

Somerville Advocates World Understanding

The importance of a calm study of social philosophy is more important today than ever before, for failure of understanding in this field could mean complete destruction of the human race.

This is the opinion of Dr. John Somerville, American philosopher, author of "Soviet Philosophy" and "Methodology in Social Science." The Columbia graduate, now a visiting professor at Stanford university, spoke on the campus last night on "Philosophy and Its Place Today."

At this important historical moment, he said, 'isms' have taken the center of the stage. Although they are not the only cause of war, they are important factors.

Dr. Somerville recommended UNESCO as one place where conflicting world philosophies could be reconciled. A main endeavor of that branch of the United Nations, he said, is to inquire calmly into tensions affecting international understanding.

Dr. Somerville believes that with the right attitudes, conflicting 'isms' can be brought to a point of at least toleration of each other, just as religions have reached that point.

We don't say that the Methodists, for example, can't send missionaries to China, said the follower of philosopher John Dewey. Neither must we say to the followers of another social philosophy, he continued, that since we are right, they cannot proselytize.

"We must choose in this day between the Christian spirit of honest

investigation, and popularity. We must put forth an effort not just to improve the future, but to HAVE a future," said Somerville.

"Otherwise there may be an act of cosmic infant mortality." The human race is too young to die, he said. Great possibilities—interplanetary navigation, for example—are just ahead. But another war could destroy this human race that is less than a million years old.

In speaking of the needs for a philosophy, Dr. Somerville pointed out that everyone, in just making the decisions of everyday life is a philosopher. His only choices are whether he will be a consistent or inconsistent philosopher, and a conscious or unconscious one.

Philosophy recognizes the need of the individual to come to terms with totality. The only alternative to this integration is suicide.

Local Girl Falls At Symphony

Fifteen steps in McArthur court will long be remembered by DeLores Robb, 16-year-old Eugene high school student. She hit everyone of them when she fell down the Igloo stairs after the Mitropoulos concert Friday.

Although taken to Sacred Heart hospital with extensive bruises the girl was able to return to school Monday, the insurance agency handling the case reports.

According to Miss Robb's statement her shoe heel caught on a step. Also she said that she was not feeling well when she left the concert.

Deadline for Guide Petitions April 23

Deadline for Piggers' Guide editor and business manager petitions is April 23, Dick Williams, educational activities director, reminds students. Both are salaried positions—editor receives \$100 and business manager receives about \$120.

Besides Piggers' Guide executives the top men for next year's Emerald will be announced soon. Newspaper petitions are due today.

Radio Found

A small handsize Zennette radio can be claimed at the educational activities office if the owner will identify it. The radio was left in Mac court last term.

Can't Take 'em With You, or Which Twin Has The Phonies

NEW YORK, April 14—(AP)—Strip tease artists Georgia Sothorn and Joann Collier battled it out early yesterday on a Manhattan sidewalk—with no holds barred.

Apparently Georgia won, even though flattened three times. At least, she is still star of the floor show at Bradley's on East 54th street.

The two disagreed over who gets the closing spot in the show—and who wears the falsies.

The two punched, scratched and bruised each other until separated by a couple of brave males.

Arnold Shields, an assistant manager at Bradley's and a ringsider at the street fight in front of the nightspot at 3:45 a.m. told it this way:

Blonde Joann had the closing spot in the show until about a week ago when blonde Georgia took over her spot. There was a clash of temperaments.

Then, Georgia said, Joann "accused me of wearing falsies."

"In my trade," she said, "the wearing of falsies is impossible."

Joann insisted, however. But she admitted:

"To be fair, I don't know if Georgia wears her falsies when she strips. But I do know she wears them in her evening dress."

The last words of the combatants were:

Georgia—"I could have taken her but I really don't want to fight."

Joann—"She appears puny to me."

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