

This Week in Washington

by Ralph E. Church
Washington, D. C., April 1.—The "event" of the week at the National Capital is the decision of the United States Supreme Court last Monday in the case of "New York State Tax Commissioners vs. O'Keefe."

In 1819, one hundred nineteen years ago, the Supreme Court handed down the famous decision of McCulloch vs. Maryland. A unanimous court declared in that case that a state could not tax notes issued by the Bank of the United States, that to permit it to do so would enable the states to interfere with the operation of the Federal Government.

That decision is still good law. The intergovernmental tax exemptions of government securities still stands, as a constitutional limitation on the taxing power of the States and Federal Government.

But in 1871 the doctrine of reciprocal tax exemptions that originated in the case of McCulloch vs. Maryland was extended to include tax exemption of income of government employees. Day was a probate judge in the State of Massachusetts, and he sued to recover a federal tax on his salary.

Once again the Supreme Court took the position that to permit the Federal Government to impose a tax on the income of an employee of a State, engaged in an essential governmental function, would enable the national government to interfere with the orderly operation of the 48 independent sovereign states.

Although the court has overruled a previous doctrine, in its decision last Monday it made it clear that the theory of dual sovereignty in our system of government must still be recognized.

in a particular work immune from the taxation of the other government.

That is no longer the law. In its decision last Monday the Supreme Court has set aside the doctrine of Collector vs. Day. It has in effect decided that reciprocal tax immunity of salaries of government employees is not necessary to preserve our dual system of government.

James B. O'Keefe is an examining attorney of the H.O.L.C. at a salary of \$2,400 a year. As a resident of New York, that state sought to require him to pay an income tax as required of all other residents of the state. Mr. O'Keefe claimed his salary as an employee of the Federal Government was immune from state taxation.

It is now possible for a state to impose an income tax on Federal employees and the Federal Government to impose an income tax on state employees, provided, of course, the tax is non-discriminatory. Contrary to the popular conception, the amount of revenue the Federal Government will derive from this source is relatively small.

Under our existing income tax law the Treasury experts estimate that less than 15 million dollars will be obtained by the Federal Government being able to tax the 2,500,000 odd state and local employees heretofore exempt.

But far more important than the actual revenue derived by the destruction of this reservoir of tax exemptions is the contribution which the recent decision of the Supreme Court makes in a simplification of our tax problems.

Ignace Paderewski in "Moonlight Sonata" at Deerpath Theatre

The most romantic outlaw in the history of America, the desperado whose daring colored a whole era and endowed it with the title of the "Serious Seventies"—the man who invented bank holdups and introduced train robberies—has been brought to the screen at last in "Jesse James," the 20th Century Fox Technicolor epic, starring Tyrone Power, Henry Fonda, Nancy Kelly and Randolph Scott, and playing at the Deerpath theatre Thursday and Friday, April 13 and 14.

"Ambush," playing at the Deerpath theatre Saturday, April 15, marks the first straight dramatic characterization for glamorous Gladys Swarthout. Long heralded for her beauty and her operatic voice, Miss Swarthout now makes her bow in a picture so replete with thrills, action, gunfire and romance that it leaves no room for song.

Playing Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, April 16, 17 and 18 at the Deerpath theatre in a double feature program are "Idiot's Delight" and "Topper Takes a Trip."

Norma Shearer and Clark Gable demonstrate their remarkable versatility in "Idiot's Delight." Miss Shearer becomes an obscure acrobatic performer with a cheap vaudeville troupe. Gable is a devil-may-care hooper on the mid-west circuit, who meets her in Omaha where they fall in love.

Hal Roach's hilarious screen comedy, "Topper Takes a Trip," sequel to "Topper," one of last year's biggest laugh hits, opens on Sunday at the Deerpath theatre, with Constance Bennett of the latter production again cast in a light comedy role which permits her to go through a series of "rematerializations."

"They Made Me a Criminal," a dramatic story of an innocent man who becomes a fugitive from the law, will play Wednesday and Thursday, April 19 and 20, at the Deerpath theatre. John Garfield, sensational young actor who skyrocketed to film fame with the release of his first picture, "Four Daughters," plays the starring role. Music such as has never been

heard on the screen before is provided by Ignace Jan Paderewski, the world-famous pianist who stars in his first and only picture, "Moonlight Sonata," playing at the Deerpath theatre Friday and Saturday, April 21 and 22. Chorus is the keynote of "Moonlight Sonata," with Paderewski as the chief charmer. There have been more exciting films, but none more beautiful or so completely satisfying.

Mme. Marie Kurenko Russian Nightingale in Program May 1st

A north shore concert under the auspices of the American Friends Service Committee (Quakers) for the benefit of Central European Relief will be given at the Skokie School Monday evening, May 1 with Madame Maria Kurenko as artist.

Madame Kurenko, born in Siberia and educated in Moscow where she received within one year not only an L.L.D. from the University but also upon graduation from the Moscow Conservatory, the Gold Medal, the only woman in fifty years to win that award, is known in America as the Russian Nightingale. She achieved unusual success in a recital this winter at the Civic Theater in Chicago and also the Civic Opera. She has appeared as soloist with the world's leading symphony orchestras under such conductors as Toscanini, Galbrilovitch and Koussevitzky. Atwater Kent, General Motors, Standard Oil and General Electric have featured Mme. Kurenko in their radio series.

The American Friends Service Committee with its long history of assistance to the victims of war is the only non-conformist organization allowed in present day Germany. Administered impartially and unselfishly their funds are being used now and will continue to be used to feed, clothe and rehabilitate the hungry, homeless and persecuted.

Among well known north shore people who are on the committee for the benefit concert are Mrs. Edwin Kuh and Mrs. Carroll Binder of Highland Park, Mrs. Paul Scott Mower of Lake Forest, Mr. Carleton Washburne, Mrs. Wm. B. Moulton, Miss Dorothy Sears, and Mr. Charles Beal of Winnetka, Mrs. Lewis Taylor of Wilmette and Mrs. T. E. Quisenberry of Evanston.

Creative Writing Group Features Manuscript Morning

A Manuscript Morning, to which the public is invited will take the place of the final session of the Creative Writing Class on Thursday, April 20. The program will open at 10 o'clock at the Highland Park Y. W. C. A. Verse, short stories, children's features, travel articles, will be among the variety of manuscripts read by their authors who have remained anonymous during the previous class session when all copy has been read by the group leader, Rowena Bastin. Next week's Press will give the complete program but Mrs. Bennett has already announced that scripts will be read by Mrs. V. T. Hackler, Miss Joan Goodman, Mrs. Emil Cedarborg, Mrs. Lewis Sinclair, Alice Westcott Marks, Miss Gladys Milham, Mrs. Lester Olson, Mrs. J. D. Pickett, of Highland Park and Ravinia.

"Commuter" members who will be on the program include Mrs. Horace Ferry of Lake Bluff who will read some of her amusing trailer stories Miss Mildred Fitzhugh of Lake Forest reads a short, short, Mrs. Mildred Schumaker and Mrs. John Davenport of Winnetka.

Mrs. O. L. Olesen of Highland Park will read a feature article recounting the experiences of her family through three generations with chocolate mice. The days of the Chicago fire, behind the scenes in a large candy factory, a popular verse which has cheered many convalescents who received the unusual chocolate mice gift, are woven into Mrs. Olesen's true feature story.

"Writing as a Hobby" will be the subject of a short informal discussion lead by Mrs. Prokol Jaldon of Lake Forest. Other Class members who will show that the creative listener, as well as the producer of copy, can enjoy a group considering the craft of writing include Mrs. Carl Haessler, Mrs. J. C. Morrison, Mrs. Theodore Osborn, and Mrs. Everett Fontaine. Members of the class and any visitors who find it convenient will lunch together at a local tea room to continue the discussion of methods, writing markets, and literary interests.

Sororis Amicae Night to Be Observed at Campbell Chapter

Sororis Amicae night will be observed by Campbell Chapter O. E. S. on Wednesday evening April 19th at the Masonic Temple.

Mrs. Effie Lange and Mr. Hugo Schneider will serve as worthy matron and worthy patron. Elizabeth Clark will be guest of honor in the east. Others filling stations are:

- Emma Timm, Associate Matron; Peter Grimson, Jr., Associate Patron; Ethel Stanger, Secretary; Ella MacArthur, Conductress; Jessie Millison, Associate Conductress; Edith Ringdahl, Chaplain; Jean Sinclair, Marshal; Gladys Hawley, Organist; Helen Abercromby, Adah; Jean Bruce, Ruth; Ella Bleimel, Esther; Eleanor Ohrmund, Martha; Lillian Swanson, Electra; Fern Smith, Warder; Norman Culver, Sentinel; Beatie Okel, Soloist; Arthur Hollands, Flagbearer.

A musical program has been planned to follow the meeting with songs by Jean Nichols and Ruth Rounsfull with Bud Jacobs at the piano.

Campbell Chapter members who served as guests in Lake Forest Chapter on "Friends Night" Monday evening, April 10th, were Elsie Collins as conductress, Jean Sinclair as chaplain and James Thomson as associate patron.

Mrs. Dorothy Thomson served as chaplain April 11th at Grays Lake and will act as associate matron at Antioch Chapter on Thursday evening, April 13th.

James Thomson will serve as associate patron at Wauconda Chapter on April 19th.

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WILSON'S Weekly MEMO by GEORGE RECTOR
Some of my readers have commented on the simplicity of the recipes and menus given here, as contrasted with those we used to feature at Rector's. So I will let you in on a secret: Most—but not all—of our dishes were simple. We gave them fancy names, put on attractive garnishes and usually an incomparable sauce and voila! there was a dish to satisfy both epicure or glutton. For the sake of ease, I am using the plain names of these dishes, but the taste is every whit as good, I assure you!
George Rector
THE FIGHT IS ON!
The coming of the berry season renews the age-old argument—which is the case, true genuine shortcake—the kind that is more cake than short or the one that is more short than cake? There is no way of settling the matter for once and for all, since this will always remain a matter of personal preference. But to my mind a strawberry shortcake of unadorned simplicity consists of a hot, fluffy, melt-in-your-mouth biscuit, split open, lightly buttered, and filled and covered with crushed berries. Then come generous scoops of thick whipped cream, with a cherry berry precariously perched on top. That's a dish they used to come to Rector's for! Only there is no need to now, for here is how you can make it at home:
Old-Fashioned Strawberry Shortcake
3 cups flour 1 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon sugar about 1/4 cup milk
4 teaspoons baking powder
3 tablespoons Wilson's new Certified Pure Lard
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Mix and sift dry ingredients. Work in the lard and butter in the same manner as in making pie dough. Add enough milk to make a soft dough. Turn out on floured board, roll thin and cut with round cutter. Spread half of the rounds with melted Clear Brook Butter and top with remaining rounds. Bake in hot oven (325°) for about 12 minutes.
The dry ingredients may be combined and kept in the refrigerator until needed.
A SIMPLE PROBLEM IN ADDITION
There is really nothing to it—take a thick ham steak out from one of Wilson's Tender Extra Mild Certified Smoked Hams, add to it 3 or 4 small onions and a can of tomatoes and the sum total is Ham a l'italienne, as well as the solution to your tonight's dinner problem.
Ham a l'italienne
Place 1-inch slice of Certified Smoked Ham in a skillet, cover with onions, diced, tomatoes and a dash of pepper. Cook covered in a hot oven (400° F.) for 1 1/2 hours. Remove ham to platter. Blend 3 tablespoons cornstarch in 1/2 cup water, add to vegetable mixture. Stir well and cook until clear. Pour over ham and serve piping hot. Serves 4 to 5.
Menu
PINEAPPLE JUICE
WILSON'S SMOKED HAM
A L'ITALIENNE
NEW POTATOES
CARROTS VICT
CELERY RADISHES
STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE
The potatoes, well scrubbed, may be left in their jackets, which are tasty and healthful. Scrape carrots, cook till tender, slice very thin and brown in a skillet with melted Clear Brook butter. Sprinkle with grated parmesan.
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