

Veteran Tells Story of Northern Mines

By Vera Williams

THE NORTHERN MINES, by Edmund Kinyon, Grass Valley—Nevada City, Calif.; 161 pp.; Grass Valley: Union Publishing Company; \$3.

WHAT a fabulous tale is this chronicle of the northern mines of California, where swept the upper tide of the gold-rush in 1848, 1849 and 1850!

That gold rush flood divided in the vicinity of Coloma to the north and south, the newspaperman-author explains. Thus very early two general designations came into the miners' vocabulary: northern mines and southern mines.

Oddly enough, as lode mining began to supplement or supersede placer mining, it was revealed that the chance division had geologic confirmation. In the vicinity of the Georgetown ridge in El Dorado county, the Mother Lode tapers to an end, and no continuing northern lode has been found.

Most writers about California gold are fascinated with placer mining; Kinyon chronicles the no-less-dramatic story of hard-rock mining which had its California beginning in the picturesque mining town of Grass Valley shortly after gold was found at Sutter's mill.

At Grass Valley shafts put down by Cornish miners descend to 10,000 feet underground, and the writer makes it plain that descendants of those same Cornish miners and others who followed them still extract sizeable fortune from the quartz.

READERS of California history know many of the stories that Kinyon recounts: the horrifying and heart-breaking story of the Donner party, victims of hunger, cold and inadequate leadership; the saga of the Elisha Stevens expedition, the first emigrant party to jay a wheel-track over Don-

'Judith' Author to Talk Here

MARGARET CARVER LEIGHTON, noted writer of juvenile stories, will address the Long Beach Writers' Club October 27 at 2 p. m. in the auditorium of the Y. W. C. A., Sixth St. and Pacific Ave. Her subject will be "The Best Audience in the World."

Mrs. Leighton's current best seller is "Judith of France," an exciting tale for teenagers. She also is the author of "Twelve Bright Trumpets," "Mystery of the Open Gate," "Mystery of the Closed Door" and "The Singing Cave." In 1946 she was awarded the Commonwealth Club medal for "The Singing Cave," which was pronounced the best juvenile of the year by a California writer.

The Writers' Club meets from 10 a. m. to 3 p. m. Mable R. Gerken, president, will preside. Ida L. Sinclair, poetry director, and Jessie Bond, prose director, will have charge of the morning reading of manuscripts.

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AUTHOR—Vaughan Williams is the author of "Once Upon a Time," just published by Macmillan. See review.

This Tale Geared for Films

ONCE UPON A TIME, by Vaughan Williams, 228 pp., New York; the Macmillan Co. \$3.50.

HEREIN a reviewer turns mind reader to analyze the motives of an author turned alchemist.

In "Once Upon a Time" the elements seemingly dear to filmdom have been carefully evaluated, measured and mixed. One would guess the author, who sold "And So—Victoria" to M. G. M. liked the experience, and seeks to repeat. His latest, well-titled book leaps from scene to scene, each an exotic setting overdrawn for the movie camera. His characters, too, will match filmdom's best, with their elaborate costumes, dashing adventures and devil-may-care attitude.

Oliver Granville, at first a pawn in this high drama, eventually plays a leading role in the fight with an ex-Nazi murder ring, while managing to keep himself clear of the smuggling and other questionable activities of his associates, and properly winds up the story desperately in love.

'Problem' Novel Has Suspense

THE HIDDEN HERO, by Stanley Lauretman, 242 pp., New York; Rinehart & Company, Inc. \$3.50.

HOW far should a man or a woman go in seeking atonement for past cowardice? Should he or she court a public scourging, certain to come if the cowardice and wrongdoing are admitted? And what about the others, the innocent who will suffer along with the guilty?

Is the answer, perhaps, in keeping quiet and living with a tortured conscience, to spare others? Or is it in compromise, and in the words of the author, "the devilish, insidious quality of a compromise is that it often makes a great deal of sense?"

These questions are probed in this book by Kauffmann, which is a problem novel but also a novel with a large amount of suspense and some mystery.

Eleanor Shafer, scion of an honored family, and herself kind, generous, impulsive and wracked because her lover is dead because of her, and Earl Seastrom, ocean-spanning flier who captured the headlines in a glory that he knew was not rightfully his, have to answer these atonement questions. They have to do it after much soul-searching and anguish of spirit—and this reviewer, at least, was surprised at the two contrary decisions.

Kauffman, who lives in New York but who must have traveled extensively in Mexico, takes his characters through the back country of Mexico in following the trail of their lives.

The book definitely can be recommended. Kauffmann has written two previous novels, "The King of Proxy Street" and "This Time Forever," and some 40 plays.

Novel Follows Different Form

THIS DARK MONARCHY, by Francis Leary, 216 pp., New York; E. P. Dutton Co., Inc. \$3.50.

THIS is a first novel and the first Story Press book to be published under the Dutton imprint. Whit and Hallie Burnett have built a fine reputation for uncovering new talent for Story Press—the most notable being Mary O'Hara, Richard Wright and Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings.

The story concerns the mental gropings and aberrations of Christine Carroll, a young girl in mid-Victorian England. She sees her stepmother as an ogre and her father in not much better light. Her tendency to day-dream is excessive. The reader is hard put to find the line between Christine's wild imaginings and what is actually happening in the story proper.

Eventually Christine is sent to a convent in France where two nuns seek to save her, one for God and the other for her own sake. The problem is resolved in a conventional enough manner. The style of telling is at times reminiscent of the Brontës.

There is certainly nothing here for the reader of light fiction. Perhaps the book will appeal to the reader not already saturated with the overflow of novels dealing with psychiatric problems. Leary's characters are seen from the most part through the eyes of Christine and consequently are fuzzy. While the story cannot be labeled a novelty, it is assuredly different from the rest of the current output.—J. C. W.

YOUR ALBUM OF RECORDS

Long Beach, Artesia Trio Wax New Songs

THREE Long Beach area musicians have combined in the production of a new record which is being given a whirl by some of the Southern California radio disc jockeys. One side of the platter carries "Don't You Ever Forget" by Dick Jones, 920 Junipero Ave., and on the other is "Would It Be Surprising?" by Mearl Ellison of Artesia. Jimmy Harriss of Long Beach leads the vocals and Jones' Hi-Timers Orchestra plays for both recordings.

Although Ellison has been writing music for the past 15 years this is his first recorded song. He came to Artesia recently from Cleveland, where he did summer theater and radio work.

Jones began his music career at Poly High School under Anthony Gill and continued at City College with Dwight Defty. He plays the sax with Southland orchestras, has written radio shows ("Platter Profiles" for A. Jarvis) and turns a neat hand at composing.

Both songs have lyric styles which are distinctive and well suited to Harriss' voice. Known here as Russ Luckett, he is another musician with quite a following, having appeared frequently in local night spots as soloist since his graduation from City College.

The record is being distributed by the High Time Records of the Clock Publishing Co. of Santa Monica.

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MARINE—This ocean scene by Norma Skeath Grotton of Montrose is shown in the East Branch Library, Anaheim St. and Belmont Ave., under auspices of the Recreation Commission.

Entries for Juried Art Show Now Due

ENTRIES for the autumn exhibition of the Long Beach Art Association, a juried show, will be received until 10 o'clock tonight at 1611 Pine Ave.

Mrs. Lucille Brown Greene is chairman and the jury is made up of outstanding Southern California artists, Richard Haines, Michael Frary and Vanessa Helder. Articles about work done by these artists has appeared in national art magazines including "American Artist." Haines now has a one-man show at Pasadena Art Institute. Haines and Frary have paintings in the Centennial exhibit at the Los Angeles County Museum.

Lafayette Hotel gallery, 140 Linden, will have a preview of the selections for this autumn exhibition October 24-30. Awards, including prizes given by local art supply houses, will be presented winners at 8 o'clock the opening night.

MEMBERS of the Long Beach Art Association who recently won awards in the San Pedro membership exhibit are Mrs. Ethel Keeler who received first award in oils with her painting called "Posies," and Florence Gendron who won first award for a miniature. Miss Gendron recently was in Santa Paula where she designed a float for the Centennial Parade. She also designed and arranged a display for Santa Paula, which won second award at the Ventura County Fair.

RADIO, TELEVISION AND F. M. PROGRAMS

Table with columns for station call letters and frequencies: KLAC 570, KFI 640, KMPC 710, KECA 790, KHJ 930, KFWB 980, KNX 1070, KFOX 1280, KFAC 1330, KGER 1390.

The following programs are compiled from reports provided by the broadcasters. No responsibility assumed for last-minute changes which sometimes are made.

DIAL LITES—TONIGHT

6:30—KHJ—Mutual Don Lee will carry the famous Hawaiian summoning ceremonies. You will hear the chief of all the islands summon all listeners to the festival which begins eight days later and marks the start of Hawaii's "Aloha Week."

6:30—KFI—Dennis Day and his girl friend Mildred get involved in an attempted marriage reconciliation through the medium of a high school musical.

7:00—KECA—If you are an ardent admirer of Al Jolson, you'd better catch the broadcast of "Hollywood Byline." Here is a show where the top Hollywood writers throw questions at the stars and then cross-examine them when they give their answers.

9:00—KFI—Jeff Clark, the 25-year-old baritone, from the Henry Morgan show, will be featured with Eileen Wilson on NBC's "Your Hit Parade." The program will feature a special tribute to the late Mark Warnow, who died in New York Monday afternoon.

9:00—KNX—Fletcher Bowron, mayor of Los Angeles, will be the narrator when CBS turns loose its thriller "Gang-busters." The show is entitled "The Case of the Elusive Leader."

Table of radio and TV programs for Saturday, October 22, including 5 P.M., 6:15 P.M., 7:45 P.M., 8 P.M., 8:15 P.M., 8:30 P.M., 9 P.M., and 9:15 P.M. slots.

Exhibitions to Feature Art Week in L. B.

ATTENTION now focuses on American Art Week, Nov. 1-7, and Long Beach will have many fine displays, featuring the work of local artists. Observance will be under the auspices of the Municipal Arts Committee, with Mrs. Dean E. Godwin, president, serving as general chairman.

Paintings, prints and sculpture will be shown in downtown windows. Art work of the public schools will be displayed in the window of the Southern California Edison Co. The Camera Guild will have a 25-print show. Art work and books pertaining to art will be shown in the public libraries. Representatives of art groups will address clubs.

Committee chairmen include Mrs. Athena Hall, exhibits; Mrs. Theodora R. Brewitt, libraries; Mrs. Helen Crail, Artists Guild; Edgar H. Lott, Spectrum Club; Edward Killingsworth, architects; Mrs. Josephine E. Hyde, studios; Miss Shirley Foote and Miss Ruth Burdick, schools; William Barnes, Long Beach Art Association; Harold Larsen, Camera Guild; Mrs. Rosemary Day and Mrs. O. S. Lindenberger, publicity.

MEMBERS of the Spectrum Club, organization of men painters, will have their fall Rendezvous Nov. 11-13 near Glen Ivy, between Corona and Elsinore. They will camp out, cook over open fires and paint to their hearts' content.

The club's fall show will open Nov. 19 at 225 E. Third St. Paintings of the members now hang in the permanent exhibition at the E. Third St. address.

CURRENT exhibitions include 30 water colors and wood engravings by Joseph Donat and Fred Meyer, City College art instructors, in the Jergins Arcade; 30 pictures by Women Painters of the West in Recreation Park clubhouse; 25 paintings by Norma Skeath Grotton of Montrose in the East Branch Library, Anaheim St. and Belmont Ave.; 25 paintings by Estella Gammon of Altadena in Houghton Park Club house lounge.

Jungle Adventure Provides Thrills

AMAZON ADVENTURE, by William Johnson, 242 pp., New York; John Day Company, \$3.50.

JOHN HUNT and his two sons, Hal and Roger, experience many thrilling events as they make their way down the Amazon River, searching for animals for zoos, in this true adventure tale. They not only encounter the animals but savages and a white rival as well.

Roger, the younger son, being filled with mischief, gets not only himself but the whole party into trouble in one way or another. The reader is kept wondering from one page to the next how the Hunt boys will escape annihilation and continue their journey down the river.

"Crocodile" a rival animal hunter who is nicknamed for his close resemblance to a crocodile, gives Hal and Roger a lot of trouble as they are left alone to finish the trip and deliver their valuable cargo after their father is called home unexpectedly.

TELEVISION SCHEDULE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

Table of television programs for Saturday, October 22, including channels 2, 4, 5, 7, 13 and 15.

FREQUENCY MODULATION SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

Table of frequency modulation programs for Saturday, October 22, listing stations and program times.

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