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The Book Nook

SEDUCTIVE beyond compare, beautiful, cruel, passionate, Cleopatra lives again with cameo clearness in the pages of Oskar von Wertheimer's *Cleopatra*; a Royal Voluptuary (Lippincott's, \$5).

He paints the mistress of Julius Caesar and the betrayer of Mark Antony as a woman utterly without heart, who lived up to the worst traditions of the Ptolemies, murdering without compunction, a woman to whom no evil was too monstrous if it aided her march to unlimited power.

The whole vicious history of the Ptolemies is portrayed graphically, and von Wertheimer tells in vivid and fascinating style of life in Rome and Alexandria during the turbulent days of the empress of the Nile.

"If, as a youngster, you got your passport into the realms of gold by means of Prescott's 'Conquest of Mexico,' you will enjoy reading 'Stout Cortez,' by Henry Morton Robinson. In fact, you probably will enjoy it even if you never heard of Prescott.

The story of Cortez is one of the brightest adventure stories in history and Mr. Robinson makes the most of it.

The book is published by the Century Company and sells at \$4.

In 'The Crime of Punishment,' Margaret Wilson depicts a woman in a disquieting and argumentative, and like most such books, very interesting.

Plenty of people will condemn it as overemotional, and Mrs. Wilson probably will be excused of being too sentimental. But her arguments will take a good deal of answering.

"The Crime of Punishment" is published by Harcourt, Brace & Co. and sells at \$3.

"In America's Way Out," a Program for Democracy (MacMillan, \$2.50), Norman Thomas gives his ideas of what this country would be like if he were in charge of it. Briefly, his program is the acquisition and control by the state of whatever is necessary for the common life. He explains the "absolute necessity" of planning control of the machinery and resources of the world in the common interest.

He discusses the problem with a sense that is refreshing. He does not paint a Utopia, but expands on a philosophy of ultimate plenty for all, but not a philosophy of easy transition without toil.

High Walpole, in his latest book, "Above the Dark Tunnel" (Doubleday, Doran & Co., \$2.50), aims at a tale of pure horror and very nearly achieves his purpose. It is a story with the theme that "murder will out," and is entertaining, despite its ghastliness.

MYSTERY stories do not seem to have the same widespread appeal that they enjoyed a few months back, but the crop still seems to be plentiful.

Dodd, Mead & Co. offer "Murder in a Library," by Charles J. Dutton, a sinister and nervously exciting tale.

Madeline Sharps Buchanan has written another, the "Black Pearl Murders" (A. C. McClurg & Co., \$2), with a fascinating mystery running through.

Murder, torture, and the mysterious Cellini jewels are the thrills around which Patrick Wynnton has woven "The Ten Jewels" (Lippincott's, \$2). It involves a mad conspiracy of a witchlike countess, a monk, and the heroine.

BOBBES-MERRILL points with pride to "Flancon," a gypsy romance, which is the Appleton edition of the Book League of America. Lady Eleanor Smith, who wrote "The Red Wagon," is the author. It is a best seller in England and has won lavish praise from English reviewers, this romance of a gypsy girl reared in a family of dissolute Englishmen.

An interesting book for young readers is "Caesar," by Patrick Russ (G. Putnam's Sons, \$2). It is the life story of a leopard, with splendid illustrations.

"Chips," the story of a bad dog that made good, by Albert Payson Terhune (Harper's, \$2), is another book which children will enjoy to the utmost, told as only a lover of dog's life Terhune can tell it.

"THE DANGEROUS LIFE" is the story of Ben Lindsey, written by the famous judge, with Rube Borroughs. It tells of his boyhood in the south, his student days at Notre Dame and his career as a fearless, fighting attorney and judge. (Livingston, \$3).

A wholesome story of life and love on a ranch is Ruth Comfort Mitchell's "Water" (D. Appleton & Co., \$2), the story of a wealthy football star who goes into the irrigation country and there weeds the "milkmaid" after a series of adventures.

Those who read "A Nice Girl Comes to Town" may be interested in a new book by the author, Maymie Gregg. It's "A Girl Must Marry" (Dial Press, \$2).

PAIR HELD FOR JURY

Oil Operators Jailed in Texas for Alleged Extortion Attempt.

LAREDO, Tex., April 3.—The Webb county grand jury was instructed today to meet Saturday to act on charges of attempted robbery and kidnapping against C. C. Julian, California and Oklahoma oil operator, and C. C. Boren of Muskogee, Okla.

The two were held in jail here without bond on complaint of L. S. Bolling, San Antonio, that they attempted to extort \$30,000 from him at the point of a gun.

INCOME TAXES WILL BE MAIN ISSUE IN 1932

Both Personal and Corporate Taxation Levies in Campaign Spotlight.

FARM BUREAU SPEAKS

Business Against Agriculture Apparent Alignment in Voting Duel.

BY BEN STERN

Paramount issue in the 1932 state campaign will be a tax on both personal and corporate incomes.

This can be said without hesitancy, and the first shot in the campaign, which will find capital arrayed against agriculture, instead of the old opponent, labor, was fired by Lewis Taylor, first vice-president of the Indiana Farm Bureau Federation, in an article in its organ, the Hoosier Farmer.

From all indications labor will ally itself with agriculture because the home-owning worker is also burdened by the ever increasing burden of taxation paid entirely by real property.

That party which best keeps its weather-eye cocked toward the trend of sentiment will incorporate an income tax plank in its platform as a definite bid for the 50,000 to 60,000 members of the farm organization. Political expediency itself calls for that.

However, a determined effort will be made by big business interests of the state to keep such a plank out of either party's platform.

This group may go so far as to urge the nomination for Governor by each party of a man who is pledged against such legislation.

Although the Democratic 1930 platform contained an income tax pledge and such bills were introduced by party leaders and passed by the Democratic house, Taylor openly accuses Chairman R. Earl Rogers, who is in charge of the efforts of lacking good faith in this movement.

On the other hand the majority of the Republican members of the legislature were against income taxation of any type and were led in the opposition by the state committee heads.

Governor Assailed

Taylor's attack on the Democratic leaders and Governor Harry G. Leslie and his political mentor, Henry Marshall, Lafayette publisher, is one of the most vitriolic in several years and indicates definitely the stance which will be taken by the farm bureau.

Although no third party movement will be precipitated under its leadership, there will be a distinct effort made to select a state.

There seems to exist no doubt that industrial leaders of the state will seek to have a candidate for Governor in each party.

Some mention has already been made of Ernest M. Morris, South Bend financier, and former Thirtieth district G. O. P. chairman.

As yet there has been no mention of the Democrat whom big business logically would select as its candidate for Governor. John Fredrick, Kokomo manufacturer and sealer of the Democratic nomination for that post in 1928, apparently would be suitable. There is some talk that in event insurgent Democrats, headed by Rudolph Ackerman and Chester Montgomery of South Bend, and Gilbert Bosse of Evansville, can not come to an agreement with Frank Dailley, 1928 nominee, an effort will be made to induce Fredrick to become their champion.

Classed as Insurgent

The Kokomo manufacturer has been identified with the insurgent group and his close allies headed the move to unseat Peters as state chairman in 1930 and put Lee Bays, of Sullivan, Second district chairman, in his place.

Although that attempt proved abortive there is much talk that a second will not fail. Peters is cognizant of the insurgency, but can make no effort to quash it until he gets Paul V. McNish, of Warren, and Governor Harry G. Leslie is not expected to reapportion.

Gottschalk is in position to expect the Governor's favor because of his (Gottschalk's) fight on the floor of the senate to restore the Governor's emergency contingent fund to \$200,000 a year, the present figure.

He declared advertising has made possible wide knowledge of use of aluminum, which now stands fifth in the metals used in industry.

ADVERTISING HELD WISE

Chemist Tells Advertising Club of Value of Circulating Facts.

Business concerns having something the public can use profitably are finding it profitable to advertise their goods, the Advertising Club was told Thursday by H. V. Churchill, New Kensington, Pa., chief chemist of the aluminum research laboratories of the Aluminum Company of America.

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First step in Professor Gerhardt's chain of evidence is the date given for the baptism of

Boy Giant Ordered to Take Gland Treatment



Adolphe Roome

By United Press

LOS ANGELES, April 3.—Adolphe Roome, 14, weighing 235 pounds and still growing, was under court order today to obey his father and take the medicine prescribed to halt his unusual development.

Judge Lester Roth of superior court signed the order after testimony had shown that science could prevent overdevelopment of the body, and that the boy's father, Dr. Adolphe E. Roome Sr., was willing to prescribe injections of pituitrin to stop his growth.

Mrs. Helen Roome, the boy's mother, who is divorced from Dr. Roome, did not object to the pituitrin treatment for her son but did not wish to force him to take it if it was against his will.

Partial atrophy of the posterior section of the pituitary glands was responsible for Adolphe's condition, Dr. Roome testified.

Within three years, it was shown, Adolphe has grown ten inches in height and gained ninety-two pounds in weight.

Judge Roth said he could not compel the boy to take treatments but added that conservative medical opinion held no permanent harm could result from pituitrin injections.

HORSES WRECK INTERURBAN CAR

Runaway Team Struck Near Hiser's Station.

By Times Special

RICHMOND, Ind., April 3.—Death or serious injury was escaped on Thursday afternoon by the crew and five passengers aboard a T. H. I. & E. traction car, bound for Indianapolis, when the car struck a team of runaway horses near Hiser's Station and left the rails, turning over across the National road. Poles and wires were torn down for several hundred feet, but the car only was slightly damaged.

Conductor Herman Hobson, Richmond, in charge of the car, was knocked unconscious, but neither motorman Philip Taylor, Greenfield, nor passengers were hurt.

Occupants escaped through a rear door, after the car had bumped along the ties before finally overturning and coming to a stop. Traffic was halted and was being detoured around neighboring roads.

Only one of the horses was killed. The other received no injuries. Rudolph Slonicker, driver of the team, jumped from the wagon just before the crash and escaped injury.

THURSTON'S DAUGHTER TO PRESS COURT CASE

Charges Made With Striking Her in Detroit Hotel.

By United Press

DETROIT, April 3.—Jane Thurston, daughter of Howard Thurston, the magician, will press charges of assault and battery against her husband, Harry Harris, she announced in a long distance conversation from Altoona, Pa., where she and her father are staying.

The case was adjourned to May 16 when Miss Thurston says she will return here to testify.

Harris is charged with striking his wife during an argument in a local hotel while Thurston was performing here. Thurston ended the argument by firing a tear gas fountain pen in Harris' face.

Fairland Home Looted

By Times Special

FAIRLAND, Ind., April 3.—When Mr. and Mrs. William Harrell entered their home here on returning from a sojourn in Florida, they discovered that practically everything of value had been removed, including silverware, dishes, a motor from the basement, and a valuable vase. Articles left behind had been damaged.

By United Press

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CARBON CLAY PLANT ENDS IDLE PERIOD

Operations Resumed After Shutdown Which Lasted Four Months.

WABASH CONCERN BUSY

Order for Radio Cabinets Provides Employment for 350 Persons.

BY CHARLES C. STONE

A few instances of activity were noted in a business and industrial survey of Indiana for the week ended today.

After being idle four months, the plant of the Ayer-McCarl-Reagan Clay Company at Carbon is again in operation. Officials announce the outlook is bright for steady work.

Officials of the Muncie Gear Company, which has been working on a schedule two-thirds of normal, and other conditions are improving and they expect to receive several orders within a few days.

New Plant Will Expand

A one-third increase in floor space is planned by the Hanson Van Winkle Manufacturing Company, which recently opened a plant at Anderson for the manufacture of polishing wheels.

Employment will be given 350 persons within a few days by the Wabash Cabinet Company, according to its president, T. F. Wabash, who said an order for radio cabinets had been received from an eastern firm. The company's plant has been idle four months.

An idle period which started in August may be ended soon by the M. Vernon Strawnboard Company and 110 persons put to work. The company has pledged resumption of operations, provided it can sell \$15,000 worth of its stock.

Truck Corporation Formed

In connection with the new river terminal at Evansville a \$25,000 trucking corporation has been formed, to operate within a fifty-mile radius of Evansville in Indiana, Kentucky and Illinois.

Ulen & Co., international financing and construction firm, with headquarters at Lebanon, announces completion of a \$60,000 transformer station and power line at Maverick, Tex., and work of erecting a power house at a cost of \$1,500,000 will be started at once.

Electric current from the plant will be used in Eagle Pass, Tex., and in Mexico.

The Reiss Manufacturing Company, Kokomo, announces that three new machines will be added to its production.

Wins Divorce

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They Like Their Golf



Left to right, Miss Thelma Miller, 4924 East New York street; Miss Nellie Munson, 210 North Highland street; Miss Margaret Layton, 1638 Fletcher avenue, and Miss Kathaleen M. Richey, 914 South New Jersey street, members of the fourth class of ten receiving six golf lessons from The Indianapolis Times and Smith-Nelson golf school, 218 Board of Trade building.

STATE PARK WORK WILL COST \$200,000

New Buildings and Other Improvements on Spring Program.

Improvements to cost \$200,000, affording work for several hundred men, will be made this spring in state parks, according to a state conservation department statement issued today.

The improvement program is as follows: Dunes—Erection of fifty sleeping rooms on beach in connection with a new dining hall, which will seat 200 persons. Hinterland inn will be enlarged with eight rooms; beach cleared of debris and a concrete paved road completed.

Pokagon—Additional dining room facilities. McCormick's Creek Canyon—Thirty-room brick hotel will be augmented with eight rooms; beach cleared of debris and a concrete paved road completed.

Turkey Run—Twenty guest rooms being completed. Newby gulch bridge to be repaired, new barn erected and office and lobby in new building.

Spring Hills—Stone-walled garden of Virginia type, street lighting system, completion of mill restoration and extension of camping and parking areas.

Muscatuck—Two four-room cottages and larger picnic grounds. Shakamak—Fencing, landscaping, road extension, enlarging camping and parking space, beach and erection of shelter houses and a community cabin.

Clifty Falls—New observation field, parking service areas, shelter house, tennis court and augmented water supply.

Brown County—Completion of scenic road from State Road 46 at Kelly hill to Weed Patch hill. Employment to be given 150 persons in building a water system, shelter houses and service buildings.

Mounds—Water and sewer systems, boat house, roads and trails.

LEPER GOES TO COLONY

WABASH, Ind., April 3.—Mrs. Hino Gutierrez, Mexican, is suffering from leprosy and will be taken to the federal leper colony in New Orleans, the state board of health has reported to local authorities.

This is the first case of leprosy reported in Indiana for several years, authorities said.

ROAD JOBS CAUSE SEVERAL DETOURS

Paving has started on State Road 7 between Columbus and North Vernon and during such operation the detour via Seymour over Roads 31 and 50 will be thirty-two miles, according to the state highway commission's bulletin issued today from the office of John J. Brown, director. Indianapolis to Madison traffic has the further choice of routing via Shelbyville and Greensburg with the entire distance being excepting eighteen miles between Versailles and Madison.

The bulletin call attention to paving operations under way on Road 29 starting at the Marion county line. Road 7 paving project will complete pavement between Madison and Indianapolis, and Road 29 project completes a new paved route between Indianapolis and South Bend via Logansport and Rochester.

Detours, length, and surface conditions are described as follows: Road 7—Detour from Marion county line to Indianapolis via Greensburg, Versailles and Madison, is twenty-three miles. Road 2—Detour at west edge of Lowell account construction, is one-half mile.

Road 6—Detour east of junction of Road 49, account bridge construction, is two miles. Road 31—Detour between Columbus and North Vernon via Seymour over Roads 31 and 50, account paving, is thirty-two miles. Detour at four miles south of Dupont, account paving, is two miles. Road 15—Detour from Goshen to Junction of Road 20, account paving, is eight miles.

Road 19—Detour just west of Montpelier, account culvert construction, is 3 1/2 miles. Detour from Montpelier to one mile north of Flat on Road 19, account bridge construction, is nine and one-half miles. Detour from five miles south of Kirkin to Junction with Road 28, for paving, is eighteen miles.

Road 45—Detour at east edge of Wabash, account overhead bridge construction, is one mile. Road 46—Detour from two miles west of Louisville to Spencer, account paving, is nine miles. Road 50—Detour in Washington, account street paving, is two miles. Road 66—Detour from Hatfield to Rockport, account paving, is twenty-three miles. Road 67—Detour at two miles north of Blount, account bridge out, is two miles.

JUDGE CHOSEN FOR TRIAL OF ROWBOTTOM

Baltzell Asks Permission to Disqualify Self, and Chicagoan Is Named.

HEARING OPENS APRIL 14

Ex-Congressman Charged With Postmastership 'Peddling.'

Appointment of Federal Judge Charles E. Woodward of Chicago, as special judge in the trial of Harry E. Rowbottom of Evansville, former First district congressman, charged with "sale" of postmasterhips, was announced today by Samuel Alschuler, senior judge of the Seventh United States circuit court at Chicago.

The trial will start in Evansville April 14.

The appointment was made after Federal Judge Robert C. Baltzell requested that he be permitted to disqualify himself, in a letter to Judge Alschuler, March 16.

Asks to Be Disqualified

"The defendant Rowbottom is a former representative from the First congressional district, of which I was a resident and voter for the last twenty years and up until the last two or three elections," said Judge Baltzell. "Owing to the fact that Mr. Rowbottom formerly was a representative from my home district, I feel that I am disqualified and should not try the case," the latter sets out.

Judge Baltzell also pointed out that George Cramer, who is to be tried at the same session on a liquor charge, is a resident of the judge's home town of Princeton and that his brother, C. O. Baltzell, is to be his (Cramer's) attorney. In that case the judge also asked to be disqualified.

An angle not mentioned in the letter, but plain to those familiar with Republican politics in the First district is the fact that Rowbottom long has been a bitter enemy of Judge Baltzell.

Fought His Appointment

In 1924, just after his first nomination for congress, Rowbottom sought to seize control of the First district organization, to bring pressure against appointment of Baltzell to the federal bench to succeed Judge A. B. Anderson, who was appointed to the circuit court.

Then developed a bitter factional fight in the First district between Rowbottom, supported by First district Klansmen, attempted to obtain the election of Herbert Males, later discredited mayor of Evansville, as district judge, in opposition to the incumbent, Senator James E. Watson, who was supporting Baltzell for the nomination.

Rowbottom declared his avowed purpose was to bring about the appointment of James A. Collins of Indianapolis, then criminal judge.

Baltzell Is Victor

The victory was Fisher's and the First district organization supported Baltzell for the appointment. It also is known that Rowbottom is prone to blame the federal investigation of his alleged sales of postmasterhips upon Senator James E. Watson, who supported the appointment of Baltzell.

To remove all color of politics from the trial, Judge Baltzell disqualifies himself.

Rowbottom, not guilty to the nine counts in the indictment when arraigned here Feb. 26. He is charged specifically with taking \$1,750 for aid in obtaining two postmasterhips and one rural mail carrier appointment.

Charged With Taking Money

The first two counts allege that last November Rowbottom agreed to take \$750 from Walter G. Ayer for aid in securing a rural mail carrier appointment for Gresham Ayer of Rockport. The third and fourth counts charge he took \$800 from S. Grant Johnson through Otto A. Wellbrenner, Mt. Vernon postmaster, for the postmasterhip at Dale.

The sixth, seventh and ninth counts accuse Rowbottom