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SIPS FOR SUPPER

The Cipher

BY DON UPJOHN

Indications are, from the rush for marriage licenses at our local Cupid's counter, that some sort of a record may be hung up for June this year unless the urge flattens as the month advances.

Albany — Mrs. Saloney M. Hinkle, 82, was feeding kittens on the back porch of her home Sunday on the airport road, R. F. D. No. 1, when she stumbled over the black mother cat, fell backwards and broke her hip.



Don Upjohn

Lebanon, June 13 (Special) A lady pigeon is fighting a losing battle high in the rafters of the Lebanon Auction house on east Sherman street. The old building, used as a livery stable in early days, is being dismantled, and Madame Pigeon is in a high state of excitement over the activity which threatens her nest and eggs.

Pat Emmons, formerly Salem attorney but now practicing law at Albany, engaged in quite a baseball game the other day while relaxing from his legal duties. When Pat went to bat he was faced by his 16-year old son as pitcher. When Pat hit the ball it was fielded by his 10-year old son who heaved it to Pat's 12-year old son at first base and Pat was out.

The case of State of Oregon vs John Pinson was on the docket in circuit court for trial today. The defendant was to be tried for certain antics he allegedly cut up as a convict in the state penitentiary. The case didn't get trial. For some reason or another counsel for defense couldn't get in touch with his client.

EISENHOWER IN SIGNIFICANT TALK

Ike Hits at Demagogues Of the Paternalistic State

(Editor's Note: The recent commencement day address given by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower at Columbia was significant. The Capital Journal feels his message is so important that this newspaper is reproducing it in full. It makes clear his political feelings. This is the first of two parts.)

By DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

"When Columbia's first graduating class was awarded its degrees, the pace and tempo of the human world had changed little from the days of the Caesars and Pharaohs.

"Life then, as viewed from our observation post 200 years later, had in it more of leisure and less of strain; more of meditation and less of hysteria; more of faith and confidence and less of doubt and fear. But underneath the surface, in the generation of Columbia's founders, there was spreading the spiritual fire of a new social and political philosophy based upon the concept of equality of right among men, regardless of the accident of birth.

"For centuries that fire had glowed so feebly as frequently to disappear almost completely from view; but it persisted sufficiently to provide much of the inspiration for the great transatlantic migration of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. Many diverse reasons hardened men and women of Europe to an ocean journey that was then scarcely less than terrifying.

"Foremost was a fervent hope that they would find in the New World escape from ancient tyrannies imbedded in the Old World's structure.

"This purpose expanded and flourished at amazing speed in the American wilderness, where only individual courage, self-confidence and faith could spell survival.

"It begot in our fathers a determination to reject utterly any political theory that gave one man, or a group of men, an inherent right to dominate others—a determination eloquently expressed and reaffirmed in our most treasured historical documents.

"In the simple living of that day the application of this resolve to social and political problems, while difficult, did not involve such complexities and confusions that our forefathers were led to deny the validity of their principles.

"But, since the days of Columbia's founders, a mighty upsurge in the gathering of knowledge and the development of machines has many times over complicated human relations.

"Technologically, we — who are gathered here — and our predecessors of Columbia's first commencement are separated by the chasm between the ox-cart and the jet engine, between the grist mill and the cyclotron, between a man wrestling his own living out of a wilderness farm and the citizen whose livelihood depends on the successful functioning of an entire and complex national economy.

"The impact on us of every international fact and crisis is immediate. We are seldom free from anxiety as each day's events crowd instantly upon our attention.

"Pressure groups often pretend to a moral purpose that examination proves false. The vote-seeker rarely hesitates to appeal to all that is selfish in humankind. Ruthless individuals, whether they classify

themselves as capitalists, spokesmen for labor, social reformers or politicians, glibly promise us prosperity for our support of their personal but carefully concealed ambitions.

"False teachers, who magnify acknowledged errors in the practice of democracy, attempt to destroy our faith in man's right to self-government. As we seek to conserve what is good and sound even while we boldly explore and test new ways, we are belabored by the demagogues of right and left, both of whom would turn back the clock of history to the days of regimented humanity.

"In such a maelstrom of facts and crises and false counsel, the guideposts to individual duty and action become obscured.

"Infallible counsel for each of us is to be found within our valid hopes and aspirations and ideals as human beings, so clearly understood by our colonial forebears.

"The simple faith, the unshakable conviction they held in man's individual rights and his equality before the law and God, is the most priceless jewel in all the vast spiritual and material heritage those men and women bequeathed to us.

"We cannot afford to lose their sharp sense of basic values — expressed by Patrick Henry in one imperishable sentence.

"Millions of us, today, seem to fear that individual freedom is leading us toward social chaos; that individual opportunity has forever disappeared; that no person can have rightful title to property; that we have reached the point where the individual is far too small to cope with his circumstances; that his lifelong physical security against every risk is all that matters.

"More than this, we hear that such security must be attained by surrendering to centralized control the management of our society.

"In short, to these fearful men, the free human individual is a social anachronism.

"On every count the fearful men are wrong.

"More than ever before, in our country, this is the age of the individual. Endowed with the accumulated knowledge of centuries, armed with all the instruments of modern science, he is still assured personal freedom and wide avenues of expression so that he may win for himself, his family and his country greater material comfort, ease and happiness; greater spiritual satisfaction and contentment.

"When even the rudiments of knowledge were possessed by only a privileged few, when man's appalling ignorance handicapped his participation in government, there was ground to believe that an all-powerful state had to rule each subject's life from the cradle to the grave.

"That ground has diminished with each year of our Republic's existence.

"None remains today.

"The free individual has been justified as his own master, the state as his servant.

(Concluded tomorrow.)

PEARSON UPSETS ARMY APPOINTMENT

It didn't attract the big headlines that the battle over Mon Wallgren did, but last week President Truman quietly bowed regarding another of his major proposed appointments — Curtis Calder to be secretary of the army.

WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

Chinese Communists Row With Russian Communists

By DREW PEARSON

Washington — Biggest news from the Orient has only been reported so far in the diplomatic cables. It is that the communist government of Russia and the new communist government of China are already at each other's throats.

Mao Tse-Tung, conquering leader of the Chinese communists, has become bitterly anti-Russian.

Here is the inside story of what happened: Under the Big Four peace agreement, the key Manchurian city of Dairen was divided between Russia and China.

Developed by the Japanese, Dairen stands at the tip-end of the Lao-Tung peninsula, also at the terminus of the south Manchurian railroad, is one of the best seaports in North China.

But when the Nationalist Chinese moved out of their part of Dairen, the Russians promptly moved in. And now that the communists control all north and central China, Gen. Mao Tse-Tung sent word to Russia that he wanted to take over the Chinese half of Dairen.

Whereupon the Russians said no. They said it emphatically and they have refused to budge since.

As a result, Mao Tse-Tung and Chinese communist leaders are boiling mad. They have come to believe that under the much vaunted Russian-communist system, China may not even have as much land as she did under the old-fashioned capitalists.

BARLEY'S SON-IN-LAW

Washington's sanctimonious newsmen say it shouldn't be written about, merely buzzed about at Washington dinner tables. However, one of the political misfortunes of Washington is the manner in which the vice-president's son-in-law, Max Truitt, is cashing in on Alben Barkley's fine name.

Truitt is an able, likable law partner of Ex-attorney General Homer Cummings. Both get plenty of law practice on their own.

However, since his father-in-law became vice-president of the United States, Truitt's law business has expanded so the clients almost jostle each other getting inside the door.

In addition, young Truitt is not too selective. On his list are the three chief dictators of the Latin world — Franco of Spain, Trujillo of the Dominican Republic and indirectly, through the largest Argentine Shipping company, Peron of Argentina.

In fairness to the vice-president, it should be noted that he is frequently on the opposite side of the fence from his son-in-law.

When Truitt was retained by the Tideland oil lobby, Barkley fought on the senate floor to kill the Tideland oil bill. Also, when Truitt registered as the paid agent of Dictator Franco and lobbied for his full recognition, Barkley was known privately to oppose such recognition.

Meanwhile, Truitt gets in on some of the most inner circle parties in Washington — thanks to the fact that his wife is official hostess for the vice-president.

The White House dinner for Winston Churchill was one of the most exclusive ever thrown by the Trumans. Not even Senators Tom Connally and Arthur Vandenberg, on whom the president must depend for his bipartisan foreign policy, were invited.

But Lawyer-Lobbyist Max Truitt was.

Latest of Max's operations has been to demand that the maritime commission permit Standard Oil of New Jersey to transfer six modern oil tankers to the Panamanian flag.

The maritime commission had refused to do this for Standard Oil, so Standard then hired the versatile Max. The commission's refusal was based on the fact that oil is getting scarce in this country and, in time of war, the nation's entire economy will depend on having enough tankers to bring in foreign oil.

If the tankers are under a foreign flag, however, the United States loses control.

But since operation under the Panamanian flag means less taxes and lower wages, Max Truitt went to bat for Standard Oil.

He proposed that Standard Oil register under the Panamanian flag six modern tankers built since 1942; and threatened that if this was not accepted by

the maritime commission, four tankers now building would not be registered under the Stars and Stripes.

"The Standard Oil company," wrote Truitt, "will have (four) tankers which it desires to place under American flag and registry, to be manned with citizen personnel, provided it is permitted to transfer to Panamanian flag and registry . . . the equivalent carrying capacity of used tankers. . . ."

"The company therefore suggests," continued Truitt, "that the commission reconsider its action . . . by which it declined to approve the application to transfer to foreign flag and registry the vessels named above, and desires to point out that . . . (otherwise) this will result in the loss of the newer tankers to the American merchant marine and the national defense program."

The vice-president's son-in-law used to be general counsel of the maritime commission, later was a full-fledged commissioner. Nevertheless, his former colleagues do not relish Max's squeeze play regarding oil tankers.

BY BECK

Recollections



MacKENZIE'S COLUMN

Ignorance Is Dangerous

By DeWitt MacKenzie

Educational developments sometimes get lost in the shuffle of world events but we shouldn't overlook the importance of the positive stand taken by 20 of America's outstanding educators

regarding the teaching about communism in our schools.

These educators — who include General Dwight Eisenhower, president of Columbia university, and Dr. James B. Conant, president of Harvard, have given in effect this verdict:

The principles of communism should be taught—but not advocated—in American schools. Communists should be barred from the teaching profession.

These obviously highly controversial views were contained in a report prepared by an educational commission appointed by the National Education Association and the American Association of School Administration.

The purpose of the commission was to study teaching changes which might be advisable in view of political tensions.

When President Truman was questioned about this report at his Washington news conference he said he figured the educators know their field the best. However, he did think that young minds should not be taught by people who advocate the overthrow of the government of the United States.

The point is, of course, that a teacher can import information objectively about communism, or any other ism, without advocating it. Objectivity, therefore, is the key to the problem, as this column has been insisting.

There has been widespread anxiety in this country about a discussion of communism in our schools, and my observation is that most of it has been due to fear that presentation of the subject might be accompanied by advocacy.

The ideological complexion of our country a dozen years hence may well depend on the manner in which the current educational program is handled. We certainly can't solve our problem by hiding under a barrel. We must get out and face the issue.

No teacher who isn't thoroughly familiar with the subject should be permitted to try to explain it.

Our greatest danger lies in ignorance.

The educational commission condemned the careless and unjust use of such words as "Red" and "communist" to attack people whose views differ from those of the accusers.

To these expressions your columnist would add the term "fascist," which either should be defined or abandoned.

"Fascist," of course, was the designation of Mussolini's movement in Italy, and subsequently came to be used for similar movements, like nazism. Because this ideology was essentially opposed to communism, the communists started to use the word "fascist" as a term of opprobrium to be applied to anyone who was against bol shevism.

POOR MAN'S PHILOSOPHER

Americans Find No Fun As Prisoners of Conquered

By HAL BOYLE

Berlin, June 14 (AP)—Americans in Germany have in some ways become the prisoners of the conquered.

They are suffering, to a degree at least, the fate of all occupation powers through history — the fate of becoming a captive of the people they captured.

But the Americans are being captured on a cultural and household level rather than on a military level, by German music, beer and servants rather than by the theories of Clausewitz.

That was the impression gained by correspondents flown here by American Overseas Airlines on a tour of the war zones. It was confirmed by a number of Americans stationed here for the last three years.

The hardening of the political lines between east and west has brought a softening of the attitude between the individual American and the individual German. Even combat men who fought across this land four years ago have dropped the word "kraut" from their vocabulary.

The difference that has taken place on the social level can perhaps best be shown by two parties I attended here three years apart.

At a farewell party in 1946 there were some frauleins present, two Russian officers but no German men. Some newly-arrived American wives gave the frauleins the silent treatment all evening. The German orchestra leader taught the crowd to sing a German song, but most of the tunes the band played were American.

This week the correspondent group went to another party. The band played only two American tunes. The Americans sang and danced to German songs. No Russians attended the party, but there was a fraulein or two there and several German men. The American wives danced gaily with the German men.

Living isn't so lush for Americans in Germany today as it was three years ago. But they can still live more cheaply here than they can at home in terms of parties and servants.

"What do things cost now at home—is the housing situation any better?" they ask.

One way in which the American victor is being captured here is by his conscience.

"Wives who come over look at the misery around them and it troubles them deeply," one man said. "They start doing things to help German children, and before long they are more active in charity work than they ever were in their own home towns."

Many American families are disturbed by the problems of rearing children here. One husband whose child is just learning to talk said:

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