

# Esther Gould's Book Corner

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## Listening in on MR. HAMILTON

"CONVERSATIONS ON CONTEMPORARY DRAMA"

By Clayton Hamilton  
The MacMillan Co.

When the prophetic come true that in five years there won't be any more books but only radio readings, we will know where to go for a little lively entertainment, plain—if it is not forbidden to us by that time—some solid information. We will listen in on the readings of Clayton Hamilton. For that is practically what "Conversations on Contemporary Drama" amounts to. A chance to listen in on a course of nine lectures on contemporary drama, delivered at Columbia University in the spring of 1924 by an extremely able and clever critic.

Mr. Hamilton explains in a preface that talking and writing being to him very different crafts it was with considerable hesitation that he allowed these lectures which were delivered without notes to be taken down by a stenographer hidden among the audience with a view to the publication. And he admits that, so different are they from his usual writings "it gives me a curious sensation to reflect that somewhere in the world there lives a lady whom I have never seen, but who nevertheless has written a book that bears my name upon the title page."

However that may be we may consider the result a happy one. Mr. Hamilton is equipped as are few critics of today to speak on contemporary drama. He has been every play of importance that has been produced in New York over a period of thirty-five years. To do this and keep one's sanity is remarkable. To keep one's sense of humor and balance is an achievement.

Mr. Hamilton gives excellent criticisms of Shaw, Barrie, Galsworthy, Pinero, O'Neill, and a number of others. But best of all that he does is to confront us with the fact that we are living in a very wonderful period of dramatic creativity—one more vast and versatile even—prepare yourselves for a shock. O Past-Worshippers, the periods of Greek or Shakespearean greatness. We who bewail the days to which the theatre has fallen need to be awakened. To support an intelligent drama there must be intelligent audiences.

## Fireworks and Freaks

By Lawrence W. Meynell  
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Are they amusing themselves or each other or perhaps the unsuspecting public, these young things who write of life with the empty laugh and the fine gesture? We have had Michael Arlen—now we have his successors. For Lawrence Meynell's "Mockbeggar" is decidedly Arlenesque. From the moment that we look upon the "high and haughty lady" who is Rachael we know that she is spiritual cousin to Iris March. And the phrasing—this at the start might be Michael Arlen, "What has loneliness do you think with such an one? Which serves only to show your ignorance of things in general and of women in particular, because the heart of a pretty woman in the world, unless she be also a bad woman and then it is even lonelier."

But Rachael though she lives and has her court and rules her world does it all off-stage. She doesn't live for us as did Iris March. And she doesn't do much with life, as Iris did—she misses the heights and depths. But life does a good deal to her in the space of three hundred pages. It gives her three men in a little court of homage about her, Hugh the vivid and inscrutable, Chickie the faithful,

Vivian the gay and gallant; then one by one lets her watch them fail. The book is undeniably clever, and one's frame of mind in reading it is that of Vivian walking through life "As if it were an exhibit in a freak show, for that was Vivian's way of viewing mankind, he being the one and only visitor and the rest exhibits." The exhibits are amusing and it is always fun to spend a day at the Zoo.

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## DISCOVERY AFFECTS LIVING CONDITIONS

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### Lives of Most of Us Safer and Happier Because of the Efforts of College Scientists

Traffic conditions have become one of the chief problems in our larger American cities. In an effort to relieve conditions on the surface, part of the traffic was at first placed on elevated structures and later a part was diverted underground. Much the same development has taken place in the telephone industry except that here the process was anticipated by about a quarter of a century. At first the wires were strung on poles and on roof-tops, but the time came when the number of wires had swollen from hundreds to thousands and the overhead method had to be abandoned. Now, in the large commercial centers all the telephone wires are placed in underground cables.

**Congested Pole Lines**  
Previous to the development of underground transmission, the use of larger and heavier poles on the lines in our large cities became necessary as the number of subscribers increased. The use of higher poles resulted in the attachment of more crossarms to the main line until finally pole lines in many cities were carrying as high as a hundred open wires, while in a few cities from 150 to 200 wires were carried. Poles rose from fifty feet in height to sixty, seventy and eighty until finally the highest of all pole lines was built along West street, New York City—every pole a towering Norway pine ninety feet in height and carrying thirty crossarms and three hundred wires.

Telephone exchanges were as near the roof as possible for there it was that the wires entered the central office building. Typical of the development at this period was the Galveston (Tex.) exchange. An immense cupola was built on the roof to receive the wires from every direction and to distribute them inside. It was about ten feet high by eight feet long and six feet wide and was provided on the outside with crossarms equipped with porcelain insulators to receive the bare, open wires, and on the inside with heavy, brass-plate, saw-tooth lightning arresters, adjusted as close as possible to heavy copper ground wire, tacked to the same one-by-four pine boards to which the plates were secured. It is recorded that the cupola leaked and that, in case of rain, it was necessary to place washtubs and tin cans to catch the drippings on the floor below.

**Study Underground Cables**  
As early as 1880, the Bell engineers began to apply themselves to the special study of overhead and underground cables. The use of cables as a substitute for open wires in order to reduce the congestion in thickly populated cities was not, however, the first phase of their development.

The principal earliest use of cables for telephone purposes was to carry wires across rivers, either by placing them on bridges or in tunnels or allowing them to rest on the bed of the stream. In 1882 experimental cables were laid underground for a short distance along a railroad track in Massachusetts, and soon thereafter the first underground cables for commercial use were laid in Boston and Brooklyn, but subscribers using the cable could not talk satisfactorily further than to the suburbs. In 1887, however, the successful introduction of the cables placed today, although ductor, revolutionized the underground construction and paved the way for the extensive use of cables.

Up to that time progress, of course, had been slow. For example, in 1885, the total wire mileage underground in New York City, where it naturally was needed most, was about the same as would be contained in a quarter-mile length of modern 1200-pair cable. By 1889, a few cables containing 50 circuits were successfully installed and operated. These cables were two inches in diameter. Since then the technique of making telephone cables had advanced steadily so that many of the cables placed today, although only 2 5/8 inches in diameter, contain as many as 2400 wires.

Every year has seen an increasing amount of underground cable added to the plant of the Bell System. For example, the year 1892 witnessed 20,000 miles of wire added to the underground plant.

**Phenomenal Gain**  
This was considered a phenomenal gain, but in 1922, just 30 years later, two million miles were added—one hundred times as much as in 1892. Today, more than 66 per cent of the wire in the Bell System is in underground cable, comprising more than 26,000,000 miles.

These underground cables, upon entering the modern central telephone office, pass directly into what is known as the cable vaults. Like huge, sluggish snakes they appear, with gray bodies curving upwards toward the ceiling where they disappear from view. From there they go to the terminal room where the cables end and the wires are fanned out to begin their twisting and combings on their way to the switchboard.

It would be difficult to imagine a modern city with overhead wires; in fact, telephone development as it is

known nowadays would be entirely impossible under those conditions. It seemed that cities had about reached the point of telephone saturation some thirty years ago, because of the congestion of overhead wires, but the placing of the wires underground and the development of the cables have increased their capacity hundreds and even thousands of times.

### SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NOTICE No. 90

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all persons interested that the City Council of the City of Highwood, County of Lake and State of Illinois, have ordered the construction of an eight (8) inch vitrified tile sanitary sewer together with manholes and house connections in, along and under a portion of Grove Avenue from and connecting with the present sewer in Highwood Avenue at a point twelve and one-half (12 1/2) feet west of the intersection of said Avenue and running from thence north along a line parallel with and twelve and one-half (12 1/2) feet west of the center line of Grove Avenue a distance of three hundred forty-eight (348) feet, in the city of Highwood, Lake County, Illinois, the ordinance for same being on file in the office of the City Clerk of said City, and having applied to the County Court of Lake County for an assessment for the cost of said improvement according to benefits, and an assessment roll thereof having been made and returned to said Court, the final hearing thereon will be had on the 14th day of March, A. D. 1925, or as soon thereafter as the business of the court will permit.

Said assessment is payable in five (5) installments, with interest at the rate of six (6) per centum per annum on all installments from and after date of issue of first voucher. All persons desiring may file objections in said Court before said day, and may appear on the hearing and make their defense.

HARRY OLANDER,  
Officer appointed to make said assessment.  
Dated at Highwood, Illinois,  
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### SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NOTICE No. 88

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all persons interested that the City Council of the City of Highwood, Lake County, Illinois, have ordered the construction of a four inch internal diameter cast iron water main supply pipe together with necessary connections, bends, shut off valves and special castings to be constructed and laid along and under North Central Avenue from the line of the present water main in Washington Avenue, south to the present water main in North Avenue, in and along North Avenue from the west terminus of the present water main in North Avenue west for a distance of sixty (60) feet more or less to a point in said North Avenue (8) feet east of the west line of Grove Avenue extended North into said North Avenue, in and along Grove Avenue from the line of the water main herein specified to be laid in North Avenue, south to the line of the present water main now laid in Highwood Avenue, in the City of Highwood, County of Lake and State of Illinois. The ordinance for the same being on file in the office of the City Clerk of said City, and having applied to the County Court of Lake County for an assessment for the cost of said improvement according to benefits, the final hearing thereon will be had on the 14th day of March, A. D. 1925, at 10 o'clock, or as soon

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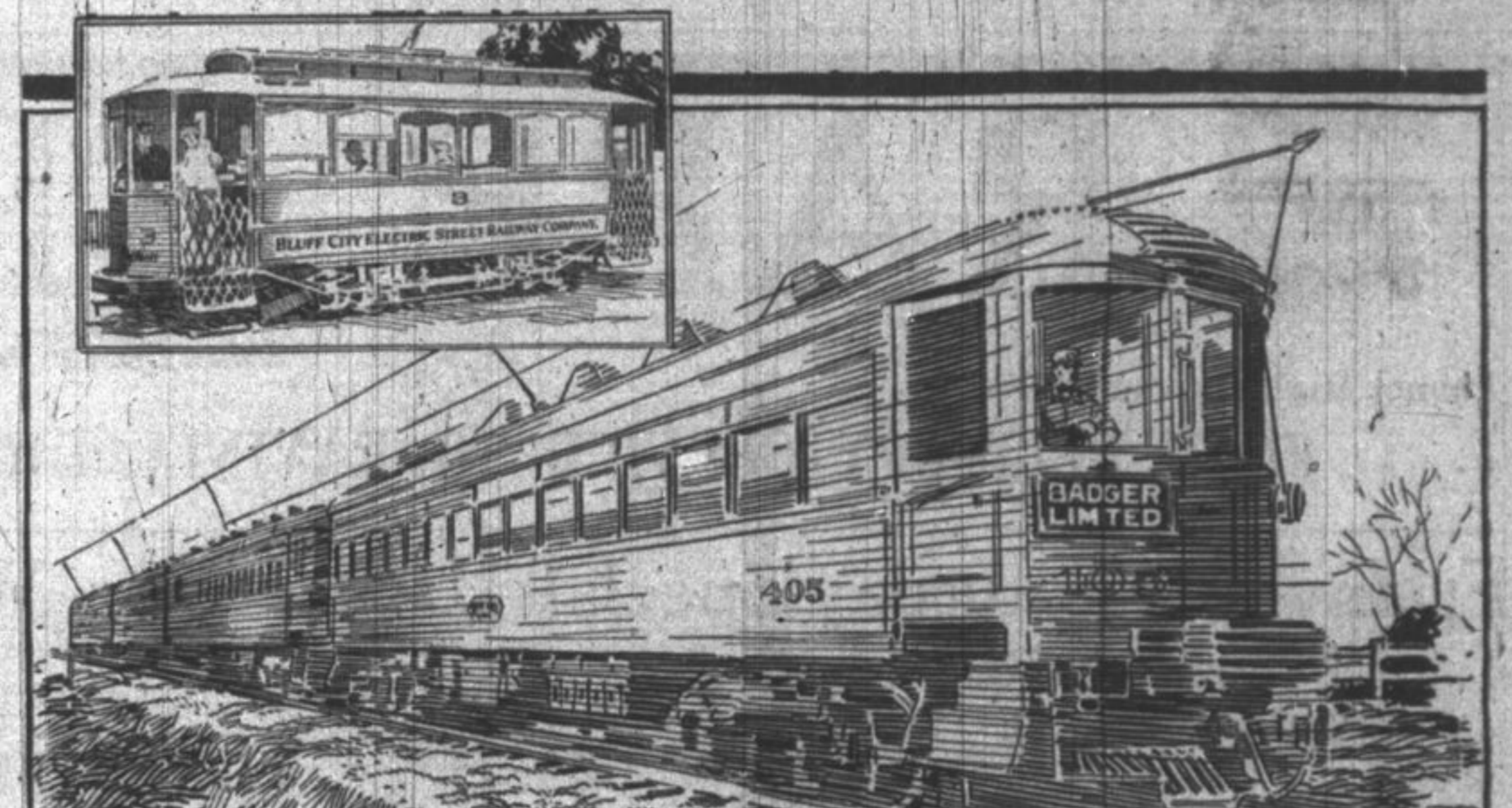


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