Nerve

Enid Bennett Faces Hungry Lions to Make Good Scene in Film Telling a Circus Tale



HEN it was decided that Enid Bennett's new play should be "The Enid Biggest Show on Earth," which called for a real honest to goodness circus of the oldfashioned kind as a

background for the action of the play. Thomas H. Ince scratched his head. Then he conferred with his property man and finally in desperation he went out and rented a going concern, the Barnes circus, for the period of time needed to put out the picture.

In the climax of the play Miss Bennett takes the place of the lion tamer and holds the big beasts in subjection while the scene is being made. She was nervous about the stunt in spite of the moral support of armed men outside the cage, but contended that if the lion tamer could stare at the beasts and make them behave she could do the same, and went and did bravely. The only hitch in the proceedings was when a load of fresh meats arrived for the animals' dinner and, they scenting it, howled forcefully for their dinner instead of for the camera.

The play, which appears at the Sun this week, is a charming story of a daughter of a circus owner who bravely faces the lions in order to save her father and his circus from an angry mob. But instead of losing her lover she discovers that her father's partner is the parent of the man she is to marry and all ends happily.

"There is a message to be conveyed by the motion pictures-a very definite message, and one that every conscientious director and producer is striving valiantly to get across. It is a message of Life," says Cecil de Mille, whose latest cinema production, 'Till I Come Back to You," will be at the Strand theater this week. And in all probability it is in this belief in his work that the famous director has made the fine productions which carried his name in the past two years.

Amid the host of war plays with their waving battle flags, scenes of fighting and suffering, and of men earning glory, it has been hard to find one that carried in it a message of

To the thousands of Omaha people who as yet have not availed themselves of the opportunity to see "The Eyes of the World," by Harold Bell star and John Bowers is her leading man. Wright, now playing at the Brandeis at the Sun today and tomorrow

any at the Branches welcome news that has been able to see the common of part, acquits himself in such a manner that the audience marvels that he is ye' in his early thirties.

The committee on public information announces that the second official American war picture, "America's Answer," presented by the United States government, will begin an engagement of one week at the Bran-deis September 16. This feature film in eight reels is the successor to "Pershing's Crusaders," the first of the government series of war pictures, and tells the story of the arrival of the first 500,000 men of the American army and of what they have accomplished. From convoyed transport to the first line trenches the activities of the American army in France are vividly portrayed.

There will also be shown the arrival and landing of the Americans and interesting scenes of their daily life in the trenches and in rest camps. There will be panoramic views of military activities at the front and other highly interesting scenes which will be announced in detail when the picture is presented to the public.

Seats will go one sale at the box office of the Brandeis Thursday; no war tax will be charged on admissions to this government picture. Performances will be given twice daily after the opening Monday night.

The Famous Players-Lasky Corporation has just leased a ranch of one thousand acres, to be uitilized for filming Paramount and Arterast pictures. The property, which is valued at a million dollars, is within five minutes' ride of the Hollywood studios. Hitherto the corporation has been using a ranch in the San Fernando valley, but it was too remote and too much valuable time was wasted in going and coming. The new estate will be fitted up at once, the first large set to be built being an elaborate oldtime ranch for an Arteraft picture by Cecil B. DeMille,



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the real lives being led by the people in the war worn territories. De Mille's play is a story of the King of Belgium promising his people his every effort until his return to them with the land cleansed of Germans. It tells of the little children and pictures the effect on the rising generation of the war years they have undergone.

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married a German merchant, who proves later to be a member of the German intelligence department.

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player in another Lois Weber production shortly to be released, is the star of Tribustands Only." Lewis J Cody has the Bryant Washburn plays the real leading role of the play, that of an American officer of engineers, and Winter Hall, that of King Albert of Belgium, while Florence Vidor is the heroine, a girl of Belgium who has a girl of Belgium who has been who has girl of Belgium who has been who has been week at the Strand, while the Strand symbol will be presented the first four days of the coming belgium. While Florence Vidor is the heroine, a girl of Belgium who has livered a will be presented the first four days of the coming belgium. While Florence Vidor is the heroine, a girl of Belgium who has livered a were approximately and stranger of the scenes of the heroine, a girl of Belgium who has livered a were approximately as a stranger of the scenes of the latter of the scene of the latter of the scene

shown the ridiculously funny comedy "The Geezer of Berlin" a travesty on "The Beast

Empress—That Uncle Sam is in need of brave men at home as well as in the trenches is amply proven in the newest Wm. Fox photodrama, "Mr. Logan, U. S. A." in which Tom Mix, exponent of western characters, plays the title role. "Mr. Logan, U. S. A." will be shown for the first time at the Empress theater for the first four days of the week. It gives the reason why Uncle Sam has kept many of his brave boys over here to cope with the enemy within his gates. Theda Bara in the 1918 version of "The Two Orphans" is to be at the Empress theater for the last half of the week. In this picture her versatility is shown to a remarkable degree. It is one of the many reasons why she has so big a place in the hearts of picture fans.

Brady in "The Ordeal of Rosetta," wherein she plays a dual role of two sisters, one of a pure sweet character and the other all that is mean and sordid. A Mutt and Jeff completes the program. On Wednesday, in addition to the Allied War Review, will be shown Taylor Holmes in "Ruggles of Red Gap," a comedy drama success of an Englishman who meets Americans in a wild western town. "Ruggles of Red Gap," will be run again Thursday with the Pathe News on the program. Mme. Nazimova in "Revelation" is the big feature of the week here to run on Friday and Saturday.

Rohlff—Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Drew lead



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For years past, America has been importing canaries from Germany; as the Germans have perfected the art of breeding and training songsters with liquid, rolling notes. "It's a Hartz Mountain canary," or a "German roller," the owner of a bird whose song is admired will probably say, "an imported bird."

Canaries were originally found in the Canary islands and imported to England in the sixteenth century. The English have bred them all these years, but they have bred them more for beautiful plumage than for song. There are orange colored canaries. gold and silver spangled lizard cana-ries, crested birds and birds with bright red plumage in England, but the feathers and not the voice are the characteristics sought. The red co'or is increased by a cayenne pep-per diet. In Belgium they prize most highly a deformed canary, with high shoulders and a long neck and a most uninteresting song.

The Germans, however, believe that the song is all, and the plumage of their birds is very irregular. Markings and colors count for nothing. It is these birds America has been importing and which have been sold in great numbers and prized for their liquid song. liquid song.

There has not been a shipment of

canaries from Germany since November, 1916," said Max Geisler, the bird man. "There are a few big American canary breeders, located in the east and north, but none of them can

Juliette day in "Betty and the Buccaneers," wherein the pretty star proves that daring and love win in the end. The "House of liate" is also shown. DouglaseFairbanks in a real "Fairbanksy" play, "American Aristocracy," will lead the bill, and on Wednesday comes Alma Reubens in the sensational drama, "Madame Sphinx." Frank Kennan's outdoor drama of the west, "The Ruler of the Road," is billed for Friday, and Jewel Carmen completes the program for the week on Saturday in "The Failen Angel."

Apollo—J. Warren Kerrigan in "One Dollar Bid" is the effering for today in a story of the Kentucky blue grass. Kerrigan plays the part of Toby, a neer-do-well, who is sold into a year's bondage for the sum of \$1. The story of how he becomes a real man and wins the fair girl who has bought him into servitude is a pleasing romance. On Monday and Tuesday will be seen Norma Talmadge in "Her Only Way," one of the more serious of the plays that this star has acted. Thursday and Friday will be seen Wallace Reid in "The House of Silence" and Saturday Barabara Castleton in "Heredity."

Orpheum—South Side—In addition to the Sunday vaudeville program at the Orpheum today will be seen William Desmond in "Beyond the Shadew," a virile story in Monday will be seen will be more in the story of the Shadew." and Tucaday is billed Mac Marsh in the drama. "The Face in the Dark." Wednesday will be the feature day of the week's program, when Ruth Roland is to be seen in "Hands Up" No. 4, and also the feature drama, "Naulahka." Thursday and Friday, Rhea Mitchell appears in "Honor Cross." and on Saturday in addition to the Ailled War Review will be shown Jack Livingstone is "The Price of Applause."

an emotional part to portray and there are Madame Petrova carries off with skill,

Lothrop-Mary Miles Minter appearing in "The Ghost of Rosy Taylor, in a story of a girl who finds herself the mistress of

a strange mansion and gets into a love ro-mance as a result, will be the feature here today. There will also be shown Pathe News. Monday and Tuesday comes Alice Brady in "The Ordeal of Rosetta," wherein Grand-Jack Pickford and Louise Huff in Grand—Jack Pickford and Louise Huff in "Sandy," will be here today only in a story of a Scotch immigrant boy, who meets a dainty maid of Kentucky on shipboard. Later in Kentucky he proves that he is a man of resources and a force is himself and wins the girl and the respect of the citizens in the land of his choosing. Cecil de Mille's "Old Wives For New," is booked for Monday and Tuesday, an interesting exposition of the problem of an unsatisfactory marriage. Wednesday will be seen the "House of Hate" No. 15, and also Fatty Arbuckle and Mabel No. 15, and also Fatty Arbuckle and Mabel be run again Thursday with the Pathe News on the program. Mine Nazimova in "Revelation" is the big feature of the week here to run on Friday and Saturday.

Rohlff—Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Drew lead the bill at the Rohlff today with their comedy success. "Pay Day." Monday is No. 15, and also Fatty Arbuckle and Mabel Normand in one of their comedy effects. Thursday is Jewel Carman in "Lawless Love." followed by Harry Morey and Betty Riythe on Friday in a virile dramatic play. "All Man." The closing bill of the week will be Alice Joyce in "Find the Woman," and Billy West in "The Rogue" on Saturday.

produce birds that equal the German naries have brought very low prices.

Three years ago one could buy a beautiful singer for \$5. Now an ordinary mature bird costs \$15 and up,

since time began, been a good and One record she has found is that of sufficient reason for some people to a bird man, who imitates various wild breed them, but these home bred ca- bird notes. This is her favorite.

Now they are bringing much better prices and are in better demand. Canaries are easily raised. If prop-erly fed, kept clean and not too much and an imported bird costs whatever inbred, they are hardy and susceptible to few diseases. The training The shortage of canaries in this is accomplished in various ways. One country has made a new market for Omaha woman haunts music stores home breeders. Love of birds has for records with the proper tones





