THE BEE: OMAHA, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1922.

Mark Twain and Booth Tarkington Masterpieces Reach Screen

"The Yankee" at Sun; "Penrod" **Opens at Rialto**

Connie Talmadge Plays at Strand in "Polly of Follies' -Mix at Moon-"Cabiria" at Empress.

With "Penrod," "A Con-necticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court." Constance Tal-madge in "Polly of the Follies" and Tom Mix in "Sky-High" comprising the high lights in cinema art at Omaha playhouses this week, admirers of the silver screen * may expect probably the most appealing array of pictures that ever struck Omaha screens.

At least, these attractions are presaged as the big attractions of 1922.

Wesley Barry has the lead-ing role in "Penrod." a Booth Tarkington story at the Rialto theater this week, while Harry Myers is practically made a new screen luminary in "A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court," which opens today at the Sun theater. "Polly of the Follies," which plays at the Strand theater. is said to be a symposium of unbridled fun, exasperating goes one of the queer twists of plot that makes the elders thankful for joy and side-splitting comedy. its existence

Tom Mix in "Sky-High." at the Muse theater is said to hit having been selected for it as the ideal Penrod after numerous consulthe high spots of his thrilling tatious between Booth Tarkington career in this production. The and Mr. Neilan.

story is laid in the Grand "A Connecticut Yankee." Mark Twain's masterpiece, "A

Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's

"Polly of the Follies."

Canyon of Arizona.

Court." has been made into a motion If you want to know the fate of picture on a scale worthy of the subthe thousand or more girls who seek ject. Issued as a special production,

fame and footlights in the big city go to see "Polly of the Follies," starring Constance Talmadge, which opens today at the Strand theater. The star portrays the role of Polly Meacham, country girl of broad ambitions and little experience, in her own inmitable style of humor. One of the unusual features the picture presents is the training of a

picture presents is the training of a Broadway beauty chorus for the an-nual opening of the Follies; and the we live in is the best of all possible renowned Mr. Flo Ziegfeld has been times. drawn upon for this character. Ber- This he did by taking a typical

actor, plays the role of the beauty penny, filled with smart, up-to-tlate The leading man is Kenneth Har-lan who filled a similar role in Miss Talmadge's previous pictures. George

Fawcett comes in for more promi-nence in his excellent rendition of a society leader's husband. men of today, and whether life as a whole was more comfortable then than now. than now.

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Have "Filmphobia"

When Murdered?

Connecticut Vankee in King Arthur's Court - SUN .

Did Wm. D. Taylor Downtown Programs Sun-"A Connecticut Yankee King Arthur's Court."

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Strand-Constance Talmadge in Polly of the Follies. Rialto-"Penrod." Moon - Tom Mix in "Sky

High. Empress-Today until Thurs. day, "Cabiria;" latter half of week, Elaine Hammerstein in "Handcuffs or Kisses." Muse-Today, tomorrow and Tuesday, "Too Wise Wives;" Wednesday and Thursday, "East Lynne;" Friday and Saturday, "White and Unmarried."

"Sky High " MOON "Polly of the Follies"-STRAND

TODAY

ALL WEEK

and immediately feels for the 'blue tween each effort."

A Thousand Laughs spiced with love and tears

director suffering from 'filmphobia,' least three months away from the and I speak from experience, reads a novel and sees in it only screen situations—and misses the literary values. He sees a beautiful sunset— Griffith takes appreciable time be-

One of the last interviews that William Desmond Taylor, noted di-rector, permitted his press agent to send broadcast for publication dealt on a "disease" called "Filmphobia." Taylor stated that it possesses dangerous possibilities which might easily wreck the future artistry of a director. director. "Filmphobia," said Mr. Taylor. "To cure himself of actual or in-comes on you after you have been cipient 'filmphobia' and to renew his been the case Valentino would prob-

ably be planting pansies now. directing pictures for a year or more. contact with the other allied arts," Two stars who will appear in Its manifestations are that you gage everything by film standards; you lose your pleasure in other forms of Compson picture, "Every active mo-tured in a series of special produc-

art for their own sake. A picture tion picture director should have at tions by Louis Burston

Wire From Filmland

William DeMille has completed Bought and Paid For.'

Ince has bought "The Indian Drum," an Edwin Balmer story. Sennet has retitled Ben Turpin's omedy originally known as "Rob-

in's Nest," to "Step Lively. Emmett Flynn has made tests of

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more than 20 trying to find a woman lead for "A Fool There Was." Lewis Stone will play the male lead. The Katherine MacDonald sub ject now completed has been titled

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"The Heart Dealer." The cast in-cludes Charles Gerrard, Nigel Barie, Charles Clary, Mona Kings-Wheezer Dell, a star Pacific Coast ley and Ethel Key. league pitcher.

Production has been started on "Val of Paradise," under the direc-tion of Joseph Henaberry, co-star-ring Jack Holt and Bebe Daniels. John Gilbert, Barbara Bedford, Bar-Ten more days will be required bara LaMarr, Robert Kortman, Hershal Mayall and William A.

Ten more days will be required therstal day and the second to complete the filming of "The Orlemond. Orlemond. Paul Powell has been assigned to direct "The Ordeal," starring to direct "The Ordeal," starring W Agnes Ayres, from W. Somerset

> the side of a cliff on a rope, and again when he drops out of an

reroplane into the

Colorado rever

Eddie Cline has finished directing Buster Kcaton in "Relations." The by Bculah Marie Dix.









Claire Windsor in. Joo Wise Wives"- MUSE

Tapped Off the

"Sky-High."

"Sky-High," starring Tom Mix at the Moon theater this week, shows Mix as an immigration officer near

what Mix will do if somebody writes a story for him with scenes laid on the brink of Niagara Falls. Most of them will bet on Mix and not on the falls, no doubt. Eva Novak, a star in her own right.

plays the eastern girl whose troubles cause the story. "The Leather Pushers" is an add-

ed attraction at the Moon theater.

"Penrod."

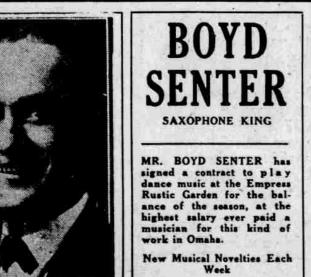
To thousands of men who are still young enough to remember the capers and secret societies of their boyhood there is a delicious treat coming in Marshall Neilan's presentation of "Penrod," at the Rialto theater this

week. "Penrod" is the film adaptation of Booth Tarkington's inimitable boyhood creations. The picture furnishes a vivid reminder of boyhood days with its opening scenes taken in the headquarters of the American Boys'

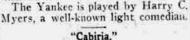
Protective association. This is a secret society of which Muse theater today, tomorrow and

Penrod is the charter member and president. It has its headquarters in a cave dug into the ground and en-larged to provide kneeling room for the 30 disciples of the freedom of American boys. The orginzation has "nishiashions," "symbols," "grips" and the typical black crossed hones of all the societies and pirates. secret societies and pirates.

elders of the rural city the American day in "White and Unmarried," a Boys' Protective association under- story of a Yankee in gay Paree.



Every Evening DANCING Every Evening **Empress Rustic Garden**



"Cabiria." "Cabiria," which opens today at the Mexican border, whose business the Empress theater for four days. takes him to the Grand Canyon of presents in impressive manner the Arizona to break up a gang of smugglers who are sneaking Chinese into California. Many feats of dar-title california. Many feats of dar-struggle, hold the center of the ing, including a thrilling ride through background as Gabriele d'Annunzio's the canyon in an airplane and cul- absorbing story unfolds itself on the minating in a drop from the plane into screen. The spectacular thrills, from the Colorado river, are shown in the picture. Mix admirers are now wondering Mix admirers are now wondering

phere. Of greater importance is the tender love story of Cabiria and Maciste that the poet soldier has woven into a real exc of the screen. A story that abounds with romance, action and human interest is promised in "Handcuffs or Kisses,"

which will star Elaine Hammerstein at the Empress theater for three days beginning Thursday. The story tells of the hardships

endured by a young girl while "do-ing time" in a large reformatory.

"East Lynne" at Muse. Hugo Ballin's modern film version

of "East Lynne," that famous melodrama, will take the screen at the Muse theater next Wednesday and Thursday. It depicts a slice of life,

ing role. In conjunction with the presenta-tion of "Too Wise Wives" at the

Penrod is the charter member and Tuesday, the theater management an-

Thomas Meighan is the attraction Frowned upon by the more sedate at the Muse next Friday and Satur-



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Direction Harry H. Silverman HAUPT AT ORGAN

now Playing SKY Mix Dut Mixes HIGH A thrilling story of Mix in THE more GRAND CANYON daring feats OF than ever. ARIZONA On the same program C.WITWER'S MOUS COLLIER'S STORIES Eack Round a Complete Story within itself. TWO REELS OF Romance, Adventure, Conflict ~~ Suitable for the whole family. "The Leather shers