rescue.

Wednesday
 The management of the Birmingham Theater definitely announces that Samuel Goldwyn's romantic epic "Stella Dallas," adapted from the famous novel by Mrs. Olive Higgins Reuilly, will be shown Wednesday.

The management also recommends "Stella Dallas" as one film that will live in the memory after

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it is seen. It is great in story, cast and superb in its heart-wringing appeal.

"Stella Dallas" has had an amazing vogue as a popular story, then as a novel, and later as a stage play in which Mrs. Leslie Carter starred. The theme is already known to millions for its distinction and power.

Next Thursday
 Tolstoy's "Resurrection," the flesh-and-blood drama of Prince and peasant, love sacred and profane, brings Rod La Rocque and Bolivar Rice to the screen of the Birmingham Theater next Thursday, April 12, in the Inspiration-Edwin Carewe film version offered by United Artists.

The most widely read classic of modern times, enjoyed wherever people read books, translated from the Russian of Leo Tolstoy into eleven languages in the past thirty years, "Resurrection" is of unusual interest to film-goers because it is a drama strong and absorbing enough to have made Tolstoy beloved by the masses of the world. Edwin Carewe satisfies a seventeen-year-old ambition at last in bringing to the screen this story, which has fascinated him since he played Prince Dmitri himself in a stock company in Kansas.

CASS
 "Right up in the forefront of musical comedy success" is what New York said of "Oh Kay," which will be presented by Aarons and Freedley in association with the Messrs. Shulbert, at the Cass Theater next Sunday night, with matinee Wednesday and Saturday.

The musical comedy is as bright, snappy, colorful and as lovely as a rainbow over a sunset, full of rich humor. There are melodies stirring, and others sweetly haunting. There are elaborate costumes and scenery and some unusual dancing. The cast is headed by those musical comedy favorites, Julia Sanderson and Frank Crumit and a company and ensemble of 100, including the sensational Gandy-Hale Girls.

The book of this smartest of all musical comedies is by F. G. Woodhouse and Guy Bolton. Music by George Gershwin and lyrics by Ira Gershwin. The book itself is rather more interesting than the average story of the usual musical comedy. It tells of the return of a popular young man to his seaside home with his bride of a day. He finds it peopled with strange persons and the house itself an object of suspicion. Unknown to him, rum-runners have taken possession of it and stored their loot in the cellar, and revenue agents are trying to find out

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