



Old Postman Calls—Former Postmaster General Will Hays rides a rural mail cart during a visit to Major Lenox R. Lohr (left), president of the Railroad fair in Chicago.

36-year-old Conductor Credits U. S. With Music Contribution

By LEO TURNER

New York (AP)—Walter Ducloux, who has been around, claims that America has done more for music in its comparatively short history than any other country.

Ducloux is a 36-year-old Swiss conductor. He had the honor of conducting the National Broadcasting Company Symphony in the first two concerts of its fall series this year.

He also is the music authority on the State Department's "Voice of America" programs, helping select American music to be heard on the other side of the Iron Curtain.

"In America, music is everybody's treasure," Ducloux said. "When I was in the American Army in Europe and told young music students that this country was one of the world's leading musical centers, they asked if America had produced a Beethoven or a Brahms or a Chopin or a Liszt.

"I told them no, but America had 20,000 high school bands. And that factories, such as those in Fort Wayne, Ind., give musicians easy jobs so they can afford to continue to give in local orchestras and play the public fine music."

Ducloux was born in Switzerland in 1913, and came to the United States in 1939. He was drafted into the U. S. Army in 1943 and went overseas in 1944 in Military Intelligence.

But he took his world of music with him. He revived the Nancy France symphony. He was the first American to conduct the Czechoslovakian Philharmonic, and that was at the invitation of the Russian, British and American commanders.

"We use all types of songs on the Voice of America programs, because all types of music are familiar in America.

The music that is strictly American is the Indian tribal songs, contemporary hit tunes, cowboy songs and Hollywood film music, which is the most highly developed technically of any music ever written. America has all kinds of music. The leading bagpipe school is in the United States.

"We know that be-hop and other rhythm music is liked by young people in other countries. They like its novelty, which is what the youngsters in this country like, and they grow tired of it just as quickly.

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scribing the life of a particular state, we include the music of that state," Ducloux said.

New York's Chinese Celebrate Holiday

New York, Oct. 11 (AP)—New York's 25,000 Chinese residents celebrated China's Independence Day Monday as their ancestral homes in the Canton region were being threatened by onrushing communist armies.

Chinese government representatives and community leaders spoke at a meeting which affirmed the loyalty of Chinese abroad to the Republican Regime founded in Nanking 38 years ago.

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Platinum Blondes Coming Back, Hair Stylist Growls

Hollywood (AP)—Get your blinders, folks. A movie hair-stylist says that within six months the nation will be gleaming with an unrelieved array of platinum blonde.

And that, says Fred Fredericks of Max Factor's studio, is the most unattractive hair-color ever produced by man or Mother Nature.

"Every platinum blonde," he growled, "makes me wish I were in some other business."

As usual, this all started with the stars.

"There's a terrific craze for two shades of blonde—smoke blonde and silver blonde," Fredericks explained.

"Evelyn Keyes, Diana Lynn and Joan Davis apparently are responsible for making smoke blonde popular, while Betty Grable, Lana Turner and June Haver have popularized the silver blonde.

"Well, thousands of women are copying them. They always do. And they're all competing to be just a little bit lighter and a little bit brighter than the next girl.

"And what happens? They'll all wind up with plain, old-fashioned Jean Harlow platinum."

Within half a year, Fredericks is willing to bet, you won't find a natural honey-blonde out in public. And brunettes and red-heads will be just as scarce.

While Betty Grable and Lana Turner started all this, Fredericks says it's not their fault everybody's copying them. He blames that phenomenon on "steadily persisting and returning cycles of human nonsense."

"History is repeating itself," said Fredericks, "and idiotically. Swimmers are clogging traffic in the English channel. Flagpole sitting is back as an athletic endeavor. Guys are flying the Atlantic, the hard way, in small planes. I bet you'll hear any day about a college kid gulping goldfish.

"If these insanities are back, how can we escape platinum blondes?"

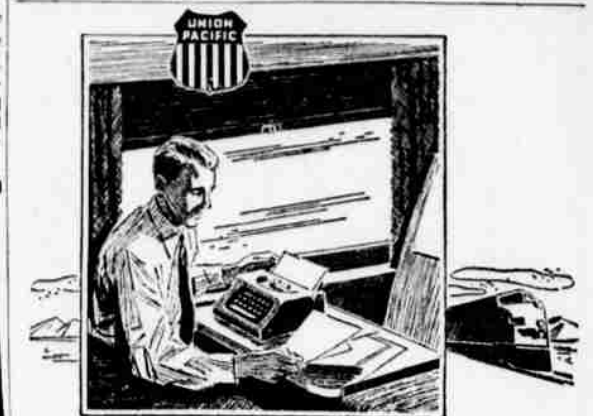
If you want to use honey as a sweetener for breakfast cereal warm it slightly (over hot water) so that it will pour easily.

To Lie in State

Boise, Idaho, Oct. 11 (AP)—The body of Sen. Bert H. Miller (D., Idaho) will arrive here tomorrow and funeral services will be held in the rotunda of the state house Thursday. Gov. C. A. Robins said a guard of honor made up of Idaho National Guard personnel will be posted in the capitol while the body lies in state.

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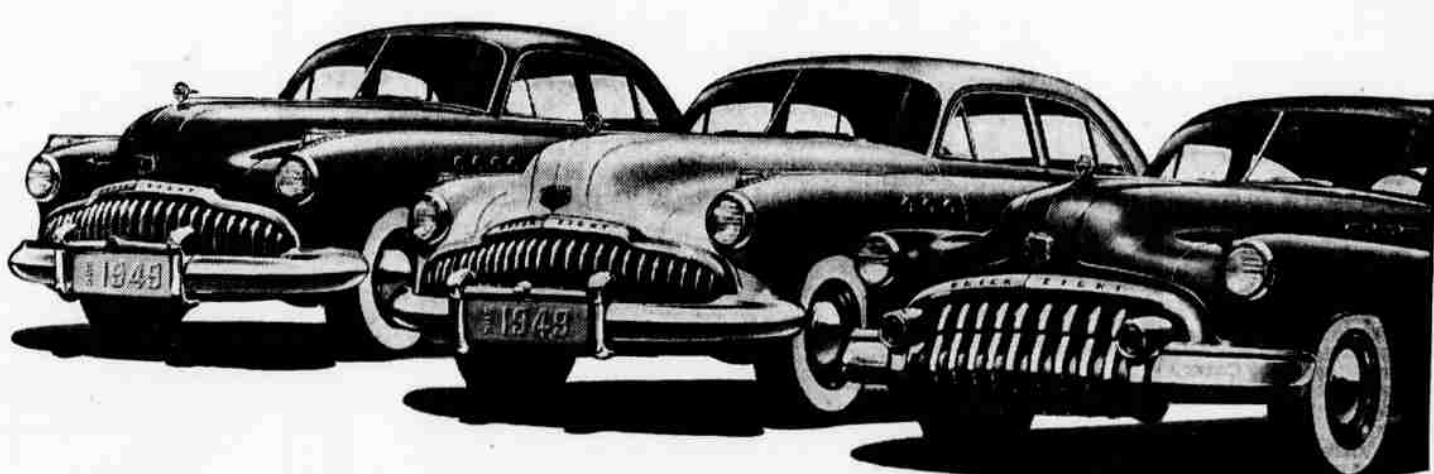
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