

On the Side—By E. V. Durling

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Even as we met, and after long pursuit, we joined; we both became one. No need for either to renew a suit for I was fit, and he was flames of fire. Our firm united souls did more than twice. So I my best beloved's arm; so he is mine! —Quarles.

That cook book given to prospective brides at the San Francisco Marriage License Bureau is titled "Cupid's Book." In addition to being a cook book, it includes a variety of helpful hints on home management. Recently when discussing the book given to the prospective brides at the San Francisco and Seattle Marriage License Bureaus I suggested the bridegroom be presented with some kind of book. I thought one titled "Forty Ways to Amuse a Wife" might be appropriate. This suggestion has not met with the approval of the feminine subscribers. They think the future husband should be presented with a more practical volume. A Detroit matron suggests one titled "How to Be a Handy Man Around the House." A Boston lady suggests a volume titled "How to Give Your Wife Less Trouble." This book, she says, would give instructions to a husband on how to leave the bathroom in reasonably neat shape after taking a bath, how to get his clothes ready for the laundry and the tailor, how to put his soiled garments in the hamper, etc., etc.

century will not be over until December 31, 1950. So why do all those activities keep picking the "best" of the first half of the twentieth century? Perhaps some new wonders will come on the scene this year. Such as Noor, the horse that beat Citation twice.

Passing By.
Gloria Swanson. Achieved her first hit as a cinema actress over thirty years ago when she was co-starred in a Mack Sennett Comedy with a great Dane dog named Teddy. Reached the peak of her career in 1925 when her salary was \$20,000 a week. Gloria is still doing all right in the films, radio and on television and looks wonderful. She is truly a remarkable personality.

Asking.
Queries from clients. Q. My first name is Roman. It is also the first name of a Pacific Coast League umpire, a well-known lion tamer and a commander in the United States navy. What do you think of Roman as a first name? A. Frankly speaking, mister, I don't think much of Roman as a first name. Take my first name, Edgar. Many successful men have it, as for examples, Edgar Hoover and Edgar Bergen. But I still don't like it. Call me Eddie. Q. When I was a young fellow I went wild over Marie Doré. I wonder why? A. What do you mean, you wonder why? Wasn't Marie one of the cutest little tricks on the Broadway stage? She was good in the mov-

Disabled Veterans, Widows Entitled To Tax Exemptions

Salem, Ore., Mar. 9.—(U.P.)—Disabled veterans and the widows of veterans entitled to a \$1,000 property tax exemption must apply at their county assessor's office by April 1 to receive the exemption for the coming fiscal year, the Oregon department of veterans' affairs reminded today.

The exemption is available to any Oregon residents who meets any of the following conditions:

- 1—He is an honorably discharged Union veteran of the Mexican war, Civil war or Indian wars.
- 2—He is an honorably discharged veteran of any other American war and is certified by the veterans' administration having a disability of 40 per cent or more, regardless of the amount of compensation or pension he receives.
- 3—He is an honorably discharged war veteran with a disability of 40 per cent or more which has been certified by a licensed Oregon physician but not by the VA, provided he has not received more than \$2,000 in the past calendar year as pension or retirement pay from the government for his military service.
- 4—She is the unmarried widow of an honorably discharged war veteran.

This benefit must be applied for annually, the state veterans' department said. The exemption applies to the taxable value of the real or personal property which the applicant owns or holds under a recorded purchase contract.

County assessors have the necessary claim forms. Veterans claiming on the basis of disability must submit a certified statement from either the VA or

ies, too. Besides, she is an extremely nice person. You went wild over her because had had good taste.

Says Maguire.
"Another thing you can bring to the attention of those Scotch-Americans who are so condescending to the Irish," writes a Bostonian named Maguire, "is that the first man of the Christopher Columbus expedition to land on the American shore was an Irishman named Patrick Maguire. I would also like to call attention to the fact that over thirty of the generals serving under Gen. George Washington in the Revolutionary War were of Irish birth or descent."

Asides.
The first wedding in America took place in Jamestown, Va., in 1609 when Ann Burras became Mrs. John Leyden. But that's all I know about it. Whether or not Mr. and Mrs. Leyden lived happily ever after I cannot say. . . . A Seattle subscriber, discussing songs about girls, named Julia, says that in the yesteryear there was one titled "Julia, You Are Peculiar."

Please Note.
According to a New York old timer there were no punch drunk pugilists in the days of bar fist fighting. He says that started when fighters began to use gloves. He claims fighters' hands were taped under the gloves in a way that made the blows "murderous." He says being hit with these taped hands covered with gloves was something like being hit with a policeman's night stick.

Footlighters Select Next Production Here

"The Torch Bearers," by George Kelly, was selected as the first 1950 production of the Footlighters, local civic theater group, at a meeting of the executive and advisory boards of the organization Monday evening.

The play is described as "a delightful satire and amateur production." Tryouts for the play will be held Monday and Wednesday, March 27 and 29. Production dates are set for May 11 and 12.

The play has a cast of 12, six men and six women. Anyone interested in acting or working in any phase of the production is urged by officers of the group to attend a special general meeting to be held Monday evening, March 20.

Places for both the tryouts and meeting will be announced later.

their doctor, depending on their category. Those certified by doctor also must submit a statement of pension or retirement income. Widows must submit evidence of the husband's service and a copy of the death certificate.

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