

# Nation's Capitol Proves High Point for Conners on Eastern Trip

## Postmaster and Wife are Received by Roosevelts

By MISS CAROL TULLER

This is the time of year when the President of these United States, the White House, Capitol Hill and Washington assume a close and more intimate kinship with most folk, whether Republican or Democrat, and when home folk refer to the Chief Executive simply as "F.D.R."

And this is as it should be in this, a government "of the people, by the people and for the people." But never has it had quite the same significance for local residents as it had last Friday upon the arrival home of the postmaster and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. C. Earl Conner, from an extended 30-day motor and rail trip which took them to points of interest in and around Philadelphia, New York, Niagara Falls, Ontario, and Washington, D. C. The trip was made with Mrs. Roosevelt, Postmaster Jim Farley and other congressional and senatorial dignitaries. Mr. Conner traveled as one of the 4,000 delegates to the National Postmasters' convention.

In addition to attending the largest tea ever held in the state dining room of the White House, when 1,500 postmasters' wives and women postmasters were bidden by Mrs. Roosevelt and welcomed by her personally. Mrs. Conner with Mr. Conner also attended and witnessed the opening and convening of the United States Supreme Court in their new chambers in the White House.

**Four White House**  
"Both Earl and I were surprised that the seating capacity for the audience was so small," she said, "it only accommodates some 300 persons. However, no one was standing while we were there even though it was such a historic and solemn occasion."

The magnitude and simple elegance of the Congressional Library which houses the original "Constitution" in a solid gold case was one of the most impressive sights to the couple. Even though recent efforts to revive the legitimacy of the Constitution and restore the original ink have made it almost too blurred to read at all, Mr. and Mrs. Conner had no difficulty in deciphering the familiar words—"We, the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, insure tranquility" and so on.

Following their guided tour of inspection of the Executive Mansion, including visits to 15 rooms of the White House, the library, and the Blue Room, Mrs. Roosevelt's favorite, and so-called because of the soft blue effect created by the furnishings and hangings, both Mr. and Mrs. Conner remarked about the simplicity of the rooms, the sturdy appearance and rich beauty enhanced by the highly polished hardwood floors, and simple period furnishings and the smart linen effects.

**Attend Gala Dinner**  
However, the highlight event of their trip were the two occasions which brought them face to face with President Roosevelt and his wife. "The President was introduced to the group from the east portico of the White House and addressed us for a few minutes in a very informal manner," explained Mrs. Conner. She also met Mrs. Roosevelt and shook hands with her at the tea.

When asked about her second impression of the First Lady—inasmuch as both Mr. and Mrs. Conner were presented to the President and his wife at Coronado several years ago—Mrs. Conner replied enthusiastically, "Oh, I thought she was lovely and simply handsome. She is certainly one of the most outstanding women of our day. She looked very charming in her smart rose-colored lace dress which she wore for the tea—the day all Washington was sweltering

## Let's Talk Crime Stories on the Radio

By Arthur Dean, Sc. D.

Today we will talk of what parents should do with the radio when youngsters want to listen to crime stuff.

"I don't object," writes a mother, "to some of the mystery stories we get over the radio. But one of them I think is perfectly terrible—wild blood-curdling yells and so on—and my boy just eats it up."

"If I object to the boy's listening, he gives the usual answer that all boys give these days: 'All the other boys are allowed to listen, so why shouldn't I?' What would you do?"

I know of one mother who has a way of having the radio get out of order every time certain programs come on. She is mechanically minded enough to disrupt the machine long enough to keep the children from listening to a program she doesn't want them to hear. Her method does not attract me. It seems deceitful and cowardly.

I know a father who has discarded the radio because of programs he doesn't want his children to listen to. This method does not interest me, either. He is running away from a situation.

**PUTS IT TO A VOTE**  
I know of another woman who has quite a large family, one radio and one sitting room. She has a vote taken of the group, and the dial is turned different nights to different programs which interest the children. To be sure, the children lose some of the continuity, but she is able to satisfy all the interests of the family. This method is rather good.

Young people like mystery and crime stories. They have always liked "thrillers." Years ago there were Indians to fight, and more than one boy was pulled off the freight train who was headed to the wide open spaces. But nowadays Indians and bad men come into our homes through the radio.

New days, new thrills, but the "LUCKY CLUB" LIVES UP TO NAME  
Two o'clock seems to be the lucky hour for the lucky ladies of the "Lucky Club"—at least, that's one way of accounting for the delightful informal fete they had last Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Louis Haberman, 1618 Cedar avenue.

Major portion of the afternoon was taken up with sewing and making plans for the group's Christmas party scheduled for December 13. Mrs. Merton Gilbert, president, presided over a short business session.

Members enjoying the afternoon in addition to the hostess and Mrs. Gilbert, included Mesdames Russell King, Stanley Gilbert, Beulah Maple, Lorita Bunch and Alan Hale.

### HIS ADVICE

Parents who don't want their children to hear some of the blood-curdling thrillers, should not deny them the right to listen, but rather treat such radio programs lightly, says Dr. Arthur Dean in this article.

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**BOYS SEEK ADVENTURE**  
Nowadays a boy can be thrilled by listening to thrillers in action. Ah, here's the point—ACTION! Boys will always hunt for adventure, and when they don't they will no longer be boys.

I should not prevent the boy, if I were in your place, from listening to the wild tales over the radio. I should not deceive him by saying the radio is out of order. Neither should I discard the radio. I should not ridicule the thrillers, nor preach against them.

However, I could make light of them so as to destroy the bad effects.

**AVOID EXCEPTIONS**  
"My one child is afflicted with convulsions, so I have never been so particular in disciplining him. I am afraid he will throw a fit if I make him mind me. How can I correct him without hurting his nervous system?"  
"Mother."

**ANSWER:** I am afraid, Mother, you have been making a mistake in not subjecting him to the same disciplinary measures that

the other children have. I will grant that his nervous system may be highly organized, but we must remember that, being perhaps more sensitive, he might respond more readily to stimulation and encouragement instead of reproof than children who have had no convulsions. Slightly children who are babied make problems later.

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Get your turkey, duck, rabbit, fryer, orders in now. See Class 29 for the rancher whose poultry "never touches the ground."—Adv.

### PEGGY ANNS MEET AT COBURN HOME

Congratulations and surprises were in order recently when members of the "Peggy Anns," a local group of young matrons, met at the home of Mrs. Martha Coburn, 1915 Plaza Del Amo, for their regular afternoon of cards, and presented Mrs. Marshall Tappin a large basket of garden blooms on the event of her third wedding anniversary.

High score for the afternoon was won by Mrs. Doris Watson. Other members present were Mesdames Marguerite McLeon, Mickey Twyman, Maxine Willets, Mildred Tidland and Lucille Rogers.

### CARD PARTY SERIES STARTS ON NOV. 17

The Woman's Club of Torrance is planning a number of card parties and teas during the winter months. One of the first will be held Friday evening, Nov. 17, at the home of Mrs. Willis M. Brooks, with Mrs. Carrie Parks and Mrs. George Morgan assisting. Con-

### Clubwomen Urged to Attend Council Meet in Monrovia

Mrs. A. H. Silligo, president of the Torrance Woman's club, is urging a strong local representation at the District Presidents' Council to be held at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning at the Lyric theatre, 205 East Foothill boulevard, Monrovia. The session, which will feature an Armistice Day Program is open to all club members.

According to Mrs. Silligo, the program has been built around observance of National Education Week, and will stress the Department of Education in a timely international relations aspect. Outstanding speakers have been programmed.

Reservations for the noon luncheon can be made today through Mrs. E. A. Meild. However, reservations need not be made for the meeting.

tract will be played, and any one interested in securing tables, should contact Mrs. Morgan, phone 380.

### BRIDGE CLUB MEETS AT BARKDULL HOME

Mrs. Jim Wilkes was a guest of the supper and bridge club recently when Mrs. L. G. Barkdull opened her home to the group last Thursday night for its regular bi-monthly bridge-supper.

Using a profusion of varicolored roses, chrysanthemums and other floral pieces, all birthday remembrances to the hostess of the day, the setting for the event was one of unusual beauty, color and fragrance.

Following rounds of bridge, a buffet supper was served at the card tables. Members enjoying the event were Mesdames Bessie Myers, Nick Cucci, Del Thompson, Baker Smith, Sid Smith and Jack Snow.

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