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Or Else—What?

"The Communists have got to give an accounting of them (3,404 United Nations prisoners of war believed held back by the Reds)—or else," Major General Bryan, senior Allied armistice commissioner, said when he handed the list of prisoners over to the Chinese.

"Or else"—what?
The general's threatening statement is being interpreted in some quarters as new evidence that the United States is no longer (if it ever did) fooling around and acting the sucker. The general's statement is in line with some recent statements from Secretary Dulles that have been interpreted as evidence of a new, clear, positive foreign policy.

General Bryan and Secretary Dulles both talk tough—but just what do they mean?
Dulles said that if war in Korea was renewed there is no guarantee the war could be confined to Korea. And he said that if there is more aggression in Indo-China this "could not occur without grave consequences which might not be confined to Indo-China."

These statements in themselves are rather vague warnings, but they are open to all kinds of interpretation—along the line suggested by one senator who demanded use of atomic bombs on China if the Reds don't stick to their agreements in Korea.

But Dulles did not come right out and say that. And Bryan only said, "—or else." Does the general mean that, if the Reds don't come through with the required information and/or personnel, we are going to go in and get it and or them ourselves? Does the Secretary mean that the United States is ready and willing to abandon the "limited war" idea and launch all-out war the next time there is an outbreak of hostilities in some far-off corner of Asia? Is the U.S. prepared to bomb air bases in China—and prepared to face retaliatory bombing of our air bases in Japan or the Philippines or Hawaii or Alaska?
In his speech to the American Legion Dulles said that was often come from a failure to make intentions clear in advance. He indicated that he intends to make clear America's intentions. His own warnings and the warning by General Bryan both need clarifying. A simple "or else" is not going to strike fear into the heart of the Kremlin.

The latest edition of an informative booklet about Congress has just come off the government printing presses and is available to the public. You can get one free by writing to an Oregon congressman, or buy one for 20 cents from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D.C. The 68-page booklet answers 291 questions frequently asked about Congress and its doings; the title is "Our American Government: What is it? How Does it Function?"

Newcomers to the city, driving past those "Speed Checked by Radar" signs, have been seen glancing furtively around. They get that odd feeling that an unseen eye is watching every move. From this, how long will it be before we have signs warning: "Speed Checked by Mental Telepathy"?

Real Thoughty of Them

Starting today, the lucky winners of overtime parking tickets won't have to drive all the way to the city hall to pay their 50-cent tribute to the law. As an extra-added attraction to downtown parking and a genuine aid to the citizenry, collection boxes for parking fines have been set up along the busiest streets.

The ticket-dispensing patrolmen are going to leave little red envelopes along with the notices under the windshield wiper—which, as Snuffy Smith would say, is real thoughty of them.

The collection boxes ought to result in considerable saving of various things. Gas, for instance. A lot of flivver fuel is wasted driving around and around the city hall block, waiting for the police cars to leave so you can duck into one of their "parking for police cars only" parking places and dash into the lion's den to deposit your half-dollar. Eliminating this temptation to park in the verboten slots before city hall will also save many a gully conscience. And money. Sometimes a busy driver who could not immediately find a parking place near city hall, forgets entirely about paying his debt to society and next thing he knows the price for redeeming himself has gone up to \$1.

The collection boxes may conceivably result in reduced traffic accidents, too. A ticketed motorist with an explosive temper ought not to be let lose on the public highways on his way to city hall. He's not likely to feel charitable toward pedestrians or courteous to other drivers. Chances are all he sees is red—and we don't mean the red stop lights, either.

But now, with the new system in effect, the first thing he'll see is that red envelope. Instead of taking out his rage on innocent bystanders or law-abiding drivers, he can throw his fit of pique right there on the sidewalk as he drops his loose change into the collection box. Of course, he might also enclose a little note expressing his sentiments to Chief Warren along with a word of appreciation for this newest of modern conveniences. Providing notepaper (asbestos) along with the envelopes would be the next logical step. Let's do a real job of this thing.

"Candy is dandy, but likker is quicker," they used to say, either in advice or warning. But now it appears that liquor, as a tongue-loosener, has a dangerous rival. A Washington tipster told a House armed services committee that he gets more confidential information just hanging around coffee shops listening to people tell all over a cuppacawfee. Henceforth the slinky lady spy, we expect, will ply her victim with brew of the coffee bean instead of the traditional juice of the grape.

The New York report that President Eisenhower was going to take Secretary Dulles into the woodshed at Denver for some of the language he used regarding foreign nations didn't work out. Usually the President knows what his Secretary of State is going to say, in advance. Still it is a question whether Dulles should have sandpapered as many international wounds as he did in one week.

While Salem looks forward to the opening of Meier & Frank and Lipman-Wolfe branches here, Eugene also joins the list of smaller cities to benefit from the decentralization policy already successfully working for the big New York department stores. Bon Marche of Seattle was issued a \$400,000 building permit this week for a Eugene retail outlet.

Wonder if that advertising poster in the livestock barn at the fair—something about "you too can have the bull you dream about"—is directed at the farmers or at the heifers?

Left Wing Socialism in Britain Said to Have Received 'Kick in Pants' From Union Group

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

Left wing socialism in Britain has taken a kick in the pants from the Trades Union Congress.
Last year, overruling its general council, the congress instructed the council to report this year on ways and means of extending the nationalization of business and industry in the face of the Conservative Party's efforts to undo some of the nationalization already accomplished under the Labour Party.
Instead of doing that, the general council produced a report recommending that the congress not insist.

The general council is the executive board of the congress. Its attitude was opposed by the Communists and the left wingers of the Labour Party led by Aneurin Bevan.

At the showdown, delegates representing 3,702,000 union members stuck with the conservative approach of the council. Their majority was more than a million.

Supporters of the "go slow" policy accused the minority of being unrealistic in believing that the mere act of nationalization would bring them all the benefits they want.

This point has long been recognized by many workers, such as those in coal, steel and transportation, who actually experienced nationalization of their industries. They worked under the same old bosses, drew the same old pay or received improvements about on a par with what they would have received normally under private ownership.
Most of what they got was exhortation from their own leaders to correct absenteeism "because they were working for themselves." The average worker couldn't buy much even when he had money, and couldn't wear or eat the pleasant thought of working for himself. Many socialist leaders admitted several years ago.

Part of this was due to the fact that the socialist leaders, faced by the hard facts of Britain's econom-

ic situation since the war, were prevented from extending benefits which, to consolidate their ideas, they would have established under more normal circumstances.

As a result, Britain turned her face away from socialism and returned the Conservative party to power.

That was an important influence on the decision of the general council that the campaign for nationalization should not be renewed at this time. The more conservative wing maintained that research, planning and education of the public would be necessary before there would be any possibility of resuming the socialist trend.

The congress also had before it the example of Australia, which abandoned socialism some time before Britain did, and which now

is able to give its people considerably greater tax relief than Britain has been able to do.

The liberal Manchester Guardian, commenting Thursday on the Trades Union Congress development, said:

"The TUC has now told the Labour Party quite plainly that it does not want more grandiose plans for nationalization. It has learned that people do not want their lives run by public boards. It has also learned that nationalization does not automatically bring higher wages and shorter hours. The labor movement must be careful now to create a new autocracy in the name of social ownership."

The TUC action is expected to carry a great deal of weight at the Labour Party conference to be held soon.

Literary Guidepost

By W. G. ROGERS
THE BLACK CITY. By M. F. Caulfield (Dutton; \$3)

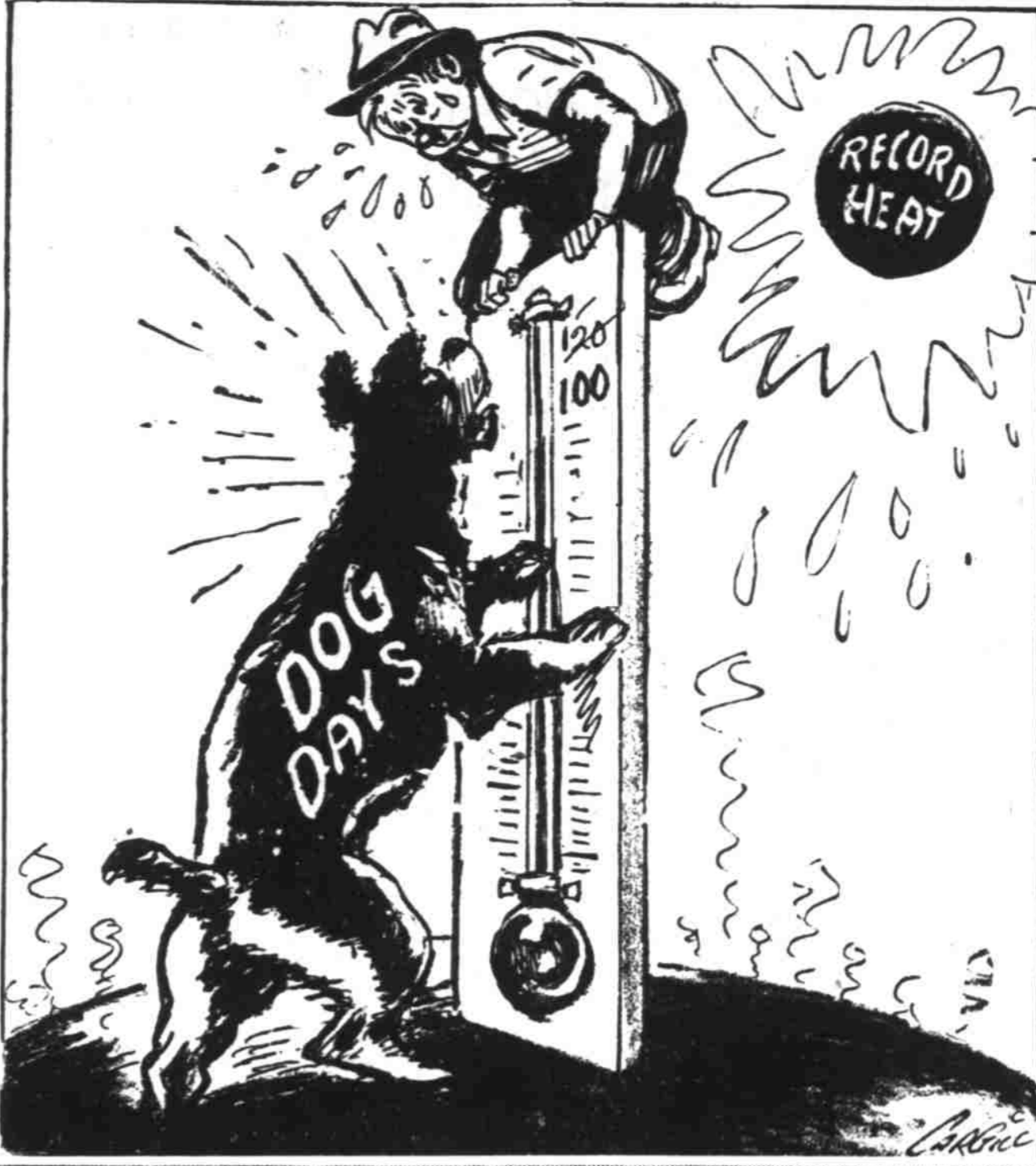
Where Protestants and Catholics, IRA and police fight their endless bloody battles... there is the "black city" of this first novel.

You see the everyday tensions when the Jordans and the Bremans, good friends that they are, meet for a game of cards; when Helen incites other girls playing rounders to turn on pretty Maurine because she's a Catholic; when publican James Rice, after a nasty quarrel with his wife, has a last nasty time with the rioters who come to loot and burn; when the Orangemen hold their big parade.

But mostly the action in this story centers about Hugh Kelly, Maura Nolan, his girl, Willie, her lazy brother, and some desperate chiefs of the Irish Republican Army, in particular Seamus Sulli-

van, one-time Catholic and now a Communist. Flynn the newsman, in it all at the beginning, comes back at the end to draw the curtain. In between, you see Hugh recalling his father's brutal murder at the hands of Black and Tan; planning vengeance, drilling with the RA; loving Maura some but being loved more since she hasn't the bitter politics to occupy her mind and fill her with hatred.
Caulfield guides you in so many different directions in his first several chapters of his novel... to the playground, the crowded streets, the lovers' lane... that you wonder for a time whether he has a story or just a setting. Once he fixes on Hugh, for himself as well as for you, as his chief character, the story develops dramatically, and the scenes which as the start were no more than colorful become stark and gripping.

DOWN, BOY, DOWN!



Comes the Dawn

A spy, who had been loitering on State St. facing into the sun loped into the office to inform us that you don't need Dr. Kinsey to see through most Salem women, these days... Visitor to Medford says there's a TV repair man in that town who suddenly discovered his set wouldn't work the other day. He eagerly tore it all apart and finally someone (probably his stupid wife) picked up the paper and read where the local TV station wasn't operating that day...



Joe Poggi, much-publicized ex-con who is now in Marion County jail charged with burglary of a Salem grocery store couple weeks ago, is the object of a series of articles in Oregon City Enterprise-Courier. Poggi, you will recall, was the man who several months ago won release from Oregon State Prison after a judge ruled he had been illegally imprisoned for almost 25 years on a false charge... Theme of the E. C. series by Reporter Day Churchman is (1) It is doubtful if Poggi is really guilty of the latest burglary charge, and (2) After he was released from prison few persons made attempts to "rehabilitate" Joe or get him a job... Mebbe so, but we bet Churchman finds out there's more to Poggi's latest arrest than meets the eye...

Statesman proofreaders are having their annual hassle this week over (among other things) the correct spelling of the track term, "quiniela." Some reporters, including Al (Long Shot) Lightner prefer "quinnella." While others, including the official betting window sign-makers, make it "quiniela." And it has been written "quinnella." To make things worse the word isn't in the dictionary—under any spelling. To lots of bangtail betters the word still spells "no soap."

To those who are up and about in the wee hours the Fairgrounds presents a weird sight after midnight. The grounds, which by day are a sprawling mass of noise, smells and confusion, are by night quiet, but twitching. The rides and concessions are all darkened, but here and there you can see a light in a tent on the midway. Maybe a huckster is counting the day's take or a couple of concessionaires are talking things over. The exhibit buildings are all lighted and a few guards roam through them. In the livestock barns you find lots of jealous owners of championship stock bedding down near their animals. About 3 a.m. the gang of clean-up men take over the midways, picking up litter, and hosing down the walks. Getting things in shape for the day's battle...

The emcee at the Fair nightly revue introduces a tricky Egyptian acrobat team as "favorite entertainers of King Farouk"—which takes in a lot of territory... George McMurry, Fair public relations man, noted that attendance Wednesday at 2 p.m. stood at 6,603. For the heck of it he checked and found that attendance at 2 p.m. on Wednesday of last year's Fair stood at exactly 6,603... Fair officials have noticed a strange thing this year—on days when attendance is up, the number of cars is down; and when attendance is down, parking lots see more cars. Does this mean less people are coming in more cars to the fair? City buses running to the fairgrounds are doing better than last year...

GRIN AND BEAR IT



"It suggests leniency for comrade bookkeeper, accused of falsifying accounts... Ministry of propaganda is needing experienced comrade..."

IT SEEMS TO ME

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on giving the human mind opportunity for free play in inquiry, the free following of curiosity. As he writes:

"The most imaginative and powerful movements in the history of science have arisen not from plan, not from compulsion, but from the spontaneous enthusiasm and curiosity of capable individuals who had the freedom to think about the things they considered interesting."

For all our cherishing of political freedom in this country and for all outpouring of wealth in special fields of research (disease, atomic weapons, etc.) we still fall short in encouraging unrestricted exploration. We gear our pure science closely to applied science, and ask to see quick returns from efforts and investments. To quote Dr. Weaver again:

"It is a truism that we are most ingenious, here in America, in instrumenting and exploiting ideas. But we are not so good as we should be in producing fundamental ideas. And we are still immature in the sense that we are impatient, that we demand quick 'results.' We do not furnish for science enough of the sustained and flexible support which would provide great minds with the leisure and the calm to think."

We should realize this fact from our experience with the A-bomb. It is true that the United States supplied the capital and the know-how to produce the first A-bomb. But as Mr. Dean, former chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, has said, "The A-bomb is an immigrant." The fundamental research was done by Italian, German, and Danish scientists, with notable contributions by British and Americans. We have many run-of-mine Ph. Ds., but all too few superior intellects.

Freedom of inquiry should not be limited to natural science. It should be extended to the field of human relations: sociology, economics, political science, philosophy, religion. As Jesus said: "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall set you free." But first there must be freedom to seek the truth.

The university therefore must enjoy a certain detachment from the world of trade and of custom. Its wellsprings must not be contaminated with evil design. Its honest gropings must be viewed with tolerance, and its errors accepted with a high degree of sympathy. They are the price of finding the truth.

Better English

By D. C. WILLIAMS

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "She saw me previous to me going."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "impotent?"
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Barrack, hammock, haddock, panicky.
4. What does the word "alternative" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with po that means "existing in possibility only?"

Answers
1. Say, "She saw me previously to my going." 2. Accent first syllable, not the second. 3. Panicky. 4. An offer of two things. "If this demand is refused, the alternative is war." 5. Potential.

Survivors Say Reds Opened Fire Without Any Warning

By FRED HAMPSON

HONG KONG (AP)—Survivors from a Royal Navy launch told Thursday how a small Chinese Red warship opened fire without warning, killing or wounding all but 3 of the 14 aboard.

A Navy source, quoting the survivors, said that the corvette scored 12 direct hits in the unprovoked attack Wednesday on the 72-foot launch in international waters about 20 miles southwest of Hong Kong. A reserve captain aboard on his vacation and five seamen were killed and the skipper and four others were wounded.

Survivors said the stricken launch, No. 1323, never had a chance to return the fire before the corvette, its machine guns and four-

inch guns smoking, turned away. The corvette had vanished by the time the British destroyer Concord arrived in response to a distress call.

The lightly armed little launch docked at this British crown colony Thursday in great secrecy. The Navy refused to let newsmen near the launch.

With all senior officers and ratings disabled, the launch was brought limping in by Leading Seaman Gordon R. Cleaver, one of the three aboard who escaped unhurt. It was believed the Navy's secrecy was due to the tense situation. It appeared obvious the British took a grave view of this bloodiest clash involving Britain since China's Civil War.

The admiralty in London announced that Vice Adm. Sir Charles Lamb, commander in chief of British Far East station, had flown to Hong Kong for an urgent investigation. The Foreign Office called for a full report.

The launch was on its usual anti-smuggling and defense patrol when it encountered the Chinese corvette Wednesday afternoon, the Navy said.

No special significance was attached to the attack at this time. Red patrol craft, suspicious that all foreign ships are trying to encroach on Communist waters, frequently fire on other ships in the Pearl Estuary.
None of the previous incidents, however, have been this serious.

Time Flies

FROM STATESMAN FILES

10 Years Ago
Sept. 11, 1943

Mrs. Richard Kriese of Salem left by plane from Los Angeles for Bolivia. Dick is superintendent of a tin mine in Chocoya, Bolivia.

The Vatican radio reported the ancient St. Peters had been closed and that approaches to the Vatican city were under strict control. Pope Pius XIII is conducting but few audiences.

Oregon's collection of old silk and rayon hose ranked third among the 48 states. Roderick Finney executive secretary of the state salvage committee, announced.

25 Years Ago
Sept. 11, 1928

American women buy 80 per cent of the diamond output of the world, according to merchants of Hatters Garden, a center of the world's diamond trade.

Douglas McKay, prominent in American Legion work in Oregon since the first post in this state was organized, was elected commander of Capital Post No. 9.

The engagement of Miss Florence Trumbull, and John Coolidge, son of President and Mrs. Calvin Coolidge, was announced, with the wedding to take place "sometime before Christmas."

40 Years Ago
Sept. 11, 1913

Editorially speaking—an odorous onion is the latest invention. It is a cross of the Bermuda and Golden Yellow variety... without "strength" how can there be such a thing as an onion?

Salem added to its long line of industries a cider factory at 1010 N. Commercial Street. J. C. Gregory, manager of the plant, was formerly with the Farmers Cider Works.

Mrs. Marietta Bunce won a \$200 judgment against the Oregon Electric Company, for alleged deficiency on the part of the railroad in estimating a right-of-way through her property.

Suit Decision Reversed by State Court

A breach of contract suit, originating in Marion County Circuit Court in 1951, was reversed by a State Supreme Court decision Thursday.

The higher court reversed Marion Circuit Judge George R. Duncan, who had directed a verdict for defendant in the case of R. A. Spence against Thomas W. Allen.

In the complaint Spence sought damages for an alleged breach of contract with Allen for the sale and distribution of products made of plastic.

Associate Justice William C. Perry held that there was evidence that substantial damage resulted to the plaintiff Spence by the breach of the contract. He remanded the case back to the lower court for further proceedings.

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