



# Ray McConnell's

—NOTEBOOK—

**ARE YOU SURE IT WAS A LADY MOUSE?:** A double feature now showing many Southland theaters is billed in ads and on marquees in this way:

WHO WAS THAT LADY MOUSE THAT ROARED

**CLERICAL CANDOR:** A young matron, shopping at one of Pasadena's fine department stores for a gift to give her parents for their golden wedding anniversary, had looked at everything. The woman waiting on her had suggested every possibility. Exasperated, the young woman exclaimed, "Here I am, buying a present for a couple of parents who have everything and I have nothing. It should be the other way around!"

In a moment of truth the clerk responded, "Why don't you just forget the whole thing, honey? It isn't worth it."

The name of the clerk is withheld, out of charity.

**PRETTY UNSOCIABLE, I'D SAY:** Throop Memorial Universalist Church proclaimed its Sunday evening session in these terms: "Disarmament: Symbol of Peace, will be the subject of an address of Dr. J. Cudd Brown, professor of diplomacy and world affairs, Occidental College, at Fireside Forum. No admission. Discussion! Social Hour!"

**SQUARE PEAS:** This warrants a lifting of The Notebook's ban on verse. From 554 South Marengo, Lela M. Garver writes: "Might you find a corner in your paper somewhere for this bit of nonsense? It is for real; I truly heard on a growers' radio program that the raising of square peas is probable in the near future. How the pods will look the speaker did not cringnoscitate, but growing the peas cube-shaped seemed to be deemed an advantageous achievement."

She encloses these lines, under the heading, "Pass the New Peas, Please":

Now you can set your mind at ease.  
Safety for clothes from chest to knees.  
The seed researcher says he sees  
The practical possibility of cube-shaped peas.  
Only a year or two to wait;  
No more rolling off your plate;  
Neat-packed rows in your deep-freeze  
Cute little, square little, cube-shaped peas.

**PURELY PERSONAL PEEVES (Continued):** The other day I mentioned a few of my own. Here are some from readers: "People who say 'How are you?' when I feel like a wreck." . . . "Elevator operators who say, 'Third floor, please.' Why do they say 'Please'?" . . . "That sign at the intersection of Lincoln and Washington urging you to 'Get your Christmas trees early.' . . . 'Palm trees which need to be shaved.' . . ."

**SEMI-BROOKLYNESE:** A laundry and cleaning establishment on North Mentor has big signs proclaiming:

SUDDEN SERVICE  
IN BY 10 DIRTY  
CLEAN BY 4 THIRTY

**WHALE-WATCHERS:** Here's a communique: "Dear Mr. McConnell: For the Record. As Mr. Sloman well knows the Walnut Street Whale Watching Society was commissioned by the parent watch, the Walupai Whale Watching Society of Honolulu presided over by the great white whale Watcher Gerald Burnett, 5369 Halanianoale Highway, Honolulu. While Mr. Sloman is indeed founder and president of the Walnut Street watch, new watches should properly be commissioned by watch-maker Burnett.—Your faithful reader, Hilo Hattie."

**PAYOLA IN POLITICS:** The membership chairman of the Laurel Oaks Republican Women's Club is offering a full book of trading stamps to the first three members signing up three new members.

**SIMPLE LIFE IN PALM SPRINGS:** Commenting on the "black" light at a swank hotel, a woman remarked, "Isn't it awful. It makes my diamonds look like zircons!" . . . Another woman sent her escort to pick up the baby sitter before they went out, because she "just wouldn't dream" of leaving her poodle home alone. . . . And each weekend a rock hound rents a helicopter to do his rock hunting the easy way—at a cost of about



**BIG JUMPER—Tule Pate,** a frog owned by 9-year-old Brian Basacker of Sonora, was the big winner of the 1960 Calaveras county frog jumping contest. Pate jumped 13 feet 2 inches to take first place in the race based on Mark Twain's famous short story. Brian's brother, Tommy, 7, was owner of the second place jumper, Tule Jack.

## Gang Fight Squelched by Pasadena Police

Six Pasadena police radio-carrying concealed weapons cars squelched a gangfight involving more than 50 persons before it got underway early yesterday morning.

Police arrested six persons, and confiscated a switch-blade knife, two pick handles, a sledge hammer, a claw hammer, several wrenches, pliers and a pair of pruning shears.

The battle which was scheduled to go off about 3 a.m. at Winona and Walnut Sts., involved "the Schemers" and the "Scholars."

Booked on investigation of

## Mountain Fire Under Control

A brush fire which charred five acres of almost inaccessible terrain near Colby Ranch above La Canada was brought under control yesterday.

Mopping up by crews from the forestry service and the county fire department were expected to last through today. More than 80 firefighters and two helicopters battled the blaze which erupted about 2 p.m. Saturday.

Another brush fire at the intersections of the Los Angeles, San Bernardino and Orange County lines, was reported under control after burning more than 20 acres. No homes or settlements were endangered by the blaze which burned in the Carbon Canyon area.

## Weather

9:30 P.M. FORECAST

**Pasadena and Vicinity—**Partly cloudy today and tomorrow but becoming mostly sunny afternoons. Not much change in temperature. High yesterday 71, low 51.

**Southland—**Partly cloudy today and tomorrow with considerable sunshine in afternoons except over the mountains. Chance of some scattered showers over mountains especially northern ranges. Slightly cooler mountains and deserts today. Windy at times in mountains and deserts.

## Cancer Grant Given Caltech

The California Institute of Technology is one of two Southern California institutions to receive new cancer research grants.

The American Cancer Society sent a grant of \$23,240 to Caltech. Los Angeles County Hospital received \$23,122.

## Judge Claims Scientific Application Deters Dope

"The narcotic problem can be solved by the intelligent application of modern scientific knowledge available," Judge Louis T. Fletcher of the Pasadena Municipal Court said at a symposium of the Los Angeles Town Meeting last night.

Judge Fletcher said the three-year use of the Naline test by the Pasadena Municipal Court was effective in controlling narcotics.

"We in Pasadena were the first judicial district to adopt the Naline test after successful laboratory tests by Alameda County, he continued.

Dr. Donal R. Cressey, vice-chairman of the Anthropology and Sociology Department of UCLA moderated the meeting at which Dr. Bernard Hellinger

## Airman Shoots Estranged Wife

MEAD, Colo.—UPI—A 30-year-old airman shot and

# ONE-MINUTE NEWSPAPER

## Vote Result Due on Lockheed Strike

Results of a strike vote, taken among some 10,000 Machinists Union workers at Lockheed Aircraft's missile and space division plants are expected to be announced late today.

The election was held at the Van Nuys, Sunnyvale, Santa Cruz, and Holloman Air Force Base (N.M.) facilities. The union's leaders threatened last week to call out the machinists unless Lockheed meets wage and fringe benefit demands. Lockheed builds four of the nation's top priority space weapons systems—the Polaris undersea missile, the Discoverer satellite and MIDAS and SAMOS, early warning and surveillance satellite systems.



KONSTANTINE KARAMANLIS confident in Ike.

**Premeditated Attack.** President Eisenhower has written the Greek government that Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev "launched a premeditated attack" to blast the summit conference, it was announced yesterday in Athens. Prime Minister Konstantine Karamanlis expressed confidence in Eisenhower after receiving the letter.

**Polley Revivip.** A group called the "Liberal Project" proposed in Washington yesterday that the United States explore the possibility of reuniting East and West Germany and establishing diplomatic relations with Red China. It also called for

withdrawal of all outside forces from divided Korea and Viet Nam. The project is composed of 12 Democratic congressmen and about 40 scientists, scholars and experts.

**SEC Money Urged.** Sen. Harrison A. Williams (D-N.J.) and Sen. Joseph S. Clark (D-Pa.) urged the Senate yesterday to restore a \$375,000 House cut in next year's appropriation for the Securities and Exchange Commission.

**Hammer Attack.** Fernando Gonzalez, 71, and his

daughter, Marie, 33, were beaten with a hammer by a Negro who forced his way into their Camden, N. J., apartment. Investigators said the intruder took the hammer from Gonzales, who had rushed to his daughter's aid when he was awakened by her screams. The daughter's condition was reported to be serious.

**Lines With Farley.** Former Sen. Burton K. Wheeler (D-Mont.) lined up yesterday with former Democratic Chairman James A. Farley and against Adlai E. Stevenson's criticism of President Eisenhower's handling of the U-2 spy plane incident.

**Fatal Fire.** Six of the 12 children of Mrs. Kerry Jackson perished in a fire that destroyed their frame house in New Glasgow, Nova Scotia.

**Six Persons Drown.** Three small children were among six Negroes who drowned Saturday night when their auto flipped into a canal at Clewiston, Fla., after a tire blew out.

**Draft Extension Denied.** The British Ministry of Defense denied reports yesterday it was planning to extend the draft after its scheduled expiration in 1962 because of latest developments in the cold war.

**Khrushchev Conciliates.** Radio Moscow said in an English language broadcast heard in London last night that Russia does not intend to sign a German peace treaty without further consultation with her wartime allies.

**Soviet Visit Slated.** Eleven American labor leaders yesterday accepted an invitation to visit the Soviet Union in July. Except for Harold J. Gibbons, right-hand man to Teamsters President James R. Hoffa, the delegation is composed entirely of AFL-CIO union officials.

**Anita Ekberg Free.** An Italian news agency in Rome quoted Anthony Steel, British actor, yesterday as saying the California divorce dissolving his marriage with Swedish actress Anita Ekberg is now final and "we can both lead our own lives."

**Fishermen Drown.** Ed W. Cotterly of Los Angeles and George Henry Giroux, 47, of Maywood were drowned yesterday when their fishing boat sank near Anacapa island off Oxnard. A third man was rescued.

**Eaton Shrugs.** Cyrus S. Eaton, American industrialist, shrugged off yesterday in Prague, Czechoslovakia, the demand of Sen. Thomas J. Dodd (D-Conn.) that he be arrested for dealing with the enemy. The demand was made following a Paris meeting in Eaton and Nikita Khrushchev.

## Teenager Confesses Burglary Spree Guilt

A 13-year-old Pasadena boy, arrested with two other youths for shoplifting, has confessed to a residential burglary spree that netted him close to \$500 worth of watches, radios, and jewelry, according to police.

Milton Macon, a student at Washington Elementary School, was arrested during the weekend with his brother Johnny, 15, both of 1816 El Sereno Ave., and Charles Everett Bloom, 16, of 1787 N.

Fair Oaks Ave., all of Pasadena. Found in a garage room behind Bloom's house were two radios, eight watches, 13 cigarette lighters and other miscellaneous goods. Total value of the recovered property was \$250.

The boys were arrested Saturday by Officer Bob Niguardian about a block from a variety store at 387 E. Colorado Blvd. They admitted taking transistor radios from the store and were booked on investigation of burglary, shoplift.

At the police station officers said young Macon tried to hide a rare wristwatch behind a typewriter. It was recognized as having been taken in a Pasadena burglary.

Under questioning the boy admitted going to at least eight houses in Pasadena and Altadena and after getting no answer at the door, breaking in a side window. The boys told police they threw much of the loot, including a \$70 ring, away. They tossed one ring under the wheels of a bus. They said they were planning to sell the rest of the loot.

All three were taken to Juvenile Hall, pending filing of petitions against them.

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