VAN LOON'S SLAP AT FILM MAKERS DRAWS HOT SHOT

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Jan. 26.—(AP)—If Hendrick Van Loon wanted an argument when he said motion pictures were made 'by dolts and Jeromes" and had a deadening effect upon the culture of the world, he didn't have long to wait for it.

Little Anita Loos, also a writer, came back with a barber counter attack on Van Loon, whom she called her "old highbrow palay walsy."

"Hendrick's first cry of pain comes from the fact the entire world clasps the products of Hollywood to its breast and loves them," said the author of "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes."

Miss Loos said Van Loon may be correct in saying Hollywood is not producing any masterpieces of the theater, but she had an answer ready for that.

"When in the history of the theater, excepting the eras of Shakespeare and Moliere, have there ever been more than a few masterpieces in a generation" she asked.

Miss Loos said she considered the art of Walt Disney, Greta Garbo, Charlies Chaplin and Marie Dressler good enough for the time.

"Cheer up, Hendrick!" she concluded. "It may irk you that Australia is growing to look like Hollywood, but what did it look like before?"

MELLON ALUMINUM CO. DECLARED MONOPOLY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Calling the Aluminum Company of America a "100 per cent monopoly," Attorney General Cummings today said he had ordered a recheck of an investigators' report submitted to him concerning the affairs of the company.

Cummings said that the company, controlled by the Mellon family, exercised a monopoly in the production of aluminum.

He added that the company's subsidiaries were engaged in the fabrication end of the business and that it was this phase of the company's activities which he wanted rechecked.

EUGENE HEADQUARTERS IN AREA RUM CONTROL

EUGENE, Jan. 26.—(AP) Establishment of Eugene as headquarters for the southern Oregon liquor district was announced today by George H. McMorran, chairman of the state liquor commission. Distributive and administrative activities for the district will be centered at the local state store, he said.

The chairman announced he would ask George L. Sammis, administrator, to come to Eugene or send a representative to conduct a thorough study of possible sites for the location of the store.

ELKS URGED TO ATTEND DANCE FOR ROOSEVELT

Exalted Ruler J. F. Fliegel of the Medford Elks' lodge today urged all members of the organization to attend the Warm Springs benefit ball on President Roosevelt's birthday next Tuesday.

The Elks had previously planned to have a dance honoring the president on that date, but when civic committees were appointed the lodge dropped its plans and joined the movement.

Vacant Seats At Ganna's Concert

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—(AP)—Led by her former husband, Harold F. McCormick, some of Chicago's society leaders turned out last night to see—and also hear—Ganna Walska, the Polish opera singer.

There were rows of empty seats and even many of the boxes in what was once the famous "Diamond Horseshoe" w..it unoccupied.

Dr. Simms Appointed To Board of O. S. C.

CORVALLIS Jan. 26.—(AP)—Dr. B. T. Simms, head of the department of veterinary medicine and volunteer coach of varsity tennis teams for many years, has been appointed a member of the Oregon State College board of control, succeeding Wallace Kadderly, one of the faculty members for many years.

CORVALLIS CREAMERY IN RECEIVER'S HANDS

PORTLAND, Jan. 26.—(AP)—On petition of Sussman, Wormser & Co., San Francisco, a receiver was appointed here Wednesday for the Corvallis Creamery. K. C. Eldridge of Portland was appointed by the court. The San Francisco company declared the Corvallis plant owes it $10,180, and that a receivership is necessary to preserve the assets of the Benton county company.

20-POUND ROAST FOR ROOSEVELT BIRTHDAY

DENVER, Colo., Jan. 26.—(AP)—A 20-pound beef roast from one of the grand championship steers at the National Western Stock Show held here recently is going to be among President Roosevelt's birthday gifts Tuesday.

A Denver market which purchased the steer will send the roast to the president, it was said.

ARRESTED IN CWA GRAFT PROBE

Department of justice agents arrested Laurette Hasker (left) and Mrs. Emily C. Paddleford in Los Angeles on charges of conspiracy to defraud the federal government through "arranging" and charging "brokerage fees" or "commissions" to truck owners in return for giving the truckers CWA work orders. (Associated Press Photo)

Aged Bones Must Move To New Resting Place

TACOMA, Jan. 26.—(AP)—One of the oldest cemeteries in the state, at old Fort Steilacoom, will soon be moved under a law passed by the recent special session of the state legislature. The pioneers buried there will be removed to the pioneer cemetery on Gravelly lake to make room for the expansion of the Western State hospital on the old Fort Steilacoom grounds. There is no record of the establishment of the cemetery but a soldier was buried there as early as 1854.

It is not known how many bodies are buried, but more than a score of markers still stand.

Among the graves are those of Colonel and Mrs. William H. Wallace, whose position in Pacific northwest history should entitle them to more than the wooden slabs over their graves.

Col. Wallace was appointed fifth governor of Oregon territory but he failed to qualify as he had in the meantime been elected delegate to congress. While in congress he succeeded in having the unwieldy Oregon territory divided into the present Washington, Oregon and Idaho, and then was appointed first governor of Idaho territory. It was while governor that the town of Wallace was founded and named for him. When his term was finished, he and Mrs. Wallace returned to Steilacoom, where he practiced law.

Col. Wallace was a personal friend of President Lincoln and on the night Lincoln was shot the president went to Wallace's hotel and invited the colonel and his wife to accompany him to the theater, but Mrs. Wallace was indisposed. Later Col. Wallace served as a pall bearer at the Lincoln funeral.

That those were exciting times is shown by one headboard which bears the following inscription:

"In memory of Charles M. McDaniel, born in Iowa, 1834, and died at the hands of violence January 22, 1870, age 36."

He was shot for suspected horse stealing.

'FRISCO BUSINESS REGION BOOMING

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Trade reports in the San Francisco distributive area this week "were the best since the middle of last year," Dun & Bradstreet's weekly review said today.

"Even dormant lines, such as household furniture and jewelry, have reported improved conditions," said Trade Observer J. D. Cody.

The "customary impetus" to the automobile industry from the annual show here has brightened that field further, steel markets were active, and real estate has "shown a pickup, but private building is still lagging." Employment was well up from a year ago.

Livestock and ranges are reported "in good shape, but prices continue low." Industrial activity "is holding a good level and in many lines is showing a tendency to increase and there is a much better outlook than a year ago."

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Gold—Nature's Problem Child, Is Prized Because of Disdain Toward All Natural Influences

By HOMER McCOY

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Gold, today the subject of warring economic theories and of economic wars, is Mother Nature's problem child."

She has never been able to do a thing with it. For that reason, man has.

Why is gold so precious? Why is it more valuable than a piece of iron, a brightly-colored stone, a roadside pebble?

The chemical definition doesn't help much in answering those questions. It is: "Gold—a heavy, bright yellow metal with a resplendent lustre. Symbol, au; automatic number, 79; atomic weight, 197.2." So what?

The answer reverts to the "problem child" character of gold. Elements have chemical properties that vest them with personalities. Gold has a definite one.

It is an Ishmael of the rocks. It resists the effects of nature's forces—winds, weathering, heat and cold. It stands alone.

Gold is anti-gregarious, unsocial, individualistic. It shuns chemical combines. Chemists call it an inactive metal; another name would be lethargic.

Because it preserves its entity so well, it is usually found in an uncombined state in the rocks or gravel deposits. And if it is united with other metals in the ore, the relationship is not hard to sever.

All these qualities—this disdain toward natural influences—make gold so prized. It is less than clay in human hands.

In the pure state, it is the most malleable and workable of metals. It can be beaten to 0.00001 millimeter. On egram can be stretched into a wire two miles long. One ounce can be spread over 109 square feet.

Gold is extremely durable, impervious to change. It will have nothing to do with oxygen which unites with and destroys so many elements.

"Thar's gold in them thar hills" is the cry that has spurred thousands on the search for wealth. And there probably was gold in "them thar hills," no matter where they were, even if many died and nobody got rich looking for it.

Gold mines are scattered throughout the world. Since 1493, when the Spaniards took over the new world, the Transvaal region of South Africa has produced 22 per cent of the gold supply, the United States 21½ per cent, and Australia and Asia 17 per cent.

Bigamist Kicked To Death By Five Wives At Party

MALEWSKI, Poland, Jan. 26.—(AP)—Because he did not divorce four previous wives, Isador Ruskewyat paid with his life today.

His fifth wife became suspicious learned that her husband had not divorced four predecessors, and searched until she found them.

In time, the five became friends and the fifth lured her unsuspecting husband to a party at which all were gathered.

Blind with rage, all five kicked and beat him to death.

Walnuts Go Up

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 26.—(AP)—An abrupt increase of 3 cents a pound for shelled walnut stock, announced several days ago by the California Walnutassociation, was said by the Journal today to be only a "suggestion of the extreme scarcity of shelled walnuts."

ROOSEVELT BIRTHDAY SO. CAROLINA HOLIDAY

COLUMBIA, S. C., Jan. 26.—(AP)—January 30 President Roosevelt's 52nd birthday will be a legal holiday in South Carolina.

The house today concurred in a senate bill establishing the holiday. The bill now awaits only Governor Blackwood's signature to become law.

SUNNYSIDE, Wash., Jan. 25.—(AP) An angry bull butted and tramped to death Grant Mathews, 72, a farmer living near here for nearly 30 years.

FALL OF FIRE TRUCK KILLS CITY MARSHAL

OREGON CITY, Ore., Jan. 26.—(AP)—W. G. Duncan, city marshal at Sandy and a Clackamas county deputy sheriff, was killed last night when he fell from a fire truck and was crushed by the vehicle.

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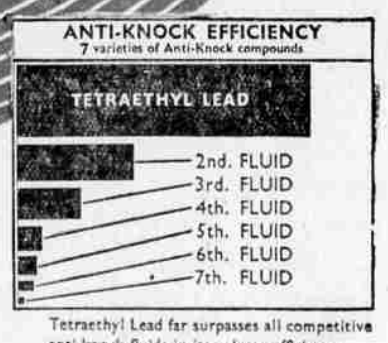

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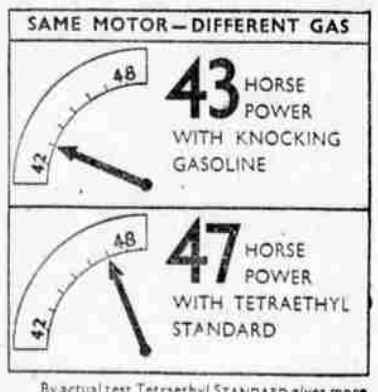

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