THE MOVIE COLUMN

Dancing Champions make Hollywood success scene

By BOB THOMAS

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Funny thing happened to Gower Champian the other night at a big Hollywood party.

"He was lionized and sought after," reports Marge Champion, "and I enjoyed it immensely. So did he."

While the Champions have always been popular with the Hollywood set, they now evoke a different attitude on the social scene. It's unmistakable respect that is accorded success.

Gower's success was known to everyone at the party—directing two smash Broadway hits in a row: "Bye Bye Birdie" and "Carnival." He nearly lost his health doing it.

The Champions were spending a quiet day at their home when I dropped in. Quiet days are the only kind Gower is allowed right now. He is under doctor's orders to relax following his collapse a few weeks ago.

"I had an ulcer," he says. "Corny, isn't it? I hate corn. So what do I come up with after having success? An ulcer!"

WORKED HARD

Gower had spent 10 intensive weeks getting "Carnival" to New York, then flew to San Francisco to drill the road company of "Bye, Bye, Birdie." He passed out in the midst of rehearsals. Rest, said the doctor, and resting, Gower is.

"I won't go back to work until August, when I start preparing the film version of "Bye, Bye, Birdie," he says.

Without dancing a step, Gower is earning more money today than he ever did as a performer. He can sit back and collect royalties from the Birdie companies in New York, Los Angeles, London and Australia, Carnival in New York, with road companies to come.

13 city boys to attend army camp

VICTORIA— Thirteen Prince Rupert high school students will take part in the army's Young Soldier Training Plan this summer at Work Point and Albert Head camps, in Victoria, beginning the middle of July.

The youthful soldiers, all members of the Irish Fusiliers of Canada, will spend six weeks training to qualify them as non-commissioned officers. National survival and rescue operations will dominate much of the training program.

Designed to develop efficient and physically fit militiamen, the Young Soldier Training Plan provides the students with the opportunity to participate in military training without affecting their academc studies.

Training is conducted on Saturday mornings during the school year and the six-week concentrated course is held in the summer months. For the period spent at camp, they receive a total of 42 days regular army pay.

About 200 young men attended camps in Vancouver and Vernon last year, while another sixty, from Vancouver Island centres, were trained at the Work Point base. This year all young soldier training will be done in Victoria.

They are Eugene Maskulak, David Quast, G. O. Griessel, W. M. Pearson, W. W. Slater, D. O. Maskulak, G. T. Ballinger, T. S. Ruttan, George Sawan, M. G. White, A. M. Grant, G. W. Holliston and J. J. H. M. Donders.

Gold price may change

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Kennedy was advised today consideration may have to be given to revising the official price of gold sometime in the future if other means of boosting world monetary reserves fail.

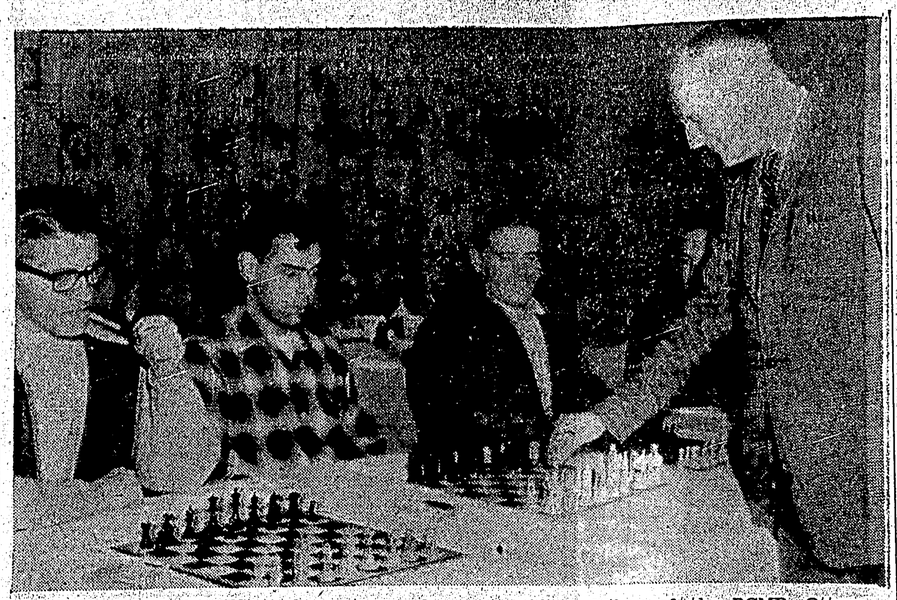
In a 300 - page study of the United States economy, the 20-meinber private commission on money and credit said arguments against an increase in the official price of $35 on ounce "at this time consel against such a step."

"At some future date, if alternative methods of meeting the needs for increased reserves prove to be unsatisfactory, the revaluation of gold may be advisable but it should be made under international monetary fund sponsorship."

Product of a three - year $1,300,000 study by U.S. industrialists, bankers, university, farm and labor leaders, the privately-endowed commission today place before the White House a number of recommendations for strengthening the economy. They included legislation to increase the president's influence over the independent federal reserve board.

It also suggested Congress hand over to the president stand-by power to reduce or increase taxes as a means of combatting recessions or inflation.

Unlike Canada, U.C. government tax proposals must first be approved by Congress before they can go into effect. Congress often has killed such measures.



PLAYING FOUR GAMES of chess at once Sergeant William Wilson of the RCMP, Ottawa, moves from board to board. From left to right: Rudy Schaad, Andrew Delany, Giordano Guistini and Fred Spalding watch Sgt. Wilson make an opening move. None of the local contestants failed to win against the policeman from Ottawa who says he has played as many as 42 players at once. — Staff photo by John Pain

Ranchers ready to evacuate homes as major fire sweeps Cariboo

QUESNEL (CP)—Residents of four ranches have been warned to stand by for evacuation in the face of the biggest forest fire in the Cariboo this year. It has covered 5,000 acres in an area 30 miles southwest of here.

Forest service officials said the fire was heading for the Vogelar ranch and was within three miles of another ranch. Two ranches further from the fire also were considered in danger.

Six bulldozers are being used to punch a road into the area so that guards can be built.

The fire was reported burning along a 4½-mile front and was visible from a helicopter as soon as it took off from Prince George 60 miles north of here, for the threatened area.

The machine was to be used to rescue the bulldozer men if they should be trapped by the fire.

At least 10 other fires are burning in the Prince George forest district where temperatures have been in the high 80s for several days and a hot weekend is forecast. Two more were reported extinguished Friday.

The fire hazard is approaching the danger level in the Vancouver forest district where several camps have been closed.

A huge Martin Mars water bomber owned by coastal timber operators was given credit for bringing a dangerous 40-acre blaze under control in a narrow valley near Tahsis on Vancouver Island.

Forest service officials said the inaccessible blaze gave the first chance to prove the usefullness of the big plane.

British Columbia Forests Products have closed their operations at Port Renfrew, Pitt Lake and Cowichan and Crown Zellerbach has ceased activities at Nitinat Lake near Nanaimo and at Courtenay, where a fire was struck out Thursday but is still smouldering.

Five new fires broke out in the Vancouver district Friday but none appeared serious from first reports.

In the Nelson district the first serious blaze of the season has destroyed 300 acres of valuable timber 20 miles east of Revelstoke but now is under control. There have been 72 fires in the district this year but most have been minor outbreaks.

Vaniers spend busy Sunday along Mackenzie river banks

HAY RIVER, N.W.T. (CP) — Governor-General and Madame Vanier had a busy day along the Mackenzie highway Sunday. They attended mass, spent an afternoon in "paradise," disrupted a yard foreman's Sunday picnic and bombarded the press with insecticides.

The most informal day to date in their 6,000-mile tour of northwestern Canada began with mass at the church of Our Lady of the Assumption. After lunch the vice-regal party formed a motor cavalcade down 16 miles of snaking, dust-choked Mackenzie Highway to Riverview Gardens.

There they saw the homes of Jack Cameron, 74, Joe Krause, 65 and Ken Webb, 70. Each of the three has 10 acres on a fertile point of land jutting into the Hay River. It is a hot spot with a three-month growing season and about 22 hours of sunlight a day. You can almost watch the vegetables grow in their market gardens.

Joe erected a flagpole for the off-the-track visit and watched with his wife Pansy as the governor-general and his lady strode across the fields. Joe and Pansy had the centre spread in the bowl of popiars and spruce groves, so they acted as hosts.

"It's just like paradise," said Mme. Vanier.

She and her husband saw experimental gardens carried on for the federal government. They saw Joe's home-made sawmill and the 1926 tractor he uses to keep three of his 10 acres a riot of color and produce.

More African independence may follow U.K. conference

LONDON (Reuters) — British colonial officials and African leaders here called to smooth the path to independence for the territories of Britain's former east African empire.

The talks were expected to touch on a possible federation of the vast territories—Tanganyika, Kenya, Uganda and Zanzibar—which have been moving at separate paces toward eventual self-government.

The African leaders were invited to London by Colonial Secretary Iain Macleod to discuss final details of Tanganyika's independence—due in December—and its relations with the neighboring territories through the east African high commission.

But the discussions are almost certain to range over a wider field because of tensions in some of the areas.

The commission, consisting of the governors of Tanganyika, Uganda and Kenya, administers services such as railroads, customs and excise, postal services and civil aviation.

TELLS MEETING'S AIM

Julius Nyerere, premier of Tanganyika, said Sunday the first consideration of the meeting is "to see whether there is a general desire in East Africa that we should maintain the common services, federation or no federation."

Nyerere arrived by air Sunday with another African leader, Tom Mboya, general secretary of the Kenya African National Union (KANU). Other African leaders on hand were Benedict Kiwanuka of Uganda, Ronald Ngala, chief of the Kenya African Democratic Union (KADU) and government leader in Kenya, and KANU president James Gichuru.

Gichuru said he wanted Kenya to become independent before an attempt was made at a federation of the territories.

"We feel that should come before all else," he said. "It is publicly known that both KANU and KADU want to achieve independence before the end of 1961."

LOVELY MARY PEACH poses against a background of the River Thames in London, England. She was co-starring with Peter Finch in the filming of "No Love for Johnnie", the story of the life of a Member of Parliament. With Peter Finch and Mary Peach is the redoubtable Stanley Holloway. — Photo by Ian Jones

Central figure in spy drama says he will ignore demands to leave U.S.

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — U.S. spy charges against a handsome Czech diplomat and his counter-claim that American intelligence tried to hire him landed on UN Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold's desk today.

Central figure in the drama is Miroslav Nacvalac, 39, No. 3 man in the Czech UN mission. He said he will ignore U.S. demands that he leave the country until he gets instructions from his government.

A UN spokesman said Hammarskjold is studying a U.S. request that Nacvalac be expelled on grounds he had been collecting information from an American government worker for almost a year.

Also before the secretary-general was a protest from the Czech UN mission claiming U.S. agents had dangled promises of unlimited wealth before Nacvalac if he would become a spy for the United States.

ACCOUNTS DIFFER

Both the U.S. and Czech accounts were replete with cloak-and-dagger details including threats of blackmail and violence, but the facts varied sharply.

State department spokesman Lincoln White gave this account in Washington:

Nacvalac made contact about a year ago with an American, then, a government employee, and demanded his co-operation, threatening that the American's fiancee in Czechoslovakia would be prevented from joining him in the United States.

White said Nacvalac not only used threats but indicated there was a possibility he might defect and remain in the United States.

The Spokesman said the American had access to classified U.S. information, but that he furnished only "purported" secrets to Nacvalac.

PAID MONEY

"Nacvalac paid sums of money for what he believed to be classified information of the U.S. government," White said.

He said a meeting was arranged with Nacvalac last Tuesday at the Gripsholm Restaurant in New York. The meeting was attended by special agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

White said the agents were present to discuss with Nacvalac his alleged interest in remaining here.

Nacvalac gave a sharply different version of the rendezvous. He told reporters this story.

Last Tuesday he was lunching with an unidentified American friends at the Gripsholm when three men entered, one of whom he recognized as Tisler.

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