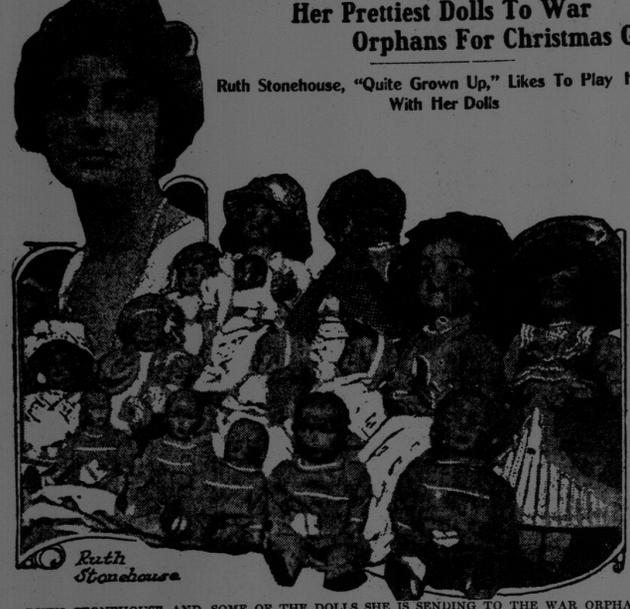


Screen Actress Sends Fifty Of Her Prettiest Dolls To War Orphans For Christmas Gifts

Ruth Stonehouse, "Quite Grown Up," Likes To Play House With Her Dolls



RUTH STONEHOUSE AND SOME OF THE DOLLS SHE IS SENDING TO THE WAR ORPHANS OF EUROPE.

(By Esther Hoffmann) Although Ruth Stonehouse, one of the leading actresses with the Essanay company, passed her twentieth birthday and is quite grown-up in every way, she still keeps all the dolls of her babyhood and girlhood and very often plays house with them.

the doll house in which they live in her cozy flat. "I have had these dollies for a long time and they are part of my life. I have given them their breakfasts and dinners hundreds of times, made their clothing and nursed them when they were sick. Do you think after that I could part with them?"

to sew and they dressed more than fifty beautiful dolls for the war orphans. There were dolls of all kinds, big china dolls and character dolls, of all kinds including Dutch sailors and Whistling Jimmies.

GOSSIP OF THE FOOTLIGHTS

News of Players Known in St. John; Francis Boyle in New Play; Dustin Farnum, Bruce McRae, Mary Ryan and Others in New York; Wm. Dimock and Sam Meharry Together; Local Players; General Stage and "Movie" News

Oliver Morosco announced last week the establishment of the first professional play reading bureau in the United States. This play reading department will be opened in Los Angeles on Jan. 1 under the personal direction of Mr. Morosco. The well known producing services of one of the principal dramatists and play readers of the country who will serve as the chief of staff with a large corps of assistant play readers, who will handle manuscripts as rapidly as they are received.

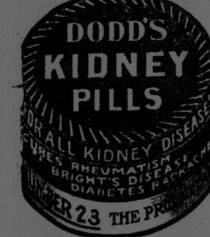
Francis J. Boyle, a big basso who sang in St. John in his original role of "Masakroff" in "Chocolate Soldier," has been engaged by the Shuberts for their production of "The Peasant Girl" in which they are starring Trentini.

Word has been received by Charles Pathe that Paul Capellani, one of the most prominent members of the Pathe French Stock company, has been killed in the battle in France. Mr. Capellani was prominent on the French stage before joining the Pathe company and he was also a sculptor of some repute. He is the second of the Pathe players to die a victim to the war, the death of Rene Alexander having been announced before. Word of the wounding of several players also has been received.

William H. Dimock, who was so popular in St. John with the Thomson Woods Co. this season, with those at least who followed the productions given under his able direction, will be interested to know that he has become a member of the Merrimack Square Theatre Stock Co. in Lowell, Mass., managed by W. C. McKay, well known here as manager of the Opera House for several months this year. Mr. Dimock is in his same capacity as stage director, and what makes his engagement doubly interesting is the fact that the company is headed by Sam A. Meharry, last season's favorite stock player in St. John. Mrs. Dimock, or Marion Chester, as she was known here, is in the company, as is Frank McDonald, also a former member of the Thomson-Woods Players.

The engagement of the Thompson Musical Comedy Co. at the Opera House continues with increased popularity each week. The players for the most part are becoming favorites, as is very natural in a stock engagement, a few of the more prominent ones becoming especially popular. Considering the fact that the class of entertainment is deserving of continued patronage. There have been many companies with musical comedy pretensions in St. John who have not given so good a show as many offered by the present players. The announcement for the holiday week, Mrs. Temple's Telegram, should be well received as to any who have seen this piece in straight comedy, it is known that the play is an abundance of clean, wholesome laughter in it.

Edgar Selwyn's new play, "Rolling Stones," was produced in Wilkesbarre, Pa., recently. It is a story of two ambitious, although "down and out" youths, who are thrown across each other's paths and joined in partnership when one prevents the other from self-destruction during a fit of despondency. A somewhat similar incident was given prominence in Mr. Selwyn's earlier play, "The Country Boy."



Norman Hackett was invited to take part in the dedication exercises of the "O. Henry" memorial at Raleigh, N. C., recently. The memorial, which is in the form of a magnificent bronze tablet, was placed in the main entrance of the new Historical Building. It was erected by the citizens of North Carolina as a tribute to the late William Sydney Porter, as being the greatest literary genius ever produced by the Tar-Heel State. Last season Mr. Hackett presented "A Double Deceiver," which was founded on one of "O. Henry's" stories, and in each city of North Carolina where he played it, he donated ten per cent of his gross receipts to the memorial fund. The dedication brought together a brilliant gathering, many famous literary folk having been invited to pay tribute to the great short story writer.

The old dramatic prologue and epilogue have been revived for "The Girl From Utah" by Charles Frohman. Miss Sanderson and Messrs. Brian and Cawthorn appear before the curtain in the dress of postmen and merry-makers, and in a pleasing single invite their auditors to accompany them to the "Land of the Pretend." Just before the last curtain the three appear again and repeat the trip that all have made to the charming country "where the only work is play, with no thought thereafter."

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to be found in the casts of new New York productions. Ella Modier Hopper, divorced wife of DeWolf Hopper, a comedian, died last week. At the time of her marriage to Hopper, in 1885, or '86, she was singing in the chorus of the McCall Opera Company, of which DeWolf Hopper was the leading comedian. They had one child, a boy, born about 1887. In 1898 Hopper secured a divorce, after having been separated from his wife for about three years. Soon afterward he married Edna Wallace.

SIMONDS CONSERVATIVES

Conservatives of Simonds No. 8 met at Charles Mayall's last night and passed a resolution of congratulation to Hon. J. B. M. Baxter on his appointment as attorney-general and of appreciation of the work of Hon. J. D. Hazen. G. Fred Stephenson was chairman and the speakers were Luther B. Smith, Councilor; Wm. Golding, Thomas B. Carson, M. L. A. John A. Barry, Rupert W. Wigmore, Councilor Shillington, W. B. Tennant, Thomas P. Jordan, Messrs. Ballie

and LeBlanc, G. Earle Logan, George M. Johnston and J. W. Willis. New C. P. R. Liner Glasgow, Scotland, Dec. 17—Messrs Barclay, Curle & Company, Glasgow have now launched the second of the two twin screw steamers ordered for the Atlantic service of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

The Metagama, sister ship to the Metanabie, is 220 feet in length, 64 feet in breadth and 41 feet in depth, of 2,000 tons gross tonnage, 18,000 tons displacement, and 400,000 cubic feet cargo capacity. She will have accommodation for 220 cabin passengers, berthed in large airy rooms, and 1,200 third class, also in large rooms, while a crew of 300 will bring up the total complement carried to 3,020.

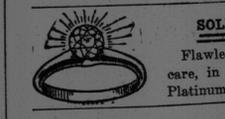
English Friend (to Frenchman)—"It's all right; no cause for alarm. Don't you know the proverb, 'Barking dogs don't bite'?" Frenchman—"Ah, yes, I know ze proverb, you know ze proverb; but ze dog—does he know ze proverb?"

DIAMONDS!

The large Diamond cutting establishments at Antwerp, hitherto one of the chief sources of supply, is now out of business, owing to the war, and no one can intelligently predict when conditions are likely to improve. Prices are therefore certain to jump when present stocks are used up, so NOW is the opportune time in buying.

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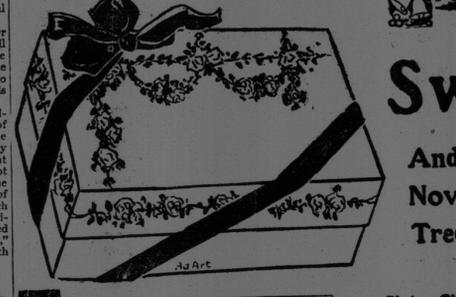
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