

### Bellini Marriage to Omaha Girl Is Illegal in Italy

D. C. Patterson, Father of Eugenia, Insists Mussolini Regime Holds Captain as Political Prisoner.

Statements by Claudio Arezzo, editor of Il Progresso, Omaha Italian newspaper, that Capt. Umberto Bellini is not held prisoner in Italy because of opposition to the Mussolini rule, were declared false Saturday by D. C. Patterson, father of Mrs. Bellini, who was Eugenia Patterson of Omaha.

Arezzo in a letter cited a cable dispatch to a New York Italian paper under date of October 7, 1924, which he said was as follows:

"Clara Cavalleri, belonging to a patrician family of Bologna, denounced to the king's attorney, former Cavalry Officer Umberto Bellini of Siena, to whom she intrusted 2,500,000 lire worth of objects of art to be sold in America, where he said he was returning to re-enter the consular service in Boston.

Charges Revoked Illegally. "Bellini was charged never gave an accounting of the proceeds of the objects of art intrusted to him and while in Boston remarried, notwithstanding the fact that he had a legal wife in Italy. Returning to Italy he was arrested today in Rome."

Patterson said the charge of the woman has been disproved and that suit has been filed against her for \$5,000 to reimburse Captain Bellini for his expenditures in futile attempts to sell the art works.

"After some effort had been made to sell the art collection, my other daughter, Mrs. Livingston Fairbank of Chicago engaged an expert to appraise it and he pronounced it worthless."

Eugenia Not Married. "Mrs. Bellini, now with her sister in Chicago, is not dismayed at the question of her marriage's legality. It is unquestioned, except under the present regime in Italy. The present administration merely decreed that all divorces granted in Florence—where Captain Bellini's was granted—were invalid so far as Italian law was concerned.

"Captain Bellini was imprisoned purely because he opposed the Mussolini regime. The Cavalleri complaint was made a month after this arrest."

### Omaha Camera Club "Shoots Up" Hanscom Park and Nature's Wilds



The Omaha Camera club "shot up" Hanscom park last Sunday. The pictures were taken by John Tate, Culver hotel, club member.

No. 1 shows (left to right) Isabelle Cottenier, 4315 South Twenty-fifth street; Alverda Triem, 1323 Canton street; John Merrill, 2501 South Thirty-second street; Mary Cottenier, 4315 South Twenty-fifth street; Alie Cottenier, 4315 South Twenty-fifth street, and Isabelle Behm.

No. 2 is a photo of a pleasant little path which winds up over the hill from the lake at Hanscom park.

When spring days come Omaha camera fans, armed with their trusty "weapons," set out to "shoot" nature at her wildest, or at least at her nicest. Most any day in any park and in the woodlands about Florence and Child's Point they may be seen garnering fresh trophies for their albums.

The Omaha Camera club is composed of members who make a habit of seeking out the beauty spots of Omaha and preserving them on vellum prints. This club meets each Monday evening at the Y. M. C. A. building.

#### Battle Creek Youth Wins District Oratorical Meet

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Norfolk, Neb., April 4.—Howard Miller, jr., Battle Creek, Neb., won first place in the oratorical class of the district declamatory contest here. Richard Gobels, Norfolk, won first in the dramatic, and June Carrico, Norfolk, won first in the humorous class. Nineteen students from schools all over the district contested.

#### 7,052 Meals for Needy.

The Salvation Army, in the six months just ended, supplied 7,052 meals and 2,728 lodgings to the needy. Rummage stores, kept supplied from old clothing, furniture and so on donated by Omahans, have provided means for many of the poor to fill their needs at small cost. During the six months, 526 men were provided with temporary employment outside the Army home.

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### Huge Canvas of Shoshone Falls Recalls Tragic Story of Artist Craze by Concentration on Work

By J. T. ARMSTRONG

To travel eastward by horseback and train for 1,000 miles, then to step into one of Omaha's modern hotels and behold the same scenic view upon which you have gazed every morning from your doorstep back home—well, it is a novel, if not a startling sensation.

This is the experience of D. A. Taylor, Idaho sheepman, each time he comes to Omaha from his ranch home near Shoshone Falls. For in the lobby of Hotel Castle, where Mr. Taylor stops, is a huge oil painting of the famous falls. The big painting is such a realistic reproduction of the falls and surrounding country that Mr. Taylor says it never fails to thrill him.

"I can almost hear the roar of the water as I look at the picture," Mr. Taylor declared. "The painting is so large and so natural that it would be easy to fancy, as I look at it, that I'm back at my ranch again, gazing at the original."

Tragedy in Oils. Many other Idaho guests at the Castle pronounce the picture startlingly realistic, according to Fred L. Damery, manager of the hotel. Yet in the beauty of the falls there is a wildness which had a sinister effect on the creator of the painting. Only a few "old timers" remember the tragedy connected with the picture, and their tales concerning it vary.

But a tragedy there was, and the artist who devoted more than two years of his life to the picture was the victim. Many years ago Count Creighton and P. H. H. Clark, of Omaha, and Senator Clark, of Montana, became interested in a project to establish an elaborate summer resort at the falls, near the Snake river. It occurred to Count Creighton that a large, realistic painting of the falls would be thoroughly desirable, first as a means of promoting interest in the place, and second as a work of art. And so, attracted by the work of Charles Landerieu, an English landscape painter of some note, Count Creighton arranged for the painter to come to this country and make a picture of the falls.

Artist, Suicide. Landerieu spent an entire year at the falls, working on his canvas in the deafening roar, almost under the spray of the cataract. He then returned to Omaha, where he established his studio in the old Omaha National bank building on Thirteenth street. There he worked on the painting almost incessantly for another year, and as his task neared completion, his work became somewhat feverish. He slept in the same room with the picture, and frequently failed to stop his work for food, the story has it.

As his work drew to an end and the picture became more and more realistic there crept into Landerieu's manner something of the tumultuous wildness of his subject, it is said. Finally the artist applied his brush for the last time, and the picture was finished.

The tragedy followed. One who claims to remember says a disparaging remark about the merits of the painting drove Landerieu into such a frenzy that he ended his life. Another says the artist, obsessed with the wildness of the scene and jealous of his work, barricaded his studio to would-be invaders and died.

"Lead" Was Oche. Fred Castle, who in 1909 purchased the picture from an art dealer named Rose, says the artist lost his mind as the result of his long concentration on the wild scene, and that in a fit of jealousy he attempted to destroy the painting by applying large quantities of lead to the canvas. But, says Mr. Castle, Landerieu mistook ochre for lead, and later the ochre was removed and the painting saved. The canvas, probably the largest in Omaha, hung and was much admired for several years in the Her Grand hotel. Then Mr. Castle built the hotel bearing his name. Since then it has held a prominent place in the first floor lobby of the Castle.

The True Myth. "The only figures on Olympus which I have always regarded as being purely mythical," Mr. Cardan went on, "as having no foundation in the facts of life, is Athena. A goddess of wisdom—a goddess!" he repeated with emphasis. "Isn't that a little too thick?"—Aldous Huxley.

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