

WAR BOOKS HEAD LITERARY GRIST OF CLOSING YEAR

JUST KIDS

By Richard Massock (AP Feature/Service Writer)

NEW YORK (AP)—From an eminence of books, rising above the mists of patriotic fervor and national jealousies, America saw in 1929 the bloody European battle-fields of 31 years ago.

In fiction the year was largely one of war stories, based on the only too real experiences of their authors. And out of these were elevated the major successes of the publishers' twelve-month, "All Quiet on the Western Front" and "A Farewell to Arms."

The phenomenal reception accorded the simply effective account of a German foot soldier's fate in Erich Maria Remarque's novel may have been partly responsible for the big parade of books that wound up with Ernest Hemingway's equally unadorned yet impressive story of an American ambulance driver in Italy and his love for a nurse.

Europe, too, as usual sent over a large proportion of its output and also as usual a European, Thomas Mann, was dominant with the Nobel prize in literature.

Observers of a nation's reading tastes look upon the mounting list of non-fiction titles as the most significant marker of a people's intellectual growth.

While a large group was reading about Henry VIII, Calvin Coolidge, Queen Elizabeth, Alfred E. Smith, Benjamin Franklin and Mark Hanna, others were initiated into the mysteries of mind and matter by such as Abbe Dimme, John Dewey, Walter Lippmann and Sir James Jeans.

Subsequent incidents, like the triumph of Miss Radclyffe Hall's "Well of Loneliness" over the censor's award of the Pulitzer prize to Miss Julia Peterkin for her negro character study, "Scarlett Sister Mary," after another book had been seriously considered, or the curious gospel and "confession" novels, were unable to approach it as a literary sensation.

IN ITALY, FIRST DUTY OF LAWYERS LIES WITH ITALY LIES WITH ITALY

ROME (AP)—A new conception of the duties of the bar and the relationship between the lawyer and the client has arisen in Italy and made official by an opinion of Alfredo Rocca, minister of justice.

The idea obtaining in America and in England that the lawyer should defend his client's interest to the last ditch falls to the ground. The new idea is that the lawyer owes his first duty to the state and his second to his client, and that when his duty to the state conflicts with that to his client, the state comes first.

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25 TAX REFUNDS BY GOVERNMENT EXCEED MILLION

(By Herbert Little, United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—(UP)—Twenty-five tax refunds of more than \$1,000,000 each, including one of \$2,847,259 which is believed to be the largest ever made, were made by the treasury in the fiscal year 1929.

The treasury reported to the house committee on executive expenditures all refunds of over \$500, and the committee made these refunds public today.

The largest refund went to the U. S. Steel corporation, on behalf of taxes paid by its subsidiary, the Carnegie Steel company of New Jersey. The tax was paid in the Pittsburgh district. No explanation of the refund was given by the treasury.

The next largest was \$6,566,829 paid back to the William Waldorf Astor Trust, New York, mostly for estate taxes.

Other refunds of more than \$1,000,000 each were: W. R. Grace and company, New York (subsidiary of Bethlehem Steel) \$3,510,449.

Mrs. Alice G. Kales, Detroit, \$3,143,780; Prudential Assurance Co., Newark, N. J., \$3,788,128; Standard Oil of Kentucky, \$2,614,522; Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co., Milwaukee, \$2,461,795; Ohio Oil Co., Columbus, Ohio, \$1,789,340; American Window Glass Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., \$1,800,215; Westinghouse Air Brake Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., \$1,729,436; Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., \$1,520,674.

COPENHAGEN (AP)—Danish taxpayers fear that the lifting of the restaurant tax, against which they have long complained, is going to be another case of jumping from the frying pan into the fire.

For among the suggestions that are advanced for a substitute source of revenue is a large tax on spirits, both domestic and foreign.

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SCHOOL NOTES Howard School

Primary Room

Those having perfect attendance records for this month are: Tray Cardin, Lorin Chitwood, Roland Hogue, Arthur Kent, Ralph Martin, Lucille Moon, Emma Miller, Clarence Swing, Donald Walker, Bertha Caridin, Oran Chastain, Elma Croucher, Alfred Dodson, Nella Soud.

Wayne and Anna Stump and Gladys Cooper have been absent with scarlet fever.

Ralph Martin and Troy Cardin each brought a small Christmas tree for the room.

The children who have not been absent or tardy for the past four weeks are: Willis Pratt, Muriel Stocks, Raymond Miller, Bill Crawford, Lois Smith, Donald Payne, Jesse Cunningham, Dick Van Keuren, Ruth Starkey, Marion Gray, Donald Croucher, Evelyn Stanley, David Hannaford, Lela Croucher. Those who have earned Palmer Method awards the past six weeks are: The Palmer method button, Adrien Willey, Ruby Gray, Dorothy Smith, Avonno Rae, Harry Pitts and Donah Thayer.

The following program was given by pupils at the close of the Christmas vacation.

"Hark the Angels Sing," all. "Why the Bells on Christmas Ring," primary. "What Christmas Spells," primary. Song, "Christmas Day," primary.

"Hokey, Poke," by Willis Pratt and Dick Van Keuren. "Mrs. Brown's Christmas," a play by the third and fourth grades. Dance, "Highland Fling," by Hazel McGonagle and Everal Dean. Play, "Stranger and Child," fifth grade. Dance, "G. I. A. Evans and Dorothea Dean."

Toy orchestra, third and fourth grade. Play, "Polly's Christmas," Reading, "Just for Christmas," Lowell Pratt. Song, "Christmas Bells." Play, "Popular Dick," seventh and eighth grades.

Song, "Away in a Manger," fifth and sixth grades. Skit, by five boys. Play, "Ruggles' Christmas," seventh and eighth grades. "Silent Night," by all.

Oak Grove School

Friday at Oak Grove school was given over to Christmas festivities.

Screen Life Hollywood

By Robbin Coons.

HOLLYWOOD—Probably never in movie history have fans ovated the country, especially in the larger cities, been given such frequent opportunities for personal glimpses of stars as in the past several months.



Buddy Rogers.

by those who temporarily deserted screen for footlights.

Paul Muni, comparatively unknown to fans as yet, is the latest to venture forth—partly to convince picture-goers that he is really a youthful man and not like the various unusual characters he has played in "Seven Faces," but more importantly to have his name in headlines and his face before the fans.

Long absences from the screen perhaps prompted the trips of Gloria Swanson, Dolores del Ric and Charlie Farrell.

Farrell, although he has worked in two pictures since "Street Angel," has had no releases until "Sunny Side Up," the two others having been shelved for the nonce.

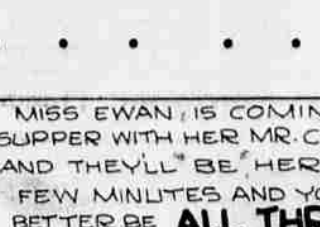
Of the 1,600,000 tourists who in 1929 visited Vancouver, B. C., 17 per cent stayed at tourist camps.

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