

## DEATH STRIKES DOWN ITALY'S 'VICTORY DUKE'

Gen. Armando Diaz Led  
Men to Brilliant World  
War Victories.

By United Press  
ROME, March 1.—Two of the great generals of the World War whose brilliant successes aided in the allied victory, today were joined in death.

Gen. Armando Diaz, known as "The Duke of Victory" and whose brilliant success in the Battle of Vittorio Veneto was the turning point for Italian victory against the Austrians, died last night, just a fortnight after the death of Earl Haig, Great Britain's wartime field marshal.

As in the case of Earl Haig, Diaz' death came suddenly and brought deepest mourning to an adoring nation.

### Spent Life as Warrior

Diaz had been interested in warfare since childhood. From the days of his maturity he had been a warrior. And he died a warrior's death, for wound received in battle were believed indirectly attributable to his demise.

He became ill Saturday after attending the opening performance of the Royal Opera House. Grip developed, which in turn brought on bronchial pneumonia. His condition was particularly susceptible to this ailment, owing to an impairment of his breathing system, due to a bullet wound he received in the chest in the Libyan campaign when he was a colonel.

His widow had been taken from the room a few minutes previous to the general's death. She collapsed when Diaz' final sinking spell started.

The general's death occurred in the villa presented him by the Italian Government as recognition of his success in the engagement of Vittorio Veneto. It had become almost a shrine for the hero-loving Italians.

### Ancestors Were Fighters

Immediately after the marshal's death King Victor Emmanuel sent his aid-de-camp, General Cittadini, with condolences for the widow and children. Premier Benito Mussolini sent Undersecretary Cavallero with expressions of regret.

The body of the field marshal will be wrapped in an Italian flag, as he had requested, and will lie in state with high ranking army officers as a guard of honor. No funeral plans have been made, but this will be at government expense.

For years General Diaz was rated as a distinguished military figure. His ancestors had fought in the Napoleonic wars and he had been a student of military affairs since childhood.

## MORE LICENSES PAID

Auto Plate Fund Shows Half Million Increase.

The State of Indiana today has in its automobile license fund \$511,403 more than at the same time last year, Frederick E. Schortemeier, secretary of State, announced.

"This increase comes as a result of not permitting any postponements and extensions of time in which to purchase the 1928 license plates," Schortemeier said.

"The State deposited this money in its depositories and is drawing interest on it now."

On Feb. 27, 1927, the license department had received \$2,514,132, and on the same date this year it had \$3,024,535.

## 2 KILLED AT CROSSING

By Times Special

RUSHVILLE, Ind., March 1.—Ralph Stant, 22, this city, and Miss Thelma Mayne, Newcastle, were killed when a Big Four freight train struck the auto in which they were riding at a crossing south of here late Wednesday. Mrs. Annette O. Thornburg, Newcastle, third occupant of the car, was seriously injured. Falling snow cut off view of the crossing by Stant, who was driving.

## Slain in Chase



Frank Woodman, 20, Chicago, shot fatally Wednesday by Detective Emmett Englebright while trying to escape.

## SPUR SLAYER HUNT

Seek Doctor in Torch Death of Governor.

By United Press  
NEW YORK, March 1.—Police believed today that at last they had an accurate description of the man who murdered Miss Margaret Brown last week by burning her in a pool of gasoline.

Several hundred searchers were looking for a specific person, described as a doctor, and a former student of the Park Ave. child's tutor. The description was furnished to all the searchers.

The theory that a body found hanging from a tree near Sayreville, N. J., might have been the slayer, was discounted by police. The man found dead was believed to have been a laborer.

Police were not inclined to relegate the "fire murder" to the list of unsolved mysteries, despite the numerous false alarms of the last week and the apparently fruitless efforts to get a line on the murderer.

## LIST SCHOOL COSTS

Business Director Reports on Expenditures.

An itemized statement showing the expenditure of funds for the erection and repair of school buildings from the period between July 1, 1927 and Feb. 1, 1928, was presented to the State tax board Wednesday, by Albert F. Walsman, Indianapolis school business director. Request for such a statement was made several weeks ago by the board, John Brown, chairman, said.

The balance on hand from this special fund, \$182,240, the statement showed, and the expenditures totaled \$482,173. The statement purports to show exactly where each part of the special appropriation of the school levy was spent.

The school board has on hand of Jan. 1, a grand total of \$1,422,812. This includes the funds for every school department.

## RADIO FUND GROWS

Mass Meeting Planned at Shortridge Tonight.

A total of \$148.50 was received this morning by the Fletcher American National Bank, trustee, toward the desired \$6,000 radio interference fund, being raised by the listeners' interference trustee committee.

A. D. Dickey, 5155 Central Ave.; F. M. Langenkamp, 328 Washington Blvd.; C. G. Root, Spink-Arms Hotel, and Clarence B. Weaver, 3116 Broadway, each contributed \$5. The remainder was in smaller amounts. Plans of the committee for a mass meeting of radio listeners at 8 tonight in the study hall of the old Shortridge High School building are complete, and the committee urges a large attendance.

## STRICT WATER SAVING PLANNED FOR SUNNYSIDE

Will Enable Hospital to  
Operate Pending Plant  
Erection.

A strict water conservation plan is being adhered to at Sunnyside Tuberculosis Sanatorium to prevent interruption of hospital service pending installation of the new \$8,000 water plant now contemplated.

Under ordinary conditions the institution would be able to operate successfully during the five months it would take to install the sedimentation bed type of plant, should this be decided on, engineers have assured county commissioners.

The plan, as recommended by Harry Best, engineer, will be passed on to the county council at a special meeting as soon as preliminaries can be disposed with Commission President Cassius L. Hogle said today.

### Save 15,000 Gallons

A daily saving of 15,000 gallons of water already has been effected, by the regulation of faucets, showers and other water outlets, Engineer Harry Best told the officials.

As far as daily consumption of water is concerned, present supply is adequate.

The fact still stares officials in the face that a \$1,000,000 county institution would be at the mercy of a fire should one occur.

This fact is pointed to by Best in his report. "There are no fire hydrants on the premises," said the report. "Provision has been made on the interior by extinguishers and hose, but these devices are only effective for fighting fire in its initial stages."

### Recommended Hydrants

"I recommend that two hydrants be installed, one near the road in the water line that leads from the boiler house toward the Administration Bldg. and the other near the road on the line from the Soldiers' Bldg. to the Children's Bldg."

These two, with 500 feet of hose, would make a stream of water available on any part of the institution, Best said.

### Save Fuel Bill

The conservation of water ordered by Superintendent Harold S. Hatch at the suggestion of Best will "not only result in a longer life for the wells," the report said, "but will also be evidenced in a saving in the fuel bill, because less steam will be used for the operation of the pumps and the heating of the water."

Best is chief engineer of a Louisville sewage disposal plant. His firm would not bid on the sedimentation plans at Sunnyside nor any other part of the contemplated plant, if his plan is adopted, he said. His services are not costing the county.

By the conservation plan, the per capita daily consumption of water has been cut down from in excess of 220 gallons to approximately 150 gallons, the recognized maximum for institutions like Sunnyside.

## Gone, but Not Forgotten

Automobiles reported stolen to police belong to:

Clifford Bauer, 216 Shiel Apt., 220 N. Illinois St., Dodge, 21-880, from Tenth and Alabama Sts.  
Clarence N. Doughitt, 18 S. Capitol Ave., Auburn, 631-777, from Pearl St. and Capitol Ave.

### BACK HOME AGAIN

Automobiles reported found by police belong to:

Ford coupe, license 37-162, at 2502 N. Sherman Dr.  
Chrysler roadster, license M44, at Thirtieth and Illinois Sts.

### Methodists in Session

By Times Special  
WINCHESTER, Ind., March 1.—A two-day conference of the Richmond district, Methodist Episcopal church, opened here today. Dr. F. P. Thornburg, district superintendent, is presiding. The conference sermon was delivered this afternoon by Bishop F. D. Lee, Indianapolis.

## Is Thirty the Love Deadline?

Fannie Ward Takes Issue  
With Will Durant on  
Early Marriage.

By FANNIE WARD  
The psychologist, William Durant, says maturity love is all that counts. The man over thirty is just right and dirty. O. William Durant, you do rant.

I CAN not imagine how the eminent doctor, when he made the statement quoted in the above limberick, came to that extraordinary conclusion.

To be sure, in many Oriental countries, marriage is solemnized at the natural age. And to make its success assured, they lock up the wife and let the man have as many more wives as he financially is able to take care of, and by this arrangement he usually is incapable of loving devotion after the age of 30, if we are to believe Katherine Mayo's "Mother India."

Youth—and when I say "youth" I mean the period of years previous to 30—generally is recognized as a season to enjoy life in rather an indiscriminate manner.

The peculiar privilege of youth is to not think too much of consequences. As far as love is concerned, youth does not think at all in its adolescent years of psychological ignorance of sex life and its laws.

I do not scoff at youthful love. Far from it. But I do contend, as the years pass, we acquire a different outlook on people, and on life and its problems, and what may seem purest gold to the eyes of youth, is so often apt to appear to mature judgment as rather tarnished tinsel.

Much has been written regarding the expediency or the inexpediency of early marriage, and the psychologists are about equally divided in their opinions.

The opposers of early marriage are almost unanimous in their chief objection, and that is that the offspring of youthful parents are not so strong, either physically or mentally, as the children of those of more mature age. And they claim that the perusal of the names of distinguished statesmen, writers and scientists proves their contention, although they admit that many great men are eldest children.

The supporters of early marriage answer this assertion by claiming that this is because of the ignorance that the average modern civilized child is brought up in regarding sex matters and everything related to the intimate relationship between a man and woman in the marriage state, and the procreation and rearing of their offspring.

THE modern youthful man and wife are forced to learn the fundamental laws of life by bungling experience and mistakes, coupled with over-indulgences under the spell and glamour of their new relationship.

Of course this ignorance can be overcome by the abolition of prudery, the correct education of the young in the natural laws of sex life and health, but until this is done, in my opinion, very early marriage is ill-advised, to say the least.

Doctor Durant counsels parents to encourage children to wed at a natural age, rather than at the financial age.

That might be splendid advice if we were living natural lives like the birds of the air, but can it be universally and sensibly applied to conditions as they exist in modern civilized communities?

On married life's journey the rocks and torn-up places are much more frequently met with. That is the smooth asphalt roadway, and the high cost of modern living has in no way reduced the problems of Mr. and Mrs. Newlywed.

WHAT are the chances for the modern girl and boy in their "nicotene" to make a success out of a bread and kisses marriage if they haven't the "dough" for the bread?

What about these children's children? It is a far greater responsibility to create human life than to take it, and any couple entering the marriage state, with its financial as well as its moral responsibilities, with no thought of the little ones that may come or the mouths to be fed, is embarking on a sea of trouble for whose buffeting the parents are not likely to be the only, or chief, sufferers.

Some people have advocated marriage at the "natural" age with a restriction on child bearing until the age of 25 or 30 years.

This would be living a two-part married life. The first part would be to study and learn life and the second to produce and direct it.

BUT if a man, as Dr. Durant asserts, has this strange character in his nature around the age of 30 or over, how are we women going to protect ourselves against it, whether we are married to him already or about to be sacrificed on the hymeneal altar to his chameleon-like affections?

And we, in the future, to hear a wife say in the divorce court, "Your Honor, on his thirty-first birthday he said he loved me no longer," and I said to him, "Why, Egbert, last year you swore you loved me devotedly," and he replied, "Ah, ha, last year I was only 30. Don't you know that Will Durant says that

## BANDIT MUFFS 'JOB'; NABBED BY LOCKSMITH

Tyro Battles Grocer; Flees,  
but Is Caught and  
Handcuffed.

As a bandit Earl Arthur Morgan, 28, of Chicago, Ill., is a rank failure, he admitted to police.

He entered the profession early this morning and less than an hour later was lodged in city prison.

His first error was to try and hold up a man who was unafraid, and the second was to run away, only to be captured by a locksmith who put handcuffs on him and held him for the police.

Morgan entered the Kroger Grocery, 301 N. Illinois St., where Louis Haynes, 24, of 5048 W. Fourteenth St., manager of the store, was building a fire in a stove in the rear. Placing one hand in his coat pocket and gesturing as though he had a gun concealed there, Morgan approached Haynes and gave the standardized order:

"Hands up!"

"Hands up, hell!" Haynes shouted, and at the same instance leaped on the would-be bandit and collared him. The two men struggled to the closed door and in a break Morgan landed a blow on Haynes' jaw and, opening the door, fled east on Pratt St.

Haynes was soon in hot pursuit. Before the first block was covered Harry Beckner of 3017 N. Arsenal Ave., who runs a lock shop near by, joined the chase. The pair captured Morgan at Pratt and Meridian Sts. They haled him into the lock shop, where Beckner placed handcuffs on him. Then they called police.

Morgan said it was his first "job." He said he had been a bus driver in Chicago for six years, had been here two days and wanted money to get out of town.

the divine passion ceases after the age of 30?"

"Away from me, woman, bring on the chickens, my magnetic currents need restimulating, and if a flock of blondes should chase me, like Mr. Coolidge, I would not choose to run."

King Solomon had 700 wives, and that is the worst case of "Durantitis" on record. No wonder he called him "Solomon Man" and no wonder he formed the first night club and called it "The Free Masons" and barred all women from their meetings.

But if a man has a peculiar mental and physical change around the age of 30, I very much doubt if the same applies to woman.

I WAS first married around the "natural" age, as the distinguished writer calls it, and after living on Andy Gump and Miss Existence for years I regained my freedom and my youth at the same time.

Mental affinity is necessary to congenial happiness as well as physical love and a too early marriage is likely, in most cases, to supplant ignorance for wisdom and youthful impulse for mature judgment.

I married again when I was in the "frivolous forties," fifteen years ago and when I travel to France, as I do every year, the divorce court over there is the least interesting to me of all the European courts.

No "Woman's Exchange" for me of the Reno or Paris brand. In my opinion, thirty years are none too long for many people to acquire the necessary mental and physical maturity to assume responsibilities as heads of a family.

But after all, age is not solely a matter of years, but of tissue changes.

Some are old at 20 and others are young at 60.

Look at me!

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## Files Suit for Custody of Daughter in Convent

Mother Claims Husband  
Placed Girl in Institution  
After Divorce.

Mrs. Rhoda Doty, 809 Fletcher Ave., today asked Marion Superior Court to return to her the custody of her 16-year-old daughter now in a Catholic convent.

The daughter, Velma Van Kirk, is in the Convent of the Good Shepherd, 111 Raymond St., the habes corpus suit alleges. The divorced husband, William Van Kirk, is accused of placing her there without the knowledge of the mother.

### Trouble Started in 1914

The girl is described by sisters at the convent as well disciplined and interested in her work.

The trouble arose back in 1914 when Mr. and Mrs. Van Kirk were divorced in St. Joseph County, Indiana, of which South Bend is the County seat. The custody of the child was awarded to the mother.

The suit alleges that in March, 1923, Velma Van Kirk was visiting her father, and that the two left for destinations unknown to the mother.

### Father Took Girl

Some time later the father is alleged in the suit to have turned his daughter over to the board of children's guardians of St. Joseph County, on the grounds that the mother was dead.

Convent sisters said Velma came to them almost a year ago from an institution at Wabash, where she had stayed after being turned over to the guardians board by the father.

Whereabouts of the father are not given. The board of guardians and the convent are made defendants in the habes corpus suit.

## SHIPP TO STATE VIEW

Maker of Ventilating Devices to  
Meet With Tax Board.

Stand of the State tax board on the proposed \$600,000 bond issue with which to build additions to Indianapolis schools will be discussed by C. C. Shipp, local manufacturer of school ventilating devices, this afternoon, before the board. Philip Zoercher, tax commissioner, announced.

Belief that Shipp's devices were given preference by the school board, was professed by the tax board at a hearing Tuesday; and the board announced that it would approve no more bond issues for schools unless the specifications provided for competitive bidding.

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## Bus Victim



Mrs. Mary Boone Moore, 78, who was killed Wednesday by an Indianapolis-Shelbyville bus at Rural St. and Southeastern Ave.

## MISSING GIRL IS FOUND

Police spent three days trailing Mildred Bridgewater, 15, of 253 Detroit St., who was reported missing by her mother, Mrs. Ethel Guyon.

When they found her, the story told of her whereabouts during the time she was missing resulted in the arrest of Jake Chinnon, 28, of 54 N. West St., on a charge of contributing to her delinquency. The girl was sent to the detention home.



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Keeping the locomotive supply of a large railway system adequate and up to date entails heavy outlays of capital. Since the beginning of 1920 the Illinois Central System has spent nearly \$40,000,000 for the purchase and modernization of locomotives. Its expenditures for keeping its locomotives in good condition amount to around \$16,000,000 a year.

Investments in road and equipment are permanent pledges of a railroad's desire to serve the public. Such investments can be productive only as they promote the prosperity and earn the favor of the users of railway service. The extensive investments which the Illinois Central System is constantly making to increase and improve its facilities are evidence of its faith in the continued advancement of its territory and in the continued good will of its patrons.

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L. A. DOWNS,  
President, Illinois Central System  
CHICAGO, March 1, 1928.



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