Eric Johnston, President of the Motion Picture Association of America Inc. and the Motion Picture Export Association of America, will represent the American film industry at a dinner in honor of H. L. Krekeler, the German Ambassador, 7 p.m. Wednesday, October 23 at the Museum of Modern Art.

The dinner, at which William A. M. Burden, President of the Museum will be host, inaugurates a week of public showings at the Museum of new, unreleased German films, selected by the Film Library and made available by the Export-Union of the German film industry. A 13 week retrospective will follow, the entire program to be called "PAST AND PRESENT: A Selection of German Films, 1896 - 1957."

The first of the new films, "The Captain from Koepenick," will be shown at 8:45 p.m. on Wednesday to an audience of 500 invited guests in the auditorium of the Museum of Modern Art. A reception in the galleries will follow.

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