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Lend me your Ears

By RACHAEL BAUMEL

BISSOLATI BRIEFS: USIS TV and radio chief **Cliff Naughton** and wife **Patti**, whose Austin-Healey was stolen Saturday night from Via Siacci, now have it back in their possession. Seems that the guy who made off with it was tearing down a street near the Ministry of the Interior and hit a motor scooter. The person on it wasn't hurt but the scooter was demolished and the usual crowd gathered. The guy in the car leapt out and disappeared. Just in time, too, because the accident had happened right around the corner from a police station. The police traced it back to the **Naughtons** and all is well — expect the thief, who must have been a terrible driver, had smashed in the rear of the auto . . . **Ed Harrison**, brother of Broadway's bouncing **Jack Harrison** and the man who released **Vittorio De Sica's** "Umberto D." in America, due at the Excelsior on Sunday. He'll look at several new Italian films, then go to Cannes for the festival. They all laughed when **Harrison** took "Umberto D." to the States. Rome cinema circles said it didn't have a chance. It enjoyed a three-month run on Broadway and was voted the best foreign film of 1955 by the New York motion picture critics . . . Met star **Gladys Swarthout** and her husband, **Frank Chapman**, have reopened their villa in Florence after an 11-day return trip to Italy on a tanker which carried them from Perth Amboy, N. J., to Genoa. "From every standpoint the most comfortable trip we ever made," writes **Chapman**. "Wonderful food, a fine group of officers and an out-of-the-ordinary crew. The ship rode like a rubber-tired baby carriage in Central Park" . . . four NBC execs arriving here in May for business conferences on the completion of reorganization of the network's coverage in the Mediterranean area and to plan for productions to be done under area headquarters here in Rome. NBC's financial vice president **J. M. Clifford** and engineering executive **Andy Hammerschmidt** are slated to get here the 5th, while news vice president **Davidson Taylor** and director of TV special events **Barry Wood** are expected the 15th. Mediterranean area chief **Merrill "Red" Mueller** tells us, by the way, that NBC's staff and equipment in this part of the world has grown from five people and three transmitters to 35 people and nine transmitters. **Red**, who'll probably be heading toward the States this summer to cover the national conventions in Chicago and San Francisco, just got word from the Overseas Press Club that he and CBS' **Bill Downs** were runners-up for the best reporting from abroad award.

FORUMEANDERINGS: Writer **Sam Astrachan**, whose book "An End to Dying," being published by Farrar Straus, appears this week in New York, staying at the International here—writing a second book . . . **Thomas McDermott**, vice president of New York ad agency N.W. Ayer, arrives in Rome the 9th — with his bride. The happy couple will be at the De La Ville . . . **A. W. Berry**, owner of United States Fidelity Insurance Company, Philadelphia, slated to check in at the Grand May 2—just vacationing . . . **John Kitzmiller** off for Lubeana, Yugoslavia, Wednesday for a starring role in "Peace Valley"—World War II film. His last was "Il Nostro Campione" . . . Revlon Products exec **Charles Lachman** and **Mrs L PAA** in from New York today . . . **Father James Cunningham** of Santa Susanna has been really busy for the last ten days. He celebrated the sixth wedding Mass during that time Wednesday when **Rosemarie Palma** and **Angelo D'Nunzio** said their "I dos" at the home of the bride's brother, **Franco Palma**, head of Squibb Laboratories here. The bride is the daughter of the late Dr. Anthony Palma and **Mrs Palma**, and among the guests was former premier **Mario Scelba** . . . but **Father Cunningham** will be officiating at his seventh wedding ceremony when **Dorothy Santopadre** and **Alex Matturri** are wed at the Altar of the Chair in St. Peter's tomorrow. They'll be the first Americans to be married at this altar and as far as Vatican records show it's the first time any wedding Mass has been celebrated there . . . TWA's vice president overseas **Pierre Desautels** and his wife checked in at the Excelsior yesterday . . . **Msgr. Ernest Primeau**, rector of the Chicago College (Santa Maria del Lago), will preach at the 10 o'clock, 11 o'clock and 12 o'clock Masses at Santa Susanna Sunday.

HERE & THERE: Bologna chapter of Lambda Phi Mu, American medical fraternity, in the midst of a lot of activities at the moment. They've just elected new officers—**Alexander M. Yvars**, president; **Joseph San Filippo**, vice president; **Michael R. Quatrella**, secretary, and **Vincent S. Rosati**, treasurer. **Quatrella** is from Montclair, N. J.; all the others are New Yorkers. The fraternity, which now has a membership of 100 students, has bought more baseball equipment for Bologna's Boys' Town and is eagerly awaiting warm weather so they can show the kids how to use it. On the professional side, they've been showing medical films each week and report that Italian students have been flocking to them, even though the films were in English . . . that old story about raising enough children for a baseball team could be true in the case of **Lt. Col. Robert C. Brugh Jr.** of the SETAF G-3 Section and his wife, **Catherine**. They've recently had their ninth child — **Dennis** — who was born at the U.S. Army Hospital, Leghorn. **Dennis'** eight brothers and sisters are: **Susan, Robert III, Ann, Patrick, Jane, Mary, James** and **Heidi.**

CULTURAMA: Miniature paintings by **Fulco** currently on view at the Sagittarius... opening tomorrow evening at 6 at San Marco gallery, a show of paintings by young Roman artist **Ida Ciocci** . . . the Austrian Cultural Center spotlighting a two-piano concert by **Heinz Scholz** and **Paul Schilhawsky** from the Salzburg Mozarteum at 9 Monday night. They'll play music of Bach, Mozart and Reger . . . opening at the Selecta tomorrow evening at 6 the gallery's eighth show of Argentine painters. Artists represented are: **Raquel Forner, Gertrudis Chale** and **Juan Battle Planas** . . . and at the Marguttiana Gallery, also tomorrow evening, also at 6, they're opening a show of works by **Renee Desderi.**

Oscar Doesn't Impress Nuns

Franciscan missionary nuns started a legal action yesterday to stop 1956 Oscar winner Anna Magnani from wearing their habit in a new movie she is making.

Miss Magnani, who won the Oscar for her role in the Hollywood picture "The Rose Tattoo," was to wear the nun's habit in the Italian movie "Gli Angeli Non Volano" (Angels Don't Fly). One publicity picture showed her in the nun's garb blowing a trumpet in a scene from the film.

The sisters claimed that the use of their habit in the film amounted to profaning an order whose members are spread throughout the world.



WEDDING PICTURE—Singer Julius LaRosa and his bride, Rosemary (Rory) Meyer, pose for wedding picture at St. Anne Catholic Church in Francis Creek, near Manitowoc, Wis. Flower girl is Lillian Cataralla, 4, of Palisades, N.J., LaRosa's niece. The bride was private secretary to singer Perry Como in New York.

What's Going On In Rome

MUSIC

TEATRO DELL'OPERA — "Il Ballo delle Ingrate," by Monteverdi, and "Persephone," by Stravinsky; Gabriele Santini, conductor; tomorrow night at 9.

TEATRO ARGENTINA — Santa Cecilia Orchestra symphony concert; Pierre Dervaux, conductor (works of Malipiero, Schumann, Prokofieff, Ravel); Sunday afternoon at 5:30.

SALA ACCADEMICA, 17 Via dei Greci — Chamber music concert by the Quartetto Italiano (all-Mozart program); this afternoon at 5:30.

TEATRO SISTINA — Lionel Hampton and his jazz orchestra; tomorrow night at 9:15; Sunday, Monday and Tuesday at 5 and 9:15.

AULA MAGNA, Rome University — Chamber music concert by Pro Musica Antiqua of Brussels (mediaeval and Renaissance works); tomorrow afternoon at 5:30.

EXHIBITS

EXPOSITION PALACE, Via Nazionale — Seventh National Quadriennal of Roman Art. Hours: 9 a.m.-9 p.m. daily. Closes Sunday.

SCHNEIDER GALLERY, 10 Rampa Mignanelli — Black and white drawings by American artist Bill Berry. Hours: 11-1, 4:30-8; closed Sundays. Through April 19.

OBELISCO GALLERY, 146 Via Sistina — Ten Painters of Haiti. Hours: 11-8:30; closed Sundays. Through Monday.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH HOUSE — Exhibit of paintings by Thomas Freeman; Sunday during coffee hour and weekday afternoons.

SAGITTARIUS GALLERY, 22/b Via Lazio — Miniature paintings by Fulco della Verdura.

GALLERIA ALIBERT, 61/b Via Margutta — Sculpture by Amelio Roccamonte. Through April 18.

LA MEDUSA, 124 Via del Babuino — Studies of Paris by Maurice Utrillo. Opening tomorrow at 6.

LA FELUCA, 38 Via Frattina — Studies of Abruzzo by Gildo d'Annunzio. Hours: 12-1, 6-9. Through Tuesday.

GALLERIA D'ARTE SELECTA, 2 Via di Propaganda — Paintings by Roberto Crippa. Last day.

ASTERISCO GALLERY, 14 Via Vittoria — Paintings by Afranio Metelli.

IL CAMINO GALLERY, 45 Via del Babuino — Paintings by Venetian artists Liliana Cossovel, Adele Piazza and Bruna Gasparini.

IL MANICHINO, 54 Via Margutta — Paintings by Brufani and Campus.

FILMS

FIAMMETTA THEATER, 3 Via San Nicolò da Tolentino — "The King's Thief," with Ann Blyth, Edmond Purdom, David Niven. Today at 5:30, 7:45, 10 p.m. Telephone 470.464.

ARCOBALENO THEATER, Palazzo di Vetro, Via XX Settembre — "Quai des Blondes," French film with Michel Auclair, Barbara Lange. Today at 6, 8, 10 p.m. Telephone 470.470.

SPORTS EVENTS

HORSE RACES — At Capannelle race track; Sunday at 2:30. Special bus service from Piazza Colonna, Piazza Fiume, Piazzale Flaminio, Piazza Cavour.

CLUB MEETINGS

ROTARY CLUB meets every Tuesday at 8:30 p.m.; dinner at the Excelsior.

LECTURE

BRITISH COUNCIL, 20 Via Quattro Fontane — Rev. John Findlow on "An English Family at Tivoli"; this afternoon at 6.

ZOO

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NIGHT CLUBS

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OPEN GATE CLUB, 3 Via San Nicolò da Tolentino — International floor show, dancing. Telephone 481.625.

SCHEHERAZADE, 1 Vicolo della Tinta (Monte Brianzo) — Dancing, restaurant. Telephone 564.203.

TOR FIORENZA, 2 Via Monte delle Gioie, near Piazza Vescovio — Dancing. Telephone 880.892.

VICTOR, 84 Via Emilia — Dancing. Telephone 471.538.

Toscanini Kin Marries Duke

MILAN, April 12 (AP)—Tall and lovely Countess Emanuela Castelbarco, granddaughter of maestro Arturo Toscanini, was married here today to Duke Luigi Filippo Acquarone.

Emanuela is the only daughter of Count Emanuel Castelbarco and of Wally Toscanini, the maestro's daughter.

The groom is son of a former minister of the Italian royal family.

Toscanini did not attend, but was represented by his son Walter.

The ceremony was performed by Msgr. Ernesto Pisoni, editor of Milan's Catholic newspaper, L'Italia.

The bride wore a white lace gown and veil. The embroidery work and the gown reproduced a drawing by Italian painter Paolo Uccello.

Donna Fosca Crespi Puccini, daughter of the composer Giacomo Puccini, author of "Boheme" and "Butterfly," was bridesmaid.

Italy Theater Highly Praised By American

"Italy will have a national theater within five years," predicted playwright-professor Dr. John T. Dugan of Catholic University of America to the American Women's Association of Rome yesterday.

Introduced at the Casina delle Rose luncheon meeting by Mrs Philip Comley, wife of U.S. Embassy cultural affairs officer, Dugan described a "renaissance in Italian theater," attributing it mainly to the interest, encouragement and assistance of the Italian government to both professional independent dramatic companies and little theater groups.

"Intense national interest and partial subsidies from the government and official tourist agencies keep prices low and dramatic quality high," said Dugan, "and governmental assistance doesn't mean censorship in Italy."

"Italy has more wide-spread professional theater than the U.S., said Dugan, "and the best theater at reduced prices in the world."

Marilyn Co-Workers To Exchange Vows

SANTA MONICA, Calif., April 12 (AP)—Don Murray, co-starring with Marilyn Monroe in the filming of "Bus Stop," and Hope Lange, who is appearing in the same picture, obtained a marriage license here yesterday.

Murray, 26, is a son of Dennis Murray, former dance director at Fox studios, and Ethel Cook, once a Ziegfeld girl and singer. Young Murray appeared on Broadway in "The Skin of Our Teeth."

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