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Italians Sing for Soraya

SAN REMO — While Princess Soraya Esfandiary spends the days window-shopping, along Via Condotti and Via Veneto, or looking at the red roses, Prince Raimondo Orsini sends her regularly, Italian song writers are singing the blues for her.

Of 435 songs submitted to the jury of San Remo's celebrated song festival this year, two are dedicated to Soraya, whose former husband, Mohammed Reza Shah Pahlavi, ruler of Persia, is about to marry a new wife, Farah Diba. One song is "Green Eyes," a beguine, describing Soraya's walks along Rome's Via Veneto. The other is simply called "Soraya."



LOUIS CAROLLO

CAROLLO RITES

Mr. Carollo, 2165 Brutus, died at his home at 11:30 p. m. Sunday. He was 63.

A native of Camporelle, Italy, he lived in New Orleans for 36 years. He was a member of the New Orleans Fruit and Vegetable Association.

Survivors include his widow, the former Minnie Pipitone; three sons, Dr. Carlo, Frank and Benny Carollo; seven daughters, Miss Josephine Carollo, Mrs. Jerome Schiro, Mrs. Nunzi J. Ballero; Mrs. Charles Mouton, Mrs. Frank Bonnacarre; Mrs. Joseph Hymel Jr. and Mrs. Joseph Mistretta; one brother, Phillip Carollo, and two sisters, Mrs. Sam De Matteo and Mrs. Jake Crifasi.

SICILY ROCKED BY EARTHQUAKE

CATANIA, Sicily (AP)—An earthquake rocked most of Sicily today. It shattered windows in Catania homes and offices and sent hundreds of frightened residents into the streets.

Palermo and other Sicilian cities also reported minor damage. There were no reports of injured persons.



VIA VENETO

ROME, Italy The spacious, tree-lined Via Veneto is Rome's "cross roads." Here, everyone gathers to pass the time of day and watch the world go by. At right is the American Embassy. Domed building at center is one of Europe's most fashionable hotels - the Excelsier.

PRESIDENT OF ITALIAN COTTON ASSOCIATION DIES

Sen. Pietro Bellora, age 58, died near Milan on November 20. For many years, he was President of the Italian Cotton Association.



"Former Governor Jimmie H. Davis is a tried and true friend of the people of Italian extraction and your vote for him and his entire ticket in the second primary January 9th, 1960 will be greatly and honorably appreciated.

"L' ex Governatore Jimmie H. Davis e' un vero e provato amico dei cittadini di origine Italiana ed il vostro voto per lui e della sua intera scheda nelle seconde elezioni del 9 Gennaio 1960, sera' grandemente gradito e apprezzato.

MRS. CIOLINO WINS DOORWAY CONTEST

Mrs. Joseph J. Ciolino, 4486 St. Roch, has been awarded first prize in the Christmas doorways decoration contest sponsored by the Gentilly Garden Club.

Winners of second and third prizes were, respectively, Mrs. Peter Ciaccio, 3431 Gentilly Blvd., and Mrs. Esmond Fatter, 1043 Robert E. Lee Blvd. Honorable mentions were awarded to Mrs. John C. Chae, 4635 Music; Mrs. Adrast Ducote Jr., 2936 Bruxelles, and Mrs. Edward E. Guedon, 4780 Franklin.

Pizzano Named to National Unit

Appointment of Jack Pizzano as one of the chairmen for a national study on recreation, health education and physical education was announced Thursday.

Pizzano is supervisor of health, physical education and safety for the Orleans parish school board.

Pizzano, who accepted appointment as state chairman for Louisiana, said physical education supervisors and health directors from Louisiana will be called to New Orleans in January for a conference and survey of the New Orleans public school physical education program.

The national study will be completed in April and presented at a convention in Miami, Fla.

The appointment of Pizzano was made by Thomas B. Godfrey, Louisville, Ky., southern district chairman for the American Council of Administrators of Health, Physical Education and Recreation.

NEW ITALIAN COUNCIL APPOINTED FOR NEW ORLEANS

The Italian Government has appointed Dr. Roberto Cerchione as Council General of Italy in New Orleans, succeeding Dr. A. Tanchieri, he will arrive from Rome, by boat to New York and by train to New Orleans on Monday, January 11, at the Union Station, 7:30 P.M.

DANTE LODGE INSTALLS NEW OFFICERS

George J. Gulotta was installed Master of the Dante Lodge No. 174 F.&A.M. Succeeding Nunzio Guarnieri. Ceremonies were held in the Italian Hall Monday December 19.

Ceremonies were conducted by Grand Secretary Peter Laguens assisted by Jack Gurry, past Master of Dante Lodge.

Others installed included: Joseph F. Ruffino, Primo Vigilante, Pasquale Ragusa, Secondo Vigilante, Comm. Gaspar Lo Cicero Sr., Oratore Paul Scarcelli, Segretario, Joseph Cusumano, Tesoriere, Frank Ruffino, Maestro Esperto, M. Sacco Maestro di Ceremonies, Salvator Centanni, primo Diacono, J. Maorana, secondo diacono, Joseph Lopresto, ospitaliers G. Lampo, economo, Alberino Dipeco, Guardia Interna, Onofrio Chiarello, Guardia esterna.

VOTE FOR JIMMIE DAVIS ENTIRE TICKET

VOTO PER INTERA SCHEDA DI JIMMIE DAVIS

WADE O. MARTIN, JR.	20	DAVE L. PEARCE	39
For Secretary of State		For Comm. of Agriculture	
JACK P. F. GREMILLION	26	ELLEN BRYAN MOORE	46
For Attorney General		For Register of State Land Office	
A. P. TUGWELL	30	RUFUS D. HAYES	50
For State Treasurer		For Comm. of Insurance	
ROY R. THERIOT	36	SHELBY M. JACKSON	
For State Comptroller		For Supt. of Education	



Al traffico aereo in quel mese sarà aperta la prima pista. Per lo stesso periodo di tempo si prevede che sarà aperta la prima pista. Per lo scorso ultimati i lavori del primo tronco di allacciamento con la strada nazionale a Villagrazia di Carini che agevolerà notevolmente il collegamento del nuovo complesso aeroportuale intercontinentale.



ITALIAN NEWS



GENERAL INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT IN SEPTEMBER UP 10.5% COMPARED WITH SAME MONTH LAST YEAR - AVERAGE INDEX FOR FIRST NINE MONTHS OF 1959 UP 8.9%

The general index of industrial output compiled by the Central Institute of Statistics for September stood at 167.7 (1953 = 100), an increase of 29.8% compared with September 1958. The average index for the first nine months of 1959 was 152.3 against 139.9 for the same period last year, an increase of 8.9%. During September, the average indexes of the mining, manufacturing and electric and gas industries, compared with August and September 1958, stood respectively at 185.5 (against 165.1 and 170.5), 169.2 (against 127.6 and 152.8) and 140.3 (against 133.2 and 130.8). Breakdown for January-September shows that in the mining industries increases over the corresponding period in 1958 were registered in the output of pit coal (up 28.2%), liquid and gas fuels (up 17.2%) and nonmetal-bearing ores (up 2%). In the manufacturing industries, gains were marked up in thirteen categories, the most significant being, as in recent months, in the industries of artificial and synthetic fibers (up 30.2%), furniture (up 16.7%) and paper and cardboard (up 13.5%). During the first nine months of 1959, output of electric power rose 6.1% compared with the same period in 1958, while gas output declined 1.4%.

SORIN NUCLEAR REACTOR, FIRST PRIVATELY OWNED AND OPERATED SUCH PLANT IN EUROPE, INAUGURATED AT SALUGGIA

Last week, at Saluggia, in the province of Vercelli, inauguration ceremonies of the Avogadro RSI nuclear reactor were held. Constructed by SORIN (Societa' Ricerche Impianti Nucleare), a joint FIAT and Montecatini enterprise, the reactor is the first for nuclear research built and owned by a private concern in Europe. Among those present at the inauguration ceremonies were Premier Segni; the president and vice president of Euratom, Prof. Etienne Hirsch and Prof. Enrico Medi; the president of the Italian National Research Council, Senator Focaccia; the president of FIAT and SORIN, Prof. Vittorio Valletta; the president and managing director of the Montecatini group, Count Faina; the vice president of SORIN, Signor Castellani, as well as numerous Italian and foreign nuclear experts.

PRIVATE NATURAL GAS OPERATORS TO BUILD PETROCHEMICAL PLANT IN PO DELTA

Announcement has just been made that on 125 acres of land outside of Adria in the Po delta, work on the petrochemical plant of the Methana Co., for the processing of natural gas and its by-products, will begin in January 1960. Methana, a subsidiary of the group of private natural gas operators CIM, recently reached agreement with a German group of financiers which will have a 40% interest in the enterprise and will supply all the equipment necessary for the plant. Making on-the-spot utilization of hydrocarbons, it is estimated that within two or three years Methana will be producing synthetic textile fibers of the highest technical and sales quality.



The Cathedral in Piazza Duomo,
Milan

NEW TIFELO POWER STATION DEDICATED IN SICILY

A new power station was dedicated on November 30 at Augusta. The Tifeo station with a capacity of 210,000 kw can produce 1,200 million kwh annually and is only slightly below all the thermo power stations now in use in Sicily. The new station utilizes 18 tons of fuel oil hourly delivered by pipeline from the nearby Rasim refinery.

PRODUCTION OF ALUMINUM INGOTS UP IN FIRST HALF OF YEAR - EXPORTS UP

Production of aluminum ingots in the first half of 1959 totalled 35,047 tons against 28,696 tons in January-June 1958.

In January-September 1959, Italian exports of aluminum and aluminum alloys totalled 13,751 tons for a value of over 5.1 million lire; during the same period last year, similar exports totalled 8,869 tons for over 3.8 billion.

The Italian business press reports the U.S. State Dept.'s decision not to consider that semi-finished Italian aluminum imports are being sold in the U.S. at prices below market value.

ITALIAN FILM LAWS EXTENDED TO THE END OF 1960

Italian film laws which had expired on June 30 have been continued through December 31, 1960, according to a decision by the Internal Committee of the Chamber of Deputies. The committee, meanwhile, has decided to form sub-committee to formulate new rules.

ITALIAN PAPER PRODUCTION INCREASES 14.7% IN JULY

Production of paper and cardboard during July totalled 113,367 tons representing an increase of 14.7% over July last year. Meanwhile, for the first nine months imports totalled 70,306 tons, an increase of 7.8% over the same period last year and exports totalled 20,790 tons or a 22% increase over the same period in 1958.

ITALIAN TALC PRODUCERS FEEL BRITISH COMPETITION

Italian producers of industrial talc have reported that British producers are exporting large quantities of industrial talc at low prices to the Italian paper and rubber industries. While Italian prices range from 20 to 40 lire and up per kilogram, British prices range from 12 to 14 lire per kilogram.

ITALY STUDIES FOREIGN TRADE EXPANSION WITH SOVIET RUSSIA

Various Italian ministries are studying possibilities for expanding trade with Soviet Russia. The aim is to arrive at an exchange of 120 billion lire but difficulties are encountered in finding suitable Russian exports and the large credits necessary to finance Italian exports.

A Venice-Munich double-decker

A double-decker turnpike motor road bringing Munich and Venice within 380 kilometers of each other is the newest communication project now being discussed in north-eastern Italy. Austria and Germany, Engineers point out that such a road could be built in three years at a cost of about three hundred million lire per kilometre, and that it would pay for itself in short order in view of the traffic that it would bring a sea port within fairly easy reach of the great manufacturing plains of South Germany.

The road would run almost due north from Venice through Cortina and Brunico and, after tunneling the Alpine divide at the end of the Aurina valley, would link up with existing motor roads leading into Munich.

Opposition to the project comes of course from Innsbruck Trento and Verona which would be cut out from this north-south thoroughfare.

The idea of running the north-bound and south-bound lanes of the road one above the other on a kind of continuous two-deck concrete viaduct is backed by engineers in mountainous country. The viaduct can be laid up the bottom of gorges and narrow valleys on stilts built into the riverbeds and thus kept free of avalanches. Also, when the top lane is plugged by heavy snowfalls, traffic can still use the bottom covered lane.

Texas Minister Cleared in Italy

VICENZA, Italy — An American minister of the Church of Christ has been acquitted by a Vicenza court of a charge of vilifying the Roman Catholic religion.

The charge had been brought against the Rev. Howard B. Bybee, 33, of Garland, Tex., on the basis of a sermon he delivered in this north Italian city last Feb. 8. Police Commissioner Aldo Violante accused him of violating Italian law by stating in his sermon that veneration of saints' relics leads to paganism.

Criticism of Roman Catholicism — Italy's state religion — is a crime under Italian law.

The Vicenza prosecutor asked for acquittal on grounds that the sermon "did not exceed proper limits." In Italy, a prosecutor must take a case to trial if ordered by an examining magistrate but can say at the trial whether he considers the charges justified.

HIGHWAY OF SUN HAS PLENTY OF FOG

MILAN (AP) — The official name of Italy's new Milan-to-Rome superhighway is "Autostada del Sole." That means the autoway of the sun. Over last weekend on one stretch of the road near Milan there were 40 accidents caused by fog.





Joseph Santano was a friend of mind, he told me of many things of great interest. This was good for me, for I am a writer of short stories. Joseph was a quiet man, and the other tenants in the building profited because of this. They were old and needed much peaceful rest and sleep. Joseph had a way with flowers, everything he planted grew very large and beautiful. He became famous. Joe was a gardener.

In fact many claimed Joe to be the most wonderful gardener to have ever lived. The flowers Joe planted not only grew to enormous sizes, but glowed with that vibrating color that attracted folks from close and far. Joe did all his own work. He received very large sums from the richest of people for his services. Botanists and learned men tried to study the soil Joe used or his method of planting, but was unable to find anything unusual about either, so Joe's secret of growing beautiful plants was never understood, not even by himself.

Joe and I, living in a very poor neighborhood, were the subject of much gossip. It was known by one and all I was living poorly through necessity, but Joe must be worth a fortune, for they all knew of Joe's fame and fabulous sums he received for his work, but none have ever known him to part with any of his money, only for bare necessities, would he spend any.

To his employers and Botanist, Joe was a genius, to me who knew much about him, a mystery; to his neighbors who knew nothing about him, a miser, so many years passed under the existing circumstances.

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We both grew old together. One day Joe came home with the most pleased look on his face I have ever seen. He spoke with a voice that was echoing with happiness. "My friend" he said, "for I know I am a man who has a friend, my time is short on this earth. The doctor says I have but a little while to live. Thank God for my life. It was devoted to Flowers and to Mankind, and they both were most responsive and devoted to me. So I'll die a man knowing I have fulfilled my mission on earth and one who has been greatly assisted by his God. Take this money and after my death see that my body reaches this address in Sicily where all preparations have been made for my burial."

Joseph Santano died, and I took his body to its burial place in South Sicily. It was buried before the largest crowd of mourners ever witnessed. Pushing my way to the tomb, I read this inscription on his Grave. "HERE LIES JOSEPH SANTANO WHO HAS BEEN GIVEN GREAT POWER OVER PLANT LIFE, SO THAT HE MAY EARN ENOUGH MONEY TO BUY EVERY POOR VILLIAGER HERE HIS OWN HOME. GOD HAS SEEN THAT HIS LOVE FOR FLOWERS HAS BEEN JUSTIFIED AND HE HAS SEEN THAT HIS NATIVE VILLIAGERS ARE HAPPY. SO WE CAN ALL BE REASSURED THAT HIS FUTURE IN THE UNKNOWN HEREAFTER WILL BE A SPLENDOR ONE."

After reading this inscription, I knew the secret the Botanist will never learn. I also knew why Joseph mystified me, and last but not least, how human beings back in my own land had mistaken the most liberal man on earth for being a miser.

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gration and Naturalization Service. A three dollar fee must accompany your application. The Immigration and Naturalization Service has such information for immigrants who entered the United States after June 29, 1906.

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