

MOVING PICTURE NEWS



H. B. Warner and Clara Williams, Stars of "Market of Vain Desire," at Columbia Theater.

TODAY'S FILM FEATURES. Columbia—"Market of Vain Desire," "Bath Tub Special," "Majestic—"Soul Mates," "Peoples—"The Gutter Magdalene," "Clayton—"Tangled Fates," "T & D—"The Suspect," "Sunset—"The Blindness."

WITH "Free Silence," or film-drama's "free speech," as his slogan, Edwin August, prominent actor-director-author-scenarist, has entered in the race for the Presidency of the United States.

So asserts his press agent, the Motion Picture Newspaper Syndicate of New York. The object of this move is not to elect August the head of the Union, although that would be one of those "devoutly to be wished for consummations," but to call the attention of the people of the country to the battle the motion picture industry is waging against censorship.

"Edwin August is bent upon awakening the people to defense of the basic right already guaranteed to them by the Constitution—the right of freedom, right of free speech, of a free press; the right of a free forum and a free stage," says one of his supporters. "Why, he asks, should the people silently submit to the shackling of the silent screen? Can they not see that it is but a step, a logical step, to censorship of the stage, and thence to censorship of the press and of speech, the utterance, the expression of ideas in every shape and form?"

"No," the supporters of Mr. August and his idea, "he is not the advocate of indecency, or approach to indecency, in any shape or form. The common law and the regular police power of the country have always been sufficient to protect us from that in public speech, in the press, on the stage. The same powers are sufficient to prevent the screen from giving offense to public morals. Why then single out for censorship a thing unknown to our Constitution, alien to the very spirit of Americanism?"

"Free Speech" has long been a watchword of the motion picture president, Mr. August. "The day has come for 'Free Speech' as a rallying cry."

However agreeable a motion picture president might be, the Motion Picture News directory reveals the lamentable fact that there is no Edwin August. There is a Philippe von Dutz, a Louis, a Louis, a Louis, who has adopted "Edwin August" as a stage name. Is it necessary to make the motion picture president such a name cannot, particularly at this time, be elevated to the Presidential chair, no matter what his qualifications for the office? Something is due neutrality ethics.

The beauty and charm of Anita Stewart have never been questioned. Neither will her dramatic talent after witnessing her appearance in "The Suspect," which is the feature of the week-end bill at the T & D Theater, for Miss Stewart's characterization of the Russian nihilist leader, battling for her people against cruelty and oppression, is a splendid tribute to the ability of that young Vitagraph actress.

The story is intensely dramatic, with no lagging moments, the element of suspense being cleverly upheld. From the time Sophie's father is charged to death until her husband is shot by a nihilist bullet intended for his father, Karatoff, "the butcher," the suspense is injected into the plot, for after carefully working up a sympathetic attitude towards this son, who wishes to have nothing to do with either plotting or oppression, he is killed, and a new character, a British diplomat, injected to marry the beautiful heroine. To avenge the wrongs inflicted upon her family through the death of father and mother, Sophie contrives to marry Paul, the son of "the butcher," Prince Karatoff. A child is born to them. The Paul is slugged and thrown into a half-frozen river by a jealous rival. Paul is rescued, but loses his memory, and is brought up by nihilists, who implant in his breast an intense hatred for authority, and particularly his father.

the Westerner find happiness together. Paramount pictographs and a Bray cartoon comedy are also on the programme.

Pickford. "Tangled Fates," a Brady-made World feature starring the talented and magnetic Alice Brady, opens at the Pickford Theater today for a three-day screening. Clayton, the mystic hero, who has attracted such large crowds at the playhouse with his intimate revelations, will continue his role of entertainer extraordinary throughout the week.

A successor in popularity to "Way Down East" is the way admirers of "Tangled Fates" speak of the picture. It is a story of varied life, the action taking the spectator from the rural district of New England to the big cities and then shifts to Alaska. Instead of the man-fight feature, "Tangled Fates" goes that one better with a terrific struggle between heroine and villainess.

Columbia. H. B. Warner, star of "Allas Jimmy Valentine" on the speaking stage and "The Beggar of Cawnpore" and other motion-picture successes, opens a three-day engagement at the Columbia Theater today in "The Market of Vain Desire," a society drama dealing with a woman who bartered her soul for social position.

Majestic. "Soul Mates," a story of marital infidelity, with a quadrangular complication replacing that of the "eternal trio," will be shown today at the Majestic Theater with William Russell, the popular Mutual star, in the leading role. This is the first of the new Mutual programme series of star portraits, and the picture is directed by Helen Holmes as to be principal players.

The drama is a picturization of the Edward A. Kaufman novel, "The Sacred Matrimony," and depicts a husband and wife of different marriages finding happiness together following the misdeeds of their mates.

Special Rose Festival pictures, Pathe News and Vitagraph comedy will also be screened.

Screen Gossip. Midnight matinees will be conducted at both the Peoples and Pickford theaters tonight and tomorrow night in honor of the Rose Festival celebration. The special programmes will start at 11 o'clock.

A movie career: She cut out love scenes one and all. She cut each rough but comic flap. She cut out run-play, using fists. She then cut out slapping wrists. She cut out this, she cut out that. And 'e'en the best of films fell flat. In cut-outs gaily she regaled. Until the picture business failed. Because the public stayed away. Alas, they then cut out her pay!

Fannie Ward, who achieved a distinct success in "The Cheat," has signed up with Lasky for two years more. She is at present in New York, but will return to Hollywood this month.

Victor Moore in "The Clown," Cleo Ridgely and Wallace Reid in "The Seaside Woman" and Blanche Sweet in "The Duke" will be among the Lasky releases for the summer.

Bessie Barriscale, the fascinating star, who is featured in "Bullets and Brown Eyes," made her debut on the speaking stage when only 5 years old. She appeared at that time with James A. Hearn in "Shore Acres." Then followed many child roles before Miss Barriscale reached her teens. Her first prominent appearance in New York was in the role of Lovey Mary in "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch." A season of successes in London then led to Miss Barriscale's engagement by David Belasco as star in the role of Juanita in "The Rose of the Rancho." She made her biggest success as Luana in "The Bird of Paradise." She has been engaged by Thomas H. Ince under a long-time contract.

HEADQUARTERS FOR FESTIVAL GOOD TIMES

PICKFORD PEOPLES

FANNY CLAYTON

FANNY WARD

The Master of Mystery The Sensation of the Week

Never before have the people been so completely mystified and so well entertained as does Clayton with his wonderful psychological powers. He is solving the most perplexing problems of life. If you have a question—no matter what—ask Clayton—He will answer it.

The Famous Lasky Star, in "The Gutter Magdalene"

Here is one of Willard Mack's greatest plays. The story of an erring girl whose scarlet life was changed by the magic touch of true love and whose good deeds bore fruit as did those of the Magdalene of old.

You can't ask for a better play, and one that is more gripping and dramatic than this. Take our word—you'll want to see it twice and you'll want all your friends to see it, so bring them along.

Paramount Pictographs Paramount Cartoon Comedy

ALICE BRADY in "TANGLED FATES"

The story of a girl who sacrificed honor, love, father, mother and home to shield her younger sister from town gossip and scandal. If you want to see a play that will thrill you to the depths of your emotions, see this.

Come to Our Midnight Matinees

In order to accommodate the thousands who are unable to see our top-notch shows during the day we will hold midnight matinees in both the Peoples and Pickford theaters, beginning at 11 P. M. Get all your friends together and come—Tonight and tomorrow night—you'll enjoy yourselves to the limit.—Manager.

DIPLOMAS GIVEN 20

Francis A. McMenamin Gives Address at Columbia.

HONOR MEDALS AWARDED

Archbishop Christie Confers Degrees and Is Assisted by Father Hughes—Francis Jacobberger Delivers Valedictory.

"Young men, see to it that cigarettes do not stain your fingers; that you are manly, moral and loyal to this institution from which you are graduating," said Francis A. McMenamin in his address to the 20 young men who received their diplomas yesterday at the commencement exercises of Columbia University. The programme was opened with a piano selection by Bruce Wells. Charles Foley read the class poem and Francis Jacobberger delivered the valedictory address. Mr. McMenamin told the graduates that their education had just begun.

Archbishop Christie, who conferred the degrees and the gold medals, told the young men that if they followed the precepts taught them in Columbia University they were assured of success in whatever they undertook. He pointed to the list of men from the university who had achieved great success.

Father Hughes Assists. Rev. Father Hughes, acting for President Boland, assisted Archbishop Christie in conferring the following diplomas and medals: Engineering diplomas in the high

FACTORY PLAN LIKED

East Side Scheme Finds Many Supporters.

TAX EXEMPTION PROPOSED

Commendation Is Received From Various Parts of Oregon and Places Outside State Action to Be Taken Soon.

The industrial committee of the East Side Business Men's Club has been receiving many favorable letters concerning its new plan for raising a loan sum of \$500,000 to assist in the establishment of manufacturing establishments, and the proposed amendment to the state constitution exempting manufacturing concerns from taxation.

Even in New York the plan is attracting attention, as shown by a letter received from the Associated Industrial Service, through G. W. Lansing, one of the directors. The plan is commended by Mr. Lansing.

A strong indorsement of the plan to exempt the manufacturing concerns from taxation comes from Gold Hill, Or., from a business man who writes: "I notice that your club is everying an initiative amendment to exempt manufacturing from taxation. Every business man knows that best business comes from the laboring classes and that the payroll town always is the best business town, and nothing makes for a good payroll as manufacturing."

"We know also that in Oregon taxes are fearfully high, due to the undeveloped condition of the state's resources and consequently a lack of taxable wealth.

"A good example is the case of the Portland Beaver Cement Company, of Gold Hill, which placed their plant in Rock Point school district instead of Gold Hill district, because Rock Point has no school tax, while Gold Hill maintains a high grade school.

"If this measure can be made a law, we will have a great influx of manufacturing, and with it a large increase in population. The laborers will occupy our own homes not now in existence, and that means a larger tax list, and as a natural result lower taxes for all, as well as greater business for business men. It cannot mean anything but a great benefit for the state.

Support Is Offered. "I am interested enough to offer my support and services in the interest of this measure in my district."

Signed by George Iverson, director of the Greater Gold Hill Club.

WOMAN TO KEEP CHILDREN

Mrs. Bessie McElroy Agrees Not to Defend R. C. Turner.

Rather than lose the custody of her two children, Mrs. Bessie McElroy, whose charges led to the arrest of R. C. Turner in Missoula, Mont., last week, has promised County Judge Cleton to make no attempt to clear the man, who adopted the name of McElroy while living with her in Portland.

Judge Cleton told her that if she intended to return to her old life she could expect no sympathy from the court, and her children would be taken from her, as she would be considered unfit to care for them. She has two daughters, 3 years and 2 years of age.

Turner is in the County Jail awaiting trial on a charge of larceny of an automobile, and possible accusations of bigamy.

Majestic THEATER

Beginning Today THE POPULAR STAR

WILLIAM RUSSELL

Soul Mates

A story of the love and devotion of a faithful wife battling against the schemes of a heartless adventuress.

PATHE NEWS VITAGRAPH COMEDY MAJESTIC NOVELTY TRIO

Rose Festival Events in Motion Pictures

ANITA STEWART

The Screen's Greatest Favorite in "The Suspect"

Love, adventure and retribution—all mingled together in the making of a tense, emotional drama, and FRANK DANIELS, the superlative screen comedian, in a new comedy. Other features.

TODAY, TOMORROW AND SATURDAY AT THE T & D THEATRE

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