

NEWS NOTES GATHERED FROM THE WORLD OF STAGE AND SCREEN

PARENTS START EXPERIMENT
WITH CAREER OF BABY PEGGY

Have Pinnacle of Stage Success in Mind for Their Child.

(By Jack Jungmeyer.)
Hollywood, March 19.—Whether it is possible for parents and mentors to determine the career of their maturity is the interesting experiment being made with Baby Peggy Montgomery, picture star at an age when most youngsters start kindergarten.

The Montgomerys, abetted by Sol Lesser, her producer, have definitely in mind the pinnacle of stage success for Baby Peggy.

Considering her beginning and environment, this would seem the obvious and one perhaps easily reached in due time, hence worth no special effort to guide the already defined tendencies. But doesn't flower.

Many great stage and screen actresses came in childhood to the footlights, notably Bernhardt, Rejane, Duse, Maude Adams, Mary Pickford, Lillian Gish, Vaslavova, Pola Negri. And of course it is too early in the history of the screen to generalize about the fate of its present-day infants, because baby stars, cultivated and featured as such, are still hardly out of the film cradle.

Charting Baby Peggy's life for the next 15 years, her parents for the present are stressing foundation of character, letting her meet people to encourage self-confidence; stimulating usefulness, encouraging normal expression of budding mental and spiritual life, instead of crowding the intellect which vain parents so often abuse to parade a prodigy.

Now five, she is to begin the study of French at seven.

At 10 she is to go every great actress then on the stage and screen.

At 15 she is to be sent to Italy, to live there at least two years, to study voice culture and to be steeped in an atmosphere of art.

Time Will Tell.

At 17 she is to go to Paris for a year. At 18 she is to begin definitely her projected stage career under the then most distinguished director.

Such is the plan—about which Baby Peggy, by the way, knows very little. Whether or not it works out, whether or not the starlet will accept the programme as her horizon, remains to be seen. It is an interesting attempt to mold a sensitive and talented youngster.

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Dorothy Farnum, signed by Warner Brothers to prepare the scenario of Sinclair Lewis' "Babbitt," soon to be pictured, has called on three persons to help her prepare the script. They are an eminent judge, a leading citizen of Toledo, O., Miss Farnum's landlady, and the author himself, one of her personal friends. Willard Lewis has been selected to portray "Babbitt."

Claire Windsor, who has been dallying with real shiks and their entourage in the Sahara, writes that the camels she is forced to ride "have nice kind faces, don't drink and will carry you almost any place you want to go—but their olfactory influence is anything but inspiring." About the shiks, deponent sayeth not.

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Child Prodigy Of Picture World



BABY PEGGY

AMUSEMENT TAX WAS \$57,369.40

W. H. Golding of St. John Contributes to Revenue \$9,000

Fredericton, March 18.—The Amusement Tax last year contributed \$57,369.40 to the provincial revenue. A considerable portion of this came from the City of St. John where W. H. Golding of the Imperial Theatre paid over \$9,000. The Maritime Amusement Co. paid \$5,823.63; F. G. Spencer, from six theatres in St. John and throughout the province, something like \$4,000; exhibitions, \$5,718 and several other large amounts were received. The different theatres throughout the province and in the City of St. John and the amounts paid were as follows:

A. A. Ayer, Sackville	\$120.00
John Andrews, Hantsport	247.76
L. C. Babin, Chatham	508.50
D. R. Bedell, Anson	158.80
William Corbett, New Brunswick	143.11
Burpee & Teddie, Centerville	115.79
W. H. Chase, St. Andrews	500.00
John Crossman, Chipman	141.22
William Corbett, Newcastle	25.00
E. R. Davis, St. Andrews	36.41
Mrs. Emma Linton, Moncton	1,708.19
A. B. Farmer, St. John	238.80
W. W. O. Fenety, Fredericton	144.83
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F. G. Spencer, St. John "Vestian Gardens"	254.38
F. G. Spencer, Fredericton	1,262.27
F. G. Spencer, Campbellton	818.88
F. G. Spencer, Woodstock	964.05
Stevens & Stevens, Hillsboro	60.00
Stevens & Stevens, Edmundston	490.28
A. C. Smith, St. John West	272.52
Selby & Marshall, St. John	2,800.00
J. W. Smith, St. Stephen	1,843.11
Torrie & Winter, Moncton	5,539.62
P. C. Torrie, Shediac	170.00
Chapman, St. John	1,891.31
Exhibitions	5,718.50
Rinks	2,278.60
Dances	647.79
Horse races (other than at exhibitions)	1,620.33
Traveling shows (other than at exhibitions)	265.47
Baseball and football	1,229.62
Boxing and wrestling matches	581.50
Other sports, concerts, fair, etc.	656.30
Less various refunds	\$67,897.09
	\$7,527.69
	\$57,369.40

REPEAT ENTERTAINMENTS.
Apartment 66, was repeated last night by the Y. M. C. I. Dramatic Club, in St. Vincent's Auditorium, before a large audience. The performance was even better than that of Monday night, the Theatians being more familiar with their roles, gave a more finished production. The concert at St. Peter's was also repeated last night.

HOSPITAL OVERCROWDED.
Ways of increasing the accommodation in the General Public Hospital are receiving the close attention of the Board of Commissioners. It has been pointed out that St. John has the smallest number of hospital beds per population of any city in Canada. The board is asking the doctors to use care so as not to send chronic cases to the hospital, and has given authority to the superintendent to limit admissions. These measures were taken following the statement by the doctors that the overcrowding in the hospital constituted a menace.

ST. JOHN SINGER SUCCEEDS ABROAD

Mrs. Louis LeLacheur Has Several New York Engagements

Many friends will learn with much pleasure of the great success which Mrs. Louis LeLacheur is achieving in the musical world in the United States where she has been taking vocal studies this winter under leading teachers. She was for some time leading contralto in the choir of the church of the Beloved Disciple, 89th street, New York. Mrs. LeLacheur will fill this important part until some time in April, and will return to St. John after Easter.

The Easter programme of music in which Mrs. LeLacheur will sing will include three oratorios. For the Sunday preceding Easter Stainer's "Crucifixion" will be sung; on Good Friday, "The Seven Last Words from the Cross," and on Easter Sunday, "Resurrection." Three oratorios in eight days is a rather exacting undertaking, but Mrs. LeLacheur has been doing wonderful work and all accounts which have been received from her are overflowing with praise.

Amongst her latest engagements are an afternoon recital at Wanamakers and the next musicale of the New York Canadian Club.

Madame Karl Alvis is one of Mrs. LeLacheur's teachers. Madame Alvis' son, Karl Alvis, may come to St. John this summer and continue Mrs. LeLacheur's concert tour. He is contingent on his being able to obtain a class of about 20.

MADAWASKA GETS CAIRN MAGNET

Prize-Winning Clydesdale, Scotch-bred, Brings \$1,000

Fredericton, March 18.—Cairn Magnet, the prize-winning Clydesdale stallion imported into the province last year by the department of agriculture, was sold at public auction by the department this afternoon for \$1,000 to the Madawaska County Agricultural Society.

The animal which comes of a long prize-winning strain, bred at Dumfries, Scotland, seven years ago and was imported into Canada by Graham Brothers, of Claremont, Ont., from whom he was obtained by the department last year. In addition to his many records, Cairn Magnet was the champion of the spring show of Aberdeen, Scotland, in 1922. The importation and purchase price of the animal standing at auction was announced as being in the vicinity of \$3,000.

About 45 per cent. of America's imports and exports are carried in American ships.

CARROLL PLAYERS
PATHEFRUIT THEATRE, SAT. E. 8.15. EVENING 8.15.
THIS WEEK
DORRIT, KELTON
in the
Mystic Melo-Drama
"THE 13th CHAIR"
Author of "Within the Law"

PLEASE NOTE
Curtain at 8.15. No one will be seated until the first act is over. Won't you please come early?
Thank You.

NEXT WEEK
What's Your Husband Doing?
Featuring Virginia Odion

UNIQUE
GLADYS WALTON
IN THE
"NEAR LADY"
A Whirlwind Romance of Gay Society Life, High-Speed Love and Merry Moments.
BUSTER KEATON
GOLD DIGGER
IN
"THE SCARE CROW"
—THURSDAY—
"APRIL SHOWERS"
A Thrilling Week-End Feature.

VENETIAN GARDENS TONIGHT DANCING

Convicts Send Jazz Music by Radio



Thousands of fans enjoy the jazz music broadcast by the Missouri state prison broadcast, their selections from station WOS, in the capitol dome here, they get thousands of letters, telegrams, telephone calls and gifts from appreciative listeners.

Jefferson City, Mo.—Every time the thirty musical convicts of Missouri state prison broadcast their selections from station WOS, in the capitol dome here, they get thousands of letters, telegrams, telephone calls and gifts from appreciative listeners.

Yet none is permitted to return a single word of thanks! This is the ironic reality behind the happy, lazy selections for which fans from station WOS, in the capitol dome here, they get thousands of letters, telegrams, telephone calls and gifts from appreciative listeners.

Without a guard, these prisoners, serving terms of from two years to life, walk out of confinement with their instruments twice a month, to heap further entertainment on men, women and children already enjoying the comforts and pleasures of home.

The best of these is Harry M. Snodgrass, known to the fans who have heard him as "king of the ivories," and adjudged recently the eighth best radio entertainer in the country.

Snodgrass is serving four years for robbery in St. Louis. He fell in with bad company when barely out of his teens and made one break. It was his last, he says, for he plans on a musical career after his release.

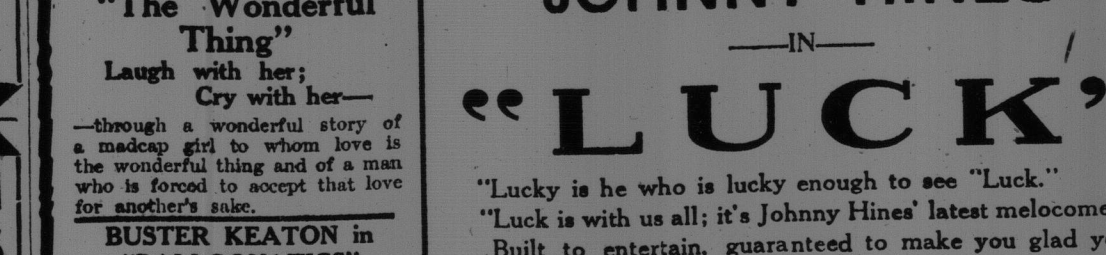
Most of the others in the band and orchestra look forward to a similar career when they get out. But Virgil W. Coombs, the band leader, will have enough of music when he goes free in July.

Back to the farm for him, he says. Offers of jobs come in regularly from appreciative listeners. Recently the owner of a large eastern summer resort appealed for a parole for Snodgrass. But the prison authorities decided it would be unfair to pardon any of the musicians just because he was more accomplished than any of the other prisoners.

But jobs are awaiting them. One member got a job with a Kansas county band. His playing by radio had attracted attention of the leader of the Kansas band.

8th BEST

Come and Hear



Brother Brownie
—AT—
Saint Andrew's Church Schoolroom
On Monday, March 24 at 8 p. m.
Under the auspices of the O. B. Useful Group of the C. G. I. T. and The Junior Red Cross.

DRAMA OF TODAY IS CRITICIZED

Norman-Bell Geddes Says Authors Choose Irrelevant Subjects.

New York, March 19.—Dramatists are not dealing with the problems of today, Norman-Bell Geddes, architect and designer of "The Miracle," told the Open Forum of the Society for Ethical Culture. "They pick something irrelevant to write about and their work lacks that inspirational quality of Shakespeare and the early Greek writers," he said.

Helen Arthur, manager of the Neighborhood Playhouse, predicted a return to the close relationship between church and theatre of the early ages. Helen Freeman, who is playing in "Fashion" at the Provincetown Theatre, also talked on "The Future of the Theatre."

The dress styles of one period are the laughing stock of the next. At least until they become desirably "quaint." Wherefore in Goldwyn's "Weeks," Aileen Pringle as the Slavic queen will wear modern creations instead of clothes of rigger 15 years ago when the story was written.

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A Tiny Star in a Real Thriller!
BABY PEGGY in Her First Big Picture
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Supporting Baby Peggy are a host of film favorites you know including Sheldon Lewis, Gladys Brooks, Max Davidson, Carl Stockdale, Minnie Steele and others.

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A story so different, so original that you will scarcely be able to wait for the sequences unfolding and reveal their smashing secrets.
ROMANCE!
The most unusual romance you've ever seen. You'll have a new conception of a child's love and its power for happiness.

THRILLS!
Spectacular scenes and situations that will hold you agast!
OUR GANG COMEDY—Those Kids
In Baseball Farce: "Giants Vs. Yanks"

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Evening, 25c. and 35c.

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VICTOR SEASTROM'S
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"Name the Man"
Featuring Mae Busch and Creighton Hale.
Supported by a Star Cast.

It is a drama carved right out of life itself, brimming over with heart-thrills, thrills and love.
Prices: Aft. 2.30; 10c, 20c
Night 7 and 8.45; 35c
Thursday: Lionel Barrymore in "UNSEEN EYES"

WEDNESDAY PALACE THURSDAY
JOHNNY HINES
—IN—
"LUCK"
"Lucky is he who is lucky enough to see 'Luck.'"
"Luck is with us all; it's Johnny Hines' latest melodrama."
Built to entertain, guaranteed to make you glad you're living.
BUSTER KEATON in "BALLOONATICS"
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Wednesday—Thursday
NORMA TALMADGE
—IN—
"ASHES OF VENGEANCE"
One of the best pictures we have ever shown.
THE LEATHER PUSHERS
GOLF MANIAC—Century Comedy.

Enters Movies



Senorita Mendoza, daughter of a former Mexican president, has gone into the movies. She is regarded as the most beautiful woman of all Mexico. The charming senorita is a professional dancer, too. She will appear in London soon.

BOYS ATTRACTED TO THE MOVIES

Appeal No Longer Solely Feminine, Says Y. W. C. A. Director.

The lure of the movies is no longer solely feminine. The Studio Club of the Young Women's Christian Association out in Hollywood has many and varied appeals from men and boys seeking to enter the movies. Miss Margery Williams, director of the club for the movie actresses, to whom these masculine correspondents turn, says that "Merton" of the movies flourish.

"Cowboy acting apparently inspires athletic boys to turn their talents in that direction," says Miss Williams. "One man wrote in recently, asking how he could become a cowboy actor, like Tom Mix. Two others wrote in asking Wally Reid's address and another for information to opportunity in the pictures for actors. All these came in one day's mail."

Miss Williams added that these Merton have yet to outnumber Mary Pickford aspirants. "Despite the fact that there is a dearth of work in the movie studios, the movie-struck young girls continue to arrive in Hollywood."

"All types and ages are represented. One girl well over thirty, who says that she has dreamed of coming to Hollywood for five years, realizing now that the reality is not like her dream. An older woman with a daughter nearly grown, is another applicant. Tired and discouraged, she has made many fruitless attempts to get into the pictures."

"Another woman wrote in asking if we could get her a position in Mary Pickford's studio. She wants to learn to write scenarios. 'I have written one exactly suited to Miss Talmadge and if I could work there as an extra, perhaps I could speak to her about it,' was the explanation she gave."

"Homesickness is one of the usual problems in club life. When a girl comes to the movie city with such high hopes of success, disappointment is hard to face."

SYDNEY HOCKEY CLUBS INVITED
Claims of Cape Breton for Representation at Meeting are Conceded.

(Sydney Record.)
Sydney amateur hockey clubs have been invited to send representatives to the annual meeting of the Maritime Amateur Hockey Association, which is to be held in Sussex, N. B., on Thursday night.

Some few days ago, A. L. Mercer, secretary of the S. A. H. A., received word from the secretary of the Maritime association to the effect that the claims of Cape Breton for representation in the Maritime, which were being carefully considered. On Saturday a telegram came inviting the Sydney clubs to send delegates to the meeting at Sussex.

Each one of the four clubs in the Sydney league is entitled to one delegate at the Sussex session, when the plans for amateur hockey in the Maritime Provinces next winter are to be arranged.

A meeting of the Sydney Amateur Hockey League is to be held either on Monday night or Tuesday to consider the invitation from the M. A. H. A. It is proposed that one delegate be sent from Sydney to represent the four teams here.

A new linen mill has been established in the Azores to handle flag grown there.