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E. F. Albee, President of Keith Circuit, Bars Slurs on "Y" Work in His Theatres

Vaudeville performers in the Keith theatres have received orders from Edward F. Albee, president of the E. F. Keith circuit, prohibiting them from any slurring reference to the work of the Y. M. C. A. overseas.

He bases the statements in his letter upon information obtained by himself and the employes of his theatres throughout the country in conversation with thousands of soldiers.

He speaks also of the assistance that actors and artists have so freely rendered and are still rendering, to the Association, saying: "The theatrical people, as a whole, have done splendid work, especially the artists, from the beginning of the war, and are still doing it, being active in entertaining the soldiers in the hospitals, at the cantonments, benefits of all kinds given for the relief and aid societies for our homecoming troops."

TOWNSEND

The annual field day of the Achievement club of the northern part of Middlesex county was held in Townsend on Tuesday. Club members were present from Shirley, Pepperell, Groton, Ayer, Ashby and Townsend, and the meeting was held at the Center school grounds.

At a special meeting of the Townsend Memorial association held in their room at Memorial hall, C. B. Willard was chosen treasurer in place of Leander C. Jeffs, resigned.

Paris, February.—Some idea of the number of letters American soldiers write home may be gained from the fact that a single item passed by the Y. M. C. A. Purchasing Department in one month was for 100,000,000 letterheads, and 100,000,000 envelopes, which are expected to last the soldiers three months.

Rowland Haynes and family, of Brooklyn, N. Y., who are spending the summer at their bungalow home on Wallace hill, left this week by auto on a week-end "trip" to the White Mountains.

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Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, who have been spending the summer in New York, returned Saturday to Newburyport.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Elliott were in charge of the town fair for a few days, awaiting the arrival of the new superintendent, Mr. Davis, who, with his family, arrived from Connecticut on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Hodgman and their guest, Miss Delano, from Rouses Point, N. Y., with Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Hodgman, from Greenville, N. H., enjoyed a two days auto trip this week to Amherst Agricultural college, going by the way of Springfield and Palmer and returning through Millers Falls and Fitchburg.

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