

HUSBAND OF MOVIE STAR BRINGS SUIT

Asks Divorce—Mary Pickford's Manager Is Man in Case.

Buffalo, N. Y., June 18.—Edith Haller, who starred in "The Children of Destiny," "Just Behind the Door" and other plays filmed in Mary Pickford's Los Angeles studio, is the defendant in a divorce action brought by her husband, L. Lawrence Weber, prominent New York motion picture producer, in supreme court here.

Weber charges unfaithfulness. The name of Jack Dillon, manager for Mary Pickford, with apartments at No. 5120 Hollywood boulevard, Los Angeles, is associated with that of Mrs. Weber in the testimony. Weber married Miss Haller January 6, 1918. There is a five-year-old child, L. Lawrence, Jr., 19 months old. Proof was taken in the case yesterday and decision reserved. Mrs. Weber did not contest the action. Witnesses testified they saw Dillon and the actress go to a hotel apartment together on different occasions. They said they saw them demonstrate "hugging, kissing and caressing."

STEAMER ABANDONED BY CREW, TOWED INTO PORT

Havana, June 18.—The Norwegian steamer Frontera reported in messages last night from Baracoa as having been abandoned on June 9. The steamer has been picked up by the steamer Julian Alonso of the Compania Naviera Cubana line, and towed to a safe harbor. The steamer was abandoned on June 9.

While badly damaged by the fire, it is believed the boat will not be a total loss.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

Liverpool, June 18.—Arrived: Canadian Aviator, St. John's, Nfld.

UTTERLY HELPLESS FROM ST. VITUS DANCE

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St. Vitus dance is a disease of the nerves brought on by a morbid condition of the blood. It is a common disease with children, and attacks girls more frequently than boys. Irritability is frequently one of the first signs noted. The child frets, it is quarrelsome, and does not sleep well. The jerky movements that characterize the disease come a little later. The patient becomes pale, languid and often constipated. The limbs and sometimes the whole body jerk spasmodically, and in severe cases the power of speech is affected. Such a child should not be allowed to study, but should be kept quiet, given a nutritious diet, remain out of doors as much as possible, and above all things given a course of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to build up the blood and restore the shattered nerves. Without this treatment the trouble may become chronic and the patient a lifelong sufferer. The value of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in cases of this kind is shown by the following statement by Mr. Frank J. Scriven, Acton, Ont., who says: "In January, 1917, when I resided at Milton, Ont., my daughter Gertrude, then aged fourteen, had a bad attack of rheumatic fever, which left as its after effects a severe attack of St. Vitus dance. For weeks she was confined to her bed under the doctor's care. She was entirely helpless, being unable to even hold a spoon to feed herself. For a time she lost the power of speech almost entirely, and only with great difficulty made herself understood. The twitching of her muscles was so bad it was painful to see her. After a long time and taking a lot of medicine, she seemed to improve. But she did not seem to get along as she ought to. In November, 1917, we removed to Acton, and in January, 1918, she was again confined to her bed with St. Vitus dance. She was again in a terrible state and quite helpless. She was under a doctor's care, and while there was an improvement, she was still very nervous, did not look well and was always tired. In May, 1918, we decided to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and see what they would do for her. She took them regularly according to directions, and after taking several boxes there was a decided improvement. After a further course of the pills she is now as healthy a girl as you would wish to see. She is fat, with a fine, healthy color and is strong and lively. The neighbors to whom she is well known remark on the wonderful change in her appearance since taking 'Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Both her mother and myself are convinced that the pills have done her a world of good, as she is now far healthier than we at one time thought she ever would be."

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INCREASE IN PENSIONS AND GRATUITIES FOR DEPENDENTS IS ORDERED BY COMMITTEE

Cronyn Reports For Special Committee Also Favoring State Insurance For Returned Soldiers—Pensions Increase Is Likely To Be Made by Means of Increased Bonus.

OTTAWA, June 18.—(By Canadian Press.)—Marked increases of pensions, state insurance for returned soldiers and the grant of a war service gratuity, based on three years' service, to the dependents of those who died during the war and who were in receipt of separation allowance, are the chief recommendations contained in the report of the special committee on pensions and re-establishment, tabled in the House tonight by Hume Cronyn, chairman of the committee.

The main pensions increases are made by means of an increased bonus. The increased cost to the Dominion will be in the neighborhood of \$8,000,000. The pensions bill for the current year is estimated at \$26,000,000. The act proposed will come into effect on September 1 next, and will add nearly one-third to that amount. As the new rates will not become effective until September, it is estimated that the pensions bill for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1921, will be \$33,000,000.

Suggested Amendments. Several important amendments to the pensions act are suggested. Pensioners with less than 14 per cent disability are given the option of commuting their pensions.

Pensioners under the recommendations are based on the 1918 rate. For those pensioners resident in Canada the bonus recommended is 50 per cent over the basic rate, with 20 per cent bonus for those residing outside of the Dominion.

A private soldier in 1918, if totally disabled, received \$50 a month, or \$600 per annum. Under the new schedule he will receive \$75 a month, or \$900 per annum. A widow will receive \$720 per annum, as against \$480 in 1918. The same rate and increases will apply to widowed mothers or other dependents of deceased soldiers.

For Higher Ranks.

The pensions applicable to those of higher rank than private also have been increased by the way of bonus, so that these pensions will equal those of the rank and file. All pensions payable to those below the rank of captain will be on a basis of equality under the new scale.

The committee confirms its opinion against granting a further cash gratuity on the basis of war service. The question of loans to returned men was considered by the committee, but no recommendations are made thereon.

The bonus recommended by the committee will not apply only to the totally disabled, but in a proportionate degree to those with less than 100 per cent disability. Thus the private soldier, 50 per cent disabled, receives a normal pension of \$20 a month; under the increase suggested he will hereafter be paid \$45 a month. The increase proposed is based on a bonus of what is now being paid, of over \$6,000,000 per annum. While the main pensions increases are by means of a bonus, it is proposed to increase certain other pension rates permanently, and these increases will apply wherever the pensioner may reside.

These permanent increases apply equally to all ranks. For instance, under the present pensions act a totally disabled private soldier is entitled to an addition to his pension of \$180 per annum. This allowance in respect of his wife has been increased to \$300 a year. Under the present law he is entitled to an allowance for his first child of \$144 a year, for his second child \$120, and for his third and each subsequent child of \$96. Under the proposed changes he will receive \$180 for his first child, \$144 for his second, and \$120 a year for his third and each subsequent child. The allowance for the first child of a widow under the present law is \$138 a year; that allowance is not increased, but the allowances for her second, third and subsequent children are increased to those suggested for the children of a totally disabled pensioner.

Further Liability. The above increases suggested for wives and children will add a further yearly liability to the pension bill of the country of about \$1,200,000. Up to the present time, under the present law the payment of a pension was not allowed, that is to say, if the soldier had been maintaining both his father and mother, a pension would only be awarded to one of his parents, or, if he had been maintaining in addition to his wife and family either his father or mother or both, his parents could not receive a pension. From this regulation a certain amount of hardship resulted, and the committee, therefore, recommends that, in the cases above mentioned, small pension should be awarded. For instance, if a soldier who was killed at the front, had been maintaining both his wife and his parents, and these parents are now in want not only will his wife receive her full pension but an allowance of \$15 a month, or \$180 a year may be paid to each of his parents.

Pensions to Children. Pensions to children continue in the case of a boy until he attains the age of 18, and in the case of a girl, until she is 17 years old, although these pensions may be continued until children reach the age of 21 for the purpose of completing their education.

There is at present no provision for continuing the pension beyond the age of 21, even when a child is mentally or physically incapable of earning a livelihood. The committee thinks this should be remedied and suggests that the pension board be given power to continue these pensions for life where the children are proved to be incapable of earning a livelihood, and their parents are financially unable to support them.

For Orphan Children. The rates for orphan children formerly stood at \$30 a month for the first child, \$20 for the second and \$16 a month for the third and each subsequent child. The committee has not altered the rate for the first child, but suggests the rate for the second should be increased to \$24 a month, and the third and each subsequent orphan in a family to \$20 a month.

In addition to a pension allowed to a man totally disabled there exists a provision for a "helpless allowance" not in excess of \$450 a year. The committee recommends that the maximum helpless allowance should be increased to \$750 a year, and not less than \$250 a year should be paid in any case where the man can be deemed to be helpless as well as disabled.

Death Due to Service. Heretofore, in the case of men who have been disabled and have died as a result of service, the pension board has been authorized to contribute up to \$100 to cover the medical and funeral expenses of the man, provided his family is not in a position to meet the same. The committee has extended this class so as to apply it to the death of all disabled men, no matter from what cause they may die. The added yearly cost of payment of dual pensions and of continuing pensions for life to children who are unable to earn a livelihood, to increase the helpless allowance, and to contribute towards the medical and funeral expenses of disabled pensioners, will amount to about \$500,000.

There are scattered throughout Canada a limited number of men who were disabled in the Fenian raid, the Northwest rebellion and the South African war. The committee proposes to increase the rate of these men's pensions up to the rates paid under the present act and amendments thereto.

In the case of the South African veterans, pensions are payable by Great Britain, so that Canada will only be called upon to make up the difference between imperial and Canadian rates. It is thought an annual amount of \$25,000 will cover this liability.

LAKE IS DRAGGED FOR HEAD OF GIRL

Nude Torso Found at Missouri Resort Baffling Mystery.

St. Joseph, Mo., June 18.—Scores of persons today engaged in the weirdest fishing expedition in the history of Lake Contrary, a small summer resort near here, the object of the search being the head of a young woman. The nude, beheaded body of a girl, found in the lake at its outlet into the Missouri River, yesterday, furnished the police a baffling mystery.

Blood splashes but a few days old on the bridge near which the body was fished up by a postman, led the police to believe the crime was committed recently.

Another element in the mystery is the reported finding of an abandoned automobile at Armour Junction, 27 miles from here, early this week. In the abandoned car, the police were informed, blood-stained clothing was found.

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WATCHING SUSPENSION BRIDGE.
Valuators who are working through the G. T. R. system estimating the value of the road as a basis for arbitration, are working in Niagara Falls checking the car movement over the bridge so that an estimation can be placed on its value to the G. T. R. The Grand Trunk collects a toll from other roads covering all cars transported east and west over the bridge, as well as a toll for each passenger coach and passenger transported. The international bridge will be taken over by the Canadian Government.



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