

NEWS IN BRIEF.

(A) Picture.:- This being near Christmas and New Year time, we thought you ought to see a little British snow, in case it hasn't fallen your way. This is Buxton, Derbyshire, which usually gets a good brand of snow, and we have no hesitation in showing it to you as a thoroughly representative British product.

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(B) Picture.:- When the Duke of Kent visited Derbyshire, the roads were snow-bound. His Royal Highness is making a tour of 20 unemployment centres over a stay of three days. New Mill, Glossop, and Hadfield were among the first calls, and the Duke's reception was, of course, most enthusiastic. As time goes on, we hope to replace pictures like this with scenes of great new work schemes commencing. We hope to !

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(C) Picture.:- From America comes news of the tragic death of Miss Thelma Todd, "Vamping Venus of the Screen". Admired throughout the world by a countless host of picture-fans. Thelma lost her life by a curious accident. She had been to a party and forgotten her flat key. She went back to her lock up garage, shut the doors, and sat in her car, and started the engine to keep her warm. Gradually the poisonous fumes overwhelmed her, and she was later discovered dead. These 'shots' of the unfortunate girl are taken from the UNIVERSAL production "Counsellor at Law", in which Thelma played opposite John Barrymore. Millions of her screen admirers will regret this tragic close of a successful career.

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