

The Reader's Corner

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"The Dayuma Story, Life under
Auca Spears" by Ethel Emily
Wallis.

Early in 1956 five young mis-
sionaries were killed by the Auca
Indians in South America. Two
previous books were written
about this tragedy by the wife
of one of the missionaries. These
books "Through Gates of Splen-
dor" and "Under the Shadow of
the Almighty" by Elizabeth Elli-
ott have been very popular. The
Auca are a wild primitive, mur-
derous tribe who have killed all
peoples who have tried to pen-
etrate their primitive way of life.
This book is the story of one of
these Auca women. Once in great
fear she ran away from the Auca
tribe and lived with the Quichua
Indians. Rachel Saint, the sister
of one of the murdered mission-
aries, has worked with Dayuma
for five years. It is an incredible
story of a primitive people. Ra-
chel Saint is trying to translate
the Scriptures into the soft musi-
cal language of the Aucas as
taught to her by Dayuma. Ra-
chel and Dayuma visited the Uni-
ted States a few years ago, and
appeared on "This Is Your Life"
television program. Some friend-
ly Aucas invited Elizabeth Elli-
ott and Rachel Saint to live
among them. Dayuma went with
them, and is now helping them
with their work. It is seldom one
can read a book about such a
primitive person. This reviewer
found the study of these people
very interesting.

New Books at the City Library
"Diana" by R. F. Delderfield.
This novel is the story of John
Leigh and his love for Diana, a
high born spirited girl.

"That Certain Something" by
Arlene Frances.

A book by the popular televi-
sion star about the magic of
charm. The book is witty and
helpful and will be of great in-
terest to girls and young women.

"The Cheerful Day" by Nan
Fairbrother.

The blurb describes this book
as the richly rewarding account
of an English country family
transplanted to London and how
they learned to love that life.
This is an apt description. Nan
Fairbrother has a delightful and
thought provoking way of writ-
ing, and this book is certainly
well worth reading.

"The Governor and his Lady"
by Earl Conrad.

Current Best Sellers

FICTION

HAWAII, Michener.
ADVISE AND CONSENT,
Drury.
THE LEOPARD, di Lam-
pedusa.
THE LOVELY AMBITION,
Chase.
TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD,
Lee.

NONFICTION

BORN FREE, Adamson.
ENJOY! ENJOY! Golden.
HOW I MADE \$2,000,000 IN
THE STOCK MARKET, Dar-
vas.
FOLK MEDICINE, Jarvis.
THE LIBERAL HOUR,
Galbraith.

STUDIO SHOTS WON'T DO

HOLLYWOOD (UPI)—Although
studio photographers shot more
than 1,500 still pictures of Kirk
Douglas while he was making the
16-million-dollar movie "Spar-
tacus," the actor had to visit a
commercial photography shop
recently to get his passport photo
taken. Douglas was made up as
a Roman slave for the movie,
and the government wouldn't re-
cognize him as such.

This is the story of William
Henry Seward, Secretary of State
during Lincoln's administration.
Biographers have neglected Mr.
Seward for some time. He is
known as perhaps our greatest
Secretary of State. It was he
who purchased Alaska, and he
who signed the proclamation of
emancipation. This is one of the
historical novels of the United
States that instructs as well as
entertains.

"Mother is Minnie" by Sophie
Guggenheimer Untermyer.

This is a biography of a promi-
nent New York woman. She is
a sort of Auntie Mame person,
and the book is full of many
laughs.

"All the Queen's Men" by Eve-
lyn Anthony.

This is the story of the first
30 years of Elizabeth Tudor's
reign as Queen of England. This
is an interesting novel of the
"peppery" queen, and shows how
she maneuvered the men around
her.

"The White House" by Amy
LaFollette Jensen.

The mansions own story and
the families who have called it
home. This is a beautiful big
book filled with pictures of all
the presidents and their families.

"Mankind in the Making" by
William Howells.

The story of human evolution.
It is written in the light of the
newest discoveries and theories
in the area of anthropology.

"Evvie" by Vera Caspary.

The story of two career girls
who lived in the 1920s. There is
a shred of suspense in this novel
despite the gaiety.

By The Associated Press
The Memoirs of General Lord
Ismay, Viking, \$6.75.

During the decade in which we
have been reading war memoirs,
the name of Ismay cropped up
continually. He was in the back-
ground in Churchill, Montgomery,
Eisenhower and no end of other
autobiographies. Now, thanks to
this book, he moves right up
front and for me he's going to
stay there.

His parents hoped to guide him
into Civil Service but in school
he failed the necessary examina-
tions and so turned to the Army
—in his very first line is the
only word in the whole straight-
forward, simply written narrative
that may puzzle you: He calls
himself a Carthusian, which is a
student at the old Charterhouse
school.

Ismay says he was Churchill's
"agent" and "shadow" as Chief
of Staff to the Minister of De-
fense (Churchill) from 1940 to
1946, and Churchill called him
"head of his handling machine."
He was at the heart of world-
shaking affairs from the days
when Churchill was trying to save
what he could from the French
debacle to the Casablanca, Wash-
ington, Quebec, Cairo, Teheran
and Yalta conferences.

This does not fundamentally
change the picture of the war,
but it heightens and intensifies it
immeasurably. There are some
aspects of the conflict on which
light shines more clearly: Church-
ill never ultimately defying his
military advisers; the English too
reticent in disapproving early
American eagerness to invade
the Continent; and regretting a
little that Eisenhower's plan for
a broad attack on Berlin, instead
of their proposal for a single

arrow — like thrust, had been
adopted; the English making
haste slowly in getting out of
India not for Empire's sake but
for India's.

Three aspects of this work need
special emphasis: Ismay's free-
dom from animosity; his unquali-
fied admiration for Churchill;
his sense of humor.

I have read nothing that praises
Churchill so endlessly, extrava-
gantly and affectionately — and
that is so well documented. He
told Churchill he would do abso-
lutely anything asked of him, ex-
cept express an opinion not his
own. He calls Churchill "the
greatest Englishman of his time,
perhaps of all time," and closes
his book with words addressed
to the Prime Minister in a con-
versation:

"You were right, as always."
The very first pages seemed

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war book. There was the soldier,
in the early muddled days, stand-
ing in the middle of Whitehall
and asking which side the War
Office was on and being answered
by a passing sailor: "At the be-
ginning of the war we thought
they were on ours, but now we
are not at all sure." There was
the shipwrecked sailor filling his
inflatable raft with air and re-
gretting it was the only air sup-
port he'd get. There was the pi-
lot outraged by some Air Minis-
try neglect who called up to

bawl someone out. When he was
through, the voice said: "You
know who I am?" "No." "I'm
Air Chief Marshal Sir Seand-
So." "Do you know who I am?"
asked the pilot. "No." Where-
upon he answered, "Thank God,"
and hung up. There are many
more.

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