

'We've Got It Made'

A sophomore co-ed came into The Emerald editorial office the other day all upset because no one else is. She was concerned because few University students seem at all concerned about things intellectual or worthwhile. "After all," she said, "we're the ones who are soon going to be making public decisions. But no one seems to care about anything—frankly, I'm worried about our apathy and conformity."

Well, young lady, you're not the first to notice this so-called "characteristic" of modern youth. College dailies received by The Emerald from across the nation are full of editorials expressing concern about student "apathy" and "conformity." One student newspaper apologized for discussing the subject because, it said, so many editorials have been written on the subject they have become a joke.

Popular magazines, learned journals, leading educators and research groups have also probed into our "silent generation"—or as Crane Brinton called us Tuesday night, the "sure thing, safe bet generation"—to determine what we think about, believe and want—if anything. A. L. Strand, in his recent University lecture which only 65 attended, discussed the subject at great length.

A University of Pennsylvania professor studied the attitudes of students at 30 colleges. Here are some of the things, as reported in the magazine Changing Times, he discovered:

● Today's student is "gloriously contented" with his lot. Ahead he sees bright prospects, few worries, ample material rewards.

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A Double Welcome

The eleventh annual high school International Relations League convention convenes here today, and it gives us an opportunity to extend two welcomes. Usually, it would be just one: a big hello to the 400-plus high school students who are here to learn about international affairs.

But this year we are privileged to welcome back to the campus a former student and professor who has gone onto great accomplishments in the fields of education and public service. Charles E. Rothwell, who earned his M. A. at Oregon in 1929 and taught here from 1927 to 1932, will address the opening session of the IRL model United Nations on Friday.

We trust that Rothwell's audience will not be composed solely of high school students and their advisors, for he is one of the best-qualified men in the country on the subject of foreign affairs and the United Nations.

Connected with the State Department during the war, Rothwell was executive secretary-general of the first U. S. delegation to the United Nations. He became associated with Stanford's Hoover Institute and Library in 1947 and has been its director since 1952.

A real welcome, in the form of a capacity audience at his Friday afternoon address, is in order for Charles Rothwell.

Army Primer

The Army, bless its bureaucracy, has been a favorite target of professional jokesters, satirists and axe-grinders. The gamut of sources for this endless ribbing runs from Sergeant Bilko down through Bettie Bailey and Sad Sack.

Three ex-servicemen have offered another in the series of partly-kidding books on Army life; however this volume, "Draftee's

● Does he want to serve mankind? Not much. He's far more interested in helping himself. In fact, says the report, American students show much less philanthropic interest than do other nationalities.

● As for religion, well, he goes to church week end! but doesn't relate his faith to his daily life.

● He values honesty, sincerity, loyalty and chastity but doesn't mind some laxness in others. As a rule, he feels that morals are a personal matter, no one else's business.

● He's all for democracy, likes our form of government, thinks there's going to be another war. But will he participate in public affairs, enter politics, try to prevent war? No. Most students aren't that interested.

The key to the charges against our generation—if, indeed, they are accurate—is perhaps found in the statement that we are "gloriously contented" with our lot. "We've got it made," so the story goes, so why worry about philosophies, problems of government and wars?

Maybe things are changing so fast, the world is in such a hellava mess, the problems facing mankind seem so big, that we've collectively just given up trying to solve anything and have decided it's every man for himself.

We may have it made, all right, but what happens when our happy little world falls 'round our ears? Then we, who've ignored the real problems facing mankind and concerned ourselves with the pleasures of the moment, will be asking blankly: "Where's everyone?"

Guide," deals a little more kindly with the entire military set-up.

This book was written "for the man about to enter the Army, willingly or unwillingly," according to Bernard Krisher, James Cox and Alan Levy, "three very recent servicemen who once stood in your shoes at the beginning of the same long, rough road."

The trio unwinds at great and light-hearted length about the whys and wherefores of Army life, including a valuable section on that mystery to the uninitiated—basic training.

"We're not against the Army. But at this point in your life we figure you need more help than the Army does." This is the philosophy carried out in the book, which ranges from vivid descriptions of KP routine to "recreation and a-haem!-culture."

The book, quite complete, covers such items as military choices, what happens at the reception center and in basic training, possible assignments, rights and obligations of the soldier and generally the procedural details of entering, enduring and leaving the Army.

"The aim of this book is simple and positive. You've got to spend two years (more or less) in the Army, for better or worse. We want to help you make those two years better, rather than worse."

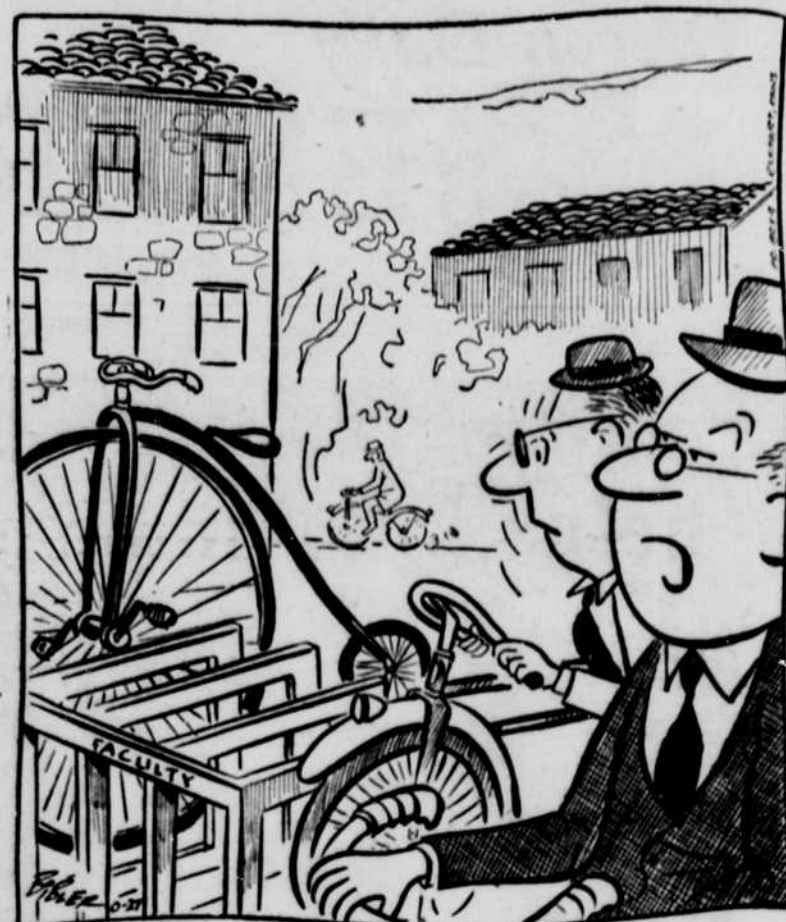
The Emerald recommends this paperback for most everyone—of the male gender. The veteran will find some chuckles and perhaps some nostalgia. The future soldier will get valuable information and a "proper" attitude. And anyone could not escape an insight into the Army after reading the "Guide."

For those of us yet to be "greeted" this book may well be a best-seller.

Footnotes

We wonder just how liberal our northern branch has become, when its daily's headlines proclaim the selection of "Co-Hop Heads."

'Time's Winged Chariot ...'



"I UNDERSTAND HE'S UP FOR RETIREMENT NEXT YEAR."

James Marlow

Washington Columnist Lists Regulatory Agency Outlines

WASHINGTON (AP)—This is an ABC on those six government agencies which make decisions involving billions of dollars. A House subcommittee was supposed to investigate them. It's been making a pretty slow investigation.



Before it really got started the subcommittee fired its counsel, Dr. Bernard Schwartz. He blasted those who voted to sack him as being in an "unholy alliance" with "big business and the White House" to whitewash the investigation.

He charged that some of the 38 men on the boards and commissions which run the six agencies accepted gifts and favors from businessmen and industries affected by their decisions.

The agencies—called the regulatory agencies—are:

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC); Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC); Federal Power Commission (FPC); Federal Trade Commission (FTC); Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC); and the Civil Aeronautics Board (CAB).

They are called independent agencies because they are not directly part of the executive branch of the government. They were created by Congress—starting with the ICC in 1887—and are answerable to Congress.

Although the President appoints the 38 men running these agencies, they must be approved by the Senate. In each of the agencies the chairman gets a salary of \$20,500 a year. The other members get \$20,000.

This is pretty good as government salaries go. The members of the President's Cabinet—the heads of the big government departments—get \$25,000. Members of Congress get \$22,500, although in addition they get an expense allowance.

The 38 men running the independent agencies generally have this kind of background or previous experience:

They were members of public utility commissions in their home states; or they were lawyers or judges or members of Congress. A few have come up through their agencies. A few seem to have had no special qualifications.

All serve for a specified number of years but can be reappointed. Following is a brief outline of each agency, its authority, and, in parentheses, the number of board members or commissioners:

FCC (7)—Licenses and regulates radio and TV stations; sets interstate telephone and telegraph rates; has jurisdiction over ships and aircraft radio. It's easy to see what enormous money is involved in FCC decisions.

ICC (11)—Regulates interstate surface transportation. For example: rates charged by trucks, railways, busses. It even has some jurisdiction over pipelines carrying oil.

FPC (5)—It can regulate gas and electric companies when their business crosses state

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