

Funds Raised for Policeman's Widow

By United Press International
Several Washington cities and towns are raising funds to aid the widow of the police officer slain in the capture of accused presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald in Dallas Friday.

Police departments in Aberdeen, Seattle and Bellingham have or are raising funds for Mrs. J. D. Tippet.

The Bellingham police force raised \$100. The Seattle Police Department announced it was conducting a similar fund-raising drive. The Aberdeen Police Officers Association decided Monday to accept public donations in addition to funds raised from police officers because of a heavy influx of inquiries. Originally they had planned to raise the money only from the police officers.

The Lighter Side... BY DICK WEST



Press Release Rather Confusing

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The complexities of modern life are demonstrated in many and varied ways, some of which are rather bewildering.

Nothing along that line has bewildered me quite as much as a press release someone passed along to me recently. It was captioned thusly:

"BRAB announces appointment of Ad Hoc Committee on performance characteristics of sanitary plumbing fixtures."

A caption like that doesn't just grab your attention. It seizes your attention with a

double hammerlock and throws it to the mat.

When I had recovered my equilibrium, I came to grips with two piercing questions: (1) Who, or what, is "BRAB?" and (2) How does an Ad Hoc Committee go about determining whether sanitary plumbing fixtures are performing characteristically?

For instance, some of the sanitary plumbing fixtures at my place will occasionally stop up and at other times overflow.

But I haven't the vaguest notion as to which of these performances is characteristic.

Seeking enlightenment, I plunged into the text of the press release where I learned that "BRAB" is the abbreviation of the Building Research Advisory Board of the National Academy of Sciences.

On the second point, however, the release was something less than lucid. It said merely that "the committee's work will be made possible by joint government-industry support."

Then it added that "with such support, BRAB will be able to bring to bear, on the problems of identifying and measuring physical and functional characteristics essential to the performance of sanitary plumbing fixtures, the collective knowledge of government, industrial, and academic scientists and engineers."

By the time I finished reading that, I was thoroughly alarmed. BRAB obviously was dealing with a problem of the first magnitude. And yet there was scarcely a hint as to its nature.

Fighting off panic, I called a chap in the information office of the National Academy of Science and asked him to tell me all he could about it without violating security.

He replied that he had not been completely briefed but understood it had something to do with a reluctance on the part of builders to accept new developments in sanitary plumbing fixtures.

That relieved my anxiety somewhat, but whetted my curiosity. I am determined to get to the bottom of this, and when I do I'll let you know.

Police Bill Speaker Has Cause for Talk
LONDON (UPI) — Conservative M.P. Roger Gresham Cooke was handed a message Tuesday night shortly before he was to speak on a police bill under debate in the House of Commons.

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Snider Speaks on Alba During Rotary Club Luncheon Here

John Snider, recently returned from a tour of Italy, spoke before the Rotary Club of Medford at its regular meeting Tuesday noon at the Rogue Valley Country Club.

"One can't become an expert after spending three weeks in Italy, but I would like to present my personal impressions gathered during my stay there," he said.

Snider pointed out that Italy is about half the size of California with about 2½ times as many people. He described the past 20 years in Italy as an "industrial revolution."

Politically, Snider pointed out, there are nine parties. "The

leading party is the Christian Democrats and one out of four voted Communist in the last election. However," he said, "anyone with a grievance against the government votes Communist."

In describing the Communist Party in Italy, he referred to it as "A state within a state." A target of the Communists in Italy is a red ward for every church steeple, Snider said.

"The Communists are creating a new image — a party that wants, defends and fosters Democracy," he pointed out. "But, all major policy decisions on such things as Cuba, Disarmament and Berlin reflect the Moscow line." The biggest Communist growth is north of Rome and more than half of the

party's annual budget comes from Russia, he told the group.

Other areas of Italian life that Snider discussed were amusements, telephone and telegraph, the town and buildings, the schools, the drivers of Italy and the language.

Conveys Greetings
The Rotary Club of Alba, Italy, asked Snider to convey to the Medford club its "warmest greetings." Snider was a guest at the Alba Rotary meeting which he defined as composed of members, "very representative of the leading citizens." The president of the Alba Rotary Club is Alberto Coppo.

Some observations noted by Snider were: "There are only two Al Capones in the Rome phone book." "In England a bookie is called 'a turf accountant' and a garbage collector is called a 'kitchen-waste contractor.'" "There is also a burlesque in London called 'My Bare Lady.'"

Also Have Problems
"In conclusion," Snider said, "seeing Italy was like seeing a still picture suddenly come to life. The people are warm, friendly, modest, sincere and hard working. They, too, have problems resulting from too much happening too soon. I am certain that our friendship is welcomed and perhaps we are going to be able to accomplish more at the people-to-people level than we are in any other

way. Rotary is an extremely important part of this and you may well be proud of your affiliation."

Guests of the Rotary Club were the football teams of both Medford High School and St. Mary's High School.



WHITE HOUSE LADIES — These are the new ladies of the White House. Mrs. Lady Bird Johnson, center, and her daughters, Lucy Baines Johnson, left, and Lynda Bird Johnson, right. They are shown in a file photo as they modeled gowns they wore to the inaugural ceremonies for the late President Kennedy. (UPI)

ROK President Rests in Seattle

SEATTLE (UPI) — President-elect Park Chung Hee of the Republic of South Korea arrived here Tuesday night for a two-day rest on his way home from the funeral for the late President Kennedy.

Park arrived at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport Tuesday evening on a flight from Washington, D.C.

He is scheduled to leave here Thursday evening on a flight to Korea.

The 46-year-old Korean leader refused to talk to newsmen on his arrival.

ARRIVES IN SPAIN
MADRID (UPI) — Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia arrived here today from the United States and was met by Generalissimo Francisco Franco, chief of state.

Selassie had attended President Kennedy's funeral in Washington Monday.

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