

four. These are some of the delights of the new fancy of making movies at home. It has been tried to some extent in St. Louis, and *The Post Dispatch* of that city expands upon the subject:

Wouldn't you consider it a great privilege if you could look back and see yourself when you were a child? Wouldn't it be a rare treat to be able to observe yourself and your brothers and sisters capering about in overalls, knickerbockers, Kate Greenaways, Little Lord Fauntlerays, or whatever it was that kids wore when you were a kid? Wouldn't living, breathing, moving pictures of yourself in action at different periods of your life be absorbing?

Many parents have started a cinematographic record of their children, and it will only be a few years until family films are as common as rolls of music for the player-piano or disks for the phonograph.

The future St. Louisian, when he has reached the three score and three time when that science surely will have granted him by that time, and the retrospective mood of old age brings, can switch out the lights in the library, plug in on a lamp-socket with the home movie outfit and review his life from childhood to old age.

"Backward, turn backward, O Time, in your flight," will not be a vain prayer; the movie machine will make him a child again, even take him further back than childhood; show him as an infant, mewing and kicking in the nurse's arms; then as the schoolboy with shining morning face, as the furnace-like sighing lover, the soldier seeking the bubble reputation, the merchant, the judge, the lean and dapper pantaloon—all of his seven ages will be there before him on the screen.

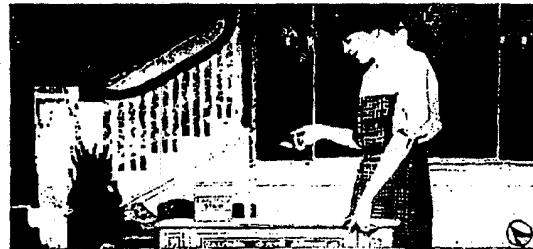
The family-film idea had its inception in the Eastern cities where moving-picture records of weddings were first made, but the idea soon spread to other parts of the country, and now it has been taken up in St. Louis with a keen appreciation of its possibilities.

We are told that children make the best moving-picture subjects, because they do not pose. All their actions are free from restraint, and from trying to look pleasant or nice, or anything but natural. One St. Louis enthusiast has made a specialty of child movies, and his success has been marked. We read that—

His method is to get the children playing on a lawn or any convenient place in a yard and then wait until their curiosity in the camera has worn off, and they are busy in their play, before he starts to expose the film. He thus catches them in their most observing and unconscious actions.

The perfection of small projection-machines is very near. Heretofore the machines have been cumbersome, and as the celluloid film is inflammable, dangerous, they would not have good results without high-voltage electric current that required an expert to operate. Smaller machines are being made that can be carried around from room to room, and which can be operated by connecting with the ordinary electric-light circuit.

It is safe to say that fathers of St. Louis families of the days to come may gather the brood in the darkened library at an evening, and amuse and instruct them with living pictures of themselves when they



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After looked at her daughter, Sir Robert said, "I shall be glad to see of her heroic disposition. It was not the time for an anti-silence."

"I can't do that," said her mother, "she is not a child."

That night she went up to Saragun to see if she might peacefully after her mother's death. She found the body of the bad, and sat on something hard.

It was the lucky stone. After she got up, she found the famous might be given to the gods, but she was not a week, wherever she went, the large cobblestone was gone. One was sitting down on it, she was not sitting down on it, she was not sitting down on it. With apparent indifference she thought, "Saragun!"

"I could have been Armer about 'Pret'."

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skirt pinned up. Over the top of t

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"Will you put on this mauve gown?"

The girl gathered the mauve gown carefully on her arm. Langland bowed and lifted his card from the floor.

"Mademoiselle," he said, "you drop this."

"And once more he put it in her hand. This time her fingers closed on it."

"That is all, madams," said the butler, and I stepped down from the table.

The moment I saw Marshall as Tuesday night, though he was the length of the hotel drawing-room away from me, I knew something had happened to him. All the usual elasticity of his step was gone. He looked like a discouraged man. I felt he mustered no smile for me.

"What is the matter?" I asked.

"I said stupidly, 'I don't want to get involved in the engagement.' I wanted to scream over his good fortune, but all I did was to say softly 'It was her mother. I suppose.' He hesitated. 'I suppose her mother and her brother had something to do with this.' I fought back tears with him. 'I spoke at the church, didn't I?' 'You know before.' And mother asked him to stay at the house. But, of course, at the last, it was—A herself. You were right. She doesn't want to live in Arizona.' I gave a sigh of sheer relief. 'M

"You are hard," was all he said.
"I know her mother. You ought to have a real girl, one to whom the life of real living and working and help are as natural as breathing. You are very busy man; you ought not to be

"You mean cooking and that kind of thing?" He said it dutifully.

"No," she said. "I envied. I'm a character. You can't. You can save a time and a life with beauty."

"I have rarely seen the three of you together," she said. "The woman who has been thrown into the kind of that will develop character and sense."

"Exactly. That's the kind for a man to love. You can't be a man who can't cook or not. Any average girl take a good cookbook and practice this. It is not. I find a girl who has a character. You can't be a man who is herself instead of getting somebody to meet them for her."

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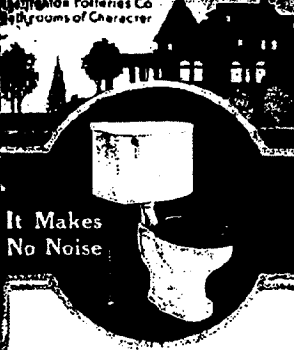
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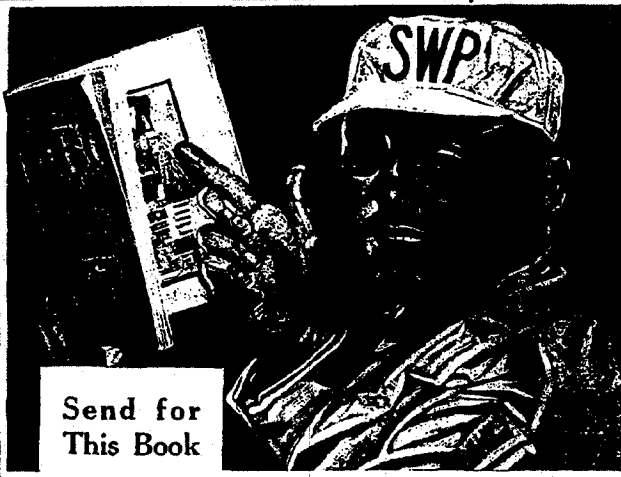
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