SUFFRAGE VIA BIOGRAPH

Moving Picture Romances To Be Produced Here Soon.

MISS JANE ADDAMS POSES

First Play Will Be Put on Next Thursday at Weber's—Reaching for the Masses.

"Suffragettes in moving pictures! Well, say, pretty soon they'll be breaking into baseball against the Giants and then we won't be able to get away from 'em anywhere."

So the man in the street may growl, but he cannot escape "votes for women" these days; for it is not only in the air but in the "movies," which the American public seems to prefer.

The suffrage moving picture plays, long threatened as a part of the general policy of the women to get down to the masses, are about to be sprung upon New York theatregoers. They are the real thing, too, so far as the suffragists are concerned, for they have given their best.

In one play Miss Jane Addams figures with Dr. Anna Howard Shaw in the conversion of a Senator to their "cause." No, it's not Senator O'Gorman. The biograph statesman is a nameless professional. Miss Addams, though, posed for the pictures when she was in New York recently, and the "movies" men have made visits to all the suffrage headquarters in the city, snapping each of the famous leaders, as well as several beautiful young converts who dropped in.

From Eye to Heart.

The suffragists purpose to have these pictures go all over the country, spreading the gospel of "votes for women" to eyes and hearts which could be reached in no other way. It is all very well, they say, to stand in the street and talk to the crowds going in to moving picture theatres, but it's much better to go along in, too, and talk from the stage also.

The plays are real ones, with lots of love interest and pathos. The suffrage doctrine, in fact, is a very small pill with a great deal of pink coating.

The play in which Miss Addams, Dr. Shaw and the Senator figure is called simply "Votes for Women" and centres around the problem of sweatshop labor, which votes for women are expected to solve. A suffragist takes a rich and beautiful young anti to visit a tenement house in which the father of a family has just died of tuberculosis. The oldest girl is working at hand embroidery, the next oldest has a place in a department store and the little schoolgirl is working on corset covers. The baby is ailing because of impure milk.

The rich and beautiful visitor is deeply moved, especially when she finds that her fiancé is the owner of the tenement house. She appeals to him to right conditions, but he laughs and says, "Women don't understand business."

It is a weepy tale, but it all ends beautifully. The Senator is converted, presents Miss Addams and Dr. Shaw with a check for $5,000 for the cause, joins the Men's League and marches in the suffrage parade.

Month to Wait.

The play was arranged by the suffragists, and among those who figure in it are Mrs. Mary Ware Dennett, Mrs. James Lees Laidlaw, Miss Harriet May Mills, Mrs. Raymond Brown, Mrs. A. C. Hughston, Mrs. Mary Beard, Mrs. Marcia Townsend, Miss Anna Maxwell Jones, Miss Mary Keegan, Mrs. Florence Maule Cooley, Miss Eleanor Byrnes, Mrs. Ida Rauh Eastman, Miss Anne Forsythe, Mrs. Frances Maule Bjorkman, R. C. Beadle, James Lees Laidlaw, Max Eastman and Frederick Green. The play is to be produced on June 26 in New York.

The other play, which is entitled "Suffrage and the Man," pivots upon the activities of the Women's Political Union, of which Mrs. Harriot Stanton Blatch is president. The story, written by Miss Dorothy Steele, is of a young suffragist who quarrels with her fiancé over the question of woman's rights. He betakes himself for consolation to a very feminine "anti." She turns out to be an adventuress, sues him for breach of promise, and he is tried by a mixed jury, of which his erstwhile fiancée is forewoman. He is acquitted, and the reunited pair go hand in hand to the polls, where they vote together, for the women by this time have won their fight.

Among the suffragists who posed for the play are Mrs. Harriot Stanton Blatch, Mrs. Eunice Dana Brannan, Miss Elizabeth Ellsworth Cook, Miss Caroline Lexow, Mrs. Marcia Townsend and Miss Alice J. G. Perkins.

"Suffrage and the Man" will see the light next Thursday at Weber's Theatre, which is to be decorated for the occasion with purple, green and white, the suffrage colors. The women are planning a big theatre party to celebrate their first victory in "butting into the movies."

LEADING SUFFRAGISTS IN MOVING PICTURES.
Jane Addams (to left) and Dr. Anna Shaw (to right) posing in "The Senator and the Suffrage."

The Senator's sweetheart visits headquarters of the suffragists.

SUES STOKES FOR $100,000

Girl Freed for Shooting Him Seeks Damages for False Arrest.

Miss Lillian Graham, a show girl, who, with her friend, Miss Ethel Conrad, was tried and acquitted on the charge of shooting W. E. D. Stokes, proprietor of the Hotel Ansonia, filed a suit yesterday against Mr. Stokes for $100,000 damages for alleged false arrest and malicious prosecution.

The shooting took place on June 7, 1911, at the Varuna apartments, where the two girls were living. Mr. Stokes said Miss Graham demanded $25,000 from him for certain letters that he had written, and that when he refused to pay the money the two young women fired at him. Miss Graham alleged that she acted in self-defence, saying that Mr. Stokes had attacked her.

It was said yesterday that as soon as Miss Conrad, who is a minor, could have a guardian appointed, she, too, would file suit.

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MOTHER FOSTERS ROMANCE

Repays Daughter Who Introduced Her to Second Husband.

Out of gratitude for introducing her to her second husband, Mrs. Joseph Wilson, of No. 134 Valentine street, Mount Vernon, introduced her daughter, Miss Marion Elizabeth Strange, to Raymond Morrison Diggs, who has mining interests in California, and will bid her goodby to-day, when Miss Strange starts for San Francisco. Miss Strange is to be married to Mr. Diggs at the home of her sister, Miss Bertha Strange, in San Francisco, on June 15. About five years ago Miss Strange, who was then a little girl, met Mr. Wilson and fell in love with him because he used to buy her candy and play dolls with her. At the home of a friend she introduced him to her mother, who was a widow, and soon afterward her mother and Mr. Wilson were married. A year later Mrs. Wilson invited Mr. Diggs to visit her.

Mr. Diggs was a busy young man, but found time to come East four times in four years. On his first visit he proposed to Miss Strange, and was refused. The next year he met with a similar rebuff, but when he proposed the third time he was accepted. They will spend their honeymoon on Mr. Diggs's ranch, in Nevada, and will travel through Mexico, South America and Lower California.

BAIL FOR WINIFRED ANKERS

Young Woman Not Likely To Be Tried Again, However.

Justice Putnam, of the Supreme Court, in Brooklyn, accepted yesterday a bond of $2,000 as bail for Winifred Ankers, a former employe of the Brooklyn Nursery and Infants' Home, who on Wednesday was acquitted of a charge of causing the death of nine babies by putting oxalic acid in their milk. The bail is on a second indictment, but as the evidence is practically the same as that on which she was set free it is regarded as unlikely that the young woman will ever be brought to trial again.

The bail bond was furnished by Mrs. William F. Haigh, of No. 180 South Oxford street, for whom Miss Ankers worked before she went to the hospital. She offered as security two houses valued at $18,000.

Assistant District Attorney George A. Voss says he does not think there will be any investigation in his office of the methods employed at the Brooklyn Nursery and Infants' Home. He said there was nothing in the evidence to show laxity. District Attorney James C. Cropsey was chairman of the building committee in charge of the erection of the hospital building, and is a member of the advisory board at present, according to the last annual report.

LACK OF FIRST AID FATAL

Girl Drowned Because Rescuers Didn't Know How to Revive Her.

Louisville, May 31.—Virginia Williams, of this city, was drowned last night in the Ohio River, near Fern Grove, about fourteen miles above Louisville, when a motor boat containing a party of five was capsized by the wash from the towboat Dixie.

The whole party was picked up a short time afterward by another motor boat, and it is said, Miss Williams was alive though unconscious when taken ashore, but none of the rescuers understood how to resuscitate her. She was twenty-three years old.

PRINCESS HOPES FOR FORTUNE

Tekan Pomera, of Tahiti, Plans to Cultivate Cocoanuts.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

San Francisco, May 31.—Princess Tekan Pomera, of Tahiti, who has spent the last two years in Paris and London, was a passenger on the Aorangi, which has sailed for her island home. The princess, who arrived here from Paris ten days ago and remained with friends until within a few minutes of the time she expected to embark for her home in the South Seas, is going to try to make a fortune out of cocoanuts.

"I hope to make a few arrangements which will give me the sort of income I need," said the princess. "You see, I own two lovely islands in the South Seas. They grow a lot of cocoanuts on them, but the natives are too lazy to gather the fruit and ship copra. Others are making fortunes out of their property, and from what I have learned I see no reason why I should not be as successful as they have been."

TO BURLESQUE THE ANTIS

Suffragists Also to Give "Perfectly Proper" Turkey Trot.

Miss Alberta Hill, who used to spend a good deal of her time trying to convert the Legislature at Albany to suffrage, but recently has rather deserted "the cause" to go into real politics to help along Governor Wilson's candidacy for the Presidency, is hustling for suffrage again. She and others are getting up a vaudeville entertainment and dance, which will take place to-night at the headquarters of the New York State Association for Woman Suffrage, at No. 180 Madison avenue.

Various young men and women have volunteered to burlesque the antis for the amusement of the audience. Sinclair Lewis will give an impersonation of an anti from the man's point of view and Miss Helen Hoerle one from the woman's point of view. They do not, they explain, intend to mimic any particular anti-suffrage leaders, but just the "anti" species.

Miss Hill and Harold Hertz will present an original sketch, "The Maid and the Magistrate," based on the vow some ardent suffragists are taking, "No vote, no marriage." Miss Mabel Guilford and Miss Gwendolen Brooks are billed for another sketch, "The Fiancée." A number of other stunts are on the programme. The entertainment will wind up with a dance, one of the features of which will be a perfectly proper turkey trot, named "the suffragized turkey trot."

The money the tickets bring will go to the suffrage organization of the 29th Assembly District, of which Dr. Mary Holton is leader.

Miss Hill will also conduct a series of open-air meetings for the Woman Suffrage party in Miss L. L. Dork's assembly district on the lower East Side. The first one will be held next week. These meetings are part of the street campaign the party is organizing in the various boroughs of the city. Ten weekly meetings are planned for each Assembly district, and as there are sixty-three districts that means more than six hundred meetings. Some of the Brooklyn districts may be skipped, though, for, as Mrs. A. C. Hughston, the chairman of public demonstrations, said yesterday, "Since the little fuss we had in Brooklyn we never can tell about that borough."

FRITCH GETS NEW TRIAL

Michigan Doctor Convicted of Murdering Girl Patient Wins Appeal.

Detroit, May 31.—The Michigan Supreme Court granted a new trial to-day to Dr. George A. Fritch, of Detroit, who was convicted in March, 1910, of the murder of Mabel Millman.

Fritch is now in Jackson prison, where he was sentenced to serve from seven and one-half to fifteen years. His conviction followed one of the most sensational trials ever held in Michigan. The dismembered body of Miss Millman, who was a patient of the doctor, was found in the Detroit River in September, 1907.

DEPOSED RECTOR RESTORED

Clergyman, Unfrocked on Woman's Charge, Vindicated After 14 Years.

Washington, May 31.—Unfrocked fourteen years ago, after a trial on charges made against him by a young woman who sang in his choir, the Rev. Gilbert Fearing Williams, of this city, has been reinstated as a clergyman of the Episcopal Church by the Bishop of Washington.

Mr. Williams, who has become white haired during the years he has been fighting for vindication, will preach next Sunday. He was reinstated by Bishop Harding on the recommendation of a committee of ministers who recently reinvestigated the case and heard new evidence.

HAM MAKES FIFTY ILL

Poison in Meal Served by Women After Parade of the G. A. R.

Rockland, Mass., May 31.—More than fifty persons are suffering from poisoning as the result of eating ham at a meal served by the Women's Relief Corps, of Hartsuff Post, G. A. R., following the Memorial Day parade. Some of the victims were made violently ill.

Doctors were kept scurrying throughout the town all last night. So frequent were the calls that they could stay at one patient's house only a few minutes before hurrying to respond to another call. All of the victims will recover.

BROTHER MOURNS WRIGHT

Orville Overwhelmed by the Death of Wilbur.

ALL DAYTON IS SADDENED

City Will Cease Work When Inventor's Body Goes to the Grave on Saturday.

Dayton, Ohio, May 31.—"I am overwhelmed by the death of brother Wilbur," said Orville Wright sadly in his first public statement to-night. Heretofore he had denied himself to all callers except a few friends of many years' standing.

Orville's face bears the marks of much suffering and the co-inventor of the aeroplane is broken in spirit at the loss sustained just when the brothers were at the flood tide of fortune.

"Wilbur was more than most brothers," he continued. "We have worked together and played together since I was old enough to know anything, and his death has completely unnerved me.

"We were getting our factory in fine condition when this blow came, and he was so proud of it. His death is a terrible blow and will have a big effect on our organization. I cannot say at this time how his place as president of our company will be filled. I have given no thought to business these last few days."

Dayton to-day is overwhelmed by the loss of her most distinguished citizen. In the modest home of his preacher-father lies the body of Wilbur Wright. Hundreds of floral tributes fill the modest rooms and there is an air of melancholy in the neighborhood where the famous brothers spent so many useful years.

By the side of his mother, in a quiet spot in Woodland Cemetery, unadorned except by the simplest of monuments, the body of Wilbur Wright will be laid on Saturday. The body will lie in state from 10 o'clock until 1. Public funeral services will be held at 3 o'clock, in charge of the Rev. Maurice E. Wilson. The burial in Woodland will be private.

The bearer have not been selected, but present arrangements may result in the selection of two representatives of the "Ten Boys' Club," the only organization of which the decedent was an active member; two from the raanks of the Wright company's employes and two from the membership of the Dayton Aeroplane Club.

All industries will be stopped within the corporate limits of Dayton while the funeral is being held, not a wheel turning for three minutes begining at 3:30 o'clock. A more comprehensive tribute had been planned, but was rejected in deference to the wish of the family.

Washington, May 31.—President Taft received to-day a delayed cable message from the Aerial League of Australia expressing sympathy on the death of Wilbur Wright.

Representative Ansberry, of Ohio, to-day introduced a resolution stating that "the House has heard with profound regret of the death of Wilbur Wright, of Dayton, Ohio, who rendered his country incalculable service in the science of aeronautics." The resolution was referred to the Rules Committee.

COURT IS HER CHAMPION

Appellate Division Defends Mrs. Hindley's Good Name.

Expressing the opinion that perjury had been committed and that the defendant was probably not guilty of the charges against her, the Appellate Division reversed yesterday the report of the referee in the divorce suit of Charles T. Hindley against his wife, Mrs. Mary B. Hindley, and ordered a new trial before another referee.

Hindley lives at the Hotel Manhattan. His suit was based on the testimony of a woman who swore she saw Mrs. Hindley in a room with the corespondent. The higher court set forth that it was not conceivable that a woman of the breeding and social position of Mrs. Hindley would be guilty of the charge, and, further, that possibly it was the woman who testified against her who was the one with the corespondent. It was also shown that on the night in question Mrs. Hindley was at her summer home at Seabright, N. J., and could hardly have been in the alleged meeting place.

The referee who heard the case was Phœnix Ingraham, son of the presiding justice of the Appellate Division. The latter did not take part in the hearing of the appeal.

RUNS FROM WOMAN OPPONENT

Humane Officer Resigns Rather than Contest Election with Her.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Newport, Ky., May 31.—Charles Schmidt, who for the last fifteen years has been the humane officer in Newport, has resigned because a woman has entered the race against him for election to that office.

"I have lived in the United States for forty years," said Schmidt, "but never before have I faced the possibility of having a woman beat me out of the position. I don't think she could do it this time, but I will not run against her, and would rather leave the work than remain."

Mrs. Mary Lines, who is the candidate against Schmidt, says this showing of the white feather by Schmidt plainly indicates that women make the best candidates, because, she says, one never heard of a woman quitting a fight just because a man happened to be against her.

WOMAN BLUFFS POLICE

Likewise Defies Hammerstein in Advertising Suffrage.

POSTS BILLS FOR BALL

Even Mrs. Belmont's Headquarters Bear Witness to Energy That Appalls Man Convert.

Mary Donnelly, one the suffrage pride and stay of the 34th street Asembly District, now organizer of the Interborough Suffrage Club, at No. 120 West 81st street, had the time of her even lively life last night.

Starting out on the seemingly pacific mission of pasting up bills to advertise the ball the club is going to give at Terrace Garden June 15, she contrived to have a row with William Hammerstein on his own premises, the Victoria Theatre. She raised crowds that blocked Broadway, she bluffed no end of policemen who asked to see her permit, and defied them to arrest her, and she ended by nailing three announcements of her ball upon the front of the suffrage headquarters of her dearest foe, Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont, at No. 15 East 41st street—the very place she left in a huff last fall.

It was a truly beautiful sight to see Mary leaving the clubhouse in 81st street. She wore a gingham apron, and a parade hat decorated with red, white and blue, and she rode on the tail end of a cart loaned her by an obliging bill posting firm, who also gave her the freedom of their boards all along Broadway. With her rode Miss Grace Raymond, of Brooklyn; Miss Marie Duloe, Miss Marie McGowan, Mrs. Charlotte Smith and a whole bevy of maidens, all in gingham aprons, to protect their gowns from the paste. C. N. B.

The paste not arriving in time, however, they used nails. The cart was covered with suffrage banners, and hauled by a melancholy anti-suffrage mare named Bess, who said with every swish of her sawed-off tail that as long as those suffragettes made her work at night she'd never join the cause.

With the party also went P. J. Ring, of Brooklyn. Mr. Ring is a convert and a supporter of Mrs. Robert Elder, president of the Interboro Club, and till last night he supposed that he was a pretty active suffragist.

He accompanied Mary to carry the hammers and nails and act in general as guide, philosopher and friend, but they hadn't gone ten blocks before Mary had left him gasping far behind. For it wasn't long ere she and her maidens tumbled out of the cart and let it trail along after, while they marched down Broadway, nailing up bills and pausing at intervals to address the trailing crowds.

Mary openly declared to the protesting Mr. Ring that she wanted to be arrested. "It'll be fine for the cause," she said. And at the Victoria Theatre—the procession left Broadway at 42d street specifically to visit that place of entertainment—she nearly got her wish.

Surrounded by her maidens and shadowed by the agitated Mr. Ring, she marched into the lobby and flourished a ball advertisement before the man in the box office.

"May I put this up on the wall here?" she requested.

"I—er—see that gentleman over there, Mr. Hammerstein's representative," stuttered the alarmed box office man. Mr. Reynolds, being appealed to, was inexorable.

"Sorry," he said. "It's against the rules."

"If Oscar was here," cried Miss Donnelly, "hed let us plaster the whole theatre with the announcements of our suffrage ball."

Oscar wasn't there, but his son was. Wearing a new straw hat and a dark brown frown, young William Hammerstein that instant threw himself into the gathering throng.

"What's all this?" he demanded. "Put a suffrage card up in this lobby? Certainly not. And I'll ask you to leave right now."

"Yes, come on," urged Mr. Ring; "Mr. Hammersteins in the right."

Mary walked out to the sidewalk, but not before she had said a few things—oh, quite a few things—to young Mr. Hammerstein.

Outside she tried to nail one of her posters on the Victoria's billboard. Mr. Hammerstein swooped down upon her.

"Stop that!" he ordered.

"We're drawing a crowd for you," argued Miss Raymond.

"I don't want a crowd!" cried Hammerstein furiously.

"Hear that?" Miss Donnelly demanded of the throng, which by this time was blocking the car rails. "Hammerstein's is the only theatre in town that doesn't want a crowd."

Then she proceeded to deliver a suffrage speech while Hammerstein chewed his cigar in wrath.

"Officer, run her in," he shouted. There were two patrolmen there, but somehow they didn't seem eager to attack Mary.

"Run me in?" she said, scornfully, to Mr. Hammerstein. "There isn't a policeman in New York that dare do it. I've got Tammany Hall back of me. I've a permit to be out to-night"— "Show it me," suggested one of the officers. But Mary, looking at him more in sorrow than in anger, moved slowly along 42d street, dropping suffrage maxims to the ever-growing crowd which attended her.

BILL AIMED AT COFFEE "TRUST"

House Measure Would Put It Under Interstate Commerce Laws.

Washington, May 31.—The operations of the so-called coffee trust would be put under the interstate commerce laws if a bill introduced to-day by Representative Norris, of Nebraska, should become a law.

The Norris bill would so amend the anti-trust laws as to characterize as an illegal conspiracy any combination whereby two or more persons are engaged in the importing of any article from any foreign country, when such a combination is operated in restraint of free competition of commerce or so as to increase the market price of the article.

The bill carries as a penalty a maximum fine of $5,000, together with imprisonment.

RESTORES COMMERCE COURT

Senate Committee Puts Back in Bill Appropriatino Cut Out by House.

Washington, May 31.—The Senate Committee on Finance voted to-day to place in the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill the appropriation for the Commerce Court eliminated by the House. The House action was expected to abolish the court and the provision inserted by the Senate committee will cause a lively fight in conference.

The committee also voted to strike from the bill the provision limiting the terms of office to all civil service employes to five years. The bill will probably be reported to the Senate to-morrow.

MORE TRANSIT ROUTES PASS.

The Board of Estimate yesterday formally approved eight of the rapid transit routes recently laid out to complete the comprehensive dual transit system by the Public Service Commission. It was decided to hold a public hearing on the route connecting the Seventh avenue extension of the present subway with Brooklyn, from West Broadway and by way of Park Place, Beekman and William streets. The hearing will be held on Thursday.

ADOPTED GIRL HIS HEIRESS

Court Gives $150,000 to Her, Excluding Blood Relatives.

The Appellate Division of the Supreme Court decided yesterday that Miss Dorothy Hoyt, who at one year old, in 1894, was taken from the Nursery and Child's Hospital and adopted by the late Frank R. Hoyt and his wife, Mrs. Marguerita Hoyt, is entitled to the $150,000 trust fund which Mr. Hoyt's mother, Mrs. Rhoda E. Hoyt, set aside for him in 1896.

The terms of the trust fund provided that at the death of Mr. Hoyt the money should go to his children, and, if there were no children, then to his heirs. Mr. Hoyt died in 1911. His heirs were his adopted daughter, a brother and a sister, and three children of a dead brother.

The United States Company, as trustee of the fund, brought suit to determine whether the fund should go to Miss Hoyt or to the blood relatives. Justice Dowling, who wrote the majority decision of the Appellate Division, said a foster child had the same right to inherit when adopted from an institution as when given up by its parents. The justice wrote: "As the main consideration in adoption is the good of the child, the state is as watchful of the interests of the minor coming from the care of an institution as from that of an individual."

Presiding Justice Ingraham dissented from the majority opinion. He said that when the orphan, Miss Hoyt, was adopted, there was no statute that made her the legal heir of Mr. Hoyt, and that under the terms of the trust he did not believe Mrs. Hoyt intended the $150,000 should go to an adopted child of her son.

BARNARD SENIORS GIVE PLAY

Present "A Midsummer Night's Dream" on the Campus.

The senior class and most of the other classes at Barnard have been breathless for the last week on the chances of last night's weather being right. The occasion was the annual senior play on the campus, and the weather clerk looked with a favoring eye on Barnard's small spot of green and announced "Clear" in the morning, besides sending a moon, a few stars and a cool evening.

This year "A Midsummer Night's Dream" was given, with only a few "cuts," and with stage setting quite ambitious for Barnard. The play was presented on the top of a small terrace, backed by trees, overlooking the tennis courts, where the invited guests and college spectators sat. This terrace had been built out for the occasion and covered with "greensward" imported from gay Broadway and green leaved branches brought in by some of Barnard's commuters. The moon was supplied by the college electrician in the shape of an arc light, although the real moon shone her best to help the seniors along.

About two-thirds of the senior class took part in the presentation in spite of the last rush for diplomas, some appearing in rather cool looking floating garments belonging to the fairy type. There were, in fact, about twenty-five of these, who, dressed in delicate shades, danced and played about the little green embankment in a charming way.

The cast:

Theseus, Duke of Athens	Lucile Weil
Lysander	Eleanor Doty
Demetrius	Phœbe Hoffman
Philostrate	Anna Loughren
Hippolyte	Cora Thees
Hermia	Anne Wilson
Helena	Ernestine Isabel
Quince	Lucile Mordecai
Bottom	Pauline Cahn
Flute	Crystene Stralton
Snout	Elsa Hellar
Snug	Gertrude Borchardt
Starveling	Elsie Franklin
Oberon	Mildred Hamburger
Titania	Elizabeth Gray
Puck	Lillie Stein
Peasblossom	Eleanor Myers
Cobweb	Florence Van Vranken
Moth	Gladys Segel
Mustardseed	Gertrude Cusack

The play was coached by Mildred Hamburger, of the senior class, and Mrs. W. F. Jessup. The dances were arranged by Miss M. P. Beegle, the physical instructor of Barnard. Mildred Hamburger was chairman of the committee of arrangements.

FIRE BELLS AWAKEN PATIENTS

Short-Lived Stir at Miss Alston's Sanatorium.

Fire in the basement of Miss Alice Alston's sanatorium, No. 26 West 51st street, was extinguished in a twinkling last night on arrival of city apparatus, but the changing of the bells on the trucks and engines awoke many of the patients. Nurses were sent through the rooms and dormitories to assure them there was no immediate danger.

Among those at the sanatorium was Mme. Lydia Lopoukowa, the Russian dancer, who is recovering from an operation and who from her window saw the engines stopping before the door. A nurse assured her that the fire was a trivial one and put her at her ease.

INDIANA STRIKE ENDS

Coal Miners Sign Two-Year Contracts and Go to Work.

Terre Haute, Ind., May 31.—Indiana coal miners and operators signed to-day a new wage contract for two years, and the strike condition of the last nine weeks, which has affected 18,000 workers, has been broken. Several mines resumed work to-night and others will open to-morrow morning.

Leaders of the mine workers are claiming a victory in obtaining better working conditions, while the operators won their contention against weekly pay.

U. S. EXPOSES PACKERS

High Prices Not Due to the Scarcity of Livestock.

APRIL RECEIPTS GREATER

House Asked to Find Out if There Is a Beef Trust—The Government's Report.

[From The Tribune Bureau.]

Washington, May 31.—Coincident with disclosures in reports made by the Department of Commerce and Labor showing that livestock receipts at the seven principal Western markets in April were greater than those of any April since 1907, Representative Edwards, of Georgia, to-day introduced a resolution in the House directing the Attorney General to investigate whether there is a beef trust responsible for high prices.

The figures given out by the Bureau of Statistics are particularly significant in view of the fact that the packers have contended that the increase in prices was due to a scarcity of livestock. Not only were the receipts large in April, but during the whole four months of the present year an unusually large amount of livestock was received. The receipts at the four leading Atlantic seaport cities, Boston, New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, also showed an increase over the April receipts in the aggregate, Boston alone showing a decline.

Because of the conflicting statements of the packers and the government statistics Representative Edwards believes there is a field for fruitful investigation. He is of the opinion that there is no just reason for the advance in prices, and is determined to have a full inquiry into the situation.

Relative to the receipts, the government report says:

The livestock receipts at the seven principal Western markets, namely, Chicago, Kansas City, Omaha, St. Louis, St. Joseph, St. Paul and Sioux City, in April, were greater than those of any April since 1907. Furthermore, the aggregate receipts of livestock at the seven markets during the four months of the present year were greater by far than during the same four months of any year during the last decade. The receipts of April, as well as those of March and February, however, having been somewhat less than those of January, which were unusually large.

The receipts in April, 1912, which include cattle, calves, hogs, sheep, horses and mules, were 3,238,600, a gain of more than 3½ per cent when compared with 3,123,938 head received in April, 1911, and a gain of nearly 45 per cent when compared with 2,234,907 head received in April, 1910.

The total receipts at these markets during the first four months of the present year were 15,123,769 head, an increase of 13½ per cent over the receipts during the same period in 1911 and 40 per cent over those in 1910.

In regard to the livestock receipts at the Atlantic ports the report says:

The receipts of meat livestock at the four leading cities during April, 1912, were 684,041 head, an increase over the April receipts for a number of years past. Likewise, the receipts at these ports during the first four months of the present year were exceptionally large. The total receipts of meat livestock in New York were 377,308 head in April.

PRESIDENT WARS ON OPIUM

Asks Congress, in Message, to Legislate Against Habit Forming Drugs.

Washington, May 31.—Immediate legislation to prevent the promiscuous use of habit forming drugs was urged by President Taft in a message transmitted to Congress to-day. The message was accompanied by a report from Secretary of State Knox, declaring that unless speedy action is taken on measures now pending in Congress the American government may be justly accused of being half-hearted in its effort to mitigate or suppress the use of opium and allied evils.

The President asserted he would not ask the Senate to ratify the convention adopted by the recent international opium conference until the government of The Netherlands had secured the signatures of thirty-four additional countries to the convention. The signatures will be secured, it is expected, by the end of the year.

FLIES IN UMBRELLA-PLANE

Aviator at Chicago Ascends in Latest of Freak Air Machines.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Chicago, May 31.—"Have you umbrella-planed yet?" is the latest question asked of aviation enthusiasts who visit the aero field at Cicero.

The "umbrella-plane," or cyclo-plane, as it is named, is the latest in aeroplanes. It was introduced to Chicagoans at the four-day meet now under way at the Cicero field.

The "umbrella-plane" is constructed as if it were made to fit over an umbrella frame. In the centre is a rod, which holds in place the engine and other mechanical arrangements. The machine is owned by Harold F. McCormick.

One feature of the freakish plane is its self-balancing power. No matter which side dips down, because of the weight of the driver or from the wind, the other side will drop enough to bring the machine back to balance.

Andrew Drew has made several flights in the novel machine. The longest time he has remained in the air is eight minutes, attaining a height of fifty feet.

WHITMAN'S CONVICTIONS STAND.

District Attorney Whitman announced yesterday that all of the forty-seven appeals that had been disposed of since January 1 had resulted in dismissals. No convictions were reversed. That record includes only appeals from convictions. Appeals from orders are in a separate class.

TRANSFERS

It has become apparent that the existing transfer methods require change in the interest of the convenience of the public as well as for the protection of the revenues of the Company. Commencing therefore on June 1, 1912, a new form of transfer ticket will be issued to passengers.

The advantages of the new transfer are as follows:

1. It is convenient for the passenger because it indicates all the possible ways of travelling between two points for a single fare.
2. It relieves the passenger of the necessity of obtaining one transfer after another, as the single transfer with coupons, obtained upon the payment of a cash fare, is all that is necessary to make the desired journey.
3. It relieves the conductor of the necessity of issuing re-transfers. He will have more time to devote to the safety and convenience of passengers and to the proper operation of the car.
4. This system will afford to the passengers all transfer privileges to which they are entitled, and should reduce transfer abuses.

The extensive use of transfers and their great abuse have reduced the average fare per passenger to 3.41c. for the first four months since January 1, 1912, when the New York Railways Company commenced operation. This does not leave sufficient margin to enable the Company to develop its property as it would desire to do if it were permitted to enjoy greater prosperity.

Notices explaining the new transfer ticket will be found in all of the cars and instructions for its use are printed upon the back of the ticket. The co-operation of the public is respectfully requested.

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