

PEOPLE TIRE OF WAR PICTURES, SAYS REID

Fewer and Better Films Promise of Movie Star.

ACTOR PORTLAND VISITOR

Work of Years Ago Recalled. When Player Wrote Scenarios and Directed Their Production.

Wallace Reid is not master of his soul nor captain of his fate. And he's not the man that said he was. So, "Wally," for four years star for the Famous Players-Lasky company, declared yesterday afternoon during the intervals in which he was not making personal appearances at local motion picture theaters...



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TODAY'S FILM FEATURES. Peoples—Bryant Washburn, "A Very Good Young Man." Majestic—Clara Kimball Young, "The Better Wife." Liberty—Charlie Chaplin, "Sunny Side." Columbia—Harry Warner, "The Man Who Turned White." Star—Mary Miles Minter, "Yvonne From Paris." Grand—Fatty Arbuckle, "A Desert Hero." William S. Hart, "Breed of Men." Globe—Wallace Reid, "Nan of Music Mountain."

AN UNUSUAL production is "The Better Wife," featuring Clara Kimball Young, which is this week's attraction at the Majestic theater. It is unusual in two particulars—the plot and the star. The story of "The Better Wife" concerns the fate of an American girl who married an English widower, still grieving for his first love, but needing aid in the care of his small daughter...

Screen Gossip. William Seiter, director of De Haven comedies, has recently completed his latest production, "After the Ball," and is circulating a list of names for the over-increasing attendance at his Sunday recitals is sufficient proof as to the evident inroad he is making in the hearts of Portland movie lovers.

Hal E. Roach, general director of Harold Lloyd comedies, has vowed to never again accept a "collect" telegram until he has read and reread the same. Mr. Roach was born in that dear Elmira, N. Y., and he has been boosting that place ever since. One of Mr. Roach's California friends recently went east and in due course of time the following wire, dated Elmira, was received at the Los Angeles studio, collected \$1.

Henry King, motion picture director, who is responsible for many of the Mary Miles Minter successes, has commenced work as a director of the screen. Mr. King stands head and shoulders above any previous offerings. A quiet dignity and sincerity prevail throughout the entire play, yet at the same time the action is swift and sure.

And now the rubber heel has begun to play its own quiet part in the better-pictures movement. Some months ago, the story goes, one of the brainy directors for the American Film company hit upon the notion that a noiseless stage would be conducive to sweet serenity and concentration on the part of his screen players. Mary Miles Minter, William Russell and Margarita Fisher took the lead and members of their supporting cast were told the hint, the "noiseless stage" is certainly bound to keep close to its name.

Children May View New Fleet. CENTRALIA, Wash., July 20.—(Special.)—An excursion of school children to Tacoma to view the new Pacific fleet on its arrival there is being planned by the Centralia Chamber of Commerce, members of which will act as chaperons for the children. It is intended to charter a special train and Tacoma to participate in the excursion.

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