

# Dale Carnegie

## 5-Minute Biographies

Author of "How to Win Friends and Influence People."



MARY PICKFORD

### A Borrowed Birth Certificate Started Her On Her Career To Be The Most Famous Woman In The World

Who is the most famous woman in all the world?

Frankly, I don't know. But my guess would be that the title goes to a little Canadian Irish girl who weighs only one hundred and three pounds and who was christened Gladys Marie Smith.

Miss Smith went on the stage when she was very young. Fortunately, she came under the friendly and expert tutelage of David Belasco; and that master showman changed the uninspiring name of Gladys Smith into something more elegant and euphonious. Belasco called her Mary Pickford.

She has been on the screen longer than any other motion picture star in the world. She was world-famous before Douglas Fairbanks stood, for the first time, in front of a camera. She was the highest-salaried player on the screen long before Charlie Chaplin ever saw Hollywood; she was lining 'em up at the box office before Tom Mix ever rode his first horse on a motion picture lot.

Mary Pickford was earning her living when she was so young that she had trouble with the child-labor laws. Organizations such as the Gary Society in New York tried to keep her from acting on the stage. They said she ought to be learning arithmetic at school instead of strutting about in the theatre. So Mary fooled them. She had a cousin who was a year older than she was; she used her cousin's birth certificate, and circumvented the minions of the law. That is why, to this day, Who's Who and other directories give her age as being one year older than it actually is.

Few careers offer such striking contrasts as Mary Pickford's. At one time in her life, she did her own laundry, pasted her wet handkerchiefs on the window pane to dry and spent only ten cents a day for food. A dozen years later, she was making about \$1,000 an hour of \$15.00 a second.

How does the most famous woman in the world live? What does she do for pleasure?

Well, eating isn't one of her pleasures. I dropped in to see her one day about 6 o'clock in the evening and she told me the only thing she had eaten all day was the one slice of toast and a cup of tea. I asked her if she was hungry and she said, "No, not at all."

Mary Pickford says that ambition is a curse. It drives you and possesses you and keeps you from doing the things you want to do. She likes to walk and ride horseback but she seldom has time to do either.

### Announces Plans For Annual Show

The North Carolina Crop Improvement Association will hold its fourth annual seed exposition and meeting in Lexington, February 8 and 9, A. D. Stuart of State College has announced.

Farmers' displays at the show will include certified and uncertified seed of high quality, Stewart declared.

Featured on the first day of the meeting will be a crops judging contest in which 4-H Club boys and students of vocational agriculture will compete.

Officials of the N. C. C. I. A. have secured several prominent agricultural authorities of state and national importance to speak before the crowd on the second day of the exposition.

Goldsboro was the scene of the association's last meeting, where a large number of Eastern North Carolina farmers viewed the exhibits and took part in the meetings. The annual meeting is held in a different city each year, Stuart said.

The association now has a membership of approximately 350 farmers scattered throughout the state. These growers, through their cooperation with the association, are producing superior seed with high-producing, disease-resistant characteristics.

Stuart pointed out a definite need for the production of more certified seed in North Carolina. Only two per cent of the seed planted in this state are certified, he said.

"The field is wide open for those who are interested in producing purebred seed," he declared.

### Elberon Items

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel E. Hudgins and family of Warrenton spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Aycock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Shepherd and Miss Mildred O'Neal were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Williams in Warren Plains Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Wood and sons of Ringwood spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Wood's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Jones.

Mrs. W. L. Fleming and son of near Henderson were dinner guests of Mrs. Delia F. Aycock on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Hicks of Henderson were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Choplin Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Aycock and son, Mrs. F. W. Aycock and Miss Hattie Aycock were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Benson in Inez on Sunday.

Mrs. W. W. O'Neal was a dinner guest of Mrs. W. B. Mustian on Sunday.

The Sulphur Springs W. M. U. met in the home of Mrs. Delia F. Aycock on January 12th. A very interesting program was given. The next meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. M. C. Duke on February 16th.

She works from twelve to sixteen hours a day. She has two sets of secretaries; for she says she could never expect any secretary to work as hard or as long as she does.

She gets more mail than anyone else in the world. It would take her ten hours a day just to read her mail. The post office delivers it to her in great bags. She receives many begging letters. Her requests for money are ten times as great as her income.

Mary Pickford is real—the sort of person that you would live. Modest and sincere, she is totalled unspoiled by any false ideas of her own



She Dried Her Wet Handkerchief on the Window Pane and Spent Ten Cents a Day for Food

importance. She told me she doesn't even care whether there is so much as a gravestone to mark her last resting place.

As everyone knows, she has often played children's parts on the screen; and the reason that she did it was because she longed to capture, in the world of illusion, some of the fairy delights of childhood that had been denied her.

I asked Miss Pickford if there weren't thousands of girls in America just as pretty and charming and capable as the stars of Hollywood. She said, "Yes, of course. Success, however, depends so much upon opportunity, and opportunity is just another name for what we call 'the breaks.' So perhaps the stars in Hollywood are the persons with ability who got 'the breaks.'"

Wouldn't it be great if a tenth of what the advertisers claim of beauty preparations were true?

## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By Charles E. Dumas

Ministering to Physical Needs. Lesson for January 23rd. Mark 1:29-45.

Golden Text: Mark 1:34.

The Committee on the Costs of Medical Care, of which Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur was Chairman, estimated that in the prosperous year of 1929 the American public spent about \$3,700,000,000 for medical care of every kind, an average of \$30 per capita, or \$108 per family. This is an enormous sum, and ought to assure adequate results. The Committee found, however, that surprisingly large numbers of sick people go without proper treatment. It discovered that 25 to 30 per cent of all cases of serious illness never come under the supervision of a physician, and that about half of the families with incomes of less than \$2,000 receive no medical care of any kind, although these are pre-

cisely the folk who need such attention the most.

This deplorable situation is not due to a lack of doctors or nurses for both professions are overcrowded. The trouble is that medical service is now organized on a hopelessly wasteful and chaotic basis. Vast sums are being spent in a hit or miss fashion on the stupid assumption that "rugged medical individualism" is preferable to group practice on the cooperative plan. Dr. Wilbur's Committee, in its majority report, recommended "that medical service, both preventive and therapeutic, should be furnished largely by organized groups of physicians" centering their activities "preferably, around a hospital." The famous Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., is geared to this technic. A complementary proposal is group hospitalization which operates on an insurance basis.

Our lesson gives a vivid portrait of Jesus as the Master Physician. "He healed many that were sick," says the Golden Text. "Were he alive now in the flesh he would be eager to improve the health of mankind by every means available. The

emancipation of the public from the curse of disease would be to him a major Christian aim.

### Wireworms Damage Irish Potato Crop

Wireworms are dealing North Carolina's early Irish potato crop a heavier blow with each passing year, declares J. O. Rowell, extension entomologist at state college.

In the past little emphasis has been laid on control measures, but it now appears that immediate steps must be taken to combat this insect menace.

Rowell explained that a large number of market potatoes failed to grade No. 1 last year because of wireworm attacks. The true wireworm, which is the larval or worm stage of the click beetle, is the spud's deadliest insect enemy.

Since wireworms commonly infest sod land, potatoes often suffer severely when planted on recently broken ground. Such leguminous crops as clover, alfalfa, field peas, and soybeans are not susceptible to attack. Therefore, potatoes may be

planted with a reasonable degree of safety on new land following a three or four year rotation of wireworm immune crops.

Rowell pointed out that many crops such as corn, cotton, and sweet potatoes are susceptible to attack by this insect pest. When these crops follow Irish potatoes on the same land, it appears that the only means of reducing wireworm infestation in such fields is clean cultivation from October through the first of January.

In the Eastern counties where soil erosion is not a serious problem, the ground should be turned as soon as the crop is harvested or at least by the latter part of October.

In the Piedmont area there is little that can be recommended as a cultural control. It is the usual practice in this section to follow a rotation which includes small grain or corn following potatoes.

J. L. McNeill of Mitchell county solved the problem of succulent feed for his dairy cows by growing two tons of stock beets on 1-10th of an acre of land.

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The law was that 1-2 of one per cent was added each month to the taxes of those late in paying, but this was changed by the last Legislature to vary from 1 per cent to 4 per cent.

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## W. J. Pinnell

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