

# Try and Stop Me

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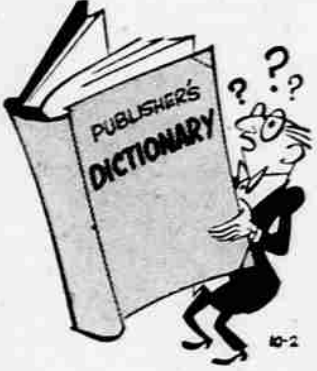
**AUTHOR.** A literary idol with feet of clay—and head to match.

**EXECUTIVE.** One who doesn't go out himself, but sends his secretary for the bicarbonate of soda.

**PRESTIGE BOOK.** (Trade term). Also known as "flop d'estime."

**PUBLICATION DATE.** Base period from which postponements begin.

**TWO-BOOK OPTION.** (Trade term). The assurance an agent gives that he will not take the author's second book to another publisher without saying, "Sorry."



Out in Westwood, a publisher's representative was trying hard to persuade bookseller Bob Campbell to stock an item called "Nude Croquet." "Sorry," straight-faced Bob, "but it sounds too wicked for my clientele."

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## Little Rock Private School Corporation Gets Cash, Rooms

Little Rock, Ark.—UPI—Little Rock's private school corporation reported today offers of money and emergency classrooms are pouring in for its new, last-ditch plan to keep the school open.

The plan for privately supported and privately housed schools apparently would leave Negroes with no high schools and would be staffed by retired teachers.

But Justice Department officials said the plan was another "scheme" that simply won't work. The officials told United Press International in Washington it would be the people of Little Rock, rather than the courts, that would reject the plan because it would mean the end of free public education which has become the foundation of the American way of life.

The prohibitive cost also

would be a major stumbling block, the Justice Department spokesmen said.

Dr. T. J. Raney, president of the corporation, said in Little Rock he had picked up one contribution of \$5,000 for the plan but he declined to estimate the total.

His secretary reported at least three Baptist churches had been volunteered for classrooms, as well as a carpenters' union hall, suites in a life insurance building, "quite a few" rumpus rooms and "a large living room."

Raney announced Wednesday the corporation, which has been stymied by the Eighth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in a plan to lease the four closed high schools and operate them as private institutions with state money, had hit upon the new plan.

The plan is to operate private, segregated schools—he doubted there will be any for Negroes—in private buildings with funds raised by popular subscription.

He said the corporation is ready to begin next week, if the appeals court on Monday makes permanent its temporary order to the school board not to turn over to the corporation the four high school buildings.

Little Rock's four public high schools have been closed a month and 41% of the normal enrollment of 3,698 students in them have transferred to school in other localities.

## Alcatraz Guards Block Off Island In Escapee Hunt

San Francisco—UPI—Alcatraz guards blocked off the island prison into zones today in an unremitting search for Aaron Burgett, 28-year-old convict missing since Monday.

"There's still no sign of him but we're not going to give up," said a prison official.

Although tired guards and FBI men have scoured the "Rock" thoroughly since Burgett and a companion, Clyde Johnson, overpowered one of the guards, prison officials refused to give up the search. Johnson, a Memphis, Tenn., bank robber, was recaptured. **May Have Drowned**

Warden Paul Madigan was sure that the 6-foot-2 postoffice robber from St. Louis, Mo., had either drowned in trying to swim to the mainland a mile away, or was still on the island.

"There are quite a number of caves, trees, bushes, hedges and buildings where he could hide," Madigan said. "Some years ago, one man, Dwight Hamilton, hid himself for three days on the island."

Meanwhile, a Roman Catholic priest, Rev. Charles Dimas Clark, known as the "hoodlums" priest, told the San Francisco Chronicle he would be waiting for Burgett if he made good his escape.

"I'm waiting for him," said Father Clark. "I won't double cross him."

**Doors Are Open**  
Clark said he became acquainted with Burgett when he was being held in the St. Louis jail in 1952 for robbing a Banner, Mo., postoffice.

"If he is alive and makes his way to St. Louis," Clark said, "then my doors are open to him. I'm waiting."

"I'll tell him you can't run and run. I'll tell him the FBI will get him eventually. I'll try to persuade him to turn himself in. If he goes for it, I'll see to it that he's turned over safely and that he gets a fair deal."

Washington—UPI—The Navy has announced that a two-stage rocket assembly was fired to an altitude of 152 miles from a ship in the South Pacific Sunday.

**ARTIST'S SISTER DIES**  
Barcelona, Spain—UPI—Maria Dolores Ruiz Picasso, a sister of Spanish painter Pablo Picasso, died Wednesday.

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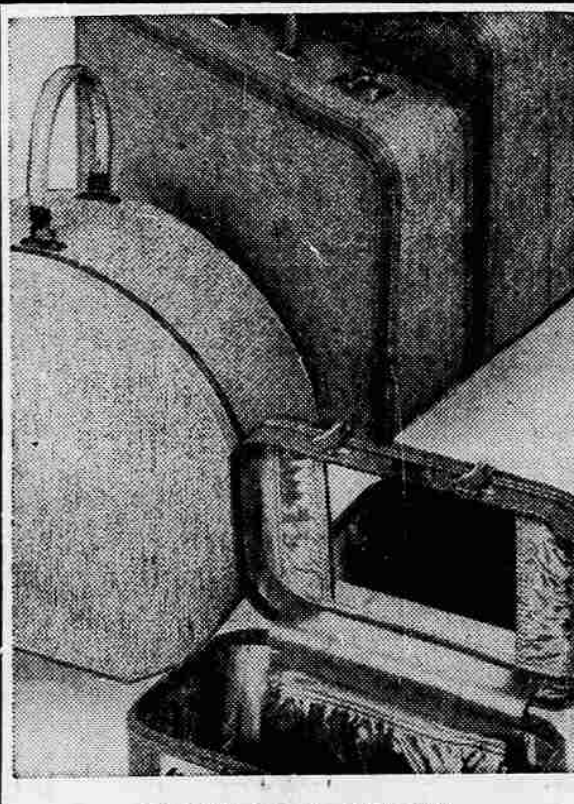
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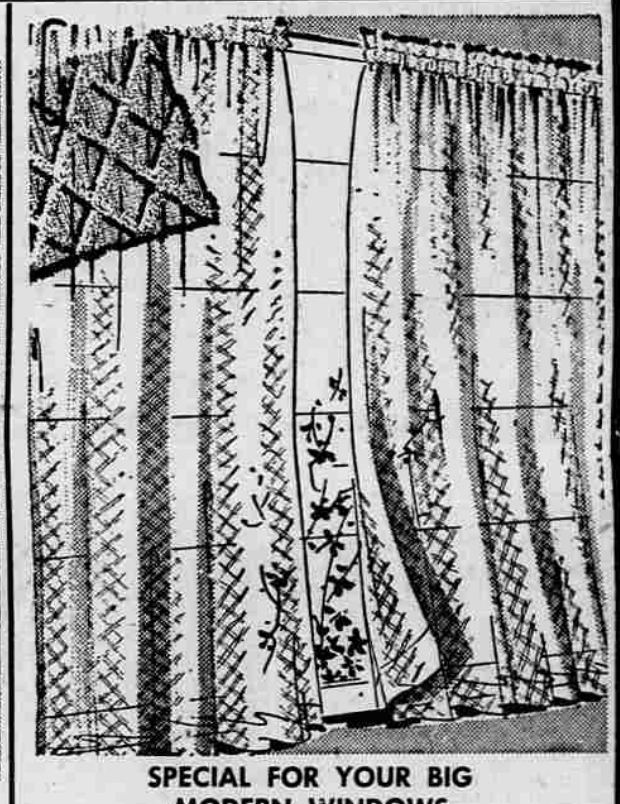


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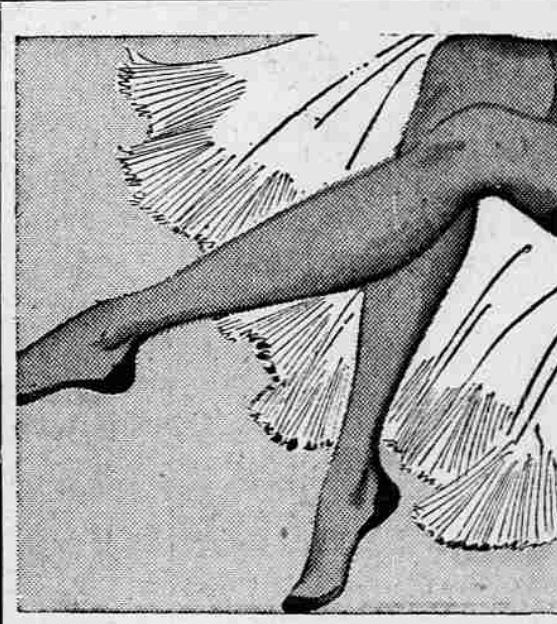
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