

'THE GREEN YEARS' COMING TO PEOPLES FOR FOUR DAYS

Starting Sunday at the Peoples Theatre and running for three days will be "The Green Years" with Charles Coburn and Tom Drake as stars. Dramatic entertainment of a rare order has been fashioned from the tale of an orphaned Irish child brought up by relatives in Scotland. The youngster has to fight prejudice against his Catholic faith and the taunts of his schoolmates at the very start of his new life in a Scottish household. When he attains the working age he suffers terrible frustration in his ambition to continue his education and realize his natural scientific gifts. His struggle to rise above his station in life creates drama that tears the emotions.

So convincingly and so sympathetically is the story told that the audience can't help sighing with relief and experiencing a profound sense of joy when the lad, after a series of discouragements that would have licked one possessed of less character, gets his opportunity to become a doctor.

Starting Wednesday Vivian Blaine and Harry James in "If I'm Lucky" will be at the Peoples Theatre for four days. Big time operator Phil Silvers causes a troupe of youngsters to quit their jobs. He has a show lined up. They meet him. There's no show. Strictly from hunger they attend a political rally where the inducement is free food and drink. The rally is a flop as far as the candidate is concerned. So Silvers whip up a show on the spot. The crowd likes it, the speaker gets attention, the troupe is working.

Perry Como wanders in with a song. It's a good one, Miss Blaine likes it, and Como too. Como is in the show. They barnstorm the state and it seems Edgar Buchanan is about to be elected. But he has a change of heart. He decides to play straight and throw over machine politicians who back him. They frame him with his past performances. He retires. In the politician's book Como looks good. He is induced to run. He comes clean when the real nature of the campaign is thrown at him and quits, not, however, before he exposes the crooks.

THE ROYAL THEATRE
 ROANOKE RAPIDS, N. C.
 PROGRAM WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 22, 1946

SUNDAY
 Anita Louise - Michael Duane
Personality Kid

MONDAY
 Tyrone Power-Nancy Kelly
Jesse James
 Added: The New Adventures of Tarzan

FRIDAY
 Walter Brennan
Home in Indiana

SATURDAY
 Roy Rogers
Song of Nevada
 Added: The Mysterious Mr. M.

NEXT WEEK AT PROGRAM FOR THE IMPERIAL

At the Imperial next Sunday will be "Lucky Jordan" starring Alan Ladd and Helen Walker.

Monday and Tuesday Dan Duryea and June Vincent will star in "The Black Angel." A black-mailing blonde is murdered-strangled by her own scarf. One of her victims, John Phillips, comes calling to pay off and finds her dead. He runs off but the dead woman's maid sees and identifies him as being on the scene. The due process of law has him scheduled for the gas chamber. His wife, June Vincent, believes him innocent. Setting about to get a line on individuals connected with the affair she locates Dan Duryea, husband of the deceased, a songwriter-alcoholic. He sobers and enlists on her side. They seek a heart-shaped brooch, missing evidence. Tracking odd bits of information they secure jobs as entertainers in Peter Lorre's night spot, but he proves a false lead. Lorre is another client of the black-mailer. It is soon time for execution. Miss Vincent pays her final visit to her husband. That night Duryea gets plastered.

Wednesday at the Imperial Theatre "Sing While You Dance" will be shown starring Ellen Drew and Robert Stanton. Wishing to establish herself as a song-plugger, a young woman tries to obtain a second song from an unknown

writer, after his first proves a hit. In so doing, she falls in love, lands in jail, and eventually ends up with the song, the fob and the man.

For its feature attraction Thursday and Friday "Swamp Fire" will be shown at the Imperial starring Johnny Weissmuller and Virginia Grey.

Carol Thurston is a standout as a native of the bayou district, who fights Virginia Grey, daughter of wealthy Pierre Watkin, literally and figuratively, for the affections of Weissmuller, Buster Crabbe does good work in the role of a native trapper, who is a rival of Johnny's for Carol's hand. One of the picture's highlights is Weissmuller's battle with an alligator that has endangered Carol.

Weissmuller, who had lost a ship in the U. S. Coast Guard, regains his confidence and is reinstated as a bar pilot, guiding boats to the Mississippi River. He is in love with Carol, but meets Virginia, whose father owns marsh and swamp land, heretofore used by the natives for trapping purposes.

When Weissmuller is injured in a traffic accident, Virginia has him cared for at her home and prevents Carol from seeing him. When he recovers, Watkins gives him a job, but when he sees that his old friends are forbidden from using the swamp land, he sides with the natives and returns to Carol.

Saturday, Charles Starrett in "Heading West."

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Parks and sons, of Durham, visited relatives in the city Saturday and Sunday.

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Town Talk

Miss Mary Cole spent Tuesday in Richmond.

Wyatt Garner who has been confined to McGuire Hospital in Richmond spent the week end with his family. He returned to the hospital Sunday night.

Mrs. Bob Greene and daughter, Margaret Ella, left Sunday for Greenville after spending a week here with her mother, Mrs. Ella Cameron and other relatives.

Mrs. Katie Lester Harkey of Spencer was a week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Overton.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines of Chapel Hill are house guests of Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Cox.

Mrs. W. E. Matthews of Littleton and Mrs. Pete Garner spent Wednesday in Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Jones and Miss Bettie Lou Jones of Sanford, spent Friday and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Hedgepeth and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ray. They left Sunday for Fredericksburg where Bettie Lou will enter Mary Washington College.

Mr and Mrs. R. E. L. Wheelless of Franklin, Va., were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. W.

C. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Starke and son Mack spent a few days sight-seeing on the Skyline Drive last week.

Mrs. R. I. Starke, Mrs. N. D. Cox, Mrs. Bob Hines of Chapel Hill, and Miss Margaret Cox spent Thursday in Richmond.

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PEOPLES

Starting Sunday

CHARLES COBURN - TOM DRAKE

THE GREEN YEARS

Added: LATEST NEWS



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VIVIAN BLAINE - HARRY JAMES

IF I'M LUCKY

Added: LATEST NEWS

IMPERIAL

Sunday

ALAN LADD - HELEN WALKER

LUCKY JORDAN

Monday - Tuesday

DAN DURYEA - JUNE VINCENT

THE BLACK ANGEL

Added: LATEST NEWS

Wednesday

ELLEN DREW - ROBERT STANTON

SING WHILE YOU DANCE

Added: FOREST RANGERS

Thursday - Friday

JOHNNY WEISSMULLER-VIRGINIA GREY

SWAMP FIRE

Added: LATEST NEWS

Saturday

CHARLES STARRETT

HEADING WEST

Added: JUNGLE RAIDERS