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INTERNATIONAL INTRIGUE

A young associate editor of Newsweek magazine, Ralph de Toledano, has written a book that is as controversial and as gripping as Whittaker Chambers' "Witness."

Toledano has appraised America's betrayal in the Far East in the title of his book, "Spies, Dupes and Diplomats." It is published in New York: Duell, Sloan & Pearce—Boston: Little, Brown.

Toledano bases his case on a master plan of Communist victory in the Orient, blue-printed in Moscow, that was carried out slowly but determinedly. He contends that the men who did the actual work on this Russian plan ranged from professional spies to some sincere but misguided officials of other countries.

The notorious Sorge spy ring which operated out of Tokyo for five years up to a few weeks before Pearl Harbor starts off this story of international intrigue.

The muddled diplomacy that preceded Pearl Harbor is recounted in detail. Those who tried to convince the American people that the Chinese communists were harmless and friendly "agrarian reformers" are listed.

It is interesting to note that Senator Richard M. Nixon, who pushed the Hiss investigation and who became the Republican nominee for vice-president about 10 days ago, had this to say about Toledano's book:

"Ralph de Toledano's new book is 'must' reading. If I could, I would place copies in the hands of all Americans who wonder why their sons are fighting and dying in Korea."

A MATTER OF CONSCIENCE

Oregon's delegation to the Democratic convention in Chicago is making news because of a reported split among the 12 members.

The feud which came out into the open Sunday around State Senator Tom Mahoney of Portland leading a fight to keep the delegates to their primary election pledge to support Estes Kefauver for president.

Each delegate to a national convention, regardless of democratic or republican, signs a statement in declaring his intention to run. The delegate promises that he will use his best efforts to bring about the nomination of those persons for president and vice president of the United States, who receive the largest number of votes at the coming primary election in the state of Oregon.

What are a delegate's "best efforts"? Since Kefauver received better than 70 per cent of the democrats' votes in the May primary, he ought to deserve actually the delegation's "best efforts," regardless of the individual delegates' personal preferences.

Survives Bolt of Lightning

Detroit, Mich. (AP)—Doctors said Monday Joseph L. Feild was the first person they had known to survive a bolt of lightning.

Thieves Act as Cherry Pickers

Glen Lake, Mich. (AP)—Mrs. Gertrude Stief told police Monday her entire cherry crop had been stolen.

Jet Causes Crash of Autos

Sweetwater, Tex. (AP)—Two motorists became so engrossed in watching the first jet plane ever to land at Avenger field here that their automobiles collided, police reported Saturday.

BY H. T. WEBSTER

The Timid Soul



MR. MILQUETOAST, TAKING HOME A RAKE, FINDS THAT THE HANDLE PROTRUDES TWO AND A QUARTER INCHES BEYOND THE REAR OF THE CAR AND TIES A LARGE RED FLAG TO IT.

Mothers-in-Law Organize to Fight Slanderous Fun-Making

By EDITH KERMIT ROOSEVELT

Hollywood (AP)—Spearheaded by film notables, the first organized campaign to elevate the stature of mothers-in-law was begun today with the formation of the Society of American Mothers-in-Law.

The group which met at the home of Mrs. Ida B. Spritzler in Beverly Hills intends to "fight back against the slanderous fun-making and libelous literature constantly being used against mothers-in-law in cartoons, jokes, on the radio, in television and in motion pictures."

Prominent mothers-in-law in the group of 65 Los Angeles women, include Mrs. Lew Landers, wife of the movie director; Mrs. Robert Hardy Andrews, the radio writer's wife; Mrs. Jack Haley, the wife of the famous comedian; Mrs. Nat Blumberg, the wife of the ex-president of Universal-International studios, and actress Spring Byington.

The organization was first conceived when some of these women heard Spring Byington's CBS radio show, "December Bride," which presented a picture of "the right kind" of mother-in-law.

Miss Byington, a mother-in-law both on and off the radio and consultant to the group, drew up at the meeting a group of "by-laws for in-laws": 1. Don't interfere in quarrels between your daughter or son and your in-laws.

THE POLITICAL DOPE AS TOLD TO WALT KELLY BY POGO

Chicago—This town is alive with rumors and it does not help the situation to learn that a good many are left over from previous convention. People who have no access to any of the good news rumors are forced to use the old ones or else they try building new ones in their rooms at night out of odds and ends.

Hugo, the assistant to the house detective, claims that some of the old rumors were so good that the new models will never beat them. Some of the new ones are of shoddy material and wear out quickly, especially when the pilot has to take them through a quick turn and reverse his field.

One rumor has been laid to rest, says Hugo. Elephants are not afraid of mice... only of other elephants.



The Mouse, Hugo, says that a delegate from California was badly injured the other night when the rumor ran into a stone wall, a trap of facts, set up by a Vermont man.

The convertible rumor, a low slung job, can breeze along at a good clip with the top down exposing its driver to the political winds. Its danger lies in its potential turn over. If it is turned over too many times, it tends to make the owner a little squishy and soft on top, a condition not favored by those who want a chauffeur for high altitude flying.

Authorities are having a little trouble with these hot rod operators, and Hugo was appointed to get rid of at least one. There was a rumor being circulated by a laggard elephant who refused to leave the cellar

WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

Estes Kefauver Aided Bringing GOP Nomination to Eisenhower

(Editor's Note:—Senator Estes Kefauver of Tennessee, top democratic contender, gets the once-over today in Drew Pearson's series on the democratic candidates.)

Chicago—If you had told Estes Kefauver's colleagues in the senate one year ago that he would emerge with the top number of delegates at the next democratic convention, they would have snorted with disbelief. Some of them are still snorting.

This attitude, however, is solely confined to Washington and a few big cities where the political bosses had their machines bounced off the track by Kefauver's crime expose.

In Washington, the attitude is based on something which is all-important in the nation's capital but not readily understood elsewhere—seniority. Young Estes Kefauver has been in congress only 12 years. On the other hand, his colleague, McKellar of Tennessee, is 85 years old and has been in congress for 35 years.

Other senators do not curse. But some of them are jealous. They do not realize that these are fast-moving days when the American people are fed up with the old, as witnessed by Eisenhower's nomination and by the sudden elevation of a political unknown, Nixon of California, to the No. 2 spot on the republican ticket.

Perhaps also they don't entirely appreciate the fact that Kefauver has a magnificent voting record, has shown more courage in facing racial problems than any other southern senator, and had the vision to realize the danger of permitting an underworld to gnaw at the foundation of America.

On top of this, he has gone through an intense political campaign, during which he hasn't made a single mistake. Eisenhower, on the other hand, has made several.

Kefauver, meanwhile, did Eisenhower the biggest political favor of his life. He is the chief reason Eisenhower was nominated. For the main factor motivating republican delegates at their recent convention was that they badly needed a winner. And they knew, first from the Gallup poll, second from their own political observations, that Kefauver could outpoll Taft in most of the nation. To beat him they had to nominate Eisenhower.

For they had seen Kefauver defeat President Truman himself, plus an old and established democratic machine in New Hampshire. They also saw him swamp the democratic organization in Ohio, even with a bunch of unknown delegates; while in California they saw him roll up a vote bigger than Governor Earl Warren. Again he did it by bucking the old-line leaders of the democratic party using a bobtail assortment of young and enthusiastic amateurs that nobody had ever heard of.

In many respects, the novices who rolled up the votes for Kefauver out in the sticks, were like the novices who rallied behind Eisenhower in the same areas.

And republican delegates, led by a shrewd non-amateur, Tom Dewey, sensed the need for a change plus the danger of being defeated by a Kefauver.

Names-Make-News Dept.: Rockford, Ill. (AP)—Mrs. Ross Rainwater gave birth to a son Saturday, shortly after a record 8.4 inches of rain fall in 13 hours.

Names-Make-News Dept.: After Estes Kefauver first started his New Hampshire campaign, he remarked to one of his advisers: "I'm tired of talking about crime. I think I should make

some speeches on foreign policy." "Stick to crime, Estes, stick to crime," replied the adviser, "that's what the people understand."

However, Estes has not stuck to crime, either in his subsequent speeches or in his earlier record in congress. That record is one which shows up well under the most critical microscope.

Though a southerner, Kefauver voted for the controversial anti-lynching bill. He also voted he did not vote for cloture or a compulsory FEPC. He voted against the Taft-Hartley Act, at a time when it took courage to do so—unlike Sen. Russell who voted to override the presidential veto but now says Taft-Hartley should be abolished.

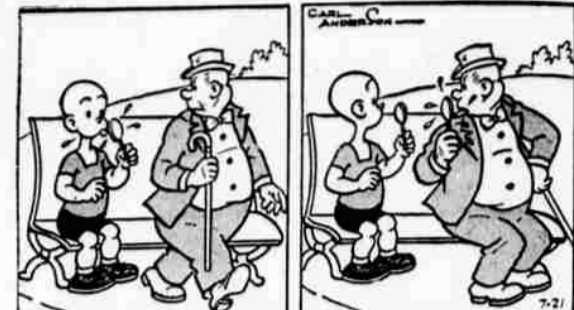
He has also campaigned against the monopoly of war contracts to a few big companies and led an investigation to aid small business. He had the courage to circulate a petition in the house to get the Taft-Wagner housing bill out of the rules committee, and finally helped to get it passed.

He has been a leader in backing the president on foreign affairs and defense. And while a member of the house of representatives, he wrote a book "The 20th Century Congress," carefully diagnosing our current legislative system.

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BY CARL ANDERSON

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POOR MAN'S PHILOSOPHER

Peeble's Wife, Trellis Mae, Sizes Up Demos' Hopefuls

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Chicago (AP)—Well, Wilbur, I still say all the democrats need is a woman's touch. No group of people I have met before has been so disorganized. The place is full of democrats who believe in being democrats. But they don't know who should lead them.

They are like a bunch of boys at a camp when the director has gone, and the kids run around yelling at each other—and no one to take over responsibility. For 20 years they have been used to playing follow-the-leader, and now they must pause and say: "Well, but who is the leader now?"

Wilbur, I never felt so sorry for men since I first told you what shirts to send out to the laundry. I just talked around among the girls here—honey, you know I know nothing about politics—and we all came up with the same answer: "The only democrat who can hope to beat General Eisenhower is—Adlai Stevenson."

He is the only democratic possibility who has ummmph—the others only have promises. I talked to some of the other girls I met here and this is what they said about the other fellows: "Estes Kefauver—his coon-skin cap is shedding, and too many honest horse players who can't get to the track can't lay down an honest \$2 bet because of his moral crusade."

"Senator Kerr has so much oil he would want to put kerosene lamps in the White House. Fascinating looking devil, though." "Well, dear, all I have had so far is fun and frolic. Your loving wife, TRELIS MAE

P. S. Please send more money. I had to buy a new pair of shoes after dancing with that dubious delegate from Texas.

Hot in Church, Hotter Below

Salem, N. H. (AP)—The mercury read 90 degrees and the Rev. Wilfred de Marais' congregation was sweltering. Father de Marais cancelled his sermon but called upon his parishioners to meditate on one thought: "Just remember that the place down below is much hotter and that's where you will go if you don't behave yourselves."

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