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## Dear Mr Peart

I dont know if you received my letter concerning the memories of the 30s. I was always at the cinema going 4 or 5 times a week. I have got quite a lot of supplements from the Picturegoers also one from 1915-36 thats a story from the M-G-M

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Studios it has got all the old stars in it from the silent movies to the talkies when the came on the screen I think the Jazz Singer was the first one made, the was some famous silent films made Ben-Hur starring Ramon Novarro then it was made into a talkie with Charlton Heston in the role of Ben-Hur.

At the M-G-Mayer Studios there was a man there in charge of the films what was made his name was Irving Thalberg and he was there Production Manager the

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film world called him the Wonder Boy he produced some wonderful films he married Norma Shearer in 1928 and they had two children Irving Junior and a daughter Katherine but he died in 1937 aged 37 which was very sad if he had lived I am sure he would have made some great films. I hope that you will succeed in what you are doing also if you have the time I would like to hear from you.

Yours Sincerely

(Mrs) P Bennett