#### Elmirans Who Knew Twain Find Great Humorist Well-Portrayed in Film

By THOMAS E. BYRNE

Fredric March's portrayal of Samuel L. Clemens in "The Adventures of Mark Twain" drew praise from a group of Elmirans who saw a preview Tuesday of the motion picture which opens Friday at the Keeney Theater.

"I am grateful to Mr. March for

portraying my uncle as gentle and earnest," said Miss Ida Langdon, was Norden Forms whose aunt, Olivia Langdon, was Mark Twain's wife. She confessed dreading the preview, but was Kesearch pleased to find that Mr. March and his directors avoided any buffoonery, of which Mr. Clemens of ten was unjustly accused by those who did not know the breadth of his character.

His ceaseless campaigning "with ing projects for the postwar induscourage and fervor" against injus- trial era, was announced today by tice of all kinds, was not stressed Theodore H. Barth, president of enough, Miss Langdon believed, but Carl L. Norden Inc. she was sympathetic with the box- Carl L. Norden, the scientist who office requirements of film-making. invented the Norden bombsight, is

Others who saw the picture felt president of the new croporation, that Twain's humor as well as his headquarters of which are in New heartbreaks had been well pre- York, and Mr. Barth is vicepresiserved. Some thought that Holly-dent and treasurer. wood had made him more of what In addition to serving industry we moderns call a "gag man" than as well as the U. S. Army and he really was; that the philosophy Navy, the corporation will continue which has comforted millions of to function as the development and hearts was absent.

Jacob B. Coykendall, who played Norden Inc. and its subsidiaries. billiards in the old Century Club Activities of the new organization, Memorial Service on the second floor of the Masonic however, will be confined exclu-Temple with Sam Clemens and sively to military projects until the For Ens. Sayers Thomas K. Beecher, said the film war is over, Mr. Barth said. He was "wonderful." The makeup, added that a number of projects particularly, seemed to bring Clem- currently developed by the laboraens down to earth again, said Mr. tories will have wide application,

Coykendall. Alexis Smith is graceful, loyal and dignified as Olivia Langdon tries. Clemens, the Elmira girl who enchanted Clemens so thoroughly that he feigned an injury to extend his first visit to the Langdon home.

was her pet name for Mr. Clemens. radio-controlled target plane. The audience naturally was most interested in the sequences with an Elmira locale. The octagonal study at Quarry Farm, alas, was shown BOY SCOUTS for only an instant. But the background did suggest the "leagues" Get Awards which Mr. Clemens was so fond.

Walter Hampden plays Jervis Awards were made to local Boy Langdon—a stern Jervis Langdon Scouts Tuesday evening when the Golden Glow opposed to the marriage of Olivia Board of Review met at Scout to this penniless Westerner whose Headquarters, Federation Bldg. sole claim to fame then was a newspaper piece about the Jump- Troop 3, Robert Hager, 30. ing Frogs of Calaveras.

Nana Bryant is Mrs. Langdon, also chilly toward the tales of 19, Richard Denson, 33.

Clemens.

FOR DRAMA and magnitude; Clemens' piloting of a steamboat through treacherous reefs in the fog-covered Mississippi is the outstanding action in the picture Robert Barrat plays Horace Bixby, the ace pilot of the Midwest, hard-boiled yet softhearted, and Clarence Macomber. who taught Clemens much about piloting-and living-in the early E. K. Fromer and R. F. Fassett.

The veteran Alan Hale is Steve Gillis, Clemens' gold rush partner. Donald Crisp is the faithful J. B. Pond, who searched years for Mark 15. obedient and faithful adviser. brought back to be judge of the Charles Todd, 48.

these awards were made:

School Orchestra

BUY SULLIVAN HOTEL

ture but not in history) met Clem- ery, 5, and Angelo Muccigrosso, 5. force water through hose for fireens aboard a Mississippi steamer, and who carried Olivia's miniature, ters, Wallace J. Howell, E. Stuart Community purchase of a light The picture stirs emotions-from Bloom, H. H. Gruber. the nostalgia of the Tom Sawyerish days on the Mississippi, where notarians to Hear one touch of the "soft cool mud" made one a slave for life of the great river, to the sad day of Olivia's death in far-off Italy.

an honorary degree by Oxford University to Rudyard Kipling and at the Mark Twain Hotel Friday. Atty. L. A. Stannard. Mark Twain. By then the whole world knew Mark Twain and loved

as the Oxford Chancellor who bestows the highest literary honor upon the world-touring Twain.

THE ONLY MOTION picture Malone have purchased the Sulli- ity house. The work may be comever taken of Mr. Clemens was van Hotel, 851 Dickinson St., and pleted this week. Electric lights shown, in part, before the film be- expect to occupy it June 1. They have been installed. gan. The property of Jervis Lang will be open for business as soon don, it was taken in 1909 through as the liquor license is issued. Mr. ar angement with Thomas A. Edi- Chalk is now proprietor of the son, at Stormfield, Clemens' sum- Franklin Hotel, 360 E. Washingmer home in Connecticut. The ton Ave., and Mr. Malone is empicture is old and faded and fast- ployed by him there. The Franklin motion, but it emphasizes the re- Hotel will be purchased by Edward semblance between Clemens and Zimmer of Chemung. Frederic March's characterization.

HULBERT PRAISES CUBBING Probation Officer Hulbert 'commended the Boy Scout Cubbing program as ideal for boys nine to t years at a meeting of Den Mothers and Fathers at the Federation Bldg. Tuesday night.

#### New Wac Office Head Welcomed Here Nurse Council Legion Posts



LT. RUTH GIEFER, right, of the local Wac Recruiting Station, Federal Bldg., welcomes Lt. Charlotte S. Pratt of Rochester, who will be in charge of the local office upon Lt. Giefer's transfer to Syracuse today. Lt. Pratt was formerly stationed at the Rochester recruit-

At least four, and probably more,

Mr. and Mrs. George L. Brown,

been with an amphibious group.

Francisco after seven months in

TO GIVE TESTS

Dr. Fred Gorman of Corning, ex-

# research organization for Carl L.

not only in the field of postwar aviation, but also in other industration to sight at \$120 at the field be held From Pacific aviation, but also in other indus- tonight at 8:30 at the Orchard St. Synagogue for Ensign William It will mark the first time in the Sayers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Norden Company's 26 years that T. Sayers, 214 Steuben St., Horseany customer other than the U.S. heads.

government has been served. Rabbi Solomon Roodman will be Among the highly important secret in charge. Speakers will be Mayor devices designed and perfected by Strachen, Benjamin F. Levy, rep- the first word they had heard in SEVERAL HISTORICAL inac- Norden, in addition to the bomb- resenting the Jewish Welfare seven months. He is in San Francuracies were observed by those sight, are the automatic pilot for Board; George Wladis, B'nai B'rith; cisco and will be home soon. A familiar with Clemens' life. One aircraft, the means for launching Jacque Cohen, Horseheads Chamwas Olivia's use of "Mark" in ad- planes from and landing planes on ber of Commerce; Edgar W. Aus- went through the Pearl Harbor atdressing her husband. "Youth" Navy aircraft carriers, and the tin, American Legion; the Rev. tack on shipboard, and has seen Isaac Paru, cantor.

Ens. Sayers was killed Feb. 2 His parents last saw him Dec. 31, during the American attack on 1940. He went to Hawaii in July, Kwajelein Atoll in the Marshalls. 1941. He was pilot of a scout observa- Robert Weisner, a Marine, has tion plane on the cruiser Minneap- informed his parents, Mr. and Mrs.

## First class: William Bowen, Fire District Second class: Stanley Kahrl, 18, Robert Shults, 19, Donald Materne, Plan Deferred

Merit badges: Athletics, Robert Approval of a plan to form a fire the Solomons, and after 16 months Joyce Reynolds plays Clara Cassada, 18; electricity, Everett protection district was withheld by away from home. Jack told his Handy Jr., 48; handicraft, William about 35 residents of Golden Glow mother that his cousin, Pfc. Rob-Bowen, Kenneth Petoski, 30, Delos Heights, Town of Big Flats, Tues- ert F. Gordon, grandson of Mrs. Quigley, 30; personal health, Rob-day night following a Community Florence Gordon, 352 W. Second ert Cassada, Clarence Macomber, House meeting. President Harry St., who bunked with him on Guad-34, Delos Quigley, John Saia, 12; Davis presided. alcanal, is coming home too, as is

printing, Robert Brusso, 30, George Miss Wilhelmina Gerard report- Sgt. Walter Johnson of Corning, McLeod, 18, John Saia; reading, ed that City Manager Klebes and also a camp buddy. David Platt, 7; safety, Norman Fire Chief Mosher had been most Case, 6, Richard Johnson, 12, John cooperative when told that a fire Saia; swimming, Robert Brusso protection district might be formed and Elmira asked to contract to aminer for the Civil Aeronautics furnish firemen and apparatus Authority (CAA), will give physi-Examiners were C. F. Northrup, when needed. However, the city cal examinations at the airport officials added that, because no Sunday at 10 a. m. At the Southside High School water system exists, the city ap-First class, Richard Root, Troop paratus might be of little value. Chief Mosher said, Miss Gerard re-Second class: Fred Soper, 15, ported, that difficulty had been William Rickard, 21, Theodore encountered in the past when a Paultz, 21, Robert French, 38, power pumper had been placed on the Golden Glow Heights river Merit badges: Lawrence Culver, bank; that no driveways exist 21; cooking, Angelo Muccigrosso, from the highway to the water saturated with buckshot, is unable to budge.

Handsome William Henry plays

5; metal work, Hugh Montgomery, edge, which might be used by fire apparatus; and that it was necespersonal health, Arthur Heller, 35; sary to place a pumper within 20 Charles Langdon who (in the pic- stamp collecting, Hugh Montgom- feet of a stream or pool to properly

Examiners were: Harold H. Wit- fighting. with which Clemens falls in love. Barker, A. J. Weisenfluh, Fred I. pumper, which could be handled by about four men, and a few hundred feet of hose was one proposition made. Joining with residents on the Hendy Hollow Rd. and forming a volunteer fire company was another suggestion. Elmira High Schools concert or-

chestra directed by George J. A constitution and by-laws for The climax is the awarding of Abbott will give a half-hour con- the community group will be precert at the Rotary Club luncheon pared by a committee headed by

Russell A. Bostian led a discus-Donations of dishes, especially sion this noon on "Supreme Court: covered kettles, plates, cups and Time Bomb in Texas" at a fellow- saucers for use in the clubhouse C. Aubrey Smith is magnificent ship luncheon at the Mark Twain. will be solicited by a committee headed by Mrs. Harry Davis. About one-fourth of the cement

Frank D. Chalk and Samuel M. floor has been laid in the commun-

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#### To Recruit Students

Emphasizing that the need for Plans are being completed for new student nurses is greater now entertainment of state and district than ever before, the Chemung American Legion and Auxiliary of-County Nursing Council for War ficers at dinner Sunday evening at civilian and armed forces duty. In the coming year school nurses in the city, Elmira Heights, Horseheads and rural areas will inaugurate a new plan to obtain re-

Students in seventh and eighth grades will be interviewed and asked if they contemplate a nursing career. It is believed that girls who decide at an early age will be more fully equipped for the task upon leaving high school.

to take necessary courses and are Mr. Lewis will begin a series of forced to spend additional time in visits in this district in Elmira studies before entering nursing. Sunday and later will visit posts munity is to recruit student Oneonta and Norwich. nurses, supply nurses for hospitals in the area where shortages exist and supply the armed forces with a substantial supply of women for NOW She's

REPORT STORE THEFT Costume jewelry, pen and pencil sets and wallets valued at \$212 were stolen Monday night or early Tuesday from the Loomis & Hall On Way Home st., police have been notified. The camera supplies store, 364 N. Main thief gained entry through a window 10 feet above the ground. How he reached it is unexplained.

### Dinner Hosts Sunday Night

county Legion host to the offi-Harry B. Bentley Post of Elanniversary. Among officials to be feted

will be D. G. (Red) Wilcox of City sixth district commander, who will Many students, after leaving accompany State Commander Wilhigh school, find they failed liam N. Lewis of Floral Park.

The council's work in the com- in Ithaca, Binghamton, Cortland, (Advertisement)

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