



TIC TOC

AUGUST 1966

TO THE STAFF

Since our last staff dinner dance in October 1965, we have been involved in many projects that all of us can recall with pride.

I am thinking of our Viet Nam news assignment and the subsequent hospital projects, the fine work by so many during the Regatta and the ICO and the equally important, if less dramatic, day-to-day activities that contribute so much to our Company's standing in the Community.

I am pleased to announce that we will honor all of you for your achievements during the past twelve months at a dinner dance at the Hartford Hilton on Saturday, October 8. We plan to have a reception beginning at 6:45, followed by dinner at 8 in the Grand Ballroom, with the Landerman Orchestra again providing music for dancing.

You will find a coupon on Page 4 of this issue of TIC TOC. Please fill it in and send it to Miss Burbank by September 16.

We are also trying something new in seating arrangements. If you would care to form a table of eight, please give Mr. Tyrol the names of those at your table by Sept. 16. Those who do not care to form tables will be assigned as in the past. In order to accommodate everyone, we will have to maintain the September 16 deadline.

I look forward to joining you and your guests at the dinner dance.

Paul Morency

PAT CLANCY, FRED WADE TO RETIRE AFTER THIRTY-SIX YEARS WITH WTIC

Two veteran members of the staff, Pat Clancy and Fred Wade, conclude WTIC careers that began 36 years ago when they retire at the end of August.

Clancy, supervisor of transmitter engineers, once considered a career in the Merchant Marine, and Wade, radio production manager, was a singing banker before he became a singing announcer. Instead, both of them switched to broadcasting when they and the industry were very young, and both have been a credit to their profession.

A native of Lawrence, Mass., Clancy was educated in the local schools and at the Massachusetts Nautical School, where he trained as a Merchant Marine cadet engineer aboard the USS Nantucket, a square rigger. Later, he attended the Massachusetts Radio School and Coyne Engineering School and served as a transmitter engineer at Station WORC, Worcester before joining WTIC.

Clancy has divided his career almost evenly between the downtown studios and the transmitter. He was a studio engineer and assistant supervisor of studio engineers until 1947 when he was transferred to Avon as assistant supervisor of transmitter engineers. In 1955, on the evening of his twenty-fifth anniversary with the Company, he was promoted to supervisor of the transmitter staff.

Clancy assisted in the maintenance of the Hartford Police Department radio transmitter for several years until recently, he was engineer in charge of the East Hartford Police Department communications installation, holding the rank of supernumerary policeman.

Wade began his singing career almost as soon as he learned to talk. A native of Springfield, Mass., he sang professionally as "New England's Phenomenal Boy Soprano" throughout the east in the years before World War I.

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FRED
WADE

CANVERI
'66'



'PAT' WILBUR
CLANCY

Best Retirement Wishes
from the Staff

CLANCY, WADE TO RETIRE
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He attended the Springfield schools and Suffield Academy to prepare for a banking career, but along with banking, he managed to work in concert engagements and sang with several popular dance bands.

His radio debut occurred 45 years ago with WBZ in Springfield, the second oldest station in the United States. He began as an unpaid singer in a studio that closely resembled a tool shed on the roof of the Westinghouse plant in Springfield. His first appearance before a WTIC microphone was as a free-lance singer shortly after the station went on the air in 1925 and he became a full-time member of the staff in 1930.

During the 1930s and '40s, he sang, acted and announced. He was the featured vocalist with "The Merry Madcaps," a principal in the longrunning comedy series, "The Wrightville Clarion," and the announcer for many of the station's most memorable programs.

In more recent years, Wade has served as supervisor of announcers, auditions manager and production manager.

Both Clancy and Wade are still in the process of making definite retirement plans.

DAN MC AULIFFE JOINS
ARIZONA UNIVERSITY

TV Director Dan McAuliffe, a staff member for nine years, left the company in mid-August to join the faculty and staff of the University of Arizona.

He will be a producer-director

DEMOCRATS, REPUBLICANS
ACCEPT DEBATE BIDS

The Democratic and Republican candidates for Governor and Congress have accepted invitations from WTIC-TV and Radio to participate in a series of debates prior to Election Day.

The debates will be televised "live" each Sunday by WTIC-TV, with the audio portions recorded and broadcast later in the day by WTIC Radio. On Oct 30, a debate between the Democratic and Republican candidates for Governor will be telecast and broadcast simultaneously by the TV and Radio stations.

The complete television debate schedule is as follows:

Sept. 18, Fourth District: U.S. Rep. John S. Monagan, Democrat; and Romeo Petroni, Republican; 2:30-3 p.m.

Sept. 25, Fifth District: U.S. Rep. Donald J. Irwin, Democrat; Abner W. Sibal, Republican; 5:30-6 p.m.

Oct. 2, Sixth District: U.S. Rep. Bernard F. Grabowski, Democrat; Thomas J. Meskill, Republican; 5:30-6 p.m.

Oct. 9, Third District: U.S. Rep. Robert Giaimo, Democrat; Stelio Salmona, Republican; 5:30-6 p.m.

Oct. 16, Second District: U.S. Rep. William L. St. Onge, Democrat; Joseph H. Goldberg, Republican; 5:30-6 p.m.

Oct. 23, First District: U.S. Rep. Emilio Q. Daddario, Democrat; John L. Bonee, Republican; 5:30-6 p.m.

Oct. 30, Governor: Gov. John N. Dempsey, Democrat; E. Clayton Gengras, Republican; 7-7:30 p.m.

Each debate will be broadcast on WTIC Radio from 7 to 7:30 p.m.

at the University's television station and also teach a course. In addition, both he and Mrs. McAuliffe plan to work on Master's degrees.

HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT SHIPPED BY AIR TO AN KHE, VIET NAM

An incubator, a refrigerator, a microscope, a sterilizer, four dozen bassinets, a washing machine, two electric fans and other hospital equipment were shipped Aug. 11 from Bradley Field on the first leg of a 9,000-mile flight to the WTIC-supported hospital in Viet Nam.

The equipment was purchased with funds remaining after WTIC TV-AM-FM completed a fund drive to build a 60-bed civilian hospital at An Khe, where a U.S. Army doctor had been treating Vietnamese civilians in a small cottage furnished with three beds.

All of the items are badly needed, but the incubator is probably the most meaningful piece of equipment in the shipment. At present, there are only two incubators in all of Viet Nam--one at Saigon, 280 miles south of An Khe, and the other in Hue, 300 miles away.

Premature babies now born at An Khe or other localities do not survive. A 19-cubic-foot refrigerator will make it possible for the hospital staff to store penicillin, blood and vaccines for plague, cholera, typhoid and other serious diseases for the first time.

Dr. Stewart Hamilton of Hartford Hospital has advised WTIC on the types of equipment and supplies to be purchased and a number of companies provided the equipment at minimum costs. These include the D.G. Stoughton Co., Hartford. D.G. Stoughton, a hospital supply firm, donated the incubator.

The hospital supplies are the latest in a series of contributions made to the hospital by the staff and audience of WTIC TV-AM-FM since the hospital was discovered by reporter Paul Kuntz and photographer Bob Dwyer when they were in Viet Nam last fall.

Since that time, the stations have conducted one drive to obtain diapers, baby oil and soap, blankets, nightgowns and other maternity items for more than 1,500 "Baby Bundles" and another to construct the hospital.

MR. MORENCY HEADING HOSPITAL DRIVE UNIT

President Morency will head the Hartford County Advance Gifts Committee in the \$2.5 million fund drive being conducted for the Newington Hospital for Crippled Children.

Wilson C. Jainsen, general chairman of the drive, said Mr. Morency will be responsible for the enlistment of Hartford County's leading citizens to help secure substantial financial support for the hospital's program of new construction and alterations in its existing plant. Newington is the only children's hospital in Connecticut.

In announcing Mr. Morency's appointment, Mr. Jainsen said: "We are extremely fortunate to have his help in this effort to provide vitally needed additional facilities at Newington. His work on behalf of organizations and civic programs in the Greater Hartford area and his leadership on committees to improve conditions throughout the state are indicative of his interest and concern for the welfare of all Connecticut individuals."

BYRNE, MASINI RECOVERING AT ST. FRANCIS HOSPITAL

Two members of the transmitter staff became ill while on vacation and are now recuperating in St. Francis Hospital.

Tommy Byrne was on a sentimental journey to his home town of Ballyhaunis, County Mayo, Ireland when he was taken ill and hospitalized. He flew home Aug. 16 and entered St. Francis where he is undergoing tests prior to surgery at a later date.

Charlie Masini, who also became ill while on vacation, has undergone surgery and is recovering at St. Francis. We extend our wishes for speedy and satisfactory recovery to both of them.

RENO PROVIDES
CRASH NEWS BEAT

John Reno of WTIC's Engineering Department joined the News Department for a day this month, and helped give the Newsroom a break on a major story.

Reno is a member of the Civil Air Patrol, which was involved in the search for a missing plane on a flight out of Block Island. The wreckage was first spotted late Sunday, August 21, on Mount Higby between Meriden and Middlefield. Thanks to Reno's direct communications with the scene of the wreck, WTIC was first to learn that a Hartford man had survived for a week in the wreckage, and had been taken to Meriden Hospital, that the pilot had died in the crash, and that the first tip on the location of the wreckage had come from a passing truck driver.

KENFIELD TO HELP SELECT
ELDERLY HOUSING SITE

Larry Kenfield has been named the Elmwood Community Church representative on the Site Selection Committee of West Hartford Fellowship Housing, Inc.

The corporation will select a site for a 100 to 200-unit, multi-million-dollar housing project for the elderly being sponsored by churches and synagogues in West Hartford, the West Hartford Fellowship Clergy and the Town Council, according to Kenfield.

Please complete this coupon and forward it to Miss Burbank by September 16. (Check one)

Dear Mr. Morency:

I will be able to attend the dinner dance at the Hartford Hilton on Saturday, October 8.

I regret that I will be unable to attend.

My guest will be _____

(Your signature)

SHRIVER-NELSON

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Barrett of Wethersfield announce the engagement of their daughter, Mrs. Virginia B. Shriver of Hartford, to Mr. Robert C. Nelson of East Hartford.

Mrs. Shriver, a former WTIC continuity editor, was graduated from Mount St. Joseph Academy, West Hartford and attended the University of Southern California. She is currently an advertising assistant at Mutual Insurance Company of Hartford.

Mr. Nelson, a WTIC announcer, is a graduate of Syracuse University and was formerly on the staff of the Westinghouse Broadcasting Co. in Washington and WNEW in New York. A late August wedding is planned.

INTERVIEW ON '88 BLIZZARD
REQUESTED FOR ARCHIVES

Interviews made by Frank Atwood with three persons who recall the Blizzard of 1888 have been presented to the Hartford Public Library, the New Britain Public Schools and the East Hartford Public Schools.

The interviews, recorded first in 1961, have been broadcast several times near the anniversary date of the famed March blizzard. When the feature was broadcast last March, Atwood received the three requests.

The interview consists of reminiscences by the Rev. Sylvester Robertson, 84, of Plainfield, Mass., Professor Emeritus Charles Adams Peters, 90, of the University of Massachusetts, and Miss Pauline Bauer, 91, of Kensington, Conn., and the meteorological history of the great storm by Milt Barlow of the Travelers Weather Service.