

MINISTER CLAIMS MOVIES ARE IMMORAL; STARTS CRUSADE



Dr. Charles C. Selecman

Los Angeles, Cal.—Every once in a while this matter of morals bobs up in the movies. It's up again. Dr. Chas. C. Selecman, pastor of Trinity M. E. church of this city, has launched a crusade charging vice in motion picture studios hereabouts and has presented a mass of letters to the district attorney's office in the hope of starting an investigation.

"I am not attacking the motion picture industry," the minister said. "I merely maintain that some studios are immoral."

Backing Dr. Selecman in his charges is an organization of 25 ministers and practically all of the women's clubs of Los Angeles.

The public assertion of the preacher regarding the practices of motion picture officials and the price demanded of young women for fame in the film world precipitated an avalanche of inquiries.

"It is going to be a fight to the

finish," said Dr. Selecman. "We are going to make conditions such that a woman's virtue need not be the price she must pay for fame on the screen."

WOMAN'S PEACE PARTY KICKS ON PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

Washington, Jan. 11.—Vigorous protest against administration's preparedness program was formally presented to congress today by Woman's Peace party, holding its second convention here.

Miss Jane Addams, chairman, and delegation of party appeared before house and senate foreign affairs committee. Their peace and anti-preparedness plan urged:

A congressional joint committee investigate within six months condition of national defense, probability of hostile action by any foreign power and plans to reduce international friction by legislation and diplomacy; peace conference of neutral nations be called at once; third Hague peace conference; government ownership of munition plants; joint commission of Americans, Japanese and Chinese to study oriental questions.

CABINET MEETING CONSIDERS PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

Washington, Jan. 11.—Rising opposition to the administration preparedness plan was considered at today's cabinet meeting. The president conferred on the same subject with Chairman Ray of the house military committee.

It was understood Ray told the executive the continental army plan apparently is doomed, but that sentiment favors some increase in the regular army and expansion of the national guard as a reserve army.

In addition to making speeches supporting the preparedness program it was learned today the president plans to wield his personal influence with senators and representatives to counteract the influence of former Sec'y Bryan.