

The Four Mails, Friday, 10th May, 1946.

PICTURES OF THE WEEK

SCREENINGS AT THE EMPIRE

TO-NIGHT (FRIDAY)

WING AND A PRAYER.
BULLET SCARS.

WING AND A PRAYER

Starring Don Ameche, Dana Andrews and William Wyler, "Wing and a Prayer" is a stirring salute to the gallant Navy men of the sky whose home is a flat-top. The screen is flooded with the rousing humor, adventure and drama of life aboard an aircraft-carrier. But more than that, it reveals the amazing story behind the strategy that paved the way for a spectacular victory over the Japs at Midway Island.

BULLET SCARS

The story of "Bullet Scars" begins with a bank robbery, during which several people are shot down. The hold-up men, one of them badly wounded, flee to a nearby small town, where they find a down-at-the-heels young doctor to come to their hideout and operate on their wounded pal. Also summoned to the spot is a trained nurse, sister of the wounded man. The operation appears to be successful, but the gangster chief insists upon the doctor remaining. The nurse and the doctor fall in love, and she tries to get him to leave without telling him the real truth of the situation he is in. However, he senses that she, too, is in danger. When their patient dies, the two of them attempt to escape, but it is too late. Barricaded themselves in the laboratory, they shoot it out with the gangsters until help arrives. Regis Toomey and Adele Longmire are co-starring.

SATURDAY AND MONDAY

THE DESERT SONG.
MY NAME IS JULIA ROSS.

THE DESERT SONG

"The Desert Song" is the much-awaited film version of the perennial stage-play favorite, and Warner Bros., the first of the film companies to bring musicals to the screen, has apparently outdone itself in this production.

Filmed in gorgeous technicolor, the completely modernised version of "The Desert Song" leans heavily on current history for its plot. The vivid story, told against a background of beauty and romance, tells of a young itinerant musician, Paul Hudson, who, in the guise of El Khobar, makes daring and spectacular efforts to free the downtrodden Riff slave labor from the ruthless domination of the Nazis.

Interwoven into the plot is the beautiful love story of Paul and the

lovely Margot, a French cafe singer who loves him for his courage and unselfishness.

Dennis Morgan and Irene Manning have the leading roles.

MY NAME IS JULIA ROSS

The supporting picture, "My Name is Julia Ross," has Nina Foch, Dame May Whitty and George Macready in the cast. It is a psychological mystery melodrama dealing with the story of a girl hired as a secretary to cover up a murder committed by the son of her employer.

THE MATINEE

At the Matinee on Saturday afternoon, "The Desert Song" will be screened, with episode 12 of Serial ("The Secret Code"), technicolor Terrytoon, "Mickey Mouse and the Wolf," and News.

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY

CONFLICT.

HITCH-HIKE TO HAPPINESS.

CONFLICT

A "perfect crime" whose very perfection leads to the murderer's eventual undoing makes an exciting theme for Warner Bros.' new psychological melodrama, "Conflict," which has a three-star cast headed by Humphrey Bogart, Alexis Smith and Sydney Greenstreet.

A psychological study of crime and its detection by present-day scientific methods, "Conflict" presents Bogart in the unsympathetic role of a man who murders his wife (Rose Hobart) because of his persistent love for her sister (Alexis Smith). Sydney Greenstreet has the role of a psychiatrist who snares the murderer by a suspenseful series of artfully placed mental traps. An excellent supporting cast includes Rose Hobart, Chas. Drake, Grant Mitchell and others.

HITCH-HIKE TO HAPPINESS
The supporting picture, "Hitch-hike to Happiness," features Dale Evans and Brad Taylor in a bright musical comedy of back-stage adventures on Broadway. Several song hits are featured in this film.

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The recommendation of the Engineer (Mr. H. R. Huntington) that £30 be spent on surfacing the footpath in the main street between Victoria and Queen Streets was adopted.

A motion, moved by Cr. Stalling, that the Council make application through Mr. Bate, M.L.A., to the Housing Commission for the erection of homes in Mittagong was carried.

After the meeting had been addressed by Messrs. W. Gardner and C. Ross, of Mittagong Football Club, Council decided to forego its charge of 25 per cent. on gate takings of matches in which the club took part. Mittagong Advancement League will be asked to take over control of the sports ground under the supervision of the Council.

Plans of a fibro dwelling at Yerrinhol and one on the Toongoon Estate, Burradoo; a brick dwelling on Whinstone Road, Mittagong; a weatherboard dwelling at Aylmerton; a brick factory and dwelling on the Hume Highway, Mittagong; a fibro dwelling at Mittagong and a public hall at Hill Top were approved on the recommendation of the Building Inspector (Mr. A. H. Smith).

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The Mittagong Returned Soldiers' League will be advised that in the opinion of the Inspector the cottage occupied by Mrs. U. M. Gilham is not suitable for additions to be made to it and a new building is considered desirable.

Following the granting of transfer of hire vehicle plates to those of taxi-cabs and the granting of a taxi-cab licence to Mr. P. J. Millbank, a motion that no further licences be granted was carried. Mr. W. Hughes, who made application without having a vehicle, was refused a licence, and a hire car licence was granted to Mr. R. J. Walters of Buxton.

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