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WASHINGTON COLUMN

BY PETER EDSON
NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(NEA)—Half a dozen of the world's leading authorities on helicopters had a bull session with Washington aviation writers the other night and, just as you'd expect, the talk all went right straight up and hovered in mid-air all evening.

Only man who kept his feet on the ground was Igor Sikorsky, Russian-born inventor of the "heli-co-peter" as he used to call it. He's still an enthusiast about the future for his invention, but he admits it has definite limitations—130-mile-an-hour cruising speeds and useful loads of from two to 20 persons.

Best story about Sikorsky goes back to the days of his early experiments for United Aircraft. He used to take movies to record his progress. It was noticed, however, that while his films showed the first models flying up, down, sideways and backwards, they did not fly forward.

WELCH POGUE, former Civil Aeronautics Board chairman and now secretary of the Helicopter association, told about a man on a train, riding by the Piasecki helicopter plant in Sharon Hill, Pa., and seeing a two-rotor job in flight.

The man got off the train at the next stop, came back and demanded to buy one. Immediately, seems he had a contract to paint a tall factory chimney. His idea was to stick a painter on a plank stuck out the cabin door, run the helicopter up one side of the chimney and down the other and so spray-paint the smokesack.

That brought the talk around to real, practical uses of the helicopter. The authority seemed to be Lou Levitt of Camden, N. J., who operates a fleet of eight helicopters for hire and is having his troubles making both ends meet. In his best month he took in \$20,000, but still lost money. Operating costs are higher for small planes.

Lou Levitt has, however, done all kinds of jobs. Surveying a Louisiana oil field. Hauling Governor Driscoll and Sen. Alexander Smith on their political campaign barnstorming in New Jersey. Delivering parcels to 53 Connecticut towns in three and a half hours to advertise a Hartford department store's anniversary. Landing Santa Claus in Allentown, Pa. on a small platform surrounded by hundreds of excited, screaming kids without anybody getting hurt.

Col. H. E. Gregory, Army Air Forces expert on helicopters, took off on more bizarre flights of fancy in speculating about future military applications of the windmills. With deadpan seriousness he talks about laying signal corps wire from a helicopter—even digging holes and planting the telephone poles.

REAL enthusiast in the business is young F. N. Piasecki, whose engineering firm has been working with helicopters only since 1940. Piasecki says that on his drawing boards is a new model to weigh 17 tons and be the equivalent of the DC-3 as an aerial workhorse. It is designed to cross the ocean or fly halfway across and back on aerial rescue missions. Piasecki predicts 250 mile speeds.

But the helicopter age, with one in every back yard, does not yet seem to be just around the corner. Sikorsky says that the family helicopter, selling for \$5000 or less, may be 10 years or more off. Present costs are around \$30,000.

Walt Boney, speaking for Bell Aircraft, said his company has made great progress in simplifying controls, but they have decided "they can't bring out a model for grandma this year."

SPORTS

BY HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Sports Editor

NEW YORK—(NEA)—Even with the great Hal Newhouser off to a somewhat shaky start, the Tigers are out to prove Connie Mack's contention that pitching is as much as 90 per cent of baseball.

The Detroiters realize they cannot accomplish this without a few base hits. They are banking on Dick Wakefield to replace Hank Greenberg in the assault and battery department, and help what generally is acknowledged to be the most efficient staff in the business to stir up trouble for the defending Red Sox all the way along the route.

A pronounced flop in 1946, Wakefield seemed ambitious this spring. Steve O'Neill told the Michigan alumnus that the record \$55,000 and the automobile he was handed for signing were no guarantee to keep him in the majors. He would either have to hit and hustle or be returned to the minors.

DETROIT fans felt the same way about it. Wakefield, the jampered and promising peagreen of 1943-44, had the box birds at Briggs Stadium until he caught fire with a home run atop the right field pavilion against the Browns, a feat accomplished previously by only Jim Bottomley and Ted Williams.

With Luke Keill, Cullenbine, Wakefield, Evers, and Mullin, Stout Steve O'Neill believes he has sufficient power to take it all. Roy Cullenbine broke in with a home run on opening day and

'Couped'



NEWS FROM EASTLAND

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Conner and children of Halingler were recent guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Conner, Sr., South Seaman.

Mr. and Mrs. George Von Raeder of Anson are planning to spend the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Conner, and hope to meet Mrs. Von Raeder's daughter, Beth Rhineman, home from the State University.

David Duggan, who has been visiting his aunt, Mrs. Earl Conner, Sr., and Mr. Conner, has returned to his home in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Roberson, South Walnut Street, will leave Sunday for Mayo's Hospital where Mr. Roberson will receive treatment. They will be accompanied by Mr. Roberson's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robertson of Waco.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ertel and son, Shannon of Fort Worth, visited Mrs. Ertel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Hearn and her sister, week.

Mr. and Mrs. Steven Pownds and baby of El Reno, Oklahoma, were here this week visiting her mother, Mrs. Susie Hearn and her sister, Mrs. Sam Johnson. Mrs. Pownds is the former Miss Madge Hearn. They left for a visit with Mr. Pownds sister in Big Spring.

Mrs. Bea Smith of Aspermont is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Eva Hunt on West Moss Street.

Miss Emily Jean Grissom, daughter of Judge and Mrs. Clyde Grissom, and who has been attending Sophie Newcomb School at New Orleans, plans to spend the summer here with her parents.

Refugee Relates 'Russian Nightmare'



Maria Noell, 20, native of Philadelphia, Pa., caresses the American flag upon arriving in New York after two years of what she calls a "Russian nightmare." She was living with her parents in Romania when "liberated" by the Russians, who, she says, shunted her across Russia in cattle cars, starved and beat her, forced her to work in Soviet factories. Gerald Makma, U. S. consul general in Germany, rescued her and sent her back to her native land. She does not know what happened to her parents.

FUNNY BUSINESS



"They never bother us since we keep the lawnmower out front!"

RETURN ENGAGEMENT

By Gwen Davenport
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THE STORY: Sophie comes upon Godfrey trying to make love to Bridget, the maid. She apologizes to Bridget for Godfrey's behavior and tells her it will never happen again.

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WHEN she returned to the drawing room Godfrey was still sitting there alone, waiting for tea-time. She walked in without a word of greeting and sat down.

Godfrey cleared his throat. "Don't discharge the woman, Sophie," he said. "She—er—she lost her head on finding herself in the same room with Godfrey Mansbridge. A natural enough reaction for a person unused to celebrities."

Sophie raised a weary hand. "Oh, stop it, Godfrey. You're only making yourself ridiculous."

"I, my dear?"

"It's stupid of me to mind, isn't it? I don't know why I let myself care how you behave."

"Sophie, I can assure you it meant nothing. It was absolutely meaningless."

"Don't you suppose I know that by now? It's always been meaningless—to you."

The room was very still for a minute as they both allowed the past to envelop them in silence. It was Godfrey who spoke first. "Well," he said, his tone almost jocular, "I'm glad you can be more sensible about it now, my dear."

She smiled sadly, still looking back. "I wasn't always, was I? After our baby was born, when Julie divorced you, I was foolish enough to expect you to marry me."

"Come, come, Sophie, you rushed straight off into the arms of Vasilov. At the time I was cut up about it, I can tell you."

"Just a second! Your chronology is out of order. If you remember, you married your society queen five years before I ever laid eyes on Basil Vasilov." She clasped

her hands in her lap and spoke with a sigh. "And if you and I had married, there would have been no Vasilov, and no Max Bernheim, and no other man at all—ever."

"PERHAPS that would have been better in the end," he conceded. "Though Lord knows what we'd be living on now. My marriage was never happy, even at the start. You can appreciate just how unhappy it was when you realize that Eleanor divorced me without leaving me a cent. She was the most jealous and vengeful woman I have ever known."

"Poor Godfrey! And it must have seemed like such a good idea at the time. She had position, didn't she, and money, and security—? She could afford to buy herself any husband she wanted, even the reigning matinee idol."

Godfrey drew himself erect with dignity and gave her a suspicious look. "Sophie, you'll hurt my feelings presently."

Sophie laughed richly, throwing back her head. "I sincerely believe that to be impossible."

"But you have!" he protested. "You know you are the only woman who ever meant anything to me. When I heard you were having an affair with Vasilov it hurt my feelings very much."

"How absurd you are! Do you think I'm in my dotage and have forgotten how you could make me feel? For nearly five years after you married Eleanor I ate out my fool heart. I was over it when I met Basil. He helped me to forget entirely. I won't hear a word against Basil, Godfrey, I warn you! I am very fond of him and profoundly grateful to him. It's hard for you to understand that, perhaps—you who married twice without love."

"And I suppose you loved Max Bernheim when you finally married! At the age of sixty, wasn't it?"

SOPHIE sat without speaking for a few moments. How would it be possible to explain to Godfrey what Max had meant to her?

She moved across the room, settling herself more comfortably, arranging her skirts to the best advantage. "Godfrey, I'd like you to understand once and for all why I married Max. Basil and I were together for five years—and they were happy years. After that I retired, as you know, except for my three farewell-appearance tours."

"Well, then our daughter married Frank Jenkin and I was alone. I hadn't even my career any more. When Max Bernheim came along, I hesitated to marry. It seemed unfair to marry outside the profession, and then there was—I felt—? She waited, unwilling to admit what had been her real reason, which was the feeling that she belonged to Godfrey, should never really marry another.

"Never mind. I accepted Max. I liked him. He was one of the nicest men I have ever known. Truly sympathetic. We were supremely happy. And then when Vicky needed me she had a home to come to. Max was like a grandfather to her." Sophie dropped her voice until it was almost a whisper. "She never knew, of course, and doesn't now, that you are her grandfather."

They heard Sir Charles's dignified and ponderous step approaching along the hall. He came into view. "They are coming, Madame," he announced, pulling on his white gloves and straightening his tie.

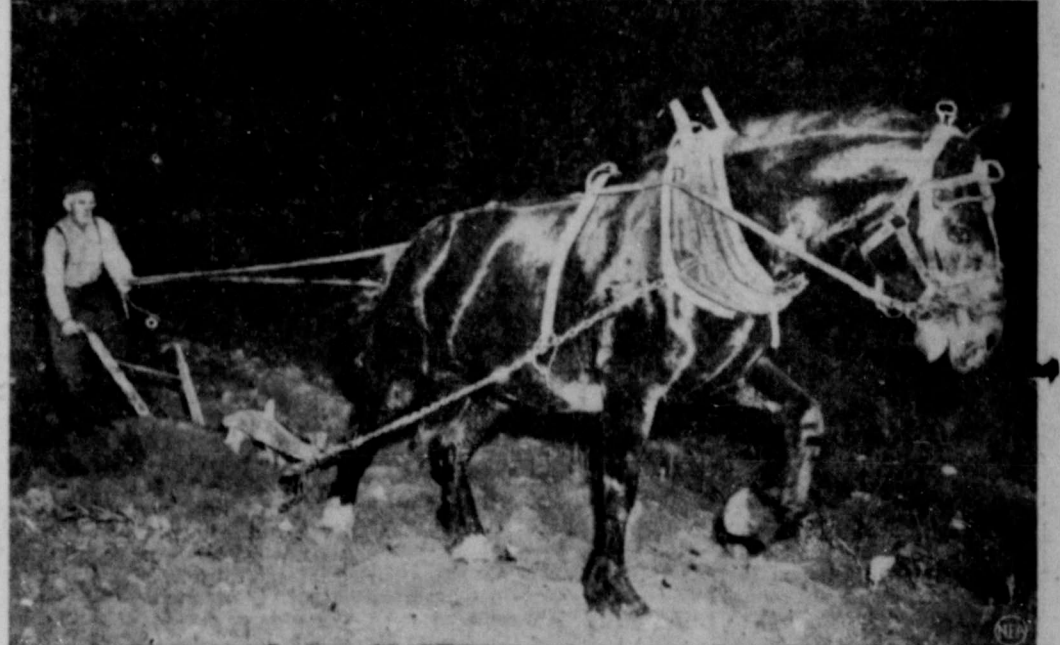
Sophie swept her draperies into place and prepared to greet the guests. "As soon as you have announced them, Sir Charles, please ask the others to come down. Now, Godfrey, for Vicky's sake—do try to behave yourself."

Godfrey, settling himself into a position where his left profile was reflected in a mirror, pulled his sleeves down over his cuffs and made no reply.

They waited for the sound of the doorkill.

(To Be Continued)

Weather Puts Farmers on Swing Shift



A few hours without rain sends Perry Crosley, Burton, O., farmer, into his fields to plow, all through the night, as the planting season dwindles. Eager to get their corn crop in before the deadline, Crosley and his neighbors wait for either sun or stars, then till their rain-soaked land.

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PHONE 109

Society-Clubs

Mrs. Love Is Hostess To Club Meeting Friday

The regular meeting of the Alameda Home Demonstration Club met Friday, June 13, in the home of Mrs. John Love with fourteen members and guests present. The house was called to order by the president, Mrs. J. B. Griffith, and roll call was answered by naming a favorite kitchen gadget. Mrs. Howard Wade who once lived in Venezuela, was present and made a very interesting talk on the customs and habits of the natives there.

A demonstration of making corsages was conducted by Mrs. Love and Mrs. T. D. Jones. Refreshments were served to Mrs. Howard Wade and Mrs. Rufus Buckley of the Howard Club Mrs. M. A. Rose, Mrs. Floyd Smith, Miss Shirley King, Mrs. Oliver Galloway, Mrs. Ann Love, Patsey Smith, and Mmes. T. D. Jones, Henry Perrin, J. B. Griffith, A. H. Dean, Miss Betty Tucker and the hostess, Mrs. Love. The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. T. D. Jones, June 25 at two o'clock.

of Ft. Worth and Mrs. J. E. Massey and daughter, of Ft. Worth, have returned from a visit in Corpus Christi where they were the guests of their daughter and sister, Mrs. R. J. Chadwell, and Mr. Chadwell and family. While there they attended the Buccaneer Days celebration.

Mrs. Harry X. Wallace and daughter, Mary Anne, are in Corpus Christi where they are the guests of Mrs. Wallace's son, Jack Wallace, and family.

Butch Simpson of Brownwood, formerly of Ranger, is the guest of his grandfather, Nath Pirkle.

Mr. and Mrs. James L. Turner have as their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Halford of Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. Layne Turner have returned to their home in Monahan after a visit with Mr. Turner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Turner. They were accompanied home by their children, Layne and Lana, who had been here for a visit with their grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Smith and children of Tennessee, are here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Cazez.

W. A. Canafax of Ft. Worth is transacting business in Ranger.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Warren of Electra are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ratliff.

Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Griffin and daughter, Mary, of McKinney are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Pearsall.

Miss Frances Ann Eubank left Thursday night for a week-end visit in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Rust of San Bernardino, California, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Rust and family of Crane, and Mrs. Buster Pendleton of Crane, visited recently in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Goodrum and daughter, Fannie Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Page of Houston, visited Thursday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Goodrum and daughter.

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Anniversary To Be Observed On Baptist Broadcast

A special program featuring the 40th Anniversary of Young Woman's Auxiliary to Woman's Missionary Union will be aired on the Baptist Hour next Sunday morning, June 22, with Mrs. George E. Martin of Norfolk, Virginia, as principal speaker, as announced by the Radio Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, S. F. Lowe, director, Atlanta, Georgia. Mrs. Martin is President of Woman's Missionary Union auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, and her subject is, "The Christian Imperative."

Mr. Lowe further states that brief testimonies of the experiences of salvation in Christ will be given by Christian young women from four nations. Miss Juliette Mather, Southwide Young People's Secretary of Woman's Missionary Union, announces that hundreds of local Y.W.A. units throughout the Southern Baptist Convention ter-

Spanking Saves a Life



Six-month-old Freddie Barney looks at the pencil, just dislodged from his throat, which his father, Clyde J. Barney, of Dayton, Ohio, holds before him. After the youngster shoved the pencil down his throat he was rushed to a hospital. En route, an accompanying policeman turned Freddie upside down and paddled him, dislodging the pencil.

ritory will hold radio breakfasts and listen to the broadcast in groups.

The Atlanta announcement further divulges that this program will originate from the auditorium on the Baptist Assembly grounds of Ridgecrest, North Carolina, where the annual Y.W.A. Retreat will be in session, and that Mrs. Robert Guy of Ridgecrest and Atlanta, Georgia, will render a violin solo.

The Baptist Hour may be heard in Texas over radio stations KGNC, Amarillo; KPRC, Houston; KRIC, Beaumont; WFAA, Dallas; and WOAI, San Antonio at 7:30 A. M. CST; and over KCRS, Midland at 7:30 A. M. CST the following Sunday.

Noisy Audiences Poor Acoustics Hamper Hearing

AUSTIN, Tex. —If you're having a hard time hearing programs in auditoriums or halls it doesn't mean you're getting deaf. It's just that audiences are growing noisier all the time, and that most auditoriums have poor acoustics, says Dr. C. P. Boner, University of Texas professor of physics.

OPEN FOR BIDS

In line with the announced policy of the City Commission, of the City of Ranger, I have been instructed to publish the following announcement of intention to sell:

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The above being commonly known as the N.Y.A. Radio Shop Building, at Pine and South Rusk Streets, fronting on Pine.

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Colony H. D. Club Meets Wednesday

The Colony Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Dee Anderson Wednesday, June 18, 1947, with the president Mrs. Odie Anderson, presiding.

Following the business session, Mrs. Charles McHoffy gave a discussion on cancer, its cause and prevention, and Mrs. Dee Anderson gave a demonstration on the making of corsages.

Refreshments were served to Mmes. Dorris, McHoffy, Landtroop, Kirk, Danley, Odie Anderson and the hostess, Mrs. Dee Anderson. Mrs. Don Rinne and son Jimmie, of Kermit, who are visiting her mother, Mrs. Dorris, was a guest of the club.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Odie Anderson.

Royal Neighbors Plan Convention

The Royal Neighbors had their regular meeting Monday night at 7:30 in the Elks hall with about 10 members present.

All members who can be urged to go to Eastland Thursday evening, June 19, when the state supervisor, Mrs. Carter, and the state deputy, Mrs. Marlow, will meet with the Eastland Royal Neighbors. The convention, to be held in October, will be discussed.

The next meeting will be Monday evening, June 23, at 7:30. All members are urged to be present to help with the membership drive.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Bryan and family

PERSONALS

Mrs. Tennie Merrick has had as her guest, her son, Sherrod Merrick, of New York, who received his B.S. degree in May at Julliard School of Music. While in Texas he visited relatives in Lubbock, Abilene, and Austin. He left Thursday by plane for Houston where he will visit his sister, Mrs. D. V. Harbolt, before returning to New York Monday to begin work on his master's degree at Julliard.

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WACO, Tex. (UP)—Early reports from Waco and vicinity indicate a record crowd of vacationers this season.

Already, restriction-weary vacationers from all over the nation are starting to pour in. Outlying restaurant owners daily spot more new cars and more people.

Sporting goods stores say their counters are cleared as soon as the merchandise is displayed. An even greater influx of travel-hungry citizens is expected as soon as schools are dismissed for the summer.

Cattle Parasite Invades Texas

COLLEGE STATION, Tex. (U. P.)—Texas stockmen may have

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Entomologists of the Texas & M College Extension Service report the discovery of an African cattle parasite, the "Tail Louse". The lice, found now in Texas and Florida, sap the vitality of cattle, making them too weak to walk. The lice infest the brush of the animal's tail, and can be recognized by the matted appearance of the hair.

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