

How to Be a Movie Child By James J. Montague

If you are under 20, have a loving heart, and a husky constitution, you do not need to worry about your livelihood. You can get a good paying job as a movie child.

The 3 are doubtless correspondence schools which give excellent courses in movie-childing. But they are hardly necessary.

The best way to begin is to go right to a movie factory and apply for a job. If you can give a satisfactory performance the first time, you will get it. After that all you need to do is to follow the instructions of the director.

Before you begin, however, there are a few things that you ought to know. The purpose of this article is to acquaint you with them.

It is necessary in the first place to know how to swim. Movie children seldom have mothers, being the sort of children who seem to be cursed with step mothers.

Now step mothers are not only cold hearted and wicked, but highly irascible and temperamental females. When they get put out about anything such as a damp day taking the curl out of their hair, or a bad night at the neighborhood bridge game, one of the first things they do is to take the movie child by its hand and lead the trusting little creature down to the river.

Just as he is saying "Look, mamma, see the pretty ship," the step mother seizes him under the arms, takes a couple of practice swings, and hurls him into the water.

If the movie child can swim, it is all right. If he can't he has to wait for the hero, who thoroughly disguised as a big hearted longshoreman, dives off a dock near by and hurries to the rescue.

This is all right if the hero happens to know how to swim. But supposing he doesn't. Where would the movie child be then?

Melting Eyes.

Another prime requisite for movie-childing is the ability to influence by a look the hard hearts of burglars, installment collectors, and small town deacons whose business it is to foreclose the mortgage on property occupied as dwellings by movie children and their impoverished parents.

Many a burglar, with his bag all neatly packed with gold and jewels and bonds, has dropped the swag and broken out with sobs merely because the movie child sat up in bed while the subtitle said for him:

"That's my papa's money in that bag; he was saving it to join a golf club with, sir."

If this is done properly the burglar will not only restore everything in the bag to the various pieces of furniture, but will leave a note informing the movie child's papa that he (the burglar) has put him up at his (the burglar's) own golf club and will expect him around at 4 o'clock that afternoon to play a foursome.

If the caller happens to be the deacon after the money long overdue on the mortgage, the movie child must say:

"When I am a man I shall go into the deacon business myself and foreclose a mortgagor on your farm, you big bum."

This will be too much for the deacon, and with a harsh cry, which of course you must infer from the expression of his face, he will leave the place, never to return.

Another thing much expected of the movie child is to be frequently ill—oh! desperately ill.

He must lie in a little white bed with an expression of deep suffering on his little white face, while the old doctor snaps the lid of his medicine case and shakes his head, indicating that there is no hope whatever. Then the child must summon all its little strength, pull itself on the pillow and say:

"Never fear, Mother, I do not intend to leave you."

Then everybody will smile, and the baffled doctor will stamp out of the house in a blind fury, his professional reputation badly dented by the words of a mere child.

No Love Lost.

The next day the movie child will be out on the street throwing bricks at a passing policeman, a pastime which delights all movie children, and the doctor will drive by in his car.

He will smile at the doctor, but the doctor will not smile back. Doctors do not like movie children. They know too much about doctors.

Sometimes the movie child is a caddy, and then he has to hunt for lost balls while the golfer stands and curses him, and threatens to have him fired by the caddy master.

But that is not serious, for he is certain to find a diamond ring or an

oil well or something which will put the golfer in a good humor. Of course he never finds the ball, for say what you will of scenario writers, they dare not take too many liberties with nature.

If you qualify as a movie child right away, you will get your pictures in all the movie magazines and ladies will send you candy, and perhaps you can get jobs as movie children for your own little sons and daughters.

If you happen to be out of a position just now it is well worth trying. You may have all the elements that go to make a first class movie child. You never can tell till you see yourself on the screen. Perhaps not even then.

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SAYS "BLUE LAW" DRIVE IS SERIOUS

Contents Restrictive Sunday Measures Would Set U. S. Back 100 Years.

CINCINNATI, O., Aug. 27.—"Blue laws, as proposed by bills pending in congress, would throw America back one hundred years to days of fanatical persecutions," declared the Rev. Albert H. Zimmerman, Washington, D. C., director of the Speakers' Bureau of the Anti-Blue Law League of America.

"I want to warn Americans against reversion to a type of Colonial days which is now threatening," continued the Rev. Dr. Zimmerman, who came here to deliver a number of addresses, including one before the local outing of the Anti-Blue Law League.

"As Americans we should stand by an American Sabbath, not a continental nor a puritanic Sabbath; not an open Sunday, but a day of rest, religion and recreation, reserving the American ideal of freedom for each individual, to observe the day as he deems best, according to the dictates of his own conscience.

Stability Assured.
"The stability of our American government is assured because it rests on a three-fold foundation made up of a free church, a free school and a free state. The rights of each are guaranteed by the constitution," said the Rev. Dr. Zimmerman.

"The efforts of the so-called reformers to enact laws similar in spirit and intent to the blue laws of the Puritan days are fraught with danger to the republic, as such laws would undermine its very foundation. It is to combat this danger that the Anti-Blue Law League of America has been organized.

We are arousing the people to this danger. I am organizing forces of four-minute speakers in all parts of the country. That this danger is real and not imaginary is shown by the introduction in congress of two bills which provide for a Sunday without recreation—without concerts or entertainments without newspapers, motion pictures, or other theaters, without stores of any kind open and with drastic regulation of travel on that day."

NEW GUINEA MOST UNspoiled SAVAGE COUNTRY IN WORLD

Civilization Has Done Little to Mar Beauty of Huge Pacific Island.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—"The huge island of New Guinea is probably the most 'unspoiled' savage country in existence today," says a bulletin issued by the National Geographic society in regard to the island the former German portion of which recently has been placed under the control of Australia by the League of Nations.

"Holland, Great Britain and Germany, who divided the island among them—on paper—in 1885 have done little more than place a tenuous fringe of outposts and missions along the coast. The spacious interior has been left largely to the numerous wild tribes whose chief outdoor sport is collecting human heads and who not infrequently make cannibal feasts of the remainder of their enemies' anatomy.

"The out-of-the-way island, with its thousands of square miles of unexplored territory, has been and continues to be an interesting field to the geographer, the naturalist and the anthropologist as well as to the politician, statesman and trader. Counting Australia as a continent, New Guinea is exceeded in size among the islands only by Greenland; and it may therefore be said to be the largest island in the world which supports a considerable population. The number of the inhabitants is not definitely known but is believed to be close to one million. The island is 800 miles southeast of the Philippines and in the latitude of the eastern bulge of Brazil. The Equator lies only about 20 miles off its northernmost point.

Big As Half Dozen States.

"This huge island of the tropics covers a greater area than half a dozen or more commonwealths of the United States. If it could be laid down with its southeastern point at Norfolk, Va., it would extend across Virginia, West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, and most of North Dakota, its northwestern point resting near the Canadian border not far from the Montana line. And at its greatest width it would extend from near the northern end of Lake Michigan to a point just south of Terre Haute, Ind. The area is close to 300,000 square miles.

"Australia has a keen interest in New Guinea for it lies hardly a hundred miles to the north, and the strait separating the two lands is dotted with small islands. Since 1906 the southwestern quarter of the island has been a territory of the federal government of Australia, and the recent action of the League of Nations now gives the commonwealth jurisdiction over more than half the island.

"The coastal regions of New Guinea—practically the only portions well known—are typical tropical lands and, as might be expected, are not particularly healthy. The mountains of the interior reach a

considerable height, one peak in the Dutch portion of the island being more than 500 feet higher than Mt. Whitney, the highest peak in the United States proper.

Must Live Off Ground.

"Where the Papuans, the natives of New Guinea, originated is an unsettled point among ethnologists. The inhabitants of most of the adjacent islands are relatively fair, straight-haired Malays, but the Papuans are black, woolly-haired negroes like those of the far-away Guinea coast of Africa. It is because of this similarity that the name, New Guinea, was given to the island. Some of the Papuans have become mixed with Malays so that numerous racial gradations exist.

"The Papuan seems to demand an elevated home. Throughout the northern and eastern portion of the island the houses—many of them vast communal dwellings—are erected on piles. In the southwestern section many of the native tribes live in rude huts built in trees.

"Though on the whole as savage as any people in the world, the Papuans are not devoid of good traits. Some of the tribes have a passion for cleanliness and believe that the spirits of their departed tribesmen love to bathe. They therefore carefully construct paths leading from each grave to the sea. Some of the communities near the northeast coast are literally 'villages beautiful'. They are cleanliness, with streets sanded and planted with ornamental shrubs. In the center are little 'plazas' or 'palaver spots' where conferences are held. These are paved with flat stones beside which are erected stone pillars to serve as back-rests.

"The animal life of New Guinea, like that of Australia, is queer to western eyes and represents the fauna of ancient geological ages. With the exception of the pig, which

was probably introduced from Asia, all the beasts are either marsupials having pockets like the opossum, or else lay eggs like birds. But in the number and beauty of its birds New Guinea surpasses many other portions of the earth's surface. It is the home of the gorgeously colored bird-of-paradise and the ingenious and romantic bower-bird. Bird skins make up one of the important exports of the island."

To Be Healthy Get In Tune!

DR. FRIEDA HEFMEISTER.
Keep yourself in tune if you would be healthy!

Thus says Dr. Frieda Hefmeister, naturopathist, who likens the human body to a giant harp.

The London Zoological society occupies ground in Regent's park measuring 34 acres, for which it pays \$1700 per year. The estimated value of the land commercially is over \$500,000.

Studies as She Cares for Son; Has Sanitorium

Bush Sanitarium at Louisville, Ky., is the result of a woman's effort.

Dr. Evelyn Bush would never have been an osteopathic physician and would never have been at the head of her own sanitorium if she had not first been a mother. It was in attempting to restore the health of her own invalid son that Dr. Bush became interested in muscular action. Working each day with the lad's joints to reclaim muscle control she conceived the idea of studying.

When her son was five years old, and still an invalid, Dr. Bush took him to Kirkwood, Mo., and cared for him there while she completed a course in osteopathy.

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