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## Woe Unto Whom?

"Vous croyez que ça ira sans chatiment? Malheur! Malheur! Trois fois malheur!" (You think this will pass without punishment? Woe! Woe! Woe unto you!) With these words, like Amos of old, Stephen Alexis, great-grandson of a slave and Haitian delegate to United Nations, warned the whole world that what is happening to the natives of South Africa under the Malan government will lie on the conscience of mankind.

Recalling the testimony of the Rev. Michael Scott, representing the natives, Alexis cited the abuses, the floggings, the forced labor, the moral degradation that is the lot of the blacks. This, he said, was the most terrible indictment ever drawn up against men who called themselves civilized.

"The white people have become rich and powerful because whole races have died for them, because they have devastated and plundered continents. (But the African people) who are thought to be weak, powerless and base will one day rise and look their masters in the face. . . . Let their oppressors be warned. Political Machiavellianism, which is the essence of modern 'realism,' has met with a staggering defeat in history."

Commenting on the seething racial unrest in South Africa with its ominous implications for the rest of the world, even the Christian Science Monitor, usually a champion of the oppressed, advises "a levelheaded realism" combined with Christian spirit in trying to find a way out of the dark dilemma.

The dilemma, the Monitor says, is that the natives who want equality and self-determination are "tragically untrained" for such responsibility. So the Europeans "in that great sea of native humanity" want to keep the status quo, keep the natives segregated, disease-ridden, illiterate, underpaid—in a word, forever "unqualified" for justice and a fair share. Some of the whites even hope civil war will break out; it would justify wholesale slaughter of the insurgent blacks.

Then the natives would continue to sweat on the great mountains of iron (biggest medium-grade ore reserve in the world) to feed the steel mills of South Africa and of its customers. This, news reports predict, would bring great industrial expansion in S.A. and "boost adjoining underprivileged areas." The truth is probably that it would create more wealth for the wealthy and the natives would be expected to go on as before.

Go on as before—for how long? Make no mistake about it: the blacks and Indians of Africa have learned important lessons from their brothers in Asia who achieved independence. Have we learned the same lessons?

It seems not. "Levelheaded realism" has caused the United States to ally itself with Britain and France not only in the fight against Russian imperialism, but in the European imperialists' struggle to keep a grip on people who would be free.

"Levelheaded realism" demands that we give priority to the interests of what allies we have rather than to the aspirations of peoples whose friendship we may need in the future. So the United States voted with South Africa and Britain against giving Reverend Scott a hearing in United Nations. Our delegates voted with France against giving the Tunisian case a hearing in U.N.

As a result, critics in India, Egypt, the Middle East and elsewhere cry shame. They notice that

by such actions the United States is using United Nations as a tool of power politics.

But, determined as we are to surround Russia with air bases and secure sources of raw materials, we must have the support of our allies. Britain and France must, it seems, be placated and we hesitate to risk their displeasure. Thus the vote-trading in the U.N. There are always political and military justifications for that. We can stand firm on our good intentions.

And yet, remembering the words of Stephen Alexis, should we not tremble for our children's sake; for they will pay for our sins as surely as we are now, in Asia, paying for the transgressions of our fathers.

The refurbished spire of the First Methodist Church provides a warm new glow to the nighttime skyline of Salem and its gleaming white outline is a handsome beacon at all times. The church is to be congratulated on its extensive remodeling program, of which the steeple is but a part. There are some who have commented that a new church might have been constructed for the money thus spent. But a new church was neither needed nor desired. The pioneers of 1870 who started the present structure planned well indeed. It is a monument to honest architecture and construction and to the faith of its congregation. It will endure for many, many years.

Civil defense officials can take heart from the action of individuals during the Big Muddy floods. People in the danger areas pitched in and worked feverishly on dikes, levees, piling up sandbags, manning bulldozers, driving trucks and handling boats for evacuation of refugees. Some worked around the clock with no rest and little food. There was little looting or panicky behavior. . . . If that's the way Americans would react to wartime disasters, CD won't have so much to worry about.

It is fine that the state apparently will have many millions of dollars more than expected, due to whopping income tax payments, but no one need lie awake nights wondering what ought to be done with it. Let's have a breather in spending.

## Editorial Comment

**DUNKER'S DOUGHNUT**  
The arbiters of etiquette are firmly in accord that the practice of dunking is not to be encouraged. This seems to apply whether the subject be Huey Long's corn pone and pot-licker, a small boy on the edge of a swimming pool, or the conventional doughnut.

Yet someone is always defying the conventions—just as it seems someone is always trying to find a new shape or material or trimming for the doughnut. As it were not enough to introduce cake doughnuts, raised doughnuts, sugared doughnuts, honey-dipped doughnuts, frosted doughnuts, chocolate doughnuts, cinnamon doughnuts, and jelly doughnuts, someone in Philadelphia has brought out a new model fashioned on the lines of a tennis racket, with a three-inch handle.

Though this undoubtedly will appeal to some, it can hardly be set down as one of civilization's major accomplishments. Like the effort to make corn on the cob socially acceptable by sticking silver handles into the ends of the ear, there will remain some question whether the result is quite satisfactory either to the consumer or to the onlooker.

Considering, however, the auspices under which the long-handled doughnut made its appearance one is obliged at least to be charitable. The first samples were handed out in connection with the 1952 Salvation Army drive.

—(Christian Science Monitor)

## Russia May Be Forced to Try Grandstand Play in Attempt to Halt Defense of Reich

BY WILLIAM L. RYAN  
Foreign Affairs Analyst

The next few weeks will be critical ones for the future of Germany. It will be interesting to watch Soviet maneuvers.

Soviet thrusts and dodges to prevent West Germany's final integration in Western defense plans have been, on the whole, unsuccessful in recent weeks, but they have had this effect: Each thrust tended to create doubts in the German mind.

The Soviet Zone Communists have called for mass strikes against the forthcoming peace contract between West Germany and the Western Allies. There is a sound of desperation in the call-words like "the hour is extremely serious and time presses."

But the dramatic action, if one comes, will not be by the Communists of East or West Germany. The Communists lack strength in West Germany to carry the ball alone. Any action intended to stave off the signing of the peace contract in May will have to come from the Kremlin.

Soviet moves up to now have been strong, but not strong enough. The USSR has played heavily on the theme of German unity, but has failed to convince West Germans that the Kremlin wants free elections.

It rejected United Nations supervision over elections and substituted a proposal for four-power supervision. That undoubtedly has been a transparent move so far as the West Germans are concerned. It will take more than a suggestion like that—retaining the Soviet veto—to convince the Germans.

What, then, will the Soviet Union do now? The Kremlin has only a few weeks left in which to act decisively. If its bid to stop the peace contract is to have any hope at all of success, it must be a spectacular one, a major grandstand play

The maneuver must have the look of an unheard-of concession to Western demands. At the same time it must be highly attractive to the Germans. Even at that, it may be too late.

Western diplomats inside Germany have pointed out one bear-trap in the making: A Soviet offer to pull its occupation troops out of East Germany.

It would be a move the West could not easily match. Soviet troops pulled out of Germany still would dominate the East sector. They have only to draw back as far as the new Polish border along the Oder-Neisse Line, into what were pre-war German territories.

The Russians would leave be-

hind two units—a trained, Communist-dominated *Bereitschaften* alert units organized on a military plane, plus thousands of *Volkspolizei* (People's Police).

The Russians do not trust either group, but there is reason to believe they would perform, by and large, the way the Communists order.

A West Berlin official told me recently the two groups were in a position today similar to that of the Nazi police in the war days. No matter what their personal feelings now might be, they are marked men with a large sector of the population. They would perform for the Communists if only to save their own skins.

## Literary Guidepost

BY W. G. ROGERS

**FAR CORNER: A PERSONAL VIEW OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST**, by Stewart H. Holbrook (Macmillan, \$3.75). About 30 years ago this author, who was brought up in the East and could have spent his life as a staid New Englander, heard the irresistible call of the West or the Wild, remembered Horace Greeley, or something, and packing up some books and tapping on his derby, headed for British Columbia.

Vancouver was all right, though people there still drove to the left and had never seen a derby; but Holbrook turned back south to his native land. It hadn't seen a derby, either, but knew about books and writers, among them the Opal Whiteley whose diary was popular and in-sufficiently authenticated, and John Reed, James Stephens, H. L. Davis, Vardis Fisher and soon or late, some others. But they weren't a heap of corking good regional material, or left it on purpose for Holbrook, and he

passes it on gladly to us in book after book.

They didn't tell us about August Erickson's bar, for instance, in Portland; it's 684 feet long and has five entrances, which is handy for the bouncer. They left him the story about the rawhide railroad eaten by starving wolves; about the body of a boy that, preserved in whiskey, took the fight out of Sioux braves on the warpath; about the vast tree of Johnsons, some named C. P. Johnson, and Tucker Creek, Sugar Foot, Copper Tack Johnson; about those fetching old "Indian" names like Alcona, Oscoda, Allegan, Arenac, made up by Henry R. Schoolcraft out of his learning in Greek, Latin and the Romance languages.

Up and down Washington and Oregon and over into Idaho, Holbrook has wandered with eyes and ears at the ready for legend, fact and fancy. His far corner isn't a big corner, nor more important than the one he left behind, but it's his corner, and his book brightens it perceptibly.

## WORKING ON THE LEVEE



# IT SEEMS TO ME

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and at the same time have a full view of the runway. The ceiling lights are flush with the ceiling and their reflection in the wall glass looks like stars ranging on into space.

A trip to Big Sur (a small river) and Point Lobos with its famed cypress grove at the tip yesterday, up green Carmel Valley today and tomorrow reserved for the 17-mile drive around Monterey peninsula. Then I'm scheduled to go on to San Diego for a five-day cruise with some other civilians, guests of the 13th Naval District on the recommissioned Bon Homme Richard, one of the big aircraft carriers. This was the ship my son-in-law served on as surgeon during the late war. Now in private practice in Richmond he is making this cruise too, which should be of much interest to both of us.

C. A. S.

## Better English

By D. C. WILLIAMS

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "I have proof of this being correct."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "Carnegie"?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Generalize, generalize, generalismo, Genesic.
4. What does the word "novitiate" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with dr that means "extreme in effect"?

- ANSWERS**
1. Say, "I have proof that this is correct." 2. Pronounce Carnegie, first e as in ear, second second syllable. 3. Generalissimo. 4. State or time of being a novice; apprenticeship. "The boy has served his novitiate." 5. Drastic.

## Your Health

By Herman N. Sandesen, M.D.

Troublesome coughs send many people to their doctors every year. Indeed, this is one of the most frequent of all symptoms plaguing mankind.

Did you know that a cough has a definite purpose in the body? It is an unconscious, or reflex, action to remove irritations which originate in the lungs or air tubes. The irritations may be due to accumulated mucus from an infection, disturbed circulation (as in heart disease), or a foreign object in the lung and respiratory tract.

There are two types of cough. The first type rids the lungs and tubes of foreign substances in them, whether due to infection or not. This cough may be useful and beneficial if it aids in removing infected or irritating material.

The second type does not rid the body of any substances. This is a useless or ineffective cough. It may be due to irritation in some region outside the lungs, such as the sinuses, windpipe, or chest cavity. Certain infections and tumors may also bring coughs which do not get rid of any fluid.

Many times an inflammation in the air passages forms mucous material that is very sticky or fibrous. The cough then brings nothing up, and falls in the useless class.

In treating a cough, it is most important to find out its true cause. This often makes it very hard and even dangerous for a person to treat his own cough. Too often he goes to a drug store and asks for a remedy for a cough that has hung on for many months. He does not realize that such a cough might come from damage to the lung tissue itself.

Many remedies relieve the cough itself but do not touch the underlying cause of the trouble. Too often a cough is stopped for months at a time by heavy doses of codeine or other sedative drugs, giving a diseased lung time to develop into a serious disorder.

Persistent coughs should not be brushed off as just due to a common cold or simple irrita-

tion. A careful examination should be made by a physician and X-rays taken, if necessary, to discover the real cause.

### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

**K. L. R.:** Can infected teeth cause arthritis?  
**Answer:** It is believed by some authorities that any infection, such as in the teeth, tonsils or sinuses, may help cause arthritis.  
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## Evacuation Topic At Civil Defense Meet Wednesday

Rescue and evacuation in civil defense was the topic for Marlon County civil defense organization meeting Wednesday at 8 p.m. in Bush School auditorium. The speaker will be Andrew O. Baker, a former Army major who served as a military governor in Italy, on "Re-establishing Devastated Areas in Italy as Result of War Damage." Films from British civil defense on building collapse and rescue of personnel from buildings will be shown.

Arrangements are in charge of D. H. Cameron, alternate for the director, and P. M. Gemmill, deputy for operations.

## TB Group to Meet Friday

Annual meeting of Marlon County Tuberculosis and Health Association is slated for 8 p.m. Friday in First Methodist Church. With the topic of "The Second 40 Years," the speaker will be Dr. Harold Bernard, associate professor of education in the General Extension Division, Oregon System of Higher Education. The public program also will include a short business meeting and election of new members to the board of directors.

Sickles for reaping grain date back to the Stone Age.

## Thaw Brings Hope (or Fear) Of TV to Millions; Like Auto, It's Probably 'Here to Stay'

By A. ROBERT SMITH  
Statesman Correspondent

WASHINGTON—Now that spring has brought a thaw in the long television freeze that has kept Salem in a TV blackout, here is what is in store for you if you join the nearly 16 million American families with television sets in their homes.

First and foremost, there is the social angle. If you travel in a booky crowd, you should be apprised that it is fashionable to sneer whenever the subject of TV comes up. You may possibly avoid this obstacle by saying, with great apology, "I'm only buying it to keep the children quiet," and then launch into a discussion of all the books your noisy youngsters have prevented you from reading.

The same social difficulties obtain if you belong to a devoted bridge set.

But if your crowd is sports minded, TV was made for you. Recently, Southpaw Harry Truman tossed out the first ball to open 154 days of the national pastime—and TV turns your easy chair into a box seat. And then there was the Robinson-Graziano middleweight championship fight. Or maybe you like those grunt-and-growl artists who wrestle through the late hours of most every evening.

Then again, perhaps you like the movies—old movies, any old movies. If so, get a TV set. This week you might see Charles Laughton in "The Beachcomber," Madeleine Carroll in "My Son, My Son," Bill Boyd in "Go Get 'Em Haines," Heather Angel in "Headline Woman," and "Robinson Crusoe," among many others. Washington, D. C., has four channels, which give one at least six movies a day.

### Some Shows "Live"

The live shows, televised as you watch them, supplement the movies with sufficient murders, assaults, fist fights and dragnets to keep any otherwise healthy child awake at night.

Then there are the variety programs, including vaudeville returned to the scene of its earlier crimes. Many are very worth while for entertainment that appeals to everyone from Sis to Grandma. This is the arena for

Arthur Godfrey, Ed Wynn and Milton Berle. In the late morning and afternoon there are programs devoted to kids, chiefly comedies and adventure serials (Captain Video, Cowboy Playhouse), and the "Queen for a Day" type ladies quiz and prize show to lighten the housewives' daily load.

Until lately, this has been the general run of television fare. But more and more good cultural entertainment is appearing, such as Toscanini directing the NBC symphony; an occasional opera by the Metropolitan; such soloists as Rise Stevens and Ezio Pinza; and Marian Anderson; Sadler's Wells Ballet; and good drama. Education channels can be counted upon to foster this trend.

**Current Events Popular**  
Best political sign is the increasing number of current events programs of the "Meet the Press" and "American Forum of the Air" type, which now attract wide interest with interviews and debates featuring most of the nation's leading politicians.

One of the dangers that attends the newness of this medium is that people frequently believe they are being informed when they listen to two debating politicians, when in fact they may only be being entertained by political showmanship.

But public officials will in due time get over the novelty of TV, as will the viewers, and it will come into useful play to bring government problems—Federal, state and local—closer to the people. It may well bring a resurgence of the will to participate in solving these problems, at least to go to the polls.

The day has long been gone that the citizens gathered by the bandshell on Sundays to hear candidates for office debate the issues, and the percentage of actual voters among our people has gradually fallen to less than a majority.

### Might Boost Vote

Television may one day offer a partial cure for this condition, giving everyone a convenient opportunity to see and hear his elected representatives on his living room screen. The TV industry claims that more people go to the ballpark after watching games free on television; so possibly the same interest in politics will be aroused, sending more citizens to the polling booth come election day.

That, we can hope, is what's in store for the country through this latest fixture in the American home.

## Grief Fatal to Mother of Air Crash Victim

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP)—The mother of a young Air Force sergeant who was killed in the flaming crash of a B-36 bomber here last week died in a hospital early Sunday.

Her doctor tentatively attributed death to a cerebral hemorrhage. Friends said it was simply a tragic case of heart break. An autopsy will be performed.

Mrs. Ben Cohn had come here from San Francisco for the marriage of her 23-year-old son, Martin, to Joan Samuels, 19. They were to be wed Saturday.

Mrs. Cohn brought the sergeant's younger brother, too. The announcements were out and the wedding gifts were arriving. It was to be a big ceremony.

Early Tuesday, young Cohn and 14 other airmen died when their bomber crashed on the edge of the runway and blew up at Fairchild Air Force Base.

Rabbi Samuel Lerner had the task of telling Mrs. Cohn. "She broke down and cried very much, of course," he said. "But it was a normal reaction and I thought she was taking it fairly well. We called her husband in San Francisco. She talked to him and asked that he come quickly."

Twenty minutes later, Mrs. Cohn, sitting on a bed, fainted and lapsed into a coma. She never regained consciousness. The heavy hearted father and husband completed arrangements Sunday to take the bodies of his son and wife back to San Francisco for a double funeral.

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