

## Press Releases

### **AUTHOR BILL MCGEE FEATURED IN BONUS EXTRAS FOR TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX'S RE-RELEASE OF "CHARLIE CHAN IN RENO"**

RENO, NV, January 1, 2008—Looking for a good movie set in the heyday of the Reno six week divorce? Check out CHARLIE CHAN IN RENO from Twentieth Century Fox. Fully-restored and packaged in a 4DVD box set, THE CHARLIE CHAN COLLECTION, VOLUME 4, is scheduled for release in February 2008. [Available from Amazon.com](#)

A staple of 1930s and '40s Hollywood (Fox produced all the Chan films), fans of Charlie Chan's suspenseful mysteries and fortune cookie wisdom will find joy as they dodge bullets with some of the Chinese policeman's most thrilling and dangerous cases.

Appearing in two bonus extras for CHARLIE CHAN IN RENO (1939), is Bill McGee, former dude wrangler in the late 1940s at the exclusive Flying M E, twenty miles south of Reno, and author of THE DIVORCE SEEKERS: A Photo Memoir of a Nevada Dude Wrangler.

"The studio was looking for someone who could give a firsthand account of life in Reno during the 1930s and '40s, the heyday of the six week divorce when Reno was the Divorce Capital of the World. CHARLIE CHAN IN RENO certainly paints a picture of the Reno I knew in the 1940s," said McGee.

"Although CHARLIE CHAN IN RENO is set at a swank Reno hotel catering to divorce seekers (inspired by the Riverside), the similarity in character types rings true. When the movie opens, the woman, arriving in Reno (the Mary Whitman character), could have been any number of guests who came to the Flying M E," says McGee. "She looks the part, believe me!" McGee also notes that the dialogue for the Cab Driver is pretty authentic, too.

Look for these bonus extras with DIVORCE SEEKERS author Bill McGee:

- "Welcome to Reno: America's Divorce Resort" – A documentary-style piece that recaptures Reno's glamorous era with interviews, film clips, and many photographs borrowed from DIVORCE SEEKERS.
- "Reno Memories" – A mini-biography about Bill McGee's cowboyin' years while working on the Flying M E.

As Bill McGee is known to say, "I'm probably the only dude wrangler – 'still above ground' - who lived through this era!"

[More on Charlie Chan](#)

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