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MR. MORENCY SUGGESTS TABLE FOR SIGNING CIVIL RIGHTS BILL

The table upon which Abraham Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation has been offered to President Johnson for the signing of the Civil Rights Bill at the suggestion of Paul W. Morency.

Mr. Morency made the suggestion to Governor Dempsey, who wrote to the President that the table, a prized possession of the State Library, would be shipped to Washington on a chartered plane by Mr. Morency if the President wished to use it.

Five days after Governor Dempsey offered the Connecticut table, Governor Endicott Peabody of Massachusetts made a similar offer of a table in the Concord Public Library. The Connecticut State Library has documentation attesting to the Hartford table, which has been on display in Connecticut for more than 50 years.

As this issue of TIC TOC was being published, Connecticut was standing behind its table--and the Associated Press was wondering if President Lincoln gave away tables as President Johnson gives away pens.

TRAVELERS BROADCASTING SERVICE CORP. TO MERGE WITH CONSTITUTION PLAZA, INC.

The Travelers Broadcasting Service Corporation and The Constitution Plaza, Inc., announced today that the two corporations have been merged under the name Broadcast-Plaza, Inc. Change in the corporate name will not affect in any way services to the public. Broadcast service will continue as WTIC-TV 3, AM and FM, and the plaza area will continue to be known as Constitution Plaza. Gladden W. Baker, as Chairman, will continue to have general supervision over the Company's affairs. Paul W. Morency, President, will continue to be responsible for all broadcast operations, and Roger C. Wilkins, as Executive Vice President, will continue to be responsible for all real estate operations. All personnel will continue in their positions. The properties of the two companies are physically contiguous and a merger will achieve desirable economies.

Paul Morency
President

MC GUINNESS LEADS STATE JAYCEES IN NATIONAL CONVENTION WALKOUT

The 75 delegates to the National Junior Chamber of Commerce convention, led by TIC's Joe McGuinness,
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VIOLENT STORM BEFORE REGATTA MAY HAVE CAUSED TELECAST PROBLEMS

A violent thunderstorm, which knocked out four cameras and a microwave unit a few hours before the Harvard-Yale Regatta telecast, is suspected of having contributed to the technical difficulties encountered during the race.

The source of the difficulties, which caused "rolls" on some, but not all, home screens, is still something of a mystery, but engineering and production people are certain that the storm didn't help. The weather during the actual race was perfect and the coverage had many technical highlights, along with the aforementioned problems. Close-ups obtained from the camera aboard Stroller IV, the cabin cruiser which followed the shells along the Thames River course, were outstanding.

Radio survived the storms and emerged with a broadcast that was both an artistic and technical success.

George Bowe, who supervised the telecast, said a "tremendous effort" by engineers was necessary after the mid-afternoon storm left half of the available cameras and a microwave unit out of commission. In a relatively short time, the engineers had the cameras and microwave unit functioning, Bowe said.

Nearly a third of the entire staff, about 60 persons, were involved in the telecast and broadcast. Bill Marks and Brad Davis did double duty, moving from the Regatta to the Hootenanny Road Show at Ocean Beach Park.

MC GUINNESS LEADS JAYCEES (Continued From p. 1)

state Jaycee president, walked out on Alabama Gov. George C. Wallace at the Dallas convention because of his segregationist views.

Wallace was keynote speaker for the convention, which got underway June 23.

"The Connecticut delegation feels that Gov. Wallace is not a representative speaker for this purpose," the delegation said in a formal statement.

DICK O'BRIEN TO JOIN CBS NEWS IN NEW YORK

Assistant News Director Dick O'Brien will join CBS in New York July 6 as a reporter for both CBS TV and Radio News.

He will work out of the CBS Newsfilm Department, which makes world-wide story assignments for all CBS news programs, including the Cronkite and Mike Wallace programs and documentaries.

Since last fall, O'Brien has had three story credits on the Cronkite program: one on Hartford's "Bobby Doyle," a figure in the Senate's Valachi hearings; Senator Goldwater's comments on the UN during a Hartford visit and a story out of New Haven when Yale Professor Barghoorn was arrested in Moscow. In addition, he did a recent feature on New Haven redevelopment for the Mike Wallace morning news program.

O'Brien has been with WTIC for 11½ years, coming here from New York where he was employed by the Associated Press. He was graduated from Boston University's School of Journalism in 1950 and also attended the University of Miami in Florida and Trinity College.

Dick and Marie O'Brien and their three children will move to a New York suburb this summer.

BROADCAST HOUSE A TARGET FOR SCHOOL FIELD TRIPS

Broadcast House has become a prime locale for end-of-the-year field trips by school children in Connecticut and Massachusetts. From early May to late June, the station was visited by one or more school groups every day without exception.

SEVENTY-SEVEN FARM YOUTH SPEND FULL DAY AT FAIR

Seventy-seven Farm Youth Program participants nearly disproved the theory that you can't see the entire World's Fair in a single day when they visited New York June 22 as guests of WTIC.

The youngsters, accompanied by members of the WTIC staff and the Farm Youth Program Advisory Committee, left Broadcast House on chartered buses shortly after 8 a.m. and returned about 14 hours later. According to their comments on the return trip, they covered considerably more territory than most Fair visitors and got to see many of the exhibits that are usually difficult to see.

The youngsters, 58 from Connecticut and 19 from Massachusetts, were provided admission tickets, transportation and dinner at the New England States Exhibition. Their day at the Fair was a temporary replacement for the annual Farm Youth picnic.

SMITH RECORD COLLECTION DROPS TO A MERE 28,000

Robert E. Smith is down to his last 28,000 records.

His collection had 30,000 until a few weeks ago when he donated 2,000 to the Music Library at the University of Hartford's Hartt College of Music.

Bob was recently elected president of the Civic Music of Greater Hartford--and he also recently learned about a Theatre of Melody fan in England. The British admirer listens to the programs on tapes made by William F. Parker of Springfield.

CONVENTIONS OCCUPY NEWSMEN IN CONNECTICUT, MASSACHUSETTS

Political conventions have kept the newsroom crew under a full head of steam in recent weeks. Democratic and Republican gatherings in Hartford occupied two straight weekends. June 19th and 20th found Massachusetts democrats meeting in Springfield, with a WTIC crew on hand.

During the Connecticut Republican Convention over the previous weekend, no less than four newsmen were on full time duty at the Bushnell Memorial. In addition, John Ferguson met Governor Scranton at Bradley Field, broadcast a report live via the news car enroute to Hartford and showed up on live television as Scranton arrived at the Hotel America. Quick work by the engineering staff stretched a cable from the studios to the portico and set up a camera in time to catch the governor's arrival.

WTIC newsmen combined with staff announcers June 20 to broadcast the annual Harvard-Yale crew classic on the Thames River.

When Sid Stewart tried to tell Bill Mill a venerable elephant joke, Bill cut him off with: "When you have six kids like I do, you've heard them all."

ATWOOD ATTENDS FARM DIRECTORS' CONVENTION

Frank Atwood was in Cherry Hill, N. J., this week attending the summer meeting of the National Assn. of Television and Radio Farm Directors.

Last Wednesday, Frank and the farm director and sales manager of WGY were in charge of a presentation entitled "Farm Radio in the Urban East." A presentation suggested by Frank, it was designed to show farm directors from other parts of the country how farm radio has changed in the metropolitan areas on the Atlantic Seaboard as the non-farm population has grown and the farm population dwindled. WTIC played a major role in the presentation by providing the opening sequence of the Radio Sales Power tape and the Henry I. Christal film, "Who Listens?"

**DORSCHUG CHILDREN
GET ACADEMIC HONORS**

Elizabeth Dorschug, daughter of Harold Dorschug, director of engineering, has been awarded the Rentschler First Year Algebra Prize of \$50 at Sedgwick Junior High School, West Hartford.

The award is based upon results of a test given to ninth graders completing elementary algebra. Young Miss Dorschug, however, is an eighth grader whose accelerated math class was allowed to enter the competition because they completed the ninth grade work.

She was told she missed only one problem on the test, giving her the highest grade and she's concerned about which problem it was.

On the day "Bets" received the Algebra Award, brother Douglas was graduated from Conard High School with honors. He is an occasional performer on "Hoot-nanny Road Show" with the Guardsmen, all of whom were graduated. Mike Wasserman of the group was first in the class with highest honors.

**STEPHEN DAWSON GETS
SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD**

George Dawson's son Stephen received the sportsmanship award when he was graduated from South Windsor High School.

A member of the soccer and basketball teams in high school, Stephen plans to attend the University of Connecticut in the fall, and major in business administration.

**DAVID DERRY TO ATTEND
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN**

David Derry, son of Ed Derry, was graduated from Sacred Heart High School in Waterbury earlier this month.

In the fall, David will enter the University of Wisconsin as an anthropology major.

**MARIAN EDWARDS IS
GRADUATED WITH HONORS**

Marian Edwards, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Edwards, ranked sixth in a class of 707 and was graduated with honors from Manchester High School.

Marian, due to attend Mount Holyoke on a scholarship this fall, was also voted "best mannered" in the class.

Other news of graduations will appear next month.

**FORMER TV TRAINEE
JOINS RADIO TRAFFIC**

Marsha Williams of Glastonbury has joined the Radio Traffic Department.

A graduate of Endicott Junior College, Marsha spent several weeks in the TV production department in 1962 while taking part in Endicott's on-the-job training program.

**DAVIS, HENNESSEY
TO JUDGE BEAUTIES**

Bill Hennessey will judge the finals of the beauty contest to be held by the Rockville Elks at their annual fair, July 27 to August 1.

Eileen and Ray Berube are co-chairmen of the "Queen of the Fair" contest which is held nightly. Brad Davis will also be a judge on Thursday evening when he will also emcee a Hootenanny.

The winner each night will receive a \$25 Savings Bond and the girl selected as "Queen of the Fair" on Saturday will be awarded a \$100 Bond and additional prizes.