

Playwright Faced With Divorce Suit

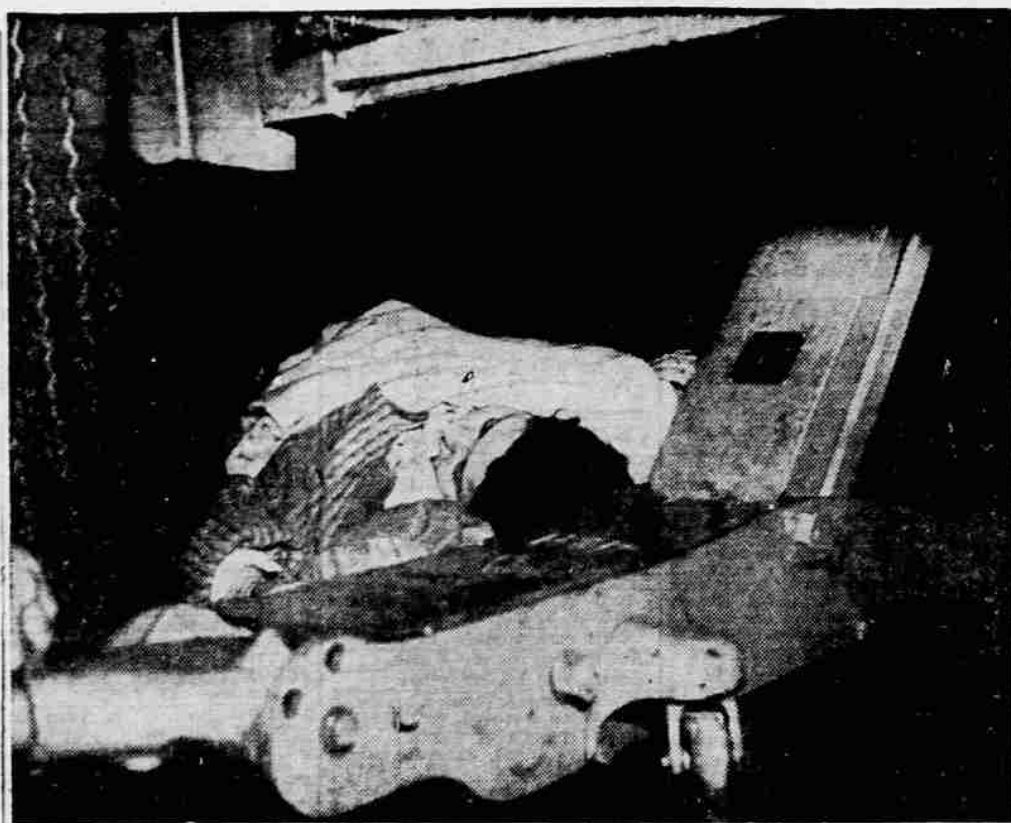
Santa Monica, Calif. —UP— Virginia Viertel, wife of playwright Peter Viertel who is linked romantically with actress Deborah Kerr, filed for divorce Tuesday charging extreme cruelty and desertion. Mrs. Viertel said in the Superior Court complaint that she married Viertel in 1944 and was the mother of his daughter, Christine. Viertel, now living at Klostera, Switzerland, was accused last June of "enticing" Miss Kerr from her husband of 12 years. They had two children, Melanie, 11, and Francesca, 7. Miss Kerr, nominated Monday for an Academy Award for her role in the film "Separate Tables," filed for divorce last year from Anthony Bartley, former Royal Air Force flier. He made the "enticing" charge in a court action seeking custody of their daughters.

Problems of Court To Be Discussed

Current problems under study by the county court will be discussed Friday noon at an informal luncheon of the Medford League of Women Voters in the Jackson county courthouse auditorium. County Judge Earl Miller and Commissioners Chester Wendt and Ralph James will speak briefly. The discussion will follow a tour of the three floors of the courthouse, which will be made by League members and others interested, beginning at 10:45 a.m. The tour and noon program are part of the League's "Know Your County" study which has been underway for two years. Major stops on the tour will include the assessor's and county clerk's offices, with shorter stops at offices of the county school superintendent and treasurer. Reservations are open to all persons interested and may be made by calling SPring 2-9997. Mrs. Dunbar Carpenter and Mrs. John Ousterhout are in charge of the county government study.

CLOSE CALL
Indianapolis, Ind. —UP—The Indiana Senate came within a few votes Tuesday of declaring itself illegal. A motion by state Sen. Marshall Kizer of Plymouth, Ind., contending the Senate is not a constitutional body because it has not been reappointed, failed by a 26-23 vote.

Kitty Clive, English comedy actress who died in 1935, was also a fine singer.



RUN OVER BY BUS—Mrs. Delaide Alois, 24, lies trapped under bus which ran over her in New York. Bus had to be raised by a jack (foreground) to free her. At hospital her condition was later described as fair.

YMCA Groups Name Delegates, Officers For Legislature

The YMCA Youth and Government pre-legislative assembly got under way Saturday at Southern Oregon college with Ben Day and William E. Warren Jr., in charge. Dr. Elmo N. Stevenson, president of Southern Oregon college, discussed the ever-growing population and financial needs of Oregon colleges.

State Sen. Alfred H. Corbett, Portland, of the senate ways and means committee, Rep. Keith P. Skelton, Eugene, of the house ways and means committee, and Rep. A. F. Egel, Roseburg, chairman of the house education committee spoke to the group. Candidates for reporter, legislative committee chairman, and speaker of the house gave a biographical talk of themselves telling their qualifications for the positions and reasons why they would like to go to Salem for the state legislature.

Practice Session
Prior to lunch Day showed slides of the state capitol, following which there was a practice session on preparing a bill and following it through the legislative committee.

After the election, it was reported that Barbara Tyler, of the Theta Tau Alpha Tri Hi-Y, would be speaker of the house; Sandra Maxon and Sylvia Baker of the Theta Rho Iota Tri Hi-Y would be legislative committee chairman; and Grover Gentry of the Modoc Hi-Y of Klamath Falls and Mary Jenny of the Theta Tau Alpha of Medford would be reporters.

Officers and the six delegates from Medford will leave for Salem for the state legislature April 9, where they will take the positions involved at the state government level and actually pass bills through the regular way.

Each year the Youth and Government program is held, and is designed to help the high school student to understand legislative processes and to develop the application of Christian ideas in democratic processes.

NO PARKING METERS
Madrid, Spain —UP—Spain again has fought off an encroachment of the modern world. A city official announced Tuesday "there will be no parking meters in Madrid."

PATHOLOGIST DIES
Grand View, N.Y. —UP—Dr. Frederick I. Dessau, 49, head pathologist at the Lederle Laboratories in Pearl River, died Monday in New York after a long illness.

FORMER EXECUTIVE DIES
Savannah, Ga. —UP—Edwin T. Gibson, of Bronxville, N.Y., retired executive vice president of the General Foods Corp., died Monday at his winter home.

DERBY FOR LADIES
Chicago —UP—The derby is making a double-barreled comeback. Bernard L. Salecky, president of a hat firm, said Monday his company is developing a "he-she derby" for the ladies.

4-H CLUB NEWS

Bobbin Bobbins
The Central Point Bobbin Bobbins met Saturday, Feb. 14, at the home of our assistant leader, Mrs. Nile Johnson.

The meeting was called to order by President Colleen Franek at 10 a.m. Under new business, we discussed going to Jacksonville on the stagecoach and visiting the graveyard and museum. The date for this has not yet been decided.

Under old business, we discussed our assignments. Kathy Thompson judged our garment protectors, and Linda Johnson gave a demonstration on "How to make a garment protector." Games were led by Kathy Thompson.

The meeting was adjourned. Refreshments of Oregon 1859 and Valentine cookies and fruit punch, ice cream floats, were served by Linda Johnson and Kathleen Frederick.

We all enjoyed a sack lunch and then we went as a group.

Thimble Thumbs
The first meeting of the year for the Thimble Thumbs sewing clubs was held at the home of Mary Ann Carnegie. We elected officers.

Elected were Martha Meriman, president; Michele Ely, vice president; Mary Ann Carnegie, secretary; and Mary Carol Leavens, song leader. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mary Ann Carnegie when we will start working on our garment protectors.

Kathy Newcomb, Reporter.

Howard 4-H Bake 'n' Stitches
A meeting of the Howard 4-H Bake 'n' Stitches was held at the home of Mrs. W. E. Drennen on Feb. 19.

She demonstrated how to cook peanut butter cookies. Two of the members made hot cocoa and served the cocoa with cookies.

Joyce Drennen, Reporter.

Sis Q Guide Dog Club
On Saturday, Feb. 21, four of the guide dogs went through four stores in downtown Medford. This is required as a part of the training. The stores were Hubbard Brothers, Mann's Department store, Woolworth's and M and M Department store. We were welcomed in each store. Present were Nyla Murray with Zondra; Dale Mitchell with Vanguard; Sharon Roderick with Meg; Lee Jackson with Rhea. Our next meeting will be held at the Ashland YMCA, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 24. Visitors are always welcome at these training sessions.

Lee Jackson, Reporter.

Stitch in Time 4-H Club
The Stitch in Time Sewing club met at Margaret Carnegie's on Jan. 17. Molly Ely and Suzie Whinnihan gave a demonstration on care of clothing. The club went shopping for headscarf material. The club looked for loosely woven material that would draw the threads easily, and in a color that would suit each girl.

On Jan. 24, the club worked on the headscarfs at Marlene Nougier's where help was given on record books. On Feb. 14, the club had fun by dressing in Centennial costumes at the meeting at Shawn Caperna's house. One of the members had the measles and couldn't come.

Joan Eslinger, Reporter.

Bill To Authorize Use of Trust Deeds Offered in State Senate

Salem —UP— A bill to authorize use of trust deeds, a new departure in financing of home construction and business expansion, was passed by the Senate Tuesday and sent to the House.

The bill passed by a 23-5 vote, with two senators absent.

Those voting against the bill were Sens. Alfred Corbett (D-Portland); Dan Dimick (D-Roseburg); Monroe Sweetland (D-Milwaukie); Carl Francis (R-Dayton) and Anthony Yturri (R-Ontario).

Sen. Ward Cook (D-Portland) declared that the majority of the states in the union had adopted the trust deed method of financing construction of homes and business establishments.

Some of these states, he declared, had used the trust deed plan in place of the familiar mortgage plan for years. He said Minnesota has had it for more than 100 years.

Under terms of the bill, trust deeds can be issued by any attorney who is an active member of the state bar; a title insurance company, a bank trust company or savings and loan company.

The main points made against the bill were that no opportunity for redemption of property by the borrower is provided and also that there is no provision in the proposed law for a deficiency judgment if the property is sold.

Advocates of the bill pointed out that a foreclosure proceeding under the proposed law is virtually identical with proceedings under the conventional mortgage.

In the event of a default in payments under a trust deed, foreclosure can take place after proper advertisement and notice is given the borrower by either certified mail or personal service.

A bill to extend the unemployment compensation law to employers of just one person received approval of the Senate Labor and Industries Committee. The law now covers employers of two or more workers.

The Committee also agreed on amendments to a bill creating a one-man commission to administer the unemployment compensation program.

The amendments would make the commissioner's appointment subject to Senate confirmation and would leave the commissioner off an appeals board proposed in the bill.

It killed a measure to extend unemployment coverage to employees of charitable organizations such as churches, hospitals and private schools.

Would Hire More Help
State Sen. Jean Lewis (D-

Portland) said state agencies have paid more than \$28,000 to 15 private attorneys in the last 22 months. She believes the work could better be done by hiring more help for the attorney general's office.

Mrs. Lewis said she would try to get the Department of Justice budget increased to allow employment of two more full-time assistants.

Private attorneys hired by state agencies become assistant attorneys general before starting duties.

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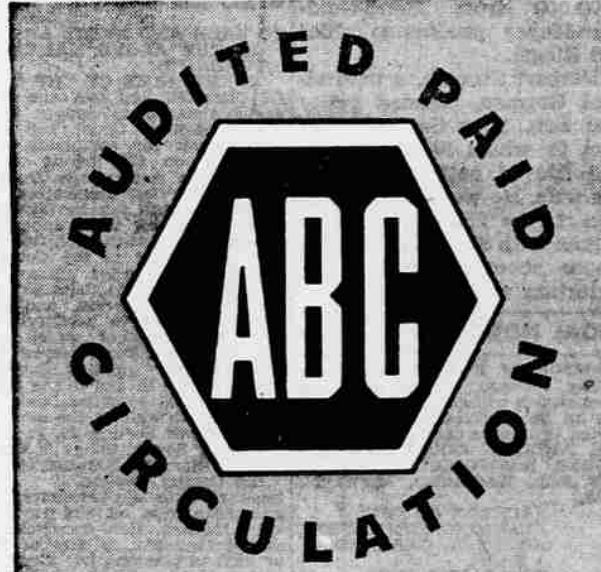
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