THE MOVIE COLUMN

English singing star cut in Monroe film

By BOB THOMAS

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Frankie Vaughn is back from another try at Hollywood. In his last outing, the English entertainer spent six wacky months on a film with Marilyn Monroe and much of his work ended on the cutting room floor.

The film was "Let's Make Love."

This time he's hurtling through a film in 23 days. He can't be cut out of this one, because he's in almost every scene.

Luckily, Frankie has a resilience born of the Liverpool slums and British music halls. His experience with "Let's Make Love" might have shaken a less hardy soul.

"My scenes were cut and so were some of my numbers," he sighed. "When I did have a number, the camera focussed on other people. My makeup was terrible. Marilyn is so white that everyone else had to be whitened up to match her."

ASSAIL TREATMENT

Frankie's patisans among the British press assailed such treatment of their boy. Oddly, the film has been drawing nicely in England while United States returns have been below expectations.

Aware of Frankie's pull in the aisles, Fox has given him a more auspicious role. He is playing a no-good singing idol in The Right Approach.

Frankie's support includes Juliet Prowse, Martha Hyer, Gary Crosby and Jane Withers.

Frankie is still mystified at what happened to him in "Let's Make Love."

"I didn't understand it," he said. "All I could gather was that they started out to make a musical, changed their minds and made a comedy."

The result was that he sings seven songs on the soundtrack record album but is seen in only fragments of three in the film.

Sickness casts doubts on star

By EDDY GILMORE

LONDON (AP)—Elizabeth Taylor's new illness—which ambulance attendants said had the characteristics of meningitis—cast doubts today over the future of the star and the picture she's in London to make.

"We are expecting something from the doctors before the end of the day," said a studio spokesman, "and until then it's reckless to speculate on what has sent her to the hospital again."

Asked about the report that the beautiful 28-year-old actress may be suffering from meningitis, the spokesman said:

"This is a very roundabout rumor. We have been told that a couple of attendants on the ambulance that took her to the hospital said that from the way she was writhing and moaning meningitis could be behind her new troubles."

The spokesman added that there was nothing official to back up that speculation. He said "a terrible headache causing almost unbelievable pain" led to her return to the hospital.

TOASTMISTRESSSES PRESIDENT, Mrs. John Laurie (right) accepts the Prince Rupert Toastmistresses Club charter from Mrs. Elmre D. Johnson (centre), Tongas Club, Ketchikan, Council 13 of the International Toastmistresses Club. Werner J. Jensen (left), president of the Prince Rupert Toastmasters Club, was an interested spectator.—(Staff photo by John Pain).

Commonwealth authors criticize themselves, their countries, Britain in new anthology

LONDON (CP)—The trouble with cultured Canadians is that they are too serious. "Each book they read seems to be a solemn responsibility, and too seldom is just good fun," says Canadian author Mordecai Richler.

He is one of 10 overseas contributors to a book called "Alienation," published in London. In the book, each writer tries to explain what Britain has to offer him and why he left his own country.

The scarcity of good writers in Canada, Richler feels, can be looked at two ways.

A promising novelist, for instance, is in danger of being overpraised, and might stop trying to improve. This same scarcity can be an advantage, since new writers do not have their works studied in the light of literary giants before them.

"In most parts of Canada only Mazo de la Roche and blizzards have been there before you."

Richler, formerly of Montreal, has lived in Britain the last seven years. He finds it advantageous to be a foreigner. "Americans may be liked, but Canadians . . . are well liked."

He has settled in Britain not because it is the thing to do, or because it is good for him, but simply because he likes it here.

He recognizes the danger of remaining here too long. "What I write and care about is Canada and to stay away too long is to become a foreigner there as well as here."

Murray Sayle, in his study, gives an excellent picture of the conditions and mental attitudes in his country, Australia.

His desire to leave home was prompted by many things, including "peanut nationalism," the conscious efforts at culture and the "Australian emptiness."

He looked for signs of the foundations which Britain had communicated to Australia, and found that the roots of his country were in the Britain of two centuries ago.

"The fundamental distinction is that our society is economic, closely related to productive function; whereas Britain's economy is still irritatingly very social, a power structure imposed on the economy by the fossilized hang-over of a past economic order."

Mine re-opened

BERWICK, Scotland (AP) — The Allerdeen coal mine, closed after flooding in 1908, has again started production. It was reopened by miners made jobless when another colliery shut down last year, and millions of gallons of water were pumped from the Allerdeen shafts.

TOASTMISTRESSES CHARTER NIGHT

New ferry reality in three years Magistrate tells Toastmistresses

The Alaska Marine Highway will be an established fact within three years, Magistrate E. T. Applewhaite, guest speaker at the charter night of the Prince Rupert Toastmistress Club said Thursday night.

The theme of the evening was Prince Rupert Jubilee as members of the Toastmistresses Club were joined by the Toastmasters and guests to mark the presentation of the charter to the Prince Rupert club.

Treasurer of Council 13, Tongas Club, Ketchikan, International Toastmistresses club, Mrs. Elmert D. Johnson, of Ketchikan, made the presentation to President Mrs. John Laurie. Werner J. Jensen, president of the Prince Rupert Toastmasters Club, presented the club with a gavel on behalf of his members.

Mr. Applewhaite, in keeping with the theme of the evening, reviewed the city's past and the work of the pioneers, pointing out that "we are the pioneers to the future generations."

He stressed the importance of the present railway to the city and the fact that the advent of the Second World War had done more to put the city on the map than all the previous years.

Speaking of the Alaska Marine Highway, he said: "Prince Rupert is the only city with connections. It will be the greatest thing that has ever happened to the city. We will be more involved with Alaska than with the rest of the Pacific and Asia.

"In less than three years the ferry service, passengers and freight will be an established fact. Nothing can stop it."

The evening's entertainment included prepared and unprepared speeches. W. D. Stothert spoke on the water bylaw, Mrs. William Wasyk on Friendship House, W. G. McGruther on voice appeal, G. M. Barrow on the value of criticism, Mrs. B. B. Milnes on the Toastmistresses Club.

An amusing interlude followed when Topicmaster B. C. Milnes called on speakers to give a two-minute impression of the public image of certain notable figures such as head of a large firm, a Supreme Court judge or a professor of ancient languages.

Mrs. T. F. Bennett acted as Topicmaster for the evening; Mrs. J. B. Bateman was toastmistress; timer was Mrs. W. L. Hitchcock; jokemaster was Keith Young; and voice critic Mrs O. R. Green.

Mrs. St. John Madeley acted as moderator for all speeches aided by a panel of critics composed of Mrs. J. Mussalem, R. H. S. Sampson, Mrs. O. R. Green and D. D. Carmichael.

Four door prizes were won by Mrs. Mussalem, J. F. Pain, Mrs. E. D. Johnson, D. D. Carmichael. Attractive table favors marked each setting.

TUESDAY
Civic Centre Schedule

2 p.m.—Tiny Tots (3-4 yrs.), Ladies Drawing and Design; 4 p.m.—Ladies Woodwork, Teen Basketball, Film Program; 6 p.m.—Basketball Practice (Old Empress (Int.) - C.C.C. (Int.); 6:30 p.m.—Jr. Flowercraft (over 12 yrs.), Jr. Square Dancing; 7 p.m.—Boys Rifle, Boxing, Floor Hockey League Games; 730 p.m.—Ballroom Dancing, Jewellery and Metal, Art Club, Lapidary, Casual Weight Training.

T. A. Harris left this morning by train for Vancouver where he will attend a meeting of senior officers in the Canadian Immigration office. He returns next week.

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AIR CADET COLOR-BEARER Reginald Phillips leads the contingent past the saluting base in Friday's Remembrance Day parade and march past as Col. S. D. Johnson, MC and bar, takes the salute. Color guard David Eby (left) is followed by Gary O. Greissel.—(Staff photo by John Pain).

Worst fire in 25 years, says chief

LONDON, Ont. (AP)—A fire captain died today after collapsing at the scene of a spectacular fire raging in the heart of London's business section.

Capt. David Moffitt, 48, was pronounced dead on arrival at hospital after suffering an apparent heart seizure while his men were getting the outbreak under control in three business-residential buildings.

By 10 a.m.—four hours after the fire was discovered—firemen appeared to have contained the flames to the three buildings just off the city's main street. Unofficial estimates placed the damage as high as $1,000,000.

Retired fire chief Robert C. McDonald described the fire as London's worst since one that destroyed the Kingsmill department store 25 years ago.

Mrs. Walker dies at 80

An 80-year-old Hartley Bay woman died Saturday in Prince Rupert General Hospital. Dead is Mary Walker, formerly of North Vancouver, who had lived in Hartley Bay for the past two years.

Mrs. Walker was born in Vancouver and was a widow. She is survived by one son, Thomas Findlay of North Vancouver; and two daughters, Mrs. Ethel Johnson of Vancouver and Mrs Charles (Jean) Robinson of Hartley Bay.

Prayers were held at 7:30 p.m. yesterday at Ferguson Funeral Home with Rev. Father James Tracey conducting service.

The remains have been forwarded today to North Vancouver for interment.

Long walk

MOSCOW (AP) — Soviet news agency Tass reports that T. Polikarpov, a 62-year-old Siberian resident, is nearing the halfway point of a 10,000-mile walk through the Soviet Union. He's been at it 13 months.

Meritorious award presented to Carl Gustafson at banquet

Two presentations marked the Remembrance Day banquet at the Armoury Friday afternoon at the conclusion of the Remembrance Day service and march past.

The first was to Carl J. Gustafson, city works superintendent, for his work over the years in caring for the Canadian Legion plot at Fairview cemetery.

The second was to Robert Sim who received his past president's pin from Canadian Legion Branch 27 president J. R. McCorkindale.

Approximately 200 veterans attended the banquet which was highlighted by guest speaker Col. S. D. Johnston, MC and bar (Ret.), who recalled his fighting days in the First World War.

Bugler W. J. Rance, who was a bugler in that war, was given a standing ovation by the gathering. During the service Bugler Rance, who is now 75 years of age, blew the traditional "Last Post" and "Reviclie" at the Prince Rupert war memorial.

Master of ceremonies, James Nicoll, introduced singers Mrs. Margaret Smith who sang "Flanders Fields" and "Bless This House"; T. G. "Tommy" Wardrope who gave "Galway Bay" and "A Gordon For Me"; and community singing was led by Mrs. Michael Karasosky. Legion Padre Dean G. T. Patterson performed on his ukelele and his mouthorgan, and gave a performance with his dancing doll.

Guests at the head table were: Graham Alexander, Dean Patterson, F/Lt. D. Hague, Captain Murray, Mrs. J. S. Black, zone commander of the ladies auxiliary to the Canadian Legion, J. T. Harvey, MBE, Robert Sim, Legion past president, Lt. Orme Stewart, DSC, J. R. McCorkindale, Legion president, Col. S. D. Johnston, MC and bar, Mayor P. J. Lester, Mrs. Dorothy Ballinger, pesident of the ladies auxiliary, Rev. D. R. Chassels, Frank Howard, MP, C. R. Smith, RCN (R), Corporal E. Bonderud, RCMP, John Laurie, MBE, parade marshal, C. J. Gustafson and James Nicoll.

City pair pick late raspberries

While blooming roses in November is not uncommon in Prince Rupert, "The Green City of the North West," Bert Woudon of 931 Ambrose Avenue today announced that his wife is still picking delicious raspberries off their bushes. Of course, they also have roses in bloom.

Acrobatic pilots

LONDON (AP) — The Black Arrows, Bitain's famed aerobatic squadron, gave their last display at celebrations of the Battle of Britain anniversary this month. Many of the pilots are being posted to other units, and next year the squadron will be equipped with supersonic fighters.

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