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TO THE STAFF

On Saturday last in the coverage of the Harvard-Yale Regatta our stations set a new standard of excellence in production.

I want to offer my sincere congratulations to all members of the staff who were concerned in this operation.

I have received complimentary remarks from many friends and acquaintances and, even more important, reactions from WPIX and WFIL--which stations as you know carried this program for the first time--have been most excellent.

I quote from two letters received from two persons intimately associated with the broadcasts and telecasts in the past years:

Charles Loftus, Director of Sports Information, Yale University Athletic Association, "I watched the race on television and I must compliment your entire staff on a magnificent job from every aspect--and this paean comes from a person who is always brutally frank."

Wright Briggs, account executive in Boston, "Again, my congratulations to you (Bowe), Paul, Bill, Len and the rest..."

We have in this effort set new standards of excellence which will be difficult to maintain but I am confident that our staff is not only able to, but competent to excel them.

Paul Mowery

TV VIEWERS IN PHILADELPHIA, NEW YORK BOSTON TREATED TO GREAT REGATTA COVERAGE

The largest audience ever available for a WTIC-TV program was treated to outstanding coverage of the hundred and first Harvard-Yale Regatta June 18.

And thousands of others found that WTIC maintained its high standards in covering a sports event the station first broadcast in 1928.

By being able to arrange for an excellent camera boat position, executive producer George Bowe--and the television audience--were rewarded with the best close-up pictures of the crews in the four-year history of the telecast.

Viewers, officials of the New York, Philadelphia and Boston stations that carried the Regatta and members of the Harvard and Yale administrations were among those praising the telecast in letters to the station.

As in past years, the Regatta did not lack its colorful moments for those working on the broadcast and telecast on the banks of the Thames River. Two members of the staff, George Dawson and Steve Myers, worked in as well as along the Thames.

Dawson, according to eyewitness reports, was thrown into the river when he inadvertently started a motor boat with the throttle wide open. Myers jumped into the river and caught the boat as it was circling close to its former captain and managed to stop it. Unfortunately, no photographer was on the scene to record the action, but John Lanzieri's artist's conception appears on Page 3.

Dawson was reportedly dressed most informally when he resumed his normal duties for the telecast. The usually dapper Myers had another yachting costume available.

A service station owner named Peterson won't forget WTIC for a while.

Bowe was driving back from New London after the race when he noticed his gasoline tank was nearly dry. He stopped at the Colchester State Police barracks to ask if any stations in the area were still open. A

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT CITES WTIC'S BOND DRIVE EFFORTS

WTIC's 25 years of support for the U.S. Savings Bond program have been recognized by a citation from the Treasury Department.

The citation, signed by Treasury Secretary Henry Fowler, was presented to President Morency by Stanley J. Pribyson, area representative of the U.S. Treasury's Savings Bond Division.

In presenting the award, Mr. Pribyson noted the station's outstanding contributions to both wartime and peacetime bond drives.

One of the station's greatest contributions occurred in 1943 when WTIC sponsored an appearance of the famous "Information Please" radio program in Hartford. The broadcast, before an audience in the Bushnell Auditorium, raised a phenomenal \$203 million for the Fourth War Loan drive.

STAN SIMON OBTAINS EXCLUSIVE REPORTS ON THREE MAJOR RAIDS

Stan Simon's excellent contacts in local, state and federal law enforcement agencies have provided Channel 3 News with exclusive filmed reports of three major raids this month.

The first was in Bridgeport where police staged a successful narcotics raid; the second was a gambling raid that netted 13 persons charged with failure to obtain the federal gambling tax stamp and the third was the largest roundup of narcotics peddlers and users in Hartford's history.

In the Hartford narcotics raid, while Dick Heinze was getting dramatic film of suspects being arraigned, Simon managed to record a Superior Court clerk warning a suspect that "anything you say may be used against you," followed by an interpreter translating the warning into Spanish.

MR. MORENCY ELECTED TO CRIME COUNCIL POST

President Morency has been elected first vice chairman of the Connecticut Council on Crime and Delinquency.

The Council is a citizen organization dedicated to finding improved methods in the prevention, control and treatment of crime in the state. Prior to his election as first vice chairman, Mr. Morency was chairman of the council's Community Relations Committee.

STATIONS WILL AGAIN PROVIDE DEBATE TIME

WTIC-TV and Radio will provide free time again this fall for a series of debates between the candidates for Governor and Congress.

The offer of free time was made June 21 by President Morency, to the Democratic and Republican state chairmen, John M. Bailey and A. Searle Pinney. Bailey and Pinney were appearing on the WTIC-TV public affairs program, "Connecticut What's Ahead?"

"Since 1958," said Mr. Morency, "we have broadcast and televised live debates between candidates for Governor, United States Senator and United States Representatives. We believe these debates have contributed significantly to the voters' understanding of the issues and we are pleased to be able to provide this service again in 1966."

A schedule of the 30 minute debates will be announced later.

DWYER, DU FOUR, HUNTLEY, MOORE IN TV PROGRAM DEPT. REALIGNMENT

A realignment of positions in the WTIC-TV Program Department was announced earlier this month by President Morency.

William P. Dwyer, assistant production manager, was named assistant program manager, replacing Robert B. duFour, who was named to the newly created position of manager of program practices. Director Richard Huntley replaced Dwyer as assistant production manager and Donald S. Moore was promoted from the production crew to director.

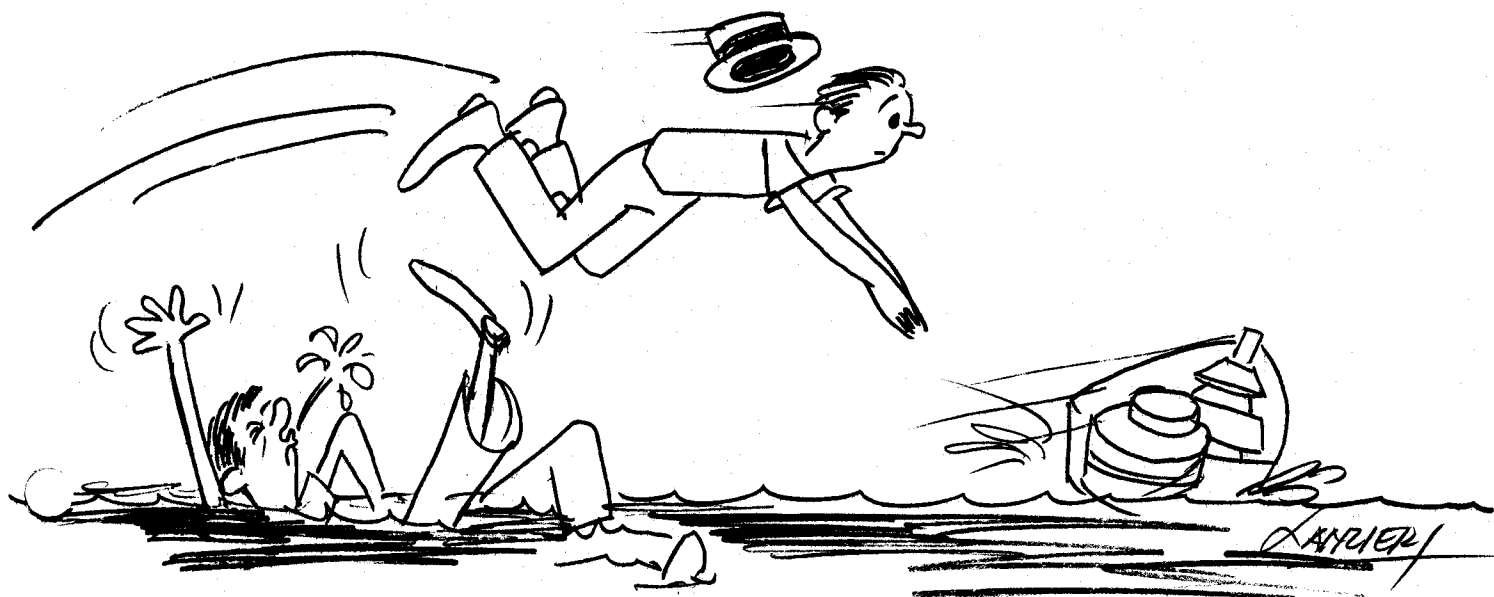
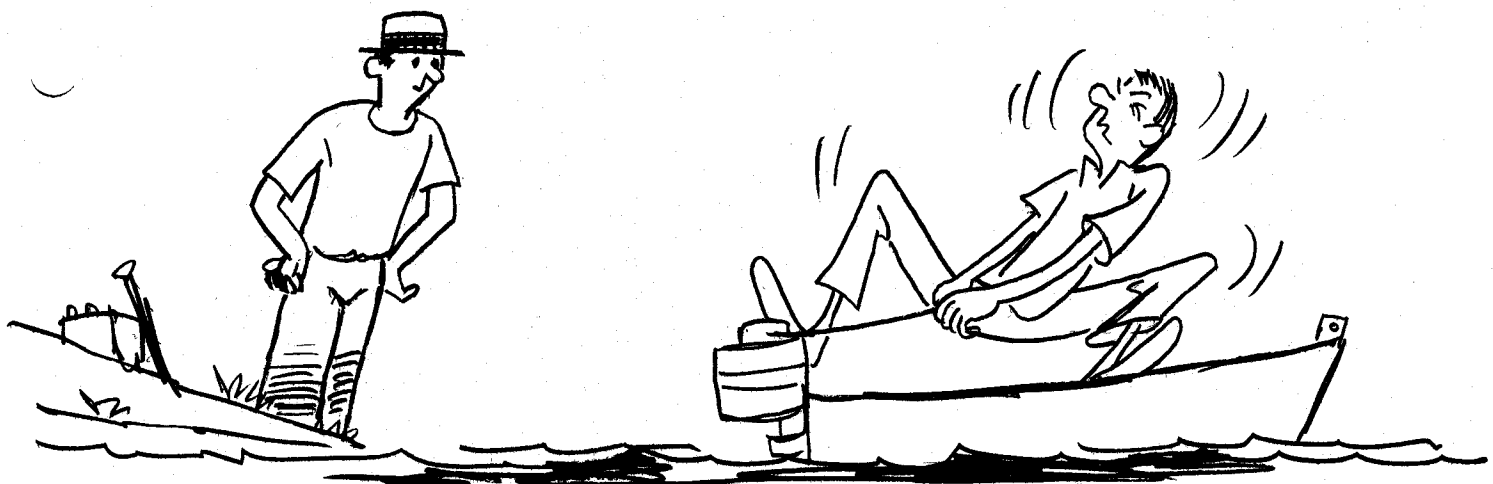
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HAL KOLB IN HOSPITAL

Hal Kolb has been admitted to the Newington Veterans Hospital.

Cards or notes can be addressed to him in Room 250 and Helen Kolb has notified Bob duFour that Hal can have visitors.

"CHANNEL 3 REGATTA"



THAT'S LOYALTY

Eleven years ago, on May 5, 1955 or 5/5/55, Bob Steele noted all-five date on his morning program and said he hoped some of his listeners would remember to remind him when the phenomenon occurred again--on 6/6/66.

Thirteen did remember.

Among the 13 were three former listeners who have moved since 1955 to Falls Church, Va., Indianapolis, Indiana, and New York City.

The former listener living in Virginia said that he had moved some time ago and didn't even know if Steele still had a program--but he didn't forget to write.

Many of the 13 said they would make it a point to write again on 7/7/77.

PHOTOGRAPHERS EXHIBITING IN WILLIAMSBURG, VIRGINIA

WTIC vacationers will feel at home in historic Williamsburg, Virginia this summer.

Williamsburg's Twentieth Century Gallery is showing photographs by two members of the staff, Dick Heinze and Don Moore.

Other photos by Heinze can be seen by traveling a shorter distance--to the Gustave Fischer office equipment firm on Asylum Avenue.

CIVITAN CLUB HONORS EATON

Tom Eaton has been presented a life membership in the Wethersfield Civitan Club, which he helped organize 15 years ago.

The surprise presentation was made this month at the club's fifteenth anniversary celebration. Eaton has also been elected a director of the Conn. Council on Freedom of Information.

TV VIEWERS TREATED TO GREAT REGATTA COVERAGE (Continued from Page 1)

trooper directed him to Peterson's station after calling the owner and asking him to remain open for a few minutes to help "someone from WTIC."

A few hours later, Goerge Ehrlich was driving along the same road when the oil guage on his car began to flash. He also stopped at the barracks and talked to a trooper, who called Peterson at home and asked him to open up the station for "someone else from WTIC."

DWYER, DUFOUR, HUNTLEY, MOORE (Continued from Page 2)

Dwyer joined WTIC-TV in 1957 as a director and was promoted to assistant production manager in 1963. A native of Newport, R.I., he attended the New York Television Workshop and served in the U. S. Air Force as a senior photographer. He was a director at WJAR-TV, Providence before coming to Hartford. Dwyer directed WTIC-TV's first program in 1957 and the program which marked the opening of Broadcast House in 1961. He was also director of "What in the World" for several years.

DuFour, a native of Brooklyn, N.Y., was educated in the Pleasantville, N.Y., schools and at the University of North Carolina. He joined WTIC as an announcer in 1941 and served in the Navy from 1943 to 1946 as an officer aboard aircraft carriers in the Pacific. DuFour became a WTIC radio producer after the war and was named WTIC-TV's first television producer in 1957. He was director of continuity prior to being named assistant program manager in 1963. He is a member of the Wethersfield Volunteer Ambulance Assn., an instructor in speech and drama at the University of Hartford and commanding officer of Naval Reserve Composite Company 3-42 in Hartford.

Huntley has also been a member of the WTIC-TV staff since the station went on the air in 1957. A native of Boston, was educated in the Milton, Mass. schools, Vermont Academy, Dartmouth College and Brown University. Huntley is a Navy veteran and a former production manager of television stations in Burlington, Vt. and Worcester, Mass. He also served as a director at WBZ-TV, Boston.

Moore, a member of the WTIC-TV production staff since 1957, succeeds Richard G. Huntley, who was recently promoted to assistant production manager. A native of New Milford, Conn., Moore is a graduate of the RCA Institutes and the Television Workshop of New York. Prior to joining WTIC-TV, he was a member of the guest relations staff of the National Broadcasting Co.

**WTIC-TV, HARTFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY
SPONSOR SUMMER READING PROJECT**

A summer reading program, designed to stimulate study of history and biography, is being co-sponsored by the Hartford Public Library and WTIC-TV.

Librarians throughout the nation have found that television programs on specific subjects almost always inspire additional reading on those subjects. A documentary on a famous person or a motion picture or play adapted from a novel is usually followed by an increased demand for books on the person or his times or the novel that had been made into a film or play. The Hartford Public Library-WTIC-TV summer reading program is designed to make it easier for viewers to find and read books related to "Biography," a series on Channel 3 this summer.

Devoted to the lives of men whose careers have influenced the course of twentieth century history and those who had a spectacular, if less enduring impact, "Biography" is presented each Sunday at 11:30 a.m. Subjects range from Sir Winston Churchill and Adolph Hitler to the Duke and Duchess of Windsor and Babe Ruth.

At the conclusion of each program in the series, WTIC-TV broadcasts a bibliography so that viewers will be able to obtain additional related material at their public libraries or book stores. The bibliographies are prepared by the Hartford Public Library and distributed to public libraries throughout Connecticut and western Massachusetts by WTIC-TV.

**TIM WELCH TO ENTER
BOSTON UNIVERSITY**

Tim Welch, son of Ernestine and John Welch, was graduated from Wethersfield High School on June 23 and will enter Boston University this September. Tim has been active in the High School band and was appointed Student Conductor in his senior year.

**"BLOOD AND SAND" BEING
ADDED TO CONN. RIVER**

Jerry Haber has adapted the jet age's in-flight motion picture idea to the riverboat.

"The Dolly Madison," which makes daily trips from Hartford to Old Saybrook, will be showing silent films from Haber's extensive collection one night each week beginning in late June. The first scheduled "in-water" feature will be "BLOOD AND SAND," starring Rudolph Valentino.

**MIKE DWYER HAS 7-0 RECORD
AS LITTLE LEAGUE PITCHER**

The Calvin Ford team in the East Hartford Little League currently boasts a 10-0 record, due largely to the pitching prowess of 11-year-old Mike Dwyer.

Mike, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dwyer, has won seven and lost none this season and at one point, he pitched a string of 12 scoreless innings.

BACK TO SCOTLAND

Mrs. Ann McHaffie and her family are enjoying their vacation in their home country of Scotland with one week trip to London.

