



**SEDUCTIVE** — Susan Hayward is lure of "Tap Roots," Civil War melodrama continuing at five theaters.

## 'Lucy' Makes Coronet Bid

"Lucy," new comedy, which opens at the Coronet this evening for a limited engagement, was written by Steve Portney and is being produced by Harry Gondell.

Ella Gerber directs a cast of 17 headed by Marilyn Williams, Olan Soule and Norman Budd. Others are Clarence Chase, Stevan Darrrell, Julia Draper, Eddy Fields, Joe McTurk and Ted Stanhope.

"Lucy" is the story of Lucretia Borgia—with a "new look"—who comes back to earth to tempt a conscientious bank clerk from his ledgers and hard-won virtue.

## 'Date With Judy' Nears End of Its Second Week Here

"A Date With Judy," Technicolor comedy with music, starts its third week Friday at the Egyptian, Los Angeles and Fox Wilshire theaters.

Heading the extensive cast are Wallace Beery, Jane Powell, Elizabeth Taylor, Scotty Beckett, Robert Stack and Carmen Miranda.

Xavier Cugat and his orchestra high light the musical sequences and feature roles are played by Leon Ames, Selena Royle, Clinton Sundberg, Lloyd Corrigan and George Cleveland.

## Fibber, Molly Billed

Fibber McGee and Molly, ether comics of Wistful Vista, will be screen entertainers on the new All Laugh Jamboree opening Friday night at the Sunset Theater. Their feature is called "Heavenly Days."

## States 'Sub' for Scene in New England

The lush "New England landscape" for RKO's romantic comedy, "Mr. Blandings Builds His Dream House," came from the States of Oregon and Minnesota.

Fifty old apple trees from orchards in Pear Valley, Or., and 150 young birches from the lakes region of Minnesota, together with plants, shrubs and flowers from other points, provided an "authentic" New England background for the screen version of Eric Hodgins' best seller.

Starring Cary Grant and Myrna Loy as Mr. and Mrs. Blandings, and Melvyn Douglas as their "family pal" and lawyer, "Blandings" will tee off at Loew's State, Chinese, Uptown, Loyola, Carthay and 40 other theaters in Los Angeles and other Southern California communities.

## British Columbian Will Test for Role

Jan Parminter, 14 year old, from New Westminster, British Columbia, will arrive Thursday to test for the role of Dickon in "The Secret Garden."

Fred Wilcox, director, who discovered him on trip to Canada, expects him to win the part, though approval of Clarence Brown, producer, and MGM will be needed. This is a big opportunity for the youngster, who will be one of a stellar trio with Margaret O'Brien and Dean Stockwell.

Parminter is Yorkshire type.

## 'Gay Intruders' on 'Amber' Show

Sharing the bill with "Forever Amber," when it opens its popular run Friday at the Orpheum, Vogue, El Rey, Belmont and Culver theaters, will be "The Gay Intruders."

Linda Darnell, Cornel Wilde, Richard Greene and George Sanders star in the "Amber" Technicolor film.