

# JOSEPH PILSUDSKI, POLISH DICTATOR, DIES FROM CANCER

### Death of Iron-Willed Marshal Brings Fresh Concern Over Outlook for Peace in Eastern Europe

By MARYLLA CHERZANOWSKA Associated Press Foreign Staff. WARSAW, May 13.—(AP)—National mourning today was proclaimed for Marshal Joseph Pilsudski, Poland's dictator, whose death last night gave diplomats fresh cause for concern over the outlook for peace in eastern Europe.



Joseph Pilsudski.

Poland, the diplomats expressed intense interest in the question of the iron-willed marshal's successor. Upon that, they said, may determine the future of the peace pact system which France is attempting to promote as well as Germany's future attitude toward France's program. It may also decide, they said, whether Poland henceforth will cast her lot with France and Russia or continue along the lines of German rapprochement which Pilsudski himself worked out.

# Play Hidden in Drawer Six Years Wins Pulitzer Prize for It's Author

By James B. Reston NEW YORK (AP)—A play which lay forgotten in the author's desk for six years is the winner of the 1934 Pulitzer prize.



Helen Menken

It is Zoe Akina's dramatization of Edith Wharton's novel, "The Old Maid." Always an admirer of Edith Wharton, Miss Akina wrote the play in 1929, but was discouraged when it was turned down by several producers. So she put it away and turned to the more lucrative medium of the motion picture.

For five years, then, she neglected the stage, until last summer when Helen Menken, then playing the part of Queen Elizabeth in Maxwell Anderson's "Mary of Scotland," visited her in California.

During the conversation, Miss Akina mentioned the play, and Miss Menken asked permission to read it. When she had finished she implored the author to send it back to New York. This was done, and Alice Kauser, Miss Akina's agent, took it immediately to Jerry Moses the producer, who did not need the enthusiasm of Miss Menken to convince him it was an excellent play.

Opening to divided notices, the play struggled along until it found its audience, repaying the confidence of Miss Menken and Harry Moses, and rewarding the ability of Miss Akina, who, as dramatic critic on a St. Louis newspaper, writer of short stories, and poet, has been recognized for years as a woman of discriminating taste and a creator of excellent women's roles.

The chief parts in the play are portrayed by Miss Menken and Judith Anderson. The former plays the part of the "old maid," who tries to win the love of her daughter and to keep the girl from knowing about her parentage. The child is played by Miss Anderson, portraying the "old maid's" sister. Recognition of Miss Akina's work followed years of pinching struggle. She was born in Hannanville, Mo., 46 years ago, but was educated in St. Louis, which is now her family home. She came to New York just before the war and stayed here until 1929, when she went to California to write for the films.



Zoe Akina (top) won this year's Pulitzer prize with a play she had forgotten for six years. A scene from the play, "The Old Maid," is shown below with Judith Anderson and Robert Wallsten.

# GOP DEMANDS FOR EARLY ENDING OF CONGRESS DENIED

WASHINGTON, May 13.—(AP)—A sharp Republican demand that the Roosevelt five-point legislative program be restored by two-thirds in order to allow congress to adjourn by July 1, today met an uncompromising negative by administration leaders. Senator McNary of Oregon, the minority chief, predicting abundant controversy over the question of measures laid down by President Roosevelt for action before adjournment, said the legislature should act on NIRA extension, social security and appropriations bills and go home. This would mean the scrapping of the public utility holding company abolition bill, the omnibus banking measure and expansion of transportation regulation. The Republican leader contends all three might well go over until next winter's session. Democrats at yesterday's party conference took no action to shelve the program, McNary expressed keen disappointment at this today. "There must be a termination in the program if we are to quit June 15 or July 1 at the latest. But if we are compelled to go through with the entire program I fear we will be here until fall August." Meanwhile, President Roosevelt is letting congress fuss and fume. For those that were busy: NOLDE & HORST Ethelwyn B. Hoffmann.

# MOTHERS RECEIVE SERMON TRIBUTE NAZARENE CHURCH

Fred M. Weatherford, pastor- evangelist, speaking at the Nazarene church Sunday morning from the topic, "A Eulogy to Motherhood," said in part as follows: "The exalted ideal of the queenly wielding hand of a mother represents the throne of the world. It was a Christian mother that fashioned a philosophizing Newton and gave to the world an Alfred the Great, and presented to an eternity bound race a Jonathan Edwards, the thunder-bolting preacher. "It was a Christian mother that embellished and bedecked the background and built the brilliant brain-structure of Gladstone, Cromwell, Burke, Penn., Lincoln, Webster, Franklin, Grant, Washington, McKinley, Bryan, Coolidge and Hoover. These worthies stand on the platform of immortalized Christian statesmanship. "Society today is being infested with an inhuman standard of avarice and greed. This might aptly be set forth by the tobacco trusts and brewers, who do not scruple to pull down the sacred mantle and tread upon the virtue and modesty of motherhood. They make bold their betrayals with charming rhetorical phraseology, magnificent, healthful magazine pictorials and placards, invading the home with the gentle salutation of a friend, yet beset with the perfidious activity of a hypocritical Judas. Conched on their garments are unseen hydro-headed venomous monsters, that know no mercy in their raids to victimize the ensnare the unsuspecting home builder. "A report published by the American Association for Medico-Physical Research states that sixty percent of all children born to cigarette smoking mothers, die before they are 150 years of age. "Liquor is a blighting menace which joins hands with its twin brother nicotine, Thomas A. Edison, the electrical wizard, said: 'I have better use for my brain than to poison it with alcohol. To put alcohol in the human brain is like putting sand in the bearing of an engine.' "If sobriety and total abstinence from narcotic habit-forming drugs such as tobacco and alcoholic beverages is a test for the highest attainments in civilization, an scientific investigation has unqualifiedly proven, we have the basic facts for molding the future. "The real security of our nation does not rest in its militia, coast or aerial squadrons, but in the strength of Christian motherhood. What America needs most of all for safety, is not the nostrums of communism, but to drink at the fountain of Puritan motherhood. "If the American dollar needed inflation to save the national credit from bankruptcy, and rehabilitate the monetization system, its spiritual program needs the divine afflatus to save it from moral and spiritual

# SEA 'VAGABONDS' ENGAGED



When the schooner Yankee returned to Gloucester, Mass., after 18 months roaming around the world, it was learned that Miss Betty Schuyler (left) of Rochester, N. Y., and Roland Wentzel of New Rochelle, N. Y., had enjoyed each other's company immensely. In fact, they had become engaged on the high seas. (Associated Press Photo)

# HIGH SCHOOL PLAY CAST PERFECT FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT

With a swish of the curtains, "Clarence" will be introduced to Medford audiences Wednesday evening, May 15. "Clarence," you know, is a soldier. A very good soldier. A fictional creation of Booth Tarkington, "Clarence" can be nothing but good. For the Medford high school senior play revolves about him in a fast moving plot. The class of 1935 is fortunate in having Dolph James, Oregon State debate champion of 1934, to take this role. Mr. James, a member of the high school honorary, has a splendid voice quality that immediately captures any audience before which he appears. Weeks, if not months of practice have been held in an endeavor to bring this play up to par and from all indications, Rex E. Robinson, coach, has not failed to do so. Averaging six practices weekly, the ten members of the cast are now able to run thru the entire three acts without a flaw. An interesting sidelight of the production is the frenzied search for "props" or stage fittings. Warren Liggitt, property manager, releases the information that floor lamps are indeed precious articles. Mr. Liggitt informs that he has been tempted to borrow one of the Sixth street lights to replace several of the missing floor lamps. The first dress rehearsal will be held tonight in the high school auditorium with another scheduled for tomorrow evening. Ticket sales were opened last week, with a standard general admission price to all except members of the Associated Students. Members of the cast, including Dolph James, are Lucien Smith, Betty Thorndyke, Patricia Young, Betty Vilm, Betty Dymann, Verne Campbell, Bob Young, Donald Grey, and Mildred Drury.

# VOTE ON WHEAT NO OBLIGATION

WASHINGTON, May 13.—(AP)—George E. Farrell, director of the division of Grange of the AAA, announced today that farmers who vote in the national wheat referendum May 25 are under no obligation to sign a new adjustment contract. "Reports that participation in the referendum obligates the producer to sign further wheat contracts are incorrect," Farrell said. "Every eligible farmer may vote in the referendum without obligating himself in any way." Farrell repeated that this referendum is simply to determine whether farmers favor continuing a wheat adjustment program after the present one expires, and that it is open to signers of present contract and to non-signers. Use Mail Tribune want ads.

# HOTELS OF NATION FACE BIG PROBLEM

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (UP)—Hotels throughout the country are facing a serious problem due to an approximate 30 per cent increase in food costs during the last few months, according to Philip E. Rice, president of New York State Hotel association which represents 4,000 metropolitan and resort hotels. "The wholesale price of butter has increased from 25 cents to 39 cents a pound and beef on the hoof has been raised \$7 a hundred," Rice said, "and furthermore, packers doubt their ability to branch distributors on account of shortage in beef cattle. "Hotel rates will not be increased, despite this condition," Rice added today at the Boney Plaza, where he is vacationing while making a survey of hoteliers along the East coast. "Repeal has been a life-saver to many hotels and the hotel industry as a whole is anxious to operate in a sane and sensible manner," he said. Try a piece of Strawberry Shortcake at Huson's with homemade Soft Ice Cream... It's delicious.

# WANT ATHLETES ON JURIES

PARIS — (UP)—A bill aimed at enabling athletes to become members of a jury, has been submitted to the Chamber of Deputies by Camille Planchet, Moulins Socialist. The measure provides that the traditional oath, attested by the name of God, is not necessary in the case of non-believers. Instead, they must swear on their word of honor. Cities Tie on Traffic Deaths CLEVELAND — (UP)—Cleveland and Detroit were tied for third place in number of traffic fatalities per 100,000 population during January and February, according to National Safety Council reports. Each had a traffic death rate of 17.6. The highest rate was Los Angeles, 24.1. Chicago was second, with 21.1. Buffalo Gnats Routed Farmers SOMERVILLE, Tenn. — (UP)—Big buffalo gnats invaded fields here in such swarms that farmers, taken unaware, were forced to abandon their plows and flee. The large gnats appeared earlier than usual.

# HINT 'MR. DIETRICH' PLANNING DIVORCE

BERLIN, May 13.—(AP)—A suggestion published in the United States that Rudolph Selber, husband of Marlene Dietrich, was contemplating divorce proceedings created surprise today among Selber's friends and intimate acquaintances. "Selber, who now resides in Paris, was in Berlin for several hours a week ago to visit his mother-in-law," one close friend said. "That doesn't look like strained relations. "In fact, the mother-in-law said to me that Hollywood reports that a divorce was impending were absolutely nonsense." Courthouse on Square May Go CLEVELAND — (UP)—Cleveland's historic "old courthouse" in public square would be razed and a parking lot established on the plot if a proposed measure of County Commissioner James A. Reynolds is passed. The issue of tearing down the structure had been side-tracked previously because of numerous protests.

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