

# Today

Movies Today and in 1924. We Move Rapidly Here. Would Japan Fly? Why, No. Goodby, Dear Old League. By ARTHUR BRISBANE.

This is written in the early morning, at Los Angeles, where the moving pictures are made in the sunshine on the edge of the Pacific. William Fox comes in to breakfast, and to moralize about the rapid growth of anything that Americans take up in earnest. In 1924 he entered the moving picture world, in a small way—the only way, for it was then a very small world.

Twenty-one years ago the biggest moving picture ever made contained about 325 feet of film. It took three complete stories to set up 1,000 feet of film. The "show" lasted 13 or 14 minutes. A little earlier, New York's Eden Musee, where works of famous murderers, presidents, etc., delighted the crowd, the manager amazed the public with a moving picture film 50 feet long. It showed a tree with the leaves actually blowing in the wind. The public decided, however, that it was a "fake" like "Aiech, the Chess Automaton," and that they rattled the screen to make the leaves move. Next came a magnificent, astounding film 100 feet long, showing ocean waves rolling in on the beach. The public was overwhelmed with amazement.

In those days the regular price paid the author of a moving picture story was \$50. The producers felt that was enough, the industry could not stand more. Now you couldn't buy a picture like "Ben Hur" for a million dollars. And to pay \$150,000 or \$200,000 for the right story is considered nothing.

Twenty-one years ago about 250,000 people went once a week to the moving pictures. The price of admission was usually 5 cents. Now between 17,000,000 and 22,000,000 go to see the moving pictures regularly, and the prices run up to \$3 a seat. Enterprises grow rapidly in the United States when people become really interested.

Have you noticed the persistent propaganda about Japan's aircraft situation. One gentleman, a foreigner, assures you that Japan is really not interested in flying machines. She hasn't 17 factories building them, only five factories. Another individual, also foreign, announces that Japan is not good at flying. In fact, for every airplane she builds, another airplane "crashes," destroying its crew.

That seems just like Japan, quite in keeping with her traditional inefficiency, to build machines and break them as fast as built.

A third individual, inspired and "well informed," tells you that while Japan, immediately after the war, hired the best French and English fliers to teach young Japan to fly, that was all theoretical work. The Japanese really don't mean to take up flying in any big, practical way.

Nobody accuses Japan of planning an attack on this, or any other particular country. An attack on the United States in its present defenseless condition, might gratify the attackers for a little while. Many American individuals and cities could easily be wiped out by a small flying fleet. But in the long run such an attack wouldn't pay.

If this country were attacked through the air, and found as defenseless as it is now, even that desperate situation could be remedied. Those responsible for the country's defenseless condition would be dealt with at first, not too gently it is to be feared. And then ways would be found to fight back effectively.

The interesting question is: Who and what is behind the propaganda concerning Japan's indifference to aircraft building? Who wants the United States to remain asleep?

Nothing could exceed the folly of this nation, neglecting aid defense, upon which all other civilized nations are now concentrating with intense earnestness.

But providence takes care of fools, national and individual. And the aircraft work that the nation has not had brains to do for itself will be done by the two Fords, Henry and Edsel. And, luckily for this country, those men know how to build.

England has rejected the League of Nations protocol, and that memorable league becomes now a memory and a hollow shell.

Austen Chamberlain, summing up the whole policy of the British empire in two words, "British security," seems to have settled the suggestion that one nation should agree to conscript its men and money at the demand of another nation.

With the peace protocol disappears also the rather flimsy League of Nations scheme plan of general disarmament.

Such a scheme was preposterous, for while sweet theorists were talking at Geneva, the nations were building fighting machinery, and financing the fighting plans of smaller nations around them, to the tune of billions.

Europe's nations now decide against compulsory arbitration, as the labor unions of this country did long ago.

It is fortunate that Woodrow Wilson, returning from Europe with his conviction that he was destined to solve the world's problems and use the United States in doing it, was not able to carry out pledges that he had made, without the consent of the United States congress or people, and therefore without legal authority.

Fortunately for this country, it entered into no agreement to send men and money at the demand of foreign nations to help them out of troubles that they bring upon themselves.

## Model Wedding Cake in Window



This beautifully worked model wedding cake, displayed in the window of the Welch restaurant, at 1708 Douglas street, is John Welch's contribution to "Omaha Week of Women."

## LIQUID FINISH IS MADE OF COTTON

Most interesting of the late discoveries of the many uses that cotton may be put to, is the perfecting of a liquid finish, "Duco," for automobile bodies. Duco is made from purified cotton made liquid by the action of various solvents.

This finish is applied with a pneumatic spraying machine. Among the superior qualities are, absolute resistance against water, extreme hardness and rapidity of drying. It is now being used in hundreds of stations over the country for refinishing automobiles. Locally it is being used by the Pfeiffer Top and Body corporation, 2525 Leavenworth street.

## PRIMARY RULE OF HEALTH IS "WASH"

To J. M. Jensen, proprietor of the Frontier Towel and Linen Supply company, 1819 California, the primary rule of health is "wash and keep well." To follow this rule properly, one must observe sanitation. Towels play a large part in this, they must be always clean and germ proof. The Frontier Towel and Linen Supply company furnish both individual and "Towel Rack" towels, the latter being used but once before they are re-laundered.

## Engineer Slays Self

With Dynamite Stick. Lakeport, Cal., March 15.—Suicide by the explosion of a stick of dynamite was the fate chosen by Jesse T. Wright, 49, a mining engineer, whose mangled body was found in the American quicksilver mine near Middletown yesterday. There was evidence that he had slashed his wrists with a razor blade before setting off the powder.

## THIRTEEN YEARS IN SAME OFFICE

Thirteen years ago the McKenney dentists opened a small office on the second floor of the building on the northeast corner of Fourteenth and Farnam. Their present location is the same, this for the convenience of their old friends. From time to time, because of increasing business, the floor space has been added, until now they occupy the entire second floor of this building. Fitted with complete modern laboratories and ample space for the operating of their corps of experienced dentists, they are in a position to give the best of service.

Dr. A. D. Nunn, manager of the establishment, attributes the growth and success of the office to its 13 years' policy of "Lowest possible prices consistent with a standard of high quality work," and its "always lived up to" slogan, "You above all must be satisfied."

## Ship in Distress—Near Entrance to Puget Sound

Bremerton, Wash., March 15.—Messages caught today by the radio station of the Puget Sound naval yard here indicated that an unidentified ship was in distress, though in no immediate danger, in the straits of Juan de Fuca, at the entrance of Puget sound. The vessel, described as a five-masted schooner, was ashore west of Clallam bay, the messages said.

It isn't pleasant to write that one-half of Uncle Sam's nephews, between the ages of 18 and 30, either have, or have had, some venereal disease.

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## MISSIONARY TELLS OF WORK IN JAPAN

There is a fine type of Christian leadership in Japan today, Miss Ruby Anderson of Gothenberg, Neb., missionary to Japan, told members of the congregation at the First Baptist church Sunday morning.

"In the Japanese are found the qualities of patience and industry and a keen sense of humor," said Miss Anderson. "The spiritual realm is important to the Japanese, the religious realm is subordinate.

"There are still 30 times as many shrines as churches in Japan and 200 times as many priests as there are missionaries. Among the outcast class in Japan, which numbers 50,000, there are no Christian workers. The greatest success in Christian work is with the educated class in Japan."

Miss Anderson told the congregation of certain persons who were outstanding leaders in Christian work in Japan.

A program of readings will be given by Miss Anderson Monday evening at the church. The missionary is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Rhodes of Omaha.

## Railroad Director From Denver Dies in St. Louis

Denver, March 15.—Melville L. Wilkinson, widely known merchant, banker, and railroad director, died today in St. Louis, Mo., says a telegram to officials of the Denver Dry Goods company, of which he was president. He had large financial interests in St. Louis and Columbus, O.

## A Wife's Confessional

by Adele Garrison



"You Shall Tell Both Madge and Me."—Lillian.

As the name, Lee Chow, came from Junior's lips, I saw Lillian's eyebrows contract ever so slightly, and knew that with her usual quickness of perception, she had linked the name with the Chinese woman the man at the hotel had reported to be inquiring for me. She uttered no word of interrogation, however, but I knew that in justice to her I ought not long to postpone the explanation of Lee Chow's activities.

"You were glad of that, sweetheart, weren't you?" I asked, banally saying the first thing which came into my mind. My eyes were upon Marion, who was flushing painfully, glancing from me to her mother, and all at once I divined that the child was torn between two loyalties. Remembering my injunction concerning silence about Lee Chow's presence at our beach picnic, because of Mother Graham, she was patiently pitting that against her mother's command to tell her what

had started her when the sedan passed us. Then Lee Chow and the sedan must be connected in some way. All at once the ridiculous explanation of the whole thing flashed upon me, and I had to compress my lips tightly to keep from laughing outright.

But Junior gave me no time just then for explanations, so enthusiastic a news reporter was he. "You bet your boots I was glad," he answered, while I reflected that if we ever settled down to normal mystery hanging over us, I must lose no time in exhorting from my small son's speech the atrocious idioms with which Katie interlards her conversation upon all occasions. "But, Ma-ma, he wouldn't stop to play wiv us. He just shook his head—"

Junior bobbed his own head energetically up and down—and said "How do little boys gain?" and went away quick. Aint he funny, Ma-ma?"

rected mechanically and Lillian echoed her exclamation. "It's a life-saving job you'll be doing, both for them and for us. But don't you dare to do any formal serving for us. Just put on the dishes, camp fashion, and we'll help ourselves."

"I see you believe in cutting your pattern according to your cloth," observed Mrs. Ticer sagely. And with Marion on one side of her, and Junior clinging to her hand on the other she retreated to the kitchen. She is seldom without a homely old proverb with which to point her meanings and Lillian and I have amused ourselves by writing them down.

This morning, however, the remembrance of our own quotations coupled with hers, struck us as absurdly funny, and we laughed softly as we made our way to the dining room.

"It's in the air today, I guess," Lillian said, and then with a hunger which only a long drive through crisp autumn air can give, we wasted no time in speech, but devoted our whole attention to the delicious meal which Mrs. Ticer had prepared.

When we had finished and the children apparently filled almost to the bursting point, had come to us Lillian slipped her arm around Marion. "Sweetheart girl," she said, "play with Junior until after mother comes down from relieving Aunt Katherine with that sick girl. Then come to mother's room where you can tell Auntie Madge and me all about the sedan."

"We fear not the occasional banquet; it's the habitual over-indulgence that plays hob with our hearts."

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