

## A NEW YORKER AT LARGE

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A Daily Feature

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NEW YORK.—As a match-maker I'll do, but as a reporter I'm not so good: A news story was right in my hands for ten days and then it got away.

It happened this way: Several weeks ago a young man named Jay Rice, who directs most of the aviation lines in South America, came to New York for a holiday.

As we had known each other for some time, I started to show him the town. On our first night out we ran into Claiborne Foster, Louisiana's most famous contributor to the Broadway stage, and I introduced her to Rice.

After that he dropped around most every day, but seemed to have no more inclinations for me to accompany him on his sight-seeing trips.

One week-end he disappeared, explaining that he was going up into Connecticut to visit some friends. It didn't occur to this dull one at the moment that Miss Foster has an estate in Connecticut.

Anyway, he came back, stayed around New York for ten more days. Then he said good-bye and departed for Rio de Janeiro.

The next morning the front pages carried a story that Rice and Miss Foster had been married ten days before in Connecticut. I had seen them every day and they never said a word about it.

**Pre-War Stuff**  
Mary Boland tells of the woman who went into a store to buy her husband some jodhpurs, hunting jacket and such.

"You see," she explained to the clerk, "my husband is very English—ever since he learned the language."

Then there is Daniel Rubin's variation of an aged gag. A hospitable fellow was pouring his friend a breaker of gooseberry wine he had been saving for state occasions.

"It's pre-war," he said as he handed over the glass.

Which drew from his friend as he tasted the varnish: "That may be, but it's the Japan-China war."

**Racket**  
A wily young actor, who doesn't find as many jobs as he could use, has devised a new racket to garner himself a few extra shillings in lean periods.

Before a new mystery murder play comes to Broadway, he corners one of his actor pals in the cast and learns the solution of the crime.

On the opening night of the play, he shows up after the first act and places a few wagers with sports in the lobby as to how the play will come out.

If his opponent picks the wrong man as the murderer, the actor grants heavy odds because, after all, he isn't taking a chance.

In a current play an actor taking the part of the corpse has to lie still throughout the first act. I wonder what would happen to the play if the "corpse" should sneeze some night?

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## THE LATE MR. M. MANUK

Theosophical Society  
Tributes; Solemn Hong-kong Meeting

A meeting in memory of the late Mr. Malcolm Manuk, the founder and mainstay of the Hongkong Theosophical movement, was held at the lodge of the Society at Queen's Road Central on April 11.

On a table on the rostrum where the late President often was to be seen, conducting the weekly meetings of the Society, was a solitary lighted taper and incense rising from a brazier. In the chair which he was wont to occupy, was a basket of his favourite flowers, while other flowers were disposed about or were strewn on the platform.

A silence fell on the gathering as the first speaker rose to address the meeting.

Mr. John Russell, speaking from the rostrum, asked them not to regard the occasion as a memorial service to dissociate the idea completely from their minds, and to enter upon the proceedings in the spirit of a service of appreciation, because their founder and leader could never be a memory. He must and always would be a living force to all those who had the privilege of coming into contact with him.

They were gathered there that night to appreciate the wonderful work and the great influence which their late teacher had given to all those interested in the Theosophical movement in China, particularly in Hongkong, where the movement was initiated ten years ago by him and a few other brothers.

Mr. Russell then spoke eloquently of the late Manuk's life, his work, and his inspiration to others.

**Mrs. Talati's Tribute**

Mrs. Talati said: I have to say a few words with a very heavy heart. My husband and myself are among those who had the advantage of listening to the late brother Manuk's inspiring things since the beginning of this Lodge so we feel ourselves most indebted to him.

His passing away, so unexpectedly, has been certainly a great shock and a very heavy loss to all of us; but just as his life has taught us useful lessons, his passing away so suddenly has also taught us useful lessons, that is to understand the uncertainty of physical existence and not to leave for to-morrow what we can do to-day; and to do our duty towards each other as promptly as possible, just like he did, and kept prepared to submit to the Creator's will.

Brother Manuk realized the unity, eternity and omnipresence of the spirit of Life and always tried to impress these ideals upon our minds; so let us believe that his spirit is surely here at present knowing and seeing all, helping all to be calm and peaceful and strong, and inspiring all to continue the work which he has entrusted to us and which he loved best.

This Society is the organization for which he cared most, and to which he had dedicated his heart and soul. He had worked here as long as he could work and sacrificed his physical body for the advancement of spiritual knowledge. He himself has risen to the still higher plane from where he is still helping and inspiring us.

I think the surest place where his soul can live and advance is the hearts of those who loved it, and the minds of those which were impressed by it.

We owe him a greatest debt of gratitude. Let us do our best to continue the good work which he has started and entrusted to us (and pay off as much of the debt of gratitude that we owe to him as possible) by trying to fulfil his hope. He has helped us to understand ourselves and our brethren.

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## SAYS BABY LINDBERGH IS SAFE



Here is a new photograph of Morris Kosner, "man of mystery" in the Lindbergh case, who is believed to be carrying on negotiations with the underworld for return of the baby. He said he has reason to believe the baby will be safely returned.

one human national brotherhood, fulfilling its special duty towards mankind, and contributing to its enrichment, its greatness and its beauty.

**Work To Continue**  
Dr. Ludwig Reichelt was the last to extend his appreciation of the memory of a good and just man, recalling his early association with the late leader and the latter's enthusiastic interest in the sphere of work he had assumed.

Those present stood in a reverential silence while the benevolent spirit of the late leader was invoked for the work of the Society, which, it was announced, would be continued without interruption, meeting every Thursday evening as heretofore.

As soon as that could be managed, the official title of the organization would be changed to the Manuk Lodge of the Theosophical Society in fitting commemoration of the work of a great teacher.

**WOMEN'S FEET GROW**  
BRISTOL, England.—Women's feet have grown so in 150 years that the present generation can't squeeze into the shoes of their great-grandmothers. Dr. J. T. Irving, physiologist at the University of Bristol, found this out when he was arranging a costume affair. The shoes dated from 1780.

In this connection, I can sincerely assure Bro. Manuk that the harvest which he has prepared in China will be a rich one, extending throughout the length and breadth of the Republic, because there is at least one soul who loves him so much and is so grateful to him that he has taken upon himself the mission of disseminating the Light and Truth which he has brought to us and which will unite all our classes, religious, vocations and political parties into

## MANY RUSH FOR A HANGMAN'S JOB

600 Men Apply—And Three Women—In Czech Town

PRAGUE.—Six hundred men and three women have now applied for the post of hangman to the town.

At the moment, there is no executioner, although two men are under sentence of death for murder.

The post of hangman has been vacant since last summer, when the former executioner was dismissed for a delinquency.—Reuter.

## HEAVY SENTENCE FOR FOREIGNER

Made Profession Out Of Fraud, Court Decides

Deciding that the accused had made fraud a profession, the Shanghai District Court sentenced L. Lizarra, an unrecognized American, to three years' imprisonment yesterday and imposed a fine of \$400. The Court announced that the prisoner would serve 200 more days in gaol if the fine were not paid.

Eight charges were preferred by the police against the prisoner, in each of these cases the prisoner was accused of having defrauded either Chinese or foreign shops of articles ranging from typewriters to furniture and cases of gasoline. The dates of offence and the articles fraudulently obtained by the accused are, according to the police, as follows:

February 5, a typewriter valued at \$453 from 382 Kingase Road.

January 29, two carpets valued at \$734 from 271 Kiangse Road.

February 27, two suits of clothing from Messrs. Hing Chang and Co., 611 Nanking Road.

February 3, \$20 from Mr. C. H. Raven, 107 Nanking Road.

February 2, a typewriter from Mr. Copley, 74 Nanking Road.

January 25, 16 pieces of furniture from Messrs. Sung S. Yih, 425 Nanking Road.

Between February 17 and 26, 100 cases of kerosene oil and 200 tins of gasoline, valued at \$1,918. Texas Co., Hongkong and Shanghai Bank building.

February 2, a quantity of perfume valued at \$33 from Mr. M. A. Joffre, Sine Pharmacy 14 Broadway.

The hearing of the case occupied many sessions of the Court, during which the accused at first pleaded not guilty to the charges, but subsequently confessed to the

offences. Following the imposition of the prison term yesterday, the Court, at the request of the police, ordered the prisoner to be handed over to the French Concession court which also wanted him on a similar charge. After his trial by the French Concession court, the prisoner will be brought back to serve his sentence in the Municipal Gaol.

## A NINE FOOT HORSE

WATERLOO, N. Y.—Mr. Van Wickles owns a horse he believes to be the world's largest. It is "Sillon B" 21 hands high. "Sillon B's" ears are more than nine feet from the ground in his relaxed stance. Pure white and perfectly formed, the horse measures eight feet, 10 inches around the girth and weighs 2,960 pounds.

"Sillon B" was foaled in Lamey, France, March 20, 1920. The owner says the horse is "just getting his growth."—Reuter.

## RED TAPE RULES

MUNICH, Germany.—Because a dining car recently added to a train plying between Berchtesgaden, Germany, and Salzburg, Austria, crossed the customs line twice on each round trip control of the food supply was established by installing two cupboards. When the train is in Germany the Austrian food is locked under seal, and vice versa.

## FUNERAL FOR LATE ROBERT SHORT

Elaborate Preparations For Burial Sunday At Hungjao

The Robert Short Memorial Committee announced yesterday that plans for the state funeral of the late American aviator are being completed.

It has been definitely decided that the funeral will be held on Sunday, the 24th, at the Moore Memorial Church on Thibet Road, opposite the Race Course. Burial will be at Hungjao aerodrome in a plot now being prepared for the purpose.

The Committee desire to announce for the convenience of all those who wish to attend the funeral and burial services that badges must be secured from members of the Committee in charge of the arrangements. Foreign friends should apply for badges from Mr. H. S. Liang at

the National Committee Y.M.C.A., 20 Museum Road. Badges for representatives of Chinese organizations may be obtained from Mr. C. L. Yin, 517 Avenue Road. It has definitely been decided by the Committee that the representation of any organization shall be limited to five persons.

Mrs. Elizabeth Short, the mother of the dead aviator, who arrived here on Tuesday, was resting at the Cathay Hotel yesterday, having declined social invitations until after the funeral of her son.

At 3.30 o'clock in the afternoon, she was escorted by members of the Committee to the International Funeral Directors, on Kiaochow Road, to view the casket containing the remains of the late flier. It is being planned that she make a formal call on Mayor Wu Te-chen some time to-day.

**MARRIAGES DROP**  
MADISON Wis.—In Wisconsin there were 544 fewer marriages in 1931 than in 1930. Florence county, lowest in population, had only 17 marriages and no divorces.

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