

The New Lana Turner

Lana Turner, Hollywood's top "love queen," is back at work. But it's a new Lana. Although she still has all the charms that won her world-wide fame, a new sophistication has been added.

Even before her next picture is released, Lana will be much in the public eye. In the next two months photographs of her will run on the covers of all 13 movie fan magazines. This is no accident. It is caused by two important facts: 1) Lana Turner is the biggest seller of movie fan magazines in the business; 2) Her last four pictures (p. 51) grossed almost \$20 million, a record untouched by any other current glamour star.



Lana and daughter Cheryl.



With husband 1, Artie Shaw.



With No. 2, Steve Crane.



With No. 3, Bob Topping.

Today, at 29, the sleek, gray-eyed Lana has shed the plumpness of two years ago, keeps her weight between 118 and 127 lbs. She still has the strong physical attraction that in 1937 caught the eye of a friend of director Mervyn LeRoy's when she was sipping a soda across from Hollywood High School. "It had to be a nickel drink," she recalls, "because I could not afford anything else."

The resulting screen test won her a role in *They Won't*

Forget. Subsequent pictures made her famous as America's favorite sweater girl.

Now Lana is as shapely as she was in those early days. She has the "perfect" figure: 5 ft. 3 in., 34-in. bust, 24-in. waist, 34½-in. hips.

Tanned and healthy after a 14-month honeymoon in Europe, New England, Florida and the Bahamas with husband No. 3—wealthy socialite Henry J. (Bob) Topping—Lana now is busy moving into a two-story, French Normandy mansion in Holmby Hills while MGM straightens out her next role. The new home cost \$94,500, has a swimming pool, plenty of room for 6-year-old Cheryl Christine Crane (her daughter by her second husband) and four television sets.

Life with Topping has given Lana a taste for travel and deep-sea fishing. She wants her next role to be really worth the effort of making a picture. "Otherwise," she told QUICK, "I'll go fishing."

MGM says her next film will be *A Life of Her Own*. For scenes from other great Turner pictures, turn page.

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1941: Lana played in *Ziegfeld Girl* with Jimmy Stewart.



1943: With Robert Young in *Slightly Dangerous*.



1945: *Week End at the Waldorf* with Van Johnson.



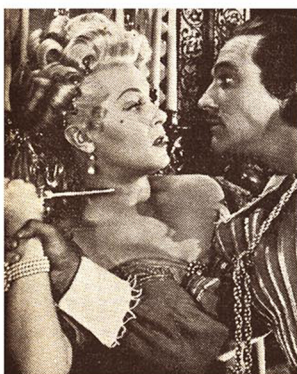
1946: *The Postman Always Rings Twice*, John Garfield.



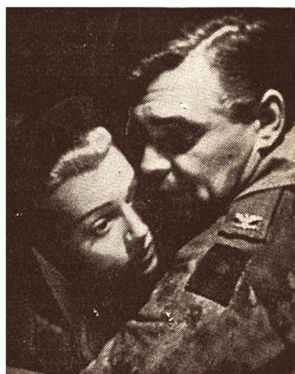
1947: She appeared in the film *Green Dolphin Street*.



1948: Spencer Tracy was her co-star in *Cass Timberlane*.



1948: *The Three Musketeers* put her opposite Gene Kelly.



1948: Lana and Clark Gable co-starred in *Homecoming*.