

SOCIETY ANNOUNCEMENTS

PACIFIC COAST SECTION

The regular monthly meeting of the Section, held on January 31 at the Los Angeles Museum, was attended by almost a hundred members and guests. Through the courtesy of the Museum, not only the Motion Picture Exhibit, but also adjacent sections were opened to the members. Much favorable comment was expressed concerning the Motion Picture Exhibit and the efforts made by Mr. W. E. Theisen, *Honorary Curator* of the Exhibit and chairman of the Historical and Museum Committee of the S. M. P. E., in building it up.

Opening the meeting, Mr. G. F. Rackett, *Chairman* of the Section, first outlined the history and aims of the Society for the benefit of the guests, and then introduced Mr. Theisen, who presented an excellent talk on the history of motion pictures, beginning with references to the persistence of vision by the ancient writers. Carrying the subject through the many and varied devices developed throughout the years, the history terminated with the description of Edison's application of the motion picture film produced by George Eastman.

Following Mr. Theisen's talk, several pictures were shown illustrating the vast improvements in the art of depicting motion, and covering the span from 1898 to the present time. Included were three reels of Fairbank's *Robin Hood*, of 1921, and one of the most recent Technicolor "Silly Symphonies"—*The Tortoise and the Hare*, by courtesy of Walt Disney.

PROJECTION PRACTICE COMMITTEE

At a meeting held at the Paramount Building, New York, N. Y., January 23, the topics to be included in the Spring report of the Committee were discussed. In addition to other subjects, it is planned to include a revision of the report of August, 1931, containing the recommended arrangements for projection rooms, bringing it up to date and amending it wherever necessary in the light of recent developments and the experience of the past few years.

STANDARDS REPRINTS

Reprints of the Standards Adopted by the S. M. P. E. and Recommended Practice are now available in booklet form. They may be obtained from the General Office of the Society, at the price of twenty-five cents each.

The Society regrets to announce the death of one of its members:

JAMNADAS SUBEDAR

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SOCIETY SUPPLIES

Certificates of Membership may be obtained from the General Office by all members for the price of one dollar. Lapel buttons of the Society's insignia are also available at the same price.

Black fabrikoid binders, lettered in gold, designed to hold a year's supply of the JOURNAL, may be obtained from the General office for two dollars each. The purchaser's name and the volume number may be lettered in gold upon the backbone of the binder at an additional charge of fifty cents each.

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