



Italian Conspirator Betrayed as He Waited To Assassinate Mussolini

Rome—UPI—Like the Prince of Conde before the Battle of Rocroy, Tito Zaniboni was sleeping like a baby that morning of Nov. 4, 1928, in room No. 90 of the Hotel Dragoni in the heart of Rome.

Secret police, the dreaded Fascist Ovra, walked into his

Preschool Conference Set For Deaf Children in Salem

Mrs. B. Brandt Bartels, Medford, will take part in a panel discussion at the 13th annual preschool conference at the Oregon State School for the Deaf in Salem. She is a former teacher in a nationally known school for the deaf and was largely responsible for establishment of the Junior Service League kindergarten in Medford.

Agencies cooperating in the March 26 to 28 meeting include the Medford Junior Service League kindergarten; Eugene Hearing and Speech center; Hosford Day School for the Deaf; Tucker-Maxon Oral school, University of Oregon Medical school outpatient clinic and crippled children's division, Center for Hearing and Speech, all Portland; and the state department of education, division of vocational rehabilitation and

Fairview home, Salem. The conference is planned to assist parents in working with their deaf or hard-of-hearing child and to acquaint them with the agencies in the state which offer services to this type of handicapped child.

Parents attending will spend one day in Portland visiting the Hosford and Tucker-Maxon schools and the Portland Center for Hearing and Speech.

Parents are asked to take their child with them and living accommodations will be furnished without cost by the state school during the conference. They should arrive on Sunday afternoon, March 26. Those wishing to attend should contact M. B. Clatterbuck, superintendent, Oregon State School for the Deaf, Salem, or any of the participating agencies.

looking former Alpine officer. But the fact he had been sound asleep when police raided his room saved his life.

The precision rifle he had readied for the assassination attempt was still secreted in a chest of drawers, wrapped and oiled but unloaded. The prosecution in the special Fascist tribunal that tried Zaniboni could never prove he was on the point of shooting the Duce and could not hand down the death penalty.

Post-fascist Italians learned the details of Zaniboni's abortive attempt, the first after the dictator took power in 1924, only recently when death visited the room where Zaniboni was sleeping and took him away for good.

Zaniboni had been conspiring against the Fascist regime with the zeal of an amateur after the murder of Socialist deputy Giacomo Matteotti, kidnapped and killed by a Fascist strong arm squad while enroute to the chamber where he was to deliver a bitter attack against the dictator.

Police informed One thing Zaniboni did not know was that the Fascist secret police was minutely informed of all his plans to shoot the Duce from a window of the Dragoni Hotel, facing Palazzo Chigi which Mussolini had elected as his office before moving to the more sumptuous and impressive Palazzo Venezia.

The man who kept the Ovra police so scrupulously up to date was Carlo Quaglia, whom Zaniboni considered a most reliable friend and contact man. Zaniboni never thought that his closest collaborator was on the payroll of the Fascist police.

On Nov. 4, 1928, Mussolini was to address from the balcony of Palazzo Chigi a rally of war veterans. Zaniboni decided that was the day for the attempt. He booked room 90 at the Dragoni Hotel, whose corner window offered a strategic view of the Palazzo Chigi balcony. He sneaked a sharpshooter's rifle into the room.

Then he sent his friend Quaglia to see retired Gen. Alberto Capello and borrow some money from him, without informing the general of the plans to assassinate Mussolini. Capello, former commander of the Italian Second Army in World War I, had been held responsible for the defeat of Caporetto and had been eased out of the army by Mussolini.

Peacefully Asleep Quaglia informed the secret police. Four hours before the war veterans' rally, raiding Ovra men found Zaniboni peacefully asleep. It was a premature raid for it prevented the tough judges of the special Fascist tribunal from handing Zaniboni the death penalty.

The whole trial could only be based on Quaglia's accusation that Zaniboni "intended" to shoot Mussolini. The tribunal handed Zaniboni a 30-year sentence, the same term handed to Gen. Capello for "financing" the attempt.

Zaniboni, a World War I Gold Medal winner, served 18 years of his sentence until he was released after the fall of fascism. After World War II, he served as a high commissioner for refugees and ex-prisoners of war and later as president of the National Union of Retired Officers.

Quaglia, the informer, died in Somalia several years ago. Early last December, Zaniboni fell from the steps of a Rome bus and suffered a fracture. At the age of 77 his condition worsened and he died in a veteran's hospital at year's end.

Film About Korean In Lenten Series

Jacksonville — The fourth of a series of Lenten Mission study programs will feature a motion picture, "An Epistle from the Koreans."

The program will start at 7:30 o'clock tonight with supervised discussions for adults and young people on the subject, "The Meaning of Ecumenical Missions," at the Jacksonville First Presbyterian church.

"An Epistle from the Koreans" tells a story of the impact of Christian teaching on people of the Orient. The Oh family of Seoul and Pusan, Korea, sent their son to finish his education at the University of Pennsylvania. While he was there, in April of 1958, he was attacked and beaten to death in a senseless assault by a gang of 11 boys. Authorities eventually tried all 11 of the boys for murder.

What followed the murder, however, is the most significant aspect of the story. The young Korean's family wrote an open letter to the city of Philadelphia that electrified the city with its spirit of compassion, love and forgiveness—all in the face of the family's great loss.



MEMORABLE DAY—This was a day that should linger in the memories of several youngsters who found out what circus day is really like. Five hundred blind children were guests at the matinee of the Medford Shrine circus at Chicago. Here Jon Saidla, 12, and Pat Elson, 11, "see" a circus elephant via the touch method. A special system of ear phones was used to broadcast during the circus performance. (UPI Telephoto)

Bathing Suits Go, And So Do Girls

London—UPI—The Town Council has cancelled Camberwell's annual summer beauty contest for lack of entries, even though the girls are no longer required to wear bathing suits.

"The festival committee has decided girls are really no longer interested," a puzzled councilman said.

WIFE DIVORCES ACTOR

Los Angeles—UPI—Movie cowboy "Wild Bill" Elliott was divorced Wednesday by his wife of 33 years, Mrs. Helen J. Elliott, 52, was granted an interlocutory decree by Superior Judge Burnett Wolfson.

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Beatnik Has Great Emotional Experience

London—UPI—The Evening Standard told this beatnik story: First beatnik: "Like I had a great emotional experience yesterday."

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