

USE OF WOOD URGED

Architect MacNaughton Favours New Ordinance.

ARGUMENTS ARE ADVANCED

Prominent Architect Declares That Proposed Change in Law Will Benefit City and Bring About Needed Improvements.

Adoption of the proposed ordinance permitting construction of sprinklered mill construction buildings in the inner business district is an actual step toward the advancement of the city, says E. B. MacNaughton, prominent architect, who is advocating the measure.

It will aid in improvement of many pieces of property now either vacant or covered with dilapidated structures, Mr. MacNaughton contends. "The proposed ordinance granting the right to construct sprinklered mill buildings in the inner district is not a step backward," says Mr. MacNaughton, "but is an attempt on the part of many of the property owners in this area to get buildings built which are workable without dependence for relief on special permits."

"Approximately 80 per cent of the central business area is now improved with brick buildings whose interior construction is anything but fireproof. These structures, many of which contain highly inflammable stocks, are liable at any time to partial destruction by fire."

"Under the present ordinance, if the loss is less than 50 per cent the owners can replace the original structure with the old hazardous construction and it is over 50 per cent the building must be scrapped and fireproof building erected. A great deal of this property is in the section of low rents where values are shrinking and to require replacement with an expensive fireproof building would be confiscatory."

"Other Arguments Advanced." "It would be far better for all property interests in the inner district, if these buildings could make the restoration under an ordinance calling for a less expensive building of fire resisting qualities, practically equalling the so-called fireproof building at a cost of at least 25 per cent less."

"The inner district also has holdings which are covered with veritable shacks. The large percentage of these are in the twilight zone of values where conditions do not warrant expensive structures whose initial cost is such that only a tall building is justified. It is a fact that the assessed value of aches in a village at day break and its departure in the night; the burning of the main tent and the stamped of the audience; these are some of the features of the play. The producers claim for its love story a charm and beauty greater than any ever before presented by the silent drama.

"It has been said that the lumber mills are behind this movement for a new law. On the contrary, the mills care little what type of building is built in the inner district. The amount of lumber required for the forms and false-work of a fireproof steel or concrete building is about the same as that used in the mill building with the added advantage for the mill building that form material is usually low-grade and of a quality that the local yards are glad to work off.

"Little Difference Made to Mills." "As an outlet for increased local lumber consumption the law has no attraction for the mills. They are much interested, however, in having removed out of their hands all the materials one of the hardest arguments against a wider sale and distribution of lumber in the great competitive territory of the Middle West, namely, a law which prevents the proper use of the material in the very home of the industry. No other city in this country or Canada has seen fit to restrict its best retail area with the fireproof ordinance that Portland has."

"The proposed law also meets a patriotic need at this time, when every effort is being made by the Government to conserve as far as possible the use of steel, that it may be placed to its uses and to the great munition and shipbuilding demands. Recently the National Chamber of Commerce in its second war building has substituted that building trades wherever possible substitute wood in the place of steel."

AUSTRALIA HAS I. W. W.

STRINGENT MEASURES BY GOVERNMENT STOP LAWLESSNESS.

Result of Vote on Conscription Laid to Women and Labor, Says Bishop Wedgewood, of London.

Australia also has had I. W. W. troubles and for a year it has stringency treatment, according to Bishop Wedgewood, of London, who has spent a year in the Antipodes in the interest of the International Brotherhood of Christian Scientists, and who was in Portland Thursday night on his way back to London.

"The women of that country had in the first use of the ballot not quite fully lived up to their responsibilities when they turned down conscription," he added.

"Australia's action in this was, I believe, due to the sentiment of the women and the Labor party," declared the bishop.

"The election of Hughes as the head of Australia was a victory which meant the elimination of the Labor party, and since then the war work has been somewhat stabilized."

"American Consul Britten at Sydney was the honored guest at a great banquet held on the night that the cables announced the entry of America in the war and everywhere the Americans were honored."

"Bishop Wedgewood lectured before the local branch of the National Theosophical Society. He was accompanied by A. P. Warrington, of Hollywood, Cal., president of the American branch of the international society.

The bishop and his party have departed for the north.

Drafted Men to Sell Herd.

CAMAS, Wash., Sept. 14.—(Special.)—Nick Morris, farmer and dairyman of Camas, and who operates a milk route in this city, was drafted for service in the National Army. He is now exempted on account of his occupation but it was declined. He therefore has made arrangements to sell his dairy herd of about 60 cows at public auction tomorrow and will discontinue his milk route. There is a shortage in the supply of milk in this city at present, and the discontinuance of this supply will make the matter of securing sufficient milk for the city's needs a serious question.

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MOVING PICTURE NEWS



Mary Pickford, as she appears in 'Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm', at Peoples Theater.



Alice Brady, in 'Betsy Ross', at Star Theater, Tomorrow.

**TODAY'S FILM FEATURES.**  
Columbia—Wallace Reid, "The Squaw Man's Son."  
Majestic—Mae Marsh, "Polly of the Circus."  
Sunset—Dorothy Phillips, "Hell Morgan's Girl."  
Liberty—Bessie Barriscale, "Wooden Shoes."  
Peoples—Mary Pickford, "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm."  
Star—The Argonauts.  
Circle—"The House of Mystery."

"POLLY OF THE CIRCUS." Margaret Mayo's world-famed classic of the "big tops" and now converted from the play into a motion picture, will open a one-week engagement at the Majestic Theater today.

After an absence from the screen of a year, Mae Marsh, who won fame in "The Birth of a Nation" and "Intolerance," comes again to greet her friends as Polly in this elaborate picture.

The production is said to abound in sentiment and thrills. An exciting horse race, the reproduction of an entire circus performance, including all of the animals and riding acts; the arrival of a steamer in a village at day break and its departure in the night; the burning of the main tent and the stamped of the audience; these are some of the features of the play.

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Vernon Steele is Miss Marsh's leading man.

Enviably Record for Mutual.

The Portland Mutual Exchange boasts of an unique record among small film distribution branches. During the past year it has sent three men into responsible positions with the Mutual Film Corporation, ranging from general sales manager for the organization to Western travel auditor.

The hebra started when A. S. Kirkpatrick, who was a certain efficiency expert before he visited Portland recently as left the management of the Mutual office to become a member of the staff at the general offices of Mutual in Chicago. He visited Portland recently as efficiency manager and is now general sales manager of the huge concern.

Several weeks ago Oscar Hansen, Mutual booker for more than three years and husband of Hazel Hansen, the motion picture actress, became efficiency booker for Mutual in the United States and Canada and is now busy installing his new and simple booking system in the various branches.

Yesterday Manager Jackson, of the local exchange, received word that his cashier, Nye Dobbs, who has been here two years, has been appointed traveling auditor for the entire territory west of Denver.

Screen Gossip.  
Manager Holtzclaw, of the Circle Theater, is to give the kiddies another one of his free matinees at 3 o'clock this morning. The entertainment, which is for children under 14 years of age, will have an exclusive comedy flavor, consisting of "The Two-Cent Mystery," a comedy-drama featuring little Helen Badgley; "The Ash Can," a one-reel comedy; "Dirty Face Dan," another comedy, and "Jerry Saves the Navy," a cartoon comedy.

color jacket presenting "Our Mary" reading a copy of the book.

"The Secret of the Storm Country," a sequel to the enormously successful Mary Pickford production, "Tess of the Storm Country," is being made, with Norma Talmdage as star.

"The Woman God Forgot," the first big Geraldine Farrar picture of the season, has been completed. The final scenes being filmed at Yosemite Valley, California. Miss Farrar's support includes Wallace Reid, Raymond Hatton, Hobart Bosworth, Walter Long and Olga Grey.

The Ogden Pictures Corporation announces that it is after comedy dramas for Lillian Walker.

With Edith Storey scheduled to make Metro pictures in California and William Clifford, her leading man, of the old-time "Westerns," with Metro, it seems more than likely that these players will be together again.

The City of Los Angeles is now richer by four camels because William Fox operated pictures of "Cleopatra, the Siren of the Nile," was made in the Fox studios at Hollywood, Cal., just outside Los Angeles.

The animals, with many others, were used in the production of the Theda Bara super-picture and when the scenes were over in which they were required Mr. Fox telegraphed to representative on the Coast that they be donated to the Griffith Park Zoological Gardens.

It isn't always the most desirable thing in the world to look like a multi-millionaire unless you can point proudly to a bank balance in keeping with your appearance. So believes Charles K. French, the veteran actor in the support of Charles Ray, star of "The Son of His Father," a Paramount-Ince production soon to be seen.

French has been doing plutocratic bankers for a long time but recently saw visions of a dandy outfit in Sierra Madre as a rough and ready Westerner. The indoor role was to be played by George Nicholls and everything seemed lovely in prospect. Then Mr. Ince looked them over and decided French was too good a banker to send into the hills and substituted Nicholls. So French is back at the desk trying to look pleasantly rich and inwardly indulging in reminiscences over the missed outing.

Jack Kerrigan is out of the hospital, where he was sent with a broken leg, and will be back at work soon. His first Paralta picture, "Man's Man," will be released this month.

The "Doug" Fairbanks route from Los Angeles to New York was a continuous ovation. He was given presents of various kinds at every town, greeted by school children and Indians as well as city officials, fans and members of the film industry and then spent but two days in New York taking pictures for a forthcoming production.

Thomas Meighan has renewed his Paramount contract. At present he is supporting Billie Burke.

Here's the very note—just as it came to the offices of William Fox—so don't let anyone tell you that the fine art of letter-writing has gone out of style. (It comes from a chap in Miss Gerages, Brazil): "Salutations! Enthusiast admirer of this insuperable company cinematographic, very appreciated everywhere (and now comes the denouncement). I beg you to send me portraits of your admirable and celebrated stars. I beg you to receive antecedently my thankfulness."

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Chicago Tribune: Mae Marsh is a most lovable "Polly." She bubbles over with personality plus. The production has humor, pathos and the great horse race is a "pippin."

Chicago Examiner: "Polly of the Circus" is an event in Film Land's history. Mae Marsh has attained a high notch on the ladder of success with its first production.

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SPOKANE BROKER CAUGHT

W. H. Bourke, With Reward Offered, Arrested in Juneau.

JUNEAU, Sept. 14.—W. H. Bourke, accused of grand larceny in Spokane and for whose capture \$100 had been offered, was arrested here last night. According to the police, he admitted his identity.

WORKMEN TO BE LISTED

Men at American Lake May Get Work at Other Places.

TACOMA, Wash., Sept. 14.—(Special.)—Workmen will be registered by the Government as they are paid off by Camp Lewis. This action was taken on the order of Secretary of Labor Wilson so that the Government might have crews on hand when other work is to be done.

War Ambulance Driver Killed.

PARIS, Sept. 14.—Robert P. Hall, of Minneapolis, a driver in section 62 of the Harjes-Norton Red Cross ambulance service, was killed Tuesday while on duty at an advanced post and was buried near Avocourt Wood, says the Herald today. The shell which killed Hall wounded his companion E. P. Sylvester, of Plainville, Minn., although not seriously.

STOCK CAMPAIGN WINS

EAST CLACKAMAS COUNTY FAIR SHOWS GROWTH OF INDUSTRY

From Small Commencement R. A. Blanchard Points to Importance of Farming Today.

The campaign the last several years in behalf of livestock as an industry is, according to R. A. Blanchard, agriculturist of the Livestock Bank of North Portland, bearing fruit now, and he says the outstanding feature of the East Clackamas County Fair now on at Estacada is the increased interest shown in the livestock department.

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MARY PICKFORD

IN REBECCA OF SUNNYBROOK FARM

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SISKIYOU ROAD RUSHED

Two Shifts Now Lay Macadam 20 Hours Out of Each 24.

MEDFORD, Or., Sept. 14.—(Special.)—After visiting the Pacific Highway through the Siskiyou, State Highway Engineer Herbert Nunn announces that he has placed a double 18-hour shift on the macadamizing of the road over the crest, increasing the tractor and roller equipment. Rains which have already started will not interfere with the work and the present shift will be continued until snow flies.

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