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This well-decorated case for Hugh Mulligan's Royal 240 portable typewriter traveled the world with AP's famed Special Correspondent.

Colleagues,

Good Thursday morning!

Connecting issued a call yesterday for anyone who still uses a typewriter on a regular basis to fess up - and tell us more.

A few hours later, **Francesca Pitaro** ([Email](#)) of AP Corporate Archives in New York responded by sharing these images of typewriters from AP's past, along with this history:

"Typewriters first appeared in AP newsrooms in the 1880s and were used into the 1970s. The Corporate Archives has a collection of typewriters dating back to the 1920s, including a few used by AP staffers from World War II through Vietnam. These include **Toby Wiant's** Hermes Baby (right) used to report the war in Burma during World War II, **Hugh Mulligan's** Royal 240 decorated with hotel stickers from around the world, and **Peter Arnett's** portable Olympia (below) from his days reporting the Vietnam War.



"Our latest acquisition arrived Tuesday from the **Philadelphia bureau**. It's a Royal 10, circa 1930. Made of black metal with beveled glass insets on both sides, it's solidly made, weighs about 35 pounds and will probably outlast me by at least a century. Royal was so proud of the durability of the Royal 10 that, beginning in 1927, they delivered over 11,000 of them by dropping them (in crates) with parachutes from airplanes. You can read more about it by clicking [here](#)."

And, a special Happy Birthday shout-out to our Connecting colleague **Albert Habhab**, who is 93 today. He and his wife Janet were my parents' best friends in Fort Dodge, Iowa, and he was the last to see my dad alive.



Al Habhab

Al has lived a life of service to his fellow man:

As an 18-year-old Army private who won the Bronze Star at the Battle of the Bulge in World War II for saving a fellow soldier while under German fire, as mayor of his hometown for a record 14 years, as a district court judge and as a justice on the Iowa Court of Appeals. If you want, join me in sending him a note of congratulations and thanks to: judgealbertandjanethabhab@mchsi.com



Have a great day!

Paul

Ohio University j-school, rich producer of AP talent, launches book on its history



Ohio University former journalism school director Ralph Izard signs a book while Dan Sewell, AP's Cincinnati correspondent, looks on. Photo by Vicki Sewell.

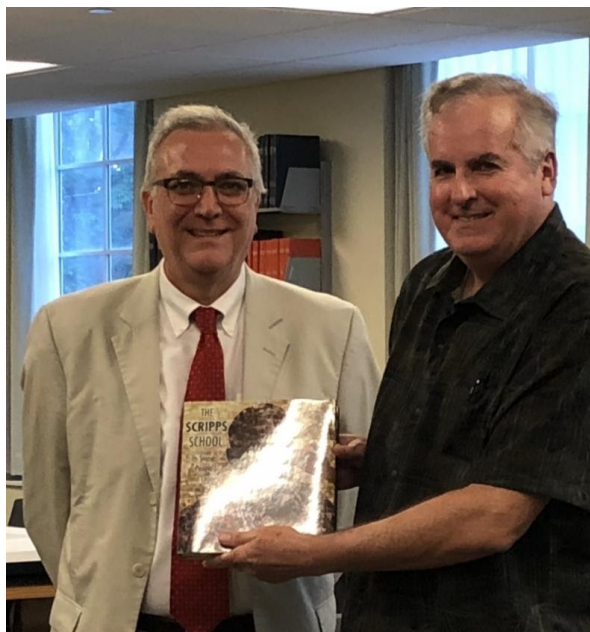
Dan Sewell ([Email](#)) - Ohio University's journalism school, which has produced numerous AP staffers and interns, on Sept. 4 launched a book on its history: "The Scripps School: Its Stories, People and Legacy."

Its editor is Ralph Izard, former director of the school and a journalism professor who liked to refresh his reporting chops with summer internships for AP. He did stints in Charleston, West Va., Columbus (where his former student Henry Heilbrunn was then news editor), Miami (where his former student Dick Carelli was day supervisor, and Honolulu (!).

Heilbrunn and Carelli contributed stories to the book, which is loaded with personal remembrances and anecdotes as well as historical highlights.

I contributed stories including one on the "Bobcat Nation" in journalism. Former Cincinnati Correspondent Andy Lippman talked for the story about how the Ohio U interns each had their "own styles and strengths that made you stand above the average intern."

Among his interns were NBC (former SI) NFL reporting guru Peter King, AP Top Stories editor and former Moscow correspondent Brian Friedman, and me, now full circle as Cincinnati correspondent after a variety of other AP jobs and posts.



J-School director Bob Stewart (left) presents book to Dan Sewell

The book also covers the school's foreign correspondent internship program, which provided AP interns in bureaus including Tel Aviv over the years.

When Kathleen Carroll, then AP's executive editor, was on campus in 2013 to receive the Carr Van Anda Award for journalism, there were nearly two dozen active AP staffers around the world who had attended Ohio U.

There are many other former and current AP journalists who show up in the book.

Earlier in the day, Rusty Miller, retired 30-year Ohio AP sports editor, was a panelist in a symposium at the school honoring the late Ohio U alumnus George Strode, Rusty's predecessor who went on to become sports editor of The Columbus Dispatch after a long, distinguished AP career.

Connecting mailbox

Former AP newsman Alan Boyce dies at age of 62

Skip Foreman (Email) - F. Alan Boyce, a former staffer for The Associated Press whose career also took him into state government, politics and Christian ministry, has died after a courageous battle with multiple forms of cancer.

Boyce, who was 62, died Wednesday while in hospice care.

His AP career consisted of stints in Albany, New York, and Raleigh, North Carolina, where his skills allowed him to cover breaking news, politics and sports.

Following his AP career, Boyce worked as a press secretary for the North Carolina Democratic Party as well as the office of the N.C. Secretary of State. He also worked in IT for a number of companies, and eventually for the State Employees Credit Union. Most recently, Boyce was helping to direct a homeless ministry, which allowed him to display his multiple skills as a musician and singer of Christian pop music.



Alan Boyce

Al was a graduate of Syracuse University, where he double-majored in journalism and experimental psychology. Born on Dec. 31, 1955, Al was the son of the late Maureen and Frank Boyce. He is survived by Cindy, his wife of 25 years; three sons, Parks, Joe and Tim; and his sister, Betty, of Eugene, Oregon.

Those who worked with Al will remember him for his incredibly calm demeanor, equally dry wit and an attention to detail, traits which surely served him well across the spectrum of his respective workplaces.

The family plans to hold a memorial service at the home at a [date.to](#) be announced.

He was a good friend and a fantastic co-worker. I send along my regards to Cindy Grimmer Boyce, Laura Grimmer and the entire family.

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Covering Chicago rioting as 18-year-old with Daily Princetonian press card

Chris Connell ([Email](#)) - I read Mark Thayer's tour-de-force lookback on the 1968 Chicago riots with keen interest. (See last Friday's Connecting.) I was there, an 18-year-old, with my Daily Princetonian press card but no convention credential, by necessity doing all my reporting in the streets and getting dosed with teargas a few times, including Tuesday night when I narrowly escaping the truncheon of a policeman who chased me into an alley near Lincoln Park.

A couple of weeks later, when the college paper resumed publication, it bannered my 5,000-word "Chicago Diary" of a loco week in the Windy City. But there was a last-minute complication at the press before we put the paper to bed. Around midnight or 1 a.m. the compositor presented the editor with a long, long tray of type that wouldn't fit. I was ready to start frantically trimming my opus throughout, but the editor said there wasn't time. His solution: Cut Tuesday in its entirety. Nobody noticed.

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Baltimore Sun selling branded items to benefit Capital-Gazette families



Paul Colford ([Email](#)) - The flagship BaltSun is selling an array of branded T-shirts, coffee mugs etc. to benefit The Capital Gazette Families Fund after the recent massacre at the Annapolis-based paper. See [link](#).

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Juana Summers named AP political reporter

Washington Bureau Chief Julie Pace announced an addition to AP's political reporting team, sending this memo to staff:

I'm thrilled to announce that Juana Summers is joining The Associated Press as a political reporter, a great boost for our coverage of the midterms and the 2020 presidential election.

Juana joins the AP from CNN, where she was a senior writer covering federal agencies and ethical issues in politics, including sexual harassment and misconduct. She previously served as the editor of the CNN Politics App. Before joining CNN, Juana covered the 2012 presidential race for POLITICO, then served as Mashable's political editor, managing a team of reporters covering Congress, the White House and the 2016 presidential race. She's also covered Congress, defense and veterans issues for POLITICO and NPR. Juana is a former member of the Online News Association's Board of Directors and was a fellow at Georgetown University's Institute of Politics and Public Service. She's a Kansas City native and a graduate of the Missouri School of Journalism in Columbia, Missouri. Juana starts in the Washington bureau today.



Juana Summers

(Shared by Bryan Baldwin)

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Sporting News veteran Larry Wigge dies

Jim Salter ([Email](#)) - Larry Wigge, who for years covered the NHL for The Sporting News, died Tuesday. He was 68. Larry was a legend in hockey journalism circles. He worked for The Sporting News, which for most of its existence was based in St. Louis, for 30 years, and also worked for the NHL. He was always quick with a smile and a story when the AP would visit The Sporting News. For decades, he worked as a sports stringer for the AP in hockey and baseball.

Visitation will be 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at Pitman Funeral Home in Wentzville, Missouri, and the funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at the funeral home. Donations may be made to the American Heart Association. Survivors include a brother, sister, two nieces and a nephew. [Click here](#) for his obituary.



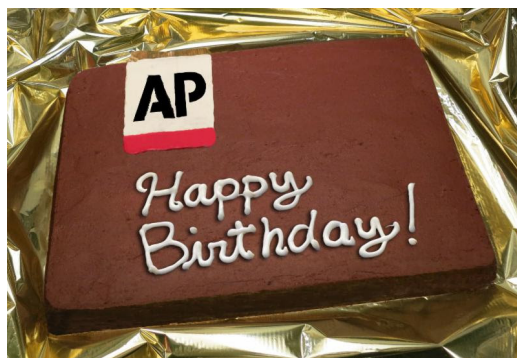
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Connecting geese shot - Estacada, Oregon



Cliff Schiappa ([Email](#)) - Just got back from a road trip to Redding, CA; Portland, OR; and Seattle, WA. Here's a photo showing a flock of geese flying along the fog-shrouded Clackamas River valley in Estacada, OR at sunrise on Sunday, Sept. 2, 2018. Estacada is a rural town about 30 miles southeast of Portland.

Connecting wishes Happy Birthday



To

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Stories of interest

Trump rips searing Times op-ed from unnamed senior official

By ZEKE MILLER and CATHERINE LUCEY

WASHINGTON (AP) - In a striking anonymous broadside, a senior Trump administration official wrote an opinion piece in The New York Times on Wednesday claiming to be part of a group of people "working diligently from within" to impede President Donald Trump's "worst inclinations" and ill-conceived parts of his agenda.

Trump said it was a "gutless editorial" and "really a disgrace," and his press secretary called on the official to resign.

Trump later tweeted, "TREASON?" and in an extraordinary move demanded that if "the GUTLESS anonymous person does indeed exist, the Times must, for National Security purposes, turn him/her over to government at once!"

The writer, claiming to be part of the "resistance" to Trump but not from the left, said, "Many Trump appointees have vowed to do what we can to preserve our democratic institutions while thwarting Mr. Trump's more misguided impulses until he is out of office." The newspaper described the author of the column only as a senior official in the Trump administration.

Read more [here](#).

[Click here](#) for the editorial.

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The Mueller probe's troubling reliance on journalists as sources (The Hill)

BY JOHN SOLOMON, OPINION CONTRIBUTOR

Special counsel Robert Mueller's team has sent a subpoena to veteran writer Jerome Corsi - the first publicly known effort to compel a journalist's testimony in the Trump-Russia collusion investigation.

Corsi, whose work has been showcased for years in conservative outlets such as Human Events, World Net Daily and the InfoWars conspiracy site, says he will not fight the subpoena and plans to appear before the grand jury on Friday.

The subpoena is a not-so-subtle reminder of just how much prosecutors, FBI agents, and the government's confidential sources who launched and sustained the Russia probe all targeted, courted and leveraged the news media.

Read more [here](#). Shared by Mark Mittelstadt.

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A reporter detained: On life inside ICE camps (CJR)



Emilio Gutiérrez Soto on his release day in El Paso. Photo: Julian Aguilar of the Texas Tribune

Emilio Gutiérrez Soto, a Mexican journalist based in the United States, has twice been detained by Immigration and Customs Enforcement. In late July, he was released from his second round of detention. For the first time, he has written a first-person account of the experience. [Haga clic aquí para la versión en español.](#)

By Emilio Gutiérrez Soto

MY REBELLIOUSNESS LANDED me in this situation: legal limbo in pursuit of political asylum. Last year, my son and I were ordered deported from the United States. It has been a difficult time, and it is no easier to write now in the first person—something I have never done before. Until now, it has only been my role to write other people's stories.

Today is different. I need to spell out some of my recent experiences, so that others will not go through these extremely degrading hardships in a foreign place where universal liberties are proclaimed and then inhumanely denied to those who would seek protection.

Ten years ago, in spite of the danger of working as a journalist in my home country, Mexico, and President Felipe Calderón's "War on Drugs," I never imagined that I would cross the border to the US, seeking the protection of the authorities, or that I would twice be imprisoned in holding camps, the second time with my son Oscar at my side.

Read more [here](#). Shared by Susana Hayward.

Today in History - September 6, 2018



By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Sept. 6, the 249th day of 2018. There are 116 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 6, 1997, a public funeral was held for Princess Diana at Westminster Abbey in London, six days after her death in a car crash in Paris.

On this date:

In 1901, President William McKinley was shot and mortally wounded by anarchist Leon Czolgosz (CHAWL'-gawsh) at the Pan-American Exposition in Buffalo, New York. (McKinley died eight days later; Czolgosz was executed on Oct. 29.)

In 1909, American explorer Robert Peary sent a telegram from Indian Harbor, Labrador, announcing that he had reached the North Pole five months earlier.

In 1943, 79 people were killed when a New York-bound Pennsylvania Railroad train derailed and crashed in Philadelphia.

In 1944, during World War II, the British government relaxed blackout restrictions and suspended compulsory training for the Home Guard.

In 1970, Palestinian guerrillas seized control of three U.S.-bound jetliners. (Two were later blown up on the ground in Jordan, along with a London-bound plane hijacked on Sept. 9; the fourth plane was destroyed on the ground in Egypt. No hostages were harmed.)

In 1972, the Summer Olympics resumed in Munich, West Germany, a day after the deadly hostage crisis that claimed the lives of eleven Israelis and five Arab abductors.

In 1975, 18-year-old tennis star Martina Navratilova of Czechoslovakia, in New York for the U.S. Open, requested political asylum in the United States.

In 1985, all 31 people aboard a Midwest Express Airlines DC-9 were killed when the Atlanta-bound jetliner crashed just after takeoff from Milwaukee's Mitchell Field.

In 1995, Baltimore Orioles shortstop Cal Ripken broke Lou Gehrig's record by playing his two-thousand-131st consecutive game.

In 1997, weeping masses gathered in Calcutta, India, to pay homage to Mother Teresa, who had died the day before at age 87.

In 2002, meeting outside Washington, D.C. for only the second time since 1800, Congress convened in New York to pay homage to the victims and heroes of September 11.

In 2006, President George W. Bush acknowledged for the first time that the CIA was running secret prisons overseas and said tough interrogation had forced terrorist leaders to reveal plots to attack the United States and its allies.

Ten years ago: In the wake of Russia's military standoff with Georgia, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said that now was not the right time for the U.S. to move forward on a once-celebrated deal for civilian nuclear cooperation with Russia. (President George W. Bush canceled the deal two days later.) More than 100 people died in a rockslide that crashed into a shantytown just outside Cairo, Egypt. Actress Anita Page died in Los Angeles at age 98.

Five years ago: NASA's newest robotic lunar explorer, LADEE, rocketed into space in an unprecedented moonshot from Virginia that dazzled sky watchers along the East Coast.

One year ago: Hurricane Irma, the most powerful hurricane ever recorded in the Atlantic, pounded Puerto Rico with heavy rain and powerful winds; authorities said more than 900,000 people were without power. A California parole panel recommended parole for Leslie Van Houten, who at 19 was the youngest of Charles Manson's murderous followers in 1969. (California Gov. Jerry Brown later blocked her release.) Pope Francis was welcomed by jubilant crowds along the road from the airport into Bogota, Colombia, where he encouraged Colombians to reconcile after five decades of armed rebellion. Two French companies among the world's biggest makers of luxury goods - including the owners of brands like Dior and Gucci - agreed to stop working with fashion models who are unhealthily thin.

Today's Birthdays: Comedian JoAnne Worley is 83. Country singer David Allan Coe is 79. Rock singer-musician Roger Waters (Pink Floyd) is 75. Actress Swoosie Kurtz is 74. Comedian-actress Jane Curtin is 71. Rock musician Mick Mashbir is 70. Country singer-songwriter Buddy Miller is 66. Actor James Martin Kelly is 64. Country musician Joe Smyth (Sawyer Brown) is 61. Actor-comedian Jeff Foxworthy is 60. Actor-comedian Michael Winslow is 60. Rock musician Perry Bamonte is 58. Actor Steven Eckholdt is 57. Rock musician Scott Travis (Judas Priest) is 57. Pop musician Pal Waaktaar (a-ha) is 57. Former New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie is 56. Rock musician Kevin Miller is 56. ABC News correspondent Elizabeth Vargas is 56. Country singer Mark Chesnutt is 55. Actress Betsy Russell is 55. Actress Rosie Perez is 54. Rhythm and blues singer Macy Gray is 51. Country songwriter Lee Thomas Miller (Songs: "The Impossible" "You're Gonna Miss This") is 50. Singer CeCe Peniston is 49. Rhythm-and-blues singer Darryl Anthony (Az Yet) is 49. Actress Daniele Gaither is 48. Actor Dylan Bruno is 46. Actor Idris Elba is 46. Actress Justina Machado is 46. Actress Anika Noni (ah-NEE'-kuh NOH'-nee) Rose is 46. Rock singer Nina Persson (The Cardigans) is 44. Actor Justin Whalin is 44. Actress Naomie Harris is 42. Rapper Noreaga is 41. Actress Natalia Cigliuti is 40. Rapper Foxy Brown is 40. Actor Howard Charles is 35. Actress/singer Deborah Joy Winans is 35. Actress Lauren Lapkus is 33. Rock singer Max George (The Wanted) is 30.

Thought for Today: "The happiness of most people we know is not ruined by great catastrophes or fatal errors, but by the repetition of slowly destructive little things." - Ernest Dimnet (deem-NAY'), French priest, lecturer and author (1866-1954).

Got a story or photos to share?

Got a story to share? A favorite memory of your AP days? Don't keep them to yourself. Share with your colleagues by sending to Ye Olde Connecting Editor. And don't forget to include photos!

Here are some suggestions:

- **Second chapters** - You finished a great career. Now tell us about your second (and third and fourth?) chapters of life.

- **Spousal support** - How your spouse helped in supporting your work during your AP career.

- **My most unusual story** - tell us about an unusual, off the wall story that you covered.

- **"A silly mistake that you make"** - a chance to 'fess up with a memorable mistake in your journalistic career.

- **Multigenerational AP families** - profiles of families whose service spanned two or more generations.

- **Volunteering** - benefit your colleagues by sharing volunteer stories - with ideas on such work they can do themselves.

- **First job** - How did you get your first job in journalism?

- **Connecting "selfies"** - a word and photo self-profile of you and your career, and what you are doing today. Both for new members and those who have been with us a while.

- **Most unusual** place a story assignment took you.



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