

MAGIC LANTERN SOCIETY NOTICE BOARD

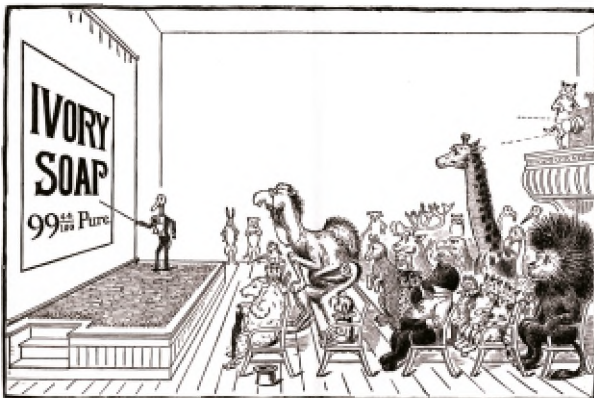
NEW MLS CHAIR NEEDED URGENTLY

In January we must elect a new Chair of the Magic Lantern Society. Our current Chair, **Jeremy Brooker**, has admirably filled the post for nearly six years but, under the MLS rules, must now step down. Who would you like to see as our new Chair? Can you persuade them to stand? The job does not need to be very time consuming but does require somebody who is passionate about the world of magic lanterns and will take forward the aims of the Society in promoting its past, present and future. Contact a Committee Member with your suggestions or to put yourself forward.



A QUESTION ANSWERED ...

MLS member **Sjur Dagestad** has recently found time to read through all his old MLS newsletters and magazines and writes from Norway: "In *Magic Lantern Society Newsletter* 115 (March 2014) I found the following notice on the last page: 'There is an interesting collection of images of magic lanterns and other pre- and early cinema artefacts on the web at www.flickr.com/photos/laterna_magica. If anyone has more information about this collection then please let us know.' More than seven years later I can confirm that the collection is mine! It is no longer called the Framheim Collection (Framheim was the cinema where I grew up). The name of the collection today is The Dagestad Collection. The internet address is unchanged. I have started on a web page for the collection but time is a limited resource ..." We will feature the collection in the next edition of *The Magic Lantern* – and answer the question fully.



Lindsay Lambert has sent us this charming advert for ivory soap titled 'The Magic Lantern Exhibition' from *The Century Magazine*, vol. XXXVIII, no. 5, September 1889.

TOMMY NOBLES

Martin Gilbert was reading **Nick Hiley's** article about **Tommy Nobles** in the last edition of *The Magic Lantern* (TML 27, p.12) when he suddenly realised that he recognised this lanternist. The postcard below comes from Martin's collection and looks to be roughly contemporary with Nick's image but, alas, has no other clues on the reverse.



B-MAGIC FINAL CONFERENCE

The final conference of the B-magic project will take place next May (see 'Diary Dates' below). There is a call out for papers but the deadline is fast approaching. However the organisers are also inviting proposals for short performances and demonstrations as well as planning a 'media archaeology' market area, as they did at the memorable Brussels event in April 2019. If you are interested in contributing in any way please get in touch with **Kurt Vanhoutte**, if possible by 15 October (B-magics@UAntwerpen.be). For more about the project and the event information go to the website at www.Bmagic.eu.

THE CONVENTION IS COMING

But before that, our own 11th International MLS Convention is in Birmingham from 29 April to 1 May 2022. More details are contained in the Convention brochure mailed with this edition of *TML*. Make sure you save the date and join us if you possibly can. Come and enjoy some wonderful shows and events as well as catch up with friends old and new.



The return of the Muckle Flugga Magic Lantern Company in Exeter (see p.15)

DIARY DATES

Please take these dates as a guide only

2021

23 October

Autumn meeting of the Magic Lantern Society – including special extra evening event
Swedenborg Hall, London

2022

22 January

Magic Lantern Society Annual General Meeting
Musical Museum, Brentford, London

29 April to 1 May

Magic Lantern Society International Convention
Birmingham and Midland Institute, Birmingham

5-7 May

The Magic Lantern in Leisure, Entertainment and Popular Culture, B-magic Final Conference
Photography Museum (FOMU), Antwerp, Belgium

NEW MEMBERS

James Burgess	Northampton, UK
Mark Garside	London, UK
Zoom Rockman	London, UK
Kim Smeja	Oregon, Illinois, USA