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ILLUSTRATED ANGLES ON PEOPLE AND EVENTS IN WORLD NEWS

FRENCH BEAUTY TO STAR IN U. S.



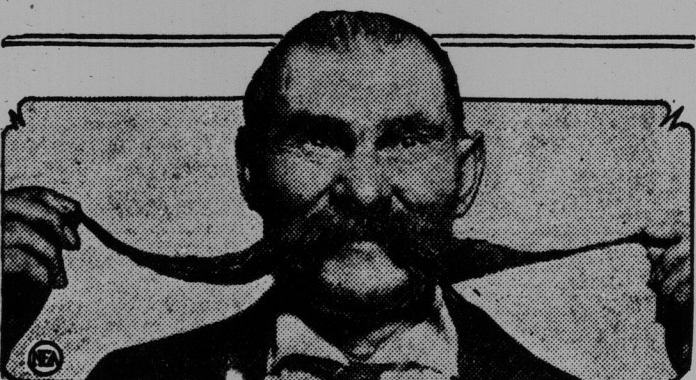
Mlle Suzanne Bianchetti, famous beauty of Paris, is soon to arrive in America, where she has contracted to play the leading part in several big film productions.

"CHECK YOUR DOG, MADAM?"



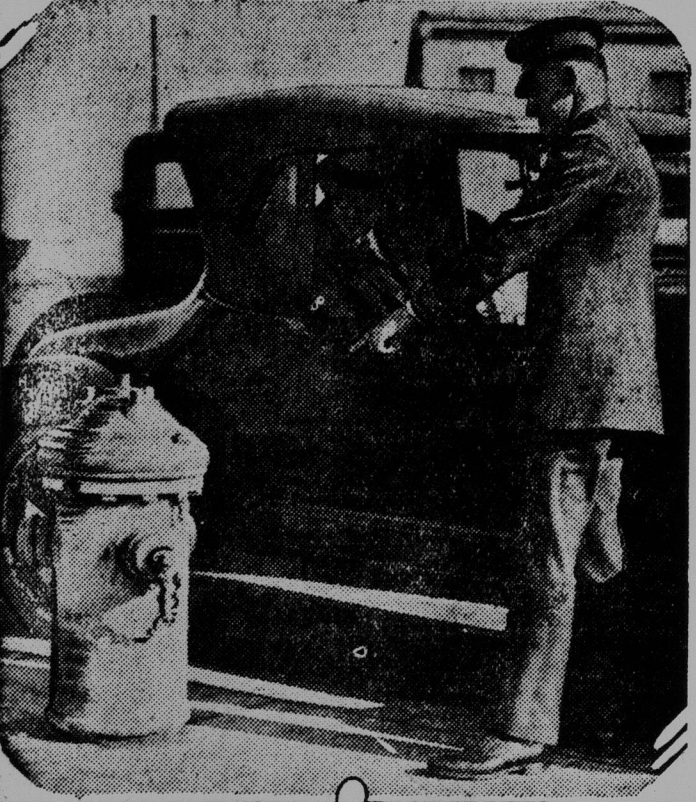
Poor Fin doesn't have to stay home now in loneliness while his dotting mistress goes to the matinee. For one New York theatre has provided a check-room where your pet dog or cat may be checked while you are enjoying the show.

18 INCHES OF MUSTACHE



Here is Jacob Gookacker of St. Louis, Mo., with his two-column mustache. Jacob learned that his falling eyesight could be improved if he permitted his hair and mustache to grow. Now the tip of his mustache measures 18 inches from tip to tip. His hair is 32 inches long. It has taken two years for his mustache to reach its present growth and he intends to let it grow until it is two feet from tip to tip.

A STORY WITHOUT WORDS



\$1,000,000 Fire



Several frames were injured and property damage of \$1,000,000 was sustained when the city hall at Birmingham, Ala., was destroyed by fire. The public library, housed by the city hall, was a complete loss.

Uninvited



This captive balloon broke loose from the Crystal Palace, London, England, and crashed on the roof of a nearby house.

Lost Her Nerve



For months Miss Catherine Murdock, treasurer of the Garden Theatre in Kansas City, practiced shooting that she might be ready if highwaymen attacked her. But when two men seized her as she entered a bank with the day's receipts she surrendered \$1,200 without a word. "I just couldn't kill a man to save \$1,200," Miss Murdock said.

ONE BACKS OPERA; ANOTHER BOOSTS JAZZ



BY CYRENA VAN GORDON

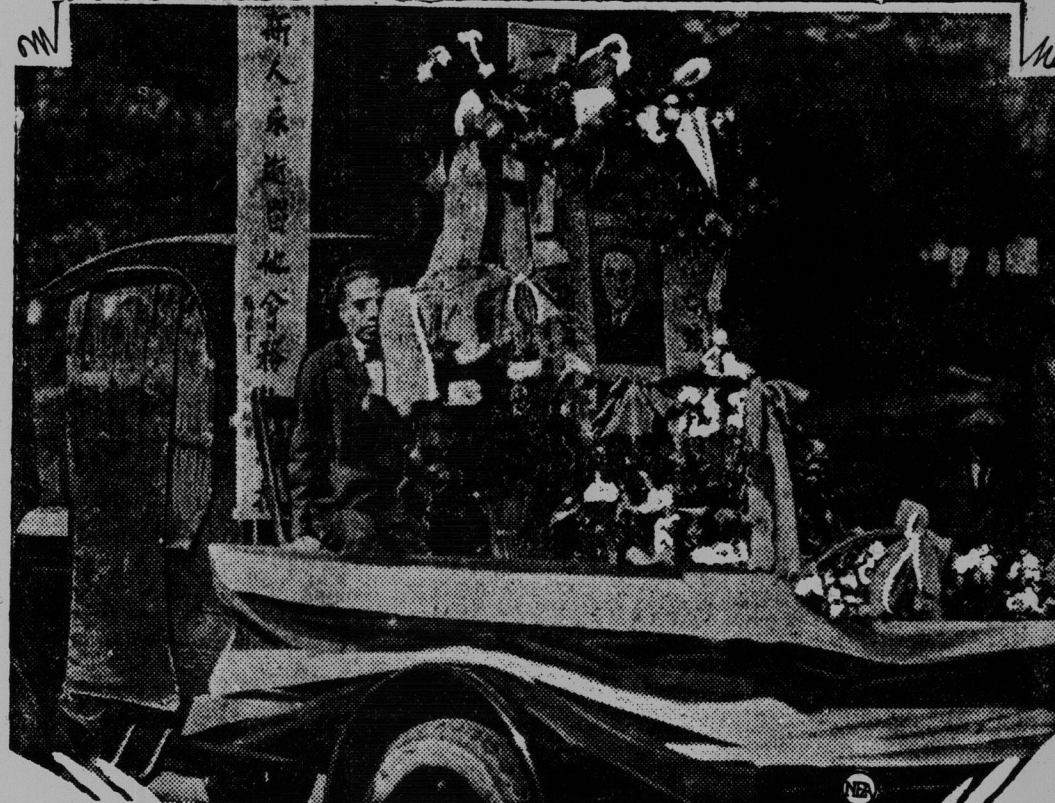
Grand Opera Prime Donna
CHICAGO, May 2.—Give me jazz for diversion. But for the wine of life I crave something higher. With out opera I perish. It is good for the soul. Would that I could be the final spokesman for those in doubt in such an argument. But it is silly to quibble over the question as to whether jazz is superior to opera, because the answer is self-evident. Jazz is simply rhythm and as such has vast room for improvement. I believe it is the foundation for a new and purely American art. What that development will be remains to be seen. But jazz has never and cannot hope to succeed opera because opera appeals to the intellect and jazz does not. I like jazz myself and play it, too. But it would surfeit me to death as a constant diet, just as opera would if I had to listen to it exclusively. Little training is necessary for jazz. But years of intensive study are necessary for opera. Opera is an art. Jazz is a pastime.



BY JOSE RODRIGUEZ

Music Critic
LOS ANGELES, May 2.—Teachers of music, performers of music and even a few musicians have bewailed the passing of grand opera and classical music. No tears were ever shed for a more fruitless cause. For grand opera and classical music have not passed, but never existed, in the American scheme of things. Our pitiful gestures to establish and keep alive this respectable corpse, are at best only evidences of a tender heart. No art can exist as an element of national growth which does not fulfill a vital social necessity. Jazz fulfills that necessity in America. Our few symphony orchestras are playthings of rich men, because they can never make money and always lose it. The support of opera companies is due to two social influences, desire of our foreign element to hear things they love of old and the undying impulse of our society to ape European gentility. But jazz derives no active support from these sources. Jazz is the child of America—the America of the shops, the dance halls, the streets and the homes.

TONG LEADER BURIED WITH CHINESE CUSTOM



Hundreds of Chinese, leaders of the On Leon Tong, attended the funeral at Pittsburgh, Pa., of On Leon Tong, former president, who died three months ago. The funeral was delayed because of a tong war which ended but recently. In the picture is a truck in the funeral cortege carrying a photograph of the dead leader, according to Chinese custom.

THE JOLLY WOODCHOPPERS



SOPHS AND FROSH IN DUCKING BEE



When freshmen at Western Reserve University, Cleveland, O., kidnapped two sophomores and made them wash the face of a statue at the federal building, they started something. The sophomores herded a number of freshmen to a park lagoon.

SHE'S OZARK SMILE GIRL



A committee of advertising men, editors and engravers selected Susanne Bruff, 17, of Joplin, Mo., as the official Ozark Smile Girl. She was chosen from 65 contestants, representing 46 towns in the Ozark Playground Association.

For Mothers



Mothers have been neglected in college life, believes Alberta Johnson, Mt. Horeb, Wis., who is heading a movement for the establishment of a Mothers' Day at all universities. The first celebration of this kind will be held at the University of Wisconsin May 29.

School Romance



Copyright by Harris & Ewing. A classroom romance which started at the University of Wisconsin will culminate in the wedding of Elizabeth Brandeis, daughter of Louis Brandeis, associate justice of the U. S. Supreme Court, and Paul Raushenbush. They met at the university where both were instructors in the economics department.

Mayor of Herrin



Marshall McCormack has been elected mayor of Herrin, Ill., centre of bloody Williamson county. Although a former Klansman, McCormack was elected on an anti-Klan platform. He has enough aid-men with him to assure control of the council during his term.

Diplomat



WILLIAM S. CULBERTSON of Kansas, vice chairman of the tariff commission, has been recommended for appointment as minister to Rumania. He will succeed Peter A. Jay, transferred from Bucharest to become ambassador to Argentina.