

# Theatre Manager Tells History of Famed Oscar

By D. J. MORROW

This year Oscar, the golden symbol of fame conferred by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences has reached the age of 26.

Oscar was nameless when he came into the world as an award symbol the year the Academy was founded, 1927, and he remained so for four years, known then just as "the Statuette."

The idea for a statuette originated at a meeting of the first board of governors of the Academy. Cedric Gibbons, now executive art director for MGM, after hearing discussions of certificates, scrolls, medals and plaques, urged that the awards should be represented by a figure of dignity and individual character which recipients would be proud to display.

While he talked he sketched a figure and design. It was Oscar's first picture. The drawing was adopted and sent for execution to George Stanley, a Los Angeles sculptor. From his hands came the Oscar which has been growing in fame ever since.

The golden figure was still without a name that day in 1931 when Mrs. Margaret Herrick, present executive secretary of the Academy, reported for her first day's work as librarian. A copy of the statuette stood on an executive's desk and she was formally introduced to it as the foremost member of the organization.

She regarded it a moment. "He reminds me," she observed, "of my Uncle Oscar."

Nearly sat a newspaper columnist and the next day his syndicated copy contained the line "Employees have affectionately dubbed their famous statuette 'Oscar.' From that day on he has been Oscar."

The Academy's Oscar is 10 inches high, weighs seven pounds, his insides being bronze and his exterior gold plate. He costs about a hundred dollars.

On May 6, 1929, first year awards were presented—for achievements of 1927-28—eleven Oscars were presented by the Academy. Since that day the number of statuettes given the "choice few" has increased.

During the intervening years a total of several hundred golden knights have gone to persons contributing best achievements in motion pictures.

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The presentation of the awards, shown on most tv stations sometime in May, is one of the most outstanding yearly tv programs.

Speaking of academy awards, the Morehead theatre is playing the motion picture that won eight of these awards in 1954, From Here to Eternity.

Starting Sunday and playing for an entire week at the Morehead theatre is Mardi Gras, starring Pat Boone, Gary Crosby, and Christine Carere.

Pat Boone, Christine Carere, Tommy Sands, Sheree North, Gary Crosby, Fred Clark and Richard Sargent are the principals in this mirthful adventure of four cadets from the Virginia Military Institute who come to New Orleans at the height of the annual Mardi Gras festival and encounter a provocative and diversified group of characters.

Starting Sunday and playing through Tuesday at the City theatre is A Little Bank That Should Be Robbed. It is Twentieth Century Fox's hilarious picturization of the nearly successful career of three completely zany amateur bank robbers. It won the International Humor Festival award early this year.

Based on an actual incident in which three amateurs robbed two Westchester County, New York banks of more than a quarter of a million dollars, it is filmed in Cinemascope and stars Tom Ewell, Mickey Rooney and Mickey Shaughnessy as the culprits.

Playing midweek, Wednesday-Thursday at the City theatre—The Last of the Fast Guns starring Jock Mahoney, Gilbert Ronald and Linda Chistal.

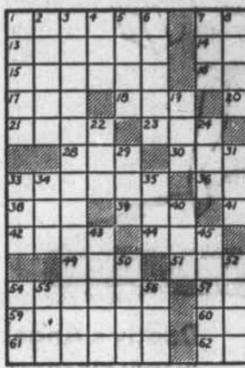
Mahoney, a virile screen hero who insists on performing all of his own danger scenes, gives the finest performance of his career in Last of the Fast Guns.

A new peak in comedy entertainment is sure to be reached when Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis live the City theatre screen Friday and Saturday with two of their funniest hits, Scared Stiff and Jumping Jacks.

From all reports, either one of these comedies would pack theatres if played as a single feature. As a double bill it is bound to set attendance records all over the country.

## Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS**
1. Conqueror
  7. Scamp
  13. Alloy in cheap jewelry
  14. Small intestine
  15. Studied
  16. Sunburned
  17. Insect
  18. Droop
  20. Baseball implement
  21. Old musical instrument
  23. Nothing
  25. Not so much
  28. Fragment
  30. Short sleep
  32. Extinct N. Zealand bird
  33. Disclose
- DOWN**
1. Of the voice
  2. Sarcasm



- SOLUTION TO TUESDAY'S PUZZLE**
1. Boy
  2. Cotton-speder
  3. Prior in time
  4. Varnish ingredient
  5. Sun
  6. Utter
  7. Label
  8. Small explosion
  9. Piece of cloth
  10. Between Zeta and Theta
  11. Limb
  12. Chart
  13. Belgian currency unit
  14. Staff of life
  15. Book of fiction
  16. Web-footed birds
  17. Racetrack tipster
  18. Architectural pier
  19. Tree
  20. Vegetable
  21. Turn right
  22. Put on

## News from SMYRNA

Dec. 2—Mr. Rupert Lewis of Port Arthur, Texas, and Mr. Roderick Lewis of Empire, La., arrived last week to spend some time at home with Mrs. Mitchell Willis.

Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Wilson and children of Cherry Point were visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Wil-

lis Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Berkley Simpson of Beaufort were visitors in Smyrna Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Gilgo and son, E. T. of Oriental, were visitors Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Willis.

Mr. Ikie Wade left Sunday for Apalachicola, Fla., after spending several days with his mother, Mrs. Mamie Wade.

## Pine Cones

# Smyrna FTA Entertains Teachers Week of Nov. 9

By PAT CHADWICK

Hi, folks! Pull up your chair and relax while we tell you some of the things that have been happening around Smyrna lately.

First, let me tell you how busy the Future Teachers were during National Education Week, planning a tea for the teachers. All of the members selected a teacher and brought that particular teacher something every day during the week of Nov. 9 through 15.

On Friday, Nov. 14, the teachers were served refreshments of coffee, cookies, mints, and peanuts in the home economics department. While the teachers were being served, the FTA members taught in their places.

All of us Future Teachers enjoyed this very much and while we were disposing of the leftovers, everyone remarked on what a good time they had had. Besides having a good time, everyone received a taste of what teaching is really like.

We all would like to thank Mrs. Jones, our FTA sponsor, and Mrs. Podrie for all the help they gave us.

The first year home economics students are in their cooking unit now, and they have been preparing such goodies as candied apples and chocolate cake, which can be smelled throughout the entire building. It sure does smell good, girls.

A science club has been organized this year for the first time under the direction of Mr. Norman Chadwick. They are working with fruit flies to determine dominant characteristics.

I don't have any information on the officers but as soon as I find out I'll let you know.

The sophomore's officers for the

class are president, Jimmy Gillikin; vice-president, Emma Lee Piner; secretary, Rose Arthur; reporters, Brenda Watson and Frances Piner.

They have selected their grade-mothers also. They are Mrs. Dollie Taylor and Mrs. Vera Salter.

This week we spotlight John Allen Owens, as our senior highwheel Johnny, who is 17, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Owens of Beaufort.

He was born in Beaufort Sept. 5, 1941 Johnny stands 6 foot 3, weighs 150 pounds, has blue eyes, and a very light shade of brown hair. He says that his hobby is rocketry. Who knows? He may be the first to hit the moon!

Johnny is a member of the Episcopal church. He says it's All In The Game is his favorite song and Clyde McPhatter and Joni James are his favorite singers. He couldn't decide who were tops in acting but he immediately recognized steak as his favorite food.

When asked what his pet peeve is, Johnny says simply "People who won't explain why they are mad." School activities which Johnny has participated in are:

# William Powell Speaks to Club

William E. Powell, former principal of Newport School, gave a discussion of the structure of the North Carolina educational system at the Newport Rotary Club meeting Monday night. The club met at the school luncheon.

Mr. Powell is a past principal of Newport School and returned this year as a teacher.

Club secretary Rob Montague presented C. H. Lockey with a past president's lapel button. Mr. Lockey preceded president, Junius Creech.

Mr. Creech announced that 106 more fruitcakes had arrived. The club has already sold 75 cakes (249 pounds). There are 100 three-pound cakes and six five-pound cakes.

Debating Club, 1-2-3; Audio-Visual Club, 3; Varsity Club, 4; football, 1-2-3; basketball - manager, 4; Science Club, 4.

Johnny was voted as the senior boy "best all around".

The world's largest natural arch is the Rainbow Bridge in southern Utah. It is 308 feet high and 247 feet between its abutments. It crosses a dry creek.

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**Beaufort**

Friday Only  
"Screaming Mimi"  
Starring Anita Ekberg · Phil Carey

Saturday - Double Feature  
"Man or Gun"  
Starring Donald Carey  
— and —  
"Johnny Tremain"  
A Walt Disney Production

Sunday - Monday  
"Torpedo Run"  
Starring Glen Ford · Ernest Borgnine

**City THEATRE**

"THE SHOWPLACE OF CARTERET COUNTY"

FRIDAY - SATURDAY - DOUBLE FEATURE

Paul Kelly  
"Lassie"  
"THE PAINTED HILLS"

MAN FROM GOD'S COUNTRY  
Starring GEORGE MONTGOMERY  
CINEMASCOPE-COLOR

STARTS SUNDAY

It's a Crime if you Miss...  
TOM EWELL · MICKEY ROONEY · MICKEY SHAUGHNESSY · DINA MERRILL

A NICE LITTLE BANK THAT SHOULD BE ROBBED

**SCORCHY SMITH**

WHO CAN HE BE? AND WHAT WAS HE DOING IN THE BAY?

WITH REST, HE'LL BE FINE IN THE MORNING! STRANGE!

HE'S DRESSED AS A PILOT, YET I'VE HEARD NO NEWS ABOUT HIM!

OOOH! WHERE AM I? WHO ARE YOU? YOUR GUARDIAN ANGEL, FLYBOY—GO RELAX...

I SAW YOUR HAND STICKING OUT OF THE BAY—GAVE YOU ONE—AND HERE YOU ARE!

—YOU MEAN I NEARLY DROWNED?

NOT NEARLY, SIR, YOU WERE DOWN AND OUT!

THANKS FOR PULLING ME OUT OF THE BAY, MRS...ER...

EVE KNIGHT, MR...

SMITH, SCORCHY SMITH! MAY I MAKE A CALL, EVE?

OF COURSE—

HMM! PHONE IS DEAD FROM THE STORM! I GUESS YOU HAVE A GUEST TONIGHT!

**Puzzling Business**

GEE, MISTER MURDOCK, I'M SORRY THAT GATEMAN WOULDN'T LET US BRING OUR WEAPONS!

HALT! STAND AND DELIVER!!

DELIVER WHAT? DELIVER TWO HUNDRED BUCKS! IT'S THE TOURIST TAX!

I NEVER HEARD OF A TOURIST TAX!

YOU'VE HEARD OF IT NOW! PAY OR FIGHT!

I'LL FIGHT! BUT, OAKY, YOU CAN'T FIGHT WITHOUT A WEAPON!

MISTER MURDOCK GIVE ME THE UMBRELLA QUICK!

SURE, OAKY! BUT WHAT FOR?

I'LL PUT IT DOWN AND USE IT FOR A LANCHE!

I'LL DISMOUNT!

HE'S NO TAX COLLECTOR!

HERE I COME!

GIDDYAP AUGUSTUS!

DOGGONE IT! I CAN'T GET THIS UMBRELLA DOWN!

HURRY OAKY! HE'S COMIN' FAST!

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GIDDYAP, WILLIE!

HO, HO!

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