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"Without or with friend or toe, we print your daily world as it goes"-Byron. RILEY ALLEN, publisher

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### All Gov'ts Suppress Information

A natural law of political science seems to be this: Given the opportunity, government will restrict or even muzzle the

It happeend so often when the press was in its very infancy, that the found-ing fathers of this country wrote safeguards into the Constitution. Nevertheless, it is a continuing battle in our own country to keep government from standing between the people and the knowledge of the people's business.

In Cuba the free press is rapidly vanishing. No dictatorship can stand the spotlight of publicity. The obvious faults of dictatorship must be glossed over and whatever good points there are must be emphasized. Thus the same things are happening to the newspapers in Cuba under Castro that happened to the newspapers in Argentina under Peron.

And in the Union of South Africa a severe crisis exists over the racial issue. In such a situation government can't stand to allow free discussion. So it is clamping down on the press of a supposedly free country.

Here in the United States we have the freest press in the world due to our constitutional guarantee. Yet so pronounced is the tendency of persons in government to conceal information that the American Newspaper Publishers Assn. at its last meeting reported that the federal government uses more than 150 statutes as authority to withhold information on subjects ranging from the national security to peanuts.

understand. The person in position of authority doesn't want criticism. He doesn't want his mistakes to be known. He may even want to do something deliberately that he knows would not meet with public approval, and certainly he doesn't want this made known.

Some congressional committees have been pretty free and easy with their expense accounts on foreign travel lately. When reporters started digging into the records, someone promptly ordered the records locked up. Only through the intervention of Speaker Sam Rayburn, who realized that locking up the records was worse than what they might reveal. was the material made available again.

This "natural law" we speak of operates on low levels as well as high. It used to be that school boards, P.U.D. commissions, boards of county commissioners and others would transact controversial pieces of public business behind closed doors so that as few as possible would find out about it. This resulted in the passing of a law, in some states sponsored by the press, forbidding any public body from taking an official action except at a meeting for which advanced notice has been given through the press. This does not mean that some bodies would still not prefer to do some of its business behind closed doors: they simply are forbidden to do so. Such "Natural Laws" as these can't

### DREW PEARSON SAYS:

## **Tight Secrecy Lid Clamped On Special CIA Hearings**

WASHINGTON-When Sense coln Rockwell, who has been ator Fullbright of Arkansas heard striving to found a Nazi party in the testimony of Central Intelli- the nation's capital.

gence chief Allen Dulles behind The Egyptian dictator praise closed doors he went to unusual Rockwell for his anti-Jewish cam paign, then lashed into America's lengths to ensure secrecy. Not only were no censored "subserv copies of Dulles testimoy issued policies." "subservient" and "inconsistent

Since Nasser recently after the hearing but stenograph com ers who took down Dulles's words plained to Senate Foreign Rela trs who took down Dulies's words plained to Senate Foreign Rela-were carefully screened in ad tions Chairman William Ful-vance. They were all required bright about his press coverage to return their stenographic in America, this column will pub-hotes. Every conceivable step lish his views as written to

vas taken to prevent a leak, and Rockwell. the final testimony was stamped Nasser began by thanking with a warning that any senator Rockwell for a pamphlet "con-who talked about it was subject taining information about the who taked about it was subject taining information about the to punishmemnt under the essort of resistance you are conduct-ing against destructive Zionist While the secrecy may have activity. been justified in regard to the 11-2 incident, the same kind of "your efforts will help the deliv-tion of humanity from Zionia

U.2 incident, the same kind of "your efforts will help the deliv-ultra-secrecy has so protected Central Intelligence in the past that it has been guilty of various bonchead plays, plus an undeter-mined waste of the taxpayers' it can be revealed, despite the a line of propaganda and fabrica-tering of humanity from Zionist of regret that despite all this tempts at peace, a body of poli-ticians and statesmen still puruse a line of propaganda and fabrica-tering of humanity from Zionist "Quite beyond the question of troval' precedence he seems to feel she may be shunned socially — and it is quite possible this might be so."

It can be revealed, despite the a line of propaganda and fabrica-recent Senate secrecy, and with-tion, subject to almost every out disclosing any classified in-whim or caprice. In this sense formation, that the senators gave bulles the kid-glove treatment, probled very superficially into his operations. Agent Against France the senator of the senator of the senator of the senator the senator of the senator of the senator of the senator the senator of the senator o

Up in New York, a congresto devotion for the cause of lib sional committee might well look erty and peace will expose such sional committee might well look erry and peace will expose such hato an amazing untold story of sinister policies and avoid the kow Central Intelligence spent world a third disaster. A day approximately \$1,000,000 of the will come when warmongers and taxpayers' money to operate an sham politicians will be called to underground inside Spain in op-position to Dictator Franco. "It is unfortunate that the

The story involves the strange states adopt a policy of subserdisappearance of Prof. Jesus De vience in face of these forces Galindez, the Columbia Univers. which serve no end or purpose or Galindez, the Columbia Univers-ity professor who vanished while cntering a New. York subway March 12, 1956, and has never been heard of since. It can now been heard of since, It can now that Prof. De Galindez was in the employ of Central Intellig-ence and was sending large sums of money to Spain. Which serve no end or purpose or good. It is a further point of disappointment that your govern-ment is inconsistent in the sense that while it declares one thing, it seems to enact another, es-pecially in this part of the world which seems to be sensi-tive enough to anything that may come from America in the hope

I money to Spain. Officially, he was the representithat the American standpoint standpoint ative of the Basque delegation may be reoriented to a nobler to the United States, a group in policy and fairer policy contri-bitter opposition to Generalissi-biting something to the interest of these resurgent nationalities."

# acity, he registered with the Justice Department as a foreign agent and listed amounts of money he claimed to collect each Hedging Over Supposedly he collected the money from Basque exiles and immigrants in Latin America. Ac-the Sources said today the

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ranged from \$4.845 in March 1950 to \$26,039 in January, 1956, just before De Galindez disap-peared or was disposed of. Dur-ing five years from 1950 through 1955, this mysterious college professor, an exile from Spain, received either \$1,016,000, ac-cording to justice department tiles, or \$762.527, according to a New York City official audit.

These, or \$762,527, according to delegations at the 10-nation dis-armament conference do not go isappeared. Allen Dulles per-sonally phoned New York City officials with an urgent request that a CIA agent be permitted to go through De Galindez's pa-pers. This was done. And the at incriminating CIA aback

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tor \$7,240, was taken out of his borndstox, va. (DFD -file. The mystery still remains as to why Central Intelligence yeas financing this Spanish - Basque Sylle who was warking agained Byrd, died Wednesday at his exile who was working against Byrd, died Wednesday at his France at a time when we were theme apparently of a heart at-subsidizing Franco to the tune

of several million dollars a year

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#### Wildlife, QUOTES IN **Fish Projects** THE NEWS (Reg. U.S. Pat. Off.) By United Press International **Up For Boost**

LONDON - Negro entertainer Sammy Davis Jr., weeping over a racist demonstration by about

30 british fascists against plans to marry Swedish actress May Britt: "This could never happen in the (except) maybe in the South, like Mississippi.

MCGUIRE AIR FORCE BASE. N.J. - M.Sgt. Chester Milten-berger, of the Fort Dix, N.J., Army Medical Corps, stating that radiation was slight at the site of an explosion and fire that dam-

aged a Bomarc missile: "They're walking all over the place up there."

d. LONDON — A royal source, ex-pressing doubt the Duke of Wind-sor, who abdicated in 1936 to mar-try "the woman I love", would re-turn to live in England: "Quite beyond the question of feel she may be shunned socially — and it is quite possible this might be so."

tionment will make it possible for states to claim reimbursement immediately after July 1, 1960, for expenditures made in connec-WASHINGTON (UPI)- Secretary of Interior Fred A. Seaton tor expenditures made in contract for said today state fish and wild the year ending July 1, 1961. life restoration projects will receive an apportionment of \$12,shout only me

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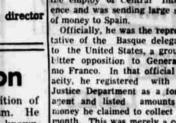
200,000 in federal aid July 1. The balance of federal aid fish and wildlife restoration program funds for the year ending June 30, 1961, will be apportioned in the fall, seaton said.

The early apportionment will help states plan their federal aid activities more advantageously Seaton said. It will be of special importance to states operating on a revolving fund basis Under the federal aid fish and

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A controversial Air Force manual was cited as an example of "how deep rooted government's attitude is against the people's right to know." The manual contains these words:

"Another rather silly remark often heard concerning security is that Americans have a right to know what is going on. Most people realize the foolhardiness of such a suggestion. Keep in mind that public news media present only as much information as the government wants to release."

This "Natural Law" that seems to apply to all government is easy enough to

be repealed. This tendency will always exist in government. The problem is to keep it at a minimum. The press is at the forefront in the battle in this regard in every country where it is permitted any freedom.

The press' vigilance sometimes is misinterpreted as furtherance of some kind of selfish interest. But the press is simply the medium by which information is conveyed to the public. It isn't the press' "right to know" that is at stake; it is the people's right to know. And the people can't know and won't know unless the press keeps ever at the task of breaking down barriers which just naturally are erected between the people and the government.

## Was Rocky Seeking Advice Or Consent? Gov. Nelson Rockefeller is obviously being a mere vice president.

a man in a quandry. So when he went to the White House for breakfast Wednesday it probably was to seek advice.

He wants to be President, of course, but he is thwarted by the towering figure of Vice President Nixon. He started out to run against Nixon but gave up shortly. Then he seemed to regret his decision and announced that he was available to be drafted. Meanwhile he has been pressured from various quarters to take the second place on the ticket and run for vice president. This doesn't appeal to him. A man who considers himself presidential timber doesn't like the idea of

If he want to talk politics with Ike, it was probably to see what lke's re-action would be if he started out anew to campaign for the nomination. Or it could be that the President has called him in to see if he can persuade him to join with Nixon as the vice presidential candidate. Republicans can hope that the governor will agree to team up with Nixon not only because such a combination will have great voter appeal, but because a Nixon administration, if he wins, would be a strong one indeed with Nelson Rockefeller in the position now occupied by Nixon.

of foreign aid and military as-shall Crosby Rogers, 72, a retired sistance. Thus the taxpayers were editorial writer who had worked aving both to support Franco on newspapers in Massachusetts, and to undermine Franco. It's Connecticut and Rhode Island for omething the Senate might well about half a century, died Wedne nvestigate-but won't. day in Danbury Hospital.

Gamal Abdel Nasser, the loard of the Nile, has confided his views of America's short-comings in a letter to the selfnyled American Fuerhrer, Lin-

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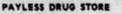
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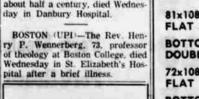
the past year. Serving on the IOOF commit-tee were A. H. Harvey, Walter Shater, Henry McGoldrick, Bert Eberhard, Ed Bork, Galin Dur-kee, Melvin Bork, Frank Look and W. M. Pearson

15 years ago, Phyllis De Long was named president for a six-month term of Girl Scout troop 1. Other officers named ere as follow: May Lynn Abei, secretary; Judy

Beeson, treasurer: Ruth Gragg, reporter; Thelma Marquis, librsrian; and patrol leaders Mary Simonis, Margery Hall, Jackie Bellis and Leona Tetrick

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