

TODAY'S RADIO PROGRAM

LOOKING AT LIFE

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According to scientists convened in Rome, Italy, the earth is slipping, and in a few years, say a couple of million or so, she (or is the earth an it?) may have disappeared entirely.

Another thing that is the matter with the earth, according to these gentlemen of science, is that the days are getting longer. About that more anon.

The slipping of the earth has no particularly immediate effect. It is more as if a woman's slip is showing. There is supposed to be a slip of about 75 feet a year between the earth's outer skin and her (its) inner core. Which isn't very much, but on the other hand, it is only about the same as a lady's slip showing a half inch. It still wouldn't be very good, would it?

The whole thing was brought out at an international geophysics conference held in Rome, at which 42 nations were represented.

I don't want to say anything against conferences or conventions. I intend to go to one of my fraternal myself next month, and if my wife reads this I don't want her to think that all men do at these affairs is to have a good time.

As you can see by what was done at this geophysics conference, world-shaking events are discussed, such as the days getting longer, for instance.

There are now more than 24 hours to each day. You needn't change your watch as yet, though. So far, the change isn't noticeable and

won't be for a couple of million years. And by that time I really don't think that you will care WHAT time it is.

I understand from the paper that came out of the conference that the change in time is 3-1/2 seconds in a thousand years. What causes it? Nobody knows. One of the scientists, a Dr. Roger Revelle, delegate from the U. S. National Research Council, thinks that "two major factors are tidal friction slowing down the earth's turn on its axis, and the torque exerted on the earth by the sun through atmospheric tides."

I haven't the slightest idea what this means, but in case you want to make an impression on your girl or at an afternoon tea, it certainly sounds nice if you talk about the "torque exerted on the earth."

One thing I would recommend to you. Don't go worrying now about the earth's slip showing or about the days getting longer and your watch being out of kilter or about any of the other disturbing events you read and hear so much about these days.

I personally predict that in a million years—if the earth still exists then, which I am inclined to doubt—there will still be conventions and meetings at which the delegates will make impressive speeches—and accomplish comparatively little.

It's just one of those human characteristics to want to be important and show off what you know or think you know, although this is by no means a reflection on that Rome conference or any other convention.

By the way, when I couldn't get to sleep, I read a very important booklet just issued by the U. S. Printing Office. It is entitled "Acute Infectious Hemorrhagic Fever and Myxomatosis in the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics."

Unfortunately I can't report on its contents. I fell asleep on the fifth page and slept like a baby.

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4:00-BILL SILBERT SHOW: Clark Dennis, vocalist, guest WJAB

Evening Highlights

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8:00-TOP SECRET FILES: Tom Helmer in Black Book Drama WJAB

8:00-VOICE OF FIRESTONE: Barbara Gibson, soprano, is guest WJAB

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9:00-TELEPHONE HOUR: Irmgard Seifried, Viennese soprano, is guest WJAB

9:00-WORLD OF JAZZ: With John S. Williams and GEORGE THOMAS WJAB

9:00-AROUS 'N' ANGE MUSIC HALL: Harry Ruby, song writer, is guest WJAB

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10:00-ASAP: U.S. Documentary report on black market babies WJAB

11:00-LOCAL NEWS: From the Post and Telegram WJAB

11:30-ROADWAY COP: Thomas Deagan, vice-president for staff of the New York Central railroad, is guest WJAB

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