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LEND ME YOUR EARS:

Angry Young Man Will Play ACT Theater Club

JOHN OSBORNE, who might be called the original of England's "Angry Young Men," is coming to Rome. The author of such plays as "Look Back in Anger," "The Entertainer" and "Epitaph for George Dillon" will be presented by the ACT Theater Club — along with players **Joan Plowright** and **George Devine** from London's Royal Court Theater — at the Teatro Quirino Sunday night, Jan. 25. The three, who will be introduced by **Giancarlo Sbragia**, will appear in excerpts from plays by **Osborne** himself, the revolutionary **Samuel Beckett** ("Waiting for Godot"), **Nigel Dennis**, the French avant-gardist **Eugène Ionesco**, G. B. Shaw and William Wycherly.

Two other programs have been announced by the club. On Thursday, Jan. 22, there will be an evening of "chamber ballet," under the direction of **Grant Muradoff**, with choreography by **Pepè Urbani**; and on Feb. 5 England's famous actor, Sir **Donald Wolfit**, and his wife **Rosalind Iden** will perform Marlowe and Shakespeare in costume.

Information about these three performances, season subscriptions and club memberships may be had at 10 Via di Villa Patrizi, tel. 860.251.

Happy Birthday...

... today to Mrs **Harry McClelland**, wife of the U.S. Embassy attaché ... and to Italian actor **Odoardo Spadaro**.

Told By The Tiber

St. Paul's American Church has announced a dessert-canasta-bridge party for the evening of Monday, Jan. 26, beginning at 8, in the parish house. Cost per person: 500 lire. Reservations may be made by phoning the church, 463.339, or Mrs **Robert Heathman**, 873.425 ... Mr and Mrs **E. Reginald Perkins** entertained friends at a cocktail party last evening ... another party of last night was that given by **Syed Ahmad Hassan Ahsani**, first secretary of the Pakistan Embassy, at his Via Rodolfo Lanciani home ... latest repor', via the Milan grapevine, is that **Harry Dalgaard, Tullio Gray's** predecessor at Pan American, is leaving the organization to return to his first love, American Airlines — and that he will be stationed in London when he rejoins his old outfit ... **John Sung**, new manager of the Shanghai Restaurant on Via Borgognona, is back from Hong Kong — wi'h some new Chinese d'shes ... that damage suit which soprano **Maria Meneghini Callas** has brought against the Rome Opera for barring her from performances after her dramatic walk-out a year ago will be heard in a Rome court Feb. 2 ... **Pope John XXIII** had a busy day yesterday. He received in audience the entire 60-man staff of the Sacred Congregation of the Holy Office, India's Minister to the Holy See **Mullath Kadinghi Vellodi**, Msgr. **Custodio Alvim Pereira** of Portuguese Africa and the staff of the Rome sports newspaper, Corriere dello Sport ... former German diplomat **Franz von Papen** is holidaying quietly in Rome.

Comings & Goings

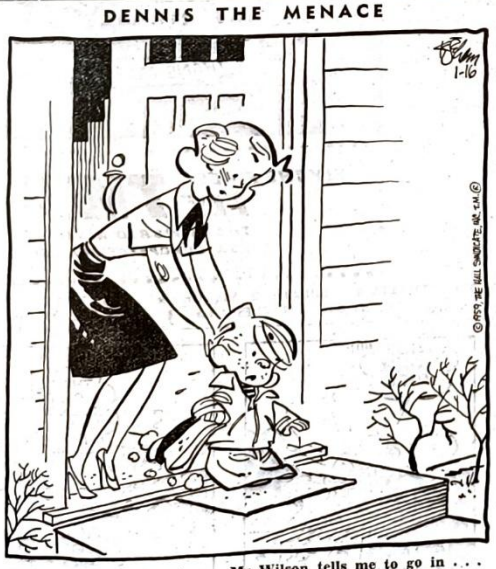
El Al Airlines reports that American comic **Danny Kaye**, en route to New York from Tel Aviv, where he attended the Israel premiere of his latest film, "Me and the Colonel," paused yesterday at Ciampino for about an hour ... TWA took **Harry Cushing** to Madrid and **Anthony Steel**, actor-husband of **Anita Ekberg**, to Los Angeles ... Mrs **Nancy White Paine**, editor of Harper's Bazaar and niece of editor emeritus **Carmel Snow**, arrived yesterday via Pan American for a look at the fashion showings ... same airline flew comedian **Walter Chiari** to Beirut and brought concert violinist **Michael Rabin**, accompanied by a $40,000 Guarnieri fiddle (dated 1735), from the U.S. He's en route to concert engagements in Israel ... on board the Italian liner Conte Grande, which docked Wednesday at Genoa, were **Carlos Correa Avila**, economic counselor of the Argentine Embassy in Rome; **Domenica Giancola**, commercial counselor of Italy's Embassy in Buenos Aires; Count **Gian Lodovico Sforza**; and Mrs **Elisabetta Spada**.

World Of Art

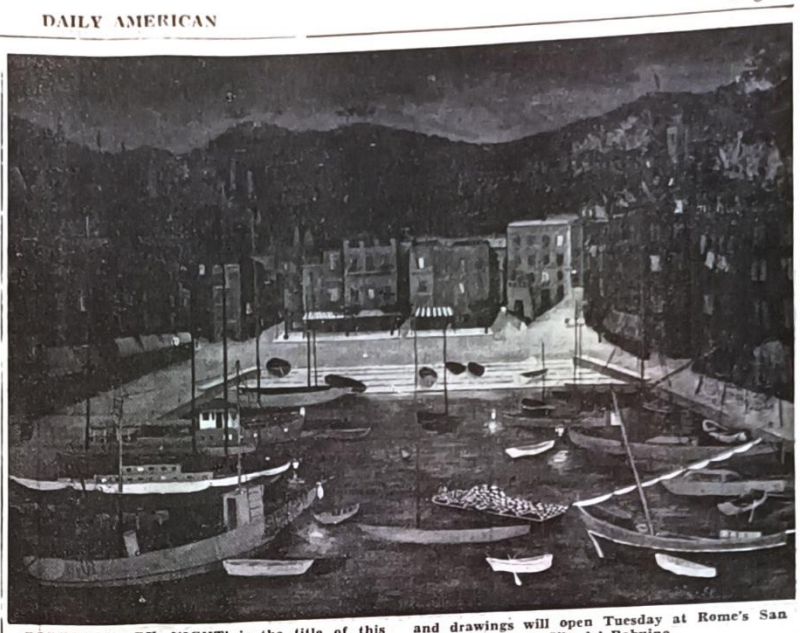
Two concerts of early music are scheduled for this weekend in Rome. One, scheduled for this afternoon at 5:30 in the Santa Cecilia Academy's hall on Via dei Greci, will present the noted vocal sextet called Sestetto Italiano Luca Marenzio in works of Monteverdi, Banchieri and Gesualdo da Venosa. The other is an all-Vivaldi choral concert with the Coro Polifonico Romano, directed by **Gastone Tosati**, which Mayor **Urbano Cioccetti** will offer tomorrow night at 9:30 in the Sala degli Orazi e Curiazi of the Campidoglio ... an exhibit of new oils by Leghorn-born artist **Giancarlo Isola** yesterday was presented by **Irene Brin** and **Gaspero del Corso** at their Obelisco Gallery on Via Sistina. Works by the 32-year-old **Isola** hang in many private collections, from Los Angeles to Stockholm—in Rome, in the homes of Ambassador **James C. Dunn**, Princess **Marguerite Caetani**, **Lee Kamern**, **John Becker**, **Earl D. Sohm** and **Duncan Wall** ... two other new art shows worth noting are those of **Ida Ciocci** at the Russo Gallery on Piazza di Spagna and **Carlo Fontana** at the Alibert Gallery on Via Margutta ... in early March a new art gallery is to open on Madison Avenue, New York. Owned and managed by Americans, it will be known as Nuova Italia and will show works of modern Italian artists exclusively.

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DENNIS THE MENACE



"You tell me to go out ... Mr Wilson tells me to go in ... YOU tell me to go out ... Mr Wilson tells ..."



'PORTOFINO BY NIGHT' is the title of this evocative canvas by Maria Grazia Bornigia, Italian artist whose one-man show of paintings, sculpture and drawings will open Tuesday at Rome's San Marco Gallery on Via del Babuino.

'58 Income Tax Forms Now Available At U.S. Embassy

(Special to the Daily American)

Income tax forms for 1958 are available now at the American Embassy in Rome—and most U.S. citizens will need a set. The forms may be obtained at the first or second floor reception desk of the Embassy.

In February, from about the 9th to the 20th, an Internal Revenue Service representative will be in Rome to help persons who wish to consult him on difficult or complex tax problems. Persons wanting appointments with him or further information on his visit should telephone the Embassy (Tel. 414), ext. 593.

Most United States citizens abroad will be required to file an income tax return for the year 1958. A new law makes filing mandatory even if the earned income is exempt from taxes. Beginning with the calendar year 1958 the law requires a citizen, in determining whether or not he must file a return, to consider as gross income any income which is exempt from tax under section 911 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Thus, even though such exempt income is not taken into account in determining a citizen's tax liability it must be used to ascertain whether he has the required $600 or $1,200 of gross income for filing a return.

If a citizen (who must file a return in accordance with these requirements) is claiming exemption from tax under section 911 on income earned outside the United States, he must now submit Form 2555 as an attachment to his income tax return and furnish all the details required to substantiate his exemption under section 911.

Ava's Latest Gets Going Down Under

MELBOURNE, Australia, Jan. 15 (AP) — Producer Stanley Kramer today began filming his latest movie, "On the Beach," adapted from Nevil Shute's novel about the end of life on the earth as a result of atomic radiation.

Stars of the film are Ava Gardner, Gregory Peck and Fred Astaire. Shooting began on a typical Australian country property near Berwick, a township 30 miles from Melbourne.

While the cameras rolled on the initial shots, Ava hid herself on a quiet part of the homestead garden and sunbaked in the briefest bikinis. Film men say she is expecting a visit from her Italian friend Walter Chiari, the stage and screen star, who is flying from Beirut to Melbourne to see her.

Beecham Protege Scores In Debut At Covent Garden

LONDON, Jan. 15 (AP) — Two years ago the famed conductor Sir Thomas Beecham picked out a young tenor from the Royal Opera chorus, paid for his training by the best tutors in the land, and gave him 1,000 pounds ($2,800) a year while he was studying.

Beecham thought he saw much latent in Charles Craig. Last night 35-year-old Craig made his debut at Covent Garden Royal Opera House—and the critics acclaimed him.

Craig sang the role of Lt. Pinkerton in Puccini's "Madame Butterfly" opposite the international soprano Sena Jurinac. The critics said he was a worthy opposite to the great soprano and predicted a big future for him.

Bearded, caustic-voiced Beecham wasn't there to see his protege applauded—he was starting a two-month tour of the United States.

Craig was a 10-pounds ($28) a week singer in the Covent Garden chorus, a man in a rut, when Beecham picked him out and groomed him for big things.

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San Remo Song Festival Opens Jan. 29

SAN REMO'S ANNUAL FESTIVAL of popular songs, which has the highest prestige in Italy for get-togethers of this sort (**Domenico Modugno's** "Volare" emerged from it last year), will open at the Riviera resort's Casinò on Thursday, Jan. 29.

Some of Italy's most acclaimed singers of light airs will be taking part — among them, **Claudio Villa**, who last weekend scored a fantastic success in New York's Carnegie Hall; **Teddy Reno, Jula De Palma, Achille Togliani, Nilla Pizzi, Tonina Torielli, Johnny Dorelli, Gino Latilla** and that "Volare" man **Modugno.**

Happy Birthday...

. . . today to Mrs **Alexander J. Maiturri**, wife of the head of the Italian-United States Conciliation Commission . . . to maestro **Gabriele Santini**, currently conducting "Carmen" at the Rome Opera . . . to Italian film director **Federico Fellini** ("La Strada," "The Nights of Cabiria") . . . to American physician Dr. **Nunzio Stallone** . . . to **Bob Edwards**, public relations man for Titanus Films . . . and to **Antonio Rossati**, owner of the men's and ladies' wear shop on Piazza di Spagna.

Roman Jottings

Obituary note: The two white mice which **Patricia Colson** received from Mrs **John D. Jernegan** — and which almost immediately produced a family of ten children — have expired, and so have all their offspring. It seems that Mother Mouse abandoned her newly born children in order to be with her husband and died of excitement in the ensuing chase around Miss **Colson's** bedroom; the ten babies promptly passed away from a lack of mother love; and Father Mouse eventually ended up as a meal for the **Colson** family's cat and dog . . . party note: Mr and Mrs **Herbert L. Jacobson** were hosts at a party in their Via Camilluccia penthouse Saturday evening in honor of Duke **Denti de Pirajno**, whose African memoirs will be published this month. Other writers present were Prof. **Mario Praz** of the University of Rome; Prof. **Paolo Milano**, literary critic of L'Espresso; and Dr. **Enrico Altavilla** of La Stampa, with Mrs **Altavilla**. Among other guests were Duchess **Topazia Alliata**; Mrs **Jacobson's** cousin, Minister **Guido Relli** of the Foreign Affairs Ministry and Donna **Albertina Relli**, just back from Kabul; **John M. Kennedy**, U.S. commercial attaché; **J. R. Van Winkle** of Squibb, **James J. Grieco** and **John Fornacca** of American Express, Dr. **Giuseppe D'Elia**, former Italian high commissioner for emigration in Argentina, with their respective consorts; and Donna **Leda Sforza-Cesari** . . . lecture note: Director-General **B. R. Sen** of FAO will talk at the Palazzetto di Venezia Thursday evening at 6:30 on the theme: "Free The World From Hunger Year."

Alta Moda

The high fashion showings have moved up to Florence from Rome, but the last day in the capital was marked by a flurry of events. One was the presentation Sunday night of "Gold Pen" awards to ten fashion writers for foreign publications by the Rome Center for Italian High Fashions. The awards went to: **Sue Cardozo**, fashion writer for AP; **Kitty Campbell**, Philadelphia Bulletin; **Ernestine Carter**, London Times, **Eileen Dickson**, Harper's Bazaar, London; **Ailsa Garland**, London Daily Mirror; **Marjorie Harlepp**, New York Times; **Sally Kirkland**, Life magazine; **Ruth Kromer**, Wochen Presse, Vienna; **Catherine MacManus**, Vogue, New York; and **Nancy White**, Harper's Bazaar, New York.

Another event of the final day was the presentation of men's clothes by Rome tailor **Angelo Litrico**, which were considered sporty, certainly colorful and usually cuffless. Most spectacular outfit combined purple trousers with a tan jacket, worn with a red sweater in lieu of shirt and tie. Women buyers present chuckled to notice that for once the women dressed faster than the men. It took **Litrico's** four male mannequins twice as long to switch clothes as the girls in the women's show earlier . . . another "alta moda" news item comes from Florence to the effect that dashing fashion designer Marchese **Emilio Pucci** will marry next month Baroness **Cristina Nannini**, a Bologna noblewoman living in Rome. The 46-year-old **Pucci**, a sportswear designer who does everything from swim suits to ski pants, created some of Italy's scantiest bikinis at the height of their fashion in Europe, then refused to budge from the handkerchief-sized bathing suit style when other fashion experts started a cover-up campaign on the beaches.



AMERICAN SOPRANO Margherita Roberti, nee Marguerite Roberts of Davenport, Iowa, is shown in costume for her role in Rossini's Biblical opera, "Mosè," which she will sing at the Rome Opera Thursday night. Miss Roberti has been singing the same role at La Scala in Milan, where she is the only American soprano on this season's roster of artists.

The Darker Side

Henry Thody, Kemsley Newspapers' mustachioed Rome correspondent, is just back from Madrid where he interviewed **Gina Lollobrigida**, currently filming with **Yul Brynner** in "Solomon and Sheba."

Thody reports: "I entered **Gina's** suite in the Hilton Hotel. **Gina** poured me a drink. She sat beside me on a low, soft divan. We were alone. Then the lights went out. For 15 minutes Madrid was plunged into darkness through an electricity breakdown."

Thody now modestly claims to be the only newspaperman ever to interview **La Lollo** in complete darkness.

"**Gina** was very charming — she apologized for having no candles."

Two erstwhile Roman-Americans working in the "Solomon" publicity department are **Al** ("Farewell to Arms") **Hix** and **Hank Werber.**

How To Do It

Mrs **Ekaterina Alfimova-Gibson's** private school of Russian classical ballet opened its second term early this month. In addition to courses of classical dancing for beginners and advanced pupils, already operating, the director is inaugurating "limbering-up" gymnastic sessions for adults during weekday mornings. Full particulars can be obtained at the school, 38/b Viale XXI Aprile, telephone 258.708. Mrs **Alfimova-Gibson** received her own ballet training from such well-known teachers as Mme **Vera Coralli**, onetime prima ballerina of Moscow's Bolshoi Theater, and **Boris Kniasseff.** During the war Mrs **Alfimova-Gibson** taught classical ballet at the Halkevi School in Istanbul and after it continued her own ballet studies with London's Ballet Rambert. She was a member of this company till her marriage to **Harold C. L. Gibson**, formerly with the British Foreign Service, now resident in Rome . . . yesterday Mme **Ré Koster** began her annual interpretation course for singers and accompanists at her studio at 19 Piazzale Flaminio. The noted Dutch concert singer's lessons will take place twice a week and cover the international repertory of Lieder and oratorio. Lessons are given in English, French, Italian, German or Dutch. For information, call 384.918 . . . a demonstration of judo by **Noritomo Otani** of Tokyo will be given at the YMCA, 23 Piazza Indipendenza, Sunday morning at 10:30, the program covering such phases of judo as ju-no-kata, kaeshi-waza, go-shin-juts and randori.

Latinitas

Latinitas, the Latin-language review edited in Vatican City, has announced its annual prose and poetry contest and suggested atomic explosions as a possible subject.

Another possible subject, it said, might be the Polar journey of the U. S. submarine Nautilus.

To show that the ancient language can deal with modern subjects, the latest issue of the magazine carried an article on soccer. A soccer player is described as "lusur pilae coriaceale"; the referee as "certaminis iudex," and the captain of a squad, "lusorum dux."

Closing date for the contest is Dec. 31, 1959.

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TRANS WORLD AIRLINES is conducting serious research into factors underlying the battle of the hemlines being fought at 20,000 feet between British and French air hostesses. Scornful of the British view that skirts should stay long, TWA's 45 French hostesses who fly routes in Europe and to the Orient demand a 2½ (6 cms.) shortening of uniform skirts. In the photo a bewildered company investigator pursues his assignment.

Villa Sings Way To American Fame

NEW YORK, Jan. 19 (AP) — Italy's Claudio Villa sang his way into American fame here last night.

Firemen were called to disperse the crowd hoping to get tickets after 3,000 paying customers pushed their way into New York's showplace of music, Carnegie Hall, occupying every seat.

The Villa concert, set for 8 p.m., was delayed for more than half an hour because of the enthusiastic welcome given the handsome young Roman. The best tickets sold for $3.90 apiece and the management reported taking in more than $6,000 for this single performance.



FILM TALK — Hal Roach Jr. (above) of Hollywood's Hal Roach Studios will be guest of honor tonight at a reception at the Excelsior Hotel, hosted by Robert Bradford, president of Hy Ford Productions, the American movie company interested in investing in Italian films.

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