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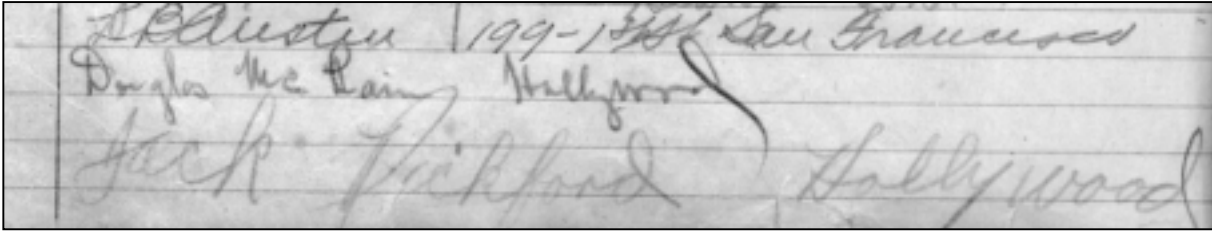
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JACK PICKFORD

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Signed Guestbook: August 1, 1924



Names evident above: (Party size unknown)

L. B. Austen...199 1st St.....San Francisco

Douglas McLain.....Hollywood

Jack Pickford..... Hollywood

Jack Pickford Vitae:

Profession: Actor, director, producer

Born: August 18, 1896 / Toronto, Ontario Canada (Jack Smith)

Died: January 3, 1933 / Paris, France (Age 36)

Age at Chalet: 27 years

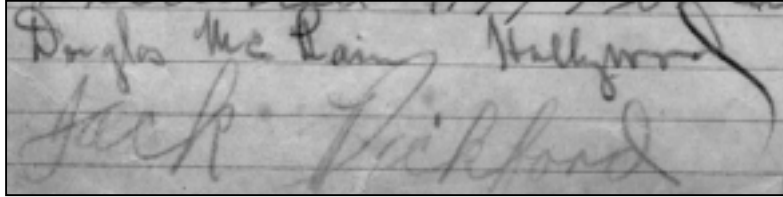


Jack Pickford acted in at least 106 films from 1909-1928. (Internet/2000) Many who recollect the name of Pickford will most likely be thinking of Jack's sister, Mary Pickford, one of the most popular stars in screen history.

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DETAILS / JACK PICKFORD

This entry has been most frustrating! Below you see an isolated view of the guestbook entry found on the previous graphics page:



We would hope that the signature of **Douglas McLain**, which we see just above that of Jack Pickford, represents the notable actor and producer from Hollywood. But the spelling is off! Sadly, all facsimiles of the signature of the famous **Douglas MacLean**, located at this time, approximate the one below - found on one of his publicity photos:



Disregarding the "style" of the MacLean signature on this photo - it is said that the signatures on celebrities photos are often done by others - it is the "spelling" of the name that is of concern. You see that **MacLean**, as evidenced on this publicity photo, is definitely not **McLain**!

But why focus on MacLean anyway? Is it not the famous actor Jack Pickford that we address here? The answer is yes, but the MacLean problem can't be ignored. It taints the Pickford signature. Guilt by association! It looks as if the two actors came together. Do we have a joke? Now let us focus on Jack Pickford's signature. Compare his signature at the top of this page to the one found on his photo used on the introductory page. It is duplicated here so you don't have to look back:

Not a really satisfying likeness is it? But again signatures on celebrity photos are unreliable. And the Pickford signature in the Guestbook was done with a lead pencil - the photo signature above was done with an ink pen. The difference in writing instruments most logically affects the flow of a signature, common sense would tell us.

Obviously further work should be done with the Jack Pickford/McLain entry to assure that that we are not the victims of someone's silly game. Sadly, we know it happens!

