

LEND ME YOUR EARS:

Palermo Fair To Open On Saturday

ON THE SLOPES OF MONTE PELLEGRINO, which rises above Palermo, overlooking the wide curve of bay known as the Conca d'Oro, one of Italy's most colorful fairs will open on Saturday. It will be the 13th Fair of the Mediterranean, a festival in which 27 nations from four continents will participate.

The opening ceremonies will take place beginning at 6 o'clock Saturday afternoon in the presence of diplomatic representatives from the participating countries. Pakistan Day will be held Sunday, Great Britain's Day on June 3, June 5 will be dedicated to the Latin American nations; the Afro-Asian countries will have their day on June 8. Awarding of the prizes for the first international Giuseppe Pittè art competitions will be held June 12. The fair comes to a close Sunday, June 15.

Rome Miscellany

Mr. and Mrs. Walter McAdoo gave a bon voyage dinner last night for Lt. Col. and Mrs. John C. Hoffman. The following were present: Gen. and Mrs. Giuseppe Mancinelli, Col. and Mrs. Reginald Fullerton, Col. and Mrs. Duncan Douglas, Col. and Mrs. Thomas M. Crawford, Philippine Ambassador and Mrs. Roberto Recala and Mrs. Doris Allen. Actress Jennifer Jones arrived in Rome Monday, left yesterday via SAS for Los Angeles after three and a half years in Italy, basso Franco Venturiglia was on his way yesterday to New York to be with his family. But he'll be back to open the opera season in the Verona Arena in "Aida" in July. . . . retired U.S. Gen. Lucian Truscott has arrived in Rome and will participate in Memorial Day ceremonies Friday at the site of the World War II Allied beachhead at Anzio. Truscott was commander of the Fifth Army during the Italian campaign. . . . Mrs. Edith Cipriani, widow of Frank Cipriani, for years travel editor of the Chicago Tribune, has been in Rome—at the Ambasciata—on behalf of Harry Olson's "Aboard and Abroad" . . . film actress Janet Blair and her husband, producer Nick Ray, are due to check out of the Grand Hotel today. . . . Vincent Bruno, the American diplomat-turned-artist, and his wife closed up their Via Margutta studio yesterday and headed Statesward. Incidentally, Bruno sold 12 of his 20 paintings he exhibited at his recent Cassapanca Gallery show. . . . TWA took director-actor Vittorio De Sica and Maria Mercader to Madrid yesterday. . . . an in-comer, from Frankfurt via Alitalia, was Mike Connolly, columnist for the Hollywood Reporter. . . . Hollywood film producer Sam Spiegel ("The Bridge on the River Kwai") checked in yesterday at the Grand Hotel. . . . another new arrival at the same hotel is Justo Giusti Del Giardino, former Italian ambassador to Venezuela, recently appointed ambassador to New Delhi. . . . Montclair (N.J.) financial expert Percival F. Brundage and his wife are guests at the Hassler, as is Donald McGannon, president of the Westinghouse Broadcasting Corp. of New York. . . . on Friday Liana Sisti's Appia Antica Gallery of Contemporary Art will put on a showing of ceram-



JAMBOREE VISITORS—U.S. Ambassador James D. Zellerbach (right) has a talk with Dr. Paul Webb, headmaster of the Overseas School, and Mrs. Leon Fleisher at the school's highly successful Spring Jamboree on Saturday. (Photo by Publifoto)

mics by Paolo Casagrande, in a setting designed by architects Eugenio Galdieri and Enzo Colasanti. . . . Air France took Paul Cardinal Leger, primate of Canada, from Rome to Paris yesterday.

Notes From Florence

Mozart's "Marriage of Figaro," third of the operatic productions of Florence's current Maggio Musicale, was given a performance of rare artistry Sunday afternoon in the cream-and-gold Teatro della Pergola. There were no stars in the cast—only dedicated artists. Under maestro Alexander Krumpholtz's direction, each performer was part of the whole and each contributed to the over-all glow and shimmer of what has been called the "perfect opera buffa"—the great Erich Kunz, a debonair and suave Figaro; Emmy Loose, vivaciously personified as Susanna; the lovely American soprano, Teresa Stich Randall, as the Countess; her aria, "Dove Sono," was Mozartian singing at its perfection; Ernst Gutstein, an aristocrat of count and bearing as the Count; Lore Wissmann, an engaging Cherubino. . . . more Maggio news: Two American singers, soprano Lucille Udovick and tenor Herbert Handt, will take part in the next offer-

ing, Luigi Dallapiccola's "Job," tomorrow night, triple-billed with two ballets—Igor Stravinsky's "La Voile" and Paul Hindemith's "Il Demone"—artist Pieter Anthonis's exhibit of his American impressions will be on view till June 2 at Villa San Michele in Fiesole—so it says in the USIS windows on Via Tornabuoni. . . . former U.S. Minister to Guatemala and Mrs. Sheldon Whitehouse were weekend guests at the Grand Hotel, left Monday for Ravenna. . . . there's a terrific new shrimp specialty at Harry's Bar, visitors o Leland's were saddened to hear that Carolina, who for 21 years officiated as the genial barmaid of that hospitable establishment, died a few months ago.

Wedding Bells

The Blessed Sacrament Chapel of St. Peter's Basilica was the scene of an American wedding on Saturday morning, when Miss Carol Jean French of Beverly Hills, Calif., and Capt. Patrick Zaccalini, of the Medical Corps of the U.S. Army, stationed at Vicenza, were married at a Nuptial Mass. Father James F. Cunningham of Santa Susanna's Church officiated.

The bride, who is a graduate of Stanford University, wore a white lace sheath over an ice blue base, with a blue sash, and a broad-brimmed white hat with a crown of blue flowers. She carried white orchids and a white missal. The groom is from Los Angeles and graduated from the USC Medical School.

Serving as bridesmaid was Miss Alma M. Herger, director of the USO Club of Rome, and as best man Lt. Samuel Huttenbauer Jr. of the Medical Corps at Vicenza. Samuel Huttenbauer Sr. gave the bride away. Guests at the wedding breakfast, which was held at the Casina Valadier on the Pincian Hill, included the wedding party, Mr. and Mrs. Huttenbauer of Cincinnati, Lt. Peter McLeod and Lt. William Baer, fellow officers of the groom stationed at Vicenza. Following their marriage, the bride and groom received a rosary and a medal blessed by Pope Pius XII.

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ISPI Concentrates On Field Of International Relations

By DOROTHY SANDLER

The Palazzo Clerici in Milan houses magnificent Tiepolo frescoes—and a unique institution called ISPI (Istituto per gli Studi di Politica Internazionale) which represents one answer

to the continuing need for special field schools in Italy in a most vital field—international relations and foreign affairs. Headed by Prof. Gerolamo Luigi Bassani, ISPI is a center for the objective study of international careers in the fields of journalism, finance, industry, commerce or diplomacy itself. The teaching and study methods are modern and comprehensive and conform to the most up-to-date professional standards.

Six courses a year are offered—diplomacy, history, diplomatic law, international economics, methodology, current problems, and this year a special course on the European Economic Community was introduced, the first lecture of which was given by On. Guido Carli, Minister of Foreign Trade. ISPI's students are close to their work since they take part in discussion groups with visiting experts who lecture regularly, and they form study groups under careful guidance.



BASSANI

They have access to ISPI's other ever-expanding activities and programs—a library of over 25,000 volumes, a research section divided into geographical areas which follows world problems, an imposing indexed card file, and a library of publications. ISPI itself put out a weekly "International Relations" which has a world-wide circulation, to which has a world-wide circulation, an annual of international politics, "Annals of International Law" and various collections.

Bassani, whose every waking moment is devoted to his job, led a group of young scholars in founding ISPI in 1933, modeling it after Chatham House. The founders had a capital fund of all of 700 lire but within a short time they won the financial support of Milanese and businessmen. Today Ambassador Tommaso Gallarati Scotti is vice president of ISPI, while Dr. Alberto Pirelli of the famous rubber firm is president.

Many Ties ISPI is an independent organization which has ties with the Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, most of the embassies, USIS, the Fulbright program—and with relevant people and activities all over the world. Its expanding activities are in continuous need of financial help. ISPI entrants must have a degree or be close to getting a degree in law, political science, letters and philosophy or similar fields. It offers six scholarships a year at 500,000 lire each. In addition to the regular students and auditors, there is a special arrangement for other occasional participants. ISPI makes an effort to place the students in suitable positions at the end of the course of study, thus attempting to "solve the unemployment problem of young intellectuals."

Indispensable Prof. Born on June 24, 1908, of an old Milanese family, the indispensable Professor Bassani can be found in his office when he is not traveling.

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His contacts are world-wide and numerous; his task never-ending. A graduate of the University of Rome with a laurea in economics and politics at the age of 24, he began his teaching career at the University of Milan. Among his various functions for ISPI, he personally manned a hose during a bombardment during the war to help save some of the priceless Tiepolos from destruction by fire.

Bassani went to the United States four years ago at the invitation of the government and visited many universities as well as the Department of State. When he returned to Italy he spoke on the radio emphasizing how impressed he was at American awareness in general, of the role of the United States in international affairs, and his most favorable impression of American university methods.

American Contacts

ISPI had been known to American professors and various experts who had spoken there. But Bassani had a chance to further cement and enlarge American contacts. Much has been found in common between ISPI and American schools of higher learning, especially because Bassani says they expose young people both to theoretical study and actual day-to-day problems.

Bassani is close to his students. He gives frequent teas and discusses their careers with them. He is always at their disposal—they come to him with problems more readily than they do to their own parents. "Next thing," he once remarked to a young seeker of advice, "you'll be asking me how to tie your tie."

Bassani lives close to ISPI and walks to his office. At home, after a long, hard day he takes refuge in music, if time permits. His favorite composer is Vivaldi, and whom he wrote a book. Bassani is a bachelor. "I married ISPI," he says. It is a fruitful union.

London Dock Strike

LONDON, May 27 (UPI)—Dutch and Danish dairy produce and Danish bacon and pork are among cargoes which strikers are refusing to handle in the pool of London today. More than 3,700 men at the wharves and at cold stores at Blackfriars were on strike today because they object to handling "black" meat destined for Smithfield meat market which is also strikebound.

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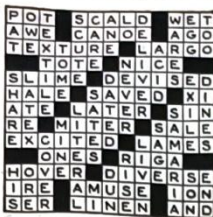
Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Informal conversations
6. Newspaper paragraphs
11. Necktie
12. Of ships
14. Long for
15. Finished edge
16. Avoid payment; slang
18. Immerse
19. Hebrew month
21. Fr. coin
22. Remainder
23. Wise man
25. Afr. river
27. Cooked in water

DOWN

23. Least wild
33. Epic poetry
35. Stop watch
36. Box
39. Seize suddenly
41. Fish
42. Ugly old woman
43. Mild offense
45. Vandalish
46. Speedily
48. Stir up
50. ----
51. Present
52. Set in the ground
53. Gr. grave-stone



Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle

DOWN

1. Burn
2. Amateur radio operator
3. Declare
4. Yarns
5. Slender branch

DOWN

6. Measure of length
7. Coal distillate
8. Shirk
9. Eur.
10. Slumbered
11. Believe
12. Melts
17. Coat and skirt
20. Cruder
22. Send payment
24. Catnap
26. Buddhist column
28. Ended
30. Strive to equal
31. Legislative body
32. Vestige
34. Cold dishes
36. Keen
37. Of the Pope
38. Large lizard
40. Opinionated person
43. Hollow
44. Front
47. Study
49. Hindu cymbals

