



SO THIS IS NEW YORK

By North Callahan

Dropped in to the book-and-author luncheon at a Times Square hotel and heard Inspector Henry Thompson of Scotland Yard tell a story about his boss, Winston Churchill. This Britisher Thompson is the personal guard of the prime minister and said that back just after World War II, when Winnie was kicked out of office by the voters, he was offered the Order of the Garter by King George. That would have made him "Sir Winston" then, instead of receiving it much later. Turning to the King, Churchill said, "But how can I accept the Garter from you, when your subjects have just given me the boot?"

Mrs. Joseph Brock of Queens, a native of Wisconsin, told me of an experience she and her late, heroic FBI husband had when they wanted to borrow a car and almost ended up in jail. It seems the Brocks liked to go suburban on week-ends, but had no automobile. One Sunday, another FBI agent-friend offered to lend them his car. They hesitated, hating to do it, but when he insisted, saying to take it, that it was parked down by the nearby Chinese laundry, they accepted the keys and did. Upon their return from a nice drive in the country, an irate stranger stood beside the laundry, and when they got out, demanded the car. Argument followed, the friend was called — and it did turn out that the car belonged to the stranger. How the mix-up occurred, how the key fit, etc. has never been solved. Anyway, Mrs. Brock says, still with relief, the magic badges of the FBI impressed the real owner, so that he offered to pay for the additional gas and oil they had put in.

upon a wholesome book which reminded me of a pleasant summer I spent in Indiana, years ago. It was "The Girl of the Limberlost" by Gene Stratton Porter and I read it then with great devotion, as doubtless have many of you. Now a report comes that girls in and around Berne, Indiana compete to see who is selected "Girl of the Limberlost" each year, a worthy contest conducted by the Lions Club.

Frank Luther, the singer of children's songs, was a Kansas evangelist for years. Then he got to singing and went on a tour with Will Rogers. Frank is a genial guy whom I've known here for some time. He and his recorded music are popular with children, and he even speaks to Parent-Teacher groups. Usually he opens his speech this way: "By the time a child first says 'good morning' to his teacher on his first day to school, his education is largely complete."

I guess every real columnist here has studied the life of the late Oscar Odd McIntyre, original reporter of the Gotham scene for folks back home. Certainly I have. That is one reason it was so sad the other day when a plank fell off a local skyscraper and struck and killed the chauffeur of Odd's widow, as he sat in the old Rolls Royce which the columnist cherished and wrote about so much. An eerie accident. But that Rolls Royce reminds one of the "glorious" twenties in this town. Odd had always wanted such a car. To him it spelled success, and when he became successful, he bought one.

Gotham Gatherings: there is no doubt that spring has arrived

LONG ARM OF ATOMIC RESEARCH



FOURTEEN FEET of water shield a University of Michigan technician, at Ann Arbor, from the intense radiation of a Cobalt 60 source at the Memorial-Phoenix project. This is the nation's first non-governmental research program on the peaceful uses of atomic energy. When the unit (the dark image in lower center) is raised by remote control above the surface, it pasteurizes and preserves foods, promotes chemical reactions and sterilizes drugs and other materials.

here now, for New York has 54 elephants to prove it. They belong to the circus, just arrived . . . "cookie-less days" are observed weekly in the Bronx by the Camp Fire Girls whose organization is just 45 years old. Proceeds of money saved goes to needy Indians in our West . . . Carol Taylor, ace reporter for the World-Telegram, beats many a man to local stories. She is a graduate of Louisiana State University at Baton Rouge . . . Snookly Lanson, former Tennessee and Hit Parade star, leads his church choir in a suburb here . . . Gordon Jenkins once played the guitar under the name

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of Abe Snake . . . Rosemary Clooney has two streets named after her in her native Maysville, Ky. . . real name of Patti Page is Clara Ann Fowler.

Japanese industries produced \$6,745,000 worth of armaments for U. S. troops in Japan during 1954, more than 99 per cent of ammunition.

WASHINGTON REPORT

By BILL WHITLEY

ATTACKS. Within the past few weeks, Democrats have opened a barrage of attacks on the Republican Administration which may lead to big issues in next year's elections. Taxes, foreign policy and farm policies have been the main lines of attack.

NEW APPROACH. In the new volley of attacks that have been unleashed by the Democrats, there is a sharp departure from what has been a general hesitancy to include President Eisenhower in criticism of the Republican Administration. The Democratic leadership until now has avoided making direct attacks on Eisenhower for fear his popularity would cause a political backfire.

As a result of his tremendous popularity, attacks have been leveled at his advisers and cabinet officers instead of the President himself.

SPOT. Recent developments in foreign affairs, however, have made it necessary for the President to be criticized directly. This is true because of the fact the President himself formulates and carries out the foreign policy of the Republican Administration. When it comes to this phase of the Administration, none of his subordinates can take the load off the President.

FORMOSA. The heated controversy around the explosive Formosa issue has opened a flood of criticism of Eisenhower for his indecisiveness, uncertainty and shifting of position.

RESULT. So far, the attacks on Eisenhower and his Formosan policy have been damaging to the Republican Party. The Democrats'

deep concern over Formosa and peace have shaken them into realizing that the President's views are not sacred. If the criticism sticks, then the President will be open to a whole new avalanche of criticism in the field of domestic affairs. The trigger is primed to turn the guns in the face of Ike himself. The groundwork for such strategy already has been laid in the bitter criticism of cabinet officers and others for present tax and farm policies. It would be a simple matter to turn sour public opinion in these matters directly toward Eisenhower.

BACKFIRE? The barrier that the President must hurdle is to keep the United States out of war over Formosa, and at the same time, keep the islands from falling into the hands of the Communists. If this can be done, then the President's popularity would soar to even new heights and all future Democratic criticism would probably fall flat.

Rabbits On The Run

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. (AP) — Two rabbits have members of the Virginia Beach Civitan club hopping like mad in a club membership drive. The drive works like this:

The names of members who haven't brought new members in to the club are drawn from a hat two at a time. The two get custody of the rabbits and must keep them until two new Civitans are enrolled. Then the procedure is repeated.

Reason for the fast shuffling is both rabbits are soon to be mothers.

Tells of Rescue



CLAUDE HOLLISTER, 53, of New York, is shown in Seattle as he told newsmen of his experiences in the water when a Pan-American plane on which he was a passenger, crashed-landed 30 miles off the Oregon coast. Hollister and his wife were en route to Indonesia where he has a job as an aviation consultant. They were among the 19 survivors of the tragedy in which four persons died. (International Soundphoto)

Too Many Egyptians

CARBONDALE, Ill. (AP) — cause they are close to themselves "Egyptian." Hendrix thinks it has been done. He operated the Adjustment Bureau for . . . But so much of his mail ed with that of other firms that he has changed name to Hendrix Agency.



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On The Record

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Republican Frank Andrews has given up his four-year monopoly on the role of the man who adjourns the Michigan State Senate. At a Republican caucus several senators said the only way they could think of to get their names in the Senate journal was to move to adjourn. Andrews agreed to let them in on the act occasionally.

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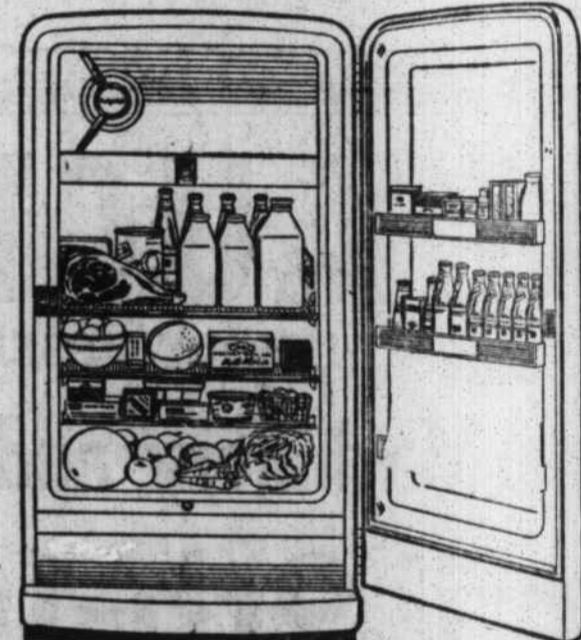
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