



BIRTHDAY FOR LINDA—Actress Shirley Temple helps her daughter, Linda Susan Agar, celebrate her second birthday in Honolulu, Hawaii. Here, Linda gets set to blow out the candles on her birthday cake as Shirley points out how it's done. Shirley and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Temple, are in the Islands for a two- or three-week stay.

A Nichols' Worth of— Comment On This and That

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Washington, Feb. 4—(U.P.)—You have the word of a senator: "Virginians are bigger and huskier than Texans because Virginia women know how to cook black-eyed peas."

Sen. A. Willis Robertson of Lexington stood up, drummed his chest and submitted himself as a towering example. The democrat from Virginia is 6 feet 2½ inches tall and said that his son is the same height and weighs more than 200 pounds.

Robertson was the host in what was logged as the "second round of the black-eyed peas battle." On January 19, Rep. Lindsey Beckworth of Gladewater, Tex., pitched a luncheon and served, as a side dish, Texas black-eyed peas flown from the Lone Star state. Beckworth at the time pronounced his peas "unexcelled—of course."

Yesterday, Robertson replied in kind with a luncheon for Beckworth and Senator Tom Connally (D., Tex.).

It was listed as a "contest" but there was no decision.

Robertson said his peas were furnished by Henry Taylor of Walkerton, Va., "one of the best pea-growers in the nation."

Not Bashful In Praise

The big, graying gentleman from Virginia wasn't bashful in his praise of the black-eyed peas produced in his state.

"Of course," said the senator, "we must recognize the fact that no black-eyed pea can rise above the quality of its chef. That, principally, is where the Virginia product excels. Virginia housewives know the flavoring qualities of Smithfield cured hog jowl—and that flavoring is definitely added to Virginia peas."

Robertson seemed amazed to learn that everybody in the world did not know that corn bread made of "flinty white corn ground on a stone slowly turned by water power" makes a fine "with it" for black-eyed peas.

"In the summer," he added, "of course you serve good old corn pone, made of nothing but meal with salt and water and cooked quickly in a hot oven and eaten while steaming hot. In the late winter and early spring the Virginia housewife serves tender, succulent turnip greens with black-eyed peas and corn bread—accompanied by freshly churned buttermilk, as cool as the dew on white clover and speckled with gold dust. In summer, the accompanying vegetables are stewed tomatoes with bread pudding rich with cream."

At his luncheon, the Virginian dished up peas cooked his way and the Texas way.

Hog Jowl Used

He announced to his guests that he hoped "my Texas friends will not think I am taking unfair advantage of the Texas growers if I slipped a little hog jowl in with the peas. That's the way we do it at home, where we produce the best black-eyed peas in the world."

As a teaser, the senator passed out saucers of Texas peas.

"These," he said, "are prepared with a piece of white bacon. You can smell the difference; you can taste the difference."

He invited comment.

There was a loud slapping of peas around the table as the guests from Texas gave the two dishes an "honest test."

Then the man from Virginia got his comment.

Enjoyed Meal

It came from Beckworth, who admitted he had enjoyed his meal, and thanked his colleague for same.

"But, senator," he said, "you mention hog jowl and you mention white bacon. You use the jowl; we use the bacon. But the last time I looked, both jowl and bacon came from the hog. Could it be the same hog?"

The luncheon adjourned.

Musicians Survive Playing Of Symphony

Los Angeles, Feb. 4—(U.P.)—The 88 members of the Los Angeles Philharmonic orchestra emerged from a performance of Tchaikowsky's "Death Symphony" today—all alive.

Defying the superstition that the pathétique symphony is fatal to its players, the orchestra planned to present it again at a matinee today.

"I told them before the concert," conductor Artur Rodzinski said, "that if anyone drops dead it will be me."

And Rodzinski took a fond look at pictures of his wife and son in his dressing room before he went on stage last night. But he said he felt fine when the 42-minute piece was over.

"Any calls for the undertaker?" a stagehand cracked during intermission. There weren't.

An aura of superstition surrounds the music from which was taken the popular song "This Is the Story of a Starry Night."

Tschaikowsky wrote it with a foreboding of death and died a few weeks after finishing it. Some English orchestras refuse to play it because of frequent deaths coincident with it.

BROKEN IN YOUNG

Fair Haven, Vt.—(U.P.)—Boys from Fair Haven high school will make a grand catch for lucky girls in a few years. They are being taught cooking, mending, darning and household buying in the boys' home economics class.

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Heart Specialist To Open Practice

Dr. Ray L. Casterline, a cardiologist and internist, announced Saturday that he will open a specialized practice here in those two fields. His office, 210 Fluhrer building, he shares with Dr. Edwin R. Durno, although the two physicians are not associated in practice.

Dr. Casterline, a native of Aberdeen, Wash., was graduated from Northwestern university, Evanston, Ill., and from the university's medical school. His residence is in internal medicine at the Passavant Memorial hospital at the same medical school, where he also held a William Holmes fellowship in medicine.

In Navy

His wartime service was with the naval reserve, and he was engaged in the control of epidemic diseases, including scarlet fever and rheumatic fever. Following his discharge from the navy, he was associated with the veterans administration hospital in Portland, and for the past two years has been associated with Dr. Homer P. Rush, Portland cardiologist.

His memberships include the Oregon State Medical society, the American Heart association and the state affiliate, and the committee on heart disease of the state medical society, to which he was recently appointed. He is a fellow of the American Medical association.

Dr. Casterline is married and the father of three sons. The family residence is at 1310 Ridgeway.

Generous Answer Given To Appeal

"The people of Medford and vicinity certainly rise to a cause in humanitarian spirit," a community service Red Cross worker said Saturday in telling of the results of the plea made last week through the Mail Tribune for a needy family. The response was "overwhelming" according to the worker, who also said that everything given was in "splendid condition."

Among the fixtures and furniture are a washing machine, electric iron, cooking and heating stoves, kitchen and dining tables, beds, mattresses, cooking utensils, dishes and a high chair.

Clothes given for the emergency clothes closet at Red Cross headquarters were, she said, "a wonderful collection—all clean—so many baby things and good heavy winter clothing for both children and adults."

Find House

The house which the family of 11 had expected to move into did not materialize because of the number of children in the family. However, an eight-room house has been acquired and the family will move into it tomorrow. In the meantime collections of furniture could not be made but will be picked up Monday.

Two other families whose homes have burned recently are also being helped by the community service of the Red Cross and if there should be any surplus from the collections, it will be used for them. The worker also stressed that there are still other things needed, especially bedding.

Idle Workers Exceed First of Last Year

Medford's number of idle workers the first of 1939 exceeded that of the same time in 1949 by 250, according to figures from the state employment service. The service reported that Medford had 2,250 unemployed the first of the year compared with 2,000 the first of 1949. The present unemployment figure includes 350 women.

Other southern Oregon cities, Klamath Falls and Grants Pass, reported fewer unemployed January 1 this year than last year. Roseburg showed about the same increase in the number of laid-off workers as Medford.

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.... AROUND HOLLYWOOD

By **VIRGINIA MacPHERSON**
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Hollywood, Feb. 4—(U.P.)—A bunch of giggling gals behind the town's fancy candy counters know all about who's romancing before the gossips do. But they guard their secrets like the hydrogen bomb.

The folks who sell candy say they were the first to know Clark Gable was getting serious about Lady Sylvia Stanley, and they have celebrated coolings too.

"Columnists keep propositioning us for a pipeline into our place for gossip," Fred Levy, president of the swank Blum's candy shop, said. "But our ethics are as high as a doctor's. We don't tell a thing—until after it's in the papers."

Now that everybody knows that Gable cloped with the lovely Lady Sylvia, he can divulge that Gable was in every week before the marriage ordering a \$35 box of candy.

"They surprised everybody," he said, "but us."

Bought Hamper

The Peter Lawford-Sharman Douglas whirl seems pretty promising, by the candy barometer. After boating her around Hollywood, Lawford bought Sharman a bon voyage hamper when she left for the family ranch in Arizona.

The candy shop got the first flash when Attorney Greg Bautzer switched from Joan Crawford to Ginger Rogers.

"They were sipping sodas at our fountain long before the columns had them a twosome," Manager Jack Seligman said.

"She's a girl who likes sodas, even has a fountain at home to make her own."

Bautzer usually buys her a chocolate assortment before they leave, he added.

Merger Not News

The Marilyn Maxwell-Andy McIntyre merger wasn't any news to Seligman either. McIntyre dropped by months ago to ask what Marilyn's favorite candy was. They told him chocolate-covered nuts.

"She got 'em by the ton from then on," he said.

Roddy McDowell drops in for an occasional soda with Ann Blyth.

"We sold him the box of candy he took to his first date with her," he said. "Doesn't look as if there's anything serious there yet, but we're keeping a close eye on it."

Duff Unpredictable

Howard Duff is the most unpredictable customer.

"He's buying for one gal one day," Seligman said, "another the next."

One of the hottest current items is young Nick Hilton's courtship of Elizabeth Taylor, and Salesgirl Betty Field says she can trace his progress by the kind of candy he buys.

"He started with the adventure box," she said, "and now he's switched to bouquet. A bigger assortment."

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Continuous Today—from 12:45 P.M.
Feature starts 12:45 - 3:02 - 5:19
7:35 - 9:40 P.M.

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Gen. McAuliffe's famous answer to the Nazi demand: "Surrender or be killed!"