



Honor Top Dispatch Carrier-Salesmen

Annual recognition of Dispatch carrier-salesmen for continuous outstanding service to their customers and for maintaining better than average school records was accorded the select group at a theater party last night and their parents last night at the Bay, Island Daily Press Association membership, promptness, citizenship and scholarship go each year to only 1 per cent of the carrier organization of member newspapers. The boys also received wall plaques and shoulder epaulettes. In the picture with Jack Thompson, executive editor, are: Gary Kell of Rock Island, Robert Baker, East Moline; Joe Decker, Silvis; David Bieker, Moline; John Schweininger, Geneseo; James Hesch, Hoopville; Michael Murphy, Port Byron; and those from Moline: Kim Marston, Robert Baucom, Jeffrey Dickerson, Mark DeMay, Scott Smith, Jeffrey Allen, Daryl Block, Pat VanAntker, Mark Sailer, Allen McCaskey, Ricky Montgomery, and William Moss. Another honor carrier, Jim Kiew of East Moline, was not present for the picture. In a statement to focus public attention on National Newspaper Day Saturday, President Lyndon B. Johnson observed that "in learning to meet and deal with people, they acquire at an early age a valuable insight into the importance of responsible and upright business practices and effective community action." (Dispatch Photo)

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Edison First To Try...

U. S. Congress Still Unwilling To Accept Electronic Voting

By HARRY KELLY

WASHINGTON (AP) — At least a century ago Thomas Edison tried to sell Congress on an electronic voting system. The door was closed firmly in his face.

"It's the last thing we want here," a committee chairman told the great inventor. "Piling buttons and delay in counting the votes are often the only means we have for defeating bad legislation."

Since then legislators in 36 states have adopted some form of push-button voting and the United Nations has just put an electronic system in operation.

Both the U.S. Senate and the U.S. House of Representatives cling to the old system of calling the roll.

And in the House, with its 435 members, it's a long time from Abbot to Zerkow. In the Senate, with 100 members, calling the roll can be as fast as 10 minutes, but it usually takes longer.

How long the House can take was shown Sep. 15, the day the House broke the record for roll calls. In a 12-hour, 31-minute session congressmen spent nine hours answering 22 roll calls, each lasting an average 24.5 minutes.

Rep. Ray J. Madden, D-Ind., estimates the House consumed as many as 70 working days just answering roll calls in the 1961 session that ran into Christmas Eve.

Pressure is growing for some sort of change. A special Senate House committee considering ways of changing congressional procedures is hearing arguments on electronic voting.

Particularly in the Senate there is resistance even to consider such machines. The Senate hasn't even been won over to the use of microphones and loudspeakers to carry the voices of its orators from end to end of the chamber and to the public galleries above.

The Senate years ago had electric outlets installed for shagun mikes and loudspeakers, and of present, there are 200 or 300 of us down at the Veterans Administration, and down at the Department of the Interior, down at the Labor Department, with our constituents, trying to find time to get a look out of a final performance of stalling help them, and when you have for time until brother and sister senators can reach the floor for to get back to the House."

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In most state legislatures the lawmakers' offices are their desks on the floor, and they usually are on the spot when a vote is taken.

When the bells ring in Congress for a vote or a quorum call, members most often have to journey from one of three or four buildings, a block or more away, and there has to be enough time for them to reach the floor.

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'New' Kent Island To Be Retreat From Busy World

A new island will appear soon in the charts of the Mississippi River.

At least, the island will be "new" as far as its name is concerned. The "new" Kent Island will be remembered by thousands of Quad-City residents as Shaver Island, that island about 1,000 feet from the shore at Rapids City, the one that motorists traveling along the Mississippi often point to because of the abandoned house on it.

Kent Island has been purchased by Kent M. Faulkner, 2800 10th Ave., Moline. The 25-year-old man, who works in the investment department at the Royal Neighbors of America, plans to make the two-acre island "his retreat" from a busy world.

"Of course, this is a big project," he said. "I look at it as a three-year project."

According to the federal government survey, Kent Island is in Illinois territory. The area of the island, of course, depends on the water level. The size of the island is usually listed as two acres. However the flood this spring caused the island to disappear completely.

"The water was up to the eaves of the one-story brick house," Faulkner commented. "One flood benefit for Faulkner was one of the most beautiful and beaches along the Mississippi. The flood apparently caused a sand bar to shift, giving him the additional value that I had to have something like that of my own. Only I wanted my retreat closer."



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for the island call for the construction of a second story to the present house, which has been permitted to become run-down. The second story will be rustic addition, constructed with redwood siding and cedar shake roof.

"I plan to live in the house about nine months of the year, he predicted. The idea of "his retreat" occurred to Faulkner when he was quite young. His father, John C. Faulkner, also of Moline, owns a summer home in Michigan.

"After a life of spending wonderful summers in that beautiful country in the lower peninsula of Michigan, I just decided that I had to have something like that of my own. Only I wanted my retreat closer."

enough that I could use it more, often without traveling 600 or 700 miles," he said.

Faulkner is a hunter and fisherman. Kent Island has the reputation of being one of the best duck-hunting and fishing sites along the Mississippi.

"The deep channel between the island and the shoreline of Rapids City creates a good spot for fish," Faulkner said. The known history of Kent Island goes back to the time that the island was used as an Indian burial ground. At one time, archeologists from the University of Wisconsin did some digging on the island.

"I understand some of the old Indian relics were given to the Davenport museum," Faulkner said.

The present 35-by-40-foot brick structure was built on the island in 1920 by R. A. Shaver, a Moline insurance agent.

"The bricks were transported to the island in a rowboat," Faulkner said.

Mr. Shaver retired to the island. After he died, a caretaker took care of the home until probably about 1955-56. Later the island was given to Mr. Shaver's daughter. The island has been abandoned for several years. Faulkner purchased the island from the estate.

According to Faulkner, Kent Island is one of three islands in the Mississippi that is privately owned by an individual. Faulkner's brother-in-law, Richard L. Warway, is helping him plan and design his Mississippi River retreat. Warway is an architect working in the engineering department of Deere and Company.

Faulkner has several problems to solve before his island house will be completed. For example, he isn't sure if he'll cover the well on the island or pipe water in from Rapids City. He's even thought about using the river current to generate electrical power for his island. He's thinking about a swimming pool on the island, also.

"And what does one do about trespassers who use this wonderful river beach and leave it littered with all kinds of trash?" Faulkner asked.

During the spring flood, Faulkner took the doors out of the house and since the windows had been broken out by vandals, the river flowed right through the house. The water did not damage the basic structure of the brick house.

Faulkner bought some limestone from the old St. Mary's Church and School that was torn down in Moline recently. He will use the stone to help restore his island. The stone has acquired two slabs to help keep his island from being washed away.

Kent Island really will be new in many ways. For Faulkner, the retreat will be a new realization of an old dream.

Design Of Environment To Be Major Issue For Rest Of Century: Planner

It is now clear that the design of the environment will be a major domestic issue in the United States for at least the remainder of the 20th century," said William D. Lantz to the Moline Kiwanis Club yesterday at noon.

Lantz is senior natural resources planner with the Illinois Division of Water Resources and the Department of Business and Economic Development.

He spoke on "The Concept of a Balanced Environment."

"Rapid social and technological changes in recent decades have generated a series of critical problems," he said, that "can be visualized in health problems, both physical and mental; in education problems; local problems; lack of recreation facilities; insufficient transportation facilities; conflicting land use; inadequate school facilities; air and water pollution; worn out land, and lack of an adequate water supply."

He stated that in the past problems have been viewed as occurring in two separate environments — urban and rural. Today, however, we have found in most instances that urban and rural are being meshed together and urban problems are rural problems, and vice versa," Lantz said.

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Student Council Executives

New officers of the Black Hawk College Student Council were elected yesterday. They are: Michael Hall of Moline, president; Jeffery Seaton of Alton, secretary; and Steven Perry of Moline, vice president. Standing are council members Pam Peterson of Moline, Susan Perrin of Rock Island, Debra Johnson of Rock Island, Janet Perry of Moline, Gordon Green of Moline, and Deanna Rehbach of Moline. (Dispatch Photo)