



TIC TOC

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EHRlich AGAIN NAMED STATE'S OUTSTANDING SPORTSCASTER

For the second consecutive year, George Ehrlich has been voted Connecticut's outstanding sportscaster by his colleagues in the sportscasting and writing business.

He will receive the award at the National Sportswriters and Sportscasters award banquet in Salisbury, N.C. on April 4.

WTIC has received six of the state awards since the award was initiated seven years ago. Ehrlich has two and Bob Steele is a four-time winner.

Ehrlich was honored for his play-by-play broadcasting of University of Connecticut football and basketball games.

SIXTY BED WING WILL BE ADDED TO THREE-BED VIETNAM HOSPITAL

That 60-bed wing will be added to the three-bed hospital at An Khe, thanks to those who responded generously to the fund drive announced on WTIC-TV in late February and helped along by a couple of announcements by Bob Steele.

The \$4,000 goal announced Feb. 27 was surpassed March 8.

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PAUL KUNTZ PROMOTED TO NEWS DIRECTOR; LARRYE DE BEAR TO ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

The promotions of Paul G. Kuntz to news director and Larrye deBear to assistant news director of WTIC TV-AM-FM were announced today by President Morency.

A radio and television reporter for the past 11 years, Kuntz was the newsman selected by WTIC-TV and Radio to spend more than a month in Viet Nam late in 1965, covering the part played by Connecticut and Massachusetts men in the war.

A native of Erie, Pa., Kuntz was educated in the local schools and at Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism, where he received BS and MS degrees in journalism. Kuntz joined WTIC in 1954 after serving as a Marine Corps officer during the Korean War. He is currently a major in the Marine Corps Reserve and a former commanding officer of the Hartford unit.

Kuntz and his wife, Marie, live at 90 Andover Rd., Windsor Locks, Conn. with their five daughters.

DeBear, a native of Brooklyn, N. Y., also holds BS and MS degrees from Northwestern's Medill School of Journalism. He has been the stations' Capitol and Legislative reporter since 1963 and also covered the State Constitutional Convention for WTIC TV and Radio.

DeBear was a reporter at WHAS, Louisville, Ky. before joining WTIC News in 1957. He specialized in writing television newscasts during his first two years on the news staff.

He and his wife, Judy, live on Lawrence Road, South Windsor. They have a son and two daughters.

The promotions are effective Friday, April 1. They will report to N. Thomas Eaton, Vice president-news.

**"COLUMBIA JOURNALISM REVIEW"
HAILS WTIC CONVENTION COVERAGE**

The highly regarded "Columbia Journalism Review," published by Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism, had some interesting comments on newspaper, radio and television coverage of the Constitutional Convention:

"The quality of American politics at the state level involves a direct relationship to the standards of press coverage. During Connecticut's first Constitutional Convention in over a half-century this past summer and fall, neither The Associated Press nor United Press International deemed it worth the expense or the trouble to assign a staff reporter to cover the proceedings. A handful of reporters from a few Connecticut dailies restricted themselves largely to routine stories based on handouts from party politicians.

"A conspicuous exception was station WTIC-TV, Channel 3, in Hartford, site of the convention. Channel 3, owned by the Travelers Insurance Company, covered some of the deliberations live, hired a political scientist from the University of Connecticut as a special commentator and aired a regular 'Living History' program on the convention during prime time, directly preceding the evening news report. The news director, Tom Eaton, also scheduled debates and panel shows on reapportionment and other questions before the convention.

"When print media bemoan the inroads of television, the Connecticut contrast in relative news enterprise might be a significant warning."

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Since Thanksgiving, WTIC TV and Radio were responsible for obtaining more than 1,000 "Baby Bundles" and more than \$6,000 in cash for the hospital being operated by Capt. Larry McKinstry.

The staff donated \$1,083.24.

Paul Kuntz and Bob Dwyer received \$1,116 in honorariums from 55 speaking engagements.

And \$4,284 was donated by 486 persons in Connecticut, Massachusetts, New York and Washington, D.C. The contributions ranged from 25 cents to \$500.

**ROBERT PATRICELLI WORKING
WITH SECRETARY OF STATE**

Since he became a White House Fellow last fall, Robert Patricelli, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Patricelli, has traveled extensively with the Secretary of State and had a role in the Viet Nam crisis.

One of the first 15 young men selected to work in top level jobs in the White House and the Cabinet, Patricelli has been assigned to Secretary of State Dean Rusk's staff.

According to a story on the White House Fellowship program in the March 22 issue of "The Christian Science Monitor," Patricelli has "helped prepare briefing papers for Mr. Rusk's Senate Viet Nam testimony" and "during the recent Viet Nam negotiating efforts, he was one of a small group that analyzed responses made reports for Mr. Rusk and President Johnson.

"In addition to sitting in on some policy sessions at the State Department, Mr. Patricelli accompanied Mr. Rusk to the November inter-American conference in Rio de Janeiro and to the December NATO ministerial meeting in Paris."

A 1965 graduate of Harvard Law School, Patricelli is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, a former Fulbright Scholar and former editor of the Harvard Law Review.

MAKES SELECTION

Since the last TIC TOC, Carol Edwards has received notice that she has also been accepted at Plymouth, N.H. State Teachers College and after careful consideration of the advantages and disadvantages has decided to attend Southern Connecticut State College in the fall.

ATWOOD ATTENDS BRIEFING AT AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT

Frank Atwood was in Washington last weekend with other top farm program directors from across the country to meet with Secretary of Agriculture Orville Freeman.

The group was invited by the Secretary of Agriculture to an all-day briefing and news conference. It was Atwood's fourth briefing since Secretary of Agriculture Benson instituted the practice during the Eisenhower administration.

FARM YOUTH PROGRAM HELPS YOUNGSTERS BUY 26 CALVES

The WTIC Farm Youth Program made 26 loans at the Interbreed Heifer Calf Auction at Storrs on March 19.

The station loaned \$4,845 to youngsters who bought 18 Holsteins, four Brown Swiss, two Guernsies, an Ayrshire and a Jersey calf. Fifteen of the loans went to Connecticut boys and girls and the rest to Massachusetts applicants. Among those borrowing were four brothers in a family from Rutland, Mass.

COES NAMED TO CHAMBER VISITORS BUREAU COUNCIL

Rufus Coes, director of community activities for Constitution Plaza, has been named to the Executive Council of the Convention and Visitors Bureau of the Greater Hartford Chamber of Council.

His appointment was made on March 10 by Chairman Arthur D. Dooley. The Executive Council meets monthly at the Chamber of Commerce offices on Constitution Plaza.

THREE CHRISTIAN FAITHS WILL JOIN FOR FIRST ECUMENICAL SERVICE ON PLAZA

The three major Christian faiths will join together on Constitution Plaza April 10 for America's first Ecumenical Easter Sunrise Service.

The Rev. Robert L. Edwards, president of the Greater Hartford Council of Churches, said an investigation by the National Council of Churches has disclosed that no service of this type has ever been held in the United States.

"I doubt very much than many, if any Services of this kind have been held anywhere in the world," the Rev. Mr. Edwards said.

Plans for the Service are currently being developed by the Worship and Liturgy Department of the Greater Hartford Council of Churches and the Commission on Edumenical Affairs of the Archdiocese of Hartford.

A pulpit, topped by three crosses, will be constructed near the clock tower on the north end of Constitution Plaza for the Service, which is expected to attract thousands of worshippers to the heart of the city at 6 o'clock on Easter Morning. The Service will be broadcast on WTIC-TV and Radio.

The Rev. William Johnson, chairman of the Department of Religion at Drew University, Madison, N.J., and a former member of the Trinity College faculty in Hartford, will preach the sermon.

Three principal participants, representing the Catholic, Orthodox and Protestant churches, will be selected.

PARKING UNIT LOOKING FOR ADDITIONAL SPACE

The Parking Associates Committee is looking for more parking space within a short walking distance of Broadcast House.

A questionnaire has been distributed to determine if there is a sufficient amount of interest in more space.

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN:

NINTH ANNUAL WTIC GOLF TOURNAMENT SET

Attention, golfers: Spring is here and the cry of "fore" is about to be heard once more.

The President's Cup awaits the 1966 champion.

In order to attract more golfers this year, your committee is proposing some basic changes in tournament rules:

The Callaway System of automatic handicapping will be used. This will eliminate the necessity of turning in three 18-hole scores to establish a handicap. With the Callaway System, handicaps are decided on the day of play.

Three one-day tournaments will be held--in June, July and August--to permit every golfer to select a play date in advance.

The four golfers with the lowest net scores will meet in September for the championship.

To help decide dates and sites, please answer the questions below and send the answers to George Dawson or Dick Oeser of the Tournament Committee. They would also like suggestions and comments.

NAME _____

MONTH/DATE PREFERRED _____

COMMENTS _____

Please return to Dick Oeser or George Dawson as soon as possible.

LETTER FROM VIET NAM

Dear Paul,

Sorry to wait so long in writing. I hope my letters in reply to your questions have reached you. In case they haven't I will include the information in this letter again.

Mail has been delayed reaching us here due to the fact that all available aircraft are lifting troops in our big operations. Also the air was unsafe here for a while due to hostile enemy action.

Yesterday I received a large shipment of Baby Bundles. In fact yesterday the 1,000th WTIC Baby Bundle was received. It was from West Hartford, Connecticut. It was one of the many gifts I received from the Senior Class, American School for the Deaf, 139 North Main Street.

I have been receiving bars of Ivory soap from the 4 corners of the U.S. from almost every state. They all had a small heart drawn and T.T. in the heart. Yesterday I received a copy of The Toy Trader, published by Elizabeth Andrews Fisher, 2112 Middlefield Street, Middletown, Connecticut 06457. This is a doll collection issue published each month. In the February issue, she wrote:

"I'm always begging for something and here I go again. I know you've had it for this season. Will you mail, air mail, one cake of personal sized Ivory soap to (my address). Please wrap and tie the soap well. And right beside your name, draw a tiny heart and put T.T. in it. Can you just imagine how many baby Vietnamese will be running around with younger looking skin? And thanks so much! If every subscriber sends one cake of soap, our mission will be well done."

I have received already about 20 such gifts carrying from 1 to 15 bars of soap.

The ward will hold from 50-80 patients (I'm answering your questions). The engineers estimate approximately \$4,000 to build a cement block building 140 feet x 30 feet and partitioned. They can build it in approximately 1-2 weeks. All materials can be bought locally.

Well, I must rush and get busy. Always something to do here. I have already begun the prenatal clinic from pregnant mothers. March 1, 1966, I will begin to teach a health class at district schools 2 hours each day. I'll have to let something less important go. I haven't decided what. What I will teach will be proper body cleanliness, sanitation and food preparation. I hope I remember everything, as I have no books. Grade 6, Room 18, at Enfield Intermediate School, Thompsonville, Connecticut, has adopted my little group of workers who live at the Hospital. They want to send us personal gifts, so I asked them for hygiene and health books on their own level.

Sincerely,

(s) Larry T. McKinstry, M.D.