

Lawrence Of Arabia Is Reviewed In Book

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LONDON (CP) — Lawrence of Arabia was the illegitimate son of an Irish baronet and a nursery-governess, says Colonel the Lord Astor of Hever, chairman of The Times.

In a review of the life of T. E. Lawrence's mother, the publisher told the story of a love match that resulted in the birth of the famous soldier and his four brothers.

The review, published by The Observer, followed the death of Mrs. Lawrence last week at the age of 83.

"Mrs. Lawrence was a remarkable woman in her own right; her life story is extraordinary," says Lord Astor.

MINISTER'S DAUGHTER
"She was born of Highland ancestry, with some French blood. She spoke little of her youth and it seems that her father was a minister."

"As quite a young girl she went as nursery governess to the daughters of an Irish baronet. The baronet fell in love with the governess and it became so obvious that his wife dismissed her."

to live in Dublin, where the love affair continued.

"When the baronet's visits became suspiciously frequent his wife had him shadowed, and discovered the governess installed in a house, the mother of several small boys."

"The baronet then made over most of his money to her and his legitimate family."

The publisher adds that the baronet's wife never divorced him. Eventually he, the former governess and their five sons settled in a house in North Oxford "under the assumed name of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence, where they led a model bourgeois existence."

In an accompanying story, Observer columnist Penderennis says biographer Richard Adlington rightly deduces that Lawrence was an illegitimate son of Sir Thomas Chapman, an Irish baronet.

Penderennis adds that the present Lord Astor got to know the Lawrences well when they lived in a cottage on his mother's estate.

HOUSE PETS

Among domestic pets cats may live from 12 to 25 years, dogs as long as 16 or 12.

Bullet Draw Ends In Death

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AP)—Robert Alfano, 16, won a draw for a bullet Monday.

He and a friend, Anthony Finazzo, 16, had decided to skip school. They met at Alfano's home and were alone. A .22-calibre rifle was in the house. The boys found one bullet in a drawer.

They drew cards to decide who would shoot it.

Robert won. But Anthony was so anxious to shoot that Robert surrendered.

Anthony was to shoot at a glass jar in the basement. He lifted the gun for an experimental sight, thinking the safety catch was set, he told police. The gun went off.

Robert was killed.

Politics Said Labor Must

CORNER BROOK (CP) — The vice-president of the Canadian Labor Congress told a weekend labor institute here that the time has passed "when organized labor could afford to stay out of politics."

"It might have been the best policy for labor organizations to ignore the field of politics at one time," William Dodge told the institute's 30 delegates. "But when politicians—and even governments—misuse their power to attack trade unions and curtail their rights then the unions have no choice but to get into politics and fight politicians on their own ground."

NO PLACE FOR WASTE
LONDON (Reuters) — Russian oceanographers have reported there are no stagnant zones in the ocean depths and that radioactive wastes dissolved deep in the sea will rise to the surface. Tass news agency reported Wednesday. The agency quoted Valentin Bogorov who recalled that

American scientists had suggested dumping radioactive wastes in the ocean depths so the ground water was almost stagnant 'here.'

LITERARY JUDGE
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ernor is seated beside him. Premier Paul Sauve is at the far side of the throne and finance minister John Bourque at the nearer side. (CP Wirephoto)

Errant Engine Is Sabotaged

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — The Jersey-Central Railroad said Monday its errant locomotive that left the Jersey City yards on an unmanned 22-mile run two weeks ago was sabotaged.

The locomotive did not run away by itself, said J. C. McLester, the railroad's vice-president. He testified at a state public utility commission hearing called to decide what safety regulations might be needed to prevent such incidents in the future.

McLester said an investigation showed that the locomotive had been stopped properly when it was left idling Nov. 12 in the yards.

That meant, he said, that the throttle was off, the independent brake was on, the field switch that sends electricity to the traction motor was off, and the reverse lever was in neutral.

When the locomotive was halted 22 miles away in South Amboy, he said, its throttle was wide open, the brake was off and the field switch and reverse lever was engaged.

"The only conclusion is that this was a case of malicious mischief. Someone deliberately went into those yards with sabotage in mind," said McLester.

Division Charge Gets No Comment

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP)—Premier Smallwood Monday declined comment on a charge that he caused a slight division "in the ranks of the Canadian Liberal Party" earlier this year.

The statement was made by national Liberal leader Lester Pearson at Sackville, N.B. Mr. Pearson said he didn't approve of the methods used by Mr. Smallwood to end a loggers' strike last winter.

The Newfoundland legislature approved unanimously a bill certifying two International Woodworkers of America (IWA) locals. The premier later promoted the Newfoundland Brotherhood of Woods-Workers (Ind.) to replace the IWA.

Tibetans Rob Jap Expedition

KATMANDU, Nepal (AP) — A Japanese expedition that failed in an attempt to scale a Himalayan peak was robbed at bayonet Point by Tibetans, according to reports reaching here Monday.

The Japanese expedition was forced by avalanches to give up an attempt to reach the summit of 23,440-foot Mount Gauri Sankar after members had climbed about 20,000 feet.

Runners arriving from the area said the expedition was robbed while it was getting ready to descend the mountain early this month.

Runners earlier had brought back a report that the expedition was forced by snowslides to descend on the Tibetan side, where it was stopped and held for a time by a Red Chinese patrol. It was not clear whether this was the same incident reported Monday. Runners said the expedition was robbed of cash, food and clothing.

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