

Fred + Ginger III



Ginger was plenty sick and tired of Fred always clowning around when they were rehearsing a new dance routine, especially one potentially fraught with danger. Take the time they were sharing the outdoor dance floor with a high-strung Lizzie Borden, who was trying to break into show business as a “mature” chorus girl. Fred was making light of Lizzie’s well known fondness for axes by pretending to discover one in his shoe, and Lizzie had turned beet red – always a sign of danger. Sure enough, Lizzie took the umbrella she’d just used in her soft-shoe routine and whacked Fred 40 times –the same number she was said to have used on her dear ol’ mum ... with, of course, far worse consequences.