

Russian Newsmen Greet Pastor Warmly After Church Service

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Washington — Seven visiting Russian newspapermen who were bawled out by senators on Capitol Hill were visibly moved by the opposite treatment they received last Sunday from members of a small Washington church where they attended services.

The Soviet reporters and editors heard a sermon on "Forgiveness" by the Rev. Gordon Cosby, and later greeted the minister with a warmth that indicated their response.

When one of the members of the Church of the Saviour later asked the English-speaking member of the visiting delegation whether he would please take back to Russia the expressed love of the American people, the Russian promised to do so as tears edged from the corners of his eyes and tumbled down his cheeks.

Topic Selected

The minister was not notified until the previous day that the newsmen would be in his congregation, and his sermon topic had been selected earlier in the week. He and members of his church are firmly convinced that the Lord had the situation well in hand to have brought the Soviet visitors to their church on the occasion of a sermon on forgiveness.

Moreover, they were attending worship services in a congregation that is racially integrated. They learned that in the Church of the Saviour, Negroes, Caucasians and Orientals pray to God side by side.

The Church of the Saviour is not affiliated with any of the Protestant denominations. It is an ecumenical church, affiliated with the National Council of Churches and the World Council of Churches.

The Russians earlier in their United States tour had seen the movie "A Man Called Peter" and were so impressed by it that they asked their hosts to see Mrs. Catherine Marshall, widow

of the famous Presbyterian minister, Peter Marshall, whose life the picture depicted.

This in turn led them to the Church of the Saviour, where Mrs. Marshall frequently attends services. Among the many published works of Mrs. Marshall is an article which appeared in the Reader's Digest describing this church and the deep commitment of its members to Jesus Christ.

What Newsmen Found

What the Russians found was a church whose members, like Peter Marshall, have rooted their lives in a faith that God has called them to do His will in the world; that to ascertain His will they must spend daily periods in prayer; that to give 10 per cent of their gross income to the church is just the basic minimum in giving the Lord a practical priority in all the affairs of life.

Membership in the church goes only to those willing to make these commitments, after they have completed a year and a half of study in the church's school of Christian living, which features courses in doctrine, development of a prayer life, Bible,

Woman Arrested For Burning Children

Salem—(U.P.)—A Salem woman was arrested Friday on charges of burning the hands of two of her three children to punish them for playing with matches.

Mrs. Dorothy Bouge, 30, was indicted secretly by a Marion county grand jury. Bail was set at \$1,000.

Mrs. Bouge was charged with holding lighted matches to the hands of a four-year-old daughter and a two-year-old son when she found them with matches two weeks ago. The children were severely burned.

District Attorney Kenneth Brown said the two children concerned, and Mrs. Bouge's nine-month-old baby, were placed in a foster home.

Buzzard Attacks Man Defending Chickens

Parracombe, England—(U.P.)—A buzzard with a three-foot wing span Saturday attacked a man who frustrated its attempt to breakfast on one of his chickens.

A. J. Hutchings, warden of the Parracombe Youth hotel, said he heard a commotion in his chicken yard and ran out to see the buzzard taking off with the chicken clutched in its talons.

"I jumped at the buzzard," Hutchings said. "He dropped the fowl and went for me. He seemed intent on my eyes and face." Hutchings killed the bird after several minutes of fighting. He suffered minor injuries. The chicken was unharmed.

Army To Start New Training Program For Brainwashing

Washington — (U.P.) — The Army soon will begin a realistic but "controlled" program to train soldiers how to withstand Communist brainwashing and torture.

The new program, it was disclosed Saturday, appears to be designed to forestall the criticism that hit the Air Force for the prisoner of war training camp it maintains at Stead Air Force Base in Nevada.

A new Army regulation now is being circulated to all Army commands. It is designed to implement the military code of conduct issued last August by President Eisenhower.

The code, the products of months of study within the Defense department, was an outgrowth of the Korean War during which some American military men succumbed to Communist indoctrination and brainwashing.

Regulations Stated

The Army regulation states that commanders will insure that "maximum realism prevails" in tactical Army exercises and that emphasis be placed on evasion and escape training.

However, it says that captors "may not subject prisoners to indignities or physical pressure."

Former City Clerk Held; Funds Missing

The Dalles—(U.P.)—A Portland auditing firm has disclosed that a total of \$2,678 was missing from city funds here during the last two fiscal years.

Former city clerk-treasurer A. C. Grindle, who resigned last June 30, was charged with larceny of public money last August when the shortage became known. However, the exact amount of the shortage was not then known.

City Manager Gifford Miller said an audit conducted by Yergin and Meyer of Portland showed a shortage of \$400 from the city's general fund for the fiscal year 1953-54, and a shortage of \$2,278 for the last fiscal year.

Grindle, charged with misap-

propriating \$100, was free on \$1,000 bail awaiting a grand jury hearing, which was expected to be held late this month. He was clerk-treasurer from Aug. 7, 1950, until his resignation last June.

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The Polio Vaccine: Questions, Answers

Following is the fourth in a series of five articles dealing with questions and answers regarding the Salk anti-polio vaccine. The articles were prepared by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis and distributed through the Jackson county chapter.

Q. How much polio has there been this year?

A. Through Aug. 27 there were 14,140 cases, as compared with 17,104 for the same period in 1954. This includes both paralytic and non-paralytic cases. Through Aug. 18, there were 415 cases reported by the U. S. Public Health Service out of 6,500,000 who had received vaccine, of which 181 were paralytic, 234 non-paralytic. Note: Many of the 6,500,000 had received but one shot of vaccine up to that time. The total cases included 69 cases up to May 21 among children who received Cutter vaccine.

Q. What happened in the Cutter situation?

A. Live virus was found in the vaccine, according to a study made by the U. S. Public Health Service. Sharply strengthened testing and manufacturing standards now are preventing a repetition of the Cutter incident.

Q. Did any other vaccinated children get polio?

A. Yes, but in very small numbers and under circumstances that do not indicate any lack of safety. It must be remembered that many of those children received their first shots at a time when polio incidence already had started to rise in their communities so a certain number of children were incubating the disease before vaccination. Also, a polio vaccine, like all others, is less than 100 per cent effective; there are some who cannot be protected by it.

Q. Is the vaccine being used outside the United States?

A. Yes—in Canada and Denmark. Vaccine has been made by these countries according to Dr. Salk's formula. A number of other countries plan to manufacture it.

Q. How was the date for the announcement of the vaccine evaluation chosen?

A. In anticipation of the report, four possible dates were tentatively selected—the last two Tuesdays in March and the first two in April. Tuesday was deemed the best day of the week from the point of view of practical arrangements. April 12, 1955, was the first date on which Dr. Francis could assure completion of his report. In none of the announcements put out by the National Foundation was attention called to the fact that the day was the 10th anniversary of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's death.

Q. When did the Foundation learn the results of the evaluation?

A. National Foundation officials were told the gist of the evaluation study at 8:30 a.m. on April 12, 1955, just before the detailed report was presented to

a scientific meeting at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. In conformance with scientific practices, Dr. Francis declined to make his report public until it had been presented to his professional colleagues.

Q. Why was there so much publicity about the Francis Report?

A. The public had been waiting for it for more than nine months. Millions of people had been raising money and working for a preventive against polio for more than 17 years. The field trials involved the participation of 1,830,000 youngsters and 314,000 lay and professional volunteers. There was naturally a tremendous desire to find out whether the vaccine worked and, if so, how well. The answers were bound to be front page news.

Q. How has the National Foundation kept the medical profession informed of vaccine developments?

A. Even before Dr. Salk's first paper appeared in 1953 regarding preliminary research toward a vaccine, a group of medical leaders gathered to discuss the future course of his work. Among those who attended the meeting were representatives of the American Medical Association, the U. S. Public Health Service, the Association of State and Territorial Officers and others. There have been 21 meetings of this and other medical groups on the vaccine situation since that time. Between early 1954 and May, 1955, 11 scientific papers by Dr. Salk were published by leading medical journals circulated among practicing physicians. In 1953, 1954 and 1955, eight communications were mailed by the National Foundation to every practicing physician in the United States covering vaccine developments.

On the evening of the Francis report (April 12, 1955) an estimated 40,000 physicians saw and heard a closed-circuit professional telecast summarizing the results of the 1954 vaccine trials.

Dulles Asked to Delay Signing Visa Treaties

Washington—(U.P.)—Sen. James O. Eastland (D-Miss) has asked Secretary of State John Foster Dulles to delay signing proposed treaties which would allow Mexican and Cuban visitors to enter the United States without visas.

Eastland is chairman of the Senate Internal Security subcommittee.

He said Friday that he would exert every effort to make sure that the nation's internal security "is not compromised one iota for the sake of promoting international travel."

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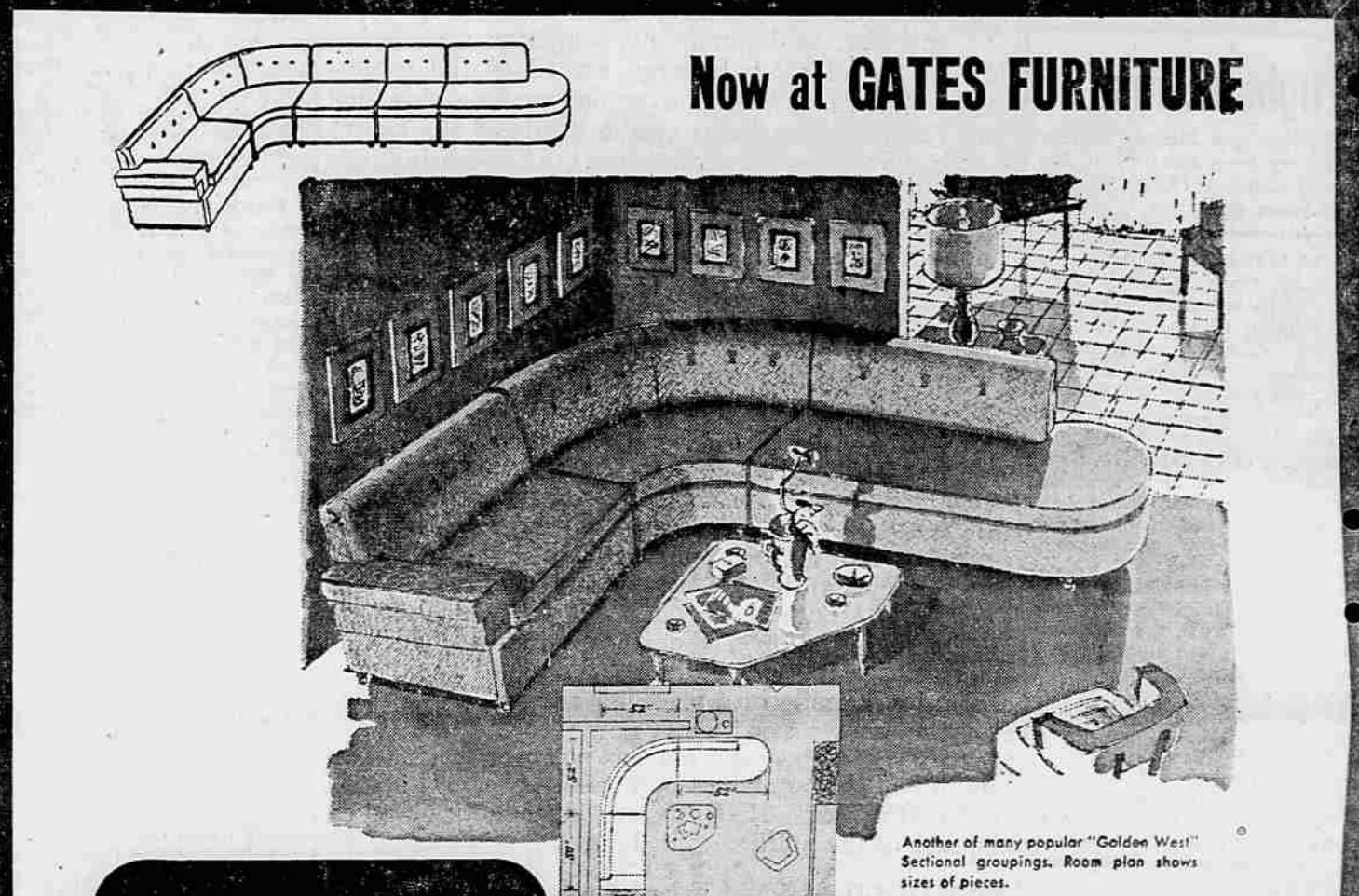
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