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The Book Nook

BY WALTER D. HICKMAN.
PUBLISHERS right now who were given awards by the Pulitzer prize committee are rightly boasting of the prize.

The committee selected "Charles W. Eliot," by Henry James, as the Pulitzer biography prize. I believe that I agree that this was the outstanding biography of 1930.

The author of the winning biography is the son of William James, the famous American philosopher and nephew of Henry James, the novelist.

Have always considered that the statement of a selection of a book to become a member of The Modern Library is important. I have the greatest respect for the value of this library.

The last two books to be admitted into this library are "The Garden Party," by Katherine Mansfield and "The Making of Man: An Outline of Anthropology."

We now have the ten best sellers in the past two weeks in Everyman's Library. E. P. Dutton & Co. announces them as follows: "American Short Stories of the 19th Century," "The Way of All Flesh," by Samuel Butler; "The Purple Land," by W. H. Hudson; "The Woman in White," by Wilkie Collins; "The Confessions of an English Opium-Eater," by Thomas de Quincey; "Tom Jones," by Fielding; "The Private Papers of Henry Ryecroft," by George Gissing; "Autobiography of Benvenuto Cellini," "The Heroic Deeds of Gargantua and Pantagruel," by Rabelais, and "Moll Flanders," by Daniel Defoe.

Sounds like the best sellers of 1890, but they are only of the last two weeks in this particular library.

The English edition of "The Murder of Some Importance," by Bruce Graeme, has gone into its fourth printing in England. The American edition will be brought out shortly by J. B. Lippincott Company.

Should you be interested in world affairs, you'll like Andre Siegfried's brilliant analysis of England's economic dilemma in "England's Crisis" (Harcourt, Brace & Co. \$3.50), translated from the French by H. H. and Doris Hemming.

And then, of course, in the limelight is Sir Hubert Wilkins' defense of his pending undersea voyage to the North Pole in his amazing book, "Under The Pole," (Brewer, Warren & Putnam, \$3).

Federico Nardelli and Arthur Livingston have written a beautiful tale on Gabriele D'Annunzio, poet, politician, soldier, and lover. "Gabriel The Archangel" (Harcourt, Brace & Co. \$3.50), is a dazzling story of D'Annunzio's incredibly eventful life.

FEW fiction works have popped up this week worth anything at all. One is "The Night Is Long," by William R. Lipman (Washington, D. C. \$2). It's a night club story, told shrewdly and humorously.

A well-written story is "A Midland Saga," by Miriam Monro (Dorland & Co. \$2). The characters and events are well done.

For a thriller get "Jingling" by Talbot Mundy (Century Co. \$2). Mundy is clever and his "king of the world" is exceptionally good.

For some lively, gifted comedy and romance read "Ten Days' Wonder," by Muriel Hine (D. Appleton & Co. \$2).

For the children there is "Meliss Ann, a Little Girl of the Eighteen Twenties," It is a fine book by Ethel Parton (Doubleday, Doran & Co. \$2).

A dignified, readable biography for girls 16 and over is "Florence Nightingale," by Irene Cooper (Coward-McCann, Inc. \$2).

THERE are several excellent new mysteries, however. For stark realism in the political world there is "The Glass Key" by Dashiell Hammett (Alfred A. Knopf, \$2). An A-1 mystery is "About the Murder of the Clergyman's Mistress," by Anthony Abbott (Covici-Friede, \$2).

Ample entertainment is provided in "The Second Shot," by Anthony Berkeley (Doubleday, Doran & Co. \$1).

Well recommended is "The Army Pose Murders," by Mason Wright (Farrar & Rinehart, \$2). Read it.

DYING SCHOOL CHIEF SENDS 'LAST WORDS'

Baylor President Calls on Students to Uphold University Ideals.

SIGNS 300 DIPLOMAS

Dr. Samuel Brooks Grimly Suffers to Keep His Final Promise.

WACO, Tex., May 8.—"Carry on" was the message Dr. Samuel Palmer Brooks, dying president of Baylor university, sent out today to his faculty.

"Men are mortal and pass away, but ideals around which Baylor university is built will live," read the message from the sickroom of "Prexy" Brooks—possibly the last word the 67-year old educator, who has only a few days of life left, will give to the school he loves and has served for 29 years.

Dean W. S. Allen, acting as president of the school while Dr. Brooks' life ebbs slowly under an attack of cancer, received the message early today and promised to transmit it to mourning professors and students.

Dr. Brooks' determination to complete his last task for his school, the signing of 489 diplomas for this year's graduates, was evident again today.

He kept at his work Thursday and last night had signed 300 of the certificates. The exertion left him much weaker.

Despite advice of his physicians that the work is sapping his last strength, Dr. Brooks insisted that he be permitted to continue the signing.

"I must finish my job before I go," he said. "I will not disappoint my class of graduates."

Dr. K. H. Ayneworth, noted surgeon, and Dr. H. R. Dudgeon, diagnostician, are in constant attendance. His wife, son and daughter likewise remain always at his bedside.

Early this week, when an abdominal incision revealed cancer, the doctor gave Dr. Brooks two weeks to live. Today they feared his constant exertion with the diplomas will shorten that time.

Death Is Near
"Only his fighting strength is sustaining him now," Dr. Ayneworth said.

Out on the Baylor campus the silence of sorrow was unbroken by the sound of a probable success to Dr. Brooks, who died last year of the school, his alma mater, from 1902 until he retired from active executive work of the institution a year ago.

From business quarters it was learned that four men have been mentioned as likely choice for the office. They are Pat M. Neff, former Governor and chairman of the board of trustees, an old schoolmate of Dr. Brooks; Dr. T. D. Brooks, former Waco mayor and head of the school of education; Dean W. S. Allen, for the last year acting president of the institution; and Dr. Justin F. Kimball, vice-president of Baylor and head of the medical department at Dallas.

Under Dr. Brooks' leadership the resources of the institution have been doubled. He saw the establishment of the medical schools at Dallas in 1903 and was the directing force in the campaign resulting in a new auditorium, women's dormitory, large endowment gifts and liquidation of nearly \$50,000 indebtedness.

JAMES S. CRUSE WILL BE BURIED SATURDAY
Scottish Rite Will Officiate at Recliner's Funeral.

Simple services will mark the last rites for James S. Cruse, 72, of 1611 North Meridian street, pioneer Indianapolis realtor and civic leader, to be held at the First Presbyterian church, Sixteenth and Delaware streets.

The services will be conducted by Dr. George A. Franz, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, and members of the Scottish Rite will officiate. Burial will be in Crown Hill cemetery.

Mr. Cruse died at his residence Wednesday after an illness of six months.

Active pallbearers will be John J. Reilly, William L. Elder, J. H. Patterson, Dr. Robert W. Blake, Lewis A. Williams and Ernest J. Nicolai.

Charter members of the Indianapolis Real Estate Board will act as honorary pallbearers. Dr. Frank E. Gates, Emerson W. Chaille, H. M. Stackhouse, John W. Robbins, Harry S. Robbins, T. A. Havel, T. F. Carson, John R. Welch, Fred H. Sillery, John W. Roberts and Joseph W. Salvage.

At the board meeting Thursday resolutions in memory of Mr. Cruse were adopted and prayer was offered.

GIVEN \$15,000 DAMAGE
Federal Jury Awards Woman Balm for Auto Crash Injuries.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 8.—Miss Janet S. Merrill, Methuen, Mass., former student at the University of Pittsburgh, was awarded \$15,000 damages by a federal court jury here today for injuries received when struck by an automobile here last November.

Payment of \$100 Caused by 'Still, Small Voice'

By United Press
HAMMOND, Ind., May 8.—A conscience-stricken laborer in Toronto, Canada, apparently feels at ease with the world today. He returned \$100 to the McElroy Belling Company here to pay for material stolen while he was in its employ many years ago.

A letter accompanying the money was as follows: "While I was in your employ many years ago, believing I was

not sufficiently paid for my work I took certain material. I want to confess my sin and am enclosing herewith \$100 to apply on the account. Whether it was more or less, I can not say, but I have asked God's forgiveness and am asking yours. I am not signing my name as I do not want the money returned. It is with thankfulness that I have been able to accumulate enough to pay it back."

MEDALS GIVEN FOR SERVICES IN JOURNALISM

Three Individuals and Two Newspapers Honored at Missouri U.

By United Press
COLUMBIA, Mo., May 8.—Medals of honor for distinguished journalism were awarded today by the school of journalism of the University of Missouri to two newspapers and three individual journalists.

The medals were conferred on the Baltimore Sun and the Manchester (Eng.), Guardian, and upon Robert P. Scripps, editorial director of the Scripps-Howard newspapers; Houston Hart, publisher of the San Angelo (Tex.) Standard Times; and Henry F. Childers, editor of the Troy (Mo.) Free Press.

The awards, inaugurated last year under a practice whereby two are presented to newspapers, one in the United States and one abroad, and three to individuals, an executive editor of distinction, a newspaper man who is an alumnus of the Missouri school of journalism, and a Missouri publisher, were a feature of the program of annual journalism week here.

Sun Receives Medal
The Sun medal, given that newspaper for outstanding service, was accepted by William E. Moore, managing editor of the newspaper.

The award to the Manchester Guardian was "for its brilliant and aggressive, constructive liberalism to combat, in the interest of that great middle stratum of our American people, the domestic and international corruption and injustice."

Reward as Pioneer
The medal conferred on Houston Hart, a graduate of the Missouri Journalism school, was for "his spirit of pioneering; for his eminent success through undaunted, untiring efforts toward the goal of high service in journalism."

The award to Childers was "for conspicuous service to a rural community through continuous publication of one journal for more than fifty years. For his contribution to the progress and welfare of the state of Missouri, and for his inspiring, gentlemanly character."

The medals were presented by Walter Williams, president of the University of Missouri and founder and dean of the School of Journalism. Scripps, Hart and Childers were here to accept personally their awards.

Airport Aid



M. Charles Hack

Municipal airport has two assistant superintendents as the result of a works board action today, naming M. Charles Hack, pilot and flying instructor, to the second post.

Edward M. Johnson was made assistant superintendent when Charles Cox was appointed superintendent. Hack formerly was connected with Capitol airport, and recently has been a flying instructor for private concerns at the city air field.

DEATH-ROBBERY CHARGE FOUGHT

James Trout Charged as Aid of Killer.

Trial of James Trout on a robbery charge was continued today before a criminal court jury, following testimony by detectives late Thursday that Trout had admitted his part in the attempted robbery and murder of Charles Zeller, lottery operator, a year ago.

The defense will attempt to prove that Trout is the victim of mistaken identity. First-degree murder charge against Trout is not being pressed by the state. L. Ert Slack is special judge.

Heart Disease Fatal

By United Press
ROCKVILLE, Ind., May 8.—Death of William C. Hill, former Indianapolis policeman, and alleged partner of Trout, is serving a life sentence for firing the shot that killed Zeller in front of the lottery operator's home.

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OUTLOOK FOR STONE SALES GAIN BRIGHT

Indiana Product Specified in Contract for \$55,000,000 Building Work.

PHONE VOLUME HIGHER

March and April Business Best With One Exception Since Last Year.

BY CHARLES C. STONE
State Editor, The Times

Outstanding in a business and industrial survey of Indiana for the week ended today is the prospect that there will soon be a strong upturn in business in the Bloomington-Bedford limestone district.

This prospect has its basis in the imminent awarding of contracts for erection of sixteen postoffices in various parts of the country and for seven other government structures, involving expenditures of \$55,000,000. All contracts will specify Indiana limestone as material.

Among the larger projects in which Indiana stone is specified are the following: Mellon Institute, Pittsburgh, \$10,000,000; structure; Gulf Refining building, Pittsburgh, \$10,000,000; House office building, Washington, \$7,500,000; Arsenal school, Pittsburgh; Graduate school, Yale university, \$3,000,000; postoffice, Oklahoma City, \$5,000,000; Union building, Indiana university, \$650,000; Department of Justice building, \$12,000,000; National Archives building, \$8,750,000; Chicago postoffice, \$16,000,000; Department of Labor office, \$4,750,000; Interstate Commerce Commission building, \$4,500,000.

More Phones in Use
Officials of the Indiana Bell Telephone Company announce that during March and April this year there was a gain in the number of telephones in service, a condition that has not existed but once before since the spring of 1920.

Improvement in business conditions is assigned by the officials the cause of the increase. During March there was a gain of 462 phones and in April 563.

Purchase of assets of the Baumgarth Printing Company at South Bend by the Brown & Bigelow Company, St. Paul, will result in resumption of operations, providing employment to about 400 persons, officials of the buying company announce.

Additional Industries
Anderson has two new industries. The Bicket Rubber Products Company, Watertown, Wis., purchaser of the abandoned plant of the International Tire and Rubber Company, announces that operations will be started within sixty days. The piston plant of the Delco-Remy Corporation, formerly the Butler Manufacturing Company, will be moved to Anderson from Indianapolis.

Operations have been resumed at the plant of the McDowell Lumber Company at Matthews.

A twenty-acre tract of land at Michigan city has been placed under control of the Chamber of Commerce by the owner, George Redpath, to be used in providing sites for industrial plants.

Conducts Mother's Funeral

By Times Special
SOUTH BEND, Ind., May 8.—The Rev. Anthony Rowicz, assistant pastor of St. Stanislaus church, celebrated the funeral mass for his mother, Mrs. Francis Rowicz, 76, this morning. She died Tuesday night after a brief illness.

Pave Way for Sea Hop



Ruth Nichols

LE BOURGET, France, May 8.—Arrangements were completed here today for the proposed flight from New York to Paris by Ruth Nichols, American girl aviator.

The government promised that Le Bourget airfield, where Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh ended his flight to Paris, would be illuminated if Miss Nichols arrived after dark and that the Paris-London night guide for air mail flights will be in operation to aid her.

DETOURS ENDED ON TWO STATE ROADS

Bridge Work Completed on Highways No. 36 and No. 59.

Elimination of two detours and changing one to provide a better road surface to accommodate all traffic loads, marked chief changes in the state highway commission's traffic bulletin issued today.

The detour change is on U. S. Road 24 around paving between Wolcott and Reynolds. The old detour was narrow and had several weak bridges making it advisable that heavy through traffic avoid it.

The new detour route which is the same mileage, is partly over state roads and a good county gravel highway, John J. Brown, department director, said.

The bulletin shows completion of a bridge on Road 36 near Rockville, and repair of a bridge on Road 59 south of Brazil.

Detours, length, surface conditions, on the state system at this time are as follows:

Road 1—Detour from Brookville to Connersville, account of paving, twenty-three miles.

Road 2—Detour at west edge of Lowell, account construction, one-half mile.

Road 3—Detour east of junction of Road 49, account overhead bridge construction, two miles.

Road 4—Detour between Columbus and North Vernon, account of paving, thirty-two miles.

Road 5—Detour at one mile north of Marion, account paving, eight miles.

Road 6—Detour from Ellettsburg to Ellettsville, account paving, eight miles.

Road 7—Detour from Ellettsville to Ellettsburg, account paving, six miles.

Road 8—Detour from Marion county to Rockville, account paving, thirty-four miles.

Road 9—Detour from one and one-half miles south of Marion county line to Rockville, account paving, six and one-half miles.

Road 10—Detour from nine miles east of Rockville to Morton, account paving, fourteen miles.

Road 11—Repairing pavement between Cumberland and Greenfield. Drive carefully as one-way traffic is enforced while men at work.

Road 12—Detour at east edge of Wansburg, account overhead bridge construction, one mile.

Road 13—Detour from Bloomington to Spencer, account paving, twenty miles.

Road 14—Detour from Ellettsville to Ellettsburg, account paving, six miles. Effective only in wet weather.

Noises Fatal

By United Press
CHICAGO, May 8.—Rumbling wagon wheels, steel-plated heels, rattling of bottles and animated conversations of milkmen in the early morning hours are depriving 3,500,000 Chicagoans of 26,250,000 years of life every twelve months, Alderman John Toman has computed.

Feeling that the toll is unnecessary and too high, Toman has introduced an ordinance before the city council prohibiting milk deliveries before 6 a. m. (daylight saving time months included).

Toman arrived at his figures from statistics that noises cut a city dweller's life short by seven and one-half years and "milkmen are the most obnoxious."

HEAR M'INTOSH IN BILL PROBE

Ex-Commissioner Is Witness Before Grand Jurors.

Continuing its probe into circumstances surrounding passage of House Bill 6 by the 1931 legislature, the county grand jury today heard testimony of Charles M'Intosh, former member of the public service commission.

The jury is sifting charges that political pressure and an alleged conspiracy resulted in passage of the bill after securing giving municipalities control of buses and trucks had been stricken from the measure. The commission is given full authority on control of buses and trucks.

McIntosh was not reappointed to the commission recently and was succeeded by Harry K. Cuthbertson of Peru.

Dick Heller, clerk of the house, is under circuit court order to produce the house journal before Judge Harry O. Chamberlin Saturday. The house journal contains the record of all house action on the bill.

SENTENCED IN THEFT

Took 'Rap' for Girl Before, Escapes Long Term.

Declaration that he took the "rap" and served six months in prison to shield a girl friend, saved Edward Westmoreland, Negro, 17, from getting a long sentence in criminal court today on charge of burglary and grand larceny.

When questioned by Judge Frank P. Baker regarding a previous record, Westmoreland explained he had gone to prison for stealing a suit of clothes, which he said, actually had been stolen by a girl friend.

Westmoreland was sentenced today to one to five years in the Indiana reformatory for stealing eighteen hens, fifty pounds of lard, seven pounds of butter, and fifty dozen eggs from the storehouse of Bert E. Arbuckle, 823 Indiana avenue, on April 7.

M'KINNEY GETS BAG

Works Board President and Wife To Sail for France May 15.

Gladstone bag was given E. Kirk McKinney, works board president, today by employees of the board. McKinney and his wife will sail for France May 15 for a month's visit, substituting for Mayor Reginald H. Sullivan. Thirty-seven American mayors were invited on the trip as guests of the French government.

READERS OWN NEWSPAPERS, SAYS SCRIPPS

Uses Dictionary Definition of Liberalism as Press Ideal.

BIGOTRY IS DENOUNCED

Tells Missouri Students All Events Must Be Given Truthfully.

By Times Special

COLUMBIA, Mo., May 8.—The dictionary definition of liberalism as a journalistic idea was applied today by Robert P. Scripps, president of the Scripps-Howard newspapers, in answering to the topic, "The Liberal Press," before Missouri university students in their annual address on journalism. He said: "The dictionary definition that appeals to me as applying to the kind of newspapers that my associates and I are trying to produce runs this way: 'Belittling or worthy of a man of free birth; free, not servile or mean; not mean or contracted in view; broad-minded; free from bigotry; not bound by orthodox forms in political or religious philosophy.'"

"I would add economic to political and religious philosophy so as to embrace all of the principal phases of this in this developing society of ours."

Lays Stress on Tolerance

Another word to characterize liberal journalism was stressed—the word "tolerance."

"I do not believe there can be any true liberalism in journalism or out of it, without a large measure of tolerance—and this is perhaps more important in practice than in mere principle. The newspaper, however fine the spirit of its editorial columns, that refuses to report adequately the speeches by or about a candidate for office whom it opposes is simply not functioning as a liberal newspaper."

"As a matter of fact, we all get ourselves very much mixed up by accepting, and adopting, terms that politicians gratuitously apply to themselves. Thus a newspaper may get itself known as a liberal institution because its editor supports measures advocated by senators or congressmen who call themselves by that name, when actually, such a newspaper is as narrow and bigoted as any witch burner of colonial days is New Eve in the world, the nation and the community."

Papers Have Two Uses
"The modern American newspaper has two separate and distinct functions, both useful and both logical."

"As I see it, the first responsibility of the newspaper is to tell its readers, without fear, favor or prejudice, everything—everything within the range of possibility and human ingenuity—everything of interest that is going on in the world, the nation and the community."

"To this end it has subscribed to elaborate and expensive wire and picture news service. To this end it has created an intricately specialized staff of trained investigators and writers. All of this has been an expensive undertaking."

"And the money for the whole operation has been supplied, in the last analysis, by the newspaper's clientele."

'Belong to the Readers'

"I say that, considering these circumstances, it is a crime—a most serious crime—in the first place against our society, and in the second place against the peculiarly American institution of liberal journalism as a whole, when anybody—editor, owner or whoever—for any reason of personal opinion—or even of sacred personal conviction—does anything to interfere with the precise functioning of this elaborate and beautiful, and—don't forget it—publicly subsidized machine."

"News columns do not properly belong to newspaper editors, or owners. They belong to readers. Newspaper editors can only serve them—the news columns—by improving their impartiality, their accuracy, and their attractiveness and readability."

"But the second function—and responsibility—of the newspaper editor is no less clearly defined. This is his editorial page job—the job of counsel and advice, which is not improperly thrust upon him by readers who have placed him secure in his free and independent editorial chair."

Cites Times' Influence

"As I see it, the peculiar professional part of the newspaper man's job is done when he has ascertained, selected and printed the news. Having done this, when he sits down to write editorials about it, his duty becomes simply that of a good citizen."

"It is remarkable," Scripps continued, "to find one of the great truly liberal newspapers of this country operated under the direction of a man whose editorial page proclaims him a citizen of conservative—some would say reactionary—political tendencies."

"The editorial page of Mr. Adolph Ochs' New York Times certainly does not generally support, either the measures supported, or the theories proclaimed, by senators like Norris, La Follette, Borah, Cutting and Cogan."

Want Undoctored News

"Yet when these gentlemen meet recently in a sort of protest meeting, the Times truly and accurately reported what the meeting was all about, and what was said at it."

"My feeling is that the American people like, and admire, and respect aggressive and positive and constructive expression of political and economic policies. But I am certain that they absolutely require, and in the long run must always demand, undoctored and efficient news presentation. The truly liberal newspaper man has more than an organ—it also must be an open forum."

Famed Tom Mix Becomes Real Deputy State Fire Marshal



If any fires break out while the Sells-Floto shows are performing at Richmond, Ind., today they can be investigated immediately by Tom Mix, in person, now a full fledged deputy Indiana state fire marshal.

For Mix took time off from his show here Thursday and dismounting from his famed horse Tony, rushed to the statehouse by motor to take his deputy oath.

He was sworn in at the supreme court clerk's office and Alfred E. Hogston, state fire marshal, decorated the cowboy-actor's chest with a special badge prepared for the occasion. The badge bears the wearer's name and the Indiana state seal, as well as the legend "deputy state fire marshal."

Mix commented that he has a diamond-studded "honorary deputy" badge from the California state fire marshal, but this is the real thing. He is registered as a regular deputy fire marshal in the office of the secretary of state.

State Fire Marshal Alfred E. Hogston (left) is shown pinning a badge bearing the legend "Tom Mix, deputy state fire marshal" on the cowboy-actor as a reward for services in the Indiana guide fire patrol, fostered by Z. C. Sanderson (right) of the educational division of the fire marshal's office. The badge is shown in the insert.

Regular membership is limited to Hoosier boys, but associate memberships have been awarded throughout the states and to one boy in Hawaii, Sanderson said.

Forty sergeants recently have been appointed in the patrol by competitive examinations in fire prevention work. The patrol is now putting out 5,000 "No Smoking" signs