

Violinist Says Only Way Top Is To Start Young

19-year-old con-
certist Patricia Travers
said her bow flying
and humming rhythms of
concerto and laid her
into her playing she
the skill she has mas-
tered began to play at
half and went on to
international debut at nine.



PATRICIA TRAVERS . . . Began
career at three . . .

Film Magnate Is Paid Half Million Salary Last Year

PHILADELPHIA—(AP)— Louis
B. Mayer was paid a half million
dollars last year as managing direc-
tor of production for Loew's, Inc.
Clark Gable, the company's high-
est paid film star in 1945, was miss-
ing in the top three salaries the
company is required to report to the
Securities and Exchange com-
mission.

Mayer's salary, the same amount
he was paid in 1945, is down \$408,-
069 from his 1944 remuneration
and \$638,992 below the 1943 figure.
Robert Montgomery, actor, was
paid \$286,000 and Nicholas M.
Schenck, president and director, re-
ceived \$224,767, Loew's disclosed
in its annual report.

American Telephone and Tele-
graph company, New York, re-
ported W. S. Gifford, president and
director, was paid \$209,650 last
year.

Annual reports from subsidiary
companies of American Telephone
and Telegraph disclosed the follow-
ing remunerations:

Southwestern Bell Telephone
company, St. Louis — Albert C.
Stannard, president and director,
\$75,830.

Southern Bell Telephone and
Telegraph company, Atlanta—H. S.
Dumas, president and director,
\$50,480.

Other annual reports on file with
the SEC disclose the following sal-
aries:

Sinclair Oil corporation, New
York—H. F. Sinclair, president and
director, \$155,750; Walworth com-
pany, New York, W. B. Holton, Jr.,
president, director, and chairman
of executive committee; \$120,000;
Cook Paint and Varnish company,
Kansas City, Mo., Charles R. Cook,
board chairman, \$108,038; the Gen-
eral Tire & Rubber company, Ak-
ron, O., W. O'Neill, president and
director, \$97,000.

dark hair and is the daughter of
Samuel A. Travers Clifton, N. Y.,
lawyer, who formerly was a profes-
sional singer. The family talks
and thinks music.

On Patricia's third Christmas
one of her father's clients, who
owned a music store, gave Patricia
a toy violin and from the moment
her father played a few bars for
her, her life seems to have headed
toward violin music. She made
her amateur debut at six at Music
Mountain, Conn., her professional
debut at nine on a radio commer-
cial hour with the Detroit Sym-
phony orchestra and her New York
debut at 10 at the Lewisohn sta-
dium. Now she tours in concert
every season from October to May.
She sails for Europe soon to play
in Paris, London, Vienna and the
Hague. Both parents go with her
on all tours and neither has missed
a concert.

For fun Patricia collects things
—antique chairs, miniature sailing
ships and patchwork quilts.



AP Newsfeatures

Dear Judy

Everybody has had a touch of the
cowpox to thwart the smallpox
epidemic, and the theming in the
East seems to be "an itch, itch here,
and a scratch, scratch there." Most
of the potent poisons got their vac-
cinations on their legs and thighs
so they wouldn't spoil their beau-
tiful arms for evening clothes.

Speaking of the itch, a famous
movie star treats sunburn, mosquito
bites and poison ivy this way: She
draws a tepid bath and sprinkles
cornstarch into it. When it is dis-
solved, she takes a long, relaxing
rest in the tub. She doesn't dry
with a bath towel. She lets the
air dry her body so that a thin
film of starch stays on her skin—
so soothing, she says!

School Yarn . . . Thirty-two
boys from Polytechnic Prep
Country Day School in Brooklyn
visited the U. N. at Lake Success
recently. They were surprised to
find earphones by each seat in
the conference rooms and dis-
covered the earphones are at-
tached to a dial with which the
individual can have the speech he
is listening to translated into
French, English, Spanish, Chi-
nese or Russian, by the turn of a
switch.

Here's a yoke, chums . . . Sammy
Kaye's Swing and Sway to the new
"Egg and I" waxing.

News from Hollywood is that
the new crop of starlets have more
sense these days. They don't try to
grow up too fast. Lois Butler, who
is just 15, wears bobby sox around



the lot, chews bubble gum and
munches licorice drops. Indianap-
olis-born Lois has a clause in her
contract which says she'll be sus-
pended from the contract if her
school grades fall below her pres-
ent B-plus average. The clause was
the idea of her mother, who says
"any dumbbell can be an actress."

Native Wit: Did you hear about
the two cannibals who were
about to eat supper? Bobo says:
Will you join me in a bowl of
soup? Jojo answers: Do you
think there's room for both of
us? . . . Normandy H. S. Courier,
St. Louis.

Even the Jacksons are getting
fashion conscious. Tommy Cooke,
of the "Life of Riley" radio show,
has started a new fashion vogue
among Hollywood teen-agers. Tom-
my wears different colored socks—
one green, one red, with contrast-
ing color toes. Pity the poor girl
who knits 'em for him.

Hobbies are fun and here are
some more suggestions from the
kids at Northside High School,
Fort Wayne, Ind. . . . Dorothy
Platt, a Junior, collects Shirley
Temple pictures. She started col-
lecting these when she was 8 years
old, and now has two full scrap
books full of portraits. Sophomore
Carol Elder collects post cards. Her
first ones were first World War
cards donated by her father.
Cheerio Chum,

Vivian

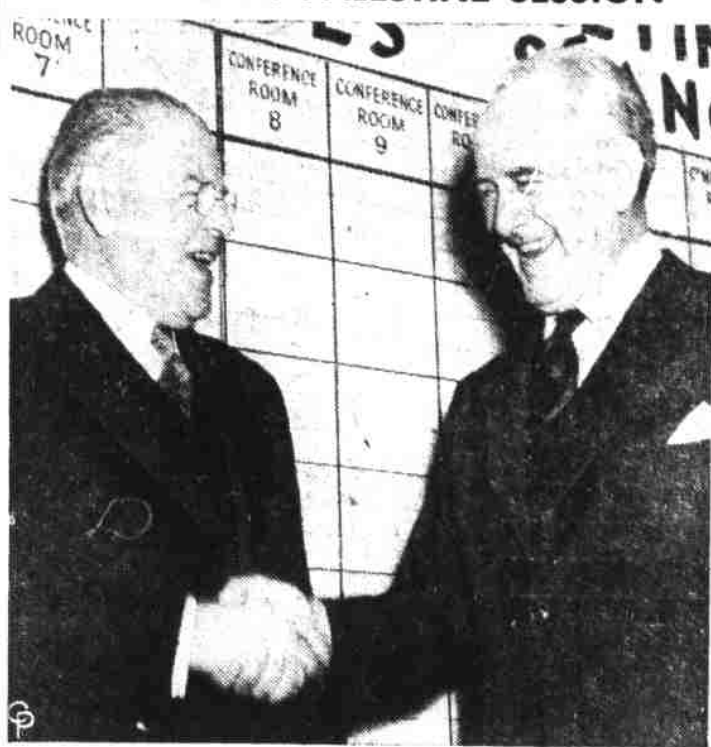
BRITAIN INCREASES HER BABY CROP

NEW YORK (AP)—Britain's baby
population is soaring. More chil-
dren were born in Britain last year
than in any year since 1923. British
Information Service reports, and
the mortality rate was the lowest
on record.

Sir Wilson Jameson, chief medi-
cal officer of the ministry of health,
announces in his annual report that
last year 43 babies under one year
died for every 1,000 births. It was
46 in 1945 and 52.8 before the war.
Out of every 1,000 babies, 11 less
died at birth last year than pre-
war. Little more than a third of
the pre-war number of mothers
died in childbirth.

The birth rate—19.1 per 1,000 of
the population—was higher than
the last pre-war year by four per
1,000.

HEADS U. N. PALESTINE SESSION



UNITED STATES DELEGATE Warren R. Austin (left) chats with Oswaldo Aranha of Brazil, who heads the first special session of the United Nations General Assembly, at Flushing Meadows, N. Y. The meeting was convened at the request of the British government to name a Committee of Investigation for the vital Palestine problem. (International)

The Bear the ship which Byrd
took to the Antarctic on his first
expedition, was first used by the
U. S. Navy to go to the relief of
the Greely Arctic expedition in
1884.

Most diamonds mined are fit
only for industrial uses.

Only one gem diamond in a hun-
dred can be described as colorless
and flawless.

Hotel Fire Protection Laws In Effect Sept. 1

RALEIGH—(AP)— Come Sep-
tember 1, plus 30 added days of
grace, North Carolina hotel owners
and operators must "have their
houses in order" complying with
new fire protection measures
passed by the recent general as-
sembly—or else.

And the "or else" in this case
means heavy fines.

Fire protection and safety mea-
sures that must be met include:

1. Alarms, bells and gongs.
2. Watchman service.
3. Automatic sprinklers.
4. Vertical openings enclosed.
5. Fire extinguishers.

As passed by the legislature, SB
228, sponsored by the North Caro-
lina Fire Chiefs' association, pro-
vides that all hotels "or buildings
of like occupancy" shall be pro-
vided a manually operated fire
alarm, bell or gong system, suit-
able to arouse all occupants in case
of fire or other emergency, and
capable of being operated by one
operation at the main desk or at
the telephone switchboard. Where
practicable, the alarm system shall
be connected with the city fire
alarm system.

State Fire Warden Sherman
Brockwell said this provision would
make it possible for all hotel guests
to be notified simultaneously in
case of fire and would eliminate
the necessity of calling each room
individually.

Watchman Service

Another provision of the law
specifies that every proprietor or

keeper of any hotel two or more
stories high, or designed to provide
20 or more rooms for sleeping
accommodations, must provide
watchman service, utilizing a stand-
ard watch clock system. Every floor
and corridor must be inspected at
least once each hour between 10
p.m. and 6 a.m. In lieu of watch-
man service hotels may be equip-
ped with automatic fire detection
systems approved by the state in-
surance commissioner and N. C.
building code council.

Automatic sprinkler systems
must be installed in all hotels more
than three stories high, if the in-
surance commissioner and his de-
puty fire chiefs feel that such build-
ings do not have ample and ade-
quately protected fire escapes and
exits.

The sprinkler system provision
does not become effective until
September 1, 1950.

Brockwell, who is also deputy in-
surance commissioner, said the
three-year provision was made in
this instance because it would be
impossible to get sprinklers in-
stalled by September 1 this year.
He said manufacturers were just
getting back into full production
after the war.

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business of \$38,000 compared with
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a saving of less than 4 cents a day on the entire food bill of the
average American family.

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in an A&P store, you get 86 cents worth of food and only about
14 cents goes to meet all expenses — wages, taxes, rent, light,
heat and the hundreds of other expenses incidental to the
stocking and operating of a modern food store—including our
very small profit.

Obviously there is little "fat" in such a price structure. Our operating costs and profits
are already cut close to the bone.

Merchants generally have reduced prices on many items on which they were overstocked.
In recent weeks we have reduced prices on hundreds of such items. That is common
merchandising practice and has no relation to a general or permanent price reduction.

While many food prices have already been lowered we must recognize that no substantial
general reduction in retail food prices is possible until the cost of food to the retailer is reduced.

As any housewife knows, A&P's business has been built on the policy of selling quality
food at the lowest practical price every day.

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