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Homestead Exemption Bill Being Considered

(By Associated Press)
AUSTIN, April 27.—Both branches of the legislature today adopted resolutions proposing constitutional amendments granting limited exemption to the homestead from ad valorem tax levies.

The Senate resolution allowed exemption of \$5,000; which the House bill called for \$2,000 limit of exemption. Both resolutions would apply on homesteads also if of a high valuation.

Perseverance is Shown in Report On "Fag" Tax Bill

By Harrell E. Lee
(Associated Press Staff Writer)
AUSTIN, April 27.—(P)—Perhaps no better recent example of the effectiveness of perseverance can be found than in the legislature's passage of the bill to levy a tax of 3 cents a package on cigarettes.

Less courageous men than the proponents of the cigaret levy probably would have thrown up their hands and quit after the house of representatives three refused to accept their proposition. But they came back a fourth time and won, 72 to 56.

Their most effective plea was that the cigaret tax was to support the state's public school system adequately. Phil Sanders of Nacogdoches, who steered the bill through the house, summed up this argument when he said the question to be decided was "The American Tobacco Company vs. the school children of Texas."

Not only had the bill been rejected twice by the present house, but it had been killed by every legislature for several years. It had come to be regarded almost as something which would go on and on forever but always in the "proposal" stage.

Senator Benjamin F. Berkeley, Alpine, might well be called the "daddy" of the cigaret tax. It was he who proposed the levy as an amendment to the natural gas tax bill which the house passed.

The senate's addition came as a surprise to many. Few speeches were made against the amendments and it was adopted 18 to 3 with two pairs.

This procedure was unusual as the constitution provides that all revenue raising measures must originate in the house. However, Edgar E. Witt, lieutenant governor, held the senate could amend a revenue bill by levying an entirely different kind of tax.

The amendment bill went back to the house, and that body at that time failed to adopt it by only one vote. This was a sign of the shifting winds as the house previously had voted overwhelmingly not to print two tobacco tax bills on minority committee reports.

The free conference committee labored only a little while and reported back with practically the same bill which the senate had passed and the house rejected. This time the house accepted it by the 72 to 56 vote.

Opponents of the cigaret tax claimed it would be impossible to enforce. The tax can't be levied on the out-of-state manufacturer. Therefore it is placed on the man making the first intrastate sale. Thousands of fly-by-night dealers will order the cigars from outside the state to sell them without paying the tax, opponents said.

In addition, the consumption of cigars will be cut down and

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400 Children to Get Health Buttons

Friday afternoon at 2:30 health buttons will be given to approximately 400 children of Runnels county schools here at the program to be held on the courthouse lawn. Monday morning 325 names had already been certified to the county health nurse and five other schools are yet to make their reports. The five remaining schools have all conducted immunization programs and a number of the young people attending these schools will be eligible for buttons.

May and Health Day will be observed with a pageant here on the courthouse lawn. The plan of the pageant was adopted by the Parent-Teacher Associations of the entire county and all are cooperating in the staging of this big program. Ballinger business firms this week will have a stage and throne built on the courthouse lawn and this will be decorated by a committee of women prior to the public show on Friday afternoon. Everyone is invited to attend the program and everything will be free. No admission will be charged and all schools in the county have been authorized to dismiss all teachers and students attend.

Many parents in the county are wrongly informed on how these health buttons may be secured. Those in charge of the health work in this county have been caused much trouble by anxious parents this past week in an effort to have their children included in the list. Any child will be considered eligible for a health button after the following requirements have been fulfilled:

1. Satisfactory in school work; testified by teacher.
2. Reasonable cooperation in the practice of health habits; testified by parents and teacher.
3. Satisfactory in behavior and attitude in school and home environment; testified by parents and teacher.
4. Physically free from remediable defects as to throat, teeth, eyes, hearing, posture and weight. Not more than 10 per cent underweight nor 20 per cent overweight; statement from doctor and dentist.
5. Immunized against diphtheria and smallpox; statement from doctor.

They must practice health in cleanliness, eating and in the fresh air. School work must also show a grade of not less than 75 per cent. When all these have been fulfilled the child is eligible to receive a health button which is given by the state of Texas as a reward for the year's work.

Abilene and Dallas Ask Lions Meeting

(By Associated Press)
PORT ARTHUR, Tex., April 27.—Abilene and Dallas delegations today waged a heated battle for the next convention of the Lions International, now in thirteenth annual convention here.

Over a thousand visitors are in attendance.

Local Firemen to School
M. C. Atkins, Chester Cherry and C. L. Armstrong left Sunday for College Station to attend the firemen's school in progress this week at A. & M. College.

Mrs. Roy Vaughn, Brownwood, spent the week-end in Ballinger visiting Mrs. Bill Denny.

2 Men Charged in Murder of Woman

(By Associated Press)
PAMPA, Tex., April 27.—Roy Vest and T. A. McIntire, of Tucumcari, New Mexico, today were charged here with murder in connection with the death of Mrs. Vest yesterday.

The charges allege Mrs. Vest was thrown from the automobile carrying her husband and McIntire. Vest claimed his wife jumped from the machine in a fit of anger after an altercation.

William C. Heines, Miami Beach, Florida, is the guest of Judge and Mrs. Paul Trimmier.

Two are Arrested For Kidnaping

(By Associated Press)
HOUSTON, April 27.—C. W. Keseling and George Ingram are under charges for kidnaping and assault to murder here today in connection with the alleged abduction of W. P. Stein here yesterday.

The affair was reported to the police by Stein's neighbors.

Stein, who was released, is reticent to discuss the case.

Rabbit Drives Successful
SNYDER, Tex., April 27.—(P)—Several thousand rabbits have been cut from the huge crop in Scurry county this spring by a series of community-wide drives. Since the rabbits were present in such numbers that farmers could not cope with them single handed, the drives were conducted.

Mrs. D. Reeder, Mrs. J. C. Brazelton, Mrs. E. A. Trail and Miss Winnie Trail visited friends in Winters Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Stone, Mr. and Mrs. James Wear and Judge and Mrs. J. W. Powell were among the Ballinger people to attend the Winters flower show Sunday.

Miss Katherine Todd returned Sunday afternoon from a week-end visit on a ranch near Fort Stockton.

Miss Louise Morgan returned Sunday afternoon from Dublin where she spent the week-end with her parents.

Robt. Lusk was here Sunday from Howard Payne College visiting with relatives and friends.

Read today's news in The Ledger

New British Tax Plan is Opposed

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, April 27.—Philip Snowden, chancellor of exchequer, today announced in a budget speech the proposal for taxation of land values at the rate of one penny (2 cents) per pound, which scheme the House of Lords opposes almost unanimously.

This tax would fall almost exclusively upon the landed gentry and nobility owning country estates mainly for sporting purposes.

SUL ROSS PUPILS TO MAKE SUMMER TRIPS

(By Associated Press)
ALPINE, Tex., April 27.—Plans for two major trips for summer-term students of Sul Ross Teachers college have been completed, according to H. W. Morelock, president.

Herbert Kokernot, Big Bend ranchman and a member of the board of regents of the state teachers college, will be host to the entire student body at a chuck wagon supper at his ranch in the Davis mountains.

Later a trip will be made by students into Mexico on a visit to Chihuahua City, capital of the Chihuahua.

Attend Banquet in Abilene
G. L. Blythe, manager of Piggy Wigly, and his entire force attended a banquet given by the Safeway stores, for managers and employees of this district, at the Hilton hotel, in Abilene, Sunday.

Appropriation to Reimburse Farmers

(By Associated Press)
AUSTIN, April 27.—The House of Representatives today passed a bill appropriating \$300,000 to reimburse West Texas farmers for their losses in 1929 and 1930 as the result of the pink boll worm quarantine.

Governor Sterling today signed bills appropriating \$12,900 for an audit of the books of the state highway department, and \$900 for repairing the old land office building, which houses the museum of the Daughters of the Confederacy and Daughters of the Republic of Texas.

Mexican Migration Laws are Completed

(By Associated Press)
MEXICO CITY, April 27.—The newspaper El Universal Grafico today said the new migration law drawn up by experts and awaiting President Ortiz Rubio's signature, forbids foreigners from owning land within thirty-five miles of Mexico's frontiers.

The paper said this is a "healthful" measure, and will guard against such cases of separation as that of Texas from Mexico.

The measure does not require the approval of the Mexican congress, the president holding this power.

Veteran Newspaper Man, 90, Dies Today

(By Associated Press)
GREENVILLE, Tex., April 27.—T. M. Finley, 91, veteran newspaper man, who retired from newspaper work here several years ago, died here today.

Finley was captain of the battery that fired the one hundred gun salute when Abraham Lincoln was inaugurated the second time. He also assisted in the search for John Wilkes Booth, Lincoln's assassin.

VALLEY FARMERS EXPECT COTTON PICKING SOON

(By Associated Press)
SAN BENITO, Tex., April 27.—While the rest of Texas is discussing what the cotton acreage will be this year, and preparing to plant, the Lower Rio Grande Valley prepares to start picking, with all of the cotton planted.

This section reports an acreage cut of 75 per cent in the irrigated sections, and 25 per cent in the non-irrigated lands, a total cut of about 50 per cent from last year. The acreage this year in cotton is around 125,000.

Most of the Valley cotton is already up. Some of it is a foot or more high, and will soon be blooming, with the first bale expected early in June. The stand is reported to be poor.

Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Lemberg, Mason, spent Sunday here visiting with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Skinner.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Goss and Mrs. Marion Dodge and daughter, Abilene, visited here Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Troy Simpson.

Read today's news in The Ledger

Week-End Accidents Claim Fourteen Lives

Abilene Men Hurt In Car Accident

Three Abilene men were painfully injured in an automobile wreck just north of Hatchel Sunday afternoon when their car struck a cement culvert at a high rate of speed. The car, a DeSoto coupe, was completely demolished, the engine being driven back through the body from contact with the cement bannister of the small culvert.

Occupants of the automobile were J. W. Owens, J. J. James and a Mr. Rowland. They were headed south and just before the crash passed a Ballinger car at a high speed. In some way the coupe was headed into the left side of the road and struck the bridge. Mike C. Boyd was only a short distance behind the Abilene men's machine and rushed to the scene as soon as he saw the wreck. He found one man still in the machine, clinging to the steering wheel. Mr. Boyd and another man began looking for the other occupants of the car soon found the second in some high weeds by the side of the road and the other under the small culvert. All three were badly cut and bleeding profusely. They were taken to Winters where James and Rowland were treated for injuries and rested a bit before returning to Abilene. Owens, who is said to have been the most severely injured, was taken to Abilene in a car as fast as possible and placed in a hospital.

All three men were thought to be doing all right Monday and except for severe cuts from glass and a number of bruises were not suffering greatly. Those who visited the scene of the crash found pieces of the car scattered about the highway for thirty feet or more and declare that the men's escape was nothing short of a miracle.

SHOP-LIFTER ARRESTED HERE SATURDAY; FINED

Cecil Dentler was arrested Saturday by local authorities, and charge of shop-lifting were filed against him. He was fined \$15.00 and costs in justice court, and is now working out his fine on the courthouse lawn.

WYOMING GIRLS APPLY FOR JOBS IN RUNNELS SCHOOLS

Superintendent R. E. White received a letter Monday from Misses Katherine and Gladys Milledge, Chug Water, Wyoming, applying for positions as teachers in the rural schools. Mr. White says this sets a new record for long distance applications.

Exchange Suspends 1 New York Firm

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, April 27.—West & Company were suspended from the New York Stock Exchange today for insolvency. Word received from Philadelphia shortly afterward said the company also had been suspended from the Philadelphia exchange.

It was the second recent suspension by the New York exchange. Pynchon & Company being suspended Friday.

Shares on the markets dropped rapidly after the announcements. United States Steel registering another new low since 1927.

Five Cars Muttons Shipped

J. W. Barr shipped three cars and Middleton & Stevens shipped two cars of muttons over the Abilene & Southern Railway Monday.

Gen. Paper Clips at Ballinger Printing Co.

WEATHER FORECAST

(By Associated Press)
West Texas—Cloudy, local showers in the west portion, warmer in the west and north portions tonight. Tuesday cloudy and local showers.

East Texas—Partly cloudy and warmer in the northwest portion tonight. Tuesday partly cloudy, showers on the coast and in the west portion.

Il Duce Fears Bombs, Keeps Plans Secret

(By Associated Press)
DALLAS, April 27.—Texas counted fourteen deaths over the week-end in the air, water and lightning and traffic accidents.

The greatest loss of life occurred yesterday when a train hit an automobile, killing five persons at Commerce.

Tex Shelton, 20, was the latest victim, dying today in a Waco hospital is the result of injuries sustained Saturday in an automobile wreck in Cameron Park.

Rome, April 27.—Mussolini's daily movements have become a greater secret than ever.

Italian newspapers are learning that they must refrain from advance notice of the Duce's whereabouts.

A few days ago the Lavoro Fascista, an ultra-fascist newspaper, was sequestered because it gave the exact time when the Duce was expected to attend the world grain conference.

In order to forestall possible clock bombs, Mussolini never arrives exactly on time. At the grain conference, scheduled to be there at 11 a. m., he came a half-hour early, and began to talk at 10:35.

On the contrary, scheduled to speak at the recent meeting of the Association of Stock-Companies at 3:30 o'clock, he arrived at 4:05.

No advance information of any kind is given as to whether Mussolini will be present at various functions.

Even on occasions like the recent celebration of the twelfth anniversary of the Fasci, the beginning of the Fascist party, when it could be taken for granted that the Duce would attend the Rome observances, the information was withheld.

Inquiry at the ministry of the interior, over which Mussolini presides, developed the answer, "We don't know."

W. C. McCarver and Clarence McCarver spent the week-end in Tahoka, attending to business and visiting friends.

ITALIAN COMPOSER FAVORED ABOVE GERMANS IN BERLIN

(By Associated Press)
BERLIN, April 27.—Giacomo Puccini, Italian maestro, has been elected by German opera-goers as their favorite composer of modern opera music drama.

A musical magazine, "Der Anbruch," ascertained the standing among the "moderns" by counting the performance of various works last season, eliminating from the computation all composers who died before 1890.

Puccini's score showed a total of 450 performances, with "Madame Butterfly" heading the list. Richard Strauss, German, was second with 497 performances to his credit, closely followed by Jaromir Weinberger, young Czechoslovakian, whose opera "Schwanen, the Barge Man" was heard 496 times.

The recently opened Fontana, N. C., copper miner are producing 11 carloads of ore daily.

Treasure-Hunters Plan to Lift Packet Sunk With Three Million Dollars

(By Associated Press)
PORTLAND, Ore., April 27.—Alaskan gold, washed from the coarse gravel of Yukon streams, calls again—this time from the watery grave of the treasure ship Islander, sunk nine miles from Juneau, August 15, 1901.

The Islander, split open by an iceberg in Stevens' Passage while homeward bound with successful gold-seekers, plunged to her grave in 365 feet of water. With her went 72 passengers and crew members, and a vast store of gold dust which the prospectors were bringing "outside."

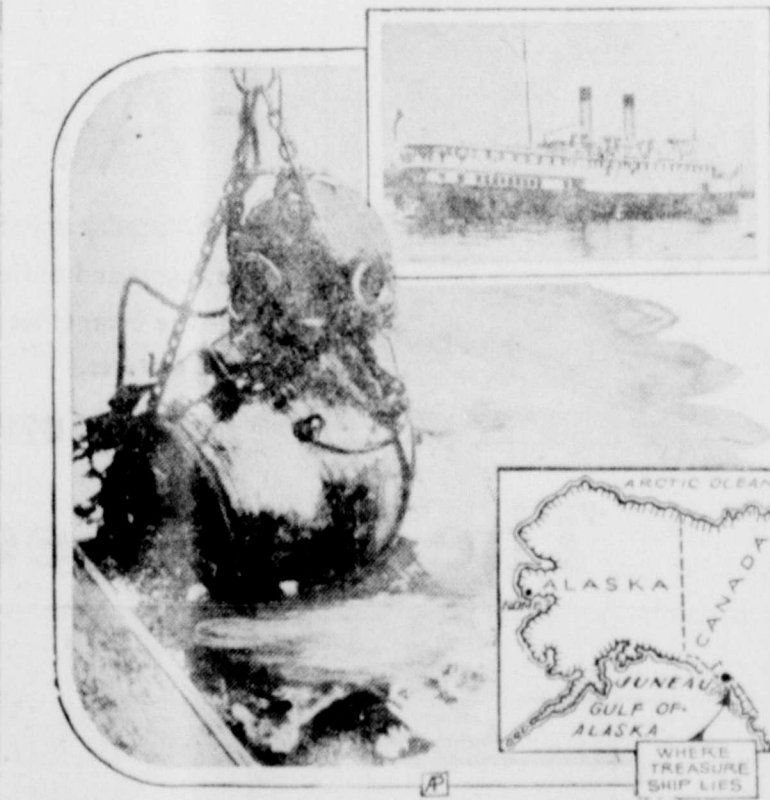
In May, Frank and Roy Curtis, Portland house movers, will begin operations to raise the Islander in the hope of wresting fabled wealth from the sea that claimed it 30 years ago.

No one knows how much gold dust, bullion and money was aboard the vessel when it went down, but at the time it was reported the ship's safe contained \$3,000,000 in loose gold and \$400,000 in currency.

The success of the venture this year rests largely upon a curiously constructed diving bell, equipped with a movable arm, a powerful searchlight and sprocket wheels that enable it to crawl about on the ocean floor and on the Islander's deck.

The bell is built from cast steel, and said to be strong enough to resist ocean pressure at a depth of 500 feet. The operator works under normal atmospheric pressure. No air is forced into the bell. It contains only the air it takes down with it, supplemented by two tanks of oxygen.

Working from this bell the brothers hope to weave a network



The Islander (inset), Alaskan packet bringing returning miners with fortunes in gold, sank near Juneau, Alaska, in 1901, and two Portland, Ore., house movers with a new type diving apparatus (left), now plan to salvage the vessel and recover its treasure, estimated at more than \$3,000,000.

of cables under and around the submerged vessel. These cables will be carried to a barge anchored above the wreck, which will be equipped with 40 winches.

At low tide the winches will take up the slack in the cables. As the tide comes in the buoyancy of the barge will lift the Islander free of the ocean floor, and winches will draw the barge and

California Considers Oil Conservation Measures

(By Associated Press)
SACRAMENTO, Calif., April 27.—Twenty oil conservation suggestions and the draft of a proposed state law were handed the legislature here today by W. H. Cooley, California's delegate on the oil states' advisory committee which

has held recent meetings at Texarkana, St. Louis and Washington.

The recommendations were expected to return in a law whereby California would work harmoniously with Texas and other oil producing states for the betterment of the oil industry.

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Boy Scouts reported a number of cash donations since the announcement was made that construction would start on their home near the municipal park. The Scout treasury is low at this time and anyone who desires to have a hand in this work may do so by making a free will offering. No funds will be solicited for this purpose. The Scouts received monthly donations from a number of local firms and individuals last year but on their own initiative stopped collecting these fees last summer when money became short. The new home will be ideal for the work in every respect and any help will be greatly appreciated by the members and the leaders.

Automobiles are being built more and more for speed and most any car on the market this day and time will run too fast. Some drivers have the ability to open them up and still stay on the road, apparently driving safely as long as nothing happens. This is not true of every driver, however, and sometimes when a driver passes a certain speed he makes it dangerous for himself and everyone else on the highway. Just what is a safe speed cannot be named in miles per hour by law but a driver should have enough sense to take his foot off the accelerator when he feels his maximum speed has been reached. The desire to speed is the cause of many wrecks that daily take a toll of lives and makes automobile accidents dreaded.

Three Ballinger fire chiefs are attending the state firemen's school at A. & M. College this week, learning better methods of combatting blazes. The volunteer department here is one of the best in the state and the members are always on the job to better their department, make it more effective against fires that threaten the property of local people. The local department has a wonderful record and as a result the insurance key rate here is low. Only one man in the department is paid, all the rest serving without stipend. The city hires a driver and the other 35 members give their services free to protect the city against fire. Members never miss an opportunity to learn new ways of combatting destructive fires and each one gives close study to his particular line of duty with a view of lessening the damage. The citizens are proud of their fire-fighters and think this latest move is a good one.

SOLON FROM TYLER IS SILENT BUT ACTIVE

AUSTIN, Apr. 27.—Representative McGee of Tyler has served almost two terms in the Texas house of representatives and has not introduced a bill. He also is one of the contenders for the record of speaking briefly on legislation, but seldom misses a vote. He explained he believed in more action—constructive—and less talk.

PUFFY



Says Puff: "I wish I had a South Sea island of my own. You might say homes, as well as clothes and entables, are grown. Samon, in a way, is like a great department store. With 'MOTHER NATURE, Prop.' upon a sign above the door." (Copyright, 1930)

SUNDOWN STORIES



THE OLD MARBLES

By Mary Graham Bonner
Peggy and John waited for the Little Black Clock at the end of the magic path, and he was right on time.

They had reached there a little ahead of time for they so longed for their magic adventures with the Clock.

The children thought it was very fine that the Little Black Clock had so much magic and that he had chosen to take this magic instead of keeping the ordinary, regular time.

He always had his hands pointed to seven o'clock—the time he had stopped years before when he had been allowed to choose between keeping the regular time or turning the time backward or forward as he wished for adventures.

"I am going to turn the time back this evening and we're going to see some boys playing marbles," the Clock said.

"You don't have to turn the time back for that, do you?" John asked.

"Did they play marbles years ago?" Peggy asked.

"Yes, years and years ago," the Little Black Clock said.

He had turned the time back and the Clock told them they were in their own country when it was very, very new.

John saw the boys at once. How differently they dressed from the way he dressed. But somehow they did not seem to be surprised to see him.

John showed them new games to play with marbles and they showed him old ones, and all the time they acted as though he had come from another place, but not as though he belonged to a far distant age. But the marbles these boys had were so gorgeous, with pictures carved upon them, that John felt he had had a rare treat.

(Tomorrow—"Indian Costumes")

HOW'S your HEALTH



Edited by Dr. Hugo Goldstein, Academy of Medicine

TOBACCO AND MOTHERHOOD

It takes a long time adequately to contradict false but sensational statements. To this very day, though it has been denied hundreds of times, Ouler, one of the greatest physicians, who died but a short while ago, is credited with the statement that every man over 45 years of age ought to be chloroformed.

Ouler said no such thing. Still, from time to time, this false statement arises to plague his memory, even as it annoyed him when he was still living.

Recently a statement was issued to the effect that "sixty per cent of all babies born of cigarette-smoking mothers die before they reach the age of two, due primarily to nicotine poisoning."

There is no evidence in medical literature to warrant such a statement.

Still, though it was denied editorially in the Journal of the American Medical Association of July 13, 1929, this alarming statement is being repeated time and time again.

Professor Schrumpt-Pierron reviewed for the Committee to Study the Tobacco Problem all available medical literature on the subject. In his report there is no mention of a single case of tobacco heart in new-born children.

Furthermore, the conclusion is drawn from all available evidence that "smoking by women has no apparent influence over the functions of the genital system."

It is not true that there is any

Johnny On the Spot

---By Pap



THE EARLY BIRD GETS THE WORM



SO HE HAS STARTED TO TRAIN EARLY FOR THE BIG TOURNAMENT

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JOHNNY FARRELL

A LEADING CANDIDATE FOR THE OPEN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP - SINCE BOBBY JONES WILL NOT DEFEND HIS TITLE

EL PASO TO CELEBRATE COMING OF FIRST TRAIN

(By Associated Press)
EL PASO, Apr. 27.—A mammoth celebration in memory of the coming of the first train to El Paso 50 years ago will be held here May 19.

Plans call for a parade which will show the modes of transportation in El Paso during the last 50 years—the ox-cart, covered wagon, train and airplane. In addition, firms at least 50 years old will sponsor floats depicting their progress during the period.

Before the coming of the railroad, El Paso was the terminus of three important stage routes, one between St. Louis and San Francisco, another from Santa Fe and another from San Antonio. Southern Pacific officials have been asked what oil train equipment will be available for the occasion. It is planned to have a replica of the first train steam into the city with men and women costumed as the '80's, aboard.

Scratch Pads, 20c per pound, at Ledger office.

Chatterton; the drama, "The Right to Love," which Richard Wallace has camered in dialogue from the Susan Glaspell book, "Brook Evans."

Miss Chatterton enacts two distinct roles in "The Right to Love," and in one of them veers from girlhood to mother type, without a single error in mood, coiffure, speech, costumes and poise. This is, at least, a triple achievement.

The story set in the farm lands of the Middle West, tells of a girl whose secret love trusts engender a tragic sacrifice of happiness in later years, a state of affairs she determines will not be the heritage of her daughter. The manner in which love finds a way, through two generations of straight-jacketed repression, is convincingly narrated, and leads to a surprising climax.

Paul Lukas, David Manners, George Baxter, Irving Pichel, Veda Buckland and Oscar Apfel, handle their assignments in fine harmony with the Chatterton roles. Zoe Akins adapted the screen play.

J. W. Byers, Winters, was in Ballinger Monday attending to business.

MOVIES

"The Right to Love" Stars "Duse of Drama"

America's own "duse of drama," at least insofar as the "talkies" are concerned, endows the screen at the Palace Theatre, through tomorrow night, with a new emotional triumph that will elicit all the nice things any photoplay audience can say, if there is more to be said after those outstanding productions, "Madame X," "Sarah and Son," and "Anybody's Woman."

The duse, of course, is Ruth

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Mad Pursuit

BY JESSIE DOUGLAS FOX

SYNOPSIS: Nora Lake is humiliated when her father, Julius Lake, plans her marriage with Nicholas Thayer to provide for the motherless girl of 20 the home his artistic wanderlust has denied her. But her desire for Thayer thereby is increased, rising higher when the successful young artist, after a week's stay in the Italian villa lent them by Mrs. Nevers, abruptly plans to leave. Her susceptible desire that he remain may be due to her knowledge that he is the brother of Jonathan Thayer, of whom a tender memory remains after a chance meeting five years before. To forget Nicholas she goes for a walk, returning hours later to find him in pain from a cut hand received in opening a shutter for her.

Chapter 5

A HAND OR A LIFE

THE stranger whom Nora had thought about all morning to snatches of pain and delight was gone; in his place was just a boy. She stood beside Nicholas and saw that he winced as he unwound the bandage that he had so clumsily wrapped about the hand with its ugly gash below the thumb. The hand was now so swollen that even the wrist was puffed. She looked at his flushed and feverish face in alarm.

"Why haven't you seen a doctor?" She shuddered. "You can't! He's a painter." "Life is like that." "Nora flung out her hands toward him as though she would shake him out of his imperturbability. "You must do something!" "He is unreasonable. He will not listen to me. He is a little mad, I think," he said, tapping his temple. She would do anything to help, she told him passionately. She had forgotten everything but the artist and his future, the man who had painted the old peasant woman, a thing it had not been she who had asked him to unfasten the shutter? But she was cool and quiet as she listened to the instructions that Dr. Madroni gave her.

Nora could not encompass such a tragedy as that which would result if the doctor's fears concerning Nicholas' hand proved justified. In that event, she felt herself as the blind means of his fate. Why had she let him open the jammed shutter?

When the doctor had gone she knocked at Nicholas' door and went in. His bed was unmade and his room was in a state of seething disorder. He was walking the floor and groaning aloud.

"This damned thing!" he exploded.



He made a gesture of cutting off Nicholas' hand.

"I've no use for doctors," he said stubbornly. "Look what it's doing to me. I've got to get out of here and get to work. I can't do a thing until this is better."

She asked, "Where's Julian?" "He's been out all morning."

Now she was frankly frightened out she told him to promise her to stay where he was, then as though she were in no hurry she left the room. But once outside the blue gate she flew down the hill.

She kept seeing Nicholas' eyes that had followed her like an old dog's they'd had at home who had looked at her with just such humble suffering. The ugly inflammation of the hand was serious and she must get a doctor at once.

She ran on, remembering she had noticed a doctor's sign not far down the hill. But beneath her feet was a sense of triumph. He had not been able to leave after all. He was still at the villa. . . . and he was going home. . . . perhaps if one wanted a thing enough there was a way of getting it.

If only the doctor would be in! She found him smoking a cigarette in his garden, with an air of infinite leisure, amused at this young thing who came rushing in to him, demanding that he should come at once. At once? Puff as he mounted the hill beside her, refusing to go any faster than his fat legs would carry him easily, he grew interested when he heard the patient was a man, a young man and a painter.

He looked shrewdly at her face, wondering if this man were her lover. These cold impassive English people—for any Anglo-Saxon was English—sometimes had passions, he thought, as he followed her in through the gate in the wall.

Some half hour later he came down from Nicholas Thayer's room to find Nora sitting on the bottom step of the stairs, like a small watch dog.

"How is his hand?" she asked, trying to hide her terrible anxiety. He shrugged. "He should have called me sooner."

There was something almost cruel in his indifference. Nora pressed him. "Please tell me."

"What can I say?" He made the gesture of cutting off the right hand at the wrist.

After a while she saw he was asleep. She sat by his head watching him, remembering the cruel gesture Dr. Madroni had made of cutting off a hand at the wrist. She felt shaky; she had eaten nothing since noon. But she did not like to leave him long enough to go down to the kitchen.

Outside the window she heard the rhythm of cicadas. In the room was a low mutter. For now the sedative had worn off he rolled and twisted, groaned aloud with a sound that tore straight through her breast.

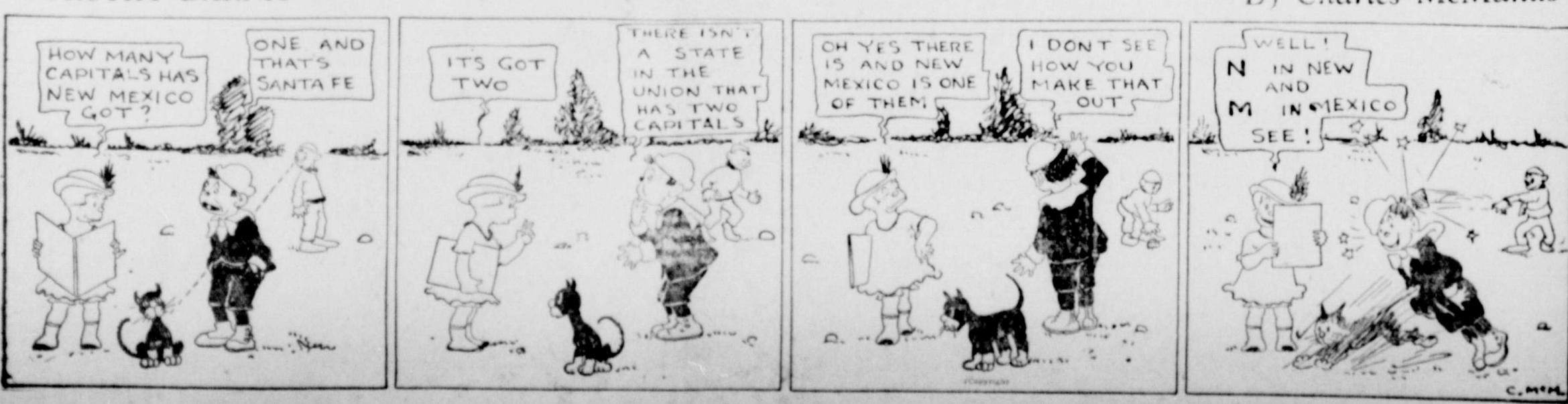
Perhaps Nicholas was dying. Perhaps this blood poisoning would kill him!

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DOROTHY DARNIT

By Charles McManus



HOW MANY CAPITALS HAS NEW MEXICO GOT?

ONE AND THAT'S SANTA FE

IT'S GOT TWO

THERE ISN'T A STATE IN THE UNION THAT HAS TWO CAPITALS

OH YES THERE IS AND NEW MEXICO IS ONE OF THEM

I DON'T SEE HOW YOU MAKE THAT OUT

WELL! N IN NEW AND M IN MEXICO SEE!



Mad Pursuit

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Chapter 6 A HAPPIER DAWN

NORA fought to thrust such horrible thoughts aside as she heard the moans from the suffering Nicholas. If it had been herself, she tried to reason, no one would have heard a groan from her.

Her father was like that too. He thought he was dying if he had a cold in the head.

But ever her troubled mind recalled Dr. Madroni and his gesture of cutting off the injured hand, and the fear that Nicholas might die.

Her father came in at midnight, singing in his thin tenor. She ran to the head of the stairs calling for



him to be quiet. But he continued and she ran down to him and caught his arm.

"Nicholas Thayer's very ill!"

"What is it? Anything contagious?"

She put her finger to her lips and followed her father into his own room.

"Well, if it's blood poisoning I can't do anything. You'd better go to bed and forget him."

"But it's serious."

"It's the very devil it had to happen here," her father said irritably. "If only he'd waited until he left us."

Julian wrenched at his collar and flung it on the floor.

"I'm going to turn in," he said. She looked at him, a pitiless judgment in her eyes. He tore off his coat and began to pull a shirt as though he were the one who was suffering.

"I've been everywhere to get some money. And that damn cook Magdalena hasn't come back. Where's my dressing gown?"

"I gave it to Nicholas."

"Pretty soon you'll give him the roof over his head."

"We haven't that to give. Mrs. Nevers has come back and she'll want the villa."

"What a mood you're in!" he cried.

When he was irritated it was Nora who, he said, was in a black mood, but she was too used to this to notice it.

"We'll see that he goes to the hospital in the morning."

"He won't go," she said patiently. He shrugged. "When you're tired you look as plain as your grand-mother. Don't wake me early. I'm all in."

It was as though her father had taken off the pleasant trappings of his mind and let her see what underlay his charm; weakness and irritability and his eternal preoccupation with himself. She wondered suddenly if he had ever loved her mother, that tempestuous Irish girl that he had met on one of his jaunts and married out of hand. She only knew that her mother had died when she was seven; and that her father never spoke of her.

She heard Nicholas groan and she went back to him. She saw his long lean body in the black dressing gown that came to his knees; the eyes seemed already sunken, the hair was tumbled and the cheeks showed the bony structure beneath them.

She kept a pan of water boiling on the methyl heater and as she dipped in the soft silk and applied it to the swollen hand she remembered how many times she had seen her grand-mother with just such a small heater beside her, to heat milk when she lay awake late at night. How long ago that was, like another life lived in a dream in the white New England house beside the cranberry bogs. Her grand-mother had been dead for ten years.

"Oh I must go home!" Nora thought.

To be dependent on no one but herself, to belong somewhere, to have deep roots! How she longed for this!

She had told Julian that their life had been like rushing along in a railroad train and looking out of the window to see other people in their homes while having none themselves.

The nostalgia of the last day recurred itself in this burning desire. Nicholas roused and looked at her.

"Nora caught her a very..."

"Nicholas's very..."

"What time is it? Haven't you gone to bed yet?" Then he pulled his long legs over the side of the bed and began to move about the room, his hair tousled, his face haggard with pain.

"I can't bear this, I tell you, I won't! He bung out. 'Haven't you some drug? Give it to me!'"

She gave him the sedative again and watched him sink back on the bed. How these few hours had changed him, his face sunken in black pits, his face shadowy and gaunt. He lay with his face turned from her, one arm trailing on the floor, his legs sprawled out on the wide flat bed. From time to time he muttered to himself. Each time he groaned a knife blade clove her breast.

The room in the flickering light seemed heavy with pain. Pain lurked in the long shadows the lamp cast against the ceiling. His voice harsh and low spoke out like its echo.

"What's the use of it all? Futility. All futility. Work. Struggle. We're all under a death sentence."

At length she heard him breathing evenly, and her head dropped back and she too slept. When she woke it was almost light. She never forgot that pale dawn, the trees looming gray, then black, against a rosy sky, the grass sparkling, and far below the red cupolas of the city shimmering in the sunrise. Nicholas was awake, lying there watching her. He met her eyes almost defiantly.

She asked, "How do you feel?"

"Better. It's painful. But bearable. And I'm hungry."

"Let me see." She stooped over him. The swelling of his wrist was much reduced. The hand itself did not look so ugly. "I'll bring you some breakfast," she told him.

She smiled but she was trembling after the long strain of the night. Once outside his door she leaned back against the wall and cried as though her heart would break. She wiped her tears on the back of her hand, knowing all at once, that she too was ravenously hungry.

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What does Nora seek through never Monday? Perhaps her plea to Nicholas answers his question.

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Minuet in G		Beethoven
March of the Wee Men		Gaynor
A Woodland Frolic		Cook
	Cordelia Lynn	
Minuet		Bach
Bridal Chorus		Wagner
Playing Tennis		Thompson
In the Pine Woods		Renk
	Nancy Pyburn	
Minuet		Mozart
The Big Bass Singer		Rolfe
	Walter Trimmer	
	Pupil of Margaret Guion	
A Legend		Ketterer
Stout of Heart		Lichner
	Helen Thomson	
To A Wild Rose		McDowell
Sabbath Evening in the Village		Renk
	Mary Parks	
Butterfly		Merkel
A Spanish Shawl		Bixby
	Kathryn Atwell	
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Serenade		Chaminade
Waltz in A Flat		Davis
	Mayola Jacobs	
The Chestnut Tree		R. Schumann
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Polish Dance		Scharwenka
	Ennie DeWitt	
"When I bring to you colored toys"		Carpenter
"The Sleep that flits on Baby's Eyes"		Carpenter
Three		M. Schumann
	Miss Adda Ward	
"Noontide"		Field
Rigaudon		McDowell
Hunting Song		Mendelssohn
	Margaret Guion	

In New York Theaters

By Mark Barron
NEW YORK, April 27.—(AP)—When Deems Taylor presented his opera of "Peter Ibbetson," it proved immensely popular. So it was only a matter of time until some producer would revive the play, and it has come about with Constant Collier directing.



DENNIS KING

Miss Collier, if you remember your "Ibbetson," played the original Duches of Towers opposite John and Lionel Barrymore. She also had considerable to do with rewriting the play.

Seen in the viewpoint of 1931, the Du Maurier story seems romantically Victorian and a bit dated. Nevertheless, it is still grand entertainment for those who do not demand too harsh reality in their stories. Miss Collier's production is not all it should be, either.

The story is the familiar one of the man who betrays a woman and then poses as the uncle of his own son. Dennis King is the son and right heroically does he play the part. He performs with all the fervor of his actions in "The Vagabond King" and "The Three Musketeers," but this is just the sort of play that requires the expansive acting of operetta technique.

Realism
Jessie Royce Landis is a charming Duchess of Towers, and Charles Coburn plays the uncle. The latter suffered a serious injury on opening night in the scene where Peter turns upon his uncle and strikes him with a cane.

The cane is supposed to be saved nearly in two, so that when Peter strikes the first blow it breaks easily. However, at the premiere someone forgot to attend to this duty and Coburn received a scalp wound that required several stitches.

Dracula is Back
"Dracula," the eerie mystery play of Bram Stoker's, has returned to Broadway. It first appeared here about four years ago, and has been one of the most popular road shows since "The Bat" tramped to every corner grocery store in the country.

Philip Merivale's expected arrival in Piner's new play, "Dr. Harmer," did not come off. It was tried out for several performances and then filed away amid things to be forgotten.

Instead, Merivale will appear in "Danton's Death." This was a tremendously thrilling play as given by the Max Reinhardt troupe in German here a few

seasons ago. It was the play in which Arnold Korff electrified the town with his performance as Robespierre.

RETURN OF GUARANTY FUND IS PROPOSED

(By Associated Press)
AUSTIN, Apr. 27.—After several years of controversy and general dissatisfaction, over the depositors guaranty fund, the legislature has taken steps to untangle the situation and distribute the fund to its owners. A resolution directing the state auditor to audit the fund and determine the owners of the money on deposit, has been passed.

The auditor was instructed to make a report to the 42nd legislature, indicating that some action will be taken before the law makers start home May 12. The fund has never been audited and its disbursement has been delayed because of several claims and lawsuits involving its distribution.

BEACON TO TOP NEW COURTHOUSE

(By Associated Press)
BEAUMONT, Tex., April 27.—The framework of Jefferson county's new 14-story courthouse was completed early this week, with contractors ahead of schedules. A revolving aerial beacon will be placed atop the roof of courthouse.

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Martin's Studio, owned and operated by H. M. Martin, is a Ballinger institution that citizens may well be proud of, supplying Ballinger and Runnels county with first-class photographs and developing service. Mr. Martin took charge of the studio in March, 1928, and since then has added much modern equipment.

Before coming to Ballinger Mr. Martin was associated with his father, W. P. Martin, a pioneer photographer. He began learning this vocation when a mere youth, and still claims to be a student in that he is always studying methods to improve his product. He attends state and district meetings of his profession, takes the leading magazines devoted to picture making and is always on the alert to learn new and better ways of producing photographs. He is conversant with late art methods and is able to retouch and color any type of photograph.

The studio is conveniently located in an upstairs suite of rooms on Hutchings Avenue. A large, spacious reception and display room for use of customers is maintained. The studio proper is well equipped, and dressing rooms where patrons may retouch their hair and makeup are available. Two large dark-rooms are used for developing and drying.

Martin's features kodak finishing and has developed a large business of this nature in this section. Kodaks and films are retailed. At this time Mr. Martin is cooperating with the Eastman Company in its \$100,000 contest covering the entire nation. The contest will include pictures taken in May, June, July and August, and anyone interested may secure entry blanks and complete information at the studio.

Mr. Martin is an active, progressive worker in civic affairs. He is always present when his help is needed, always on the job at big events here to record important graphic scenes to perpetuate them in history.

At this season he is photographing seniors from many schools in this section and urging photographers for Mother's Day, May 10.

This ad is one of a series, contributed by the Farmers & Merchants State Bank in behalf of businesses which help build Ballinger.

SOUTHERN FARMERS STUDY NEW TYPE OF TRENCH SILO

(By Associated Press)
SHREVEPORT, La., Apr. 27.—A novelty in silo building here has attracted wide attention among farmers and agricultural agents. It is the trench silo, introduced in Webster parish as the first of its kind in Louisiana.

The trench silo is expected to prove a boon to small farmers and livestock owners. It is simple in arrangement, cheap and effective. It is a trench about six to eight feet deep, as long and wide as is desired.

Into the trench is poured the silage, corn tops, sorghum, vines and other crops, then a thin layer of hay or straw is thrown over the top and about 10 inches of earth placed over that.

WANT ADS PAY

Kansas led all other states in number of cities entered in the 1930 health conservation contest of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce. Every third cup of coffee drunk in the United States comes through the port of New Orleans, the Association of Commerce there says.

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LARGE MEXICAN COUGAR IS KILLED NEAR UVALDE

(By Associated Press)
UVALDE, Texas, April 27.—A Mexican cougar, or panther, measuring six feet nine inches in length from tip to tip, and weighing 110 pounds, was shown on the streets here, the animal having been slain a few hours previously by Jim Smith of Batesville on the Taylor ranch south of that place.

Four young hounds belonging to Smith had trailed the animal, which sought refuge in a tree. Two rifle shots dispatched the huge tawny-colored beast, which had been responsible for heavy losses among the goat herds in the region.

Marks indicated that the animal had been caught in a steel trap at one time but had succeeded in pulling loose.

SEEK NEW HIGHWAY FROM VEGA TO ABILENE

(By Associated Press)
PLAINVIEW, Tex., Apr. 27.—An organization that will sponsor a state-designated highway from

Vega, in Oldham county, to Abilene, by way of Plainview and Lubbock, has been organized with Judge John F. Slaton, Hereford, as president.

E. B. Sayles of Abilene was named vice president, and Winfield Holbrook, Plainview, secretary. A committee, headed by Grady Shipp, secretary of the Plainview Chamber of Commerce, was appointed to draw up a brief to be presented to the state highway department in behalf of designation of that part of the route now undesignated.

The proposed highway would pass through Hereford, Dimmitt, Plainview, Petersburg, Lorenzo, Crosbyton, Dickens, Spur, Jayton, Aspermont, Anson, Abilene, and finally on to Brady.

Queen Gets Pin Money
SOFIA, Apr. 27.—(AP)—The Bulgarian parliamentary commission has framed a bill giving Queen Joanna a month-allowance of \$725. This is aside from King Boris' regular civil list of \$3,625 a month.

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Present, 329
New members, 3
Visitors, 13
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55th Psalm is Sermon Theme

When Voltaire was writing his parody upon the Bible, he threw down his pen in despair, and exclaimed to that inimitable profession of undying faith, the 55th Psalm, "I cannot do it! Here is a Psalm in the presence of his God."

Using this psalm as his text, Rev. E. W. McLaurin depicted with striking and characteristic clearness the conditions which confronted David when this psalm was written, and then explained why such a complete and final faith and trust in God was remarkable.

"David, at this time," said Rev. McLaurin, "was a man whose very life was threatened, and whose emotions were strained almost to a breaking point. And yet in the face of unanswered prayer he was able to calmly and sincerely say 'I believe in thee.'"

"DOROTHY DARNIT" BACK TO CUT MERRY CAPERS

Beginning today The Daily resumes publication of "Dorothy Darnit," popular comic strip which was cancelled several months ago due to a misunderstanding.

Youngsters and grown-ups alike had become interested in the mischievous, mad-cap capers of little "Dorothy," and many complaints were registered when the service was discontinued. Hereafter the cartoon will be found in its regular place.

Charles MacManus is the artist-author of this unique strip cartoon, and he has become famous with this one production. The series is being widely released by the syndicate controlling the rights.

Buy your printing at home.

Scanning NEW BOOKS

By Richard Massock

NEW YORK, April 27.—(AP)—Gabrielle d'Annunzio has been a legendary, but hardly an angelic poet-lover.

Yet "Gabriel the Archangel" is the title of a new biography of the Italian poet, written by Federico Nardelli and translated by Arthur Livingston.

The archangelic motif is carried throughout the book, in itself an almost lyrical narrative. The archangel is even made to fall, using the customary phrase.

Archangel

It was at a very early age, in his school days, and his nocturnal escapades cause the instructors considerable anxiety.

The biographer dispels legends about the poet's own birth. Gabrielle was born in 1863 into a respectable middle-class home in Pescara, an Adriatic village. His own statement that he was born "in the year 1864, aboard the barkentine Irene, at sea, in the Adriatic," seems to have been mere poetic license.

Gabrielle had a way with the girls, and soon after he broke into verse at the age of 15 he became a social lion. Journalism first claimed him and he was a reporter of society gossip. Thus he met a Duchess of Galesse. He promptly eloped with her noble daughter.

But he was not a faithful husband. His first contract with a publisher had provided that the publisher should open accounts at a shop "supplying bouquets and bonbons for his sweethearts." There were to be many more sweethearts.

"Many of the women of d'Annunzio's grandest love affairs are still alive," the biographer notes. "To speak of them, therefore, by name is forbidden."

But several can be named, among them Eleonora Duse, the actress, for whom the poet fashioned plays that cost her more money than they earned. Nardelli writes of the poet's career in politics and aviation, but even that is linked with his amours.

D'Annunzio now lives in a lake-side villa, with two of his most faithful feminine friends, the biographer notes. The poet has never been reticent about putting his experiences in his writings. Nardelli calls his poetry "pornographic."

D'Annunzio has always been given to spectacular and lavish living. Even now he fires a salute from a cannon on his lawn every day as a symbol of the defense of Italy's frontiers, "dips in oil" every visitor and sends him away laden with gifts.

It is like the man, too, that he has his tomb already prepared.

Sonnets by Millay

Edna St. Vincent Millay's new love sonnets, "Fatal Interview," indicate that she still is one of America's foremost poets and true to her particular method of melodic verse. Her lines are of a tender passion, in the vein of love for love's sake.

"Well, I have lost you; and I lost you fairly. In my own way, and with my full consent.

Should I outlive this anguish—and men do—I shall have only good to say of you."

seems but another way of expressing, "Tis better to have loved and lost, than never to have loved at all."

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Jesse Crawford (right) has won the radio title of "poet of the organ." His wife (center) often plays for the microphone, and their announcer is always Louis A. Witten (left), a pioneer broadcaster.

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Apr. 27.—Organ music is the delight of most radio listeners. Many of them would like more of it.

Yet there's a good reason why the tunes of the pipes are not more abundant on the air. Jesse Crawford, "poet of the organ," explains it simply by declaring that few organs are suitable for broadcasting.

This instrument has to be particularly designed, he said, if it is to register properly over the radio.

Even with the ideal organ not all of the pipes can be played for broadcasting. Among those barred are the 16-foot flues, which, if used for a radio concert, would blow out tubes and possibly damage the transmitter by their tremendous volume.

Crawford began life at Woodland, Calif., and by gradual steps reached the country's metropolises, where it is said his total income is something around \$100,000 a year. With rehearsals he works 12 hours a day, seven days a week.

He began his musical career as a piano player in a movie theater in Spokane, Wash. Later he took up the organ. He went to Los Angeles, San Francisco and then to Chicago, where he played his first radio concert, including a long series over WMAQ.

Mrs. Crawford often participates in her husband's radio concerts and takes his place when he slips away for a vacation.

Closely associated with Jesse is Louis A. Witten, whose voice introduces the Crawford Sunday night programs on the CBS chain. Witten started out as a radio set

manufacturer at Bay Shore, L. I., and for some time operated WRST.

Preseverance is

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many smokers will order from other states, objects to the tax stated. Because of these factors, Dewey Young, of Wellington, a consistent opponent, said the tax would raise only \$2,500,000 annually instead of the \$9,000,000 for which some hoped.

Proponents claimed the tax would raise \$6,000,000 annually. Half would go to the schools and the other half to the general revenue fund. They said county officers would enforce the tax the same as any other law.

As passed by the legislature, the tax would not become effective until 90 days after the present session, or about August 10.

Young stated 12 or 13 states had passed cigaret taxes and two or three had repealed them. He mentioned the neighboring state of Louisiana as one of the states which had repealed its cigaret levy.

C. B. Hays, O'Donnel, was in Ballinger Monday attending to business and visiting with his mother, Mrs. H. G. Hays.

J. L. Davis of the local post-office was in San Angelo Monday attending federal court.

Typewriter ribbons, adding machine paper and sales pads at the Ledger office. dtf

Methodist Pageant Delights Crowd

The pageant "All for Christ" presented by the young people of the Ballinger Methodist church Sunday evening at 8 o'clock, was a delightful program and a large crowd witnessed the service. The aim of the pageant was to show the new working of the unity plan in the Methodist church and how the Sunday school, League and other programs for the young people are planned together and these bodies under one supervision.

The pageant opened with a Sunday school class of small boys on a sunrise breakfast and lesson period with their teacher. Special electrical lighting effects were used for this to make it very impressive. C. W. Lehmerberg as the teacher told the Bible story to the boys and appropriate songs were used as interruptions by the choir. The boys around their campfire with lunches listened to the story of the rich young ruler.

The second episode showed the Leaguers at a vesper service on the hillside late in the afternoon during twilight. Miss Maudie Bird, as the Spirit of the Epworth League, furnished the lines for this part with excellent cued music by the choir.

Following the vesper service, Mrs. Neadham sang "The Holy City."

The third episode was a cabinet meeting of all leagues and showed the young people in business session at a time when the district League secretary was present explaining the new plan of young people's work in the church. The anniversary night was planned at this session and members pledged their support to it.

Episode four showed the church service on anniversary night with the pastor of the church presenting the picture "All for Christ." At the close of the service after the different ones had taken their parts a response was called for by the hi-League presidents and young people from all over the church arose singing "Jesus Calls Us" and marched to the altar where the closing climax took place about the picture

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of the Christ child. A large number of young people took part in this program and were gratified at the large crowd to greet them.

NATIONAL GUARDIEN TO DANCE AT ARMORY

Members of the Ballinger company of the Texas National Guard will be entertained with a company dance at the armory tonight. The dance is being given for all enlisted men and officers to celebrate the completion of the annual armory inspection on April 20. The music will be furnished by H. H. Carsey, local bandmaster, and his orchestra, and refreshments will be served by the officers of the company. Every man is expected to be

present and wear full uniform for the dances.

Rev. and Mrs. E. W. McLaurin left Monday morning for Dallas where Rev. McLaurin will attend the meeting of the synod committee on schools and colleges. This is the first meeting of the committee, and a full attendance was expected. They expect to return Tuesday or Wednesday.

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