

Star Announces Changes In Its News Department

I. William Hill, managing editor of The Washington Star since 1962, has been named associate editor of the newspaper in a re-organization of its news department.

Charles B. Seib succeeds Hill in the managing editor's position. For the past six years he has been The Star's assistant managing editor.

The changes, effective Nov. 10, were among six promotions announced today by Newbold Noyes, editor. Other shifts of assignment on the 116-year-old newspaper were:

Sidney Epstein, city editor, and Burt Hoffman, world editor, to become assistant managing editors.

Harry A. Bacas, editor of The Star's rotogravure magazine "Sunday," to become city editor.

Benjamin F. Forgey, an editorial feature writer for the Sunday Star, to become editor of "Sunday."

Hill, 60, will work with Noyes on administration of The Star's 250-man editorial department. He will be responsible for the execution of special projects and long-range plans for the improvement of the newspaper.

He is immediate past president and a member of the executive committee of the Associated Press Managing Editors Association. He has served as chairman and currently serves as projects chairman of the Newspaper Comics Council. A member of the American Society of Newspaper Editors, he was program chairman of that organization in 1965. He has appeared 27 times as a discussion leader at the seminars of the American Press Institute at Columbia University.

Hill joined the Star staff in



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CHARLES B. SEIB

1930, and two years later, at the age of 24, became assistant city editor. He was made city editor in 1937, thereafter serving as news editor, assistant managing editor and feature editor before succeeding the late Herbert F. Corn as managing editor.

Seib, 49, is a native of Kingston, N.Y., and a graduate of Lehigh University. He came to The Star in 1954, having previously held reportorial and desk positions with the Allentown (Pa.) Evening Chronicle, Associated Press, Philadelphia Record, International News Service and Gannett News Service.

On The Star, Seib was successively appointed Sunday editor in 1956, national news editor in 1958 and assistant managing editor in 1962. He too is a member of the APME.

Epstein, who is 48, broke in as a copy boy on the Washington Herald in 1937. He was city editor in 1954 when that newspaper was purchased by the Washington Post. Joining The Star as an

assistant city editor, he was named city editor in 1958.

Hoffman, 39, came to The Star in 1958 via the Herkimer (N.Y.) Evening Telegram, the Elmira (N.Y.) Advertiser and Congressional Quarterly. He was appointed assistant national editor in 1962 and world news editor in 1966.

Bacas, 45, began his newspaper career as a Star copy boy in 1951. Eight years later he became assistant city editor and was named editor of "Sunday" in 1962.

Forgey, 30, was a reporter on the St. Lawrence Plain Dealer of Canton, N.Y., before coming to The Star in 1964. He received his present feature assignment two years ago.