

'GONE WITH WIND' AUTHOR RECEIVES PULITZER AWARD

Atlanta Woman Wins High Honor With First Book—St. Louis Post-Dispatch Given Newspaper Award

NEW YORK, May 4.—(AP)—Margaret Mitchell wrote 1,037 pages for "Gone With the Wind" but she could find only four words with which to greet the news that her book had won the annual Pulitzer prize.

"I'm astounded," was the first reaction of the Atlanta author. She gaped for words. Then—

"I'm overwhelmed."

The award for the novel of Civil War days in Georgia carried with it \$1,000 in cash, a pittance compared to what she has earned from the 1,300,000 copies of the book already printed or what she will earn from the motion picture about to be made. But in honor it was high, and Miss Mitchell joins a distinguished group of novelists who have received the award since its inauguration in 1918.

No Surprise to Critics. Miss Mitchell—in private life Mrs. John R. Marsh—was one of 14 men and women honored with the Pulitzer awards in journalism and letters, announced last night by the trustees of Columbia university. Selection of her one and—she says—only novel was one of the least surprising to most critics.

An undercurrent of criticism greeted the award to the play "You Can't Take It With You," by Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman, as the best "original American play, performed in New York, which shall represent in marked fashion the educational value and power of the stage."

Burns Mantle, drama critic of the New York Daily News, who last year criticized the Pulitzer drama award to Robert Sherwood's "Idiot's Delight," said he thought "the play chosen for a first prize should have more distinction in writing, be a little more of serious consequence and significance in the theater."

Other prizes were: "For the most distinguished and meritorious public service rendered by an American newspaper during the year"—the St. Louis Post-Dispatch "for its exposure of wholesale fraudulent registration in St. Louis."

Foreign correspondence — A. N. O'Hare McCormick of the New York Times. Distinguished editorial writer — John W. Owens of the Baltimore Sun.

Distinguished example of reporter's work—John J. O'Neill, New York Herald-Tribune; William A. Laurence, New York Times; Howard W. Blakelee, Associated Press science editor; Gobind Behari Lal, Universal Service, and David Dietz, Scripps-Howard newspapers.

This was one award of \$1,000 shared equally by the five for their coverage of the Harvard university centenary. Distinguished example of a cartoonist's work—C. D. Batchelor, New York Daily News.

Distinguished book on history of the United States—"Flowering of New England," by Van Wyck Brooks. Distinguished American biography—"Hamilton Fish, the Inner History of the Grant Administration," by Allan Nevins.

Distinguished volume of verse—"A Further Range," by Robert Frost. Of the five prizes in letters, three were given to persons who had received previous Pulitzer awards.

Kaufman collaborated on the musical satire, "Of Thee I Sing," 1932 winner. Frost was honored in poetry in 1924 and 1931; and Nevins' "Grover Cleveland" won the biography prize in 1933.

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Streamline modeling, despite its popularity, has not touched the circus horse. The broad-shouldered, powerful Percherons, who daily move the hundreds of tons of paraphernalia from the show trains to the show grounds, to the sleek high-school, 12-galied animal, so perfectly groomed, have not changed their lineage the least iota. In fact, the 400 beautiful horses with the super AL G. BARNES AND SELLS FLOTO COMBINED CIRCUS, coming to Medford, Tuesday, May 18, circus grounds, near Jackson school, have, as if in defiance of the new mode, broadened their hips and shoulders. This because of all this great circus horses are especially bred and are the finest, most perfect formed stock in today's America. And all the 400 seem unconsciously to be aware they are of noble blood, and all, like kings, hold their heads high.

All over America the AL G. BARNES AND SELLS FLOTO COMBINED CIRCUS horse fair has been acclaimed. Throughout circus day visitors to the exhibition grounds may view, at random, the hundreds of the world's most beautiful thoroughbreds. Perfect specimens of almost every known strain will be found, which also include a congress of tiny Shetland ponies for the little folks.

The uniting of these two giants of the tented world, while creating a veritable horse bazaar, has also resulted in the most mammoth program ever offered the American public.

Hundreds upon hundreds of the world's foremost stars, as well as hundreds of stars from Europe, are seen in the 1937 program. Everything from start to finish is new. Clown alley has been increased to 60 laugh-makers. The menagerie, displays in electric-lighted cages, 800 furred and feathered creatures, many of them extremely rare.

One of the few of the vast number of features is the largest group of ferocious jungle beasts ever assembled in the history of the world. These mean brutes, who refuse to be tamed, are nevertheless made to perform twice daily. Their trainer, Bert Nelson, is the greatest wild animal trainer in the history of circuses.

The opening spectacle "Old Mexico," uses hundreds of actors and actresses all in gowns and costumes that took two years to make. Many animals are part of this colossal pageant also.

Performances of this super circus will be given at 2 and 8 p. m. the doors opening an hour earlier to allow time to view the mammoth menagerie.

WAR ON WHITE TOP STARTS IN COUNTY First steps in the Jackson county weed control campaign were started today, with County Agent Robert G. Fowler and County Horticulturist Cordy in the field applying chemicals with hand sprays to roadside growths of white top, or hoary creech, the main attack point selected for this season. The exterminating fluid is being applied to the worst patches of the noxious growths, and kills the roots. The spraying is to be done in all sections of the county on the floor of the valley.

The white top, once it gets a start in an alfalfa field, is hard to control. The Southern Pacific railroad had a weed spray train here Monday, and drenched weeds along the right of way in this city.

TRUCK DRIVER FINED FOR LACK OF MUFFLER Robert D. Helms of Grants Pass, charged with driving a truck without a muffler was fined \$1 and costs in justice court yesterday. Oakland E. Womeldorf, charged with operating an auto without proper license plates, had the matter postponed until further investigation could be made.

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TANK TO INCREASE WATER PRESSURE IN EAST SIDE AREA

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It will be of a new type of construction known as the Hewitt system, Mr. Duff explained, and will be made of reinforced concrete. Under the Hewitt system, the reinforcing steel is pre-stressed. This permits use of thinner walls and averts temperature cracks in the concrete, a factor which must be considered in ordinary construction. Mr. Duff related. Design will be modernistic so that the tank will not detract from the scenic values of the area, he stated.

May Stimulate Building. The tank was designed by J. L. Mason of the William S. Hewitt System, San Francisco, under Mr. Duff's supervision. Mr. Duff also will supervise construction.

The water department is now servicing 37 residences in the area to be benefited by the stand-pipe, Mr. Duff said. He added that the tank ought to stimulate building in the section, because not a few persons have abandoned plans to occupy or build homes in the district because of the fire hazard and the inadequacy of the water supply even for domestic use.

The tank, Mr. Duff said, will increase pressure an average of 40 pounds to the square inch. The pressure at present, he added, ranges from a maximum of five pounds in one residence to 38 pounds in the home most advantageously situated. Normal pressure in other parts of the city is 90 pounds.

Ready August 1. "For years," Mr. Duff stated, "we have been living with our fingers crossed lest a serious fire break out. There has been absolutely no fire protection at all. Whenever a fire starts, no matter how small, Chief Roy Elliott has to send out every piece of equipment the department owns just to contain the same.

Even the department's pumps have been of little use because in summer months there is practically no water to pump. Several residences have no water on the second floors on summer afternoons and evenings, and one home gets no water at all, Mr. Duff related. In most of the homes of the district, there is only a trickle of water at best in summer months, while none of the residences has an adequate flow at any time of the year, he said. He added that the Rogue Valley Golf club has no water on summer afternoons and evenings. Lack of normal pressure is due to the fact that the area is only slightly lower than the level of the reservoir, part of it actually being above the reservoir, he stated.

Bids are to be opened in the office of the superintendent in city hall at 7:30 p. m., May 18. Mr. Duff estimated that construction of the tank would require 60 days and that it would be ready for use about August 1.

HOLC Files Suit On Unpaid Note The Home Owner's Loan corporation filed suit in circuit court yesterday against Ralph E. Waldron and his wife, Ora Mae Waldron, for collection of \$961.39 assertedly due on a promissory note and mortgage, made in September, 1934. Property on Oak street, this city, is involved. The complaint alleges that the Waldrons failed to abide by terms of the contract and failed to pay taxes on the property, further setting forth that the HOLC advanced \$94.32 for this purpose. Judgment is asked for amount of the mortgage. Attorney George A. Codding appears as counsel for the federal agency. One-fourth of the 1,018,000 school teachers in the United States are men, 75,000 of whom offer instruction in the elementary grades.

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Mrs. Tuppie Seymour (above) whipped her husband with a dog leash when she saw a pretty blonde sitting near him in a fashionable New York restaurant. She was booked on a disorderly charge—and her husband posted bail for her. The cafe manager said a table was upset and expensive dishes broken.

JUNIOR SYMPHONY PLAYS WEDNESDAY AT MEDFORD HIGH Another treat is in store for Medford music lovers tomorrow when the Medford junior symphony orchestra makes its third appearance before local audiences at the senior high school.

This fine group of 65 players has been trained by various teachers in Medford, Ashland and Grants Pass and brought together under the baton of John R. Knight, who has molded it to its present high standard of achievement. During the two-year period of working together, the players have built up a very fine repertoire of the best music available for their ability and those who have heard them have been pleasantly surprised to hear fine music usually associated with much larger and more experienced groups.

Director Knight has given generously and tirelessly of his time and in addition has borne largely the entire expense of music and other incidental expenses necessary. Too much cannot be said in praise of all these teachers and young people and their efforts and achievements.

In addition to the orchestra numbers, Marcia Van Dyke, violinist, and Mary Sheldon, flutist, both of Grants Pass, and Verlyn Thomas of Galice, violinist, will be heard in solos. Also appearing on the program, the third outstanding one of this national music week, will be the senior high school combined glee clubs directed by Floyd Young.

It is hoped that every music lover will hear this program and support these young musicians, making them feel they occupy a rightful place in the community.

GRANTS PASS HOSPITAL BACK IN COUNTY HANDS GRANTS PASS, May 4.—(AP)—Following a series of suits filed against Mrs. Elizabeth Risting, lessee, the Josephine county court announced today that it is resuming management of the county-owned Josephine general hospital.

Mrs. Elva Bywater, owner and operator of a maternity home here, has been named manager for the next three months, by which time more permanent plans will be made. Use Mail Tribune want ads.

GLEEMEN TO GIVE CONCERT TONIGHT AT MEDFORD HIGH

Last night 1500 people jammed the Pelican theater in Klamath Falls for the joint concert given by the Klamath Civic Chorus and the Medford Gleemen and all agreed afterward that the event was the finest and most enjoyable musical presentation ever heard in the city.

Particularly enthusiastic was the prolonged applause that greeted appearance of Jacqueline McKee, the sensational 13-year-old soprano, who more than lived up to her advance notices. Not only the audience but the entire chorus took her to their hearts, won by her charming simplicity and exquisite beauty of her voice. Another soloist who covered himself with glory was George Peckham, basso, heard in a group of songs which brought out the full measure of his remarkable range.

The chorus numbers were flawlessly performed under the inspiring direction of James Stevens, with persistent demands for encores following the rendition of each group.

Tonight the two organizations will appear in Medford at the high school auditorium under auspices of the Medford Kiwanis club. A large number of Klamath Falls people who attended last night's concert signified their intention of coming to Medford for the performance tonight and it is anticipated that another capacity house will greet the singers.

FIRST FIREMEN TESTS UNDER CIVIL SERVICE ARE SET FOR MAY 15

First civil service examination for city firemen was announced today for May 15. Purpose of the examination is to establish an eligible list, there being no vacancies at present. The examination will consist of four separate tests: (1) Medical examination; (2) written examination; (3) athletic examination; and (4) oral interview.

The medical examination must be completed before May 8. The written examination will be held in fire hall headquarters at 9 a. m. on May 15 and the athletic examination at 2 p. m. at the same place on the same day. Those who receive a passing 70 per cent in the written examination will be notified when and where to appear for the oral interview.

Applications must be filed not later than May 12. They may be procured, together with all pertinent information, at the office of the city superintendent in city hall beginning tomorrow. The examinations are in charge of the city civil service board, whose members are B. L. Barry, E. H. Janney and Earl H. York.

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BURK CANNING COMPANY UNDER REORGANIZATION

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