

## Press Releases

### TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX FEATURES AUTHOR BILL MCGEE IN BONUS EXTRAS FOR THE RE-RELEASE OF 1939 FILM, "CHARLIE CHAN IN RENO"



THE CHARLIE CHAN COLLECTION, VOL. 4. 20<sup>th</sup> Century Fox Cinema Classics Collection. Available from Netflix, Amazon, and other outlets.

TIBURON, CA, February 2008—Looking for a fun Reno divorce movie? Check out the 1939 film, CHARLIE CHAN IN RENO. Now fully-restored and packaged in a 4-DVD box set with three other Chan thrillers, THE CHARLIE CHAN COLLECTION, VOLUME 4, will be released this month.

Six special features accompany CHARLIE CHAN IN RENO including two with Bill McGee, former 1940s Nevada dude wrangler and author of the book, THE DIVORCE SEEKERS: A PHOTO MEMOIR OF A NEVADA DUDE WRANGLER:

- **Welcome to Reno: America's Divorce Resort** – Recaptures Reno's glamorous era with film clips, interviews, and photographs from McGee's book, THE DIVORCE SEEKERS. [15:00 mins]
- **Reno Memories** – The story of Bill McGee's cowboyin' years from growing up on a ranch in Montana to working on the exclusive Flying M E. [7:00 mins]

"I'm honored to be included," said McGee. "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 known as the 'Divorce Capital of the World.'

"CHARLIE CHAN IN RENO certainly paints a picture of the Reno I knew. Although the movie is set at a swank Reno hotel catering to divorce seekers, the similarity in character types rings true. When the movie opens, the unhappily married socialite arriving in Reno for a divorce (the Mary Whitman character) could have been any number of guests who came to the Flying M E. She looks the part, believe me! The dialogue for the Cab Driver is pretty authentic, too," said McGee.

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

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