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Thanhouser Releases 26 Silent Films on Six DVDs

New Media Offers Higher Quality and Improved Access for Academic Study

PORTLAND, OR – Thanhouser Company Film Preservation, Inc. announced today the re-release of 26 silent films on six DVD discs. The films were produced by the pioneering Thanhouser film enterprise in New Rochelle, New York between 1910 and 1917. “This new release provides better quality video and sound to meet the market demand for this popular video format,” said company president Ned Thanhouser.

The films for this collection were assembled with the cooperation of archives around the world: The Library of Congress in Washington, DC; The British Film Institute in London, England; George Eastman House in Rochester, New York; The Museum of Modern Art in New York, New York; EmGee Film Library in Reseda, California; and the Nederlands Filmmuseum in Amsterdam, Holland.

Andrew Crow and Raymond A. Brubacher composed and performed musical accompaniment for each film that was commissioned exclusively for this six volume set. Each collection comes with a 12 page booklet with background on the Thanhouser film enterprise and notes on each film.

Combined with the CD-ROM, Thanhouser Films: An Encyclopedia and History by Q. David Bowers, this new release provides improved digital access to unique resources that are ideal for early cinema research, study and teaching at film schools and universities around the world.

The collections are available in two three-disc DVD collector sets:

The Thanhouser Collection – Volumes 1, 2 & 3 – Price $24.95 (US)

Volume 1: The Early Years (1910 to 1912) – Five films
Volume 2: Under the Mutual Banner (1912 to 1914) – Five films
Volume 3: Edwin Thanhouser Returns (1915 to 1917) – Three films

The Thanhouser Collection – Volumes 4, 5 & 6 – Price $24.95 (US)

Volume 4: The Vicar of Wakefield (1910 & 1917) – Two films
Volume 5: Thanhouser Kids and Dogs (1911 to 1915) – Seven films
Volume 6: The Thanhouser Stars (1911 to 1917) – Four films

Each three-disc DVD set is priced at $24.95 and the CD-ROM Thanhouser Films: An Encyclopedia and History is now priced at $39.95, plus shipping and handling. Available for immediate world wide shipment, the DVDs and CD-ROM can be ordered directly from Thanhouser Company Film Preservation, Inc. at 8770 NW Kearney Street, Portland, OR 97229 or from the company’s website with Visa or Master Card.

Thanhouser Company Film Preservation, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation established for the research, preservation and publication of educational materials related to early silent era, with a specific focus on Thanhouser. For additional information visit www.thanhouser.org or FAX (503) 226-7961.