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DINNER PLANNED TO HONOR AGNINI

Event to Mark 50 Years as Stage Director

Armando Agnini, stage director for the New Orleans Opera House Association, in November will celebrate his 50th anniversary as an operatic stage director.

He will be honored at a banquet Nov. 13 at 7 p. m. at the Sheraton-Charles hotel.

Agnini became a permanent member of the local opera house association when he was named stage director in 1953. He had previously appeared as a guest director in 1947 and 1952.

Born in Naples in 1884, Agnini came to this country when he was 18. Seven years later he was hired as a baggage handler for the International Opera Company, a small traveling troupe. A few weeks later the regular director was hospitalized and Agnini became stage director for the balance of the tour.

WITH MET IN 1917
From 1911 to 1917 he was



ARMANDO AGNINI

with opera companies in Montreal and Boston and in 1917 he joined the Metropolitan Opera Company in New York.

During this time he was closely associated with Arturo Toscanini and was known as "Caruso's favorite stage director."

GUEST DIRECTOR

Also during that period he was a guest director in Trenton, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Mexico City, Buenos Aires, London, Hollywood, Paris, Rio de Janeiro, Chicago and New Orleans.

In 50 years of directing he has staged thousands of performances of more than 80 operas.

He has been decorated by the French government with the Academic Palms and the Legion of Honor. Three times he has received honors from the Italian government, and his work has been officially honored by the German government.

Un anno di santita'

L'ora di Dio, disposta per la Elezione del nuovo Pontefice, batteva il 28 ottobre 1958. Il 4 novembre, con la Incoronazione, cominciava la grande giornata pontificale di Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli che, assu-



mendo il nome più ripetuto nella serie dei Papi, volle chiamarsi Giovanni XXIII e divenne il 262.mo dei Successori del primo Apostolo, del primo Vicario di Cristo in terra.

E' un anno. E le due date punteggiano la realtà di un Principato la cui insegna già si delinea nel *restaurare omnes in Christo*.

Basta un attimo per ricordare. Nella Basilica Vaticana, in quel Tempio ch'è il Tempio del Mondo, alto sul Trono ch'è il Trono più eccelsa dell'universo, il Papa riceveva il Triregno, la triplice corona, il simbolo delle tre investiture regali che lo costituivano fra gli uomini Sovrano dei Re e dei Principi, Pastore di tutte le greggi, Padre di tutte le genti.

Gli rendeva omaggio l'Umanità, tutta rappresentata in San Pietro, divenuto quel giorno l'arengo della terra, il belvedere mistico dal quale il Pontefice s'affacciava a contemplare la vita tumultuosa dei popoli. Con il solo Segno di Croce egli benediceva l'Urbe e l'Orbe, e la Cristianità prostrata incideva nel cuore quel segno di Redenzione.

Non era un uomo più Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli: non il Sacerdote e l'erudito, non il Vescovo e lo storico, non il Nunzio e il Patriarca. S'apriva su lui il Cielo. Cominciava a tessersi la di lui opera di sovranità, maestosa e formidabile. E l'aurora di Pontificato — di lui *Pastor et nauta*, ma anche Pastore di pace — s'apriva sulla medesima augusta meta dei Predecessori, ma più spiccatamente stagliata: — *La pace alla Chiesa e nella Chiesa, la pace ai popoli e nei popoli*.

Pace che è anche unità. E qui ricorrono le parole scolpite nel suo primo Messaggio: — *Come la Chiesa Occidentale, così con eguale affetto paterno abbrac-*

ciamo la Chiesa Orientale; e apriamo altresì il cuore, le braccia a tutti i separati da questa Sede Apostolica.

Pace fra i popoli. E qui Giovanni XXIII — senza cenno alcuno a blocchi militari, a alleanze politiche, a conferenze "ad alto e basso livello" — invocava, ab initio, intese affinché "l'umana famiglia possa liberamente vivere, fiorire, prosperare". Gli uomini — Sua Santità diceva — *non chiedono quei mostruosi ordigni bellici, scoperti nel nostro tempo, che possono causare stragi fratricide e universale eccidio.*

Parole, queste, ripetute nelle sue prime tre Encicliche: in quella programmatica *Ad Petri Cathedram* del 29 giugno; nella *Sacerdotii Nostri primordia* del

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Una grande impresa alpinistica: la nuova via sulla Paganella aperta da Maestri e Baldessari

TRENTO, 21. — Cesare Maestri e Claudio Baldessari, hanno rinnovato la grande impresa del "Dainbass", aprendo una nuova via lungo la parete della Paganella. La scalata è stata coronata da pieno successo, quando i due audaci hanno raggiunto la vetta. La nuova via è stata intitolata al nome del presidente della sezione universitaria della SAT, dott. Giulio Gabrielli, perito sulla Marmolada nell'agosto scorso.

I due alpinisti, che l'anno scorso avevano vittoriosamente dato l'assalto al "Dainbass" hanno dunque riaffermato la loro tecnica di coraggiosi scalatori in un'impresa difficile, che una improvvisa difficoltà aveva rallentato. E' stato un "tetto" di sesto grado superiore che ha dato il maggior filo da torcere alla coppia di scalatori. Ma anche questo durissimo ostacolo è stato felicemente superato, con l'impiego di due chiodi ad espansione.

La via aperta da Maestri e dal capitano degli alpini paracadutisti Baldessari, si apre seguendo un tracciato che finora nessun rocciatore aveva mai tentato, e si svolge fra la via cosiddetta "normale" e quella "direttissima". La roccia, tranne brevi tratti, è quasi piatta e in alcuni punti è friabile. Maestri e Baldessari hanno dovuto, pertanto, superare 270 metri quasi esclusivamente di 6.0 grado superiore. La prima parte della impresa si era conclusa verso sera. L'oscurità aveva sorpreso in parere Maestri e Baldessari, che avevano bivaccato reggendosi su un terrazzino largo non più di dieci centimetri, attaccati alla parete, con le gambe penzoloni nel vuoto.

Maestri e Baldessari non hanno nascosto che le maggiori difficoltà le hanno incontrate soprattutto al "tetto" di sesto grado superiore che pareva dover sbarrare loro la via. Hanno dichiarato di aver sofferto la sete, essendosi trovati senz'acqua.

Recreation Club Sponsors Party

O. Al Chiarello, Secretary of the Italian Hall Recreation Club announces that on December 22, the Club will give a children Christmas party in the Italian Hall. Children will be entertained and served with refreshments. There will be a prize of a Shetland pony and saddle for the lucky one. Some Christmas baskets will be given to some needy Italian families.

Mike Dema, president of the club, stated that there have been a number of Italian families asking for Christmas baskets, that the club decided to do something about it this year. We will try and have as many baskets to supply to the most needy said Mike, we are not asking for donations for this party but there are many of our friends that may be willing to help, to them we say thanks.

Società Italiana M. M. "Giovani Bersaglieri"

La seduta generale del Consiglio d'Amministrazione della Società Italiana M. B. "Giovanni Bersaglieri" ha avuto luogo nella sede dell'Unione Italiana, 1020 Esplanade Avenue, il 14 ottobre u. s. A questa seduta sono stati eletti i seguenti Ufficiali per la gestione 1960:

Cav. Antonio Carimi, Presidente.
Sig. A. Giardina, Vice Presidente.
Sig. P. Calabrese, Tesoriere.
Sig. G. Pesce, Segretario.
Dr. F. Gallo, medico fiduciario della Società.
Sig. G. Graffagnino, Collettore.
Il nuovo Presidente eletto, Cav. Antonio Carimi è considerato uno

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Arch Of Constantine

ROME, Italy — The Arch of Constantine, a superb structure of white marble was built in honor of Emperor Constantine, Imperial Rome's first Christian ruler, back in 315 AD.

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Società Italiana M. M. "Giovani Bersaglieri"

degli "anziani" dell'Unione Italiana. Nel 1920 fu nominato Delegato della predetta associazione e nel 1937 primo Vice Presidente della stessa. Il Cav. Carimi ha sempre fatto parte di tutti i Comitati di beneficenza a favore degli italiani e dei Comitati Ricevimenti Autorità Italiane. Quale commerciante di prodotti italiani, viaggia in tutta la Louisiana, è in continuo contatto con le comunità di piccoli paesi e, conservando un eccezionale attaccamento alla Patria d'origine, porta a tanti italiani isolati dalle grandi città e residenti in piccole comunità, una parola di aiuto e di conforto. In riconoscimento della sua disinteressata offerta di collaborazione in tutte le raccolte di fondi necessari all'Italia, il Governo Italiano, gli conferì, nel 1952, la Stella della Solidarietà Italiana.

Al Cav. Carimi ed a tutti gli Ufficiali della "Giovani Bersaglieri," vadano i nostri migliori auguri per la meritata elezione.

La Società ha deciso di celebrare il 72.mo anniversario della sua fondazione l'11 novembre prossimo con un banchetto al nuovo Ristorante di John Signorilli in Robert E. Lee Blvd.

TWO DIE AS BRIDGE IN ITALY COLLAPSES

FLORENCE, Italy — A 239-foot long bridge under construction over a new highway collapsed Saturday, killing four workers.

Several others were injured, none seriously, when the 154-foot high structure buckled at its center near Molinuccio.

Deaths

PAGANO — On Sunday morning, Oct. 25, 1959, at 4:30 o'clock, ANTHONY A. PAGANO in his 63rd year, beloved husband of Frances, sister of Mrs. Frank Di Vincenzo, Mrs. August Gilbert and Charles Pagano, son of the late Mary Ann and Salvatore Pagano. A native of and resident of this city. Relatives and friends of the family, also Mater Dolorosa parish, Sanctuary Ladies Society and the Ave Maria Black Society, are invited to attend the funeral, which will take place on Monday morning, Oct. 26, 1959, at 11 o'clock, at the House of Balthasar on St. Charles Ave. at Louisiana Ave. Requiem Mass at Mater Dolorosa church, S. Carrollton Ave. at 11:30 a.m. Interment in Metairie cemetery.

BALLANCO — On Thursday, October 22, 1959, at 7 o'clock p.m., CHARLES BALLANCO, husband of the late Antonietta Monteleone; father of Mrs. Irvin Frick, Mrs. Edwin Shepherd, Mrs. Frederick Mohr, and Al Ballanco; brother of Anthony Ballanco, also the late Mrs. Mary Cutolo, Lily and Gus Ballanco; also survived by six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral from the home of Sharp-Southmer-Tharp, Inc., 4127 South Claiborne avenue (parking entrance on Milan street), Sunday afternoon, November 1, 1959, at 1:30 o'clock. Services at St. Francis of Assisi church, State and Patton streets. Interment in Greenwood cemetery.

CIMO — On Monday, November 2, 1959, at 8:30 o'clock a.m., JOSEPH CIMO, beloved husband of Teresa Delia, brother of Henry, Anthony, Sam and Josephine Cimo, and the late John and Mary Cimo; age 67 years. A native of Naplesville, La., and a resident of this city for 40 years.

Un anno di santità

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1. agosto; nella *Gratia recordatio* del 26 settembre; e in tutte le Allocuzioni che invocano per tutte le Nazioni grandi e piccole, potenti e deboli, ricche e povere, eguali, la solidarietà fondata sui doveri di ciascuna gente verso le altre, per una legge di amor del prossimo estesa dagli individui ai popoli; e condannano l'arbitrio della forza; e auspicano il rispetto della libertà, la moralizzazione delle relazioni internazionali, la fedeltà ai patti, la disciplina dei rapporti fra gli Stati, onde il disarmo.

Chi disse, togliendo dal vocabolario giornalistico delle "frasi fatte", che il Pontificato di Giovanni XXIII dovesse essere un "Papato di transizione", avrà già avuto ben ragione di ricredersi. Basta pensare al prossimo Concilio Ecumenico, al Sinodo di Roma, alla promulgazione del codificato Diritto delle Chiese Orientali, all'universale plebiscito di ossequio che vanno rendendogli i Capi di Stato, i Dignitari d'ogni rango che nel Sacro Principato di Giovanni XXIII vedono la Cattedra, Pietro, il Pontificato Romano non solo onusto di storia di venti secoli ma vivo, sovrastante ai tempi nell'eterno presente della Chiesa.

Altro che "transizione"! Sarà certezza di domani l'opera di questo Papa che, incoronato nel dì di San Carlo Borromeo, ha il Borromeo a guida santificatrice. Sarà la restaurazione cristiana che parte dalle prime radici: il *restaurare omnia in Christo* di San Pio X, l'*instaurare la pace di Cristo nel Regno di Cristo* di Pio XI, l'*attuare in pieno il motto che fu di Pio XII: Opus iustitiae, pax.*

Ed è proprio con questo voto — nel primo anniversario della Elezione e della Incoronazione del Santo Padre — che va deposta ai piedi del Trono di Dio la preghiera della Cristianità perchè lo Spirito del Signore regga e consoli Giovanni XXIII, fecondi i magnanimi disegni che Egli postula dai disegni stessi del Cielo e gli sia dato l'ineffabile premio di vedere Egli ristabilita e rifiorita — insieme all'unità delle Chiese e all'equità fra le genti — la pace nel mondo.

IL CROCIATO

Deaths

SPERANDEO — On Friday morning, October 30, 1959, at 3:45 o'clock, CARLO (BOOTHIE) SPERANDEO, husband of Agnes Clayton, brother of Joseph Sperandeo, son of the late Julia Parodi and Benedetto Sperandeo. Relatives, friends and employees of National Distillers and Chemical Corp. and S. Strauss & Son are invited to attend the funeral from the P. J. McMahon and Sons Funeral Home, 4900 Canal street near cemeteries, at 11:15 o'clock Saturday morning, October 31, 1959, followed by Requiem High Mass at Our Lady of Holy Rosary church. Interment in Greenwood cemetery.

PALERMO-ALBRECHT — On Saturday, October 24, 1959, at 8:10 o'clock p.m., MARQUETTE MILLER, wife by first marriage of the late William B. Palermo and by second marriage of the late Carl Albrecht, mother of William B. Palermo and Mrs. Salvatore Picone, sister of Mrs. Clark grandmother of William B. Palermo, Mrs. George L. Daigle, great-grandmother of George L. Daigle, III; age 83 years. A native and a resident of this city.

Relatives and friends of the family, also employees of Pumping Station No. 1, Sewerage and Water Board and Krauss Co., are invited to attend the funeral from Letts-Eagan funeral home, Magazine at Philip (parking area 2515 Magazine street), on Monday, October 26, 1959, at 2:45 o'clock p.m. Religious services at Our Lady of Good Counsel church. Interment in St. Joseph No. 1 cemetery. Parlor will be opened at 8 p.m.

GIARRATANO — At New York city on Wednesday, October 22, 1959, at 2:30 o'clock a.m., JOSEPH GIARRATANO, son of the late Paul, Di Benedetto and Joseph Giarratano; brother of Anthony Giarratano, Mrs. Frank Salvaggio and the late Mrs. James Gagliano and Frank Giarratano; age 64 years; a native of Poggioreale, Italy, and a resident of New York city for the past 30 years. Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral, which will take place on Sunday, November 1, 1959, at 1 o'clock p.m., from the funeral home of William Betz's Sons, 7611 Maple street, near Adams street.

Religious services at Mater Dolorosa church, Carrollton avenue and Pium street.

CARUSO — At Dallas, Texas, on Wednesday, October 22, 1959, at 10:30 o'clock p.m., JOSEPH CARUSO, husband of Etta Caruso; father of Vincent Caruso and Mrs. Anna Mae Frommeyer of New Orleans, La.; brother of James Caruso, Mrs. Frances Michel and Mrs. Mary Di Crispino all of New Orleans, La. Jake and Frank Caruso of Baton Rouge, La. and Mrs. Lillie Biscuit of Dallas, Texas, survived by 4 grandchildren. Funeral took place Saturday, October 24, 1959, at 8 o'clock a.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, Dallas, Texas. Interment in Calvary Hill cemetery.

USING OF TERM 'MAFIA' SCORED

Indiscriminate use of the word "mafia" to describe criminals or bands of criminals was sharply scored in a resolution adopted recently by the National Federation of Young Men's Clubs.

The resolution, a copy of which was made public Wednesday was adopted at a convention of the federation in Shreveport.

In adopting it, the federation went on record as condemning "movies and television shows which persist in the unfair practice of stereotyping a nationality group through the persistent use of the word 'mafia.'"

"This indiscriminate use of the word mafia in movies, on television shows and in newspapers," said the resolution, "has been applied to Americans of Italian ancestry. It has been used in such a manner as to bring discredit to Italian Americans, resulting in the unfair practice of stereotyping of a nationality group."

The resolution charged that the practice "can only result in enhancing and promoting prejudice against Americans of Italian origin."

"In so doing," it added, "it militates against their participation in all areas of American life. It also endangers the successful passage of fair legislation affecting Italian migration. The attorney general of the United States, William P. Rogers, has stated that there is no such organization, consisting solely of criminals of any particular national origin and that no investigative or governmental agency has evidence of the existence of the mafia."

The resolution concluded that "the announced intention of certain film and television producers to present shows highlighting the mafia theme can only result in the continuing slander of decent and law-abiding citizens."

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BLUE ROOM STAR 'ONE IN MILLION'

Marguerite Piazza Is Big Hit at Opening

By SIM MYERS

If there were very many stars around the likes of Marguerite Piazza, they would have to start making supper clubs as big as football stadiums to hold the crowds which would surge forth to see the spectacles.

Such is not the case, however, and when this New Orleans-born singer opened her first supper club engagement in the old home town Thursday night at the Blue Room of the Roosevelt hotel, one of the things she proved most conclusively was that she is one in a million.

Miss Piazza had a few friends in the audience, some of whom had driven all the way down from Memphis, Tenn., her present home, just for the occasion. So some of the applause could be expected. But there also was the inevitable "I'm from Missouri so show me type" present, and the star's greatest triumph came when she absolutely wowed this mob into a furious crescendo of applause. More about all this in a moment.

FALBO LAUDED

To start the show off, there was an uncommonly good comedian-singer-dancer-mime by the name of Billy Falbo. His routines were varied, fast-paced and clever, and his patter smooth and funny. One would have to go a long way to find better pantomime than his study of a sharpshooter in a poker game. His imitations of the Durantes, Ted Lewises, Eddie Jacksons and Al Jolson of the day also were dynamite, though an opening night audience was coldly unresponsive for the first part of his act.

His is a name to watch, for where are the Durantes of tomorrow coming from if not from such wells of talent as Falbo. Durante, you remember, was not always on top.

And so, back to Miss Piazza. It was the second time in less than a year that the Blue Room has discovered how sensational can be that phenomenon of a star who decides to transfer fields from opera to supper clubs. The first occasion was created by Helen Traubel, and many will want to go back that far to find anyone suitable for comparisons.

In the looks department, Miss Piazza has it all over Miss Traubel, and looks, after all, mean a lot. She appeared on



MARGUERITE PIAZZA

the stage in a svelte and clinging gown of black over red or red over black with glitters all over it.

SPLENDID VOICE

She sang a couple of songs from Broadway shows, then a few numbers her New Orleans grandfather had taught her in the Italian vein. She has a splendid voice and the songs were fine. But somewhere along the line, one began to realize that there was much more to this than just voice and song. There was style and personality. She knows how to make an effective gesture, how to smile at the right moment, how to move about the stage engagingly.

An upbeat "My Hero," and a haunting "Danny Boy" brought changes of mood as had a previous "Out of This World" with its effective trumpet by-play. There was more theater music, and of a sudden this super sophisticate started a number called "Zip" and zip she did



MARGUERITE PIAZZA

until her gown was gone, revealing a tights costume and a lovely pair of legs which she paraded around for all to admire.

With all the sensational material before, how could one achieve a climax to such a show. Miss Piazza did, with one of the most ingenious bits of supper club staging ever seen. A miniature dressing room was effected, and right before the huge audience, she made up in clown costume and became a woman Pagliacci. She found pathos in the "Vesti la giubba" and nearly brought her audience to tears as she sang and portrayed the tragic clown. One more moment of clowning mirth came forth before Miss Piazza left the stage, a singular triumph . . . one worth seeing again and again.

Youths Stage Party On Stolen Liquor

ROME — Some 100 youths, ranging from nine to 14, staged an orgy that ended when the police rounded them up, sick, drunk and battered from fights.

"I've never seen anything like this before," said one amazed policeman. "I hope I never see anything like it again," he added with a shudder.

The boys, from the Rome suburb of Acilia, broke into an amusement park shooting stand and walked off with some 100 bottles of marsala wine, eggnog, 25 bottles of Italian sweet vermouth, Italian champagne, boxes of candy and three of the rifles from the shooting gallery.

Others Join The Party

From the original group of 10 that stole the goods, another 90 or so heard about the party as it gained momentum in a nearby field.

The mixture of wine, eggnog and candy was passed out. They took turns shooting the rifles to break the empty bottles.

Then fights broke out.

"It was a real wonder nobody was killed," said one policeman. "With those rifles one accident could have made it a tragedy rather than a farce," as it was, it was bad enough a couple of the boys got hopped and others were cut by glasses.

Parents Put Out Alarm

When many of the kids failed to turn up at home parents put out the alarm. It was not until the following morning that police found some of them staggering around downtown.

When the story finally came out the cops pulled a fast raid on the field. What was left of the group were a bunch of sick boys, some crying with pain, others sitting in stunned silence, all was a shambles.

It took police until the following night to round up all the youths taking part in the spree.

Davis Supported by Di Gerolamo

The former city campaign manager for the Marshall Brown ticket has joined the Davis-Aycock organization, G. Charles Porpora, Davis city campaign manager, said Thursday.

Charles Di Gerolamo announced Thursday that he believes the Jimmie Davis-C. C. Aycock ticket "to be the ticket for all right thinking Louisianians," and will devote his political efforts to work in behalf of that ticket.

Schedule Of Meetings Held In Italian Hall

Contessa Entellina Society 8th of each Month*
Celika Bowen Lodge No. 125.

B. of R.R. Trainmen Ladies auxiliary 2nd Monday each Month
Dante Lodge F. & A.M. 174 1st Monday each Month
Gimpers Club Every other Thursday
Italo-American Club and Ladies Auxiliary Second Tuesday
Italian Hall Recreation Club Every Evening
Orleans Post 3566 VFW and Ladies Auxiliary Third Tuesday
Old Friends Barracks No. 640 and Ladies Auxiliary Fourth Thursday
Scuola Di Lingua Italiana
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BOXING BRASS—These five men help guide the destiny of St. Mary's CYO boxing program. Seated, from left, are chairman Joe Filati, vice-president Sal Esposito and secretary-treasurer Mike Butera. Standing, matchmaker George Bonet, left, and Pete Mulligan. The St. Mary group staged a big Italian-style banquet Tuesday night to honor those who backed the program the next season.

SEGNI KEEPS THE REINS

Internal Fight in Italy's Christian Democrat Party, Caused by Fanfani's Resignation, Is Won by the Premier.

A CLEAR EDGE

Dominant Faction Is Assured of 78 Seats on 142-Member Council.

Florence, Italy, Oct. 29. —Premier Antonio Segni and Christian Democrats backing his center-right government today won a clear victory in a crucial party struggle with Amintore Fanfani, left-winger.

A faction headed by Segni and Aldo Moro, party secretary general, retained control of the party's policy-making national council in an election closing a 6-day congress.

Unofficial figures showed the Moro-Segni bloc won 68 of the 121 council seats at stake. Other right-wingers capturing 6, assuring the premier of 74 votes. The counting of ballots is continuing.

There are 142 members on the council. The Segni-Moro faction can count on four more sure votes from former premiers and party officials classified as lifetime members.

The elected councilors will choose the remaining members later this year, and most are bound to be Segni supporters.

Fanfani resigned as premier and party secretary general last January because of opposition from right-wingers. His bid for a comeback resulted in the worst internal fight since the Christian Democrat party took over the government at the end of World War II.

Do Nothing—And Die

CLEVELAND, OHIO — A grief stricken woman whose father had been killed by a car in a street accident, recently wrote to Edmond C. Powers, editor of Street and Highway Lighting Magazine and asked "What can I do to make sure this doesn't happen to someone else?"

She went on to explain that the motorist whose car struck down her aged father, had simply said: "I didn't see him."

The street was poorly lighted, the old gentleman was dressed in the dark clothing you would expect in one of his generation, and his reflexes and distance judgement corresponded to his years.

When the daughter thought of all the senior citizens whose lives were endangered by the poorly lighted streets in her community, she decided to act. Calling on city officials, she was told the practical facts of life. Money was scarce, and what there was, had to go where pressure was the greatest.

"Wait until there are five more deaths," she was advised, "then the public will be ready to recognize the need for good street lighting."

It reminded Mr. Powers of the lesson his own city had to learn before they demanded light on their streets.

Gjertsen Heads Palsy Aid Group

Election of Rolf Gjertsen Jr. as president of the Cerebral Palsy Young Adult Association was announced Thursday. He succeeds Miss Mary Lynne Abramson.

Others elected were Miss Carol Hill, vice-president; Miss Adrienne Hudson, corresponding secretary; Miss Janis Capello, recording secretary, and Cary Mertz, treasurer.

The group is sponsored and supported by United Cerebral Palsy of Greater New Orleans. It conducts educational, recreational, and social programs.



GJERTSEN

John J. Matassa,

of 2608 Esplanade, is seeking re-election as representative of Ward Six.

He has lived in the Sixth Ward all his life and is now a real estate and insurance broker with offices at his home. He is married.

Matassa was educated at Holy Cross college, Loyola university and Louisiana State university. He graduated from LSU in 1936.

He is a notary public and formerly was a notary for the Orleans levee board.

Matassa is a member of the Real Estate Board of New Orleans, the National Association for Realtors, Young Men's Business and Civic Association and the American Legion.

He is president of the Sixth Ward Civic and Improvement Association.

He is also a member of the Notary Association and the United Democrats of the State of Louisiana.



MATASSA

SCHIRO CHOSEN COUNCIL LEADER

Action on Holmes Petition Again Postponed

Councilman-at-large Victor H. Schiro Thursday was elected president of the city council for a six-month period beginning Sunday.

Schiro will succeed councilman-at-large Glenn P. Clasen as council president. Clasen will succeed Schiro as acting mayor during the remainder of the time that Mayor deLesseps S. Morrison is on leave of absence to run for governor.

Also Thursday at the council's weekly meeting, Councilman Theodore M. Hickey of District "E," comprising the Eighth and Ninth Wards, was elected council vice-president for the same six-month period. Hickey will succeed Councilman Fred J. Cassidy of District "D," which includes the Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Wards.

La drammatica cattura di un giovane folle che si era barricato nella sua casa

BARCELONA POZZO DI GOTTO (Messina). — Un intero quartiere di Barcellona Pozzo di Gotto è stato messo in subbuglio da un giovane folle, che ha effettuato una fitta sassaiola contro alcuni vigili che si erano recati a prelevare per condurlo all'ospedale.

Protagonista del drammatico episodio è stato il giovane Rocco La Torre, di anni 25. Tempo fa il La Torre era stato ricoverato all'ospedale perché trovato nel cimitero mentre saltava alcune tombe. Un mese fa, su richiesta della sorella, egli venne dimesso dal pio luogo, sebbene non completamente guarito.

Giorni fa il giovane La Torre aveva una ricaduta e la sorella, preoccupata per le continue stranezze di lui, iniziava le pratiche necessarie per il ricovero in manicomio.

Alcuni vigili si presentavano in casa La Torre per prelevare il folle, ma il giovane, alla loro vista, aveva una violenta reazione. Barricatosi in casa, egli apriva la finestra ed iniziava una fitta sassaiola con pietre e tegole contro i vigili. Sono dovuti intervenire i pompieri per ridurlo all'impotenza con getti di acqua.

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REMODELED INTERIOR of Hibernia National Bank's Jefferson branch. Inset shows S. R. Locofo, branch manager.



MISS MARY CATHERINE BELELLO.

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Belello, of Baton Rouge, La., is engaged to Mr. Joseph Francis Ricks Jr., son of Mrs. Ricks and the late Mr. Ricks. The wedding will take place Nov. 28 in Baton Rouge, in the Sacred Heart church.

—Photo by Tipery