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Communists as Teachers

Names like those of President Dwight D. Eisenhower of Columbia university and President James B. Conant of Harvard give weight to the report of a committee on which they served, which deals with employment of teachers who may be members of the communist party. The committee of twenty educators was named by the National Education Association and its report is entitled "American Education and International Tensions." It recommends that no persons who are members of the communist party be employed in American schools. It does encourage an objective study of communism and other totalitarian systems, without advocacy of their doctrines.

The reason for barring communist teachers is stated in this way:

"Communist membership involves adherence to doctrines and discipline completely inconsistent with the principles of freedom on which American education depends. It is because members of the Communist party are required to surrender the right to think for themselves, as a consequence of becoming part of a movement characterized by conspiracy and calculated deceit, that they should be excluded from employment of teachers."

As far as public schools and colleges and universities supported by public taxation are concerned this paper favors the policy recommended by the NEA committee. Since communism preaches overthrow of the government, the latter cannot be expected to tolerate teachers who espouse communism.

Private schools however are not under the same inhibition. They enjoy greater tolerance if they care to exercise it. We have not heard for instance that M.I.T. expelled the professor who was labelled a member of the communist party by a government witness in the New York trials.

Communism is not the only ideology that may warp the mind. Religions also may have fundamental beliefs which impair the ability of their adherents to teach sciences or history objectively, yet we do not bar from teaching members of what the majority may regard as followers of false doctrine. The rate of desertion from the communist party indicates that association with non-communists may bring enlightenment, while ostracism to the group of party adherents may strengthen devotion to the party.

The line of distinction between public and private schools in this respect is admittedly narrow. But one justification for the latter is the greater freedom which they may enjoy. That should be preserved to the maximum degree possible in orderly society. The state has not outlawed the communist party. Until it does private schools should remain the sole judges in selecting those whom they want to employ or retain as teachers.

Producing Shale-Oil

Thursday The Statesman criticized the army engineers for contracting to send over a million dollars to make a survey of areas where synthetic liquid fuel might be produced. We pointed to work being done in Colorado on extracting oil from shale rock. Colorado shales have long been recognized as a rich fuel resource that would come into use if and when petroleum supplies dwindled so the extra cost of rock handling could be borne. At hand now is a copy of the Christian Science Monitor with quite a complete story on the progress being made in north-west Colorado on recovery of oil from shale rock.

The bureau of mines has a pilot plant there, and the Union Oil company is moving in a superior type of pilot plant. The government unit

charges the retort at the top with the oil-bearing rock. Heat is applied and the oil is "fried" out. It runs down and is drained off.

The Union process feeds crushed rock in at the bottom, like a stoker, and forces it upward where it meets a hot blast from gases above. The oil is gasified and then drawn off at the side. This method requires no water as a cooling agent, since the cold rock absorbs the heat.

Shale oil is a hydrocarbon, though not identical in structure with petroleum. It is estimated there are 300 billion barrels of liquid fuel recoverable from the shales. The limiting factor has been the cost of mining the rock, but that has been reduced to 60 cents a ton at the mine portal. The recovered oil can be by simple treatment be converted into diesel grade, and with further refining into gasoline.

So if the army is looking for fuel to power a war the Colorado shales have much to offer, and full information is available at virtually no cost.

Remember—Guard Against Forest Fires

Crunch that cigaret butt; don't toss it out of the car window.

Douse that campfire, till the last spark is out. Hot weather has come again, the forests are drying out, the hazard of forest fires is on us again.

We've done very well since 1945, partly on education and stricter enforcement of regulations, partly on weather, partly on luck. This summer the weather may not be as cooperative as last year, and our luck may wear thin. So let everyone be a Green Guard for Keep Oregon Green and overcome by vigilance the greater risks that come with dry weather.

Save our beautiful scenery, save our economic resources, save our forests—Keep out the fires.

People at The Dalles have wanted a bridge over the Columbia for years, and wanted it badly enough to spend a lot of dough for preliminary work. Now they are getting somewhere. Col. Ralph Tudor's firm has made a recommendation on the most desirable site, and progress has been made toward a financing program. The Dalles is a logical point for a river crossing, and there is no bridge now between Hood River and Pasco-Kennewick. All the state will rejoice with The Dalles when its long efforts to get a bridge are crowned with success.

Another independent bank is getting started in Marion county. George T. Wadsworth, who has headed the successful Gervais State bank for many years, is expanding into the Woodburn field and has organized the Bank of Woodburn, a state-chartered institution that will open for business Saturday. There is still a place for the independent bank, and under good management it will thrive. The new bank at Woodburn should prosper.

A jinx pursues the Narrows bridge at Tacoma. In 1940 the wind made the first bridge shiver till its cables parted and the bridge collapsed. The postwar construction job got a minor setback when the late earthquake shook down the east tower. Wednesday last the west tower caught fire from oil and paint drums at its base that had become ignited. Needed is insurance against the jinx; but even Lloyd's of London will not write that.

We hope that Seth Thompson will withdraw his proffered resignation and continue as state insurance commissioner. He is exceedingly well qualified and enjoys the full confidence of the public and of all those in the insurance business.

Pins, Starch Protested in Men's Shirts

By Henry McEwen
DAYTON BEACH, Fla., June 9
Who is the man who puts the pins in new shirts?
I ask because that is the man I am looking for.

Looking for, I might add, with a shotgun in my right hand and a flame thrower in my left.

The chances are that I will know him when I see him, because he must wear the cloven hoofs and the horns of an immediate relative of the Devil.

Yes, he must have a Satanic gleam of happiness in his eyes for all the misery he has caused men, and for all the times he has forced them to use words which came close to breaking the pledge they made at Sunday School years ago.

The average new shirt has 742 pins in it. Most of them are located where a man can find them. Fifteen in the collar, ten or twelve dozen in the cuffs, and a hundred or two tucked in various places. A man thinks he has finally pulled out all the pins and the shirt is ready to be put on. Then he finds that the Satanic cousin mentioned above has hidden five or six, which make it impossible for him to get the shirt on. One sleeve is still joined to the collar. One tail is fastened securely to the left cuff.

In his palmist day Houdini couldn't get in such a shirt, unless he wanted to be scratched to death. And Houdini couldn't find those pins either. They are hidden where you can feel them but they are so concealed that you can't find them to pull them out.

By the time a man finally gets all the pins out of a new shirt, it is a new shirt no longer, but one which looks as if it had gone through the Battle of the Bugie all by itself.

I know that Mrs. Roosevelt is very busy, but I beseech her here and now, to ask the United Nations to outlaw the placing of so much as one pin in a new skirt.

Speaking of Mrs. Roosevelt and the U. N., if she really wants to bring this world closer together, she will propose before the next Assembly that the laundresses of the world be taught that when a man says, "No starch," in a collar, he means no starch.

I have travelled over most of the world and have yet to find a laundry where, by asking for no starch, you don't get starch. I am writing this from New York, with my neck surrounded by a collar so stiff that it is powdery, breathes or turns my head, I love more flesh than Shylock ever demanded. When I took my shirts to the laundry, I told the manager that I wanted no starch in my collars.

He said, "I will write that down on your laundry slip." Then he said that to make doubly sure, I should write it down. So I wrote it down, in marquee-size letters, and underlined the two words.

I got my shirts this morning. I might just as well have tried to put on the Washington Monument, if the Washington Monument happened to have sleeves. Every one of my shirts would make perfect Mississippi levees. Not only that, but my shorts were starched, which gives me a feeling of wearing a suit of armor. My handkerchiefs were starched, so that I dare not touch my nose, lest I bruise the classic profile which is mine. You won't believe it, but my socks were starched, and came back looking like little boots. Attractive, yes, but a confounded nuisance.

Funk & Wagnalls defines starch as: "A white, odorless, tasteless, amorphous, powdery carbohydrate, insoluble in cold water, alcohol, and other liquids, found in the seeds, pith, or tubers of most plants."

I can save Funk & Wagnalls a lot of words.

Starch: Starch is the average man's greatest nuisance. Let it stay in tubers, but keep it out of shirts.

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FAMILIAR DETOUR



Hollywood On Parade

By Gene Handsaker
HOLLYWOOD—Gosh, how we men get tired of shaving every day. But Macdonald Carey, who has to let his beard grow two months for a razor as a miser covets his gold. Mac wears a 1/2 inch stubble as an evil-doer in "Copper Canyon." His haircut is the shaggy, ear-ticking, wheatfield or sprouting spinach variety. Says messy-looking Mac: "People are suspicious of me. Police look askance. I have practically no social existence. My daughter won't kiss me, and my wife won't speak to me."

Mac did venture out to one party. Dinah Shore told him the beard was a new man of him. "I don't know exactly what she meant," Mac said darkly. June Haver, visiting the set, approved of his whiskers wholeheartedly. June said she couldn't really admire any man who didn't have a beard. Her radio-producer husband, Bill Spier, sports a half-inch, dark-brun beard.

Sleeping is the worst part of wearing whiskers, Mac said. "It's like sleeping with your head on a hedge." He has two more bristly weeks to go. And hardly can wait to start lathering up.

Quickies: Hedy Lamarr will be Europe-bound by air for a vacation of indefinite length after finishing "Copper Canyon." Asked her itinerary, she said vaguely, "The Riviera. Italy." Want to go to England? "Not particularly." Scandinavia? Hedy looked quizzical. "What should I do there?"

John Lund claims he gets 500 letters a week protesting his darkened hair in "A Foreign Affair." The darkening was done every morning with a pencil. Mona Freeman (Mrs. Pat Nevery) hopes Mona, Jr. will have a brother or sister next year. "After the new house is finished," she adds. "Isn't that clever note? Players finishing their assignments in "Battleground," a World War II picture, are given "honorable discharge" certificates by Director William Wellman.

Arctic waters have relatively small salt content because of lack of evaporation and the inflow of many rivers.

As the employer boss, Lewis puts a week of idleness in before the contract expires, but its only effect is to end the shutdown one week earlier, assuming that it develops into an endurance contest.

The miners will suffer as much as any group for they lose the week's wages. But with coal in over-supply they were in for reduced employment anyway. The Lewis order spreads the loss among all the workers instead of letting those in the marginal mines take the rap. I see no special reason to get furious at Lewis over his new act. There is plenty of coal; and long before the winter winds begin a new contract will be worked out to produce another truce in the steady battle between coal miners and operators.

Your Health

Written by
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Infections of the urinary tract occur often in babies and young children and, when they do, they merit serious attention because one of the most important of the body's systems is involved. By urinary infections are meant infections of the kidney, of the ureters which lead from the kidney to the bladder, and of the bladder itself.

The child with such an infection is usually stricken suddenly with high fever, chills, and vomiting. Other symptoms include frequent emptying of the bladder, accompanied by a burning sensation.

Hospital care is best for such patients. They are kept at rest in bed and given plenty of fluids. It is also important that the action of the bowels be maintained, by enema if necessary. Treatment to clear up the infection depends on the type of germs causing it. In most cases, not one, but several kinds will be found and usually these will include the coli bacillus and the Staphylococcus. In any event, examination of the urine to determine the type of germs present is essential, so that the proper drug for combating them may be given.

Mandelic acid, which is given by mouth, is used particularly against the coli bacillus, Staphylococcus and Streptococcus against the coli bacillus, Staphylococcus. Sulfonamide drugs are useful in similar cases. Penicillin is helpful in infections caused by Staphylococcus and Streptococcus.

Better English

By D. C. Williams

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "I left my car to be fixed."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "conflict" (noun and verb)?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Restorative, resuscitate, resuscitate.
4. What does the word "misogamist" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with f that means "to congratulate"?

- ANSWERS
1. Say, "I left my car to be repaired." 2. Accent noun on first syllable, verb on second. 3. Resuscitate. 4. A hater of marriage. (Pronounce mi-sog-a-mist, both i's as in it, o as in of, accent second syllable). 5. Felicitate.

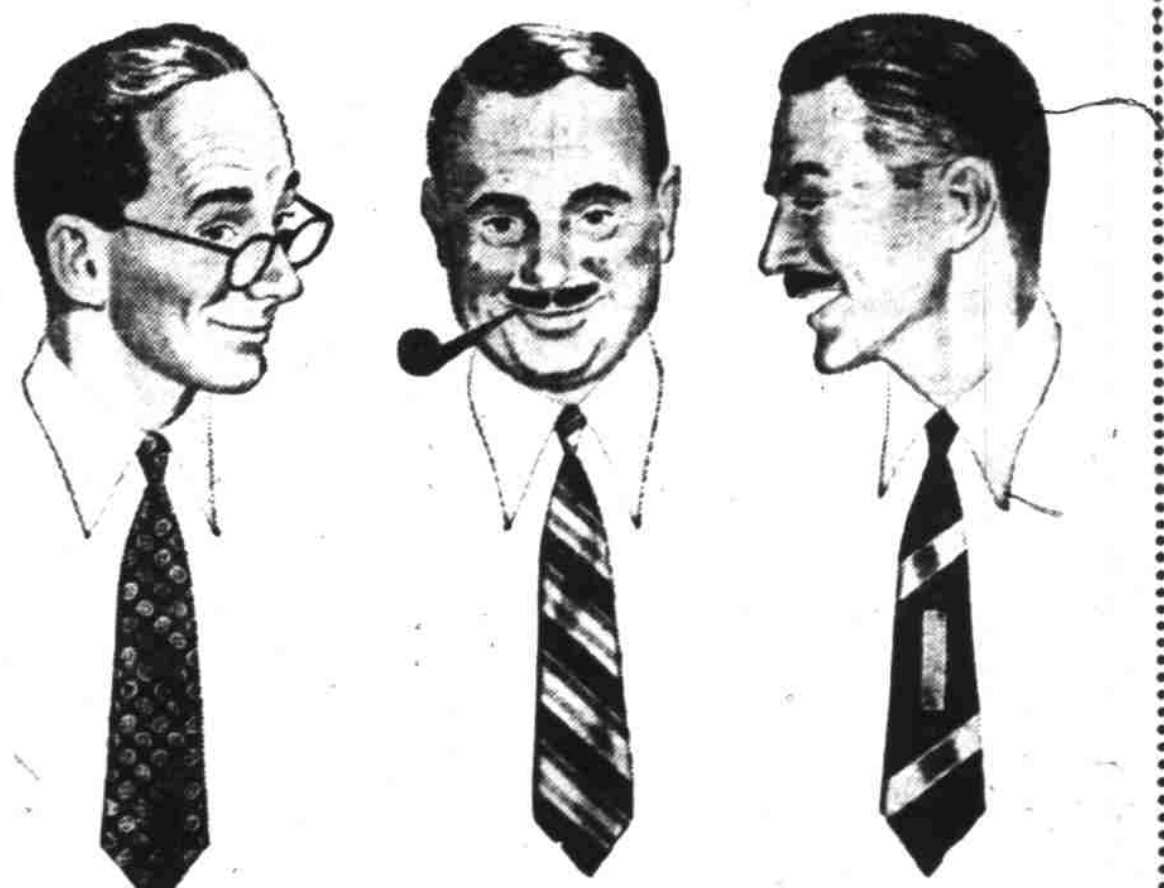
GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



"As a friend of Labor and foe of the speed-up system, I propose we take plenty of time studying this new Labor bill."

What kind of Man is Father?



Bookish type?
Here's one to get his nose out of that book: a fine-figured Manhattan foulard.

Businessman type?
Give him a tie that means business: a sturdy, striped Manhattan repp.

Dashing type?
He'll be dotty about this beautifully tailored, soft, luxurious silk Manhattan Tie.

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Anti-Red Drive Focuses on Indonesia

By Edward E. Bomar
AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

WASHINGTON, June 9 (AP)—The best current sign whether the advance of communism in Asia is going to be stemmed may be forthcoming very shortly, not from China, but from Indonesia.

There final arrangements are being made by a United Nations commission to end the six-month captivity of the Indonesian republican leaders and restore them to their former capital at Jogjakarta. They represent probably the strongest anti-communist force in southwest Asia and at the moment are a focus of American official hopes.

Even before writing off China, Washington decided that there must be a settlement in Indonesia if the rest of the orient is to be kept out of the Soviet orbit. Part of the decision was that such a settlement is impossible without the native republican regime.

Indonesia also is a show window for the American policy of promoting that orderly transformation of colonies to independence. The United States has taken the lead in bringing pressure on the Dutch to make an sincere try for agreement on terms.

For all these reasons the events of the next few weeks will be followed anxiously in Washington and a number of other world capitals.

Unless the republican regime can be made a going thing again, and prevail on to cooperate in a general settlement fostered by the United Nations, prospects appear slim for preventing Indonesia from sliding further into a chaos ripe for communist exploitation.

In four years the Dutch have not been able to restore order, and there is no other native nationalist movement but the republicans in sight which has the strength and will to keep the rich and populous island area from becoming another chaotic

Indo-China.

The first test may come in a matter of days. President Sukarno, Premier Hatta and other republican officials are now expected to be restored to their capital next week. Under terms of their latest agreement, they must then order their widely scattered armed forces to cease fighting. If the order is obeyed the way will be open for a promising general peace conference later this summer.

But if the 150,000-odd armed

Indonesians choose instead to keep on fighting as guerrillas, a new crisis seemingly would be inevitable. Only the Dutch could solve that by giving support to a regime which they have repeatedly tried to upset.

Indonesia just now is in a central position in a long anti-communist defense line extending from Japan to India. In the prevailing American view it can be held only by Asiatic nationalists and not by the armed force of weakened European colonial powers.

Literary Guidepost

By W. G. Rogers
ANGELS CAMP, by Ray Morrison (Norton; \$3)

Leo Zubat, an appealing, big-eyed boy in his middle teens, loiters outside a Rescue Mission in Los Angeles. A fat, oily stranger catches his attention, and before Leo wanders away, he lets the man's glance cross his again. The man follows, enters, enters into conversation with him, invites him to supper. Since his circumstances are somewhat ominous, you suspect the boy, hidden off in a smelly apartment down a dark alley, is not going to eat for free. But at the moment of reckoning, when Leo's young Mexican confederate, Reo, sneaks in and the pair of them conk the man with a sand-filled sock, it is the host who pays with the \$25 they steal from his pockets.

Their next venture, however, is their last, for the police nab Leo. The judge sends him to a sort of reform camp high in the mountains. It is here, mainly, that this first novel develops, with good and evil, a capitalized Good and Evil, vying valiantly for little Leo. Then Good insufficiently disguised, appears in a counsellor. Mr. Grozier, who works subtly on the boy's better

instincts. The Evil is in the boy himself, his reprehensible habits, and in camp mates like Crats, Mophead, Steamboat and Roo, who found his way there thanks to another dereliction.

The author is very earnest about all this, and he is successful in depicting Grozier's thoughtful approach to Leo's problem. The boy's sage remark, that "Asking me when I went wrong is like asking the judge when he went right," caught interest early in the book; but if that is regarded as a promise of more excellencies to come, the promise is not fulfilled. This sagacity yields to a series of morals: That a judge can be understanding, a bad boy can be reformed, a reform camp can be run. Then the morals are worked out by a series of chance incidents and encounters: Runaway truck, murder, plane crash, conflagration, big-hearted movie director, two straying girls and one lost woman. In these terms, repentance is disaster, and it's less trouble to leave Leo alone. But then we wouldn't have had a novel. But I doubt if we have a novel, anyway; it's more like a Rescue Mission tract.