

WOMEN START HEAD WEEK'S FILM BILLS

Mary Pickford in New Play Leads the Local Theater List.

The Mary Pickford charm in a new setting is the verdict of audiences that saw the young motion picture star at Loew's Columbia yesterday in "Hilda From Holland," a brand new play which was written as a photoplay especially for Miss Pickford by Edith Bernard Delane.

The uncle settles on a farm in Pennsylvania. A railroad company covets the farm, which the uncle will not sell. He sends for Hilda and her brothers, and just after they arrive he is knocked down by an automobile and is seriously injured. A boarding house keeper finds the children and takes them to the farm.

The program also includes a Metro comedy introducing Mix Pirman and Lolita Robertson, and Burton Holmes pictures of the Rhine and the Danube. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, Cleo Ridgely and Wallace Reid will be seen in "The House With the Golden Windows."

Picture Plays Were Exhibited More Than Two Centuries Ago!

Criticism of Entertainment Given in 1709 Found by William Farnum.

IN OLD LONDON NEWSPAPER

Critico Speaks of Men and Women and Animals That Move as "Natural and Alive."

Did Shakespeare know about motion pictures? That sounds like a very foolish question, because the average person would announce rather pointedly that motion pictures are a distinctly modern product. Which is right where the average person would get himself in wrong.

One Part "A Landakip." "Part of this fine picture represents a Landakip, and the other part the Water or Sea. In the Landakip you see a Town, out of the Gates of which cometh a Coach riding over a Bridge through the Country, behind, before and between the Trees till out of sight; coming on the Bridge a Gentleman, and another hunter painter, the Spectating Company, the turning of the Wheels and motions of the Horses are plainly seen as is Nature."



ARTHUR ASHLEY. Young Star of the World Film Corporation to Be Seen at Crandall's Today and Tomorrow With Alice Brady in "Miss Petticoats."

Travelers, Cows and Pack Horses going along the Road till out of sight. And at a seeming distance on the Hills are several windmills continually turning and working. From a River or Seaport, you see several sorts of Ships and Vessels putting out to Sea, which Ships by degrees lessen to the sight as they seem to sail further off. Many more varieties too long to be inserted here are represented in this picture to the great Admiration, Diversion and Satisfaction of all Ingenious Spectators.

Unique Picture Theater. Brighton Beach is said to have the oddest motion picture theater in the world. The pictures are shown on a screen that is set up out in the sand. The projection machine is placed on shore and the picture is projected straight out into the ocean.

RED GLOW IN SKY MAY BE REPEATED

Aurora Borealis Effect Was Due to Atmospheric Conditions, Scientists Say.

If conditions of last evening are repeated the Aurora Borealis effect seen in the western sky after the sun went down will be seen again tonight, according to weather experts.

Red Rays Are Longest. The red rays of the spectrum, a scientist explained, are the longest of all light rays and naturally were the ones that were seen the latest.

Some Thought of Explosion. The explosion in New York yesterday was uppermost in the minds of most of the people who telephoned the city guardians, as most of them stated they thought there might have been something like that here or some big fire started.

Southern Resumes Train Service Halted by Floods

Having constructed a completely new bridge over the Catawba river, near Belmont, N. C., to replace the structure swept away by the recent floods in that section of the country, the Southern railway has resumed the through passenger service on its main line between Washington and Atlanta.

Uncle Harry Explains The Dead Letter Office

Tells the Boys Where All Misdirected Mail Goes and How Uncle Sam Saves Thousands of Dollars Yearly by Correcting Their Mistakes.

FATHER and mother had waved good-bye at the station. The long train pulled away and Uncle Harry and the boys made themselves comfortable in the Pullman car.

"I don't know that I can," replied Uncle Harry, "but I can make a guess that it's at the dead-letter office—that is, if Billy didn't lose overboard while he was fishing. Perhaps he misdirected it."

When they were seated in the dining car and the waiter was spreading a white cloth on the table, Uncle Harry continued: "When a letter reaches the Dead Letter Office it is opened and it contains the address of the person who sent it. If it is returned to that person, but if it contains no address or name by which the sender can be identified, and nothing of value or importance, a record is made of the case and the letter is destroyed. But if the letter, or, if it happens to be a parcel post package, contains something of value, the contents are kept for a year, and may be claimed within that period. After that time a record is made of the contents, and at certain times the accumulated contents are sold. The money received from the sale of these articles is turned into the United States Treasury."

"Are there many valuable things found in letters and packages sent in care of the Dead Letter Office?" asked Joe.

"Yes, one of my special friends," said Uncle Harry. "His initials are C. T., and he asked me if I wouldn't tell him about the origin of the Dead Letter Office and its development and how it works."

"Uncle Harry will be glad to answer inquiries, either in this column or by mail, provided letters are signed with the full name and address of the person writing. The correspondent's names will not appear in the articles."



THE RESULT. "DEAD LETTER OFFICE" "U.S. MAIL" "I DON'T KNOW HIS ADDRESS BUT I'LL TAKE A CHANCE."

TODAY'S BEST FILMS.

- Loew's-Columbia, Twelfth and F streets—Mary Pickford in "Hilda From Holland." by Edith Bernard Delane. (Paramount-Famous Players.)
Crandall's, Ninth and E streets—Alice Brady and Arthur Ashley, in "Miss Petticoats," adapted from the story of Dwight Tilton (World Film Corporation.)
Savoy, Fourteenth street and New York avenue—Louise Huff in "Destiny's Toy" (Paramount-Famous Players.)
Apollo, 42 1/2 street northeast—Leah Baird in "The Lights of New York" (V. L. S. E.-Vitagraph.)
Avenue Grand, 645 Pennsylvania avenue southeast—John Emerson and Beatrice Love in "The Flying Torpedo" (Triangle-Fine Arts.)
Garden, 423 Ninth street—Irene Fenwick in "The Child of Destiny."

WHAT'S GOING ON IN WASHINGTON TODAY

- Meetings of Fraternal Bodies. List of Amusements.
Today.
Moonlight excursion, Commerce Department Club, St. Johns leaves Eighth street at 8 p. m.
Outing, New York Avenue Presbyterian Christian Endeavor Society, Marshall Hall, all day.
Parade, Third Regiment of Infantry, Ellipse of the White House, 5 p. m.
Concert, United States Soldiers' Home Band, 4 p. m.
Concert, United States Marine Band, Marine Barracks, 5 p. m.
Masonic-Washington Centennial, No. 14 (special), 8 p. m.
Grotto Drill Corps to entertain band at Builders' Hall, Odd Fellows—No. 1, 8 p. m.
Maccabees—National Tent, No. 1; Anacostia Tent, No. 7.
Amusements.
Keith's-Vaudeville, 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.
Loew's-Columbia-Photoplays, 10:30 a. m. to 11 p. m.
Lyceum—Stock burlesque, 8:15 and 8:45 p. m.
Glen Echo—Open-air amusements, dancing, and music, 2 p. m.
Chevy Chase Lake—Dancing, Grand Concerts, dancing, music, and movies, all free.
Garden—Continuous motion pictures, 10 a. m. to 11 p. m.
Strand—Continuous motion pictures, 10 a. m. to 11 p. m.
Tomorrow.
Concert, Engineer Band, Logan Park, 7:30 p. m.
Picnic, Aloysius Club, Marshall Hall, all day.
Masonic-National, No. 11, E. A. Arminius, No. 2, called off, Myron M. Parker, No. 27, P. C.; King David, No. 28.
Royal Arch Chapters—La Fayette, No. 1, called off; Washington Naval, No. 4, called off.
Eastern Star—Mispah, No. 8; Fidelity, No. 18, called off.
Knights of Pythias—Webster, No. 7; Excelsior, No. 14; Capital, No. 24, and Myrtle, No. 25, called off.
Maccabees—Mount Vernon Tent, No. 4; Brightwood Tent, No. 5; Maccabees Hall, Brightwood, called off.
Rebekahs—Fidelity, No. 7, degree.

France Approves Plan of British for Polish Aid

The French foreign office, through Ambassador Sharp, at Paris, has sent a Polish relief memorandum to the State Department announcing its views on the conditions demanded by Great Britain.

Arrange for Funeral of William D. Mackenzie

Funeral services for William D. Mackenzie, who died yesterday, in his fifty-eighth year, will be held at the family residence, 21 T street northeast, tomorrow.

Many Cures Have Failed To Chase Away Hiccoughs

YORK, Pa., July 31.—Hundreds of "cures" for hiccoughs have been received by George Sentz, of Spring Grove, and although he has tried many of them, his condition has not been improved.

ANOTHER PARALYSIS PATIENT RECOVERS

Now Only Three Cases on Record Here—One Death Reported. Report was made to the Health Department today of the recovery of an infantile paralysis patient, leaving three cases on record in the District.

SCORES SEE KIDDIES AT CAMP GOOD WILL

Many Go to Recreation Camp on Visitors' Day. Yesterday was visitors' day at Camp Good Will, and scores journeyed out to see the 150 kiddies at play.

Twelve Big Sharks Are Taken in Narragansett Bay

NEWPORT, R. I., July 31.—The presence of sharks in unusually large numbers in Narragansett bay was reported by the captain of the fishing schooner Winona, which captured twelve large specimens in a fish trap off Jamestown.

Advertisement for Fletcher's Castoria. Includes text: "A Great Responsibility. THE responsibility-attached to the preparing of a remedy for infants and children is undoubtedly greater than that imposed upon the manufacturer of remedies for adults whose system is sufficiently strong to counteract, for a time at least, any injurious drug." and an illustration of the Castoria product box.