



BRAND NEW are the billiard tables at the Elks club. The new equipment, including two pool tables and a snooker layout, has been installed in the addition recently added to the big lodge.

Glamorous Gloria Gets Wolf Whistles at 52

By JAMES R. BACON
HOLLYWOOD, (AP)—Young men still whistle at Gloria Swanson.

That should make any girl of 52 happy, but La Swanson, who looks better now than she did 25 years ago and has the pictures to prove it, is unhappy.

"I first became aware of this last season on Broadway," said Gloria. "I was playing with Jose Ferrer in the boisterous '20th Century,' a farce that requires a particularly agile and sexy female star. Gloria got rave notices. PERPLEXED

"I used to spot these little, old ladies from the stage," Miss Swanson said. "When I left my dressing room hours later, there would be as many as 150 of them waiting at the stage door."

"When I greeted them they smiled politely, took a good look at me and then walked away shaking their heads."

Miss Swanson can understand their perplexity.

"When they were young matrons back in world war one days, I was — to them — a worldly movie siren. I know I looked at least 25 then, although I was only in my teens."

She started at 14 in the old Egan studios in Chicago and came to Hollywood when she was 16.

"If I had come five years later, I would have heard of me. In those days, they had to grab people off the street to play in movies."

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Waterfront Pace Quickens

PORTLAND, (AP)—Activity is picking up along the Portland waterfront.

In addition to record wheat shipments this year, repair work is on the increase.

The navy transport Gen. W. M. Black arrived yesterday for \$1,400,000 in alterations at Willamette Iron & Steel Co. Four navy land-

ing ships from the mothball fleet at Astoria followed. They need repairs.

That made 16 small navy vessels at the Willamette plant. Another shipyard is finishing work on 16 other small vessels. Still another company has a \$1,750,000 contract

to build 23 steel cargo barges for the army.

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The public is permitted a glimpse of the school for the first time when the U. S. navy combined its various radar schools at the close of world war two, the Glennview school became its air control training center. Here students practice actual interception of enemy aircraft.

A SECRET OPERATION

Capt. Wallace B. Mechling, in charge, and his executive officer, Com. Wilson G. Wright III, guard the school's secrets, like hens mothering chicks. Much of the training program must be kept under wraps for national security.

The magic of radar enables the navy radarmen to reach out into space, see invisible enemy ships and planes, tell their direction and speed, and direct counter attack. It permits the fleet officer to know where his own ships are during heavy weather.

The combat information center has become the nerve center of a navy ship. Men who man the center directly serve the high command. These officers coordinate radar information with visual observation from planes and ships and from intelligence reports.

MOCK BATTLES

The training center for the eyes and ears of the navy operates under simulated combat conditions. Lt. Commander H. S. Foote Jr., is our guide. He points to the radar

Copter Saves Two Children

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, (AP)—A coast guard helicopter Tuesday used its rotor blades to blow to safety two children stranded on a raft in San Francisco bay.

On the raft were 13-year-old Sharon Lee Bjerkie and 9-year-old David Priellip.

A coast guard boat could not come close enough to the raft because of shallow water. And the helicopter pilot was afraid to descend and pick up the children for fear of upsetting the raft.

So the pilot approached the raft from the open bay side, using the air push from its rotor to blow the raft a quarter-mile onto mudflats.

The last lap of the rescue, off the mudflats, was accomplished by a crew of firemen from the San Francisco airport.

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