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## LESSON FROM KOJE

Charles V. Stanton

The Kojie Island incident should have taught us a lesson on how to deal with Communists. Unruly prisoners of war turned their stockade into an armed camp. They slaughtered anti-Communist companions. They defied soldier guards. Finally they seized an American general as hostage. Camp authorities undertook negotiations, thereby freeing the captive general, who, with those responsible for bargaining with the Reds, promptly was reduced in rank. Another officer was assigned to the command. He proceeded to get tough. He broke the Reds up into smaller groups, making it possible to control them more easily. He had one fight. When he entered the first camp—and he picked the toughest one—he encountered resistance. After defiance had been successfully punished by force, the rest of the Commies immediately lost their belligerence and meekly obeyed instructions. This one incident, we believe, shows us the pattern for control of communism. It is a pattern which long has been advocated, but one used too infrequently.

### Respect Shown Only For Force

It is evident that Communists will make of themselves bullies, rioters, and disturbers just as long as they can get away with it. When challenged by actual force they back down.

Another minor incident conveys the same evidence. When the Reds began needling the British along European corridor borders, the British blockaded a Russian radio station. Promptly the Commies ceded their appropriated ground.

Communists respect only one thing—force. Just as hoodlums take to the dark alleys when the cop approaches, the Reds run for cover when challenged. But our panty-waist State Department continues to negotiate. Generals were broken in rank when they bargained with the Kojie Island trouble-makers, but the State Department continues to lavish praise upon itself for identically the same kind of tactics in dealing with the broad Communist situation.

We should know by this time that we can't negotiate or bargain with Russia. Communist Russians and their pawns are determined to cause just as much trouble as they can. They can be controlled only by being slapped down—and slapped down hard. They cannot be treated as civilized human beings, but only as savages—dangerous savages. They have no appreciation for kindness or mercy. They respect nothing but force.

### Time To Forget Timidity

Incident after incident has shown us that the Reds actually are cowards. They are professional bullies and hoodlums. Like the ordinary hoodlum, they are afraid of cops.

We have been fed on lily-livered propaganda from our State Department which pictures the Russian ogre as capable of destroying the world if it unleashed its great military strength. And too many people have been naive enough to believe that Russia would withhold the use of such power if she had it.

We have been told that we must build up a great military machine to defend ourselves against the Soviet threat. Certainly we need a military machine—a big one and a good one! We'll need a big military machine for many years to come. But there is no reason why even with what we have, we should permit ourselves to be pushed around, humiliated and disgraced in the eyes of our potential and would-be friends because we lack intestinal fortitude.

The Kojie Island case is, we believe, sufficient evidence that a little roughshod retaliation for insults would at least stop some of this nonsensical impudence pending the real showdown, if a showdown we must have.

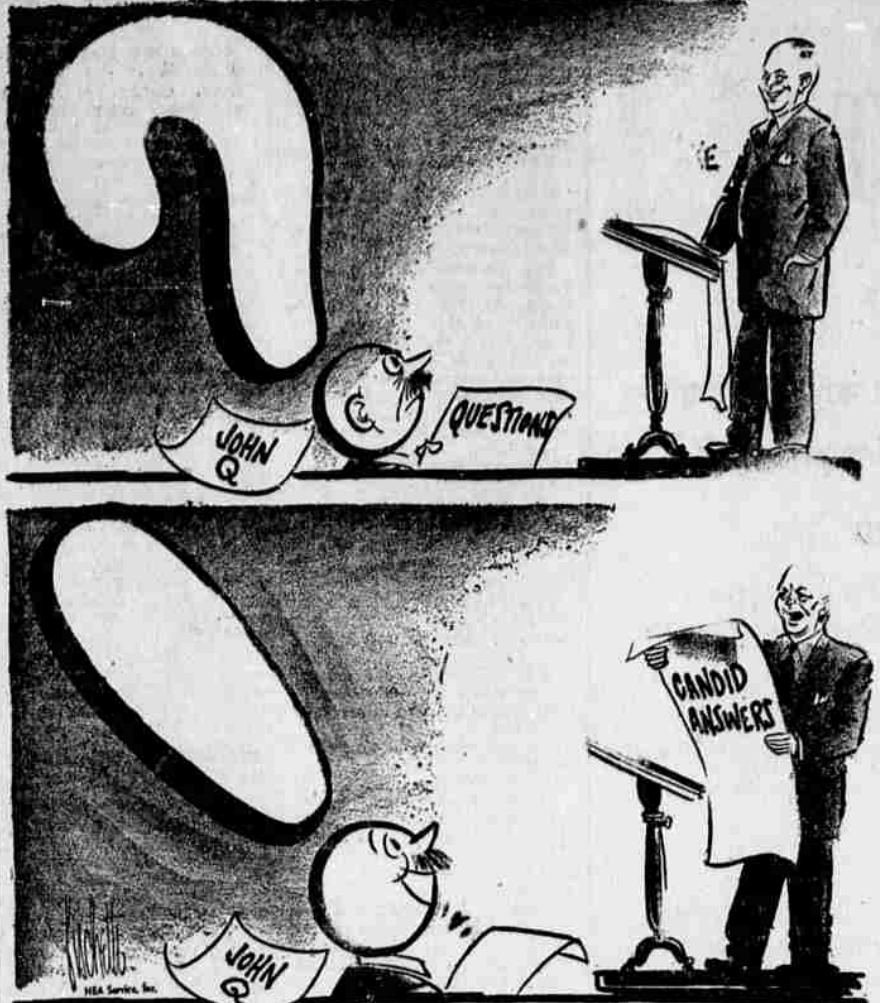
**Scraps From the MENDING BASKET**  
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Did you ever hear of the Bushnell sextuplets? Probably not. They were born before the days of radio, intensive coverage by the press, and— heaven help us!—television. Nowadays any little thing finds its way into millions of homes before the day is over! But back in September, 1883, although the news got around, it didn't get around with the force of a thunderclap or the speed of lightning. The six babies were born to Mr. and Mrs. James Bushnell; three did not live beyond infancy, but the other three lived to what we call a "ripe old age," and only recently died the last of the six pass on in a nursing home in Warsaw, N. Y. The Wyoming County Times, published there, reviewed the story in a recent issue.

James Bushnell, who worked in a bank in Lockport, N. Y., married a French girl who had come here at the age of 13. Their first children were triplets; they did not live beyond infancy. Then came the sextuplets, then—believe it or not!—another set of triplets, and as a grand climax a set of QUIN-TUPLETS! The mother passed on at the age of 35, but the father, according to the family records, lived until 1912. Mrs. Alice Bushnell Parker, the last living one of the sextuplets, was 88. For fifty years she had lived at Silver Lake, a summer resort well known for its Chatqua. I can remember going there as a child. Four years ago Mrs. Parker was struck by an automobile, but until then, for forty years, she had been an active worker at the Perry Knitting Mills.

Mrs. Parker often spoke, says the Wyoming County Times, of how the federal government stepped in with financial aid for the family when the sextuplets were born. When the Dionne Quintuplets electrified the world, I read every word with keen interest. Who didn't! It is so nice that the five girls, now 18, have remained sweet and unsophisticated, despite the avalanche of publicity and the onslaught of curiosity that deluged Calender, their birthplace.

**Winston**  
By MRS. GEORGE BACHER  
Mrs. Albin Nelson and son Bobby, accompanied by Mrs. John Calkins, motored to Portland on Tuesday. Returning home to Winston on Wednesday they were accompanied by Mrs. Angeline Doroff and James Doroff of Little Falls, Minn., who will be guests here in the home of the latter's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Albin Nelson. Also expected in the Nelson home on Sunday is Airman 1st class Irene B. Doroff, Miss Doroff, who is currently stationed at March field in California, will arrive via the Shasta Daylight in Eugene and will be met there by her sister, Mrs. Nelson. The story of Elkton, embracing a hundred years' history of the community, will be broadcast over radio station KRXL Sunday afternoon, June 22, at one o'clock. This is the eighth in a series of half-hour programs designed to cover the entire country during the Centennial year. Scripts are prepared by Mrs. George Bacher.



**Fulton Lewis Jr. WASHINGTON REPORT**  
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As of today, there are 61 contested convention seats. Because of the close race between Senator Robert A. Taft and Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, the 61 may hold the key to the nomination of one or the other leading contenders.

The facts are that under GOP convention rules for the past eight years, contests between opposite factions or delegates must be settled by the state convention, or in certain cases by GOP state committees.

National convention rules now prohibit bringing to the convention floor any delegate squabbles except those involving delegates at large. Of the 61 involved, only 10 are delegates at large. It is only these ten that will be considered by the convention rules committee or the convention as a whole—at least, under present rules, which of course could be changed at any time.

Eisenhower backers, particularly those associated with Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York, have been breathing heavily over the 61 contested delegates. They might as well be saving their breath. In 1944 in Chicago, when Dewey was in control of GOP convention machinery, and again in 1948 in Philadelphia, the following convention rule—section B, rule 4—was adopted, and is today on the books:

"All contests arising in any state electing district delegates by district committees shall be decided by its state convention, or if the state convention shall not meet prior to the national convention, then by its state committee; and only contests affecting delegates at large shall be presented to the national convention."

The GOP squabble in Texas focused attention on the contested delegate situation. Taft people took control of the Texas state convention roughshod. Eisenhower supporters, with loud cries of anguish, bolted the meeting and named their own slate of 29 delegates supporting the general. The so-called "regular" convention pledged its 29 delegates to Taft. They are the delegates who will be seated in Chicago in July, regardless of how it irks Eisenhower supporters, unless there is a change in the rules.

Spokesmen for the Republican National committee say that any rule change is unlikely, and especially so if proposed by the Dewey-Eisenhower faction. After all, it was Dewey who machine-gunned the rule onto the books in the first place.

Georgia has 16 contested delegates; Louisiana, 9; Mississippi, 5; and Virginia, 2. In general the situation in Texas is mirrored in the other four states, although in one or two cases local disagreements and personalities enter into the picture.

Section B of rule 4 was adopted because convention delegates in 1944 and again in 1948 agreed that on local levels, and not at party conclaves, where more important business has to be dealt with. One national committee member summed it up by stating that he didn't want to be put in the position, as a resident of Pennsylvania, of having to settle an argument involving Texas.

The national committee is anxious to set the record straight on contested delegates. By so doing the committee can save a number of delegates from spending travel money uselessly, also, it might pull the plug on protest demonstrations that are undoubtedly in the works in Texas and elsewhere.

## Plywood Sales Up Ten Percent Over Last Year

GEARHART, Ore. (AP)—West Coast plywood sales are up 10 percent from a year ago, B. V. Hancock, president, told the Douglas Fir Plywood Association here Wednesday.

Hancock, executive vice-president of the Cascades Plywood Corp., Portland, called for quality production and a hard-hitting sales program in outlining a one and a half million dollar industry promotion program.

He told some 300 executives from 85 plywood mills in Oregon, Washington and California that the industry has doubled production since World War II.

E. W. Daniels, Aberdeen, Wash., chairman of the Association's management committee, said plywood demand recovered quickly from last fall's slump and now is ahead of last year.

All officers were re-elected. They include Hancock, president; Eberly Thompson, M and M Woodworking Co., Portland, vice-president; Charles M. Duery, Menasha Plywood Corp., North Bend, Ore., secretary; J. P. Simpson, Buffelen Manufacturing Co., Tacoma, treasurer.

S. R. Black, Georgia-Pacific Plywood Co., Olympia; Floyd Hart, Timber Products Co., Medford; Harold R. Jones, Western Veneer Co., Eugene, and Ted Stoleson, Mutual Plywood Corp., Eureka, Calif.

New association members include Columbia Veneer Co., Kalama, Wash.; Everett Plywood and Door Co., Everett; Kalpine Plywood Co., Klamath Falls; Long-Bell Lumber Co., Gardiner, Ore.; Mt. Baker Plywood, Inc., Bellingham; Paragon Plywood Corp., Crescent City, Calif.; and Veneer Products Co., Medford.

Properly processed whale meat is hard to distinguish from beef, says the National Geographic Society.

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By DOUGLAS LARSEN  
NEA Staff Correspondent  
WASHINGTON—(NEA)—Reaction in the Pentagon to the possibility of General Eisenhower becoming President and commander-in-chief of all U. S. forces ranges from luke-warm enthusiasm to violent opposition. The fact that there isn't wild enthusiasm for Ike for President among the generals and admirals seems to hold down to one phenomenon. And it's got nothing to do with Ike personally. It would be the same with any military man. They realize that Ike knows too much about their business and that the chances of pulling the wool over his eyes are pretty slim. This feeling in the Pentagon about Ike as President is probably Ike's backers' most exploitable answer to the criticism that a military man shouldn't be President. A darn good case can be made for this being the perfect time for electing a President with a real military background. The military boys have gotten their firm grip on this town since the war by hammering away at one argument whenever they are challenged on anything. They say to senators, congressmen and budget experts the same thing: "Who are you to question us on military matters? We're the military experts you've created and you've got to take our word for it."

**Truman Easy Tool**  
Fabulously expensive turkeys have already been sold to the American taxpayers on the basis of this argument. And the mistakes can always be covered up by slipping on security restrictions. If the Pentagon brass had their way they'd keep President Truman in the White House forever. His military background as an artillery officer in World War I indoctrinated him with just the right amount of reverence for stars on the shoulder. The brass can't see among the candidates of both parties a man nearly as pleasant to do business with as President Truman. Usually it would fall to the President's military aide to act as the White House brake on the Pentagon. President Truman's military aide, however, happens to be Harry Vaughan. The brass knows just how frosty an eye General Eisenhower is capable of turning on padded requests for funds and waste and extravagance. Acting under orders, he had a key part in helping former Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson pare military expenses to a post-war low. And what Pentagon officer has the gall to suggest that he is more of a military expert than Ike?

**Marines Alarmed**  
Except in one case, there's not much fear in the Pentagon that Ike as President would be unfair to the Marine Corps. The leathernecks are convinced that Ike is out to eliminate them. The feeling is expressed publicly by Sen. Paul Douglas of Illinois, a Marine reserve officer who once suggested Ike as the candidate both parties should nominate. At a recent Marine Corps reserve officers' meeting he accused Ike, when he was Army chief of staff, of signing a secret proposal, "which would have destroyed the Corps as a combat unit." Reaction in high Army circles to Ike as President is complicated. The so-called Eisenhower group is not in the saddle now. Many generals feel they'd be out of key posts if he became President. It's generally assumed that Ike would make his good friend and European aide Gen. Alfred M. Gruenther, Army chief of staff. It's actually the Gruenther, rather than the Eisenhower group, that hopes Ike gets the big job.

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