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WAGGING TONGUES CAN DRIVE YOU CRAZY

Wagging tongues are responsible for two of the most sickening sensations known to man, and more often women. One is being caught gossiping, and the other is discovering that you are being gossiped about.

The best way to stop gossip about you, advises Jennifer Colton in the November issue of the Journal of Living magazine, is to stop the activity that is causing it. Gossip is never directly traceable.

Therefore you can't get results. It takes patience to undermine gossip, but there is almost always a slow but sure justice that clears you, if you can wait for it.

Since idle gossip is the simplest form of talk, it's easy to fall into it without any effort. To avoid getting entangled, Miss Colton offers this advice:

Watch your conversation particularly when you are tired or depressed. That's when you're ready to think the worst—and say it. Try not to discuss one person for more than five minutes. At the first sign that the talk is heading for the downgrade change the subject.

Listening to gossip is as bad as spreading it. The gossip needs a listener. Don't let it be you if you discover you are being gossiped about, don't go all out for denial.

FIGHTER OF THE YEAR AWARD TO KID GAVILAN By Jack Hand

New York, Dec. 11 — Welter-weight Champion Kid Gavilan was voted the Edward J. Neil Memorial Plaque as "fighter of the year" for 1953 voted by the Boxing Writers Association.

Gavilan will receive the Neil Award Thursday, January 14 at the association's annual dinner. The 27-year-old Havana "Keed" successfully defended his crown three times during the year defeating Chuck Davey, Carmen Basilio and Johnny Bratton. He turned in outstanding performances while knocking out Davey and battering Bratton.

The Neil Plaque, presented annually to the fighter of the year and the man who did the most for the sport during the year, is named in memory of the former Associated Press boxing writer who was killed in 1938 while serving as a war correspondent in Spain. Gavilan became the first foreigner to win it.

Gavilan, given a unanimous ballot by the 44 voting members, succeeds Rocky Marciano, the 1952 winner. Lightweight Champion Jimmy Carter and Middleweight King Bobo Olson also were considered.

Upset Defeat

The flashy Cuban, known to the nation's television audiences for his bolo punch and more potent left hook, lost only one fight of 10 in 1953, an upset defeat by Danny (Bang Bang) Womber at Syracuse, May 2. After his one-sided victory over Bratton at Chicago, November 13, he was ready to give up the welter class to take his chances with Olson in a bid for a second title. However, he may defend the 147-pound crown against Basilio before he moves up among the 160-pounders.

Gavilan won the title by whipping Bratton, then National Boxing Association champ, May 18, 1951. He has defended against Billy Gram (twice), Bobby Dykes, Gil Turner, Davey, Basilio and Bratton. Until the Womber upset, he hadn't lost a scrap since 1950.

The Neil Plaque, one of the most prized awards in boxing, was first presented in 1948 when Jack Dempsey was the winner. Among the more illustrious former winners are Joe Louis, Henry Armstrong, Benny Leonard, Billy Conn and Ray Robinson. At one time, any person connected with boxing was eligible but it was restricted to boxers only after the James J. Walker Award was set up to honor men who had made an outstanding contribution to the sport over a period of many years.

Gavilan's record shows 113 bouts starting in 1943. He has won 96, lost 13 and drawn four times. He has knocked out 27 opponents and never has been stopped. In fact, he has been knocked down only twice, by Ike Williams in 1948 and by Basilio.

He recently returned to Havana for the Christmas holidays.

BUSY THOUGH 101

The Rev. J. W. D. Mayes, of Roelien, Tenn., at the age of 101, hardly has time in his busy life to stop for a picture. He runs a grocery store from 4 a.m. to 9 p.m. weekdays with no assistance; writes sermons and travels 75 miles and back twice a month to preach at the church of which he is pastor; hand sets and prints a twice-a-month publication and church bulletins; writes for religious publications; serves as head of an organization which provides sickness and death benefits for Negroes, and does his own cooking, washing and ironing. In his spare time he tends his flower garden.

JAMAICA ASKS YANKS RETURNED FOR TRIAL

KINGSTON, Jamaica, March 16—(AP) — This British colony's House of Representatives wants two American sailors returned here for trial and an apology from the United States Government for incidents in which they figured last week-end.

The House unanimously adopted a resolution to that effect today.

Police charged that one sailor — threatening to shoot anybody who tried to prevent his shipmates on the U.S. destroyer Hale from taking their tax-free cigarettes ashore Saturday — fired a rifle bullet over the head of Waterfront Policeman Henry Cox when Cox accosted a petty officer.

Another sailor was accused of opening fire with a revolver during a floor show performance when the dancing girls refused to do a strip tease.

The sailors were here on a courtesy visit.

FAREWELL AWARD TO DEACONESS

Deaconess Mrs. Sarah Johnson, who prior to the coming of the new rector had been acting pastor at the Bethemanuel Church, London, is again an officer of the Church.

For the 24-months period, Mrs. Johnson, in addition to her duties as a housewife plus her hospital work, carried out her duties as acting pastor in a capable manner.

The congregation, in appreciation of her services to the church, held a social evening after Church in the church basement in honour of Mrs. Johnson. She was presented with a lovely purse and the heartfelt good wishes and thanks of all the congregation.

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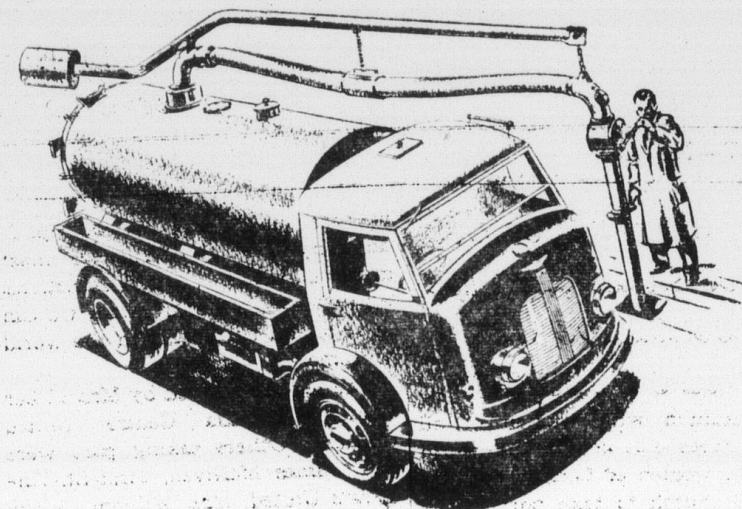
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