

MOVE TO REPLACE AQUEDUCT BRIDGE

Georgetown Citizens Declare Old Structure Is Both Inadequate and Unsafe.

Vigorous action looking to the replacement of the old Aqueduct bridge is to be taken by the Georgetown Citizens' Association. A special committee, composed of B. A. Bowles, Frank P. Leitch and Henry T. Matthews, has been appointed to urge upon the Commissioners, the committee of Congress, and the War Department the necessity of a modern structure that will accommodate the enormous amount of traffic that moves over the bridge.

The matter was brought before the association at its meeting at the Potomac Savings Bank last night by Mr. Bowles. He discussed the recent engineers' report on the bridge, and the efforts made in the past by the association and by Georgetown business men to secure a new structure. The special committee was instructed to urge a new bridge to replace the old one as near the present site as possible, and certainly did not cost more than \$1,000,000. A portion of the instruction asking that railway lines using the bridge should be closed or withdrawn after being opposed by E. Leitch.

Traffic On It Heavy. Mr. Bowles declared that should the old structure go down or be condemned it would be a real calamity to Georgetown and adjoining sections of Virginia, and would bankrupt many business interests of Georgetown. "The traffic on the bridge," he said, "is far heavier than that on the highway bridge. There is from three to five times as much street, vehicular, and pedestrian traffic on this bridge as on the highway bridge, yet because of its admittedly unsafe condition, it has been closed for several days. The Rosslyn Supply Company that used the bridge extensively was compelled to move to this side because of restriction on hauling, and just after they did so they had a disastrous fire, suffering heavy loss."

The association will make every effort to have the new bridge on or near the present site, as to move it would disrupt the intricate established travel that have existed for more than half a century. A resolution was passed authorizing the Committee of Parks and Reservations to appear before the proper officials and urge for the association the appropriation requested by Colonel Hays, Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds, for immediate execution of the connecting roadway plan along Rock Creek valley.

Resolutions were adopted opposing any change in the local administration of the District, or any change in the status of the library trustees or the Board of charities as recommended by the Committee on Finance.

More Fire Apparatus Wanted. A communication from the citizens' committee on the loan shark law, was referred to the committee on legislation for report. At the suggestion of Mr. Bowles, the committee on public improvements was instructed to take up the question of motor apparatus for No. 5 fire engine company in Georgetown. Mr. Bowles said that the city has the largest and the most hilly territory in the District to cover, yet it has been drawn, while other companies having short runs have motor vehicles. He had frequently seen it necessary, he said, for the apparatus to stop on the Georgetown hills while on a fire-run to rest the horses. This company covers a territory extending from Rock Creek to the District line. On behalf of John B. Hammond, Mr. Bowles presented to the association a gavel, made from a cherry tree from Mt. Vernon. The association will have it engraved.

The association voted in favor of legislation aimed at fake advertising in the District. Resolutions of condolence on the death of B. T. Janney were passed and ordered presented to the family.

Wanted For Fire in U. S.; Seized By British As Spy NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—How Conrad Muckersheim, an alleged German spy, was taken from the steamship *Vauban* by the British cruiser *Vindictive* off Bahia was told by officers of the vessel on her arrival here. Muckersheim, who is wanted in connection with the incendiary fire at the Bethlehem steel plant, South Bethlehem, Pa., where 800 1-inch guns, most of the allies, were damaged, and \$2,000,000 in property destroyed, sailed from this port, it is alleged, on learning general agents were not his trait. From questions asked by a reporter, it was evident the real officers believed he had been in the service of the German navy, that he had been captured by the Japanese in China during the war and that he had escaped and fled to San Francisco.

Oil Land Withdrawals. Secretary of the Interior Lane has announced three withdrawals from entry of oil lands in Montana and North Dakota. Through the withdrawals total 2,500 acres, but 20 per cent is vacant land. The land is open to non-mineral mining, all mineral rights being reserved to the United States.

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PHOTOPLAYS AND PHOTOPLAYERS

Film Patron Objects to Changing Story in Making of a Photoplay

"When will motion picture producers learn not to deliberately change the course of a story they adapt in film form to introduce some big actor or actress?" The question has been asked the photoplay editor of *The Times* by one of the patrons of the motion pictures in Washington. It is rather difficult to answer, for several reasons.

There does not seem to be a single valid reason why producers should do such a thing. The matter was brought up during the discussion of the production of "The Foundling," in which Mary Pickford is presented. "The Foundling" offers Miss Pickford one of the best acting opportunities she has had since she was in the *Biograph* company, years ago, under the direction of David Griffith. And she shows more of the real actress than she has done in many of her later productions.

It is a story in which the work of the actress, and not so much the character of her personality, counts for much. Miss Pickford is one of the most delightful personalities on the screen and in this particular picture she combines with her delightful personality some real acting ability that makes the viewing of the picture a very pleasant and agreeable task. "The Foundling," as it appears in picture form, is not the story of "The Foundling" as the film company itself published it, except in a general way.

People who see many pictures read everything they can find that is published about them. Most of them read the magazines and newspapers that devote much space to pictures. In these publications are found the stories of the plays and film companies themselves prepared them and there are several scenes in "The Foundling" which have given Miss Pickford further opportunities, that are not shown in the film version at all. To people who know the story, the picture is disappointing, for the very reason that they want to see more of Miss Pickford in the things she knows so well how to do.

There is no excuse for this sort of thing and in this particular instance the producers are clearly in the matter of the presenting of film versions of stories that are familiar to the audience. The producers' attitude taken by the producers without half the excuse. "The entire trend of a popular play of a director—and apparently without reason. Action is inserted that does not exist in the original story and the plot is frequently twisted until it is bent out of shape.

So, matter how well the thing might be photographed, or how well the various characters might be acted, there is nevertheless a feeling of uneasiness in the breast of everyone who sees such work. A story that has become popular is popular because it was written. When a film version is made and the idea is changed, the audience is likely to be indignant with reason. The fact that a change has been made is not the average spectator at all. He wants to see the story as he knows it.

The producers of film usually offer as an excuse for manufacturing a shorter film, that they are compelled to shorten it and condense the action. And there is just enough merit in their explanation to justify its being offered—but no more. It is a fact that the exigencies of presentation are frequently more difficult to meet than those of production. Most anything that happens in a novel or a short story can be reproduced in motion pictures. But the matter of showing the play with all the details is another thing entirely.

Griffith is authority for the statement that he made more than 10,000 feet of film in the taking of "The Birth of a Nation," the film version of Thomas Dixon's "The Clansman." If all of that film were to be shown it would require about twenty-five solid hours to put it through a projection machine. It was necessary for Mr. Griffith to cut the length down to 12,000 feet—the limit of length that could be properly shown in three hours—to make it acceptable to the public. As a result a tremendous amount of action was lost. Even three hours is too long for the average film. An hour, or an hour and a half at most, is as long as the average patron of motion pictures cares to see a play performed. It necessarily follows that productions of books and stories should be staged—not by what the director and producer can get out of them entirely—but by the combined elements of what the producer can get from them and what can be properly shown to an audience in a reasonable length of time. The producers seem seldom to

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ARTHUR JOHNSON, One of the best-known actors in motion pictures, who died at his home in Philadelphia yesterday.

think they have to show their films to an audience while they are making them. At least one would get that impression. And that undoubtedly caused the asking of the question and provoked this long answer. G. M.

RING BACK, HE KILLS GIRL AND HIMSELF

Double Tragedy in Millionaire's Home Near Providence. Man Son of Diamond Dealer.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 18.—Miss Melissa A. Budlong, twenty-two years old, daughter of James A. Budlong, a millionaire produce merchant, was killed in the parlor of her home yesterday by Croswell E. Whittier, son of Ira G. Whittier, a diamond dealer of this city.

Young Whittier then sent two bullets into his own head and died three hours later at the Rhode Island Hospital. According to friends Whittier and Miss Budlong had been keeping company for several months, and the first break occurred last Friday when the girl refused to attend the charity ball with him, and attended the dance, however, in company with another man. Both were present at a party at the home of Miss Beulah Davis, at Edgewood, Sunday night, and an open quarrel is said to have occurred, during which Miss Budlong handed Whittier back his ring. Yesterday Whittier was to have gone on a business trip through Connecticut. He carried his grip down in time to get his train. Here, however, he changed his mind, went into a gun shop and purchased a revolver, after which he boarded a car for Auburn. As he arrived at the Budlong home, Miss Budlong was about to start for New York with her mother. A limousine was waiting to

TODAY'S BEST FILMS

By GARDNER MACK. Charles Belman and Norma Tallmadge in "Battle Cry of Peace," adapted from Hudson Maxims' story, "Defenseless America," by J. Stuart Blackton (Columbia, Ninth and D streets). One Elderly in "The Golden Chance" (Lasker, Loew's Columbia, Twelfth and E streets). J. Warren Kerrigan in "London's Legend," adapted from the story by Meredith Nicholson (Universal, Grandall's, Ninth and E streets). Fannie Williams and Anita Stewart in "My Lady's Slipper," adapted from the story by Cyrus Townsend Brundy (Vitagraph, the Garden, 423 Ninth street). Vivian Martin in "Over Night" (World Film Corp., Grandall's, Twelfth and E streets). Hobart Henley in "Graft," fifth installment (Universal, the Hippodrome, Ninth street and New York avenue). Muriel George in "A Daughter of the Sea" (Edinburgh, the Masonic Auditorium, Thirteenth street and New York avenue). Billie Ritchie in "Billy's Reformation" (Knox, the Alhambra, 519 Seventh street). Marguerite Clark in "The Prince and the Pauper," adapted from the story by Mark Twain (Famous Players, the Leader, Ninth between E and F streets). Note—These selections are made from programs prepared by members of the theaters concerned, and no responsibility is assumed for arbitrary changes without notice. The Times. They are based on the personality of the players and the problems of the industry and not personal inspection, except in special cases. G. M.

FRIENDS RALLY TO MRS. SANGER'S AID

Pledge Support in "Birth Control" Trial Due to Begin Today.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—More than 30 well-known men and women who attended a dinner given last evening in the Hotel Brevoort for Mrs. Margaret Sanger assured her of their sympathy and their support in her trial, which is scheduled to come up today before Judge Clayton in the Federal court. Mrs. Sanger is charged with having violated a Federal statute in circulating literature on birth control. Her articles on the subject appeared in the *Woman Rebel*.

Rosa Pastor Stokes, who presided at the dinner, urged all the women present to attend the trial and lend their moral support in behalf of Mrs. Sanger. Mrs. Stokes said that Judge Clayton has been receiving forty to fifty letters daily regarding the case. Mrs. Sanger explained to the gathering that "perhaps what I did might not have been ladylike in the minds of many, but," she said, "I regarded it of vital importance."

Her speech was greeted with tremendous applause. **Historic Precedent.** Standing back of Mrs. Sanger in her fight for freedom of speech pertaining to this subject is the National Birth Control League. Mrs. Sanger said: "There is nothing new in this country for being backward birth control and Plato did the same. It is an ideal that must appeal to all mature intelligence. Since time immemorial women have tried to avoid unwanted motherhood."

All the speakers at the dinner took a rap at this country for "being backward" on this question, which they characterized as one of the important economic ones of the day. "The result of this trial may put the United States on the map as a civilized country of the world."

Among those who attended the dinner were Mrs. Ezeron Winthrop, Jr., Mrs. Ozden Mills Reid, Mrs. Harriot Stanton Blitch, Mrs. W. L. Colt, Mrs. Emanuel Elstein, Fola La Follette, Mrs. Frank Cethern, Mrs. John Blair, Mrs. Anne Constable, Miss Frances Joffite, Miss Jessie Ashley, Mrs. Herbert Parsons, Mrs. J. Sergeant Cram, Mrs. Theodore Rousseau and Mrs. Herbert Croly.

HUGHES TO HEAD GARFIELD HOSPITAL

Justice Accepts Presidency to Fill Vacancy Caused by Sternberg Death.

Justice Hughes, of the United States Supreme Court, who elected yesterday afternoon to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Surg. Gen. George M. Sternberg, president of the board of directors of Garfield Hospital. Justice Hughes' acceptance was announced immediately after his election. Other officers chosen were: J. A. Baker, first vice-president; Dr. P. Morris Murray, second vice-president; and Miss Allene Solomons, secretary. The other directors are: Dr. J. C. Boyd, Mrs. B. H. Buckingham; H. K. Willard, Justice Stanton, C. Peelle, Col. Archibald Honkins, Clarence Wilson, Walter Peter, H. Prescott Gately, Mrs. John M. Holland, Mal. W. O. Owen, and Col. John Van R.

Justice Hughes is the third member of the United States Supreme Court to accept the presidency of the board of directors of Garfield Hospital. Former presidents of the board included Justice Thomas Miller, of Iowa, and Justice Harlan of Kentucky. **Inaugurates Campaign To Save Indian Babies** A campaign to save the Indian babies of the nation has been launched by (Cato Sells, Indian commissioner. In a letter to every employer of the Indian Service the commissioner calls for co-operation in better sanitation and hygiene and disease prevention, particularly among infant Indians. He calls attention to the fact that infant mortality among the Indians has been alarming, three out of every five children dying before reaching the age of five years. Health and the right to live must be guaranteed to the Indian he as the first of all inalienable rights.

Musical for Blind. A musical for the blind will be given at the Library of Congress this evening at 8:15, in Pavilion 7. Mrs. Frederick E. Knisp, Miss Katherine Becker, and Miss Georgia Miller will participate.

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LA GRIPPE, COUGHS, BRONCHITIS Dr. John M. Mayhew describes influenza or La Grippe as a contagious disease, the symptoms of which are: "A multitude of signs" are hid under the diagnosis. It often comes on with a marked chill, or possibly by several hours of chilly sensations accompanied by sneezing, which is soon followed through the chest, cough and sweating, with pains in all parts of the body. Unless checked the disease develops into pneumonia. First of all, bowels must be kept open. The patient should be put to bed or compelled to take a complete rest in an easy chair. The diet should be light, but should consist of nourishing food and one anti-cathartic tablet should be taken every two or three hours. This treatment will usually break up the disease in a remarkably short time. In bronchitis, coughs, coryza and all grippe conditions, anti-kamnia tablets will always be found of great service. Kamnia tablets may be obtained of druggists in any quantity. Anti-kamnia tablets. They are also for headaches, neuralgia and



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