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New Red Dove of Peace

Joseph Alsop, who with his brother Stewart are syndicated columnists for the New York Herald-Tribune, is in Soviet Russia sizing up the communist regime and people in the present world crisis over the Near East and the aftermath of Suez. So far his articles are all that the Communists could ask for in the way of Red propaganda.

In his cabled interviews with Nikita Khrushchev, Mr. Alsop quotes the Soviet spokesmen as proposing that the United States adopt a "Fortress America" policy to relieve world tension and turn isolationist. He cabled the dictator red dove of peace cooed:

"Soviet troops would be withdrawn to the national territory of the Soviet Union from all the countries in Europe where they are now stationed in accordance with existing treaties and agreements. Meanwhile, Western European countries would also withdraw their troops stationed in the territories of other Western European countries. The United States would also withdraw its troops to American territory from Europe and Asia, and along with that would go the liquidation of all foreign military bases."

Mr. Alsop evidently fell for the bait, swallowing it hook, line and sinker, so that Russia could finish grabbing an unarmed world for her calls the proposal "the most concrete and significant proposal put forward by this remarkable man," whom he evidently fell in love with:

"At first glance, the man himself also seems unremarkable. But in conversation one soon notices that the rather plain face expresses a much deeper and more penetrating intelligence than appears in the stock photographs of Mr. Khrushchev being jolly. He spoke authoritatively and listened attentively, but during the translations into English he would fiddle with an ornate paper cutter or an ear of hybrid corn enclosed in plastic, as though he were impatient to get on to the next topic."

"This discussion of foreign affairs left an impression of a strong, clear, practical intellect, studying foreign relations with considerable astuteness, seeing particularly the important opportunities that this troubled world offers to the Kremlin's policymakers, but viewing the whole, always and in all places with the strong refraction of Soviet spectacles."

The outward sincerity that prevails in a police state fools most experienced newspaper men visiting the U.S.S.R. and its satellites, hence they gave no tips on the recent Polish and Hungarian revolts or could find no signs of dissatisfaction in Russia itself. News men rushing in, give Russia a quick once over and rush to print their conclusions that are sometimes baseless.

Sometime ago Stewart Alsop, brother and partner of Joseph, after a brief visit to Soviet Russia, wrote two articles in the Saturday Evening Post on "The Smug, Smug Russians" who he reported were not only reconciled to their Soviet fate, but "really think their system is superior." He declared himself "sure that the Soviet workers do not know they are being ruthlessly exploited—that the Soviet citizen has been successfully taught to love his chains, or at least to be unaware that he is wearing them."

The Alsops are certainly entitled to be honor guests at one of Nikita's famous vodka parties to toast the new red dove of peace.—G. P.

Holmes and the Fair

Governor Holmes wants to curtail the State Fair by making it exclusively an exhibit of the state's resources—crops, livestock, minerals, wood.

He wants to wipe out the State Fair Board and put the fair into the hands of the Department of Agriculture. By implication at least he would remove nearly everything that gives a carnival appearance to the wide central expanse of the fairgrounds. What he would replace it with he doesn't say, maybe spot a cow corral or two, a quartz mill and a sawmill for fair week, and the wide greensward where the people gather to relax over picnic lunches he doubtless would sow to peas and barley.

With a rare show of political adroitness the Governor doesn't say anything about the horse races. That's a pretty big one for any Governor to tackle.

All that anyone else can see in the Governor's vision of a state fair as it ought to be is his mania for overturning the whole state government to give the Governor more power. The fair was for a few years administered by the Department of Agriculture, but was given back to the fair board in 1951. Oregon has a great State Fair now, attended by phenomenal crowds, which it wouldn't have if the Governor's plan were to prevail. And, above all else, its resources and products are stressed. The newspapers give columns to them each annual fair week. The Capital Journal, for example, has one staff man who gives all of his time to livestock, and every paper in the State receives daily a gist of results from the 4-H organization from which are sifted those of regional interest.

"I am not against wholesome fun," says the Governor, "and I approve of ferris wheels and merry-go-rounds and whips and other amusement devices, but the fair belongs to the people, and specifically it belongs to those on whom we depend for fodder and food, and for the payrolls that derive from our great agricultural industry."

So do those hundreds of tots who squeal their delight on the rides every day belong to the people, and the crowd that jams the Midway comes from the people. Take all of that away and the State Fair will be a dreary place, with only a scant few to visit the livestock barns and the county crop exhibits in the pavilion against the thousands that now see them.

The State Fair now pays its own way. To do that it has to have large attendance. Take away the carnival attractions and the result will be small attendance and a deficit.

Rep. Eddie Ahrens, pointing to the fact that the State Fair is successful financially,

that it has added many improvements, and increased its livestock, 4-H and Future Farmers exhibits, rightly terms as dictatorial the Governor's bill to return the fair to the Department of Agriculture.

Two Yukon Queens

Not all of the picturesque characters of frontier history are men. Some of them are women, and by coincidence two of them died on the same day, Mrs. William Van Duren, known as "Klondike Kate," at her home in the Willamette Valley, and Mrs. Hulda Ford at Fairbanks, Alaska.

Both were dance hall belles of the gold rush days, and both lived many a story. Both accumulated wealth, and both lived to old age. And, in those colorful days of the Yukon, it is said that both were beautiful.

But their later lives were in strange contrast. Mrs. Ford, who lived to 83, retained her wealth but became a recluse, prowling the trash piles of Fairbanks while carrying titles to half a million dollars worth of property on her name, possibly the richest woman in Alaska.

Klondike Kate lost much of her early fortune grubstaking miners, or helping this one or that one, like Alex Pantagale, get a start. She never became poor, not distressfully so anyway, and was always ready to help with her own money. She liked to have people about her.

RAY TUCKER

Popularity of Ike Will Carry Program

WASHINGTON—L. J. MacD., of Long Beach, Calif., disagrees with those who think that President Eisenhower will lose control over Congressional and party Republicans because of the fact that he cannot run for a third term. He thinks that the press and politicians err in this view.

"Before F.D.R. broke the third-term tradition," he writes, "no one even mentioned that a President's hands would be tied in a second term. It has never come up and it has never stopped any President from putting his policies across, even though everyone knew that the president would not run again because of tradition."

Answer: I agree with my correspondent that Ike will retain both power and prestige in Capitol Hill and within the Republican organization, if he remains as popular as he is today. But if there should be a downturn, and especially if the Democrats retain control of Congress in the 1956 elections, both the President and his "modern Republicanism," in my opinion, will not command the support that they do today.

Eisenhower's Critics in Congress
Ike is already getting a few bumps from prominent Republican members of Congress, having in mind the opposition to some of his policies expressed by Senate Minority Leader Knowland, Senators Caphart and Jenner, and even by such a stalwart as Senator Bridges of New Hampshire. And the Democrats, on his budget and on foreign policy, are pitching into him as they dared not do during his first four years.

Historically, even our most aggressive and influential Chief Executives have accomplished far more in their first term than in their second four years.

First Term Accomplishments
Theodore Roosevelt obtained regulation and an improvement in the morals of the railroads, oil barons, life insurance crooks and stubborn bankers during his first term. I refer not only to the legislation which he inspired, but also to the inspiration and active help he gave to such hygienic "muckrakers" as McClure's Magazine as Upton Sinclair, Ida Tarbell, Mark Sullivan and many other writer-reformers.

Woodrow Wilson created several new commissions in his first term, including such regulatory agencies as the Federal Trade and the Federal Reserve System. He also strengthened the Anti-Trust Act, and generally broadened the government's supervision of business and industry. Largely because of the war, but also because many prominent Democrats turned against him, he was not so successful after reelection.

F.D.R. although he carried all but two states in 1936, did not put over a single major reform in his second term, losing his greatest effort at a basic change in the battle over enlargement of the Supreme Court. Finally, even if Abraham Lincoln had lived through a second term, he would have run into the same Congressional difficulties. I imagine, that the impeached Andrew Johnson did.

H.S.T.'s Advice on Education
In view of the advice which Harry S. Truman has lately given to students and educators, E.R.E. of Silverport, La., asks whether the former President finished high school.

Answer: Former President Truman received an appointment to West Point, but failed to pass the examinations, so his biographers say, "because of poor vision." He did graduate from high school, and was a good student. He also attended Kansas City School of Law. He has always been an avid reader, however, especially of history.

It is my impression from my acquaintance with him that he is "weak" in the so-called "cultural" field—languages, literature, philosophy, drama, etc. With a few exceptions, Presidents have, in fact, been "intellectuals" in that respect.

For Quick Reading

Where's My Mustache Cup?

Any one seen a girl wearing a poke bonnet and a hoop skirt, sitting on a hair cloth sofa? Well, the word from the Chicago automobile show is that black cars are starting to come back into fashion. A story foretold that ostrich plumes will be adorning women's hats again. And a customer in a Milwaukee clothing store found last week that his brand new suit came complete with vest—although vests have been "out" since World War II days.

Another, you had better begin looking up grandpa's mustache cup. Sammy Roy will be demanding one these days as the "newest thing."—Milwaukee Journal.

JAMES MARLOW

If Israelis Are Guilty, So Are Russ

By JAMES MARLOW
Associated Press News Analyst
WASHINGTON—President Eisenhower is setting this country on a new course if he intends to go along with anything stronger than moral sanctions against Israel for ignoring the United Nations' demand she get out of Egypt.

The United States did not call for sanctions in two of the most memorable denials of the U.N.; Russia's refusal to get out of Hungary and Egypt's refusal years ago to stop blockading Israeli shipping.

For this country to try now to sup-JAMES MARLOW port anything stronger than moral sanctions against Israel would be to back the principle that—hereafter, at least—any nation defying U.N. demands must be punished.

No One Can See End
That opens a road the end of which no one can foresee. The United States would look like a hypocrite if, having agreed to punish little Israel, it did not do the same in the future against any violator of U.N. demands, big or small.

It has been known from the foundation of the U.N. 12 years ago that it was no perfect instrument for preserving peace or international sanity and that it would work only so long and in such a way, as its biggest members wanted.

It has done some good. If allowed to continue, it may do more good. And yet there is a limit to how long it can last if its members merely use it as a debating society and feel free individually to ignore it when it suits them.

New Test of U.N.
Eisenhower acknowledge this in his nationwide broadcast last night. He said:

"We are approaching a fateful moment when either we must recognize that the United Nations is unable to restore peace in this area, or the United Nations must renew with increased vigor its efforts to bring about Israel withdrawal."

But at the very moment he was talking about "pressure" on Israel, Eisenhower had to admit that Russia defied the U.N. on Hungary and got away with it. "Perhaps," he said, "this is a case where... two wrongs do not make a right."

He could have said more: The U.N. wouldn't dare try sanctions against Russia without changing the end of the U.N. The only one the U.N. dares try sanctions against are the small nations, like Israel.

Moral Pressure Not Working
He did say the United States has tried hard "to exert moral pressure" on Russia which, he added, "is relatively impervious to other types of sanction."

Eisenhower never once indicated how far this country is willing to move against Israel if she insists on keeping her troops in Gaza and the Araba Gulf area, both claimed by Egypt.

He never went beyond talking of moral sanctions, which is about as vague as he could get. He was equally vague on what this country would do, keep Egypt from attacking Israel if the latter withdraws her troops.

Israel has refused to budge without guarantees from the United States or the U.N. against future Egyptian attacks. Neither has promised anything definite. Eisenhower called the present situation a "crisis."

Administration on a Spot
He might have said quite frankly: "Folks, this administration is on a spot."

With his new Middle East program for attracting Arabs not yet through Congress, Eisenhower is anxious to show the Arabs this country's heart is in the right place, where they're concerned.

F.D.R. they're straining to get U.N. sanctions against Israel. If this country doesn't go along with real sanctions against Israel, it will lose some Arab belief in its good intentions before Eisenhower's program has a chance to start.

If the administration backs sanctions, it will antagonize friends of Israel both in this country and abroad, and American troops who have no use for Egyptian President Nasser, the No. 1 trouble-maker in the Middle East.

Nasser has to be handled. But Eisenhower can't start on that one until he gets the Israeli problem settled. Eisenhower doesn't know—so far as the public is aware—what new crisis Nasser will create once Israel is out of the way.

Eisenhower's second White House term does not look like a quiet one.

HOLLER LOUDER
When a man who works for himself wants more money he can work harder, plan better or expand his business; when a man works for someone else and wants more money he can holler louder.—Sherman County Journal.

AN AMBITION TO DICTATE
The series of bills that would give the governor absolute power over the institutions, finance and liquor are evidence of great ignorance about a Republican form of government or a great ambition to dictate. Neither should be encouraged.—Sherman County Journal.

A Psychiatrist Needed



THE OPEN FORUM

Salem Man Says He'll Miss City Transit Lines 'With Pleasure', Hits at Service

To the Editor:
If this wire bus outfit folds up and steals away on March 1 as they threaten to do, I for one will miss them—with pleasure. In my experience there are two things that could be depended on about these buses—you always

have to wait a long time and never can get near any place you want to go.
If this outfit had ever put on any service worthy of the name they might now deserve some consideration for their effort and they might or might not have attracted

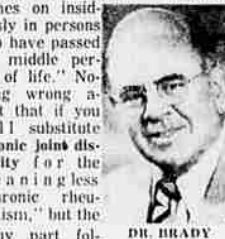
enough patronage to keep up as a going concern.
The "blank check" scheme discussed in the Capital Journal's recent editorial is the most stupid proposal advanced as yet. This scheme would relieve CTL of all the few restrictions they have been operating under and let them go on charging more and more for less and as they have been doing only more so.

DR. WILLIAM BRADY

Stiff Joints, Not Rheumatism More Likely in Middle Age

In the face of the familiar boast about the vast strides medicine has made in the past thirty, forty, fifty, or sixty years, one needs temerity to smile, much more to make any sarcasms at the belief held by Dr. Osler fifty years ago, that chronic rheumatism "commonly comes on insidiously in persons who have passed the middle period of life."

"It is most common among the poor," continued the sage of Montreal, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Oxford, to the embarrassment of all snobs with lame joints, "particularly washerwomen, day-laborers and those whose occupation exposes them to the cold and damp."



School Struggle

Grants Pass Courier
The 1957 state legislature is undergoing the most sanguinary battle of its career to date. The struggle is strictly nonpartisan, with Republicans and Democrats fighting shoulder-to-shoulder on each side.

The Morbid Anatomy
Dr. Osler didn't bother to give a definition of chronic rheumatism as he did of most diseases in his famous textbook of Practice, but the morbid anatomy he described would get an A as a definition of physical degeneration of joint tissues, but for one slip—where he refers to changes in muscles adjacent to chronically inflamed joints. Osler's description of the morbid anatomy mentioned no sign or evidence of inflammation. However, that made no difference to the trick specialists and clinic racketeers who began to infest medicine about the time Dr. Osler was at the end of his career. They sold the customers arthritis (joint inflammation), regardless.

The issue is over the proposed "key district" plan for distribution of state school aid.
Such a fight was inevitable, of course, from the time that the state entered the state-school-aid on a huge scale.

Arthritis sounded so very exclusive that everybody insisted on having it, and for 20 or 30 years a doctor who tactlessly diagnosed "rheumatism"—well, he might as well have called his patients washerwomen or day-laborers.

State aid is based, primarily, on the theory that wealthy school district taxpayers should pay more for school purposes than they use in their own districts in order to help taxpayers in "poor" districts finance school needs.

Fearful, Damp, Dampness
Dr. William Osler succumbed prematurely, I think, because of his morbid obsession with the idea that cold, chilling, or dampness was harmful. This obsession was indelibly stained his famous Practice, particularly the chapter on pneumonia. It makes his view of rheumatism quaint if not absurd in the light of our present knowledge. And it sticks out like a sore thumb in the final chapters of Cushing's Life of the great teacher. It is my earnest belief that Osler might have lived as long as, say, Oliver Wendell Holmes or Joseph Lister or at least as long as Louis Pasteur but for his preoccupation with damp and cold.

Naturally, both Republican and Democratic members of the legislative delegation from Portland don't like that idea.
Portland has a powerful delegation, both in numbers and in influence. We suspect they will be able to put up a pretty stiff battle before the new distribution plan ever becomes effective.

Better Knowledge Later
These animadversions, fifty years after Osler, are without prejudice. Although I want to call names and pound the table, I am still moved to tears by Dr. Cushing's description of Sir William's last years.

Both are for an increase in state aid to the point that even Portland will be assured of as much state aid as it now receives.
There is one "catch" to that solution: Even the new, free-sending Holmes Administration, pledged to tax reduction, hasn't the least idea where to get the money to operate the state without making good the governor's campaign pledge of a 30-percent increase in state aid, a pledge which brought hundreds of electors who are teachers and P.T.A. enthusiasts to his support last fall.

TO REDUCE LIBERTIES
This session has a large number of bills to reduce the liberty of the citizens and to increase the power of already well entrenched groups. Lawyers are working for higher fees and more of them, contractors for control over all builders, engineers to forbid any but engineers to be county surveyors and so forth.—Sherman County Journal.

What Is Freedom?

To the Editor:
Freedom in the United States is the right and privilege of people to do as they please with their own property so long as it doesn't interfere with the rights of others. The planners and promoters have tried to force zoning and building codes on to the people all over the county, but this was voted down for the third time last May with a majority of over 1200 votes, more than sixteen thousand people voted against this measure. I don't believe the county court will force this issue after such a verdict.

The promoters tried to put fear into the people over the terrible things that would happen in regard to the Woodburn air base. Well, it appears that the air base balloon has exploded. So what? Some time back a state legislator proposed to make building codes compulsory in every county in the state of Oregon. If a state law was passed to that effect, the promoters would be free to run a dictator's program without asking the people. Speak up folks, contact your Senator or Representative right now for your own good. It's important. Our freedom is serious business. Do you want to hire a blue print and pay for a permit and then be subject to penalties if you don't do exactly as some dictator stipulates?

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Let's Quit Suez

To the Editor: When will the Western powers wake up to a realization that the Suez Canal is lost as a dependable route for any ships? When they get the obstructions removed it will be an off again on again proposition, according to the mood of Egypt. If the world expects a stable route they will have to return to the long haul around Africa.

As long as we naively talk of "regulations" and rates and how they are to be collected, when Egypt has already given her answer, we are but making fools of ourselves.

LEWIS JUDSON
Salem, Oregon.

Defends Otto Cahill

To the Editor:
I have known Col. Otto Cahill from war days. It is what he has done through that has made him sick. I think he would rather have had a firing squad. He is a fine man, and the whole thing is a mystery. The courts have spoken but I do not think he needs or would have taken a penny.

DAVID J. FERGUSON
Pratum.

"We Were Astonished . . ."

To know that so much service entered into the conducting of a funeral. Howell-Edwards Funeral Home took care of everything.

REV. GEORGE SWIFT

Don't Be Over Anxious About The Future, Prepare for It

I was getting my hair cut last week when the barber suddenly asked me what Christ meant when He said, "Be not anxious for the morrow." "Where would we be when we get old," the barber asked, "if we do not do some-

thing about tomorrow, today?" Christ didn't say, "Do not do anything about tomorrow," but "Be not anxious" for the morrow, which is not the same thing at all. The word anxious comes from a word meaning "choked up."

BEN MAXWELL

History in The Making

Feb. 23, 1951
Legislature's joint ways and means committee had unanimously approved a bill authorizing expenditure of \$250,000 for acquisition of property between Winter and Capitol streets for extensions of the Capitol zone.

Adam H. Knight, Canby, had received a letter of apology from a Portland man who confessed that he had shot an killed one of Knight's geese 40 years ago.

Senator Morse had said, "I have such great confidence in Eisenhower that I hope political events develop so that he will become the Republican nominee for president in 1952."

Opening of an exhibition of works by Artist Loren Arthur Allen had been set for the Elfstrom gallery. Allen, a resident of Valseck, had won the grand prize at Elfstrom's art gallery show for amateur artists and had exhibited his works at the state fair.

At midnight, Feb. 23, 1951, Safeway stores opened bids on a new Salem store to be constructed on grounds of old Washington school. (Formerly the East school built in 1887 and the first Salem school to offer high school studies).

Clackamas Flax Growers had decided to raise a flax fiber crop in 1952 and keep their retting and scrubbing plant at Lone Elder in operation. Plants at Jefferson and Mt. Angel would also operate in 1952. Production from these three centers constituted the entire U.S. output of linen fiber. Clackamas growers had made it clear that they would not again want government subsidy and if the price of fiber became frozen they would abandon their enterprise.

NOT BEST WAY
We note that college students who belong to fraternities will have a tax exemption. It may not be the best way to train citizens. Sherman County Journal.

Don't Be Choked Up

In other words Christ said, "Do not be all choked up about the future," over-anxiety will curtail one's efficiency. Use one's talents to the limit of their capacity today, and each day, is good common sense. But to sit down and get all choked up, anxious and nervous over a day that hasn't even come yet, while doing nothing constructive today which will make the morrow take care of itself, is sheer foolishness.

An ancient adage advises that one should not cross a bridge until it comes to it. I am sure this does not mean that one should not adequately prepare himself to cross the bridge when he does come to it. Christ warned against going into a nervous break-down about the future. He said "Behold the birds of the heaven, that they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns, yet your Heavenly Father feedeth them."

Observe Natural Laws
Anyone knows that while the birds undoubtedly do not worry about it, they do observe the natural laws. They follow the seasons, build their nests, raise their young and migrate great distances to be where God has placed food for them. The birds are not anxious for the morrow, but they are always ready for the morrow.

May we not allow ourselves to become over-anxious and all choked up about the future, but may we tackle the jobs of today and in faith prepare for a greater tomorrow.

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