

AT THE REDFORD THEATER



Kay Kyser is not merely the nation's best-known band leader; he's also an A-1 screen favorite, as his previous vehicles have proved. And in his latest starrer, "Playmates," which opens at the Redford Theater on Friday, he has one of the gayest pieces of celluloid entertainment in many months.

Featuring John Barrymore, Kyser is supported by his band and by a brilliant cast who aid and abet the Harry in delightful fashion. The Ol' Professor and the Great Profile both play themselves, and they are brought together by their respective press agents in connection with a publicity stunt that involves having Barrymore give Kyser lessons in dramatic acting.

Barrymore detests the idea, and plans to double-cross Kyser at the last minute, while secretly carrying on a campaign designed to make a nervous wreck of the band leader. Kyser, however, gets wind of the scheme and uses his own methods to turn the tables on his adversary. How it all works out makes for some of the funniest episodes of the season.

Both stars turn in splendid performances, and they get grand assistance from Lupe Velez as a fiery Latin bull-fightress, May Robson as Kyser's grandmother, Fatsy Kelly and Peter Lind Hayes as the two press agents and Alice Fleming and George Cleveland as a mil-

lionaire couple, in addition to the fine work of Ginny Simms, Harry Babbitt, Ish Kabibble, and Bully Mason, of the band.

David Butler, producer-director of the film for RKO Radio, has done a notable job of his dual task, as well as having collaborated on the original story with his scenarist, James V. Kern, and M. M. Musselman. The frequent novelties in its treatment, notably the "Shakespeare in Swing" sequence and the adroitly split battle between Barrymore and Miss Velez, and the catchy song-bits sprinkled throughout the action, all make "Playmates" a cinematic treat.

Victory

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plates vital to ship building and other war enterprise, was formalized by a WPB order. Aluminum pigment and aluminum paint were put under complete allocation, as was wood pulp. Rhodium, needed to coat reflectors in anti-aircraft searchlights, was forbidden on jewelry. Four-fifths of all top-grade leather soles was set aside for military shoes.

Priority help to airplane manufacturers was enlarged. Aid to makers of industrial lift trucks, welding machines and metal-working machines was continued. Control over road-building equipment was tightened by a change in priority administration.

Help was offered to maintain refrigerating equipment in stores and restaurants. Certain seasonal industries were told they may build up inventories for peak needs.

Materials for paper containers were given a rating to encourage the use of this type instead of metal ones.

WPB Enforces Its Orders
Operations were suspended for

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Michigan Mirror

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possible military sacrifices, and that brings the war home closer than ever.

Our income taxes are higher, too. That's all right, but it makes us think a bit more.

Governor Frank Murphy, friendly to labor during the sit-down strike, was caught in a protest wave at the following November election.

Politicians will tell you that the late Frank Fitzgerald wasn't elected by an uprising of citizens who went to the polls to vote for Fitzgerald. He lost because a lot of folks were mad. They expressed their anger at sit-downs by voting against Murphy, and in so doing they had to vote for his opponent.

We are not saying that Governor Murray D. Van Wagener faces the same fate. The situation is not parallel.

But a lot of people are restless today. And voters usually do irrational things when they are in a mood to kick someone in the pants—whether the fault lies at Washington or at home.

They may feel differently about it.

That Harry F. Kelly is going to toss his hat into the ring is conceded at Lansing.

The question is: What ring? Will he run for governor or for United States senator?

The secretary of state would like to go to Washington. His inclinations are reported to be more in the direction of national service chiefly because of the war. And yet, Harry is a good soldier, and he will abide by the party's decision.

An announcement is expected in the very near future.

Another factor in today's unrest is the grim realization that Michigan's part in the World War (with its army of less than four million men) will be greatly eclipsed by today's military demands for manpower.

Washington is talking today in terms of 8,000,000 to 10,000,000 man army, while another 1,000,000 will be needed for our navy.

To get that many men the government is lifting selective service restrictions. Col. E. M. Rosecrans, director for Michigan, announces that Uncle Sam will furnish eyeglasses and even teeth.

An army of eight or ten millions will take many men with family dependents. (Sixty-four per cent of all registered men have been deferred to date because of their dependents.)

inevitable, too. War spending is now around \$2,300,000,000 a month and is due to reach \$4,500,000,000 by the end of 1942. By next year this outpour of dollars will reach \$7,500,000,000—a [month's] inflation is already here; standards of living are going down; regimentation is certain.

United Automobile Workers (C. I. O.) demand from General Motors Corp. \$1 day pay increase, 30-minute paid lunch period, double time Sunday and holidays, 10 per cent premium for work between 3:30 p. m. and midnight, 15 per cent premium for work between midnight and a. m., 60-days' pay if a worker enters the military service. Instead of two weeks, \$100 bond in lieu of two weeks' vacation.

Right or wrong, justly or unjustly, the public is going to hold labor to blame for acts of violence attached to the labor movement. If war production is stopped by strikes, labor will be responsible in the public's mind. The public also favors limitation of profits by management as well as by labor. Fewer war pensions for war veterans are now being conceived.

Such is the unrest which is evident everywhere in Michigan today.

We are losing a war, and we don't like it.

Farmington Township

(Held Over From Last Week)

Mrs. Clarence Billing of Middlebelt Road called on her sister-in-law Mrs. Noble Livingston and new baby son at the Jennings Hospital in Detroit last Tuesday.

Mr. Harry Brough and daughter Alice of Edgemoor Lane Road were Detroit callers last Friday.

Mrs. Mary E. Heliker, Mrs. Grant Heliker and daughter, Beverly were among the guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Tamm on Laskway Drive Friday evening in honor of Florence and

Mrs. R. Burds of Inaker Road is ill at home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Bond of Orchard Lake Road and Mr. and Mrs. Harlem Morris of Eastfield spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bond in Ann Arbor.

Private William Shoop from Fort Custer called at the Clarence Billing home on Sunday.

Ralph Houtz, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Houtz on Farmington Road, has completed his 100th Camp and Rifle Range training and will receive his appointment from camp in the near future.

Miss Florence Lipka of Livonia was the weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kutsenke on Twelve Mile Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Fifoot and daughter Marion attended the St. Patrick's Party given in the Eagle Hall at Redford, Saturday evening.

Mrs. H. A. McIntyre and daughters, Glenn and Mrs. W. J. Balfield and son Mickey of Milford, were Detroit callers, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Maurer and children of Detroit spent Sunday with their father, Edwin Cooper on Edward avenue.

Mrs. Isaac Bond spent Monday with her daughter, Mrs. Charles Wilson in Pontiac. Mrs. Wilson is recovering from her recent illness.

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