



ALL EYES ON THIS HOSPITAL—Shown, above, is a unit of Otis Air Force Base hospital, Hyannis Port, Mass., to which Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy was rushed, for delivery of her third child, a son.

To Feature Auction Sale In Newspaper

Coming from Fort Wayne for a special photography assignment at the auction sale Saturday sponsored by the Valpo Guild and the Reppert school of auctioneering, will be the editor of the Roto or picture section of the News-Sentinel. Auctions will begin at 1:30 and 7:30 p. m. on Madison street, and the Roto photographer will begin his interviewing and recording of the pageantry at 1:30 as the auctioneers march down Second street to the auction area. Mrs. Louis Jacobs, publicity chairman, announced today.

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INTERNATIONAL WALTHER LEAGUE CONVENTION IN WASHINGTON D.C.

Over 3,000 young people jammed the Sheraton-Park Hotel in Washington, D.C., for the international Walther League convention held in the capital city, July 28 through August 1. The convention opened Sunday afternoon with a Bach memorial concert by the convention music director, Donald Busch. Johann Bach was laid to rest exactly 213 years ago that day. The setting of the Washington National Cathedral was a perfect one for the opening service that followed. The voices of the cathedral choir blended beautifully with the "Te Deum Laudamus" to set the theme and mood for the entire convention. Their contribution was also heard in the fitting anthem, "We Praise Thee, O God" which when translated from the Latin version was the general theme. The sermon was delivered by the Rev. Adalbert Kretzmann of Chicago. The St. Luke's Lutheran church pastor emphasized to the group that the drastic changes this world has undergone in the past 70 years has affected religion and worship as well.

D.C. Rally

With the atmosphere equal to that of a national political convention, the 69th annual international convention swung into action at the D.C. rally. After the Continental drum and fife corps opened the rally with a variety of rousing numbers things settled down a bit with the remainder of the program being emceed by Bob Hale, a well-known disk jockey from station WLS in Chicago. Greetings were delivered to the group by Bill Sornhorger, who read a telegram from President Kennedy, and by the Rev. William H. Kohn, speaking for Dr. Oliver Harms of the Missouri synod. "If I was the only person in the world," he told the gathering, "the most comforting thing is this: that Christ died just for me."

Drama Also A Part

Each evening drama was also a part of the program. Monday evening "The Cup of Trembling" by Elizabeth Berryhill was presented, and directed and narrated by the Rev. Paul Harms of Concordia Senior College in Fort Wayne.

A program on human relations was on the agenda for Tuesday morning with Dick Gregory, a noted Negro entertainer, and the Rev. Karl Lutz, professor of religion at Valparaiso University, engaging in a frank, open discussion of a problem that is of growing complexity in this country; that of the racial problem. When asked what he thought the church could do to ease the strife, Gregory, a noted advocate of human rights, told the leaguers it was "too late now for the church or any official group to integrate and help human relations. Today is the acid test. . . the Negroes have suffered for 200 years and it's time for a revolution." The thought-provoking question and answer, discussion period that followed was considered one of the highlights of the convention.

Bible Study

Each day the young people were divided into groups of about 50 for Bible study that branched out from the core theme of "We praise Thee, O God." The studies covered praise in life, in worship, in league, in sharing, in commitment, and in gathering.

The convention was not all work with no time for relaxation and enjoyment. Convention goers who wanted to sightsee in the nation's capital could do so by joining any one of the three guided tours that were arranged for their convenience.

An announcement was made at the convention that the league magazine entitled "Walther League Messenger" would be replaced by two magazines. The one entitled, "Spirit" will make its debut in October and is designed especially for teens from 12 to 17. It is unique in that its articles are frank and to the point, written by teen-agers themselves, about topics in which they are interested. The other magazine is entitled "Arena" and is designed to meet the needs and interests of those leaguers 17 and above.

In the business meeting much was discussed, including the site of the 1965 national convention. Miami Beach and Squaw Valley were the favored spots but in a run-off ballot the mountains won out over the sea shore with Squaw Valley being the site and the Sierra-Pacific district the host district.



THREE HONEYS—These three girls are the same person. Sound impossible? It isn't when you know that each plays the role of Honey in Edward Albee's Broadway play "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" Ellene Fulton, left, is the matinee Honey, Rochelle Oliver, center, takes over in the evenings and Barbara Dana, right, plays both matinee and evening in the road company production.

The Indiana district, in hopes of being selected as the convention site in 1967, used as their slogan, "East in '63, West in '65, in '67 the Midwest's the best." Their dreams were fulfilled when the delegation elected Indiana as the host district in the first balloting.

Area Youth Attend

There were seven Walther Leaguers from the area who attended the event. They were Maragret Boerger, Shelia Caston, Jane Jacobs, John Kenney, Susan Ostermeyer, and Norb Selking, from Decatur; and Kathleen Thieme, Monroeville.

Ice Cream Social At Willshire Aug. 31

An ice cream social will be held at the Union E. U. B. church at Willshire, O., Saturday, Aug. 31, with serving starting at 5:20 p.m. The social is sponsored by the youth fellowship and the W.S.W.S. of the church, which is located one mile west of Willshire on route 124 and one-fourth mile south.

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SPECIAL WASHINGTON REPORT

Millions of Americans Skip Duty of Voting

By Richard M. Scammon
Chairman, President's Commission on Registration and Voting Participation

Back in 1960, when the Kennedy-Nixon Presidential contest brought out a record number of American voters, some 40,000,000 of our adult population failed to cast a ballot. Last year, in our "off-year" Congressional vote, less than half our citizens voted.

This record contrasts with the experience of our friends overseas. Elections last spring in Italy and in Austria brought out more than 90 per cent of the voters in those countries; in Canada last April, better than 80 per cent balloted to choose their country's new government.

To try to find out why this contrast exists is the main job of the new Presidential Commission on Registration and Voting Participation. Appointed last March by President John F. Kennedy, the Commission is a bi-

partisan group of Americans whose job will be to spell out the "why" of American non-voting and suggest ways in which the voting record of our country might be bettered.

Naturally, a big problem with which the Commission will be concerned is that of registration. Generations ago there was no registration required in America. A man simply went to his local voting place, picked up a ballot, and voted. But this kind of system often produced fraud, so registration was introduced as a protection for the ballot. However, the very fact of registration has very naturally cut down turnout in our elections. Especially has this been true where there are long delays between the closing date for registration and the actual date of the vote itself.

But there are problems beyond registration which will concern the Commission as well. Location of polling places, hours of voting, length of the ballot, ease of voting—all of these problems will be within the scope of its work. So too will be such new proposals as voting on Sunday, or voting by mail, or voting on two days instead of one.

The Commission will also have a task beyond the purely mechanical aspects of voting. Problems of voter apathy will be examined with an effort to determine the causes for indifference to elections. Is such apathy due to a feeling everything is going along well enough? . . . Or does the voter feel his single ballot isn't going to have much weight? . . . Or is he just uninterested in public affairs? These will be some of the "non-mechanical" aspects of the problem of non-voting which will be investigated in detail during the summer.

In the fall, a report and recommendations will be submitted to President Kennedy. Since the great part of American electoral administration is under State and local control, the recommendations of the report will undoubtedly be forwarded as well to those who supervise the election-day operations of our voting system at the grass roots level. In the final analysis it is here at the grass roots that both the mechanical and "non-mechanical" problems of voter turnout will have to be met and solved.

Jacqueline Kennedy In 'Good' Condition

OTIS AFB, Mass. (UPI)—First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy was in "remarkably" good condition today following the premature birth of her third child, Patrick Bouvier Kennedy.

President Kennedy's beautiful 34-year-old wife was described as in "good spirits" while waiting word at the quiet hospital on this base about the health of her son, born Wednesday.

Kennedy was to bring the news to her husband, today following a visit to Children's Medical Center in Boston where their 4-pound, 10½-ounce baby is being treated for a lung complication.

The President was reported to have telephoned his wife twice during the night from Boston after seeing their new child in its special incubator at the Children's hospital. The second call was understood to have occurred at 12:30 a.m. EDT today.

The President assured Mrs. Kennedy that everything was all right, and, according to sources here, the First Lady "was very comfortable, very happy and sleeping very well."

Found Daughter Happy
Mrs. Kennedy's last caller late Wednesday night was her mother, Mrs. Hugh D. Auchincloss, who said she found her daughter "awfully happy that everything was going well" and in "remarkably good condition."

Told that the world was praying for the baby, who is having breathing difficulties, the attractive Mrs. Auchincloss indicated that both she and her daughter had confidence the baby would pull through. Partly attired in black, Mrs. Auchincloss flew to Mrs. Kennedy's bedside with her lovely daughter, Janet, 18, Mrs. Kennedy's half sister, who will make her debut this month at Newport, R. I.

The First Lady was awake, through a bit groggy, and chatted with her mother about the baby when they visited her. The new Presidential baby's other grandmother, 74-year-old Rose Kennedy, is vacationing in Europe. Earlier in the day the White House cabled the news to Mrs. Kennedy's sister, Princess Lee Radziwill, who is vacationing in Greece.

"Resting Nicely"
The President's world-renowned wife has been "resting nicely" since she underwent a Caesarian section in a race with the clock at noon Wednesday.

Her Washington obstetrician, Dr. John W. Walsh, remained on call throughout the night at the hospital. He has been on Cape Cod since mid-July, keeping tabs on Mrs. Kennedy for just the kind of emergency that occurred when her baby arrived 5½ weeks ahead of schedule.

Attending Mrs. Kennedy in the newly refurbished VIP wing of the hospital was the beloved family nurse, Louella Hennessey, of

Walpole, Mass. The red-haired nurse has been around for the births of 21 of the 22 grandchildren of former Ambassador Joseph P. Kennedy, and she ranks as a member of the family with all of the clan.

Mrs. Kennedy's off-white hospital room was simply furnished. She slept in a hospital bed with bed stands on both sides and wore a hospital gown.

Rocking Chair Delivered
The unpretentious green-shingled wing of the hospital, however, had an elegantly furnished sitting room with green wall-to-wall carpeting where the First Lady and the President can relax when she begins to feel better.

A rocking chair was delivered by truck to the back entrance of the hospital Wednesday for the President's use during the next several days when he will visit his wife.

Mrs. Kennedy saw the little baby for the first time while her husband was in the hospital room with her. After a hectic trip to Otis from the White House, Kennedy missed the baby's birth by 45 minutes.

For both parents it was a repetition of history. John Jr. was born three weeks early on Nov. 25, 1960, while Kennedy, then the Present-elect, was flying back to Washington from Boston after learning that his wife had been rushed to Georgetown Hospital.

Though drama and world excitement accompanied the birth this time, Mrs. Kennedy proved again that she is an ideal patient, calm and cool, in time of crisis.

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