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THE GREAT DISSEMBLER

Charles V. Stanton

Announcing his resignation from the Republican party (the best thing that could happen to the party) Senator Morse said:

"I have never stooped to political expediency and hypocrisy and I don't intend to start in this campaign."

The senator is not telling the truth. Morse stooped to political expediency when first he ran for election on the Republican ticket. He is not a Republican, has never been a Republican, and has never acted like a Republican. He is a Republican only in the sense that he appropriated the name. He did so because he felt that was the expedient way to be elected in what at that time was a predominantly Republican state. Now that Oregon's registration is more nearly balanced, with steady gains by the Democrats, Morse again stoops to political expediency to get himself in the middle as an Independent.

A Republican believes in the principles advocated by his party. It is not essential that he accept without criticism all of the party's policies or acts, or that he follow the party line at all times. A Republican, however, believes in the broad tenets and philosophies of his party.

Morse, while pasting the Republican label on his coat, has never followed the party's principles; has voted consistently with the opposition party; has criticized virtually every act of the party he was elected to represent; has aligned himself with the Socialist faction of the Democratic party in all its "liberal" experimentation.

Only by his resignation does he cease to become a hypocrite.

A hypocrite is defined as one "who feigns to be other than he is; a dissembler."

By claiming all these years to be a Republican when, in fact, he subscribed to none of the tenets of the party, and then making the statement that he had not stooped to political expediency and hypocrisy, Morse fits himself perfectly into the definition. He not only feigned to be other than he is, but he is a dissembler.

Incriminate Himself

Morse actually incriminates himself as a hypocrite in his statement of reasons for desertion when he evidences his disbelief in the philosophies and policies of the party under whose banner he paraded for so many years.

He proves himself a hypocrite when, after earlier in the campaign describing the Socialist-Democrat administration as full of corruption and too long in power, he rushes into the arms he said were evil because the Republican party sticks to its principles instead of adopting the Socialist-Democrat line he has followed so consistently.

Morse says Eisenhower is demagogic because he advocates training South Korean troops; letting Asians fight Asians. Morse says it can't be done. Isn't Russia doing it? Morse, following the Democratic line, says Eisenhower is raising false hopes "in the hearts of mothers and fathers of boys in Korea." Is there any hope for mothers and fathers to be found in the policies now being used in Korea, where we are committed to an endless "police action" or a stalemate? Isn't it time we had as a leader someone who would approach the Korean problem with the optimistic idea that there is a solution, instead of being committed to a pessimistic policy that fruitless fighting is inevitable?

Power Issue Involved

Morse makes much of the Northwest power controversy. The Republican party believes in a policy of encouraging free enterprise rather than federal monopoly. Morse stands for the Socialist theory of federal development and control.

Morse says Eisenhower surrendered to Taft. We cannot agree with that contention. There are no facts to substantiate it. Eisenhower and Taft reached an understanding. The Republican convention demonstrated that a large segment of the Republican party membership believes in Taft and Taft's theories. Eisenhower has shown willingness to use the American principle of compromise to produce unity, thereby making himself the representative of the whole party rather than one faction. Isn't this better than the intolerant attitude shown by Morse who, although elected to represent a party, goes off on his own tangents, and declares that everyone is out of step but himself?

Morse has been "disillusioned" with Eisenhower because the general has not made himself a maverick of the Morse stripe. He is "disillusioned" because Eisenhower is a Republican instead of a "Liberal." He is disillusioned because like is not a hypocrite like himself.

Morse by his own words has proven himself a hypocrite—a great dissembler.

"Twas Ever Thus"



Fulton Lewis Jr. WASHINGTON REPORT

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WASHINGTON—It is not unlikely that you will hear the name of Leo Lerner mentioned when Senator Joseph R. McCarthy reviews the record tonight of Gov. Adlai Stevenson, Democratic nominee for the presidency.

Lerner is a resident of Chicago who holds a cozy spot in the affections of the Illinois Governor. He is, among other things, the publisher of a string of neighborhood newspapers in and around Chicago. This is fortunate, since I can use his own publications to explain Lerner and his connection with Stevenson.

Lerner is a kind of Communist-front gadfly who always shows up in Chicago whenever the left-wing ers get together for a good cry over the way the Liberals are sulking around the world. He also masterminds the Illinois branch of Americans for Democratic Action, which is called the Independent Voters of Illinois. Both the parent ADA and the stepchild, "IVI," display distaste for anything that can be used to control Communists at home and abroad. They have a current crush on the Chinese Communist government, and want it admitted into the United Nations, where I am sure it would feel at home.

Lerner helped Stevenson to get the Democratic nomination in Chicago. I have Stevenson's own word for this, and Lerner is busy taking bows over his accomplishment. So when anyone tells you that Stevenson denies a fondness for the Communist-fronters, hand them a copy of what you're going to read here.

Lerner in 1947, was midwest sponsor for the Spanish Refugee appeal of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee, which was cited as early as 1944 as a Communist front. It was again cited in 1947, the year Lerner was active in the organization, as both Communist-controlled and subversive by the attorney general of the United States.

Lerner is listed as a sponsor of something called "Speakers on Russia," which was organized by the National Council of American Soviet Friendship. The Council is listed by the attorney general as a Communist and subversive organization.

Lerner is a member of the Joe Weber defense fund. Weber was a delegate to a Communist meeting in Mexico. When he got back, the attorney general moved to deport him to his native Yugoslavia. Lerner rallied to Weber's defense.

Lerner was chairman of a 1946 "Free Spain Rally" in Chicago, which had as its president Vito Marcantonio, the ex-congressman from New York who is currently defending Communists before the subversive control board. Along with Lerner, the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, the National Negro Congress, the American Slav Congress, the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee and the Independent Voters of Illinois were active in the "free Spain Rally."

The American Slav Congress was cited in 1947 as subversive, by the attorney general of the U. S. The National Negro Congress was cited by the attorney general as being in the tight clutches of the Communists since its inception in 1936.

This is only part of Lerner's record, but it is all in the files of the cup in Joseph's house, but he also found love there in the person of Deborah, beautiful granddaughter of his benefactor. The young sculptor dedicates himself, despite temptation to turn aside, to the task of making the receptacle for the cup. Everything else waits up- reads the more than 300 pages of The Chalice. Perhaps we renew our own concept of Christian service, in gratitude for our freedom to worship.

NEW YORK (AP)—The Long-Bell Lumber company of Missouri Friday reported net income of \$3,084,499 or \$2.25 a share in the nine months ending Sept. 30 compared with \$1,438,004 or \$1.74 a share in the like 1951 period. Sales for the first nine months this year were \$70,727,174 compared with \$76,803,288 in the like period last year.

In the Day's News

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AGAINST anything and everything that improve the lot of average people. That isn't true. Republicans have never been against fire insurance, which simply spreads the risk of loss by fire so widely that the cost is not felt by those who SHARE it but saves the individual whose house burns from dire calamity. That is the real purpose of the Social Security Act, and by and large it has accomplished its purpose.

The lives of millions of persons have been made happier by this sharing of the risk of losing one's job through no fault of his own (cutting the force, etc.) and arriving at the period of old age with nothing to live on.

Looked at that way, social security is wonderful.

What Governor Driscoll means is that social security, looked at merely as GIVING LESS and GETTING MORE is bad but when it is looked at as the means to a better and happier way of living it is splendid and wholly in keeping with the American way of life.

He puts on the cap sheaf by adding that we must look to the productive capacity of America for our real security. Nothing could be truer than that, for ALL wealth is produced by human labor applied to natural resources. That can't be got away from. We can't have it if we don't produce it.

Even Give-'Em-Hell Harry has his better moments. One of them came the other day. The filbert growers of northern Oregon and southern Washington got scared a while back by heavy production and falling prices and called on the government for a quota practically shutting out further importations of Mediterranean filberts.

President Truman replied, tolerantly and intelligently, that filberts are one of Turkey's principal export crops. After all, he said, Turkey is our ally, and we can't go kicking our allies in the face by refusing to accept their products.

If we don't buy what our allies have to sell, how can they buy what we have to sell? Commerce, he said in effect, is a two-way

John Roosevelt Heads For Texas To Boost Ike

LOS ANGELES (AP)—John Roosevelt, the late President's son who says America needs Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower "to lead us out of the wilderness," carries his Democratic crusade to Texas today.

RJR's youngest son told meetings here and in San Francisco that he believes Eisenhower is the best qualified to give the nation strong leadership.

"My father chose Gen. Eisenhower for that task because he recognized his rare talents, not only as a commander but as a statesman," Roosevelt said here. "Time and experience have proven how right the choice. It is an honor for me to uphold his judgment publicly."

Roosevelt's visit drew caustic remarks from his sister Anna and brother James, both supporters of Gov. Adlai Stevenson, the Democratic nominee.

"I always felt he was a rather intelligent guy," said Anna. "I don't see how he could fall for the old Republican line."

Pointing to other Republicans in the family, Teddy Roosevelt for one, James cracked: "I guess each generation is entitled to one throw-back."

street. If we are to keep the Turkish economy strong enough to help us resist Russia, we mustn't refuse to buy what Turkey needs to sell.

All of which makes sense.

I suppose a man from Mars, arriving on our planet in the latter stages of one of our hotter Presidential campaigns, might come to the conclusion that America is UTTERLY SCREWBALL.

Fortunately it isn't true. There is quite a little common sense in America, even in national campaign years. Otherwise, we'd have gone down the drain long ago.



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The secret sign by which Christians disclosed their faith was a sketched outline of a fish. I wonder if there is one on the bottom of the "great Chalice of Antioch" (a large silver cup now in the Metropolitan Museum, I think) such as symbol. Many thousands have seen that cup, but one, Thomas Costain, used it as the central theme for an imaginary but beautifully written story of the days when the preservation of that cup was of paramount importance to the persecuted Christians. "The Silver Chalice" (Doubleday & Co. 1952) is a wonderful historical novel, reverently written, wholly plausible as the reader follows the incidents connected with the cup. The book was twenty years in the making.

Basil, the son of Theron the penniless, lives in poverty, but his hands are "never idle," using bits of charcoal, bits of cloth, to sketch what he sees with the keen eye of an artist. Then in damp clay

he makes models which prove his talent.

He is adopted by Ignatius, the rich merchant, who wishes to make it possible for Basil's talent to enrich the world about him. Through a series of ups and downs Basil knows poverty again, and once more riches, this time in the home of Joseph of Arimathea, the man who took down the body of the Lord from the cross. Here as is inevitable, in order to fashion the great work for which he is chosen, Basil becomes a Christian. His fitness for the sacred task is proven by the cup itself.

In order to fashion the perfect design which Basil conceives as fitting for a receptacle for the cup, the lad must journey to see for himself the faces of the disciples, now scattered. The character of Luke is most sympathetically drawn. Evidently Luke was the disciple Thomas Costain especially studied in his research. Not only did Basil first see the