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A Newspaper Office Yields Romance

A great deal of nonsense has been printed at one time or another about the romance of newspaper work. From the time of Richard Harding Davis down to the era of "The Front Page," the newspaperman has been held up as a chap who moves through an aura of romance—a slightly smudged and soiled aura, occasionally, but romance nonetheless.

At least 90 per cent of this is pure hokum. Yet there is a romance in the business as there is in all trades and callings; but there is nothing spectacular about it and it is only rarely that the man in the street is able to get a look at it.

One of these rare occasions took place not long ago when the Pulitzer Prizes for the past year were awarded.

The gold medal for disinterested and meritorious public service was awarded to the Bismarck Tribune in North Dakota; and because the thing which that newspaper did to win the award is a striking example of the real romance of newspaper work the tale is worth retelling here.

Back in 1933 the farming region of western North Dakota was in a bad way. Drought and economic depression had reduced whole areas to desperation. About the only solution anyone could offer was a suggestion that all hands stand by and wait for help from Washington.

It was here that the Bismarck Tribune got busy. The late George D. Mann, publisher of the newspaper, had the notion that the farmers of this particular dust bowl could work their own way out of the mess if someone showed them how. He decided that his paper would do the showing.

So a long, unspectacular and laborious campaign was begun. First, the newspaper stressed the value of irrigation. It agitated, campaigned and educated; and, after some three years, brought about the construction of some 200 irrigation projects which helped turn sun-baked fields into green and fertile producers again.

But that was only a part of it. There was a campaign to restore submarginal lands to the range; a drive for the construction of innumerable small dams to conserve water; a shelter-belt program; a course of education in scientific farming practices such as contour plowing and crop diversification, and a whole flock of lesser matters.

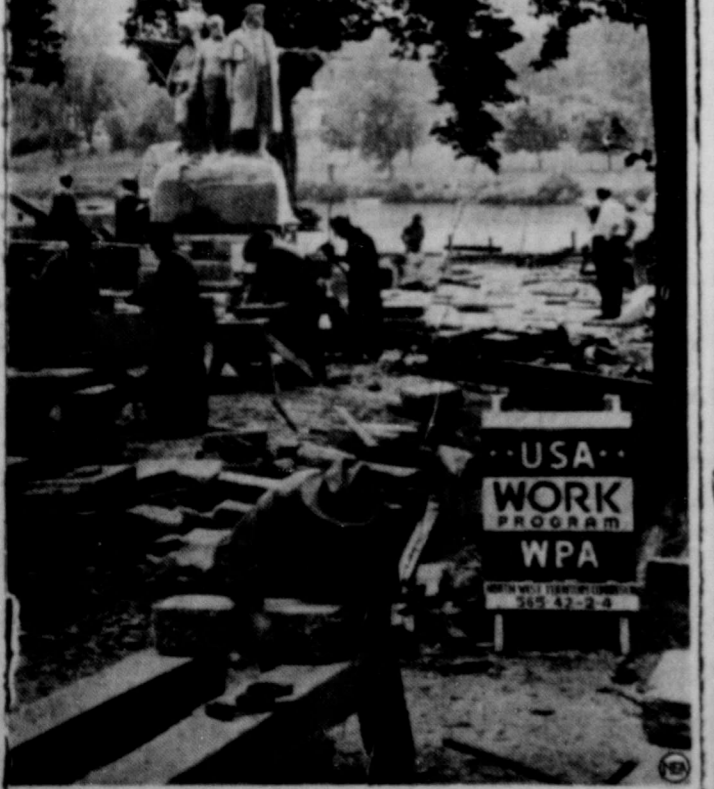
As a result of all of this, the area which looked done for a few years ago is now getting back on its feet again—and, which is important, getting there by its own efforts, and not by help from above.

Now there is a genuine specimen of the "romance" of the newspaper business. It isn't the sort of romance you read about. There are no picturesque reporters in it, no hard-boiled editors, no dauntless seekers after scoops. It is simply a story of a long, thankless campaign to make a region a better place to live in; as such, it is worth a dozen to the old blood-and-thunder, get-the-news at all costs yarns.

A girl in Sidney, Australia, swallowed a door-key, and everybody was surprised when she failed to develop lock-jaw.

Pitcairn Island, home of the descendants of the Bounty mutineers, has been given swing music. Watch for another mutiny.

WPA Sculptors--FDR Will Dedicate



WPA workers are pictured putting finishing touches on the Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial Celebration monument, which President Roosevelt will dedicate when he visits Marietta, O., July 8. This monument marks the spot where Gen. Arthur St. Clair was inaugurated as governor of the territory in 1788 to establish the first American civil government west of the original 13 states. Gutus Borglum designed the model for the monument and WPA artisans used pneumatic tools to carve the figures from a huge

CHARM SCHOOL

BRUCE BARTON URGES REPUBLICANS TO COPY ROOSEVELT "MAGIC"



BASEBALL CALENDAR

LEAGUE STANDINGS			
Texas League			
TEAM	W.	L.	Pct.
Tulsa	50	33	.602
Beaumont	48	37	.565
Oklahoma City	45	40	.529
San Antonio	44	41	.518
Houston	41	40	.506
Dallas	40	48	.455
Fort Worth	38	51	.427
Shreveport	34	50	.405
American League			
TEAM	W.	L.	Pct.
Cleveland	41	25	.621
New York	41	25	.621
Boston	39	28	.582
Detroit	35	36	.493
Washington	35	37	.486
Chicago	27	34	.443
Philadelphia	27	37	.422
St. Louis	22	44	.333
National League			
TEAM	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	45	25	.643
Pittsburgh	38	25	.603
Chicago	38	30	.559
Cincinnati	35	31	.530
Boston	31	31	.500
St. Louis	29	35	.453
Brooklyn	28	40	.412
Philadelphia	19	45	.297

RESULTS YESTERDAY

Texas League
Fort Worth 5-7, Dallas 6-8.
Tulsa 8-2, Oklahoma City 2-1.
Shreveport 5-2, Santone 2-6.
Beaumont 11-2, Houston 4-1.

American League
New York 10-4, Washington 5-4 (second game tie, called end of thirteenth).
Boston 8-5, Philadelphia 5-2.
Chicago 5-4, St. Louis 4-1.
Detroit 7-5, Cleveland 3-2.

Try Our Want Ads!

SISTER MARY'S KITCHEN

By Mrs. Gaynor Maddox
SEA Service Staff Writer

SPICE is not necessarily hot stuff. It may be fragrance added to food or even a touch of subtlety. Study your range of spices and you'll find new flavors for your summer menu. Yesterday I received a little book called "Spices and How to Use Them." You'll like it, too. Here are two reasons why

Escalloped Onions and Cheese
(Serves 4 to 6)
Two cups small boiled onions.
4 tablespoons butter, 4 tablespoons flour, 2 cups milk, 1-4 teaspoon paprika, 1 teaspoon salt, 1-4 teaspoon celery salt, 1 teaspoon prepared mustard, 1-2 cup cheese cut fine.
Melt butter in top of double boiler. Add flour and blend. Add milk slowly, stirring constantly. Add seasoning and cheese and cook until creamy, stirring constantly. Place cooked onions in buttered baking dish, pour over sauce and bake 20 minutes in moderate oven (350 degrees F.).

Pennsylvania Dutch Spinach
(Serves 4 to 6)
Four slices bacon, 3 tablespoons flour, 1 1-2 cups water or potato water, 2 tablespoons sugar, 2 ta-

Clears Husband of Murder Guilt



Mrs. William B. Aycock, above, of Savannah, Ga., whose husband went on trial for the murder of Mrs. Martha Sikes, is reported to have made a confession in which she took full blame for the killing, saying Mrs. Sikes broke up her home. Police held the 45-year-old mother of three pending further investigation.

COFFIN AND GRAVE READY

GRAND FORKS, B. C.—Clement K. Vacher, 84, wanted his death to cause no one any trouble. So the pioneer prospector of Boundary Falls built his own coffin and dug his own grave. He was buried in the lonely mountain grave he dug years ago.

GAMES TODAY

Texas League
Fort Worth at Dallas.
Oklahoma City at Tulsa.
Shreveport at San Antonio.
Beaumont at Houston.

American League
Open date. _____

National League
Open date. _____

Singing Is Feature Of Local Revival

Announcement was made by officers of the Christian church that before each preaching service a 20 minute song service is held each evening. To those who like old fashion singing is given an invitation to come to the Revival now being held at First Christian Church. Ceiling fans have been in operation for several years at the church and the building is comfortable for the preaching and singing.

Ranger Masons Will Meet Thursday Night

Announcement was made in Ranger today by business officers of Ranger Masonic lodge that the regular meeting of the lodge would be as usual next Thursday night at 8 o'clock and at this meeting the new officers would be installed. All members of the lodge are urged to attend. Visitors will be welcome. At the close of the meeting refreshments will be served.

Tree is Weighed As It Stands at Over 2,000 Tons

FRESNO, Calif.—Without placing so much as a twig on a pair of scales, foresters have found that the greatest tree in Sequoia National park weighs 4,299,851 pounds, or more than 2,000 tons—probably the heaviest tree in the world. Careful measuring and weighing of parts from other living trees were used as a basis for the computations. Foliage and root volumes were found by measuring the leafy portions and root systems of fallen trees. The weight of the foliage was found to be 15.15 pounds per cubic foot of closely packed leaves and twigs. The wood of another

Temperatures Hit New Season's High

DALLAS, July 5.—Temperatures in Texas soared to high records for the season as a hot sun beat down across the state. The highest reading so far this summer was Wichita Falls Monday, when thermometer reached 102, had 100 and Del Rio 98.



RANGER JUNIOR COLLEGE

As an asset to Ranger and this part of West Texas... it should be maintained in Ranger because the 20c tax asked for by the board will not break anyone and by leaving the school with the 20c tax it will help to make Ranger the educational center of a vast territory. We are for it 100 per cent!

BURTON-LINGO LUMBER CO.

R. S. Balch, Manager.

“There’s The doorbell again”

Suppose daily to your door came the butcher, the grocer, the clothier, the furrier, the furniture man, and every other merchant with whom you deal? What a tedium of doorbell answering that would mean!

It would be even more impractical for you to visit daily all these stores to find out what they have to offer and the price.

And yet you need those merchants' service quite as much as they need your patronage. Contact between seller and consumer is essential in the supplying of human needs. Before a sale can be closed the goods must be offered. Every day, through the advertising columns of this newspaper, the merchants of this city come to your home with their choicest wares. Easily, quickly, you get the news of all that is worth while in the market-places of the world.

They are not strangers at the door, but merchants you know and trust. You are always surer of high quality and fair price when you buy an article advertised by a reputable firm.

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atures Hi Season's... United Press July 5... Texas soared for the season... beat down...

OLDUP HONEYMOON

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CASE OF CHARACTERS
...he thought he was headed some- where, too, but affairs somehow got mixed up.

CHAPTER X

QUICK glance was enough to show Mr. Sandham what to do. With a lightning-like movement he knocked the Weasel's head toward the ground.

"I could kill you both," Kelly said savagely. "Who's that?" Kelly asked. "That's my father," said the Weasel. "He's a damn near as tough as I am."

Kelly's face twisted. "Now I know," she said, her mouth tight, "that you're the rottenest person I've ever met."

TWILIGHT drew around Ontario. Thickened into darkness. The car dived on. And presently the lights of St. Catharines winked ahead of them.

A half mile out of St. Catharines, the Weasel ordered Joe to turn off on a dirt road which led in the general direction of Lake Ontario.

"What utter rot," said Kelly. "Beyond my name, you know practically nothing about me."

"Don't! I've already told you that I suspected you came from a wealthy family. Well," he reached into a pocket on the inside of the door and drew out the paper that the Weasel had obtained from the filling station attendant.

"What's this?" Kelly asked. "This is your hideaway, is it?" Kelly said to the Weasel. "What a delightful place. It looks like a deserted grave."

"Ain't so deserted as it looks," said the Weasel. "Cissy'll be waitin' fer me inside, sure."

"Cissy?" Kelly asked. "His girl," Joe explained. "The place does seem dark though. Weasel. Maybe Cissy took a run-out powder."

"Not a chance," said the Weasel. "And said almost reluctantly, Joe thought.

Leaving the car they stole quietly around the house. A light was shining from a kitchen window and the shade was only half-drawn. They peered in and perceived a blond girl playing solitaire at the kitchen table.

"That's perfectly okay with me," said Joe. "Your opinion is immaterial. I'm after money and nothing more."

"You said it," put in the Weasel, who had listened to all this with approving ears.

For a short time there was silence. Finally Kelly said: "Listen, Joe."

"All those—those things you told me, then? They were"—her voice dropped—"just lies?"

Joe laughed, an unnecessarily loud laugh. "You mean about falling for you? Wanting to marry you and all that? Gee, women are dumb. I never knew one yet who didn't turn out to be a sucker directly a man told her he loved her. Of course, they were lies. You don't think I'd be dope enough to want to get married, do you?"

"OUT OUR WAY" - - - - - By Williams



THE ADVISERS

in Guatemala. Lombardo Toledano has talked about this in numerous speeches, and even resolutions have been drawn up on the subject.

All of this has been a little irritating to the government. In the past, Guatemala looked upon Mexico as the "colossus of the north," the country which stole Chiapas, one of its potentially rich provinces.

During recent years, however, relations between Mexico and Guatemala have considerably improved. To keep up this friendly feeling, General Eduardo Hay recently had to issue a public statement, in which he inferentially chastised the CTM for talking so much about the "Guatemalan plot."

"The government of Guatemala, presided over by his excellency, General Don Jorge Ubico, has been characterized not only as antagonistic to Mexico, but as being an active factor in provoking intransigency within our own country," wrote Hay.

"It is even affirmed that rebellions against the constituted authorities of Mexico are being prepared in Guatemala. It is said with insistence that arms are being carried across the frontier, and that groups are being organized which might use them in an armed movement in our country."

Hay declared that Mexico's policy is that of the "good friend" and that all investigations of rumor of trouble from Guatemala are unfounded.

In general, however, the CTM has been rather in the background lately. On June 2, it began publication of a daily newspaper, El Popular, which so far has been rather conservative. The CTM's fluent orator and leader, Vicente Lombardo Toledano, has been abroad attending labor conferences since the end of April. His absence from Mexico in these crucial days is interpreted as meaning that he is not indispensable in the program to develop Mexico into a "democracy of workers."

SAW LINCOLN BURIAL

By United Press
YOUNGSTOWN, O.—Mrs. Carrie Butler Smith, the first woman teacher in Ohio's deaf and mute school in Columbus, when she celebrated her 97th birthday reminisced of the time she viewed Abraham Lincoln in his casket.

Title Seekers With Talent Aplenty



Loring Day, left, Southern California's national collegiate pole vault champion, gazes skyward, as though wondering if he'll finally reach that 15-foot ceiling at the National A. A. U. meet in Buffalo, July 2-3. Right, Ray Malott, Stanford's "picture runner," who is listed as favorite in the 400-meter event at the same meet.

Message Drum Used Largest Family In Mexico Is Sought

PHILADELPHIA.—The rare Drexel collection of primitive and Oriental instruments has been placed on display in the music section of the Franklin Institute. The collection was presented to the institute by Mrs. George W. Childs Drexel, who acquired the instruments during a score of years' travel on her yacht to out-of-the-way ports of the world. String and percussion instruments, woodwinds, metal horns and rattles are included. A huge metal horn, nearly 7 feet long, that was used by Jews during an attack on Jerusalem contrasts strangely with a tiny reed pipe the size of a cigarette holder, used by head-hunters. A jungle "telegraph drum" is the first of its kind ever brought from Africa. Also in the collection are pottery tom-toms, marriage and funeral drums, pipes of Pan and string instruments made from turtle shells and gourds. Some of the instruments are inlaid with precious stones.

Mexico Finds Its Labor Connection Is Embarrassing

BY WILLIAM H. LANDER
United Press Staff Correspondent
MEXICO, D. F.—The Socialist-Mexican government is every day and then finding itself embarrassed by its labor connections. Normally, the administration of CTM (Confederation of Mexican Workers), which is the largest body of organized workers in the nation, work hand in hand. In all, the CTM was organized by the government in 1936 when it was found desirable to undermine the CROM (Mexican Labor Confederation) because of its close contact with the late dictator, General Plutarco Calles. But once in a while the government seem to work at cross purposes. The case of ex-General Sano Cedillo is one of these. Cedillo and the CTM leader, Vicente Lombardo Toledano, never got along very well. Lombardo took every occasion he could find to picture Cedillo as an agent of "international fascism."

Effect of that statement was distinctly disagreeable to the government. Here inside of Mexico, the people who know about these things discount the CTM manifesto as simple flagwaving.

Abroad, however, it seems that it was taken seriously, and people began to picture Mexico as a second Spain, with labor militias being organized to defend the government. Naturally, the government did not say anything about the matter, one way or another. But here it is well known, that even in a real crisis the CTM could not raise a total membership of 1,000,000—which includes women and many men too old to fight. Whether the CTM does have 1,000,000 members, though, is another matter. Some people claim the paid-up membership is as low as 115,000; others think that 600,000 is the maximum of its forces. Another matter which the CTM likes to harp on from time to time is the allegation that a big plot against Mexico is being worked up

WASHINGTON

BY RODNEY DUTCHER
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WASHINGTON.—Senator Augustine Lonergan of Connecticut is tentatively slated for political slaughter by Mr. Roosevelt and his New Dealers.

Tentatively only, however, because the President is anxious not to stick his neck out in his effort to obtain nomination of progressive Democrats over conservative Democrats except in situations where he thinks he has a fair chance to win.

In Connecticut, nominees are named by party state conventions rather than by direct primary vote and thus far the New Deal strategists have been unable to convince themselves that they can find a liberal Democrat who can beat Lonergan.

If there is to be a New Deal candidate it probably will be Congressman Herman F. Koppleman of Hartford, a member of the House progressive bloc.

Lonergan is in solid with the Democratic state machine despite the fact that he opposed the Roosevelt Supreme Court plan and voted against the administration reorganization bill. But the New Deal elimination committee is betting on the hope that the recent Waterbury graft indictments will sufficiently demoralize the state machine to enable them to push through their own candidate.

CERTAIN Washington correspondents have developed bad cases of writing cramp by simply reiterating the prediction that Attorney General Homer S. Cummings was about to resign and this writer is not altogether free of the symptoms himself. Nevertheless the date of Cummings' resignation is somewhat nearer than it ever was before and the chance now seems to be rather fat that his departure will be announced by fall.

Local relief authorities in Newark, N. J., compelled to take care of Honner, lately demanded to know why Hopkins didn't return the money, but the law appeared to require Hopkins to turn it over to the Treasury.

Hohner received nation-wide publicity and was introduced to the country over a national radio hookup program as a most deserving citizen who needed a job. But at last reports no one in the whole United States had offered Fred Honner any kind of work whatever and he was still on relief in Newark.

SPORT GLANCES By Grayson

BY HARRY GRAYSON
Sports Editor, NEA Service

FOR a business, which in the major leagues alone is valued at \$40,000,000, baseball officials, particularly league heads, show an amazing lack of business and common sense.

The continuation of the Johnny Allen-Bill McGowan feud is something in the way of evidence. There was no earthly reason for Will Harridge, president of the American League, assigning McGowan to umpire the Cleveland series in Boston.

Even Harridge must have known that Allen and McGowan were something less than lodge brothers. Since umpires' assignments are made from week to week, and made secretly, it would have been no public rebuke to McGowan had he been sent elsewhere for a spell. Particularly with his waving a red flag in front of Allen, a \$20,000-a-year pitcher, since 1933, and with the Cleveland club fighting to retain its lead.

AN umpire controls a pitcher's destiny. The better the pitcher, the more important it is that a competent umpire is behind the plate. Good pitchers are artists. They pitch to spots with remarkable accuracy. Their bread and butter depends upon an umpire being able to determine whether a pitch shaded the corner, or was low enough to be called a strike, and thus be effective in the strike zone. Carl Hubbell weakened under

the pressure against the New York Yankees in the opening game of the world series last fall, not because of the dynamite of the Riffes, but because Steve Basili was not calling low pitches strikes. Of the four umpires assigned to the world series last October, Basili, an American Leaguer, was the only one who never had offed called in the fashion show of baseball.

So he landed the important post of plate umpire, without getting a chance to acclimate himself to the difference in the major leagues and the tension of the money games.

WHAT was merely another indictment of the league heads . . . the ex-clerks, stenographers, and radio announcers who induced otherwise sensible baseball men to set them up as tin gods. What baseball needs is a central governing authority for umpires. If Johnny Allen can't get along with McGowan, why not send it another umpire? Allen can't very well row with them all. And why shouldn't the two major leagues exchange umpires? For instance, suppose Bill Klem and Dolly Stark of the National League had ankled into Fenway Park the afternoon that Allen renewed his feud with McGowan? Certainly, no red flag would have been waved in Allen's face. And when a pitcher has had three arguments in three different games with one umpire by early June, it is about time that someone in authority kept them apart. But baseball succeeds in spite of those at its head, as the late Charley Ebbets once remarked.

MYRA NORTH, Special Nurse -- By Thompson and Coll



ALLEY OOP - - - - - By HAMLIN



THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson



