

Keeping Our Sanity: III

Some Signposts To Sanity In A Frenzied Age

In this series of articles, Howard Whitman, one of America's leading writers on human affairs, explores many current theories on mental health and charts a new path to sensible, satisfying living.

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Nearly everybody is skirting along the edge of sanity much of the time. So if you feel more and then you are teetering, about to slip off, don't be alarmed. Just look over there—

There's Mr. Smith, the breadwinner. He's not getting any younger, and his work seems to be getting harder, and the money he earns doesn't go as far as it used to, and the house needs a new roof, the family needs a new car, Junior's starting college next year—and what does everybody think that I'm made out of money?

There's Miss Brown, the schoolteacher. She loves her work, sure. She's dedicated. But, gee, wouldn't it be nice to have a husband, and a house, and kids—like other women? The gloss of that "career of her own" wears off, and the freedom of having her own apartment, her own income—that wears pretty thin, too.

Sometimes I think that if I have to face those kids another semester, another week, another day, I'll—but no, really, I do love teaching.

Day After Day
And there's Mrs. Jones, with the husband, the home, and the kids. Day after day, housework. The same beds to make, same dishes to wash, shopping, shopping, bags and packages; take Jane to her music lesson, Bobbie's got a cold today, wash the machine got stuck; cooking—what menu tonight?—we had that Tuesday; got to get those new drapes, house looks better, Jane had a fight with her boyfriend; Bobby's report card, fierce—cleaning bill, coat storage, food prices—get the table set, George will be home home in a minute.

"Hi, dear."
"Hello, Gladys. What do you look so glum about? I'm the who's been knocking my brains out all day!"

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Bogus Bill Bundle Found On Two Men

MINNEAPOLIS—The Secret Service said today two men arrested with a huge cache of counterfeit \$20 bills had admitted making the bogus currency in a Salt Lake City printing plant.

F. E. Stroup, special Secret Service agent in charge at St. Paul, said "there is reason to believe about \$600,000 in counterfeit money" had been printed.

Arrested at a motel here last night were two men identified by police as Max C. Christopherson, 31, Salt Lake City, and Edward J. Montoro, 21, Los Angeles.

The pair orally admitted making the money, using materials and equipment without the knowledge of the management, Stroup said. The name of the plant was not disclosed.

The bogus money was found packed into seat cushions of the car in which the men arrived here yesterday. They came under suspicion when they decided to carry the cushions into their motel. The motel operator called police.

Christopherson and Montoro surrendered without resistance. A revolver was found in their room and a rifle and pistol were recovered from the cushions.

A few of the bills apparently were passed in Minneapolis, Stroup said, but he added it could not be determined whether any previous attempt had been made to pass them.

Police recovered 87 bundles of the counterfeit bills. Each of the bundles contained between 100 and 200 bills, Stroup estimated.

The bills were relatively poor counterfeitings, jobs, police said.

Wilkinson States He Will Run Again

All incumbents are "present and accounted for" in this year's campaign for election to the City Council with today's announcement from Councilman Evered Wilkinson that he will be a candidate for reelection.

Mr. Wilkinson's formal statement given to The News today: "Experience counts and since I have served on the City Council since 1953 and have built up our years experience on the municipal governing body I feel that I am in a better position now to give service to the citizens of Charlotte.

"In the years that I have been on the Council I have tried always to reach decisions that would be of the greatest benefit to all citizens. If reelected I shall continue to serve in the same conscientious and impartial manner. Your support will be appreciated."

MR. WILKINSON
In his first bid for public office Mr. Wilkinson was elected to the Council in 1953 and was reelected in 1955.

His decision to seek a Council place for the third time brought See WILKINSON on page 3-A

U.S. Men Killed, Woman Taken By Iranian Bandits

Changes Seen For Con Work

RALEIGH—There were indications today that amendments may be in store for a proposed "work release" law which would allow some first offender prisoners to work at their jobs by day and return to prison cells at night.

A hearing before a joint Judiciary Committee brought a series of questions which indicated the possibility of amendments. Prisons Director William F. Bailey argued in support of the bill which has strong endorsement of Gov. Hodges. Bailey said the plan would enable prisoners to be self-supporting and will enable them to help support their families while in prison.

SAVE MONEY

"I believe it will save money for the taxpayers of North Carolina," Bailey said, "and more important, I believe it will save men and at the same time save their families."

Bailey said prison officials had discussed the plan with 36 of the state's 29 Superior Court judges, and all except one favored "the principle involved in this legislation."

The committees took no action on the bill, but it is expected to be voted on next week.

Rep. R. Lee Whitmore, a former Superior Court judge said persons who have not actually served terms—persons who are charged with a fine or suspended sentence—could be put under the hours a prisoner could be released.

What if a farmer, wouldn't he have to be released all day?" Taylor asked Director of Prison William F. Bailey. Bailey said he would permit the problem to be worked out.

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Connolly, Bride Kiss After Ceremony

Olympian Wedding Has Religion Snag

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia—Olympic champions Harold Connolly and Olga Fikotova, betrothed in an east-west romance that now threatens religious complications, were married in this capital.

The handsome Boston hammer-throw king, 26, and his radiant Czechoslovakian bride, 24-year-old women's discus queen, disregarded a caution from a Roman Catholic priest and said their vows in successive civil, Roman Catholic and Protestant ceremonies.

Connolly is a Catholic, Olga a Protestant.

The Rev. George Reinsberg, who obtained a special dispensation to officiate in the ceremony at the 13th century Roman Catholic St. Tyn Church, said Connolly would no doubt be excommunicated for going through the Protestant wedding that followed in the Salvator United Lutheran and Reformed Church.

Reinsberg said he probably would not be excommunicated. But still, if he shows real repentance, he will eventually be restored to full church membership.

The medieval town hall was the setting for the civil ceremony that united the young athletes, stars of the Olympic Games at Melbourne last fall.

The Tyn church, where Czech Reformation leader Jan Hus preached more than 500 years ago, was packed to capacity for the Catholic ceremony. About 1,000 persons stood outside.

Connolly and Olga knelt before the candle-lit altar with the dark-clad Zatopek couple standing beside them. As Father Reinsberg blessed the bridal pair, petite Mrs. Zatopek reached for her husband's handkerchief and wiped her tears. Olga's parents also wept.

At the close, Connolly gave his bride a long kiss that sent the crowd to murmuring sentimentally. Then kisses were exchanged between Olga and her parents and relatives.

Olga carried orchids and this ceremony also was under floodlighting for television and news-

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Travelers Attacked At Night

TEHRAN—Two American aid officials were murdered and the wife of one of them kidnaped when bandits attacked their cars Sunday night. Gen. Alimogh Golpuri, commander-in-chief of the Iranian police, announced today.

Golpuri said two Iranians also were killed in the incident.

The U.S. Embassy withheld identification of the Americans but one source said the dead were Kevin M. Carroll, 37, of Issaquah, Wash., a Point Four area development adviser for Kerman, Iran, since 1954 and Brewster A. Wilson, 33, of Portland, Ore., block development specialist of the Near East Foundation and contractor for the International Cooperation Administration (ICA) in Iran.

Golpuri said the kidnaped woman was Carroll's wife, the former Anita Huvar of Issaquah.

FIRE EXCHANGED

The general said the party was giving in two cars from Iran, in southeastern Iran, to Port Chahabahr, on the Persian Gulf, when the bandits attacked. He said the American exchanged fire with their attackers for nearly an hour, but the bandits finally reached the cars and attacked the occupants with knives.

Informants here said Carroll, a native of Ireland, became a naturalized U.S. citizen in 1934. He attended George Washington University, Stanford University, and Columbia University. He served in the U.S. Navy in 1944-45 as a reserve officer.

Wilson has been working for two years in southeast Iran. His work in Kerman had been in the community development program assisting villages in agriculture, education and health.

The slayings and kidnaping were disclosed as James Richards, who is President Eisenhower's special ambassador for his Middle East program, concluded talks with Iranian officials.

A joint communique announced that the United States would boost its financial aid to Iran's military development program and also provide additional military equipment.

Our Weather

Fair weather through Thursday. Warmer today, cold again tonight with scattered rain. Mild tomorrow.

Low this morning—36
Low tomorrow morning—35
High today—60
High yesterday—54
High tomorrow—65
Sunrise today 6:19 a.m.
Sunset today 6:39 p.m.

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Dave Beck In Prayerful Attitude At Hearing

Chicagoan Spent \$85,000 For Beck

WASHINGTON—Nathan Shefferman, Chicago public relations consultant, testified today he made purchases totaling \$85,000 for Dave Beck over a period of years ending with 1953. He said "I did not know it was union funds," he used.

Items purchased ranged from washing machines and refrigerators to knife drawers, nylon and possibly garden hose.

The testimony to the Senate Rackets Investigating Committee came under questioning from Robert F. Kennedy, committee counsel, who has charged that Beck channeled that sum out of Teamsters Union funds to his personal use through Shefferman.

HEARS TESTIMONY
Beck, boss of the Teamsters, sat slightly behind and to the right of Shefferman as the public relations consultant testified. Beck smiled at some of Shefferman's testimony.

"There was a huge crowd again for this second day of the committee's inquiry into allegations that Beck "may have misappropriated," as Chairman McClellan ("D-Ark") put it, some \$322,000 of Teamsters funds.

Beck himself took refuge behind the Fifth Amendment yesterday, refusing to discuss any implications of an intermarriage of his and union finances, or to turn over personal records. He pleaded repeatedly that answers "might" tend to incriminate him.

OWN MONEY
Shefferman told the committee he was out of his office 90 to 95 per cent of the time, and consequently did not have personal knowledge at the time of what money paid for the items he bought for Beck. He said he paid from his own money and reimbursement came in later.

Shefferman said he wanted it understood that he wasn't buying things with union funds. "I had out my own money," he said, and "I was reimbursed with union funds."

The first he heard about "union funds," Shefferman said, was "in the tax investigation." He apparently referred to an Internal Revenue Service study of Beck's affairs, but that line of testimony was cut off.

Shefferman said that at the time he was buying things for Beck "I think that also according to the records you will find some \$400,000 worth of materials were purchased for many people in labor and industry, throughout that identical period."

The committee asked Shefferman to identify a list of "samples of items purchased for Dave Beck by Nathan Shefferman with Teamster Union funds."

"The list covered a range from \$54 for five dozen diapers to \$1,242.45 for "chairs, table, love-seats, settees, etc."

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"He wears pretty good shirts," Shefferman commented. Shefferman explained that he did such buying for union officials, getting them discount rates, as a good will gesture to promote his business.

—SGT. ALEXANDER'S CHRISTIAN VILLAGE— The U. S. Army And The Mud Church

By CHARLES KURALT
News Staff Writer

In the village of Okhumi on the Korean peninsula, there is a church made of mud and straw.

In Charlotte, there's a GI who remembers it. He'll tell you the story. In fact, he's eager to tell you the story. It's what he's getting paid for.

Sgt. Ray Alexander was born and raised in Long Creek, World War II Marine veteran, Korean War Army veteran, signed up for another Army hitch in 1955.

"THEY SAID it was impossible for me to get assigned to the 11th Engineers, my old outfit," he says. "But it just seemed like a miracle. Pretty soon, I was over there in Okhumi, back with the Engineers."

They went out into the rice paddies and dug bunkers of mud. They mixed it with straw and shaped it



SGT. ALEXANDER

with western roofing materials—bought with donations from Charlotteans.

A blacksmith in Seoul forged a bell for the church. "We ended up with a Christian village," Sgt. Ray Alexander says.

"SEE, THERE were no drug stores or television sets. The church is the biggest building in town, the only place where the people can get together. They hold services Sunday, Monday, Wednesday and Friday."

Sgt. Ray Alexander is back home now. His assignment is Charlotte's Post Office recruiting station. His orders: Find church groups and civic clubs, take your slide projector along and tell them the story.

The story of the U. S. Army, the world's toughest organ of death and destruction, and of the mud church at Okhumi, Republic of Korea.

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Evening Prayer
Our Father, who doth work in us to Thy good pleasure; grant that our hearts shall be so opened unto Thee that the fruits of Thy Spirit might be implanted within us. Thus may the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us. Amen.

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