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PAUL KUNTZ, BOB DWYER WILL GO TO VIETNAM NEXT MONTH TO COVER ROLE BEING PLAYED IN WAR BY AREA RESIDENTS; STORY WILL BE TOLD IN COLOR

WTIC-TV and Radio will send a reporter-photographer team to Vietnam next month to cover the role being played by Connecticut and western Massachusetts residents in the war there.

President Morency announced this morning that reporter Paul Kuntz and photographer Bob Dwyer will go to Vietnam in mid-October.

"Paul and Bob are veteran newsmen with the added advantage of strong military backgrounds," said Mr. Morency. "They have enthusiastically volunteered to spend at least a month in Vietnam, covering the part being played by Connecticut and western Massachusetts men in the armed forces as well as the many men and women from this area who are making profound contributions through service in the Peace Corps or as civilian government workers, doctors or missionaries."

Mr. Morency said Dwyer would use color film as frequently as possible to provide "not only spot news coverage but what we hope will be an historic documentary."

The newsman and photographer will fly to Vietnam on or about Oct. 15. They will be quartered in Saigon, but spend most of their time in the field, covering the Marines in the area of Da Nang, the First Cavalry Division in the Highlands and the 101st Airborne Division from whatever position they will occupy in the field.

Kuntz, 35, is the assignment editor of WTIC-TV News. A member of the news staff since 1954, he joined WTIC after receiving BS and MS degrees in journalism from the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University.

Kuntz is a major in the Marine Corps Reserve and a former commanding officer of the Hartford Marine Corps Reserve Unit. He served in the Marine Corps on active duty during the Korean War.

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

Dwyer, 40, served in the U.S. Army for more than 15 years and was a combat photographer in Europe in World War II.

A native of Providence, he entered the Army shortly before Pearl Harbor and served as an Army Air Corps aerial gunner before being transferred to the Signal Corps. He filmed the American campaign in France and Germany. Called back into the Army during the Korean War, Dwyer was again sent to Europe, where he filmed the East German uprising in 1953.

Dwyer joined the WTIC-TV staff in 1958. In 1961, he was named the National Press Photographers Assn. "news cameraman of the year" for the New England region for his coverage of the Hartford Hospital fire.

Dwyer, his wife, Arlene, and their son live at 237 Woodycrest Dr., East Hartford.

GALA EVENING PLANNED FOR STAFF, GUESTS AT STATLER ON OCT. 2

About 300 staff members and their guests took the advice noted in the August TIC TOC to set aside the evening of October 2 for "something special"---the Broadcast-Plaza, Inc. dinner-dance at the Statler Hilton.

As noted in Mr. Morency's invitation, a reception at 6:45 will be followed by dinner at 8 in the grand ballroom of the Statler. Music for dancing will be by the Landerman Orchestra.

BOB STEELE HAS ACE AT MANCHESTER

Bob Steele shot a hole-in-one at Golf City, Manchester, one fine August day recently. The course is a par 3 job and some holes are only 60 yards from the tee but Steele chose the longest hole on the course, the 115 yard 8th, for his tremendous ace. Using a 7 iron Steele stroked a yellow ball (a gift from Emmett Gemme of Gem-Mayflower movers) perfectly and it rolled into the cup without the aid of any shouting, rooting, body English or any other such nonsense. Oddly, shortly before Steele's feat (size 10½ D) Mr. Gemme had presented a similar yellow ball to Mayor Ryan of Springfield, Mass. and the mayor promptly went out to the local links and fired an ace on a 178 yard hole! Figuring the ball must have had something to do with it, Steele went to Wampanoag the day following the Springfield mayor's achievement, teed up the yellow Gem-Mayflower pill on the first hole, took aim, swung beautifully and firmly and, BELIEVE IT OR NOT---wound up with a SEVEN!

JOINS BUSINESS STAFF

Mary Ann Gargano has joined the Training Section of the Business Department. A native of New York and a resident of Colchester, she is a graduate of Bacon Academy and the Plus School of Business.

JIM ABERT ASSIGNED TO NASA'S MADAGASCAR TRACKING STATION

Jim Abert, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Abert, has joined NASA and been assigned to the NASA Satellite Tracking Station near Tandandrive on the Island of Madagascar off the southeast coast of Africa.

He has been employed by the Bendix Engineering Corp., the supplier of personnel for NASA tracking stations throughout the world, to assist in setting up and maintaining station communications on the island.

Young Mr. Abert was employed for the past three years by the Hartford office of AT&T, working in the microwave communications section and the teletype communications division. He has also completed two years at the University of Connecticut's Hartford Branch and plans to complete his degree requirements at the end of a two-year stay in Madagascar.

HENNESSEY TO LEAVE COMPANY OCT. 1

Bill Hennessey will leave the Company Oct. 1 to join the Synchron Corporation in Wallingford as sales manager.

Hennessey is presently secretary-treasurer of Synchron, which he founded with former WTIC engineer Bill Lobb in 1963.

Hennessey has been a member of the WTIC staff for eight years.

MORE THAN 10,000 TOUR BUILDING SO FAR IN '65

More than 10,000 persons have toured Broadcast House during business hours since January.

In the first eight months of 1965, guest relations assistants Pat Dowd, Eileen Berube and Diane Thomas have given 874 tours to 10,073 persons. The evening guides from Trinity College have given an additional 210 tours to 3,200 persons.

The totals for 1965 are about the same as the totals for the same period in 1964.

ATWOOD AGAIN JUDGES

Farm Director Frank Atwood served this year, for the second time, as one of the judges who selected the Regional Star Farmer of the Future Farmers of America at the Eastern States Exposition. There were 12 candidates from the 12 states in the region.