

THE LIBRARY SPEAKS (Nov. 29, 1939)

Theme Song - Rustle Of Spring

R. C. Wednesday morning 10:05 and once again THE LIBRARY SPEAKS. This morning we begin our third year of this program on the air. As usual, your hostess is Marion Langdell of the Eau Claire Public Library staff.

M.L. Good morning, friends. Two years ago Miss Laura M. Olsen, librarian and Robert Crawford of the WEAU staff designed this program. Each week we have tried to bring interesting and helpful programs about library activities, special events and news of books and authors.

R.C. And speaking of books - many titles have come and gone in the past two years, haven't they?

M.L. Books and more books. Two years ago NORTHWEST PASSAGE by Roberts and the CITADEL by Cronin were battling it out for top spot on the best seller list. When THE RAINS CAME it nearly washed them from their top places. A few months later THE YEARLING by Rawlings took the lead only to be crowded out by Field's ALL THIS AND HEAVEN; TOO and Du Maurier's REBECCA. Hertzler's HORSE AND BUGGY DOCTOR is still riding out into Eau Claire homes, people are still trying to find out how to WIN FRIENDS AND INFLUENCE PEOPLE with Dale Carnegie. Edna Ferber's life has become A PECULIAR TREASURE. Nora Waln has the German people REACHING FOR THE STARS. In short - to the making of books ^{there} their is no end.

This morning we celebrate our birthday with a book title contest. It's fun to find out how many book titles have lived to be remembered. In keeping with the idea of using book titles, we have named our master of ceremonies, LORD JIM.

J.H. Do you mean me?

M.L. I'm afraid I do.

J.H. Well, it's all in THE DAY'S WORK.

M.L. It doesn't seem like we've been having programs. TWO YEARS BEFORE THIS MAST (MIKE).

J.H. And still they say. YEARS ARE SO LONG!

M.L. I don't think so. It seems like ONLY YESTERDAY that you and your fellow announcers - ALL COURAGEOUS COMPANIONS - began working with me. But on with the show. Take over LORD JIM and remember you're ON THE AIR.

J.H. We have invited guests here in the studio this morning who will attempt to answer our questions. IT'S MORE FUN IF YOU KNOW THE RULES so here they are. I'll ask a question that contains the ~~name~~ title of a book. It must be answered with the title of a book. If no one in the studio is able to answer, I'll turn the question over to Marion to answer or else.

Here's a sample. How could I send LETTERS TO SUSAN?

M.L. Lots of ways : WESTERN UNION, SAILOR ON HORSEBACK, THE*PNT PONY EXPRESS, THE OVERLAND MAIL.

Now let me ask you one. Do you know THE BARRETT'S OF WIMPOLE STREET?

J.H. No, I'M A STRANGER HERE MYSELF.

M.L. You're not. You are emcee here so draw a question for our guests.

J.H. Ad lib and do your stuff.

Sign off by R.G. We hope you have enjoyed our party this morning. We want to thank our many friends for their loyalty and friendship the past two years. In it our sincere hope that you will be with us during the coming year as THE LIBRARY SPEAKS/

Until next week this is Robert Crawford ~~wishing~~ speaking for the Eau Claire Public Library and wishing you a pleasant week.