

Is That So?

MAKING YOUR BACK YARD WINTER BIRD SANCTUARY

"With winter coming and the inevitable shortage of bird food, I know that large numbers of wild birds must suffer and perhaps die. I love them, but what can I do about it? In the past I have scattered bread crumbs but they do not seem to find them or, maybe, want them. What is the best food and the best place to serve it? How can

Feeding Stations: You might sweep an area near a protective cover of thickets or hedges for the groundbird such as robins, grouse and pheasants and then scatter your grain. For tree dwellers, you might tack up a small, shallow, wooden box to hold the food. And nail a chunk of suet to the trunk—or, if there are squirrels about, swing the suet from a small limb with twine. Heap your box cafeteria style and, for fun, tie a doughnut on underneath—it will become an edible trapeze.

Water and Grit: Even in winter birds need water. Set out some shallow basins with bits of mirror in it. To prevent freezing, add a couple of drops of glycerine. The mirror is to reflect the sun which will attract birds a block or more away. But a more important essential than water is sand or ashes—this is the bird's substitution for teeth and when the ground is frozen, birds often die because of their inability to scratch up the grit. For ground feeders, throw the grit into your cleared area.

Attracting Birds: For two bed-ridden friends, I used these techniques to bring them varieties of birds to their windows. In the first, I established a chain of feeding stations in adjoining areas throughout the neighborhood. As the birds began to patronize these stands, I discontinued service at the more remote ones and it wasn't long before I had delivered a good variety of songbirds at my sick friends' window.

The other, confined to a third floor apartment, was harder. Even though the food was conspicuously displayed on the sills, the birds did not discover it. What to do? I then stretched a wire from the window to the nearby branches of a tree and at the far end suspended a cigar containing food. After the birds ate this, my friend pulled up the box a foot or two every night and the birds did not notice the gradual change and soon were at his sill.

Taming Birds: With birds such as chickadees, it isn't much of a trick to get them to take sunflower seeds from your hands or even your lips. Simply cover their seed box with your handkerchief once in a while and hold your hand near it with a few seeds in your palm. Soon one will light on your hand. Then another. And before you know it—only a matter of days your whole flock will fly to meet you whenever you approach.

Airguns and Cats: A half hour spent with your neighborhood boys and one chance to feed your pet chickadees from their own hands will make them powerful friends. As for the tame tabbies, they seldom kill birds—particularly because cat owners who love the outdoors bell them. But it is the neglected cats that sound the finale of many a cherry caroler. You might put a screen around your feeding station. Or, it may be necessary to enlist the aid of the SPCA. Such neglected, starving cats have no business being at large—and it is a shame their owners cannot be punished. As you say, it is not right to bait a deathtrap for these killers—so it may be up to you to protect the birds. Protect them you must.

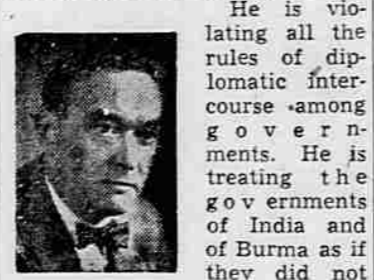
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Today and Tomorrow

By Walter Lippmann

THE TRYING TIMES

What, we cannot help wondering, is Khrushchev up to in his tour of India and Burma?



Walter Lippmann

He is violating all the rules of diplomatic intercourse among governments. He is treating the governments of India and of Burma as if they did not exist, as if, he not they, had the right to lead their peoples in their relations with the rest of the world. There seem to be no bounds whatever to the insults, and to the downright lies, which he is directing at the Western governments with whom he has so recently been talking peace.

Or is there no calculation? Is Khrushchev, as Disraeli said of an opponent, "inebriated with the exuberance of his own verbosity?" If it is that, what has happened to Bulganin who, so close observers at Geneva have been saying, was a restraining influence on Khrushchev's exuberance?

Or is it both calculation and intoxication? It looks so to me—as if the Kremlin had reached a decision of high policy to take the initiative in resuming the offensive in the cold war and that Khrushchev, who is an uncouth and exuberant man, is following the new line in his uncouth and exuberant way.

WE CANNOT be sure what were the reasons for the decision to take the offensive. It may well have been the display of the weakness of the Western governments, of the United States with a sick President and an election, of Germany with a sick and aging chancellor, of France paralyzed by its constitutional sickness. But of one thing, which is of great practical importance, we can be sure. If the danger of the smiles in July was that we would "lower our guard," the danger of the Khrushchev agitation today is that it will provoke us to react unwisely.

In fact, it has, I am afraid, provoked Mr. Dulles into making a serious mistake in regard to the dispute between India and Portugal over Goa. This territory is legally a province of Portugal. Geographically it is an enclave on the western shore of India. Khrushchev has been making inflammatory speeches about India's right to annex Goa. Our position has been, according to Mr. Dulles, still is, that we do not take "any position on the merits of the matter." Our interest, in other words, is to remain friends with

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both Portugal and India, not to be entangled in their dispute, and to do what we can to encourage a peaceable solution.

After Khrushchev's speech about Goa in which he backed India unreservedly, it might have been useful for Mr. Dulles, speaking for the United States, to re-state our position of disinterested friendship. Instead, he allowed himself to be provoked by Khrushchev's insults. Khrushchev having taken the Indian side, Mr. Dulles agreed to a joint communique which to all appearances placed him on the Portuguese side. That will do Portugal no particular good and it has angered India. The net result, it would seem, will be to disqualify Mr. Dulles as a conciliator in the Portuguese-Indian dispute.

THE incident—it should be no more than that—may be a useful little reminder that, like Prime Minister Nehru, we too have a policy of neutrality and non-alignment when it suits what we consider to be our interests. In disputes between the Communist orbit and non-Communist states, we are never neutral ourselves, and we dislike neutrality in others.

But in disputes between the Atlantic Powers and their dependencies—as in Goa—in disputes among the states within the non-Communist world—as in Palestine—we aim to be as neutral as possible. It is only fair to remember that in all the disputes of this character, India is not very neutral.

It would do good in Washington and in New Delhi if these paradoxes were recognized and regarded with charity. It will help us to avoid taking that high and mighty tone with one another which, when governments are speaking, is always in some measure hypocrisy. And thus, remembering our own confusions and mistakes, we may be able to bear lightly on the other man's.

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
I listened the other day to a remarkable citizen. His name is Ted Gamble. His home is in Portland. He has just been named by the secretary of the treasury to serve as chairman of the Oregon savings bond committee, succeeding Eddie Sammons who has worked like a horse on that job for a decade and a half.

He is making a flying tour of the state, and was here to discuss the bond sales program with the good citizens of southern Oregon who are giving their time to the job.

AT THE ripe age of 35 Ted was drafted by the then secretary of the treasury, Henry Morgenthau, to be national director of the nation's war bond drives. His appointment came about in this way:
When the state of Oregon was organized for the first defense bond drive in 1941, Ted and Ep Hoyt and Eddie Sammons got stuck with the job. Ted was then publisher of the Oregonian. Eddie, then as now, was high brass of the U.S. National Bank of Portland. He was the only financier in the outfit.

The three of them put the Oregon drive over in such a big way that Treasury Secretary Morgenthau reached out and grabbed Ted to head the national bond program.

Boiling the story down, Ted and his organization sold TWO HUNDRED BILLION DOLLARS worth of treasury securities in the next five and a half years.

It was the biggest job of selling since the world began.

JUST what were they doing? They were financing a war. There are two ways to finance a war:

1. Start the printing presses.
2. Borrow from the people (by selling bonds to them.)

THE first way means huge inflation—which has destroyed more nations than any other cause, including war itself. The second means taking the

money out of the people's pockets NOW, so that it may be put back in the people's pockets LATER.

Fortunately, our country chose to do it the HARD way (which in this case was the right way) and Ted and his bond organization did the job.

IT WORKED.

There was some inflation, to be sure. Over the period, the buying power of the dollars has been cut about in half—partly as a result of the war financing and partly as a result of too

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reckless spending after the war ended.

But—Compare that record with the record of France over the period covering two world wars.

BEFORE World War I, the French franc was worth 20 American cents. It is now worth less than one-third of ONE American cent.

That's what happens when nations choose the EASY way—that is to say the printing press way—to finance wars and such.

Ted Gamble and his crew did it the hard way, and they did their job so well that under the awful strains of war and the later strains of too reckless spending (largely by politicians who wanted to keep their jobs and thought the way to do it was to SPEND and SPEND) our dollar's buying power has shrunk only half.

It was a great job and I think all Oregonians are proud of Ted's part in it.

Cutler Found Dead In Salem Home Friday

Salem — (UP)—Oscar Cutler, 63, chief cost analyst for the State Highway Department, was found dead in his home here Friday.

Coroner Charles Edwards said Cutler apparently had died from a self-inflicted bullet wound. He had lived alone since the death of his wife two years ago.

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