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## They Like His Book

Guy Gabaldon, whose service as a U. S. Marine in World II has become the theme of both a book and a play "Hell to Eternity," was in Birmingham recently at a luncheon in his honor at Kingsley Inn. Above he is shown holding his book, autographed copies of which he gave away. From left to right, admiring the book, are George R. Averill, publisher of The Birmingham Eccentric; Florence Willett, Birmingham's mayor; Kick Takis, proprietor of Kingsley Inn and Dr. J. Clark Moloney. The author's appearance here was sponsored by Harold Turner, incorporated, represented by Wade McDonald, sales manager.

## Local Woman Killed In Ontario Crash

Mrs. William Harris, 200 Tuckahoe, Bloomfield Village, was fatally injured in an accident in eastern Ontario Wednesday, Sept. 21. The car in which she was riding, driven by her husband, collided head-on with another on a curve of

Queen's highway two near Morrisburg. Taken to a hospital in Winchester, Ont., she died shortly after admittance. Her husband is in serious condition at the same hospital.

## The World's A Stage

By JACK WOOLLEY  
(Special Writer)

### FRINGE BENEFITS AND MAMA

The breakfast table isn't the usual scene of Labor-Management negotiations. However, after breakfast last Sunday morning I made the mistake of looking a little too contented.

That's a mistake for my husband. After nine years of experience I should've known better. The other half invariably starts thinking hard about one of three things. You're bawling out twenty bucks you won in a poker game with the boys. Something needs to be fixed, or she has a bone to pick with you. With me it proved to be the latter. Lisa showed a whole list of grievances in front of me. She said, "I think it's about time we drew up a new contract." She continued, "If Walter Reuther can bargain, so can I."

A glance at the list of grievances revealed such items as, no sick leave, no guaranteed annual vacation, antiquated on-the-job equipment and no "mad money."

I PROTESTED THAT we had drawn up a contract before the Padre some nine years back. She said, "Yes, but my job classification has changed since then. In fact it's changed six times."

I said, "Look, when you get sick, you stay home from work and hit the sack. When I get sick I stay home and hit the dirty dishes."

I said, "When you're sick enough to be in bed, I always take a day or two off to run . . ."

Before I had a chance to finish she broke in with, "If we aren't able to go away for a vacation, it doesn't bother you. You stay at home for two weeks and it's a change from the office. All it amounts to for me is having a seventh kid around the house."

"Okay," I said. "If we aren't able to go away, I'll see that we go out frequently during my vacation."

"Just look at this tiny refrigerator and that old range," she said. "And the television! The only way you can get a picture on it is to turn out all the lights in the house and pull down the shades provided it's a moonless night."

I SAID, "How can you classify the television as on-the-job equipment?" She said, "It's very good for folding diapers, peeling potatoes and baby sitting."

"Look honey," I said, "this . . ." "And there's the automatic washer," she continued. "The only thing automatic about it is it automatically breaks down."

"Is that thing acting up again?" I said. "Acting up!" she replied. "If I had run out of hairpins, chewing gum and scotch tape these last two

call it sort of a profit sharing or stock holding."

I CONTINUED, "Now that you are sharing in the profits officially, that makes you a member of Management. Doesn't it?" "Yes, but . . ."

I added, "As a member of Management I am sure that you understand that these shortcomings on sick leave, vacation, and on-the-job equipment are part of a sacrifice."

It's this sacrifice, that we, as members of Management, must make towards the success of our growing Corporation."

For once I had managed to come out on top in a debate with my spouse. Leaning back in my chair I said, "You know, I think it's time we traded the old buggy on a new car."

Lisa shot back, "As a member of Management I object. We should replace the refrigerator, range and washer."

(Ed. Note: Do you like essays? Please write or telephone your reactions to them. Midwest 4-1100, and ask for Bill Averill or Ken Weaver.)

## Nixon Volunteers Choose Committee And Plan Dinner

Birmingham chairman of the Volunteers for Nixon, Harry M. Defries, Jr., announced this week the names of those on his committee who will assist in the program. Mrs. James Bahr is vice-chairman; Mrs. Elliott Reynolds, publicity chairman; Charles Renfrew, treasurer and Mrs. George Van Norman is secretary.

The committee, with other interested local citizens, will meet Thursday, Sept. 29 at the Community house to formalize plans and arrangements for a dinner to be held late in October. An outstanding speaker is planned for the occasion.

The committee says there is a need for more volunteers. Anyone wishing to assist can call a committee member. Defries said funds for the work may be mailed to the Birmingham volunteers for Nixon.

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