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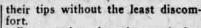
Bessie's Big Toes Bring. Her Fame, Fortune and Personal Delight

"Oh, twinkle, twinkle, my big toe "Cause it means a lot of dough. "Tough means passing of my woe, "Bo twinkle, twinkle, my big toe." —Song of the Dancer.

WO big toes-one on the right foot and one on the left-has made Bessie Clayton one of the richest women on the stage today. Just two big toes, but because they have a certain physical superiority over the common or garden variety found on the colonel's lady and Judy O'Grady, and because they are controlled by two rare gifts-genius and will-power - they have twinkled their owner's way into fame and fortune.

Toes, as a general thing, have no Clayton willed her success. Ever particularly great monetary value, but in the case of Bessie Clayton their value is such that she has in- able legs-she has willed to be the sured them for \$50,000 against irre- world's most famous dancer. parable damage. Ergo, there must e something rare about these toes. Right. There is.

To begin with, physically they ave no superior. The usual great have no superior. toe seems to be about as massive and husky as a pullet's wishbone. Miss Clayton's great toes on the other hand look as if they could quite conveniently assume Atlas' burden without the least feeling it. Since childhood she has developed wires' are here. We'll wager 'blind wires' are here. We'll wager 'blind



But not that alone has made her what she is. Back of these toes, figuratively speaking, is genius. There you have it. Genius with a capital "G." Directed, controlled capital and manipulated by her rare mental and physical force, they have lifted her out of the general swirl of life, over the steep barrier of discouragement, and into the sunlight of success. And such success! Toes, just toes-two big toes-that's all. But even genius and these wonder-

ful toes would not have sufficed if buttressing the whole thing there had not been will power. Bessie

Metro has secured the stage play, 'Alias Jimmy Valentine" for Bert

Lytell. Ollie Bercaw, the popular bricklayer and hod carrier, has been appointed a motion picture censor.

Most

Captivating

Comedienne

of the Screen

METRO

PLAY

her toes until now she can dance on wives' are hard to find in Reno.



Bills of the Week

Sun-Coming today to the Sun theater is May Allison in one of her new screen classics, "Fair and Warmer." The pic-ture is an adaptation of one of the most

H. B Warner

Close-Ups and Cut-Outs - By Weir. -

TT ERIS, a bank cashier who, to say the least, was careful, a right in the middle of a movп ing picture comedy, being made a few days ago at Culver City, Cal., Fatty Arbuckle decided that he needed real money for a scene instead of the stage money generally used, so he sent over to the Culver City bank for five \$100 bills. lar bills.

The messenger approached -the cashier's window in the bank and tendered Fatty's check, asking for the cash. The cashier looked at the check helplessly and went to the president. After some moments he to adopt the name permanently. returned and said:

"I'm very sorry we can't accom-modate you. We haven't that much money in the bank. You see this money in the bank. You see this bank has been held up by robbers three times in the past year and we send all our money to Los Angeles | agement of J. Parker Read, Jr. The at 2 o'clock every day. Just at the set is an elaborate underground cave present time all I have with me is with millions of stalactites hang-62 cents and the president has four pennies and a lead nickel." Ing from the ceiling. It is one of the wierdest settings ever used in

The messenger returned and re-ported to Fatty just why he couldn't secure the five \$100 bills. Fatty Lehrma thought the matter over for a moment and then called his company together, addressing them as fol-

"I just wish to notify you good people that if any of you intend to rob the Culver City bank this afternoon, I would hardly call today an auspicious one in which to pull it

And the mystery of it all is that Fatty kept his face straight.

If people are half as anxious to tion as they are to view it in the original, then "The Red Virgin," the B. A. Reife production produced by A. H. Fischer Features, Inc., from the original term hu, Checker A. the original story by Charles A. Logue, will be drawing tremendous crowds when it is released. The story of "The Red Virgin" is laid, or, the action transpires, to amplify a technical term, for the most part in Greenwich Village and draws upon all the modernisms in life, art and literature rampant in New

York's Latin quarter. The chief set-ting is the "Black Bat" cafe, the meeting place of the modernists. One of the first things done by Madge Kennedy on her return at the Goldwyn studios in California after

an eastern visit, was an urgent re-

among whom are the beautiful Kathleen Kirkham, Edith Roberts, Forrest Stanley and Charles Arling The story is a contrast in the lives of the workers and idlers in presentday life. .

The city of Pittsburgh, noted for its smoke and steel, scandal and millionaries, produced Mary Mac-Laren, Universal's star, known to the cinema world as the "American Beauty of the Screen." The young lady's name is really MacDonald, and she had no intention of changing it for the stage or screen. But

a secretary in the auditor's depart-ment at Universal City absent-mind-edly wrote MacLaren+for MacDon-ald in making out the first salary check Mary received from the film company. Several times she tried to correct the error and finally decided

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The big stage at the new Henry Lehrman studios in Culver City is now so completely filled with sets in which scenes are being made that there is no further room for construction and it has been found necimmediate completion of "A Twi-light Baby," which is soon to be re- When out of make-up Miss hibitors' circuit. When it is consid- of pep, just the antithesis of the ered that there are but two of the

two-reel Lehrman comedies under fore the cameras. production and that the stage is one of the largest in the world some

tures tion work in the near future on a will appear.

second stage, of the same size as another producing unit. tayne, and "Keep Him Guessing," every other by Idyl_Shepard Way. The "Pro-he asserts.

phet's Paradise" appeared in one of the leading magazines. "Keep Him Guessing," which is a fast mov-ing comedy, is an original photo-play. The two plays are scheduled

banner, William Desmond Taylor, for production in the near future, Just which stars will play in them has not yet been announced. Albert Capellani, the French di-said Taylor, "and ought to give Miss ector, whose pictures with Max Minter great opportunities." The

Linder were among the first samples of the cinema art ever shown in this country, and who is noted for his "Red Lantern," "Les Miserables." cesses.



Little Emily Has Two **Perfectly Good Faces**

"In this world every fool is trying to appear clever, but it takes a clever person to appear the fool."

T HIS is the philosophy of Emily Chichester, the little Universal lady who has created a distinct niche for herself in the motion picture hall of fame. Her characterization of the foolish little country girl with the vacant face, which is so aptly described by motion picture people simply as "Bla," has made her one of the coming comediennes of the screen.

This little blonde was born 18 years ago in South Norwalk, Conn. Because her parents strenuously objected to a theatrical career, Emily had to take matters in her own hands and ran away. Her first ap-pearance was with Metro in New ork, and her fond relatives were distinctly shocked when they saw her for the first time on the screen as a washerwoman's daughter. Finally the parental objections were withdrawn when she received an offer from D. W. Griffith, who had noticed her work on the silver sheet. Miss Chichester, before join-

ing Universal, made her reputation

tion starring Dorothy Phillips, he essary to erect a number of sets knew there was only one girl who adjacent to the stage to permit the could adequately fill the part-and When out of make-up Miss Chileased by the First National Ex- chester is vivacious, witty and full

characters which she portrays be-"The Common Law" and many

idea may be gained of the multi-plicity and size of the interior sets Madam Nazimova was starred, has which are being used in the new pic- returned from France and will begin work at once on a series of pic-Mr. Lehrman-will start construc- tures in which Marjorie Rambeau

Mr. Capellani declares that while the first, preparatory to putting on conditions in France are not very good, they are improving. The pic-Myron Selznick announces the is impossible to make pictures withpurchase of two new stories, "The out American methods-in fact, Prophet's Paradise," by C. S. Mon- American methods are necessary to every other kind of business as well,

> Of "Judy of Rogue's Harbor," which will be Mary Miles Minter's second play under the Paramount banner, William Desmond Taylor,