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WASHINGTON COLUMN

Little Stories of Big People —Truman, Condon, Slavik

BY PETER EDSON
NEA Washington Correspondent



WASHINGTON—(NEA)—President Truman is usually gracious and kindly. But he didn't like it a little bit when he had to present the Raymond Clapper award and a \$500 prize to Nat S. Finney of the Cowles publications for outstanding Washington correspondence in 1947. The award was made at the annual White House correspondents' dinner for the President. Finney was named for the honor by a panel of five distinguished newspaper editors for a series of articles exposing plans to impose peacetime government censorship. The President shook hands with Finney as the \$500 check and the award certificate were handed over. But the President did not offer his congratulations. Instead, he remarked quietly, so only Finney could hear it, that if you kept monkeying around with these things long enough, you got a kick in the pants. The President made it stronger than that, but it's against the rules to quote him directly. What puzzles Finney, however, is which one of them got the kick? Was it the President because Finney's series had criticized censorship policies? Or was it Finney himself because the President wasn't offering congratulations?

DR. EDWARD U. CONDON, National Bureau of Standards director, has a gagged-up idea for a new kind of "man of the year" award. He has in jest tried to sell the idea to publisher Marshall Field, suggesting that he offer it in competition to the Pulitzer prizes. Instead of giving the award for distinguished achievements in the arts and letters, however, Condon says it should be confined to the field of government service. And to give it a new twist, Condon says the prize should go to the public servant who gets the worst kicking around during the year. For instance, last year's award would unquestionably go to chairman David Lillenthal of the Atomic Energy Commission for the public beating and abuse he had to take from Senator McKellar.

When Dr. Condon explained his gag award idea to several newspaper men, they accused him of wanting the prize himself. Condon has been accused of consorting with Communists and Russian agents by Congressman John Rankin of Mississippi and the House Un-American Activities Committee. Condon wouldn't get this prize hands down, however. He has competition this year. Consider the kicking around that Dean James M. Landis took when he was bounced out of Civil Aeronautics Board chairmanship. Or how about the summary firing given Surgeon General Thomas Parran after a 12-year unblemished record as head of Public Health Service? Or take the case of Marjorie S. Eccles' Federal Reserve Board demotion.

BEFORE the Communists took over Czechoslovakia, the Czech ladies in Washington were planning to have a benefit sale for the relief in their native country. Madame Jura Slavik, wife of the Czech ambassador, had lined up all the Czech ladies in Washington to help with the benefit. They were madly sewing away on gay peasant aprons and doing fancy embroidery work for which Czech women are famous. Then came the coup. Then came Ambassador Slavik's resignation and his dramatic denunciation of the Communists. The Slaviks moved out of the embassy. The sale was called off.

Among the women who had worked hardest getting ready for this sale was Mrs. Edward U. Condon, wife of the Bureau of Standards director. She is of Czech descent. All through the war, in Pittsburgh, Mrs. Condon had been one of the demon seamstresses for the Red Cross. For the Czech embassy relief sale, Mrs. Condon had made 25 aprons and doesn't know what to do with them now.

Society Women Organize Junk Furniture Racket

CLEVELAND (UP)—Police are cracking down on a second-hand furniture racket in swank suburban Shaker Heights.

Some women in the suburb, police reported, have been buying used furniture at junk shops and auction sales, advertising later that they were leaving town and selling their furnishings. Prospective buyers, impressed by the lavishness of the homes, would buy the junk furniture at more than three times the original price.

The Shaker Heights women put "sold" tags on their own high-priced furniture to prevent its purchase by bargain hunters, police said.

Some 25 wealthy matrons reportedly have been engaged in the racket. Police say that in some cases the husbands of the enterprising women knew of their activities and were "highly embarrassed."

Dim Your Lights and Save a Life.



Uranium Believed Used By Romans

COLUMBUS, O. (UP)—Roman glass makers of the early Christian era are credited with the first use of uranium compounds. Dr. Earle R. Casey of the Ohio State University chemistry department, said that a compound of uranium was found by Oxford University chemists in analyzing glass recovered 40 years ago during excavation of an imperial Roman villa on Naples Bay.

Earlier scientists believed that the presence of a small amount of uranium in the glass was merely accidental, Dr. Casey said. He, however, believes that since it was common practice for ancient glassmakers to add chemical compounds such as those of cobalt, the uranium compound was intentionally employed to give the glass a pale green color.

The ancient workers undoubtedly had no idea of the true nature of the uranium compound, although they probably recognized it as a peculiar and distinct mineral substance, Dr. Casey said.

Wife Watches As Husband Embroiders

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (UP)—An oft-repeated scene during the past 20 years in the parlor of the Elmer J. Hartin home finds Hartin huddled over an embroidery frame as his wife watches.

The so-called "strictly women's" art is Hartin's favorite hobby. A compressor operator by trade, the husky Elmer returns home from his night-shift job to spend several hours embroidering. Most of his stitching is bought by friends.

A bulldog is the mascot of the athletic teams of Yale.

Plains of Russia and Siberia are called steppes.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

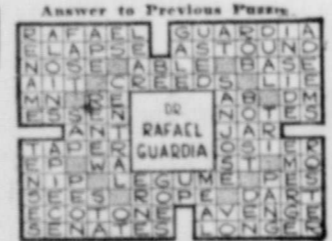


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- 20 Harbor
- 21 Diminutive of Edgar
- 22 Bang
- 23 She is heard—the air waves
- 27 First woman
- 28 Courtesan title
- 30 Near
- 31 Metal
- 32 Mountain pass
- 34 Shield bearing
- 35 Ardor
- 37 Winglike part
- 38 Robust
- 42 Decay
- 44 Italian resort
- 46 Gem
- 47 Sailors
- 48 Reluctant
- 50 Nova Scotia
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Few Americans are still traveling about in Model T autos, but most Americans are living and working in buildings constructed under building codes as old as or older than the Model T. Of the more than 16,000 municipalities in the U. S., less than 2,000 have a building code, and most of these are from 15 to 20 years old, according to the National Board of Fire Underwriters.

Women's Council Has Bible Study

Mrs. Roy Hargraves was hostess to the Women's Council of the First Christian Church when it met Monday afternoon at 2:30 in her home. Mrs. Dick Jones was leader of the Bible study.

At the close of the meeting refreshments were served to Meses O. R. Ervin, Raymond West, Bob Allen, Lottie Davenport, B. S. Dudley, Earl Bisset, W. E. Moore, L. W. Bowen, Harry Warner, L. E. Bryan, John Bryan, Jim Wilson, Warren Dooley, Glenn Simon, Elsie Frasier, R. C. Crawford, B. H. Clifton, A. H. Briden, J. C. King, Dick Jones and the hostess, Mrs. Hargraves.

What can you do? Check your house for piles of rubbish, make safety repairs, then join community projects. See what the Fire Department is doing, get a self-inspection guide from them to help you. Community safety means individual safety, too. Help clean-up your neighborhood and you'll be safeguarding against fire.

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Society-Clubs

W. S. C. S. Meets At Church Monday

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church met Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the church.

An opening prayer was said by the president, Mrs. Vernon Deffebach. In a short business session, delegates elected to the District conference were Mrs. S. M. McAnelly and Mrs. Deffebach. Alternates are Mrs. A. J. Ratliff and Mrs. A. W. Brazda.

Mrs. L. E. Wolfe, gave the devotional basing it on the 24th Psalm, which was followed by the song, "This Is My Father's World." Mrs. R. E. Johnson, secretary of literature and publications, directed the program with Mrs. Brazda speaking on "Building A Christian Rural America," and Mrs. Johnson giving comments on the rural life conference held at Lincoln, Nebraska.

Mrs. Arthur Deffebach gave a resume of Society work over the world as taken from the pamphlet, "How Wide Are Our Hearts." Mrs. Ratliff gave the closing prayer.

The next meeting will be held April 19, at which time Mrs. McAnelly will begin the course of study, "We The People."

Circle Meets With Mrs. McCleskey

The monthly meeting of the Florine Miller Circle of the W. M. U. of the First Baptist Church was held in the home of Mrs. Roy McCleskey Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock, with Mrs. K. F. Kirk assisting the hostess.

Mrs. Earle Pittman led the study of the mission book, "Mary Slessor," and gave a report on the work of the Y.W.A. of which she is sponsor.

Refreshments were served to Meses C. L. Beck, Walter Artburn, G. E. Rush, Coy Sims, J. B. Houghton, Jr., Bill Houghton Pittman, Kirk, and McCleskey.

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Mrs. West Hostess To W. M. U. Circle

The Juanita Dixon Circle of the Woman's Missionary Union of the First Baptist Church met Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the home of Mrs. A. W. West.

Mrs. Glenn West led the mission study and taught a chapter of the book, "Mary Slessor." A letter from Juanita Dixon, missionary in Brazil for whom the circle was named, was read by Mrs. D. C. Ham.

At the close of the meeting refreshments were served to Meses Hugh Smith, T. J. Anderson, Lee Mitchell, F. E. Langston, L. R. Ark, A. A. Daniels, Williams, Ham Glenn West, Miss Ethel Adams, and the hostess Mrs. A. W. West.

Hazel Moon Circle Has Meeting Monday

Mrs. F. R. King was hostess to the Hazel Moon Circle of the Women's Missionary Union of the First Baptist Church Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Following a short business session presided over by Mrs. George Rogers, circle chairman, Mrs. Arlie Carver taught a chapter of the mission book, "Mary Slessor."

Refreshments were served to Meses Carver, Rogers, Kenneth Cole, and the hostess Mrs. King.

Personals

Mrs. W. C. K. Berlin of Denver, Colorado and Mrs. Harry Blackshear of Mannington, W. Va., arrived today for a visit with their cousins, Mrs. Al Tane and family, Miss Mary Kohler, and their uncle, David Kohler.

Rev. and Mrs. David C. Ham had as their guests Sunday her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Brown of Abilene, and Rodney Cathney and Carolyn Brown, students at Hardin-Simmons University.

Bob Eakin, a student at Baylor University in Waco, is here for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Eakin.

Perry Horton is a patient in the West Texas Hospital.

Well I Dunno...

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As part of the Ranger Times contribution to the move a big special edition will be put out, carrying all of the information possible about the college and advertising its advantages to students over this section of Texas. These will be distributed to students in towns that the motorcycle visits.

Get on the band wagon and let's get the fame of Ranger Junior College spread over the country.

That northern really showed up and dropped temperatures from a high of 91 Monday to a low of 47 during the night.

READ CLASSIFIED DAILY

Eastland County Towns & Communities

(Editor's Note—The following is taken from the forthcoming book, "History of Eastland County," By Ed T. Cox.)

CISCO CONTINUED

The late Joe Wilson is authority for the statement that there were thirteen saloons in Cisco in 1882.

Prior to 1918 Cisco had a larger population than any other town in the county. The two railroads and its progressive citizenship, giving it an advantage which was not to be overcome by its neighboring towns but when oil was found at Ranger, with its accompanying rush to that community, that town took a big lead which though it has lost thousands of its boom population it still maintains that leadership.

Feeling the need of local self government, the citizens of Cisco requested the County Commissioner's Court to call an election to determine whether or not the town should be incorporated for municipal purposes. An election was held February 11, 1884 and resulted in there being 81 votes cast for incorporation and 76 against such a procedure. After

4-H Youths Learn How To Improve Dairy Herds

Asked what he planned to do with a dairy heifer he had just bought at a sale, a 14-year-old 4-H Club boy replied: "Add her to my foundation herd. Through my 4-H projects, I'm learning how to select and breed dairy animals to increase milk production per cow; also how to balance rations and keep records. He demonstrating to others what I learn not only gives me experience in public speaking but helps to improve the dairy industry in my community. This year I'm helping to save grain for foreign relief by feeding more good roughage and by preventing waste."

The statements are typical of those made by rural boys throughout the nation who are taking part in the 1948 National 4-H Dairy Production awards program. More than 1,600 of them will be awarded county medals of honor and 350 state winners will receive \$25.00 U. S. Savings Bonds for outstanding records of achievement. Ten sectional winners will each get a trip to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago next Nov. provided by Kraft Foods Co. Six national champions selected from the sectional winners will each be awarded a \$200.00 college scholarship.

Last year's state winners in Texas were: C. W. Grissom, Fawell; Doyle Davis; Hart; Floyd R. Owens, Abilene; George Truitt, Odessa, and Franklin Wall, Moore.

The program is conducted under the direction of the Cooperative Extension Service. County extension agents will furnish full information.

school. It is probable that the term taught by Frank Kynette and Miss Greer was in this building. Miss Greer, now Mrs. James H. Reed, was at Cisco at a Family Reunion the summer of 1941 and is probably the only teacher that taught in the Cisco Schools at so early a date that is still living.

The district was incorporated for school purposes at an election held August 15, 1882 and was the first Incorporated School in Eastland County. J. R. Fleming, C. A. Parks, E. T. Hilliard, and John T. Yeargin were elected trustees at an election held soon afterwards.

Dr. S. H. Stout was elected principal of the Cisco Schools in the early 80's and it is probable that his influence in the development of the Cisco Schools and of education in Eastland County has been greater than that of any other person.

A charter was granted Cisco Lodge No. 556, A. F. and A. M. December 16, 1862. It had twenty members and no funds and each

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