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AMARILLO KNOWS

GENE HOWE, of the little town of Amarillo, Texas, is only a country editor, but he knows his opera. In particular he knows his "Thais." So when the Chicago Civic Opera company played Amarillo for a one-night stand under a \$12,500 guarantee by the business community and put on an abbreviated version of "Thais" with Mary Garden in the title-role, Editor Gene, in the audience, knew that not all was as advertised and told his readers so in his paper.

Now Amarillians might conceivably have been able to control their disappointment at lack of a full length bill. Love of grand opera is, in a way, like the taste for alligator pears—it has to be acquired. And at a grand opera performance, unless one is fully up to it, there is apt to come realization sometime before midnight that bedtime is bedtime. And Mary at 52 is not the Thais of yesteryear, even to the opera-conscious listener. So relief rather than grief might have been expected as the chief reaction of the Amarillians to the fact of a shortened bill if that had been the only factor involved.

But it was the principle of the thing that enraged Amarillians when Editor Gene told them that they had not got all they had agreed to pay for. "No slicker opera company can come here and garner a guarantee with half a performance," declared Amarillo's Main street. And plainly no such thing can be done while Gene Howe's typewriter ribbon and printer's ink hold out to let his public know what is missing. Amarillo fairly belted its rage. A check representing \$2,500 of the guarantee was refused honor. "Sue us for it; we dare you," said the guarantors to the opera management. There has been no suit.

Mary Garden, in most unmusical tones, publicly swore at Editor Gene, who in addition to showing that a cut bill had been perpetrated, also had published some truths about the decadence of Mary's voice. A few of Amarillo's dilettante—if it seems Amarillo has a dilettante—threatened to boycott Editor Gene's newspaper, but the merchant's association, whose members are of the type who believe that money talks louder than singers sing, sent a delegation to Gene to tell him that if his newspaper was not getting a full measure of needed support in the community, all the advertisers were prepared voluntarily to raise their own rates. With rare forbearance, Editor Gene said "No, thank you."

Amarillo's mayor is Ernest G. Thompson and he is a colonel. While the dispatches are silent on the point, it is a perfectly safe guess that he has a bristly moustache. Boomed the mayor-colonel to the world: "Amarillo is not a Toonerville and we do not intend to be taken for a ride by a big company from a big city." And the colonel was durned well tootin' when he said it, for Amarillo is fighting mad and is fighting. No cultural half-leaves for Amarillo—if Amarillo knows it. And in this case Amarillo does know it, because Editor Gene has told it so.

POEM FOR THE DAY

By LOUIS ALBERT BANKS

THE CENTURY MAID

The Associated Press brought this spicy news note from Boston, England, February 15th, 1929:

"Miss Wilhelmina Robinson has reached the age of 100 years.

"I detest men," she avowed on reaching the century mark, "and I put down my long and happy life to the fact that I was never foolish enough to marry one."

"Miss Wilhelmina wears a frilly cap and shares her rooms with two milk-white cats—both ladies.

"Single women have a far better life than any wife," said the white haired little spinster. "The girls of today are a scandal. It is men, men, men, all the time."

"Courtship and the technique of proposing—leap years or any years—never concerned her at any time, Miss Robinson declared emphatically.

"I never asked any man to marry me—and no one ever asked me to marry him," she said. "I always hated men."

This century maid awakes my mirth—
A hundred years upon the earth
And yet she never had a beau
That hundred years—so s-l-ow, so s-l-ow!
She's hated men right from the start,
Has always had that frozen heart—
A hundred years all unpromoted,
And now to be so widely quoted!

I'm sorry for this lonely soul,
Tis such a melancholy role!
A hundred years without a mate—
Just eaten up with foolish hate,
She's missed the sweetest things in life—
She might have been a joyous wife,
She's never known how rich to live,
Because she's had no love to give.

A lonely maid with two white cats,
With not a chance for even rats
To find with her a comfy nest
And keep awake her living zest.
Those two white cats all sleek and tony
Are strongest plea for matrimony.
It moves me almost unto tears—
My soul, just cats one hundred years!

No girl who ever loved a boy
Would turn to cats to find her joy.
But this poor soul was never kissed—
Oh, think of all the joy she's missed!
But for a lonely sad example
She surely is a case that's ample.
All girls should learn before too late
To cling to love and not to hate.

OUT OUR WAY

By Williams



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The Office Cat
A young haasle had been to the zoo for the first time, and was giving her uncle a long account of what she had seen.
"And which animal did you like best, dear?" asked her uncle when Mariel had finished.
"Oh, the elephant," was the reply. "It was wonderful to see him pick up buns with his vacuum cleaner."

Gen, it's a wonderful relief to be living in a world that is absolutely pledged not to resort to war, unless it feels like it.
Marrying in the everything else—if you do it right the first time you won't have to do it over again.
"When I began business on my own account, I had absolutely nothing but my intelligence."
"That was a small beginning!"

The other day we met an old mail carrier on his rounds, his pack bulging with a heavy load.
"Hello, Jim, how's the postal business?" we asked.
He stopped, ejected a quid of tobacco, and said: "Listen; tell me something—what the heck do so many people find to write about?"

One fellow who is sure that men came from monkeys is the man who sweeps up the peanut shells after a ball game.
Our idea of the height of embarrassment is to have picked the wrong cigarette in one of those blindfold tests we see advertised in the magazines.
If newspapers discarded the editorial page, some people wouldn't have a single excuse to get mad at the paper and order it stopped.

Souvenir Hunter: "Mother, was your name Pullman before you were married?"
"No, dear; why do you ask?"
"Well, I just wondered. I see that name on a lot of our towels."

One doesn't have to steal to be dishonest; he can just buy more things than he can ever hope to pay for.
It's the stork that gives married people the Willys.
Wise is the man who assists his wife in cleaning houses by remaining down-town until it is finished.

Now it is claimed that man sprang from a fish instead of a monkey, which probably accounts for so many human suckers.

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later, it must come over to the American system of high wages, justified by high productivity of labor, which in its turn is made possible by efficiency of labor.

STATE PRESS COMMENT
Big-Town Hicks (Medford Mail-Tribune.)
Deputies of the metropolians have resumed taking a drink with a stranger. They regain consciousness, but the police have no chics to their pocketbooks. It looks like a three-pea game would do well in the Rose City.

Dan's Memory is Green (Astoria Astorian.)
New Jersey senate refuses to commemorate the 200th anniversary of Daniel Reardon, of Perth

Amboy, who invented the idea of the brass foot rail in front of bars. However, Dan will not be forgotten until the present generation has passed.

Not Like Home (Baker Democrat-Herald.)
That Chicago bank robber who tried a stick-up at Lewiston yesterday and was captured within two hours knows by this time that the "wild west" is not a good place to practice that particular trade. He should have stayed at home where robbery is a comparatively safe business.

The Tunney Technique (Astoria Astorian.)
Tunney killed a bull! No, say Madrid newspapers in denying reports that the social arbiter of American ringdom had stepped into a Spanish bill ring and cowed the cow's husband. Despite the conflicting reports we are sure of one or two things. If Tunney stopped in to the bull ring with a bull present at the time, he must have had a purse of at least 500 "grand" handed him by the management some time previous to the event, and if the bull died it was probably of exhaustion in an endeavor to catch the former pugilist, who holds all records for the backward marathon.

GETS LIFE SENTENCE FOR SLAYING HIS ATTORNEY
CENTERVILLE, Iowa, April 23.—George Domyanich, 43, a miner, today pleaded guilty to the slaying of his attorney, F. Fulton Rice, former state representative from Appanoose county, who was killed on the court house steps February 18. He was given a life sentence.

FORMER RESIDENT HURT
Cland B. Cannon, former resident of Roseburg, was struck by an automobile and severely injured at Portland Wednesday, according to word received here. He was running to catch a street car and ran into an automobile driven by Theodore Koski. He suffered cuts and head and knee injuries.

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GLENDALE BANK NOT BRANCH OF LOCAL CONCERN

The impression has become prevalent throughout the county that the Glendale State bank is a branch of the Umpqua Valley bank of Roseburg, according to Glenn Wardrip, cashier of the Glendale institution. This impression has been gained through the fact that several of the directors of the Roseburg bank are stockholders and officers of the Glendale bank. While it is true that Roseburg men are heavily interested in the Glendale bank, yet the business is entirely separate from the Roseburg concern and has no direct connection, although the two businesses work in cooperation and harmony, Mr. Wardrip states. A large share of the stock of the Glendale bank is held by A. A. Snyder, C. O. Garrett, J. O. Lyttal and several other Glendale men.

ROSEBURG TRAP SHOOTERS FINISH IN FIFTH PLACE

Roseburg, Halsey and Coquille gun clubs are tied for fifth place in the Oregonian's state telegraphic shoot, which closed last Sunday, according to announcements made today. Each of these clubs reported 19 wins and 8 losses, making a percentage of .704. Corvallis is in first place, Klamath Falls, Bend and Heppner following in order.

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OLEO—Swift's 3 lbs.	49c
MILK—Borden's, 12 lrg. cans	\$1.15; case \$4.59
RAISINS—Thompsons Seedless, 4 lbs.	27c
COFFEE—Best Bulk, lb. 48c, 3 lbs.	\$1.43
BUTTER—Best Creamery 2 lb.	89c
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