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HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP)—"This is a most unattractive section now," said the little grandmotherly old lady, shaking her head as she peered out the car window. "Isn't it terrible?"

The lady was Evelyn Nesbit Thaw. And she was looking at the site of the old Madison Square Garden, which in 1906, her husband, Harry K. Thaw, shot to death her former lover, Stanford White, in New York's most celebrated murder case.

She seemed depressed at the way the neighborhood has run down since, as she terms it now, "the tragedy" took place.

But after 49 years "the tragedy" has turned out to be a form of social security for Miss Nesbit. She's back in the broiled quail league again. A movie studio has paid her upwards of \$50,000 for a film based on her life called "The Girl in the Red Velvet Swing."

"If you think I'm going to invest that money, you're crazy," remarked Miss Nesbit spiritedly. "I never invest in anything but a good meal."

Food seemed more on her mind than sentiment as Miss Nesbit, now a Los Angeles sculptress, and I took a ride down memory lane in a rented limousine. At 79 this faded beauty of a faded past looks like a gray-haired schoolmarm. But few schoolmarm have her bounce—and none, I suppose, quite has her memories.

Passing her old home on Park Avenue, the first floor of which now is a dress shop, she said:

"No, Thaw didn't live there with me. He resided in the bastille then—in duration ville. Boy, the breakfasts I used to have in that house—broiled quail eggs... trout... fried oysters."

We drove by the former location of Sherry's restaurant, and she said:

"Oh, the wonderful terrapin they served. The ter-r-a-p-i-n—She spelled it out, as if no one in the present generation could remember it—is a member of the turtle family, only it tastes better."

The swiftly changing Manhattan scene bewildered her. Most of the landmarks of her champagne youth were gone.

"Everything is so different," she kept saying. "It's so changed. Why have they torn down so many beautiful old buildings?"

Then she was back on food again. "I ate so much in the old days. I still wonder why I didn't get fat," she said. "Lillian Russell was bowing out of the picture as I

walked in Styles was changing. Boy, was she upholstered! Hi, hip, watermelon."

"No, I never met Diamond Jim Brady. Stanford White was too snobbish to speak to Brady. He thought he was a frightful character."

Miss Nesbit, who still insists that White, a famous architect who designed the Washington Arch, is the only man she ever really loved, described him as "the most wonderful man I ever knew."

"He had no weakness—a love of youth. He would tremble all over when he came near me. Youth—it was his weakness. But all great men have a weakness."

As to Thaw, whose acquittal on grounds of insanity she helped to win by her testimony, she said:

"The poor thing. I guess he couldn't help what he did, although now I believe it was premeditated. Why else was he carrying a pistol? He was a mighty peculiar person, and he deteriorated. It would have been better if he had never been born. Too much money spoiled him young."

"Thaw inherited an estimated 40 million dollars."

The low point of the tour came for Miss Nesbit as we drove along truck-crowded West 24th Street where White's studio once stood, where once at gay parties she swung to the ceiling on a red velvet swing.

"I can't even remember where it was," she murmured. "It's gone. What's the matter with people? They tear everything down. They're getting wackier and wackier."

moment later she mused:

"Luxury really doesn't mean anything. You become surfeited with it. It owns you and you have no freedom. I wouldn't trade my life in my studio with my two cats for anything. Health is the important thing. A healthy person doesn't let anything bother him."

The journey back ended at Luchow's restaurant still looking much as it did when she dined there with Stanford White half a century ago. Miss Nesbit ordered and drank a seltzer of the same German brand beer she had once shared with him.

"Only one now," she said. "I'm on a diet."

Then, dismissing with a smile all the memories of her journey back into the past, she said:

"You know what I really want to see most in New York? A nice big broiled Maine lobster."

JAMES MARLOW

WASHINGTON (AP)—Finding a name that's easy to say, and easy to fit into headlines, will be only one of the minor problems of the AFL and CIO after they merge in one big union next December.

Although they will be working together in the new organization, the leaders of the American Federation of Labor and the Congress of Industrial Organizations didn't want to give up their individual identities.

So, apparently without losing much sleep over it, they agreed on a compromise. They will start out under this name: the American Federation of Labor and the Congress of Industrial Organizations.

That's a big mouthful to carry around very long. The labor bosses probably will agree later on something shorter for the outfit which puts under one tent 19 million AFL members and five million unionists of the CIO.

The first major problem of the two groups when they sit down together will be to get along together. In spite of the present air of harmony, hard feelings run deep among the heads of the some unions which will be in the new AFL-CIO.

For the sake of labor unity, Walter Reuther, president of the CIO agreed that George Meany, president of the AFL, should be

president of the new giant of American labor.

The ruling body, with plenty of power written into the proposed constitution, will be the Executive Council, made up of the president, Meany, a secretary-treasurer, and 27 vice presidents from member unions.

Starting out, at least, the CIO will be in a minority. There will be only 10 CIO people on the 29-man council. This council has a big stick: it can investigate and suspend member unions for what it considers misconduct.

Since this council will meet only three times a year, perhaps the real power will turn out to be in the hands of an executive committee which will meet every two months and can get a lot of work done faster than the 29-man council.

The CIO will be outnumbered on the committee too. Three CIO men will sit on the eight-man committee.

But, by agreement, the CIO will name the director of organization. And organizing workers not yet in unions is one of the major tasks the new group has set for itself.

In addition Meany has given warning that the AFL-CIO will plunge into politics "to change the political picture that is developing against labor."

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo



Along NATURE'S TRAIL with Ken McLeod

While North America owes much of its human culture to the densely populated sections of western and central Europe, we are beginning to find that we in the New World are beginning to create a culture of our own, casting aside a great deal of the thoughts that came westward with the great tide of immigration from the European countries. Today we see a tide of new ideas flowing eastward across the Atlantic which directly conflict with the time old traditions of the people in the Old World. But even long before the advent of the white man's coming to the shores of the New World, the great area of Western and Central Europe was dependent upon the unknown continent to the west that made possible the agricultural development of this section of the Old World. The dense populations of the Old World made possible by an abundance of agriculture would have been impossible, even if aided by great wealth, without the tremendous influence of the Gulf Stream from the New World spilling into the Northern Seas and moderating the climate of the European region. The climate of Europe comes from the west, the farms and processes of civilization came into Europe from the south and east and so R. J. Spindler remarks:

"The law is Roman law; the thought is Greek thought; the religion is Jewish religion; the religious inventions nearly all are from ancient cultures."

This column has mentioned such a commonplace subject as the alphabet which traces back in the history of man into the middle east and out of which the plow became the symbol for the first letter of the alphabet. Then out of Rome came the word "agriculture" which was nearly or quite synonymous with the word "village." Under the Roman definition, agriculture was quite distinct from stock raising, and though even in our modern time when we are apt to use the word agriculture in a broad fashion to cover all phases of growing living things, we still carry some of that old Roman concept with us for we do make a distinction when we speak of pastoral pursuits and of pastoral countries. The complexities of a modern world likewise are reflected in language and so in referring to imports and exports of a country it is sometimes useful to distinguish between the direct products of the soil and the products derived from pastoral pursuits.

The America, however, has not been entirely satisfied with the use of the word "agriculture" in its accepted European - Roman sense and when agriculture began to be taught in colleges the professors were always having difficulty in the application of the word in the restricted Roman sense so they had to do something about it. In 1895 the Association of American Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations adopted

the term "agronomy" to replace the word "agriculture" when referring to the culture of field crops and thus began the sharp break of America with Roman tradition. Agronomy excludes horticulture on the one hand and animal husbandry upon the other. Even in the case of the Roman word "horticulture" which was applied to the cultivation of enclosures as distinct from "agriculture" which applied to the cultivation of fields, it perhaps is needless to point out that in our American way the word "horticulture" has long since lost its significance. "Horticulture" by our hand has also suffered divisions by the use of such terms as "pomology," "eloculture," "viticulture," "citriculture," and "aboriculture." Thus the word moves on and ones language becomes more complex with the growth of new words which in turn place new restrictions upon the old.

When one starts to browse through literature of history he encounters the subject of historical periods, these periods he soon discovers possess no clear cut line of distinction between the accepted one that follows another and this is especially true when an attempt is made to apply the periods to several nations. In general there are five recognized periods in the development of man. The first period is generally termed "The Ancient," which is principally the unrecorded history of the world prior to the conquest of Egypt by the Persians, B.C. 526.

The Ancient period is followed by the Roman which existed until the fall of the Roman Empire, 476 A.D. Next in line comes the Middle Ages which appear to have their downfall in the discovery of America in 1492. Since 1492 it would appear we have two broad divisions the first being referred to generally as the Modern Age but which definitely changed sometime past the middle of the 18th century which leaves us in what we might more properly call the Present Age which appears to have some significant birth around the year 1870. Now we appear to be entering a new era with the advent of the discovery of the atom which brings up the question of whether ages in the development of man are getting shorter to meet the faster tempo of human experience, or, are these but minor subdivisions of a more inclusive period to which our descendants will refer to as an awakened period in the development of mankind to an enlightened state of being?



MRS. WILLARD (JOYCE) WARD has been named squadron commander in charge of the residential division of the United Fund-Red Cross fund drive. Appointment of Mrs. Ward was made by Bob Beach, UF-RC drive air wing commander.

Sacramento Bank Robbers Sought

SACRAMENTO (UP)—The FBI joined a search here today for a pair of gunmen who robbed the West Coast Savings and Loan Assn. here of \$5700 by kidnapping an officer of the firm and forcing him to open the safe.

Myron Hamm, secretary treasurer of the company, said two men called at his apartment Saturday night. They forced him to accompany them to the office at the point, then made him open the safe, Hamm said. He told officers they expressed disappointment that there was not more money in the safe.

The bandits escaped with the safe contents, leaving Hamm bound and lying on the floor. He said he squirmed to a doorway and summoned help after about 45 minutes.

HUNGRY THIEVES LINCOLN, Ill.—Thieves broke into a warehouse at Robert Sanders' dog kennel and took 1,200 pounds of dog food. Forty dogs are quartered in the kennels but said no one in the area heard any barking.

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Of all the spectacular effects of light and shade, likely none is as eerie as the phenomenon presented by the shadows of mountain climbers cast on banks of fog at lower elevations than the observers themselves.

A few years ago a group of ten Obsidians set out from their camp intent on scaling the snow-capped Mt. St. Helens in Washington. The ascent was successful, and late in the afternoon when half way back from the rounded summit, the party unexpectedly came upon the rare and striking phenomenon long known as the Specter of the Broken. One member of the party later enthusiastically described the beautiful spectacle to me.

"We were on the sunlit Dog's Head, a very steep, rocky prominence between the two mountain glaciers. The ice below us to the east was covered with a dense sheet of fog, the glistening smooth top of which was probably 50 yards lower than we were. The sun, still well above the western horizon, was casting distinct shadows of all members of our party on the top of the fog layer. But the amazing part of it, something I had never seen before, was that each person saw his own shadow surrounded by a complete circle of a rainbow. He could see the rainbow only around his own shadow and not around those of the others. I swung my arm in a half circle as high as I could and the shadow of the tips of my fingers on the fog just touched the rim of my personal rainbow."

As has been stated in this column before, when rainbow forming conditions exist, each person sees only his own bow, since the center of the circle of which the colored arc is the circumference, is exactly opposite the observer from the sun—as is his shadow. A straight line would run through the sun, the observer and the bow's center. That afternoon on Mt. St. Helens ten visible Specters of the Broken were painted on the gleaming, white fog—but nine were unseen by any one member of the party.

This phenomenon is not a true rainbow but a coronal effect. Diffraction plays a more prominent part than refraction.

The name (also called Broken-gespenst) comes from The Broken, a mountain in German Saxony, from which the observer's rainbow—encircled shadow is said first to have been described in 1780. Long ago it was thought that evil spirits and witches held "high carnival" on The Broken on Walpurgis night. Some within sight of the mountain still retain a slight superstition regarding the old-time stories.

A somewhat related phenomenon can sometimes be seen on a dewy lawn in the opposite direction from the morning sun. The colored circle then is usually white. This is known as the Heiligenschein.

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HARRY GLESLIN, manager of Herman's Men's Store, has been named squadron commander of the department store division of the United Fund-Red Cross fund drive. Gleslin was named by UF-RC fund drive Air Wing Commander, Bob Beach.

Russia, Finns Agree On Base

MOSCOW (AP)—The Soviet Union and Finland Monday signed agreements returning the Porkkala naval base near Helsinki to Finland and extending their treaty of friendship and cooperation for 30 years.

The Porkkala agreement included a promise by the Russians to withdraw their forces from the base within three months of its ratification.

Soviet Prime Minister Bulganin signed the two agreements for the Russians in the marble room of the Grand Kremlin Palace.

Prime Minister Urho Kekkonen and Defense Minister Emil Skog signed for the Finns.

Jet Crash Kills Four Japanese

TOKYO (AP)—A U.S. Shooting Star jet crashed into several Japanese houses Monday near Hachioji, 59 miles west of Tokyo, killing four Japanese and the pilot.

Far East Air Force said the plane was on a test flight from Takota Air Base outside Tokyo.

An investigation is under way. The pilot's name was withheld.

Saye Named Top Cowpoke

PENDLETON (AP)—The champion cowboy of the 44th annual Pendleton Round-Up is Leonard Saye of Broad, Mont.

Saye earned the highest number of points in the three-day rodeo by winning the bulldogging event in 32.7 seconds and placing high in the steer-roping contest.

As champion he gained temporary possession of the Oregon Journal trophy, as well as ownership of the John Hamley silver buckle trophy.

Other winners of individual events:

Carl Sawyer, Torrington, Wyo., steer roping.

Buck Boyce, Missoula, Mont., Brahma bull riding.

Deb Copenhaver, Post Falls, Idaho, saddle bronc riding.

B. J. Pierce, Clovis, N. M., calf roping.

Ralph Buell, Portland, bareback riding.

Alvin Minthorn, Umatilla Indian from Mission, Ore., won first prize in the tribal dance competition and Mathias McConnell, a Nez Perce, from Kootsika, Idaho, was second.

A disappointing crowd of only 5,000 was on hand for the final Saturday night arena show.

Descendents Hold Family Reunion

BONANZA—One hundred eighty three descendents of one pioneer Oregon family signed the register at a family reunion held at Reedport during the Labor Day weekend.

It was estimated about half the members were present. Four generations were represented in the gathering with all but one family attending being residents of Oregon.

Martin Van Buren and Rebecca Jeanetta Leach came to Oregon in a covered wagon from the East. They were the maternal grandparents of Bill and George Hartley, Klamathites for more than 40 years.

Those attending from Klamath were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hartley and daughters; Mrs. Ross Clark and sons Michael and Daniel from Bonanza; Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Wooten and children, Susan and Scott, of Lorella, George Hartley and son's family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hartley, Gary, Stephen and Starla of Klamath Falls.

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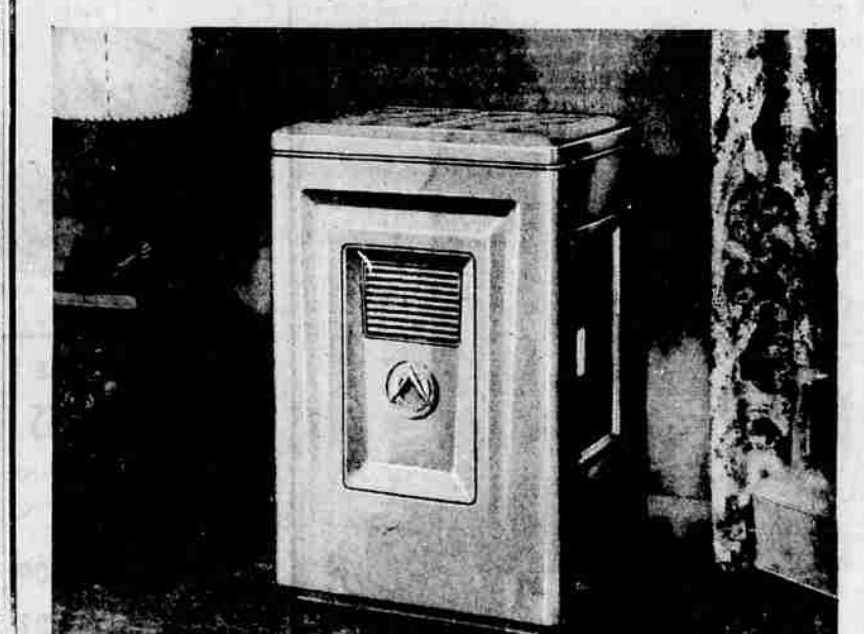
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