

Robert Taylor And Deborah Kerr Head Cast Of Thousands In M-G-M's "Quo Vadis"

Never in the history of motion pictures has a picture been brought to the screen with the breathtaking spectacle, scope, gigantic cast, color and pageantry as that presented in M-G-M's much-heralded Technicolor production of "Quo Vadis," coming Monday to the Prince Edward Theatre, with Robert Taylor, Deborah Kerr, Leo Genn and Peter Ustinov heading a cast of thousands.

Based on the celebrated novel by Henryk Sienkiewicz, filmed against the grandeur of historic Rome in a prodigious undertaking which required more than twelve years of preparation and actual filming, this thrilling drama of the pagan world and Christianity in a Roman warrior for the love of a Roman woman is unfolded with glittering splendor and tremendous dramatic impact.

Here we have the corrupt and extravagant imperial court of the Emperor Nero brought to life in scenes of staggering immensity, with its spectacles of thousands of triumphant warriors, led by Marcus Vinellius, making a triumphant entry into Rome along the garlanded Appian Way; the scenes of the populace saluting the vestal virgins as they pay homage to the 40-foot-high statues of the pagan gods; the bacchanal in Nero's ornate palace as the Emperor holds a banquet in honor of the victorious Vindex; the burning of Rome in spectacle scenes never before equalled on the screen as they depict the terrified populace screaming and trampling on each other in their frenzied attempt to flee the city; the racing chariots; the martyrdom of the

Christians as they are tormented by lions and burned on crosses; and the final gripping climax, in which the Christian heroine, Lygia, is saved from being killed by a ferocious bull when her giant bodyguard, Ursus, kills the beast in a blood-curdling show given by Nero in the huge Circus Maximus.

The picture opens with the return of Vindex (Robert Taylor) to Rome, following his victorious campaign in Britain, and his meeting with Lygia (Deborah Kerr), young daughter of the late King of Lydia and now a military prisoner, with whom he falls in love. His cynicism in regards to her strange religion of universal love at first proves a barrier to their romance but he is won over to Lygia's faith after the cruelly capricious Nero (Peter Ustinov) has burned Rome to the ground, inciting the wrath of the populace. Seeking to make the Christians scapegoats for the fire, Nero has them brought into the Circus Maximus to be torn apart by the ferocious lions, and it is at the suggestion of his ruthless wife, Poppaea, that Lygia, now married to Vindex, is tied to a stake to be gored by an enraged bull. Nero has consented to free her if her giant bodyguard Ursus, emerges victor in a battle with the bull, but when he reneges on his promise, Vindex breaks his bonds and leaps into the arena to release Lygia. Now he appeals to the populace who become a howling mob and turn on Nero. The disolute tyrant, trapped in his palace, strangles Poppaea and then is himself killed by a dagger at the hands of Acte, his former mistress. The reign of Nero is ended and the

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AGENTS:—MONTAGUE: Harold F. Landry, Mrs. Byron Stewart, Mrs. Bruce MacPhee, Miss Joyce Wigginton, Miss McKinnon.
AGENT GEORGETOWN: Waldon Lavers.

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*ANNUAL MEETING Union Cemetery Incorporated will be held at the cemetery at 4 p.m. Wednesday, July 2. R. C. Mellish.

*PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA. Services for Sunday, June 29 as follows: Montague 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at morning service. Cardigan 2:30 p.m. Montague S.S. 10 a.m. Rev. F. N. Young, minister.

*MURRAY HARBOR PASTORAL CHARGE. United Church of Canada. Services Sunday, June 29: 11 a.m. Murray Harbour; 3 p.m. Belle River; 7 p.m. Murray River. Holy Communion; 8 p.m. hymn: singing conducted by Mrs. Deans at Little Sands. Rev. D. Wallace MacPherson, minister.

spread of Christianity is assured. The performances in "Quo Vadis" are on a par with its superlative mounting. Robert Taylor, in what is undoubtedly the finest portrayal of his career, gives a virile, full-blooded portrait of the handsome and courageous Vindex, and Deborah Kerr is equally effective as the love and sister-in-law, Mrs. Barney MacDonald.

*MURRAY RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH. Service Sunday, June 29 at 3:00 p.m. Murray Harbour at 7:30. Hymn sing after service, Louis Harris.

*GEORGETOWN PASTORAL CHARGE. United Church of Canada. Service for June 29: 11 a.m. Georgetown; 2:30 p.m. Milltown Cross; 1 p.m. S.S. in Milltown Cross School house; 7:30 p.m. Sturgeon. Everybody welcome. Rev. W. A. Paterson, minister.

*MONTAGUE UNITED CHURCH CHARGE. Services as follows on Sunday, June 29: Communion Service at Trinity Church, Montague at 11 a.m. and Lower Montague at 3 p.m. Evening Service in Trinity Church Montague 7:30 p.m.

*TO DRYDOCK — Dredge 115, presently engaged in work at Montague, will be leaving for dry-dock shortly to have a small leak repaired. This is the second occasion on which the dredge was obliged to go to slip for repairs, having sprung a small leak last year which

*Misses Carol MacKay and Shirley Beck, on the staff of the Prince County Hospital, Summerside, spent the past week end at their homes in Guernsey Cove.

*Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Beer, Montague, have returned home from a two week visit to Bowdoinham, Maine.

Mr. Gordon Brehaut has returned to his home in Alexandria after spending a week with his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Beck, Murray Harbour.

*Mrs. Effie Brehaut, has returned to Murray Harbour, after spending three months in Summerside, the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Seauer MacDonald.

*Mr. Joey MacInnis, Morell, has returned to Toronto, Ont., after spending three months at his home in Morell. Mr. MacInnis is employed with the C.P.R.

*Mr. Walter MacDonald, Morell, left on Tuesday for Toronto, Ont., where he will spend the next few weeks the guest of his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Barney MacDonald.

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was quickly repaired. The present small leak will probably hold up operations for a matter of a few days. Already all extra gear has been stripped, and the boat is ready to be towed to dry-dock by the "Pugwash," tug-boat tender.

*Mr. Clayton Rennie, Montague was a recent visitor to Pictou, N.S.

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*MONTAGUE-Murray Harbour Baptist church. Services Sunday, June 29th, Montague 11 a.m., Murray Harbour 7:30 p.m. Montague Sunday School 10 a.m. Rev. E. J. Barrass, preacher. Lic. W. D. Johnston.

*AFTERNOON TEA — Mrs. D. M. MacDonald, Montague, entertained at afternoon tea on Monday in honor of Mrs. Gerald Jardine, who is leaving Montague to reside in Yarmouth, N.S.

*Mr. and Mrs. Vernon MacLean and family, who spent the past year in Montague where Mr. MacLean taught grade eleven in the High School, left this week on return to their home at Stanley Bridge.

*Mrs. Robert L. Ings, Cowney, California, accompanied by her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Ings, of Downey, California, and her daughter, Mrs. Alex Gillis, Detroit, Mich., motored to Montague this week and are guests of Mrs. Ings son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. D.M. MacDonald.

*TO EXTEND CALL — At a recent congregational meeting held at Murray Harbour North Presbyterian Church, it was decided unanimously to extend a call to Mr. Carl Currie of Montague, recent graduate of the Presbyterian College, Montreal. The call will be formally presented to Mr. Currie at a meeting of the Presbytery at St. Andrews Church, Montague, on July 3rd. During the month of June Mr. Currie, has been supplying this pastoral charge, but after his ordination on the evening of July 3rd, will take up residence at the manse in Murray Harbour North and undertake the full pastoral duties of this charge.

*NEW SIGNS PLACED — "Stop" signs are being placed on many of the side streets of Montague by the town council this week to assist in reducing the traffic dangers on Main Street. Signs have now been placed at MacDonald Avenue, Wood Island Hill, New Road, School Street, and at the corner of School and Kennedy Street. Several more will also be placed at all streets leading into Main Street. At each end of the town tourists will see two large signs welcoming them to Montague. This work, together with other projects undertaken by the council, will do much to make the town more attractive to tourists who intend to visit this section of the Island.

P. E. I. Protestant

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our main purpose is to care for, train and educate homeless children to become useful, industrious and respectable citizens.

"We are fortunate in having our doctors; Tidmarsh, Lantz and Houston, also our dentist, Dr. Wayne, willing to render their services so freely, and as a result the health of the children has been excellent, no serious ailments or accidents having occurred.

"The school is maintaining its high standard of other years under the direction of Miss Bearltoe according to the report of Mr. R. Wilson Ross, Supervisor of Schools, which appears on another page. Musical instruction was rendered by Mr. Frank Johnston and Miss Jane Johnstone (former teacher) who also gave instruction in swimming, paddling and other sports which was greatly enjoyed by the children as will be seen in the report of our Supervisor Miss MacLean. Great credit is due to the Royal Arch Masons in their continued interest in seeing the school supplied with all necessary equipment.

"The Financial Committee under Mrs. H. S. Henderson has completed her twenty-fifth consecutive report which shows another gratifying and successful year, all of which is due to her untiring energy and determination, which is backed up by that grand organization, the Women's Auxiliary, and the many willing workers who give their time so freely collecting funds as shown by the lists published in the local papers from time to time.

"The Adoption Committee under Mrs. W. G. Bruce (chairman) placed a number of children in suitable homes where they are happy and being cared for; applications from parties wishing to adopt a child will be given every consideration.

"The Buying Committee made up of Mrs. A. Henry, Mrs. H. H. Horne and Major T. E. MacNutt; owing to extremely high prices had to exercise great care to keep purchases within our revenue and still provide all necessities and comforts for the children.

"The Property Committee supervised by the Chairman Major T. E. MacNutt reports the exterior of the building is in good shape and little expenditure will be necessary this year. The interior has been renovated under the capable management of Miss MacLean and everything is in good order. The grounds have been well taken care of by our caretaker and present the usual good appearance.

"The Endowment Fund shows an increase this year for which we are grateful and we trust that it will be kept in mind by friends to insure maintenance of this institution in future years.

"Once again we must tender our sincere thanks to all contributors as well as many friendly groups, societies and individuals such as: Grand Lodge L.O.B.A.; Queen Mary Needlework Guild; The Masons; The Kinsmen; The Kiwanis; Order of the Eastern Star; Good Neighbors of Mt. Herbert and Vicinity; Rangers and Guides; The

Annual Meeting Georgetown School

"The annual meeting for Georgetown School District was held in the council chambers on Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m., June 24th. Mr. S. C. Knight was appointed chairman for the meeting, which was attended by twenty-one ratepayers.

The first business on the agenda was the reading of the minutes of the last annual meeting by the school secretary, Mrs. W. W. MacLean. Following the adoption of the minutes, the secretary read the correspondence which included letters and reports from the following: Letter from Dr. L. W. Shaw, Director of Education; letter from the Prince Edward Island Federation of Agriculture, regarding rural electrification and electricity rates; a report from the sanitary engineer on the results of the test given school drinking water, showing no contamination; a report from the Provincial Fire Marshal covering his visit to the school, in which he stressed the co-operation and enthusiasm shown by teachers and pupils, and the efficiency of the fire drill conducted during his presence.

The report of the district supervisor was then read, which was followed by the reading of the report of the Public Health Nurse. Quite a lengthy discussion took place regarding the letter from the Federation of Agriculture and a motion was passed and will be forwarded to the Federation to the effect that — "The Georgetown School District voices their protest against an increase in the rate charged for electricity."

Mr. Howard MacLean gave the annual report of the trustees, which was adopted. In the report an expression of sympathy was extended to Mrs. Ashley Allen on the death of her husband, who had served as school secretary at one time. The secretary presented the

Women's Institutes; The Orange Association; The B.I.S.; The Churches and Clergy; Saint Paul's Laymen; Y.M.C.A.; The Press, both Charlottetown and Summerside.

"In closing I wish to extend my personal thanks to all members of the Trustee Board for their continued interest and faithful attendance at the meetings throughout the year; also to Mr. Ira Brown who served the board so capably for many years as secretary-treasurer until his retirement the last of October. We were fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. A. D. Stewart to replace Mr. Brown.

"W. A. Stewart, Chairman Trustee Board"

SAVED FROM SEA

CAPTOWN—(CP)—Two young men fishing off the rocks at Hermanus were washed into the deep water by a huge wave and were given up for lost. Then another wave flung them back on the rocks. Battered and bruised, they crawled to safety.

financial report, which showed a deficit balance of \$877.00, with \$1600.00 showing in arrears of taxes. The report was moved adopted. The report of the Inspector was also moved adopted. The amount of two thousand dollars was voted for teachers' supplements and the amount of eighteen hundred dollars was voted for school running expenses. Mr. Marcellus Gotell was appointed trustee for a three-year term, and a vote of appreciation for his services was tendered Mrs. William Murphy, retiring trustee. Mr. A. E. Jenkins was re-appointed auditor.

By a vote on an amendment to a motion the amendment, against having the Valuation Board of the Government, was carried.

Mr. Cecil LeLacheur, trustee, discussed the question of music being taught in the school and asked the ratepayers present for their opinion on the question. Many of those present were in complete agreement on the question of music and singing being taught and approved the action of the trustees in securing the services of Mrs. McLure as teacher.

A lengthy discussion took place regarding the collection of taxes and to strengthen the hands of the trustees, it was moved that following the posting of a defaulters' list for ten days, the names of those still owing would be handed into court for collection. It was also decided to strike off the list the amount in arrears of non-householders and non-property holders, which are assessed one dollar poll tax.

By cancelling the arrears for those in this tax category, the board hope the tax may be more easily collected.

The meeting then adjourned following the reading of the minutes.

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