

CHILDREN OF NEW YORK AIDED BY BOARD OF JUVENILE CENSORS

New York's latest experiment in progressive child welfare was the establishment of a board of juvenile censors and children's matinees in districts.

The first children's matinee in New York, conducted by the National Juvenile Motion Picture Board, was held on January 8. The city was divided into districts, and the matinee was presented at one of the most convenient houses in each district. Chaperones were provided for unescorted children by the mothers' clubs. The expenses of the matinees were met by the theater managers, who also paid the board a small sum to cover its expenses.

Recent statistics show that over 15 per cent of every motion-picture audience is composed of children under 16 years of age. The compiler, Miss Helen Dusey, editor of the motion-picture department of the Woman's Home Companion, adds that fewer than 150 of the plays she has seen are suitable for children to witness. We learn more of the widespread movement that is being made against this state of affairs.

At last the organizations have come to the realization that motion-picture producers are business men and not philanthropists.

They have begun to realize that they must create a demand for children's pictures—a demand which pays the producer in cold dollars and cents for his trouble and money invested in the making of films. Motion-picture producers manufacture their products to supply the entire world. The fact that there has been spasmodic demands for juvenile pictures has not warranted enough financial returns to cover the cost of production and distribution. The high-minded public which wants such films has now learned that it can talk in terms of profits to the motion-picture managers, who in their turn can make it look like good business to the producers, the demand will be supplied.

Boston educators conceived the idea of establishing a children's theater for educational films only. The University of Wisconsin maintains a regular film service in the state's public schools, and Iowa is planning to do the same thing through its State Agricultural College. Chicago has children's matinees on Saturday morn-

ings, and the New York Strand Theater has employed Miss Bell McClaren, a professional story teller, to recount the stories of the films, or others which the children want to hear. Du-luth, Minn., has had a successful children's matinee intermittently for two years under the partial supervision of Miss May Stanley and the Drama League. Minneapolis, St. Paul, Grand Rapids, Mich., and Louisville, Ky., are other cities which are responding to the demands of children's film production and doing practical as well as propaganda work in their behalf.

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VESSELS TO AND FROM THE ISLANDS

(Special Wireless to Merchants' Exchange.)

SAN FRANCISCO—Sailed, May 2, at 2:10 p. m., S. S. Ventura for Honolulu.

Arrived, May 2, 8:30 a. m., S. S. Manoa, hence April 25. SAN FRANCISCO—Arrived, May 2, S. S. Wilmington from Hilo April 21. S. S. SONOMA sails for San Francisco at 5 p. m., today.

Radiogram. U. S. A. T. SHERMAN, 8 p. m., May 1, 1620 miles off port; expected Monday.

Considerable damage was done to the Walkiki end of the O. R. and L. station last night when a string of cars became detached from a locomotive and slid off the end of the track. The accident occurred while the passenger train for Ewa was being made up. No one was injured.

Five per cent of the population of this county earns its living directly or indirectly in the electrical business.

Siamese natives obtain petroleum from the earth by digging pits about 60 feet deep and dipping it out with pails.

The Royal Astronomical Society has just had its charter amended so that women are eligible for election as fellows and associates.

Nigeria is expanding its foreign trade.

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About the Vanderbilts. Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Vanderbilt have gone back East for the season after spending the winter in Santa Barbara. They are occupying Henry T. Sloane's house, and, of course, may be counted upon to do some entertaining both here and at their place at Hyde Park, one of the most beautiful estates along the upper Hudson.

Mr. and Mrs. William Kissam Vanderbilt have returned from Aiken, and will be at their house on Fifth avenue until some time in May, when they go to France in order that Mrs. Vanderbilt can take up her winter work again. Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Astor, who have been cruising in southern waters, will divide their time between their house on East Seventy-eighth street and their Rhinebeck seat, where they always have a large house party over Sunday.—San Francisco Examiner.

Honeymooners. Miss Eva Belmont Salter and Edwin Ferdinand Mosher were married on April 12 at the Century Club. The young couple left for Honolulu on their honeymoon trip.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Salter of this city. She is a graduate of Stanford University and since the engagement announcement had been much entertained. Recently Mrs. J. D. Riordan gave a kitchen shower at her home in San Mateo, at which many useful gifts were presented for the future home of the young couple. Among others who had entertained for the bride were: The Misses Rose Manson, Greenlaw, Estelle Loveland, Amber Campbell, Jane De Quicke, de Young and Mrs. John Russell.—San Francisco Examiner.

To Sail in May. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Templeton Crocker are to sail for Honolulu on May 17. They have invited several friends to accompany them to the islands, Miss Marion Newhall among others. They will occupy the Irwin house at Walkiki for about six weeks. Mrs. Crocker's picture in her costume as queen of the Mardi Gras appears in an Eastern fashion magazine of a recent issue. Little Miss Frances Deering and Gertrude Murphy are holding up her train and Miss Katherine Purcell, in her first prize costume, is also portrayed.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Mr. and Mrs. George Almer Newhall entertained a number of friends at a hunt breakfast Sunday morning at their home in Burlingame. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. William Hincley Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Frederick Kohl, Mr. and Mrs. Norris King Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Rathbone, Mr. and Mrs. Atholl McBean, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Oliver Tobin, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Templeton Crocker, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Filer, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Knight, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Breeze, Mr. and Mrs. Mountford S. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Chamberlain, Mrs. William G. Irwin, Miss Marion Newhall, Miss Genevieve Bothin, Miss Gertrude Hopkins, Mr. Mountford S. Wilson, Jr., and Mr. Thornwell Mully.—San Francisco Argonaut.

Miss Jennie Stone entertained at tea Wednesday afternoon at the Palace Hotel in compliment to her niece, Mrs. Harold Barnard of Sacramento. The guests included Mrs. J. D. Sprout, Mrs. Maurice Sullivan, Mrs. Harry Weihe, Mrs. John Gallois, Mrs. Egbert Stone, Mrs. Leopold Heebner, Mrs. Clinton la Montagne, Mrs. Richard Heimann, Mrs. J. E. Laine, Mrs. Otis Johnson, Mrs. Roy Somers, Mrs. Andrew L. Stone, Miss Dorothy Stone, Miss Marion Sprout, Miss Lillian Van Vorst, Miss Edith Rucker, Miss Marie Louise Tyson, Miss Anna Olney and Miss Franc Pierce.—San Francisco Argonaut.

Lieut. and Mrs. J. H. Allen, U. S. N., were hosts at a large supper Thursday evening at the Somerton hotel. The hosts and their guests attended the "black and white" fancy dress party that was given on that evening by the management of the hotel. The ballroom was ablaze with California poppies and spring flowers. Lieut. John W. Cumming, U. S. N., entertained another party. Col. and Mrs. Loyd McCormick had six guests at their table and Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Ward, society folk of Portland, Ore., gave a supper in honor of 16 of their friends.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Count Zeppelin, in the Prussian House of Deputies, announced that he is working on a new type of motor for his airship. Since the outbreak of the war 30,000 settlers from the United States have entered Canada. In a billiard-room in Paris is a table made of glass. It is much more difficult to make a shot on it than on the ordinary baize-covered table. Government meat inspection costs each resident of the country 4 cents a year.

FROM YESTERDAY'S LAST EDITION

RUMOR PLANTERS AGREE TO EXTRA WAGE FOR LABOR

That a definite plan of wage increase for labor was approved by the sugar planters and agency heads who assembled here last Saturday was the report which reached the Star-Bulletin this afternoon. Rumor has it that the planters favor a plan whereby laborers will receive for each 20 days they work an extra 20 per cent, reckoned on the existing wage scale. Whatever tentative plan was decided upon has now to be referred to the various plantation companies for their approval or rejection, and this and the reports back to the Planters' Association may require some time, though indications are that a definite plan will be arranged within a short time. It is known that the planters wish to find a plan which will put something of a premium upon steadiness and faithfulness, rewarding laborers who exhibit these qualities.

HAWAII LANDS RE-LEASED TO C. BREWER & CO.

Approval of the release of 500 acres of land at Kalopa, Hawaii, below the lower Hamakua ditch, to C. Brewer & Co. was given by the land board at its meeting this morning. It adjourned at noon to meet at 2 o'clock again.

The 500-acre tract is part of a piece of 1200 acres now under lease to the company. The lease will expire on July 1 and there is a petition containing the requisite 25 signers for an opening of the land to homesteading now in the office of the land commissioner. A letter from Brewer & Co. set forth that the lands are absolutely worthless without irrigation and that it was doubtful if the homesteaders could pay for water. Acting on the information of Bertram G. Rivenburgh, land commissioner, that the other 700 acres, not desired for release by the Brewer Company, were suitable for homesteading purposes and that the petitioners could probably be persuaded to accept them instead of the lower 500, the board gave its approval to the lease.

The action of the board does not constitute a contract, or even instructions to Rivenburgh, it was explained at the meeting. It merely makes it possible for Rivenburgh to execute the lease if the petitioners can be persuaded to change their minds and accept the upper lands.

NAVAL MILITIA UNIFORMS ARE GIVEN MEMBERS

Nearly all the members of the naval militia of Hawaii got their complete outfits Sunday morning when Paymaster C. D. Bishop and a corps of assistants or yeomen worked like stevedores checking and issuing and receipting in a systematic manner for each item issued.

The adjutant general has directed that the naval militia take part in the parade Decoration Day; and while the volunteer man-o-war's men have not had any instruction in the manual of arms, their rifles have just been received, they are determined to hold at least two drills a week in order to get themselves into such shape. Every member of the engineer's force is ordered to be on hand for drill sharply at 7:30 Tuesday evening in the bungalow. For the month of May no other instruction will be given as it is necessary for both divisions to whip themselves into shape for the big parade. A drill sergeant has been detailed by the adjutant general to assist in the drilling under arms.

HAWAII'S WAR RELIEF IS NOW OVER \$100,000

James A. Rath, treasurer of the War Relief Committee, announced today that the latest funds sent by the committee are \$6000 for Armenian relief, cabled to the American Red Cross. This brings the total to \$105,252.95.

ELECTION FIGHT DRAGGED BEFORE MAIN COMMITTEE

Instead of quieting down, as was anticipated by many, the fight growing out of the recent Democratic direct primary election on Maui appears to be growing more bitter daily, with new developments constantly being reported.

An appeal from the decision of the Maui county committee, giving the election on that island to Dr. J. H. Raymond, who was a candidate for delegate to the national convention in St. Louis, has been taken to the central committee by Attorney Eugene Murphy of Wailuku, defeated candidate for alternate to the delegate.

This movement on the part of Attorney Murphy brings the entire burden of decision to the shoulders of the central committee and, as it is controlled largely by the McCandless-Wilson faction, it is difficult to determine just which way the wind will blow after that body has sat on the appeal.

Proxy Vote Included. The Maui county committee, in awarding the election to Raymond, holds that the 35 votes cast by proxy in the Hana district are valid, and it is largely against this point of the decision that Murphy has noted his appeal. Murphy claims that he has affidavits from the Hana judges of election which show that they do not deny that there were votes cast by proxy.

It was stated at Democratic headquarters in Pauahi street today that the voters did not only cast their ballots for the absent party members, but that the Raymond leaders could not trust their own men, so took the proxies from those who were present at the polls and voted for them.

'WAR-PLOT' MAN

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the matter will be placed before him as soon as he takes office. Randall, who was arrested by the police today on a charge of insanity, said, in a statement to the Star-Bulletin yesterday, that he was told by a member of the British Association that 150 men had been sent out of Honolulu to join the British forces, and that "only one of the men sent out had failed to enlist."

He also stated that in the rooms of the British Association there was a black tin box in which persons wishing to enlist in the British army were requested to drop slips of paper containing their names. Assistant District Attorney S. B. Kemp states that, upon investigation, he was reliably informed that the box in question was solely for the use of persons desiring to join the association.

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