

Man Of The Year John L. Stickley Wins 1956 Honor

By JULIAN SCHEER
Charlotte News Staff Writer

John L. Stickley, president of Lions International, has been named The Charlotte News Man of the Year for 1956.

The announcement was made today by a committee of former Men of the Year who annually make the selection for The News.

Mr. Stickley, affectionately known as Jack to a legion of friends here and as "King Lion" to the thousands of Lions Club members in the four corners of the globe, has been honored for his outstanding service to the community.

The impact of the Charlotte's Hercules efforts through his Lions Club activities has been felt not only in Charlotte, but throughout the free world.

IN CALIFORNIA
Mr. Stickley was notified of the award by the committee today. He was reached in California where he will witness the Pasadena Tournament of Roses tomorrow before continuing his world-wide tour as president of one of the world's largest civic organizations.

The selection committee included these former men of the year: Coleman W. Roberts (1944), C. W. Gilchrist (1945), George M. Ivey (1947), J. Norman Pease (1948), Henry C. Dockery (1949), David Owens (1950), John Watlington (1951), H. H. Everett (1952), James P. McMillan (1953), John C. Erwin (1954) and J. Spencer Bell, last year's Man of the Year.

President and Publisher Thomas L. Robinson of The News and Vice President and General Manager Brodie S. Griffith are also members of the committee but vote only in case of a tie.

J. B. Marshall, Man of the Year in 1946, is deceased.

WORKED FOR BLIND
Mr. Stickley has been active in Charlotte civic, religious and business affairs for many years but is perhaps best known for his work here in behalf of the visually handicapped.

A continuing theme of Lions Club work through the years has been its efforts to help the sightless and, in addition, the Lions Club work, he is a past president of both the Mockingbird Country Club and the Charlotte Workshop for the Blind.

Jack Stickley has been a resident of Charlotte for the past 35 years.

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(News Staff Photo by Tom Franklin-Franklin)

Stickley In Calif., Ceremony Delayed

A Man of the Year custom of many years' standing has necessarily been broken this year. It's been traditional for past Men of the Year to gather at 10:30 a.m. in the office or home of the new Man of the Year to present him with a signed scroll attesting to his selection.

This year, however, Man of the Year John L. Stickley is in California, beginning a three-month journey on behalf of the International Lions Club, of which he is president.

After traveling with Mrs. Stickley to South America, Africa, and the Middle East, Mr. Stickley will return to Charlotte in April.

The presentation ceremony will be held upon his return. A congratulatory telegram signed by the 11 Men of the Year who chose Mr. Stickley for the 1956 honor was sent to him in California this morning.

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15 Die As Air Force Plane Crashes, Burns

Traffic Toll Still Trails Yule Record

By The Associated Press
The national death toll from traffic accidents this New Year's holiday climbed highest today but at a rate much slower than the record-shattering Christmas weekend.

With the 102 hour holiday more than half completed, traffic mishaps had accounted for 213 lives. In addition, there were 24 deaths from fires and 37 from miscellaneous accidents for an overall total of 274.

The accident count began at 6 p.m. (local time) Friday and continued until midnight Tuesday. The carnage on the nation's highways during the Christmas holiday was also a four-day period—left 706 persons dead. The total cost in lives from all accidents reached 884, also a new record.

Fires killed 54 of the 178 non-traffic victims. Ned H. Dearborn, president of the National Safety Council, said late last night he noted "an ominous trend in the traffic toll."

"We hope the trend can be halted by a resumption of the care and common sense that marked the earlier hours of the holiday," he said.

TOLL SHOCKS
"The shock and enormity of the Christmas toll," was cited by Dearborn as a primary reason for the lower New Year weekend highway death rate.

However, safety officials said the most deadly time on American roads during the current holiday is New Year's Eve and New Year's Day. Celebrants crowd the highways and the incidence of drunk driving usually increases sharply, they said.

The NSC predicted that 400 persons would die on the highways during the long new year weekend. The record toll is 497, set in the four-day 1952-53 New Year period.

Safety experts estimated that about 35 to 40 million motorists will be on the road during the New Year holiday. This compares with more than 45 million in the yuletide period, they said.

Teacher Seized,
Robbed By Gang
A Myers Park High School history teacher told police he was kept prisoner by three men for seven hours today and his house was robbed of clothing, appliances and jewelry.

Ernest D. Feinster told police that he was just getting the key to the front door of his cottage at 1901 Cloister Dr., off Providence Rd., shortly after midnight today when a sack was pulled over his head.

He said three men kept him prisoner with the sack over his head until 7 o'clock this morning while they ransacked his apartment.

Police found Feinster on the Old Sardis Rd. shortly after 7 a.m., where he said the three unidentified men left him and drove away with several hundred dollars worth of his belongings.

She Knows Her
Husband Well
HOUSTON, Tex. (AP)—A woman here reported her 78-year-old husband missing.

Our Weather
Fair, warmer and windy today. Fair and mild tonight and Tuesday.



Molnar in New York: They May Come Here. (Special News Photo From AP)

Invited By Great-Uncle Hungarian Girl, Olympics Winner, May Settle Here

By CHARLES KURALT *
Charlotte News Staff Writer
A pretty Hungarian girl, winner of a gold medal at the Olympic Games, may come to Charlotte to live.

Twenty-two-year-old Andrea Bodo, one of the world's greatest women gymnasts, and her husband, Nicholas Molnar, have been invited to settle here by Andrea's great-uncle, Zoltan C. Hubay, a Charlotte construction engineer.

"I've been around the world in three weeks," he told Mr. Hubay by telephone this week-end. "I'm ready to settle down."

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from Melbourne, Australia, with other members of the Hungarian Olympic Squad who turned their backs on their homeland.

Molnar, 29, fled to Vienna shortly after his wife left Budapest for the Olympics. He caught a plane for Melbourne, joined her there, and accompanied her to the United States.

AROUND THE WORLD
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Ike Talks With GOP Chiefs About '57 Domestic Plans

By LEWIS GULICK
WASHINGTON (AP)—Senate and House Republican chiefs got from President Eisenhower today an outline of his hopes and plans for the nation during the next year.

With the aid of Vice President Nixon, Budget Director Percival Brundage and all Cabinet members except Secretary of State Dulles and Secretary of Defense Wilson, Eisenhower planned to review with the GOP legislators the administration's domestic program for 1957.

That includes matters such as school aid, tax, labor and farm legislation.

FOREIGN ISSUES
The big foreign affairs issues—such as standby authority to use U.S. troops in the Middle East, foreign aid and help for Hungarian refugees—might come up for some discussion, but were primarily reserved for tomorrow. That's when Democratic congressional leaders, too, are invited to a White House briefing.

Eisenhower returned to Washington late yesterday for the conference after a weekend of relaxation at the Augusta (Ga.) National Golf Club.

Eisenhower will deal with both foreign and domestic affairs in the yearly State-of-the-Union message which he plans to deliver personally to Congress Jan. 10. The new Congress convenes Thursday.

House GOP Leaders Halleck (Ind.) and Amden (Ill.) and Rep. Allen (Ill.), senior Republican on the House Rules Committee, Mr. Martin predicted after a meeting with Eisenhower Friday that Eisenhower "will get a good deal of what he asks" for from the 85th Congress.

Democratic leaders doubtless have their own ideas about that. They control the new Senate and House by slender margins.

Martin said he did not expect any major new proposals to be outlined at today's meeting. Eisenhower is expected to push, mainly for defense.

again for some of the legislation Congress sidetracked in the past. One proposal almost certain to be renewed is his request for federal aid to build schools. Rival plans for school aid perished in the last Congress amid a fight over an antiregulation rider.

Another is civil rights legislation, stressing mainly protection of the right to vote, which the administration proposed to Congress late last session.

No general tax reduction plans seem to be in the offing because of continued high federal spending.



GOP's Knowland (left) and Amden arrive for talks.

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