

MOVIE SCHOOLS' VICTIMS CALLED FOR JURY QUIZ

Stories of Blasted Hopes and Lost Money to Be Told.

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HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Oct. 22.—Six women, who claim to have been victimized by Hollywood "movie schools," were to appear before the Los Angeles county grand jury today and tell of the operations of the institutions.

The present investigation, one of many by local and state authorities, was ordered by Ellis Eagan, deputy district attorney.

The schools have existed for years in and about Hollywood. The first one sprung up, probably, when the first studio opened its doors and the first extra applied for a job.

Survive All Attacks

Since then they have been subject of all manner of attacks. Campaigners have knocked, the state labor commission has probed and writers have fayed, but still the schools make money.

They appeal to the yearning of the unknown to win glory in the films, and that appeal brings in the profits.

There is the case of Mrs. Margaret Russell of Hollywood, who reported to Eagan that she had paid \$250 for a course of instruction in a school, after being promised a position.

The course, she said, included only a brief instruction in screen makeup. She did not even receive a diploma, she complained.

Useless Diplomas

Beautifully engraved certificates, which are looked at with admiration by printers and owners, if not by casting directors, are a principal stock in the trade of the schools.

Of course, all such institutions are not illegal in their operations, but the studios pay little attention to the diplomas, even though they may not always look with actual disfavor on the proof of the money spent to learn the art.

Many devices are used by some of the schools to obtain their "sucker lists." Boxes have been placed in drug stores, with invitations for letters asking for screen tests. Camera men go through the state, making tests, and, it is claimed, if the "sucker" has money she is told she has talent.

Talkie School Late

The Hollywood Filmograph, a small magazine, has been having a particular war with such schools for months and was named defendant in a \$30,000 libel suit, later reported dropped. A group of the schools was plaintiff.

The records of the "alumni" of such schools, who came from all social strata, with the poorer classes predominating, are filled with stories of hopes raised high and then shattered.

A wealthy Indiana widow spent \$75,000 to become an actress. She finally was starred in one production and returned to oblivion.

With the coming of the talkies, a new type of school appeared—that which would teach actors and those aspiring to the screen to talk for reproduction, and they reaped small fortunes, from those on the inside as well as those looking in.

LEGAL ADVICE OFFERED BALLOTTERS AT POLLS

Sixty Attorneys Volunteer Services for Election Day.

So that voters may have full information as to their rights at the polls, sixty local attorneys have volunteered their services to L. J. Keach, Marion county Democratic chairman, and have been assigned to voting places throughout the county.

The attorneys urge voters to insist upon their rights at the polls and to report promptly any denial of that right.

"Marion county voters are entitled to an honest and clean election and these sixty volunteer lawyers will help them get it," Keach said. "Examination of the list of inspectors filed by the Republican county chairman for the coming election reveals several with criminal records."

HOLD DEATH INQUEST

Impatient Attorney Slain in Elevator Shaft.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, Oct. 22.—An inquest will be held today into the death last night of Blackburn Estelle, assistant United States solicitor general, who was struck by an elevator in the Department of Justice building.

Estelle is believed to have become impatient when the elevator operator did not answer his summons promptly and peered down the shaft. The cab was descending and struck him on the head.

The camp was opened Saturday and the students were quartered and messes at the officers' club. A demonstration of formal guard mounting was made by the 11th infantry following pistol range firing.

Brigadier General George H. J. Merson, post commandant, and other officers spoke at the smoker Saturday night.

RONDTHALER RITES SET

Former Pastor Here to Be Buried Tuesday Afternoon.

Funeral services for Dr. J. Albert Rondthaler, 84, former pastor of the Tabernacle Presbyterian Church who died Saturday in Batavia, Ill., will be held at 3 Tuesday afternoon in Crown Hill chapel.

Dr. Rondthaler left Indianapolis in 1894 to accept a pastorate in Chicago. At the time of his death he was connected with the Mooseheart school at Batavia. The widow, two sons and two daughters survive.

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The safe family medicine for Colds and Coughs. Builds new strength NO DRUGS

Al Packs 'Em in at Circle



RASKOB PUTS IN BUSY WEEK-END

Challenges Accuracy of Magazine Poll.

By United Press
NEW YORK, Oct. 22.—With Herbert Hoover, the opposition candidate, invading New York, Chairman John J. Raskob of the Democratic national committee set a record for campaign activity over the weekend.

He was besieged by newspapermen for comment on latest developments in the oil lease cases at Washington. He was asked whether he intended to curb Governor Bibb of Mississippi in the latter's statement that Hoover had danced with a Negress. He declined to speak on these matters "for the time being."

But he was not silent in other respects. He issued a statement challenging the accuracy of the Literary Digest poll, which so far has shown all but four states for Hoover. He cited errors in the Digest poll of four years ago.

He made public a letter he had written to Chairman Work of the Republican party, saying that the organization had "become simply the prohibition party of the United States."

QUIZZES AL ON HIS STAND ON 'POWER'

Socialist Candidates Praises Smith for Attack on Hoover.

By United Press
READING Pa., Oct. 22.—Norman Thomas, Socialist candidate for President, has asked Governor Alfred E. Smith to explain more fully his stand on the power question.

The query was in the form of a letter which praised Smith for his vigorous attack on Hoover and the Republican party for their stand on Muscle Shoals and Boulder Dam.

Thomas asked the Democratic nominee whether as President he would merely retain power sites now owned by the Government or whether he would attempt to deal with the "super power monopoly," and if so, how. He read the letter to a political audience here last night.

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TUNE IN "THE SONG SHOP" THURSDAY NIGHT AT 7, STATION WSAI

Rain and Cool Weather Predicted for Tonight.

Rain and 12 to 15 degrees cooler weather tonight will follow the comparatively mild weather of the week-end J. H. Arlington, predicted today.

Today's temperature of 56 was 12 degrees above normal. The mercury will read 40 to 45 degrees Tuesday morning and there likely will be rain during the night, he said.

Tuesday, however, will be warm and it will warm up somewhat by night, he predicted.

The temperature average was 57, 3 degrees above normal, Sunday.

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Bernard Macfadden, author, publisher and editor, will be in Indianapolis Tuesday for two speeches.

The 60-year-old publisher of Physical Culture magazine will speak on "How the Busy Man Can Keep Fit at 60" at the Rotary Club luncheon at the Clappool. In the evening he will speak at the All Souls Unitarian church on "Maintaining the Spirit of Youth."

Macfadden will come here in a private car, bringing with him his wife and six children.

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MINE WORKERS MEET

The annual meeting of the international board of the United Mine Workers of America began at 10 this morning in the organization offices at Merchants Bank building.

Appealed cases will be acted upon and routine business transacted, according to John L. Lewis, international president, who arrived here Saturday night.

FORMER PREMIER DIES

By United Press
LONDON, Oct. 22.—Andrew Fisher, 66, former premier of Australia, died today at his Hampstead home. Death was due to a heart attack brought on by influenza.

EVERY NITE

is a feature nite at the

MARATHON

This is "Monday Night"

and there'll be plenty of

FUN—LAUGHS

AND THRILLS

"COME ON OVER"

Forhan's for the gums

★ 4 out of 5 people after forty and thousands younger

sacrifice health to Pyorrhia.

DRY ACT HURTS MAN'S RIGHTS, DEBATER SAYS

Prohibition Act Injected in Forum Discussion by Chicagoan.

"Repeal the prohibition law! Not because it is a failure (which obviously it is), but because it is a violation of the natural rights of man. It is contrary to the Declaration of Independence, which declares for life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. It is contrary to the bill of rights in the Constitution and the greater its success the greater its harm."

Although asked not to do so by his opponent in debate at the Jewish Community Center, Sunday night, Horace J. Bridges, Chicago, attacked the prohibition law and the eighteenth amendment with the above words.

The debate subject was "Can We Make People Good by Law?" Dr. John A. Lapp, professor of sociology at Marquette University, Milwaukee, upheld the affirmative. He is director of the social action department of the National Catholic Welfare Conference and a prohibitionist.

In opening his debate subject Lapp pleaded that the prohibition law be left out of the discussion, as an entire evening would be needed for that topic alone. In rebuttal he challenged his opponent to name an unnecessary law which had a universal personal application, and Bridges took that opening to assail prohibition.

He was greeted with a round of applause.

"Some persons think that human nature can not be changed in any way," Lapp declared. "I believe that human nature is modifiable and that scientific statutes will aid in making people better. I do not believe that all people will be made good by it."

It is unprofitable to argue the success or failure of the prohibition law," he declared. "If you accept the failure theory (which I do not) it would be easy to trace it to unscientific planning. It may be that alcohol beverages should have been reduced in content gradually, rather than at a single stroke."

The popular idea that there are "too many laws" he termed a myth. Bridges took the stand that while agreeing that law in the debate meant statutes, Lapp failed to define goodness. Goodness means doing the right thing for the right sake and is something impossible to be brought about by law. It must come from within, he contended.

President Leonard A. Strauss of the Jewish Community Center Association, presided. The debate was the first of the third annual open forum series sponsored by the organization and open to the public.

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