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**Are Moving Picture Makers Immoral?**

Following the disreputable Arbuckle disclosures and the later murder at Los Angeles of a man named Taylor, a moving picture director with the probability of a love motive, it has become the habit to stigmatize all movie actors and actresses as bad characters. The chief difficulty with them is that they earn large salaries, and not very many people are able to stand up against good times. They are, however, much like other people, neither better nor worse.

The mayor of Los Angeles has recently issued an appeal to the public and press on behalf of the movie people in part as follows:

"The Arbuckle case and the slaying of Mr. Taylor were indeed unfortunate affairs, but it is not just to criticize an entire group of people such as those engaged in the motion picture industry for incidents, many of them not true as to fact, which have been published broadcast recently.

"I believe that the Hollywood motion picture colony should not be condemned for the actions of a few of its members any more than a district or an industry located in San Francisco, New York or Chicago.

"I am convinced that there are hundreds of clean, law-abiding men and women engaged in the making of motion pictures, and in their behalf I ask the open-minded judgment and the even-minded justice characteristic of our American people."

An enormous amount of flagrant misstatement and vague and unjustified speculation and insinuation has been sent broadcast in regard to the Taylor murder, largely because neither the authorities nor the newspapermen on the case could find many established facts on which to base their conclusions and inferences.

Stripped of wild theories and reckless exaggeration, however, the facts appear to be as follows:

A director of some importance in the film world was killed mysteriously in his own home. He was a man of peculiar popularity with women. Love notes from several women were found in his home, and there is a possibility, but by no means a certainty, that he was murdered on account of some love affair.

The case is so exactly similar to the Elwell tragedy in New York—first as to the character of the two victims, second as to the possible motive of the murder, and third as to the circumstances surrounding the murder—that they might be exact duplicates one of the other, with merely a change of scene.

Under these circumstances there would seem to be no more basis for the wicked distortion and exaggeration of the simple facts in regard to the film people than there would have been of similar attacks upon society people on account of Elwell's social connections.

Every class, every profession, has its "black sheep." There are some slyster lawyers who rob their clients, some doctors who are actually criminal in their operations, some statesmen who figure in Standard Oil disclosures, some architects who build criminal death-traps.

There are, in fact, disgraces to every class and every profession; but intelligent and judicious people do not hold a whole profession or a whole industry or a whole element of society responsible for the acts of a few delinquents and disreputables.

**Greater Efficiency Among Workmen.**

The hard times is having the effect of making workmen more efficient according to innumerable reports received from various quarters. The First National Bank, Boston, sends out a report which says in part:

"While the volume of hand-to-mouth buying is perhaps increasing slightly, business as a rule is being done on a very narrow or no-profit basis. Fluctuations in raw material prices, high labor and transportation costs, varying demand for finished goods, make manufacturing uncertain and very difficult. Expectation of lower prices for manufactured goods continually unsettles the market. Northern mills throughout New England are reducing wages and lengthening hours, the result meaning about 10 per cent. less money for 12 1/2 per cent. more work. This action is primarily forced by southern competition, but at bottom is another step in the process of deflation destined to bring the prices of finished goods and farm products nearer a parity. The farmer can not buy freely at relatively high prices, while his own products bring low prices."

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**HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS EXCELLED THEMSELVES IN ORATORY CONTEST OF ROTARY CLUB IN BOOTH SCHOOL.**

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and as it may be 30 years hence was drawn.

"Let us look on the city as it appears thirty years from now," said the speaker. "Now we have street cars on every hand and the suburbs of the city extend beyond Westview, now a gorgeous residential section. A cement bridge with double car tracks and rows of beautiful lights connect Section 2 with the business section of permanent buildings. Everywhere there is confusion and noise. There are numerous theatres and the streets are filled with elegant motor cars. Huge skyscrapers thrust their glistening domes into the sky where the hum of airplanes may be heard. A traffic officer at the corner of Sixth Street and Third Avenue is directing the never ceasing flow of vehicles. In the centre of the city is a fine permanent free library with people flocking up and down its stone stairs. The old government buildings at the Market Place are no longer majestic but have been added to until they now look like those at Victoria. Up McBride Street may be seen the new university of Prince Rupert. The road to the wharf is lined with heavy commercial trucks and moored at the piers are many large freight and passenger vessels. The Oriental commerce is fully developed.

"Turning from this picture of future and coming back to the present time, we find that Prince Rupert is already on the highway of prosperity. It is up to all to work together and hasten the day when Prince Rupert will take its place among the cities. All will then reap the great reward of their investment and pioneering and will be the honored citizens of a great city."

The young speaker commenced his oration in a burst of machine-gun like speed which moderated as he advanced. While his speech was perhaps not as smooth and easy flowing as some of the others he showed that he had his subject well in hand and handled it with a style that appealed to all.

Howard Frizzell.  
 "The Growth of Canada" as a nation was the subject of How-

ard Frizzell's oration. This young orator had an easy flow of language and a very pleasing and free stage manner. The signs of nervousness were less in evidence in his speech than in any of the others. Many thought before the announcement of the judges was made that he would be the winner.

Opening his subject, the speaker traced the early days of French colonization and settlement, the establishment of the British flag after the Battle of the Plains of Abraham and the framing of Confederation and the British North America Act. The development of the nation had been rapid, due to its constitution which was the best in the world. Immigrants flocked in and developed the natural resources. Foreign trade was its greatest asset and was responsible for its very existence. Mining, fishing, lumber and agriculture were its greatest natural industries and the manufactured products of Canada were taking their place on the world's markets. Great statesmen and a noble womanhood had played its part in the country's success. Canada had responded in no uncertain manner to the call of the Motherland in the Great War. The people of Canada had made honorable names for themselves in the world. West of all was the great province of British Columbia with Prince Rupert as the centre of its industries and the western gateway of the Dominion. The phenomenal growth of Canada had made it the brightest gem in the crown of the British Empire.

Miss Pete Tremayne.

Miss Pete Tremayne's address was also one of great excellence. This young lady, taking as her subject "The Value of a Higher Education" had a very smooth and clear speaking voice and made quite an impression. She declared that the men and women with higher education were always found guiding the affairs of state and business of a nation. Canada, especially, demanded an educated people and they were necessary for her development. The future of the country depended as much on the character education of the people as it did upon the natural resources. Minds were useless without education and no expense or pains should be spared in providing it. It was gratifying to see that the school Board of Prince Rupert had shown that it was alive to the situation by establishing a first year University class in connection with the High School. It would be one of the greatest assets the city could have.

Willie Kergin.  
 Willie Kergin also dealt with "The Growth of Canada" as a nation. He traced the 100 years history of the country. The resources and industries had had a great growth until now the country was one of the foremost producers of raw materials and manufactured products. Canada had taken her place among the powers of the world and had grown from a mere colony to a mighty nation. The dawn of an era of a 1000 years of continued prosperity and growth was in sight.

Miss Gertrude Nelson.

Miss Gertrude Nelson, speaking on the same subject, "The Growth of Canada as a Nation," delivered her oration in a clear and forceful manner. She dealt considerably with the ideals and workings of the governments.

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