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## Industrial Integration in Europe

The administration for the heavy industry of six nations of Western Europe has set up shop in Luxembourg with Jean Monnet, the French economist and cabinet minister who thought up the plan, as head of its nine-man board. This authority will manage the production of coal and steel in France, Germany, Italy, Belgium, Holland, Luxembourg. Coal output runs to 220,000,000 tons a year and steel to 40,000,000 tons. Robert Schuman, French Foreign minister, first offered the plan for integrating heavy industry of Western Europe in May, 1950. It took two years to effect an agreement, and one of the nations, Britain, refused to enter the deal. The treaty which establishes the authority gives it power to set aside quotas and tariffs and subsidies, thus stimulating the flow of raw materials. Finished products are to be sold throughout the six nations on the same terms. This adventure in freedom of trade is a marked departure from the past when cartels restricted output and tariffs and quotas limited international trade.

The great value of the agreement is that it permits treating as one integrated whole the raw material sources and the great industrial complex of Lorraine, the Saar, the Ruhr, Belgium and Luxembourg. The present fly in the ointment however is the status of the Saar. While economic unification has been achieved, political division remains. France fears return of the Saar to Germany would give the latter superiority in coal-iron-steel production. Germany resists French efforts to hold the Saar in its orbit and calls for an election when the Saarlanders undoubtedly would vote again for return to Germany. There is talk of asking the United States to determine the issue between France and Germany but that is a role the USA would assume with reluctance.

Given some reasonably satisfactory adjustment of the Saar question and a period of time for the Schuman plan to show what it can do the results ought to be highly satisfactory, contributing to the peace of Western Europe, to the rise in the standard of living of the people, and to the development of an imposing strength ready for Europe's defense.

It took a long time to evolve the agreement for the Schuman plan. With similar patience it should be possible to settle the Saar question.

## Supervision of Blind, Deaf Schools

One of the recommendations in the Dr. Holy report on Oregon education was that control of the state schools for the blind and deaf be transferred from the State Board of Control to the State Board of Education. The Legislative Assembly appointed a committee consisting of Sen. Howard C. Belton and Reps. F. H. Dammasch and E. H. Mann to study the proposal. Their report, the first to be filed of any of the interim committees, recommends that the control of the schools be left with the Board of Control.

The recommendation is a sound one. Already there is a full cooperation between the schools and the State Department of Education on courses. Appointment of superintendents is on a non-political basis and management is left with them. The Board of Control concerns itself with the care of buildings, the financial management of the institutions, and leaves the custody and instruction of children to the employed professional staff. By coordinating services and supplies with those of other institutions under its

## New Polish Constitution Promises Justice But Without American-Type Safeguards

By J. M. ROBERTS, JR.  
Associated Press News Analyst

A new constitution for Communist Poland has been drawn. It does not have the "new look," since it is taken strictly from the Soviet copy book. The Constitution of the United States spends a great deal of effort to protect first the rights of individuals, then the rights of states, against federal encroachment.

In particular it sets up a system by which minorities can live and prosper.

One of the first items of the Polish constitution states the duty of the government to limit, oust and abolish those classes of society which live by exploiting the workers and farmers.

That means the capitalist, whether he is a stockholder, storekeeper, Kulak landowner, or anyone who does not produce through personal sweat. Some exceptions will be made, of course, for "cultural" workers, who will be turned into tools of state propaganda.

But the point is not the regulation of non-laboring classes, but their abolition. Abolition, like liquidation, is a tough word in Communist jargon.

Where the U. S. Constitution outlines restrictions on the government in its relations with the people, and its dues to them, the thirteenth paragraph of the new Polish constitution says: "strict adherence to the laws of the Polish People's Republic is the fundamental duty of every citizen of the state and of every citizen."

Well, of course. But there is something significant about the approach. Contrary to widespread public belief, Communism does not abolish property rights.

Both the Soviet and Polish constitutions contain guarantees of ownership and the right to inherit. But there is a hitch. Everything that is part of the economic life of the state, from the shoe-maker's awl to the potato field, is under the special care of

management the Board of Control is able to effect substantial savings in operating costs.

The Board of Education would have to set up a new supervising agency in its department if it is to do the job of managing these institutions. Already it has its hands full in its work with public schools of the state.

The report of the committee is brief, but it is clear and convincing. In the face of it the Assembly is not likely to shift control of these special institutions from the Board of Control.

## Save a Second, Lose a Life

Seven weeks ago, after two children had been seriously hurt on Salem streets, the Statesman said "there is an increasing traffic hazard" in this city "and it is time such hazard should be recognized and dealt with . . . if (more) serious tragedy is to be averted."

Since that time, numerous subscriber-friends have written and telephoned to complain of excess speed of trucks and automobiles, of flagrant law violations, and of just plain careless driving.

So far as we have observed respect for traffic regulations shows little improvement. Yet there is where safety begins. We cannot afford to have police lining all the streets and highways. The major responsibility for safety rests on the driver—and on the pedestrian if he is in the path of vehicular travel. The urge to "beat the light" or to cross from one lane to another, or to pass another car leads to many infractions of regulations and accounts for many accidents—all to save a split second of time.

Whatever can be said for one-way streets, they seem to have done three things: (1) encouraged speed to catch or even to make up traffic lights in mad dashes through the city; (2) diverted to side streets traffic which doesn't want to be bothered with lights, and (3) made excess speed a habit all over town. Perhaps they aren't worth the price—particularly when they are confined to wide thoroughfares, not to narrow streets where traffic otherwise is difficult.

The police can tighten enforcement and stiff fines may impress a lesson, but in the last analysis it is the motorist and the pedestrian who must enforce safety rules on themselves.

## Land Reform in Egypt

The new government of Egypt is directing its attention to land reform. That is usually the most urgent need in backward lands—the land has accumulated in the ownership of the wealthy classes. The landlords live in the settlements and exact heavy rentals from tenants. To pay rent and taxes those who work the land live on the edge of starvation, and are in such bondage they can't escape; and even if they could they have no skills to earn a living with in other occupation.

But slicing up the land isn't a guarantee of a lift in the standard of living. Sometimes it merely would multiply the starvation for the holdings would be too small for efficient operation. The outlet for over-populated countries is industrialization. For this they lack capital and technical knowledge and sometimes resources and means of transport. With the best will in the world those heading the revolution in Egypt will not be able to do much toward easing the lot of the submerged fellow. But they will vanguard their revolution if they make a real start toward land and economic reform.

out fail the state assessment against his product before he feeds his family, in drought or in plenty, he will not be disposed. So, the Constitution says, "the Polish People's Republic guarantees to citizens full protection of persons, property and the right to inherit it," adding a little later on, "property may be confiscated only in cases determined by law, by virtue of a final judgment of the court."

Communist law and Communist court, that is. And without that little gimmick of the American basic law, "just compensation."

## Literary Guidepost

By DAVID TAYLOR MARKE  
THE LANDSMEN, by Peter Martin (Little, Brown; \$3.75)  
To several millions of American Jews of Russian extraction, even to the second and third generations, "The Landsmen" will be a novel of nostalgia.

To millions more, of other extractions, it will help to explain the strange and alien mores brought to these shores by a people seeking havens of refuge and opportunities for survival and betterment.

To sociologists this book may, in time, become a source book of the way of life never again to be duplicated in the Russia we know now. Well written though it may be, "The Landsmen" is not really a novel. Rather it is a collection of vignettes depicting the "Golsinkers," the people who lived in the old Russian village of Golsink in the latter part of the 19th century. They serve their master on the hill, the Squire, doing all his farm work as well as the many little illicit tasks he sets. To incur his displeasure might mean a beloved son's conscription into the army or the loss of one's livelihood. In return he allows

them little more than their huts, their synagogue and their shrouds.

Living ever on the brink of starvation and extinction, their lives serve to explain to Americans why it is they congregated in the cities here, possessed such an insatiable desire for education and betterment, and combined qualities of acquisitiveness with large and generous portions of philanthropy.

There is drama and humor and profound insight into the hearts of people in this book. Here is Mottel, who after serving in the army, forsakes the ways of his coreligionists and becomes an outcast. Yet he goes to jail to help his orphaned nephews. Here is gentle Reb Maisha, teaching the young to love God and preaching the joys to be found in the "Next World," and Laib, who won't be a tailor and learns to play the violin from the prostitute Varya.

There are a host of other characters, each depicting some facet of life in the old country, some carryover to be found in this country, as the author's grandmother becomes the link between the old world and the new.

## OH, HEAR THE DISTANT THUNDER'S HUM!



Until last week Marion County had gone 43 years without a first degree murder conviction of a civilian (not counting crimes committed in the state pen here). In 1908 C. Y. Timmons, 37-year-old carpenter, was convicted for murdering his wife. He died on the gallows in Feb. 1909. After the murder Timmons had slashed his own throat and one of the men who fed and nursed him in a Marion County jail cell was a young deputy named Jim McGilchrist, now a tourist guide at the State Capitol. The hard-working assistant district attorney on the case was another young fellow by the name of Charles L. McNary.



A. Robert Smith, Statesman's Washington correspondent, gets his handsome mug pixed in the latest issue of Editor & Publisher, snapped while A. Robert was toiling at the Demo Nat. convention . . . Convention reporter for the New Orleans Times-Picayune was a fellow named Edgar Allen Poe, who probably croaked, "Forevermore" when the fighting was over . . . Food salesman calling on retail food stores using another Salem paper's route list as a guide are going to find themselves headed the wrong direction on local one-way streets. Seems the list was patterned after The Statesman's old route list and not its recently-compiled new list which takes into account the grid system.

Well, anyway, the Air Force is not too snooty to reverse its field if necessary. It is now blaming the Wash. D. C. flying saucers on cold air layers . . . not so long ago, though, it was blaming the discs on hot air liars . . .

Changing of Salem suburban area postal service brought on its little pains of trouble . . . Other day residents on one route found in their mailboxes instructions to change their box numbers and to notify their pen pals of the change . . . Next day some boxholders found orders to "please disregard the previous order." . . . Then the following day, order came out to paint street numbers instead of box numbers on the mailboxes . . . Next thing some boxholders expect is a query from Aunt Emma asking how come they move so often.

Marion County Judge Rex Hartley says no cornerstone apparently was ever laid in the old courthouse, recently torn down. At least workmen didn't find one and official records don't show any. Kinda unusual too, because when the courthouse was built 80 years ago sealing a box of articles in new cornerstones was considered a big thing . . . Defendant up for sentencing in Marion County Circuit Court told the court he'd served a sentence for something or other in Alabama once. State police here came up with a record of two five-year sentences in Oregon prison. Oh, said our man, he'd forgotten about them. So the judge gave him a two-year memory jolt on the new charge.

## GRIN AND BEAR IT by Lichty



"We're NOT going to leave our card, Beiknap! . . . I wouldn't give them the satisfaction of knowing they avoided us . . ."

## The Safety Valve

In Defense of Teenage Drivers  
To the editor —

I have been amused and I really mean amused at the comments made recently on the traffic situation in Salem. There is a traffic situation alright, but I haven't noticed so much reckless driving.

It seems to me that the teenagers are always being blasted away at. What is wrong with these teenagers having cars or rods so to speak. Some of these youngsters have small jobs and have no other way of going to work, and with the cost of good

cars, how could they afford them? As for their driving, what is the percentage of persons killed and accidents occurred over that of those 20 years of age and older.

Some of the most hazardous situations are these people who think they are driving so carefully, such as driving 10 miles an hour in a 30 mile zone, and keep hugging the yellow line. No respect for those who wish to travel at the given rate of speed. This signaling situation, a right signal when they are turning left; never a hand out when they slow down to almost stopping; and if they are turning right, not even the courtesy of signaling right so the drivers behind will know what they are going to do. (Signal lights on cars should be compulsory). These are just a few, I could name a lot more, especially where pedestrians are concerned.

Yes, we have a traffic situation, but I don't think the fault all lies with the teenagers creating it. Some comment has been made in regards to adding more police, to catch these violators. This means higher taxes, and then who does the crying, the citizens of Salem. Why not every one try cooperating with the officers instead of criticizing and the traffic problem will solve itself.

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## Safety Valve

Who was President

To the Editor:  
Who was president when World War I was declared? World War II was declared? World War III was declared?

Would like an answer in your paper  
Rillie Kerber,  
Monmouth

Editor's Note: No. 1 Woodrow Wilson; No. 2 Franklin D. Roosevelt; No. 3, WW III not declared yet.

## Better English

By D. C. WILLIAMS

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "All of our friends were there, and the reason for this is apparent."  
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "judiciary"?

3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Caterer, condenser, chancellor, vernacular.  
4. What does the word "compement" mean?  
5. What is a word beginning with sp that means "intermittent"?

ANSWERS  
1. Say, "All (omit of) our friends were there, and the reason for this is obvious." 2. Pronounce joo-di-ka-to-ri, oo as in too, both i's as in it, a unstressed oo as in no, accent first syllable. 3. Condenser. 4. That which completes. "History is the complement of poetry." 5. Spasmodic.

The meat of watermelons varies in sweetness, fiber and color, ranging from dark red through pink to yellow.

## Your Health

Patients With Tuberculosis Checked for Cancer of Lung.

Cancer of the lung and tuberculosis can cause symptoms that are so similar we often cannot tell the diseases apart by looking at the symptoms alone. Further tests have to be made in order to be sure tuberculosis alone is present. Usually, the person with tuberculosis has night sweats, cough, and loss of weight. Coughing up blood is another important sign. Almost one-third of the people with tuberculosis can remember spitting up blood at some time.

In a recent study, it was found that one in every hundred patients in tuberculosis hospitals also has cancer of the lung. In part, the reason for this finding is that hospitals today have a larger number of older patients, who are more likely to have lung cancer. This trend toward older patients in tuberculosis hospitals has been noticeable in the last few years.

It seems that tuberculosis is becoming more and more a disease of the aged. The old theory that a person could not get tuberculosis in middle age is rapidly being disproved. One recent study found that 58 per cent of the men in a certain sanatorium were over 50 years old.

What can be done to track down a cancer when the patient also has tuberculosis?

Sanatoriums are now trying to discover cancer sooner by taking X-rays of all patients repeatedly and frequently. Then they can begin to combat the cancer at once.

Diagnosis of cancer together with tuberculosis can sometimes be made by an examination of the sputum, in which a search is made for cancer cells.

In some cases there may be a need to inspect the bronchial tubes directly. This can be done with the bronchoscope, an instrument that is passed down the throat and into the tubes of the lungs (bronchi).

Cancer of the lung can be helped if treatment is started early enough. Modern surgery has been so perfected that these tumors can be removed from the lung.

The menace of tuberculosis occurring together with cancer of the lung can be brought under control by careful observation and diagnosis by physicians.

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

L. D.: I have heard that when a person has multiple sclerosis, he has difficulty in talking. Is this true?

Answer: In some cases, the person may have a speech difficulty. He may enunciate his words slowly and have a tendency to hesitate at the beginning of a word syllable. This is called "scanning" speech.

## Frank Sedgman Ousted By Fellow Australian

SOUTH ORANGE, N. N. (AP)—Frank Sedgman of Australia, who can be a world beater when he wants to, was upset Monday in the finals of the Eastern Grass Courts Tennis Championships by fellow countryman Ken McGregor.

McGregor, the Australian champion, won, 6-3, 6-4, in a shortened two-of-three sets match decided upon because of Sunday's showers.

Doris Hart of Coral Gables, Fla., easily won the women's singles title over Shirley Fry, Akron, Ohio, 6-1, 6-3.

## PLACED IN IRON LUNG

PENDLETON (AP)—Ronald Lewis, 23, Pendleton, was under treatment in an iron lung here Monday, the first of Umatilla County's 32 polio victims to require such care. Attendants said his condition was improved.

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