# HELPLESS WOMEN ARE ALLEGED PREY

Attorneys Accuse Some Lawyers of Reaping Harvest From Pension Act.

### MOTHERS ENTITLED TO AID

Supreme Court Holds That Counties Must Provide for Deserving Persons and That Back Pensions

Are Due Many Applicants.

Charges are made by Portland at-

torneys that greedy lawyers are seeking undue personal gains from fees
charged those women who are entitled
to pensions under the mothers' act of
1913, but to wnom relief has heretofore
been denied. The status of these women has been clearly outlined in recent Su-preme Court decisions. It is alleged that many women, to whom pensions were denied when the law first went into effect, should recover back pensions from the date of petition filing until May 20, 1915, the date of the Supreme Court decisions.

It is not known how many petitions

would be allowed on reconsideration by a court higher than the county court, but it appears they are numerous enough to attract some lawyers.

Help Provided in Needy Cases.
Section one of the law says that
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children under the age of 16 years
and whose husband is either dead or

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Vitagraph Comedy

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### MOVING PICTURE NEWS



Jane Gray and Fine Arts Kiddies, in Let Katy Dolt," at Sunset Theater.

Columbia—Mae Marsh. "The Little Liar," "The Danger Girl,"
Majestic — Dorothy Bernard,
"Sporting Blood."
T & D—"The Veivet Paw," "The
Conflict," "Gloria's Romance."

Pickford—Emmy Wehlen, "The Pretenders." Peoples—Edna Goodrich, "The

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House of Lies."
Sunset—"Let Katy Do It." "The
Great Pearl Tangle."
Holbrook Blinn, "The

Second to Street, and the processing of the proc

Arthur F. Miller will be forced by May 1, 1917, to remove his house and other obstructions from Miller avenue between East Sixteenth and Milwaukie streets. Commissioner Dieck sent a letter to the Council yesterday, asking approval of his action in ordering the street opened.

Property owners in the vicinty have been protesting that the street is needed. Mr. Miller fought against being forced to remove from the street is needed. Mr. Miller fought against being forced to remove from the street is listed to the poet into an engagement with her daughter.

But the villain, who has furnished the wherewithal for the campaign, makes the mother promise to steal a note from the rich man's safe, and the daughter becomes a party to the plot.

daughter becomes a party to the plot. The rich man, suspicious, watches mother and daughter pick the safe. The new secretary comes upon the scene and the villain, mother and two daughters are "caught with the goods." Edna accuses herself because she thinks the man really loves her sister. He so admires her for this nobliity that he takes her in his arms.

The Columbia River Highway, Ore-gon's scenic wonder, is shown in all of its wonderful beauty, in Gaumont's Mutual release, "Seeing America Sex." It will be an estimated the Metro programme.

### Pickford.

A comedy drama of the newly rich, with a chauffeur who becomes a bogus Count and then a real Earl, and a crock who becomes a temporary Earl and

who becomes a temporary Earl and then a prisoner, serves to re-introduce Emmy Wehlen, the pretty Viennese actress, to Portland fandom at the Pickford Theater. "The Pretenders" is the illuminating title of the attractive Metro production.

The story is an interesting one, and one that should prove particularly pleasing as a foil for the run of heavier dramas of the problem type. Miss Wehlen has the role of Helen Pettingill, whose farmer dad becomes an oil gill, whose farmer dad becomes an oil baron, and the socially-aspiring mother takes the family to the city. Pa goes out for a time, gets drunk, and returns home with a chauffeur, introducing him as Count Terfitte, in an effort to "save his face."

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Naturally, the Count receives a hearty welcome from Ma Pettingill, and Helen likes the young chap. This welcome is as nothing, however, to that accorded the Earl of Bradford, who is a crook garbed in a stolen title, intent on denting the Pettingill bankroll. There is much that is amusing, as well as exciting, before it develops that the Earl is a bogus individual and as exciting, before it develops that the Earl is a bogus individual and that the ex-chauffeur and fake Count

Never Considered by Husband of North.

Status of Children Declared

FORD ENTERS INTO

MONEY SENT ALASKA WIFE

Defendant in Forgery Suit Admits Registering Miss Frary as His Wife in Denver Hotel Before Marriage Was Arranged.

(Continued From First Page.)
his handwriting, written December 5, 1988, in which he told Mrs. Ford, who was then in California, that he was thinking of going to Mexico, learning is the real Earl of Bradford, falling the language there, and later trying heir to the title through the death of his father and older brother. The characterizations are excellent, to get a divorce. Deputy Collier charged him with

writing this to deceive his wife while particularly that of Paul Gordon, who plays the chauffeur-Count-Earl-suitor His poise, judgment and skillful interhe could go away with Miss Frary. he admitted remembering pretation of the part place him in the niche of central interest throughout the five reels. three children, Ford declared he had no recollection of their second child, Selig-Tribune News Weekly, with turrent events of the world in attractive form, is another subject flashed on the screen.

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reception her mother is giving with her widow's life insurance money, she puts acid on her face and is badly scarred. She is then compelled to play a Cinderella role by her selfish steprelatives.

Edna really loves the rich poet, the object of her mother's matrimonial campaign, and after she is abandoned by the heartless ones the girl, through a lifelong friend, obtains a position a lifelong friend, obtains a position.

Which includes the Coos Bay celebration, Pictures of the Coos Bay celebration, Pathe Coos Bay celebration, Pathe Coos Bay celebration, Potter of the was part. I don't know if it was Mrs. Ford's fault or mine," he explained.

Screen Gossip.

Charles Bowser, well-known legitimate actor, is now working in Sidney Drew comedies for Metro.

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He met Elizabeth Frary in 1997 and shortly after sought an attorney in Aberdeen, S. D., about a divorce, and was told that the contract marriage had not been legal. Other attorneys were consulted with the same advice. Of the marriage contract with Miss Frary, Ford said that it was not entered into until he had explained that he had a little girl to support and that she agreed to help support the child it necessary. He said he had paid Mrs. Ford between \$4000 and \$5000 from the time they separated in 1998, until 1914.

Frank Reden, former business associate of Ford, was put on the stand for a second time in the morning, to testify to business dealings. Asked on who had a narrow escape from death this week. He is working in "The Dawn of Love," Mabel Taliaferro's Recently Triangle gave a private showing of "Our American Boys in the European War." Among the invited guests were several prominent mem-bers of the New York Stock Exchange, Thirty thousand dollars was raised with which they bought and equipped Mme. Petrova lives in Flushing, Long Island, and motors to New York every day in her car. Her home is located about 12 miles from the studio in Manhattan. The last feature in which she appeared is "The Weaker Sex." It will be an early release on the Matte appearance. tify to business dealings. Asked on cross-examination if Ford had lost all he had in bankruptcy, he replied that he didn't know about that, but that Ford went through bankruptcy and lost a lot "others should have had."

Z. M. Parvin, of 330 East Forty-third treat weighbor of Ford for three years. Bobby Connelly is the hero of a book, "Sonny Jim," written from pic-tures that he made for Vitagraph. The volume is illustrated with photographs

street, neighbor of Ford for three years, testified that Ford had a good reputa-tion for fair dealing. Mrs. Parvin was



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from his plays.

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