

Doctor Says Not To Worry If Party Doings Slip By

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NEW YORK (UPI)—All persons concerned about their inability to remember what happened at cocktail parties (and they must number a majority of persons who go to them), can put their worries at rest on the word of a scientific authority on the oddity and out of human behavior. It's not simple forgetfulness, he asserted, but pure amnesia which

is a complete loss of memory. Rather than meaning a mental fog has slipped out of place, however, it most likely means the amnesia "victim" doesn't care to be aware of or to associate himself with cocktail party goings-on.

Dr. Chandler Washburne of the University of Florida, Gainesville, was arguing that pure amnesia (although not amnesia due to any illness), is common among people whether they've had one drink, a number of drinks, or no drinks at all.

The ability to remember, he said, is based first of all on awareness—awareness of one's self in relation to people and circumstances. Awareness depends upon two things: One is to feel associated with the people and the circumstances and the other is to pay attention to them.

Amnesia is so common among people who drink (if only a little) that many scientists feel alcohol makes spectacular changes in both the psychological and physical workings of the mind.

Washburne reasoned that no person can remember something of which he was not aware, even if it happened under his nose. And he can't be aware of anything unless he pays attention to it, and unless he also feels associated with it, for one reason or another. Unawareness with inattention and disassociation goes on all the time among the soberest.

Since alcohol depresses body activities, Washburne reasoned it must depress the hidden "drives and motivations" of people as well. A theory held by some scientists as well as most laymen is that people do things while intoxicated they'd never do while sober because the mind's suppressing control over these drives and motivations is "dissolved by alcohol."

He thought it much more likely that alcohol decreases the drinker's awareness of himself and his association of himself with circumstances and people. What happens is not that he stops "censoring" himself but he stops "monitoring" himself. Amnesia results from this lack of attention and that is the meaning of alcoholic memory loss. Rather than the drinker having disgraced himself so horribly, amnesia protects him from the memory of it.

"Intoxicated people not only do uninhibited or self-love hidden things, but also just plain stupid or unforeseen things," he said in the technical journal of the Yale University center of studies on alcohol. The trained user of alcohol may want his awareness to be reduced, and after a drink or two he can allow the whole awareness system to crumble."

On this account we wish above all to insist," he said, "namely, that we have at heart in a very special manner our task as shepherds of the entire flock."

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Statesmen Meet Pope

VATICAN CITY (UPI)—Pope John XXIII held a mass audience today for the statesmen and officials who came from all parts of the world to witness his coronation. It marked the start of a pontificate devoted chiefly to religious affairs.

The audience provided the first opportunity for the official delegations to meet and talk with the new Pope. The delegates came from Europe, North and South America, Asia, Australia, the Middle East and Africa.

The Pope indicated in a sermon before the coronation Tuesday that his would be a "pastoral" rather than a political reign and that the pontificate did not call for a "statesman, diplomat, scholar, an organizer of collective life."

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SCOUT NEWS

PAISLEY GIRLS

PAISLEY—Seven Girl Scouts from Troop 8, Paisley, camped in the mountains Saturday night, October 23, at Ingram Station. Alice Green, Velma Roper, Bonnie Bell, Ruth Fuller, Edna Vernon, Terry Ann and Janice Foster were accompanied by their leader, Mrs. Chester Bell, Chester Bell and son, Allen, and Mrs. James Foster, who provided transportation for the scouts, their sleeping bags and supplies. The girls prepared most of their meals over campfires by wrapping food in aluminum foil and roasting it in the coals. A nature hike was taken and Chester Bell demonstrated the use of a compass. They returned home Sunday afternoon.

CHAIRMAN INSTALLED

YREKA—Clifford E. Thompson, assistant cashier at the Yreka branch of the Bank of America, was installed as Siskiyou district chairman of the Boy Scouts of America at the annual meeting and picnic dinner held at the Jackson Street School on Tuesday evening, October 23. He is succeeding Del Pillard, manager of the Yreka Branch of the Crocker-Angelo National Bank.

Announcement of the new officers installed at the meeting was made by the new Siskiyou County field executive for the Boy Scouts Center Lake Council, James L. (Donnie) Johnson. Other officers installed to serve with Thompson were Grant Hestford and Frank Graves, vice chairmen; and Alden James, district commissioner.

Installation officer was J. A. McDougall of Medford, and speaker for the evening was Lou Roberts of the National Boy Scout camp.

SORT OF AN UPSET

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (UPI)—What's in a name? Carlton Loefer was reelected Tuesday to the House of Representatives.



BACK FROM Okinawa is A2/C Robert R. Eacret, who spent a 30-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Eacret, 3055 Lodi Street. Eacret now is stationed at Hill Air Force Base in Ogden, Utah.

Nixon Cites Loss Reasons

United Press International

Vice President Richard M. Nixon: "Republicans worked for two months. Our opponents worked for two years. The result was inevitable."

Democratic National Chairman Paul M. Butler: "The voters repudiated President Eisenhower's leadership and Republican campaign tactics. They registered their satisfaction with the constructive record of the Democratic-controlled 85th Congress."

Republican National Chairman Meade Alderson: "There was no single issue nationally... the main trouble was not enough Republican votes. We have no alibis."

Senate Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson: "The American people have decisively endorsed the constructive and confident leadership of the Democratic Congress. They have made it clear that the people do not want a veto of the 20th Century."

Former Sen. Earle Clements of Kentucky, director of the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee: "There were a lot of reasons. Domestic issues were dominant. The people liked the constructive approach to problems taken by the Democratic Congress."

All Networks Claim Win, But Here Is Real Story

NEW YORK (UPI)—All three networks will be claiming victories over each other today. But on the basis of late returns, here is the straight election night dope:

1. At NBC-TV, staffers consumed 45 gallons of coffee, 1,100 sandwiches, 12 layer cakes, 15 gallons of potato salad, 8 gallons of baked beans and 48 cherry, apple, pumpkin and coconut custard pies.

2. At CBS-TV, staffers waded into 45 gallons of coffee, 826 sandwiches, 1,000 pieces of pastry and 3 bagels. It was suggested that some partisan might have sneaked the bagels in from the Rockefeller-Harriman campaign.

3. At ABC-TV, the assembled horde downed 57 gallons of coffee, 1,000 assorted sandwiches and 500 pieces of baked goods including cheesecakes, brownies and chocolate layers, all of which were supplied by the sponsor who, incidentally, makes cheesecakes, brownies and chocolate layers.

As I see it, this gives NBC-TV the victory in sandwiches, baked beans, potato salad and peach, apple, cherry and coconut custard pies. ABC-TV clearly gets the win in coffee and cheesecake and brownies. And CBS-TV came up with a clear lead in pastry as well as bagels, although the latter victory is a hollow one.

Aside from gustatory matters, these other things happened on TV:

All three networks trotted out awesome mechanical monsters with names like UNIVAC, RAMAC, and UEDPS, but at one network, NBC-TV, two newsmen could be spotted working in green eye shades. ... CBS-TV's Doug Edwards reported over the air that a lady in Michigan had accused the network of placing a



COMMUNICATIONS and message center procedures were subjects for Pvt. Thomas H. Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Harris, 935 Front Street, at an Army signal school at Ft. Gordon, Georgia. Harris, 23, entered the Army in April after having graduated from KUHS and Armstrong College in Berkeley, California.

13,000 GI Landing Force Hits Coast Of California

SAN SIMON, Calif. (UPI)—A landing force of 13,000 soldiers hit the Central California coast by sea and air today in a full-scale test of atomic age battle tactics.

The landing was the highlight of Exercise Rocky Shoals, biggest Army-Navy amphibious operation since 1950. It featured the first landing of Army troops by helicopter from ships at sea.

Troops of the 4th Infantry Division, Fort Lewis, Wash., made up the majority of the troops who went ashore from Navy ships along a 30-mile stretch of coastline to strike a mythical "aggressor" force.

Among the 40 Navy ships participating was the world's first helicopter assault carrier, the Thetis Bay.

The exercise marked the first time a pentomic division—five battle groups instead of the usual three regiments—had taken part in amphibious assaults. It featured wide dispersal, on the theory that both sides have atomic weapons.

The landing was designed to test an ultra-modern concept of warfare, "vertical envelopment." Under the concept, troops borne by helicopters surround enemy units and knock them out with low yield atomic weapons.

Following the assault landing, troops began moving into the hills of Hunter Liggett Military Reservation and Camp Roberts. Maneuvers will continue ashore for five days until Nov. 10, when re-embarkation begins.

Lt. Gen. Charles D. Palmer, commanding officer of the 6th Army in eight western states, is over-all boss of the exercise.

REPORTS LOAN TOTAL

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The World Bank reported that 10 loans it made during the three months ended Sept. 30 brought the cumulative total of its loans thus far to \$4,010,200,000.

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