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To the Editor: The writer notices with keen interest the agitation among the attempt to close the moving picture shows on Sunday. So long as it stops short of bitterness, there is always at least one good feature in agitation; it is the travail from which truth is born. Whatever may be the outcome of this, the stir sets the community to thinking, and of this there is much too little done. Thinking is hard work, but healthful.

A moving picture show is a jural tax. To critical maturity it is objectionable; to buoyant youth delectable. This form of amusement has sprung into existence in response to a demand for an inexpensive entertainment suited to the busy, overworked, under-paid toilers. Shop girls, bookkeepers, errand boys and laborers, with a slight sprinkling from all other classes, constitute the patronage of the moving picture show. People with whom life is strenuous and the nervous tension torturing, find in the film shadows an hour of rest, relaxation and diversion. In this they do good. It has been estimated by a statistician that 2,000,000 people in the United States see a performance in a moving picture show every twenty-four hours. This is excess. There are many feasible plans which would lessen the call for the moving picture performance. A public tennis court in approximately every fourth block would decrease the attendance in all kinds of play houses. The young person who plays tennis for an hour every evening will, ordinarily, have a healthy, wholesome mind. All kinds of outdoor exercises induce re-

laxation, banish morbidity, and remove the necessity for indoor amusements. However, the moving picture show fills a place and has become a fixture.

Then how should they operate? No influences should be degrading. All influences should be elevating. The most serious endeavor of men and women should be to bring boys and girls up to clean, wholesome manhood and womanhood. Is there any degrading influence in the ordinary moving picture show? There is a minimum. Perhaps too many of the pictures deal with the tender passion. Too much kissing, maybe, and yet this osculation on the screen has a superiority over that in every day life in that it is sanitary.

The rooms in which moving picture shows are held should be large, airy, and have ample fire protection. The pictures should be humorous, wholesome and educational, and the music such as common people appreciate.

When should they operate? Under present conditions they are open whenever they can get patronage. They are able to get patronage on Sunday so in the absence of any restriction they operate. The religious idea is the highest that can occupy the attention of man. Young people are neither irreligious nor irreverent, but the appeal of the church to the young is weak. The young mind is not at fault in that it can get more of divinity out of a sweet pea blossom than out of the ordinary church service. Many of us who affiliate with churches have become so encapsulated in forms and rites, or, changing the figure, we have been packed in ice so long that we can warm to no one; and energetic youth turn from us as sailors from the breath of an iceberg. When churches make—and they can—their buildings so attrac-

tive, their services so glowing and magnetic, that young people will be drawn to them by a superior force, then and only then will places of lower ideals be closed effectively. The law of The Survival of the Fittest is not entirely strange to these conditions.

The above is generalizing. However, we believe the principles apply to Hood River. The writer has attended moving picture shows in Hood River a few times, not for psychological or sociological study, but for a rest. (He got it.) Notwithstanding, we remember something

of the surroundings. The buildings might be better ventilated and might have better arrangements for egress in the event of fire. The pictures in general were interesting and harmless. Some of the music was excellent. None of the vaudeville was immoral; but some of it presented as much dramatic talent as the antics of a toad.

California, by state law, has established a censorship to regulate its moving picture shows. Hood River might lead in Oregon by adopting a similar plan. The writer is not an applicant for the position of censor. Yours respectfully,
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