

## A Nichol's Worth of ... Comment On This and That

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Washington — (U.P.) — Only a few years ago Dong Kingman was a house boy in San Francisco. But the 43-year-old Chinese put some water colors and a brush to work and his results in the fight against Communism already are evident. Dong has just returned from a six month tour of 13 countries. His weapons were his brush and easel. The State Department sent him out to combat Communism by teaching the American way of life.



Harman Nichols

He was the first artist ever to be appointed to such a job by the State Department. And he did so well that Henry Howland, chief of the State Department's International Education Exchange Service, is starting a program of using others of the top American artists to deliver the fine word about democracy.

Painting at Five  
I had a long talk with Dong, an affable man who was born in San Francisco and who at the age of five went to Hong Kong with his parents. He hadn't been there long before he was attracting crowds by splashing paint on discarded rice bags.

When he was 18, Dong returned to San Francisco. He set up shop in a restaurant. But he spent more time with a brush than he did with a ladle. So he went broke. So he became a houseboy.

Along came 1935 and the Works Progress Administration. They wanted some painters. Dong was hungry and willing. He did all right and that very

year he put on his first one man show. It was in the musty corner of an obscure San Francisco library. There was a rave from the critics and Dong was on his way.

Excited by People  
Today, after his trip and after having taught water colors at Columbia University and having had his works exhibited by most of the art museums in the country, Dong is top flight.

He's a little guy and he's shy and modest. He's also proud of his eldest son, Eddie, in the Marines in Korea.

"Everywhere I went on this long tour," Dong said, "We had crowds. In Germany they group around to watch me paint."

The first time he rode a New York subway he remarked:

"This is mass art. I won't live long enough to put my brush to work on what I saw in one day!"

Crowds excite him to creative work.

One of his greatest thrills as upon his arrival on his tour at Hong Kong, which he calls his home town.

There he was met at the airport by Sze-To Wai, his old art teacher, the only instructor he ever had. He was discouraged at an art school in San Francisco because he had "no future."

## As We Live

By ELIZABETH HURLOCK, Ph.D.

Snoopy Neighbors Make Woman's Life Unhappy

Neighbors can prove to be a nuisance as well as a help. This is what the woman who wrote today's letter is finding. She states:

(Q) "I am single, 41 years old, and go to business every day. I enjoy having a nice home with a little garden to work in when I am not in my office. Last spring, I bought a small house in a neighborhood where there are many families with small children. I could not afford to go to any other neighborhood. Now, this is my problem:

"The neighbors all seem to spy on me. In hot weather, when I had to keep my doors open, they were constantly looking in to see what I was doing. The older children ask me such pointed questions that I am sure their parents put them up to it to find out about me. I resent this very much and it has made things very unpleasant for me. And yet, I do not want to be cooped-up in a city apartment where I cannot have my garden. What do you suggest as a solution?"

(A) Until you can locate a home with a garden that will be within your budget, stay where you are and ignore the neighbor's snooping. By now, the novelty should have worn off and they should soon stop bothering you.

When you are with a large number of young married people, it is logical for them to look upon you as somewhat of a curiosity. Here you are, a single woman, living all alone in a neighborhood that is predominately a family area.

They naturally wonder what sort of housekeeper you are, when you are away from home all day; what you do in your free time without a husband and children for companionship; and what sort of friends you have. Since they cannot get the information through watching you, they unquestionably have tried to get their older children to "pump" you.

If you went to an area where there were few people around you, you would not only have the problem of safety to consider but also the problem of commuting to your job. You should consider these factors move.

Try to be friendly with your neighbors and even invite some of the women to come to your home. Once they see how you live, their curiosity about you will be satisfied and then they will accept you as one of them. (COPYRIGHT 1954, GENERAL FEATURES CORP.)



WEIGHTY CONFERENCE is held by Pochie, mousehound owned by Lewis Lopez and Peter, carrot destroyer of Howard Johns, at New York pet show. What Pochie is saying to somewhat bored rabbit was not clear in dispatches from Gotham. (International)

## Shady Cove-Traill News

Shady Cove-Traill—Two new businesses are now in operation in Shady Cove. The Shady Cove Bookkeeping Service was started Nov. 1 by Mr. and Mrs. Everard Brown of Shady Cove. Mrs. Brown who has had a great deal of experience in bookkeeping and accounting now has an office in the Rainbow Motel building in Shady Cove and is there Monday through Friday from 9 to 4. Also opening over this past week end was the Rainbow Motel Grocery store under ownership and management of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Smart. A motel of 8 cabins and also 10 trailer spaces is being run in connection with the store and a commercial trout pond is also featured, an entirely new venture for Shady Cove.

On the sick list recently has been Mrs. Lewis Dusenberry, Al Johnson and Jeanne Anne Morgan of Traill. On the convalescent list are Mrs. Ed Leaming who is much improved and Mrs. Earl Shepherd who is able to be up and around a little after her recent operation, and Ralph Young who is convalescing at home.

The project of Embossing Tin Metals demonstrated at the home of Mrs. Kenneth Paulson in Shady Cove at the November meeting of the Shady Cove Home Extension unit was an interesting one, a good number of ladies trying out their artistic talents. It was decided that so many are interested in this project that a workshop will be held on Nov. 30, at the home of Mrs. Kenneth Paulson for further instruction. All ladies interested are invited to attend, the workshop will start at 10 a.m. and all ladies attending are asked to bring a sack lunch.

Mrs. Roy Long returned from a trip to Portland where she visited her daughter and family just in time for Roy Long to go elk hunting near Pendleton. He returned from his trip yesterday.

Other local people who have been elk hunting include Bert Ragsdale, Arnold Ragsdale and Carl Scott of Traill.

Mr. and Mrs. James Shepherd of El Monte, Calif., were recent guests of Mr. Shepherd's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. William Shepherd of Shady Cove. Mrs. M. L. Lane of Shady Cove, mother of Ralph Lane and Mrs. William Shepherd had a recipe for "sea foam pie" published in the November Sunset magazine.

At the December meeting of Our Lady of Fatima club, place of meeting to be announced in this column later, election of officers for the coming year will be held, secret pals will be revealed and new ones drawn for the next year and plans for a Christmas party for the parish will be made. Those having secret pals should bring a small gift for their pal and a little party will be held in connection with the meeting. The chapel benefit bazaar and carnival sponsored by the club Nov. 13 at Shady Cove school gym was successful in every way, a nice amount being raised to help erect the chapel in Shady Cove. The president of the club, Eva Segessenman, and members extend hearty thanks to all who helped in any way to make the bazaar a success.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Kelley of Shady Cove have had a number of guests recently, among them Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Peterson of Medford who were Sunday dinner guests, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dunagan and daughter, Tisa of Sacramento, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Dunagan and grandson, Randall Deutshman of

## On The Side

By E. V. Durling

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Am asked what was "Diamond Jim" Brady's favorite dining place. It was Rector's. His favorite dinner was as follows: Three pitchers of orange juice, three dozen Lynnhaven oysters, one dozen hard shelled crabs, six lobsters and two steaks. For dessert, a two pound box of candy.

### Horses & Women

Do you know a bachelorette having difficulty in attracting male admirers and a little depressed about the situation? Does she swing her hips when she walks? If not, have her consider this observation by Mrs. Jonnie Lee McFadden: "The most precious possession of every woman is sex magnetism and she is not going to radiate that unless she exercises regularly, cuts down on cocktails and cigarettes, eats plenty of fruits and vegetables, and learns to swing her hips when she walks."

### Asking

Queries from clients. Q. Who was the first star to sock a woman on the jaw in a film scene? A. Believe it was Clark Gable. He socked Barbara Stanwyck in a film titled "Night Nurse." Q. What do you know about a professional dancer of the past named Lew Quinn? A. Lew was an outstanding cabaret attraction as a ballroom dancer about the same time Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Castles were at their peak. Quinn's partner was Joan Sawyer. That was before World War I. At the same time Clifton Webb was the dance partner of Mae Murray. Other great dance teams of that time were Maurice and Walton, and Al Davis and Bonnie Glass.

### Cruelty

British organizations devoted to the prevention of cruelty to animals are demanding the steeplechase jumps at Aintree, Liverpool, where the Grand National is run, be made easier to negotiate. The Grand National should be abolished. It is worse than a bullfight. In this year's running, twenty-nine horses started and four were killed. At the difficult Grand National jumps men armed with pistols are stationed to immediately shoot any horse that breaks a leg in a fall!

### Understudies

Understudies who substitute for stars and score such a hit that they wake up the next morning and find themselves famous are much more numerous in fiction than fact. However, it happens now and then. That's how Mary Garden got started. Also Gertrude Lawrence, who was an understudy for Beatrice Lillie. Riding on Rotten Row, Beatrice was thrown from her horse and broke a leg. Gertrude went on in her place and scored a hit so terrific that it started her on the road to stardom.

### Among the Married

Polyandry, which calls for a woman having more than one husband at the same time, is still practiced in some sections of

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—THIRTEEN

## Advisory Group Seeks Increased Interest

The advisory committee to the Jackson county juvenile court met Monday night in the court house and discussed the recent election and plans for increasing interest in the overall juvenile program, according to James V. McGoodwin, committee chairman.

Plans were talked over concerning the interesting of more community groups in the overall county juvenile program, especially the proposed detention home, approved by the voters at the general election on Nov. 2.

A report was also given on the expenditures by the groups on the campaign for the detention home at the election as filed with the county clerk.

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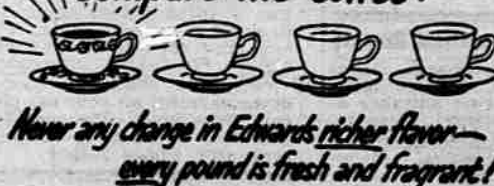
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