

THE QUIET HOUR

MOVING PICTURES.

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Next to motor car comes the moving picture as a phase of interest and a source of influence in our American life today. If you are not convinced of it read these figures vouched for by the Review of Reviews.

"In New York City, the moving picture center of the world, there are 250 'shows' against only 76 regular theaters. Some of the latter include moving pictures on their bills.

The chief combination of manufacturers produce 20,000 feet a week of new films—of which eighty copies apiece must be made. Mr. Edison's royalty, begun only recently, amounts from this source to an income of \$8,000 a week. The middlemen \$9,000,000 for films, which the former rent at \$18,000,000 a year to the actual exhibitors or showmen. They in turn collect nickels and dimes in 1909 at their 10,000 ticket windows, amounted to \$57,500,000. And these audiences numbered more than two and a quarter million souls per day—three times the audience of all the regular theaters in America put together!"

Far from being necessarily an evil, the moving picture show, under the proper control and direction, may be made a decided factor in our educational scheme.

There are, of course, possible evils incident to it, and against which it must be guarded.

The character of the pictures shown may be hurtful to the moral and debasing in their influence upon the standards of the community. The evils that have come to be closely linked with the drama—legitimate in itself—may be fastened upon the era of the film.

These shows, if permitted to be opened on Sunday, will contribute toward demoralizing and secularizing that day.

Attendance upon them by the young, carried to an extreme, will react unfavorably upon their more important occupations and pursuits.

But admitting all this merely mean that anything good in itself but carried to excess and freed from wholesome restraint, is hurtful.

One of the facts which confronts the church is that great multitudes are attending them. The following figures from the source previously cited tell the story.

Cities	Population	Theaters	Cap.
New York	4,338,322	450	150,000
Chicago	2,090,030	319	93,000
Philadelphia	1,491,082	160	57,000
St. Louis	824,000	142	50,410
Cleveland	560,563	75	22,500
Baltimore	600,000	83	24,900
San Francisco	400,000	08	32,400
Cincinnati	350,000	75	22,500
New Orleans	325,000	28	5,900

A sample explanation is to be found in the child's fondness for the picture book. The primitive instinct, the craving for that which appeals to intelligence through vivid representation without the medium of an often clumsy vocabulary, persists even beyond childhood's limits. As Petrarca said in history that it was "poetry freed from the encumbrance of the verse," so it might be said of moving pictures that they are, biography, adventure, descriptive literature freed from the encumbrance of words.

The audiences in these picture shows are comparatively mature. If the writer may judge by several which he has recently taken in, the proportion of children is no larger than are usually found at a church service. And the people attending them are not by any means the illiterate.

In view then of the fact that the film-germ is not essentially and inevitably an evil; and of the further fact that it owes its spread to the deep seated picture loving instinct in human nature, it would seem to be the sensible course to censor rather than censure. In large measure this has been done in Cleveland, O. with excellent results. Questionable and even harmfully suggestive pictures are rigidly banned.

If it is possible thus to control these exhibitions, one can see at a glance how great an educational value may be stamped upon them.

Science and art, history and adventure, customs and conditions in other lands; processes in discovering and manufacturing, may be combined with object lessons in virtue and integrity, and many a valuable lesson may be inculcated through their medium.

Time may bring a waning of public interest in the moving picture—but it is doubtful. The regular theater is more popular today than ever. And so long as human nature remains normal the picture craving instinct will be in evidence. The practical question is, whether the moving picture can be preempted for the higher ends in mental and moral development. If it can, it behooves those responsible for the promotion of these ends in the community to concentrate their efforts upon that control. That it can be controlled would seem to have been conclusively proven by the establishment of municipal censorship in many places, and by the recent campaign against the Reno prize-fight pictures. A voluntary society in New York censors all moving pictures submitted to it. It possesses no authority, but most of the largest makers of films submit them to it and cut out anything to which its examiners object. It condemns only pictures below a certain standard. The displaying of scenes of crime was so common in the beginning that these makers saw the shows were likely to fall under the public ban, and they accepted the censorship of this organization to save their business and give them better standing before the public.

Surely the wise course, the ethically economic course, the spiritually prudent course, is to convert a threatened antagonist into a powerful ally in the cause of truth and right.

W. C. T. U.

Commissioner Cabell of the Internal Revenue Bureau has greatly aided the cause of temperance by making a list of more than two hundred perfumes, essences, medicines, and drugs which may no longer be handled by drug stores unless they take out the government licence.

It is the belief of the Treasury department that many of these preparations are manufactured merely for the sale as intoxicating liquors in prohibition communities, and hereafter only enough alcohol will be allowed to hold medicines in solution or to preserve the substance.

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The Tribune is organizing a system for more effectively advertising our home industries, products, and scenery. We ask interested parties to meet us half way in this work. We are prepared to print post cards of local views, when proper cuts are furnished. We desire to run a first page local feature in The Tribune each week. All we ask is that parties wishing to have their views printed furnish suitable cuts. We are also contemplating the publishing of an illustrated manual of Richardson county in the near future. We are only hindered from going ahead more rapidly by the initial cost of the work. If each one will contribute his mite it will be possible to produce something that is worth while, and that will awaken a proper appreciation for the things at home. Get a half tone cut of your home or business and join the line of boosters.

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STELLA.

Mrs. Burt Harmon was an Auburn visitor Friday.

Mrs. W. H. Wheeler was quite sick the latter part of the week.

Dick Curtis left Tuesday for an extended visit with relatives in the east.

Mr. and Mrs. Teare returned last week from a visit with their children in Canada.

Wm. Cox moved his family into the O'Brien house, in the east part of town Monday.

Mrs. A. J. Wixon was quite sick part of last week, but is again able to be out.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Marts of Liberal, Mo., are visiting Stella relatives this week.

J. M. Goodloe and family spent Sunday in the country at the home of Grant Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Bailey of Falls City visited Sunday with R. E. Tomlinson and wife.

Mrs. A. Tynan and Miss Mildred McMullen went to Lincoln last week for a short visit.

Mrs. Frank Hinkle and son Herald of Falls City visited Stella relatives the last of the week.

M. H. Vandeventer and wife returned Saturday from a visit with relatives in Illinois and Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Shaffer visited the former's brother, Wesley Shaffer and family at Verdon Sunday.

Miss Nevada Hays went to Omaha Wednesday to make the acquaintance of her little niece, Jessamine Hinds.

Newton Cox, wife and daughter, Miss Hannah of Elk Creek visited over Sunday with Wm. Cox and family.

Frank Wolf received the goods for his new clothing store Monday, and will soon be at home in the Clark building.

Mrs. Charles Edwards and children of Auburn visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fankell last Saturday.

Marion Peake spent several days in Shubert the first of the week to make repairs in the telephone line at that place.

Mrs. Lizzie Shiley received her household goods from Colby, Kas., last week and is now house keeping in her residence in the east part of town.

Mrs. Garries and Miss Hart of Verdon took supper with Mrs. J. M. Goodloe Monday evening. Miss Hart was making arrangements to move here.

The L. H. H. of the Lutheran church gave a waffle and chicken supper at the home of Mrs. John Reimers Saturday evening. A large crowd was present and the cooks were kept busy turning the waffle irons.

Mrs. Elizabeth Pugh returned on Sunday from Montana where she went last winter with the Mowrer family. She will visit for a while with her son, Elmer, and will then go to Texas to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Henry Pugh.

WILLIAMSVILLE.

Henry Fuller was a Falls City visitor Saturday.

Henry Butler of Humboldt returned home this week.

E. E. Butler and family were in Falls City Saturday.

Mrs. Rlenke and Mr. Shilling were Falls City visitors Monday.

Mr. Rudolph Voegel was a business visitor in Falls City Saturday.

Miss Carrie Dunn spent Sunday in Barada with Nellie Butler.

George Blyholder of California is here visiting friends and relatives.

I. A. Dunn and family spent Sunday with C. H. Martin and family.

Little Scott Wissinger suffered a relapse and is very ill with typhoid fever.

Misses Hansen and Dodds of Barada spent Sunday with E. E. Butler and family.

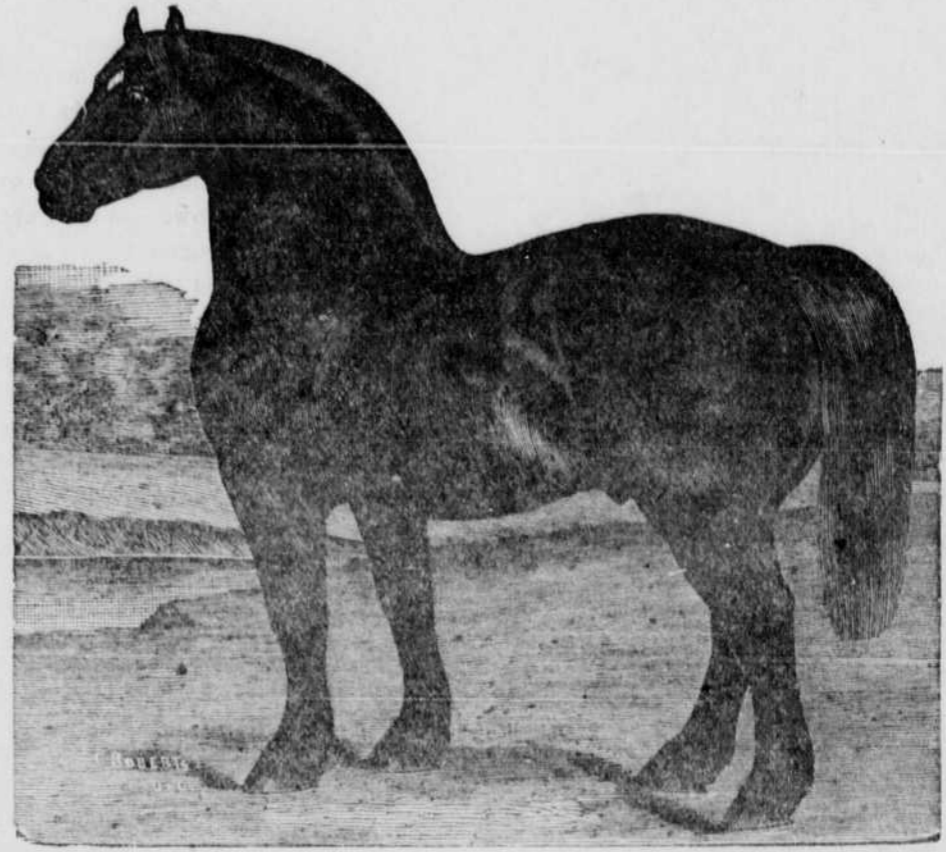
Jesse Dunn returned from E. T. Peck's where he has been employed this summer.

N. A. Arnold and John Constantine were Falls City visitors the latter part of last week.

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