

# A REPORTER'S LIFE

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Private tour of  
Buckingham Palace

Oral History at V. of Tefar

Series of  
Humor -

Betsy - married 3/30/40  
Nancy Nov 8, 1948

Oral History -

"we resorted to all the dirty tricks  
ever devised in the game";  
pretense snatching

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Johnson interview (memoirs) did you pay him

Racial discrimination (Dr. Smith - suggest to put foot on white p20  
man's porch

Mustache - father

imitated other announcers  
crystal radio - a cult following  
had to get a job (my age)

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I believe Kennedy would withdraw from Vietnam p243

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Last respect for the Pulitzer (Russian censors)

Vietnam - Kennedy would get out p 243

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"I was proud of the degree to which we had kept our evening newspaper free of bias"

Tet editorial -

"There was no way this war could be justified any longer"

"I was defending freedom of the press on the theory that if we members of the press did not speak up for this democratic essential no one else would." p 257

Most candid politician of my time Bob Stennis p198

Mario Cuomo p197 - liberal vision

Adlai Stevenson p181

Mac A. p172 - not a great admirer of his politics

Nancy  
Kathy  
Chip

I think <sup>the new</sup> press cynicism is a fad that fast  
with fade

I can't believe any news broadcaster today  
can possibly enjoy the work as much as  
we did P 367

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[ A career can be called a success if one can  
look back and say: "I made a difference. I  
don't feel I can do that" ... Van Jordan Smith P 373 ]

the public's dependence on television for the bulk  
of its news endangers our democratic systems P 375

The last line - sound bite journalism P 375

In these beginning "golden days" of television and of (P347) television news the rules were bent as we found our way

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puppet lion - Charlemagne 1954

Winston's R. J. Reynolds

Jack Pan - mother's telegram

Around The World in 90 minutes - Duke Todd  
Liz Taylor

Person to Person - Ed Murrow he endorsed Columbian coffee  
read prepared questions

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Remove opinion  
p 350 -

Leus Hog p 349 - colleague - reluctant to share airtime

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"And that's the way it is" p 363 Dick Salant

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