

Singer Now Is 'Reluctant' Dancer

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HOLLYWOOD (UP) — Gordon MacRae, who says modestly that he's a reluctant singer, now reports that he's been shuffling a fast foot as a dancer and with the same lack of enthusiasm.

Considering that his reluctance in things vocal zoomed him to the top of the warbling game, this diffidence toward dancing should rank him in the Astaire-Kelly class almost any day.

Gordon, besides being versatile and reluctant, apparently keeps his aspirations to himself. What he's always wanted to do is to be an actor. If singing could help him arrive, he sang. Now that he's before the cameras, he's perfectly willing to dance to assist him in staying there.

He started out on the road to Hollywood several years ago and chose the summer-theater route via Broadway.

After a while, he discovered that the path was a lot easier if he unleashed his gold-plated vocal chords. He sang his way in Hollywood, where he hoped to act and continue radio and record-making as sidelines.

"I couldn't seem to keep singing separate from acting, though," MacRae said. "Now they've got me down as a triple-threat man, if I can dance to suit the public."

Director Impressed
Gordon contends he has only left feet. But dance director LeRoy Prinz thinks differently.

"Why, I can make a dancer out of him without half trying," Prinz said. "He's got what it takes."

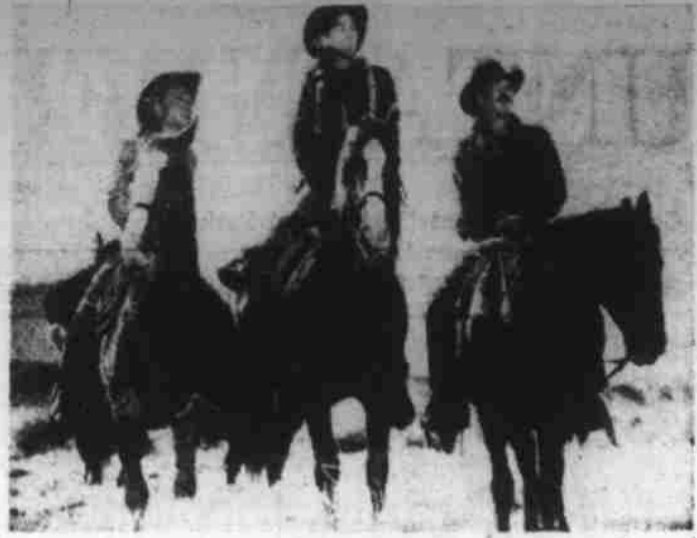
The handsome young crooner already has had one movie released in which he tripped a couple of dance numbers.

"It was in 'The Daughter of Rosie O'Grady,'" he said. "I thought it was just a one-scene deal that could be ignored."

But Warner Bros. wasn't satisfied. They've pitted MacRae against James Cagney, Virginia Mayo, Doris Day and Gene Nelson, all tip-top hoofers, in "The West Point Story."

"We'll see how right Mr. Prinz

At The Park Sun., Mon., Tues.



Harry Carey, Jr., Ben Johnson and Ward Bond, guardians of a wagon train are on the alert in this scene from "Wagonmasters."

Thelma And Corydon Bell To Visit Reading Club

Thelma and Corydon Bell, author and illustrator of children's books, will visit the Cherokee Indian Reading Club for the powwow, to be held on Thursday, July 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Bell, who live in Sapphire, North Carolina, are authors of "Pawnee," the story of an Indian brave—only eight inches tall, and "Mountain Boy" the story of Randy, who lived on a mountain-side far away from any school. They are authors of many sparkling books for children and adults.

They will talk to members of the reading club and will introduce them to the original "Pawnee" who was really invented by their daughter a dozen years ago.

Original drawings for "Pawnee" and "Mountain Boy" will be on display in the Library on the day of the Powwow and autographed copies of the book will be available at The Book Store.

The Powwow, to which the public as well as all reading club members, is invited, will be held on the lawn at the residence of Mrs. T. Lenior Gwyn at 11 a. m. In case of rain the program will be held in the dining room of the First Methodist Church.

can be," MacRae said. "That's some competition. But maybe I can be their straight man on the floor."

Errol Flynn Back To Warner Bros.

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HOLLYWOOD (UP) — Errol Flynn is going back to Warner Bros. and hearts are fluttering there just as they do throughout the world when the bold, black-haired Irishman swashbuckles over the horizon.

One of the hearts that is thumping in anticipation belongs to Marjorie Best, his costumer.

With all due credit to Flynn's fiancée, it's likely that the actor's heart beats a thump or two in admiration for Miss Best as well.

For she is his favorite costumer, just as he is her most prized customer and actor.

When word got around that the veteran star would leave off gallivanting through the headlines, the rest of Hollywood's film factories and the world's out-of-the-way places long enough to make "Rocky Mountain" at Warners, Miss Best hid herself to the "F" section of the wardrobe department.

Her first task was to fluck dust off the long line of clothes tagged with an Errol Flynn label. Then she started preparing for any sartorial crisis that might arise.

Checking Needed
"Errol never is a problem himself, bless his heart," Miss Best said. "But I always like to check on what we have of his wardrobe and what condition it's in and how much will have to be made new."

In "Rocky Mountain," Miss Best sees a relative vacation because "he won't have any very elegant clothes."

"All I'll have to fret about is his waistline and a few things like that. I do hope he hasn't gained any weight or lost any with all the tramping around he's been doing."

Miss Best is believed to be the only female costumer who designs men's clothes, which isn't as strange as it sounds considering that most feminine garments are dreamed up by men.

She's modest about her successful years with Flynn, which netted her an Academy Award with Leah Rhodes for costumes in "The Adventures of Don Juan."

"After all," she said, "Errol looks well in anything."

Showing At Strand Sunday - Monday



JOHN WAYNE, as the desperado, and CLAIRE THEVOR as the woman they ran out of town, rise above their pasts in "STAGECOACH," coming to the Strand Theatre Sunday and Monday.

Cecil CDP To Meet Friday Night

Residents of Cecil will meet at 7:30 P. M. Friday at the Cecil School to make plans for their coming farm tour and field day.

Carl Green, the community chairman, will preside.

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PLENTY OF KENNEDY

NEW YORK—(AP)—It's going to be mighty confusing for football opponents of the New York Yanks next fall when the coach says: "Get in there and watch that Bob Kennedy!" Coach Red Strader of the Gotham club has Washington State's Bob Kennedy, 1942 Pacific Coast rushing champion, and North Carolina's Bob Kennedy on his roster.

Variety Show Set For This Week

More than 120 talented actors had been cast in parts today for this week's performances of "Trippin' Around," variety musical benefit being sponsored by the Waynesville chapter of Beta Sigma Phi sorority.

The performances will open at 8:13 p. m. Friday and Saturday at the Waynesville High School Auditorium.

More than 50 children will have parts in one of the scenes, "Fairy Express," in the show.

As a preliminary to the event, a parade will be held Thursday featuring floats, decorated autos, bicycles, and tricycles, costumed marchers, and the Waynesville Township High School band.

The procession will form at the Waynesville Presbyterian church to start at 1:15 p. m.

Civic organizations already entered include the Business and Professional Women's Club, Chamber of Commerce, Junior Chamber of Commerce, Lions Club, Rotary Club, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Beta Sigma Phi, and United Daughters of the Confederacy.

Among the business firms and individuals entered are Garrett's Furniture, Garrett's Funeral Home, Crawford Funeral Home, Rogers Electric, Tut's, Town and Country Shop, Boyd Furniture, Massie Furniture, Palmer's Dairy, Porter Frady, Bill Norris, and the First National Bank.

In the parade also will be the children of the show cast, and members of the choruses in costume.

"We are trying to make this the most unique and best parade we have ever had in Waynesville," Mrs. Edwin Russell, chairman of the parade committee, said today.

"The parade is in connection with 'Trippin' Around,' and its purpose is to stimulate interest in our future Community Club House."

The sorority will use the proceeds from the two performances to help finance the building of a club house for the community.

Prizes will be awarded to children winning the events in the parade contests.

Further details may be found in the show's advertisements which appear in this issue.

Canton Masons To Honor Past High Priests Thursday

Past High Priest Night will be held by Canton Chapter, No. 87 Royal Arch Masons at the Masonic Lodge Hall in Canton Thursday Night, July 20th, at 7:30 P. M.

A suitable program has been planned for the occasion by Mr. Joyce Warren, present High Priest.

Past Grand High Priest, Mr. W. A. Coble will be present and assist in the program.

Past High Priest of the Chapter include:

R. J. Sprang, of Canton, W. R. Crute, of Pasadena, Texas, C. L. Rhinehart, W. T. Hawkins, Joe Powell, E. J. Osborne, all of Canton; Glenn D. Brown, of Clyde, P. B. York, Canton, J. Ben Patton, Canton, Howard L. Setzer, Candler, and I. G. "Bill" Franklin of Canton.

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