W4370 WHERE EAST IS EAST (USA, 1929)

Credits: director, Tod Browning; writer, Richard Schayer.
Summary: Melodrama set in contemporary Indochina. “Tiger” Haynes (Chaney) is a scared animal trapper who cares only for his beautiful daughter, Toyo (Velez). Toyo becomes romantically involved with Bobby Bailey (Hughes), the son of an American circus owner, but Bobby is infatuated by Madame de Sylva (Taylor), who is in reality Toyo’s mother and Tiger’s ex-wife. Angered by his ex-wife’s behavior, Tiger sets loose a killer gorilla which mauls him and kills her. Tiger lives only long enough to see Bobby and Toyo wed.

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