

# Civil Rights Section Includes All Races, Kennedy Declares

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Washington—Attorney General Robert Kennedy assured Western Senators last week that the new Civil Rights Commission will include all races, Kennedy declared.

He called Los Angeles the "third most segregated city in the United States."

**Pertinent Question**

Engle then raised a pertinent question, because all the Pacific Coast states already have laws on the books prohibiting discrimination in public accommodations, public and private housing and in employment.

"Where do we go from here?" he asked Kennedy, "when we still have segregated housing, education and employment . . . where we have the law, and yet the law somehow hasn't got the job done?"

Kennedy took a long time in his reply, tracing back to some of the roots of the problem, which he said would be with us a long time. Education for employment seemed to be the key solution suggested by him.

"I don't think the passage of this law is going to get the job done," Kennedy said. "I think a lot of it goes back to education, vocational training and employment—basically to employment."

He said it didn't do a colored person much good to have access to hotels and other places if he didn't have

enough money to feed his children.

He pointed to the eight million Americans, mostly non-white, with less than a fifth-grade education, those so-called "functional illiterates" who can't deal with the written word in employment applications and wage-ads.

**One Million Jobless Youth**

He stressed that there were now one million jobless youth between the ages of 16 and 22 who have dropped out of school, and he said the anticipated increase was some seven million over the next ten years of uneducated, idle youth.

Kennedy also listed a few sins of the North and West.

"I think there has been a great deal of hypocrisy among us from the North as to the South," he said. "We have many problems in our own communities which haven't been faced up to."

"We spend so much time looking at what Bull Connor is doing in Birmingham that we haven't bothered to take the steps that deal with the problems in our own communities . . ."

"A lot rests with what we are going to do with the young people coming along now—so they don't go down the same road their parents have gone down—whether there will be greater opportunity for them, whether we will have a program for them at the State and Federal level to make sure they stay in school."

"It is extremely important that we make it possible for vocational education training," Kennedy continued.

"There are going to be enough jobs over the period of the next decade, but there are not going to be jobs for people who are uneducated and untrained."

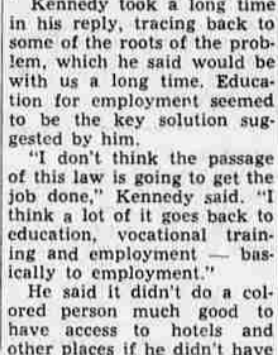
Engle asked what the proposed ban on discrimination in public accommodations would do in states which already have state laws to this effect. Kennedy explained that if the Justice Department would defer to state officials to take enforcement action under their own state laws.

The pending bill, he implied, is aimed primarily at those 16 states which have refused to outlaw segregation in public accommodations.

In addition to the southern states these include Nevada, Utah and Arizona.

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## They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo



## Problems of Capital Living Noted by Wife of Congressman

By MARIJANE DUNCAN

Washington, D. C.—Recapitulating our experience in moving from Oregon to Washington, D. C. I realize that we—or at least I—had only a vague idea of what to expect.

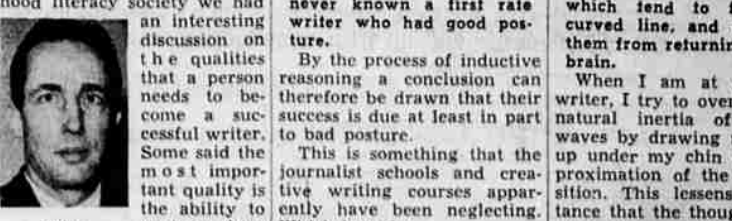
One thinks of the Capital as synonymous with excitement, great events, and glamour. It is easy to picture beforehand the Capitol dome, the Washington Monument, perhaps the cherry blossoms; and there's the extent of the concept of most Americans who have never visited Washington. We have culled our notions from picture postcards and travelogues.

So it is surprising and somewhat disappointing to find that this is, after all, a city much like other cities. I can only compare it with those I have seen, and I find Washington, particularly with the arrival of spring and summer, more beautiful on the whole than Midwestern cities, somewhat less than those in the West. It is imposing at its very center, starkly ugly just beyond, and lovely in its many natural park areas. It is very much like Portland, Ore., in its suburbs.

## The Literary Qualities

### Bad Posture Claimed Necessary Qualification for Good Writing

By DICK WEST



Washington—(UPI)—At the last meeting of our neighborhood literacy society we had an interesting discussion on the qualities that a person needs to become a successful writer. Some said the most important quality is the ability to compose long, murky paragraphs that invoke the atmosphere of an apartment hallway at eventide when one of the tenants is cooking cabbage.

Others said the most important quality is to have a friend on the selection committee of a book club.

Still others said the most important quality is an encyclopedic grasp of four-letter words.

Surprisingly enough, nobody except me mentioned posture as a necessary qualification for a literary career. This leads me to believe that the importance of bad posture has never been adequately explained.

I'll concede that my observations have been generally limited to the journalistic branch of literature, but the fact is that I have never known a first rate writer who had good posture.

By the process of inductive reasoning a conclusion can therefore be drawn that their success is due at least in part to bad posture.

This is something that the journalist schools and creative writing courses apparently have been neglecting. Which is a pity.

Not everyone can have a friend on a book club selection board, but almost anyone can, with proper instruction and diligent practice, develop poor posture.

There is a sound physiological basis for arguing that bad posture is a vital force in literature. Most composition nowadays is done on a typewriter, and it has been scientifically established that when a person sits down at a typewriter his thoughts rush to his feet.

Sitting erectly with spine straight and shoulders square impedes the circulation of thought waves, which tend to follow a curved line, and prevents them from returning to the brain.

When I am at my typewriter, I try to overcome the natural inertia of thought waves by drawing my knees up under my chin in an approximation of the fetal position. This lessens the distance that the thought waves must travel vertically and provides a sinuous path from the feet to the brain.

Other newspapermen I know seek the same results of slumping into the chair and extending the legs as far under the desk as possible. This forms a horizontal plane over which thought waves can flow with relatively little gravitational resistance.

Actually, thought waves move most freely when the body is supine, but I don't recommend that. It gives passers-by the impression that the writer is taking a nap.

## Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

JIMMY DURANTE recalls the night his father first saw him acting behind the footlights. Jimmy rushed offstage to ask his father, standing in the wings, "Well, Pop, how'd ya like my work? The father, whose name, incidentally, was Bartolomeo Durante, answered cautiously, "Lissen, boy, let's not get in an argument."



At the wedding reception of a town beauty and the champion of the local golf club, the bride created a mild sensation recently when she appeared suddenly at the top of the stairs and threw the groom's set of new matched clubs into the outstretched arms of the guests below. At last reports, the groom hadn't gotten them back either!

Reluctantly, Mrs. Miller allowed her friend, Mrs. Jones, to take her to a new doctor in town. While the two ladies were in the waiting room, a man who was ahead of them got a sudden cramp in his leg, and when his name was called by the nurse, he limped badly as he crossed into the doctor's inner office.

A few minutes later he emerged briskly and walked out of the front door in fine fettle. "You see?" gloated Mrs. Jones. "Didn't I tell you he was the best doctor in this part of the country?"

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## Goldwater Decision Claimed Necessary

Washington—(UPI)—Sen. John G. Tower (R-Tex.), a leading supporter of Sen. Barry Goldwater, doubts that the Arizona conservative can win the GOP presidential nomination solely by a draft movement.

"He'll have to announce his decision—one way or the other—by the first primary," Tower said Sunday.

Tower said New York Gov. Nelson Rockefeller's chance for the nomination have been damaged by his divorce and remarriage. But, Tower said the "back Barry" movement was gaining momentum before Rockefeller married the former Mrs. Margaretta (Happy) Murphy.

If Goldwater does not win the nomination, Tower said he would urge him to remain in the Senate rather than accept the vice presidential nomination.

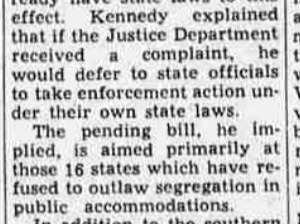
## Missing Lakeview Child Found Safe

Lakeview—(UPI)—A seven-year-old Lakeview girl who was reported missing in the Fremont National Forest Saturday was found in good condition Sunday morning as she slept behind a log.

Ann Shotwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shotwell, disappeared from a family picnic in the Blue lake area of Gearhart mountain. A sheriff's posse and forest rangers searched until dark Saturday and resumed at daybreak. An unidentified Lakeview man found the sleeping girl, just a half mile from where the searchers had camped for the night.

The child said she was cold and mosquito-bitten, but otherwise all right.

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## Phenomenal Growth

Washington's growth is phenomenal and change is everywhere. Whole blocks in the District have been razed to make way for urban renewal projects. New communities are constantly springing up on the outskirts of Washington in the Maryland and Virginia suburbs.

There are projects and plans for restoring some of the older residential areas, such as the Capitol Hill area. Much has already been done by individuals and many of the restored old houses are showplaces. Georgetown is the outstanding example of what can be done by individuals to restore and renovate a run-down area. But this is very expensive "urban renewal."

## Depressing Areas

One must drive past block after depressing block of dilapidated brick houses to get from the Capital Mall to any other part of the city. Though some low-cost housing has been built as slum areas are cleared, most of the renovated or new housing is in the middle-to-upper income brackets. Displaced families mostly move into other rundown areas further crowding them. Negro families, especially, are limited by income and "unwritten laws" as to where they can live. Of course all cities have depressed neighborhoods; it is just that one expects the capital, against all reason, to be different.

On the other hand, there is, throughout the District, an abundance of parks and parklike areas. One can start a few blocks from the capitol and drive over well-kept parkways through wooded and unspoiled lands, nearly all the way to Silver Springs where we live, over 10 miles away. And there are many beautiful trees and shrubs right downtown.

Actually, the contrasts are so great as to be startling. Driving through the parks and suburbs one is sure here is the most beautiful city in the country. But one must emerge eventually.

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