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THE MIGHTY MOVIES.

Hats off to the "movies!" They have become the drama of the great Common People. More than five billions of us patronized them last year—or rather, we paid that many admissions. For our delectation 96,000,000 feet of films were unrolled every night on thousands of clicking reels. The industry maintained by our nickels and dimes has risen to the bulk of \$300,000,000 investment. The "movie millionaires" we have made, and there are already some thirty of them, are exporting 25,000 miles of films a year, a girdle for a world.

The movies have emptied the balconies and galleries of the "legitimate" theaters; new houses are going up without them. Even the pit feels the competition of the latest form of dramatic art. For art it is, in its present development, with the world scoured for local color and background, the masterpieces of literature made into photo-plays, the foremost living authors writing scenarios and the best actors of the stage posing for them.

And why should not our nickels buy the best, when a single picture is unrolled before 15,000,000 of us? Never before did an actor or playwright dream of such an audience.

The audience is going to keep right on increasing, and the picture drama is going to evolve into still more instructive and artistic forms. There are prospects of good, wholesome, cheap entertainments without end.

The big public refuses to weep much over the "decay of legitimate drama." Most of the stuff produced in recent years hasn't been particularly "legitimate" anyhow. No wonder the people prefer decent, wholesome picture plays. The season just ending has been a losing one for the New York theaters, but a profitable one for the movies.

CHANGES OF SENTIMENT.

The conditions in Italy illustrate the variable moods of both classes and masses. When the war broke out in Europe there was in Italy such a powerful element so bitterly opposed to the war that the least attempt on the government's part to take sides in it would have caused a revolution. Now, although the war is only two months old, this sentiment has changed so radically that there is a revolution threatened if the government does not join the allies. Not only has this change taken place among the people, but the king and his officials have changed just as much. At the beginning they favored war, but now they want to keep out.

It is probable, though, the greed for more territory and the chance to take part in the division of the plunder will finally drive both king and people into joining the allies. The czar frankly told Italy "if she would hold, she must grab." In other words, she will not be allowed to put her feet under the table unless she provides some of the provender. Italy wants to be the mistress of the Adriatic, and if it is apparent that Germany cannot help her and the allies can, she is ready to follow Russia's advice, and grab.

Tomorrow is Portland day and the largest crowd ever visiting Salem from the metropolis is expected here. We can promise them one and all one thing without mental reservation or equivocation, and that is the sight of the finest collection of fruit, vegetables, grains, grasses and farm products ever assembled under one roof anywhere. This is saying much, but we believe those who see them will back us up in the statement.

Chauncey Depew has reached the pinnacle of his desires. Recently, while in France, the peasants being deceived by the little bunches of alfalfa under his ears, mistook him for an Englishman, and cheered him. The story goes that Chauncey blushed like the dawn of love and smiled like the face of Nature on a Spring day.

The Hindu may not land in Canada, but there does not seem to be any strenuous objection to his landing in France. The Canadian, while not being willing to work beside him, is perfectly willing to fight by his side. War is an ennobling calling, and it certainly is a leveler of class distinctions.

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The cost of the war to Germany alone is estimated to be \$5,000,000 a day, and it is claimed the loan she recently negotiated will pay the expenses of the war, her part of them, for a year. Estimating the expenses of the others at the same ratio would make the war cost in money above \$15,000,000 a day, or more than \$5,000,000,000 for one year if it. Add to this the loss in useful pursuits, and the total will make more than double that sum. On top of this is to be figured the loss from diminished population and the army of sick and crippled that must be taken care of for the next sixty years, which makes the sum total of the cost of the war simply staggering. This is a small feature of it compared to the suffering and sorrow it has entailed, or will yet bring to millions if it is continued for any length of time.

The attack on cities by aeroplanes and Zeppelins is not war, but cold-blooded murder, cowardly assassination. Soldiers in any decent cause do not make war on women and children, nor do they slip out at night to pot-shoot a lot of harmless and sleeping non-combatants. The dropping of bombs from the skies on peaceable cities is something that would and should justify the putting to death of every person doing it. Nothing is gained or to be gained by this kind of so-called warfare. It does not help either side toward ultimate victory, and in fact is cold-blooded murder, neither more nor less.

One of the strongest demonstrations of the magnitude and far-reaching power of Standard Oil is its recent action in the far East, where it undertook to get money to the missionaries whom neither the government nor the missionary boards could reach. With agencies in every part of the world, Standard Oil volunteered to send such money as was raised for them, to these missionaries, and it did it without any trouble. However, this is not the only occasion on which it has shown itself to be stronger than the government.

Maxim is not in it with his silencer, when he is placed alongside a real noise suppressor like a war news censor. The latter infringe on his patent, but they have evidently greatly improved on it.

The weather clerk is still good humored and is handing out real genuine "fair weather." If he will only keep it up for the week, he can break another state fair record.

THE ROUND-UP

The summary of the assessment roll for Sherman county, just completed, shows total taxable values \$6,217,300, exclusive of railroads and other public service corporations, which are assessed by the state tax commission.

The movement to turn night into day in Hillsboro's business district continues. The Independent says many business men are beginning to believe the time ripe to supersede areas at street intersections in the downtown district with cluster lights the length of the blocks.

Astoria Budget: The city engineer reports that all the surveys for the new road to Cooscoom hill have been completed. As soon as the weather will permit, DeLaney and others interested will commence the building of the road, which leaves Niagara avenue at a point to be decided upon later.

The Banks Herald recapitulates as follows: "Three residences are now nearing completion, and several were finished this spring and summer. In addition, when one considers the big implement warehouse, the new garage and the moving of the Macabee bank to Banks, it is easily seen that Banks has taken quite a stride since last year."

Roseburg Review: One of the best horses in the Canyonville district, and owned by Jack Perdue, was accidentally killed yesterday. Perdue was out for a hunt and was coming in with a large buck across the horse. In a very dangerous place the horse missed his footing and fell upon the deer's horns. One horn penetrated the horse's side for about 15 inches and broke off, causing the death of the animal.

KAISER NEWS

(Capital Journal Special Service.) J. B. McKnight is confined to his home by illness.

Miss Pearl Blivins is convalescing from a recent attack of typhoid fever. Residents along the road north of the schoolhouse are looking forward to good roads owing to the fact that the county has graded and gravelled the stretch of road to the bridge from the corner. This particular piece of road has been a source of a great deal of inconvenience up to this time.

Mr. Welch is erecting a cottage on his place north of the Claggett estate.

S. E. Cooper and family spent two days of last week in Polk county visiting Mr. Cooper's sister, Mrs. Henry White.

The J. N. Thompsons have moved to town for the winter, where the Misses Lenore and Lucille will attend high school.

Mr. Welch and family will occupy their country place during their absence.

School is in attendance now with a good attendance.

TRYING TO ADJOURN.

Washington, Sept. 30.—Senate and house leaders were working today for an adjournment or recess of congress in October. There is expected to negotiate a "gentlemen's agreement," which would permit members if a adjournment was impossible, to participate in November election campaigns.

Keep Smiling

Keep smiling, 'tis better than building a fame as kicker or pretter who's sore on the game. There's no sense in winning that sort of renown; far better go grinning all day through the town; from office to tavern, as gaily you chase, display a glad even dividing your face; all day, as you teeter from courthouse to jail, smile sweeter and sweeter, and utter no wail; and as you're ascending your wearisome stair, your smile should be lending its warmth to the



air. Your troubles are frightful! Well, wearing a frown won't make them delightful, or batter them down. Old Trouble keeps piling its thorns on my head, but still I keep smiling, and will till I'm dead; when I'm in my easket, all finished my trips, I'll smile like a basket of hickory chips. Keep smiling, 'tis wiser, through all the long year, than being a miser with chirrups and cheer. Why is the world dingy and dismal and gray? Because we're staring with messages gay. We groan and we grumble, we whine and we wheeze, and don't take a tumble to facts such as these. It's every man's duty to chortle and grin, and thus fill with beauty the world we are in.

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SALTS IS FINE FOR KIDNEYS, QUIT MEAT

Flush the Kidneys at Once When Back-ache or Bladder Bothers—Meat Forms Uric Acid.

No man or woman who eats meat regularly can make a mistake by flushing the kidneys occasionally, says a well-known authority. Meat forms uric acid which clogs the kidney pores so they sluggishly filter or strain only part of the waste and poisons from the blood, then you get sick. Nearly all rheumatism, headache, liver trouble, nervousness, constipation, dizziness, sleeplessness, bladder disorders come from sluggish kidneys.

The moment you feel a dull ache in the kidneys or your back hurts, or if the urine is cloudy, offensive, full of sediment, irregular of passage, or attended by a sensation of stinging, get about four ounces of Jad Salts, from any reliable pharmacy and take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia and has been used for generations to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to activity, also to neutralize the acids in urine so it no longer causes irritation, thus ending bladder disorders.

Jad Salts is inexpensive and cannot injure; makes a delightful effervescent lithia water drink which all regular meat eaters should take now and then to keep the kidneys clean and the blood pure, thereby avoiding serious kidney complications.

Occasionally a girl remains a miss because she is unable to make a hit.

SUNNY SQUIBBLETS.

Dangerous work making war movies. Too damp flats near New York.

The college girls will be at home while Mother darns their stockings.

The farmers are called on to increase the food supply; and the county fairs propose to help on the cause by holding some fast horse trots.

As soon as the football schedules are out, the college professors will know when they can have recitations.

The dear girls are buying the war editions of the newspapers, so as to get the latest information about fall fashions.

Anyway while your small boy is laid up with stomach ache from green fruit, he isn't getting drowned in swimming.

The war causes a shortage of school supplies, but our home factories turn out excellent jack-knives for whittling the desks.

Your political friend now comes along, and asks you to start a movement to force him against his will to become a candidate for some office.

It is suspected that some of the advances in food prices are not due so much to the war as to the desire of dealers to acquire a 1915 automobile.

Writing paper has generally been substituted for the slates the children formerly used in school. It is more sanitary, and also makes good spit-balls.

It is astonishing what a good article an editor can write on the advantages of a cheap vegetable diet, after he has had a good square meal of roast beef.

EFFECTIVE, ECONOMICAL COMPLEXION RENEWER

One reason mercolized wax is so strongly recommended is that it really takes the place of several different cosmetics, saving time, patience and expense. It is better than any cleansing cream, better than any massage cream, and better than any rouge, for accomplishing the results for which such articles are used. As the wax actually absorbs an old, faded or discolored cuticle, a little each day, the underlying skin which gradually appears, is clearer, softer, healthier-hued and more youthful than any cosmetic-made complexion. Spreading on a thin coat of this wax at night, washing it off mornings; in a week or so produces a marvelous transformation. Just one ounce of mercolized wax, obtainable at any drug store, will do the work. There's nothing better to remove freckles, moth patches, liver spots, sallowness, blotches, pimples or blackheads.

For wrinkles and loose, saggy skin, a face bath made by dissolving 1 oz. powdered axolite in 1/2 pt. witch hazel, is the best thing that can be recommended. This has remarkable astringent and tonic properties.

FRUITLAND NOTES

(Capital Journal Special Service.) The family of L. W. Walker has moved to Lincoln county. They are located about 12 miles north of Toledo. Mr. Walker has rented a dairy ranch. The Siletz river runs through the farm. He has taken his cows and horses and will go into business on a larger scale than when here. The community regrets to lose the Walkers out of the neighborhood as they were a little above the average in intelligence and efficiency.

Walter Ransom and Joe Flegal had the misfortune to lose many of their belongings at a hop ranch in the vicinity of Independence. While absent from their tent there were stolen a suit of clothes valued at \$10, an oil cook stove, a alarm clock, a bicycle lamp, bedding, and some other things. Taking it all around, the boys were pretty well cleaned out—not much left but themselves.

E. Rice of Salem is doing some carpenter work near Yeoman station.

H. C. Brewer has started what seems to be a new variety of potato. Last summer he discovered in his garden a strange appearing potato plant. He let it mature and in the fall dug the hill and secured several of the new tubers. He gave a neighbor one of these potatoes. From this one some six or seven hills were planted. After a gopher had taken one of the hills, 40 good sized spuds were dug a few days ago.

The potatoes are almost perfectly round and are of fine and solid texture.

Clarence Boling has been called to assume jury duty during the fall term of court beginning next Monday.

IRENE OBJECTED.

San Francisco, Sept. 30.—An alleged suggestion by her husband that she plunge into the bay was followed by Mrs. Irene Wolf instituting suit for divorce against Frederick Wolf here today. Mrs. Wolf also alleged other acts of cruelty in support of her divorce complaint.

WILL POSTPONE BILL.

Washington, Sept. 30.—Administration officials predicted today that action on the \$10,000,000 ship purchase bill would be postponed until the December session of congress. President Wilson was said to be still undecided regarding insisting on its passage, but it was evident that certain members of congress were urging the necessity of postponing action.

CHAMBERLAIN'S FRIENDS.

The following editorial is reprinted from the Portland Daily Journal: Senator Chamberlain's friends are becoming urgent for him to return to

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Oregon and his up his campaign. Letters from all parts of the state are asking him to visit localities and make speeches in the interest of his candidacy.

To all of these letters, Senator Chamberlain is pleading his personal conviction that it is of the utmost importance for him to stay on the job at Washington and support the president in whatever emergency measure that may arise incident to the world war, and to render the extraordinary economic conditions resultant in this country from the war. Sometime ago he declared that while he did not want to be defeated, the interests of the state and country were of more importance than are his own political fortunes and that he did not propose to

sacrifice the one for the other. He is right. Nor should his friends be disappointed at his decision to stay on the job. When they come to think of it, they should aid him in remaining at his post by making his campaign for him.

In remaining at Washington Senator Chamberlain is standing by President Wilson who said in a recent letter to Congressman Doremus: But in view of the unlooked-for international situation, our duty has taken on an unexpected aspect. Every patriotic man ought now to 'stay on his job' until the crisis is passed, and ought to stay where his job can best be done.

Under the circumstances, his friends should make Senator Chamberlain's campaign their campaign.