

Life in America Has It All Over Europe, Writer Gone 7 Years Says

Editor's Note: E.P. Correspondent Robert E. Jackson has returned to his native land after a seven-year assignment in Europe...

By ROBERT E. JACKSON United Press Correspondent New York—(U.P.)—For seven years I lived in a world without automatic gearshifts, frozen cheeseburger or Elvis Presley.

I had to beg salesmen to sell to me. I did practically nothing around the house. Neither did my wife. We had a full-time \$7.50-a-week live-in maid, a built-in baby sitter...

my wife Peggy, a New Yorker, and our sons, Roger, 6, and Blair, 3—London-born and Italian-speaking—this, not that, is the promised land.

America in 1956 is a material paradise. It is this impression which first rocks, rolls and reels the expatriate come home.

We expected it to be. We had heard that and little else about America. But what we had not expected—and what excited us more than washing machines and dish dryers—was the change in the American people since we left in 1949.

Americans have calmed down. Even New Yorkers. They also seem more conservative.

Moderation Is By-Word "Moderation" is the national password. Security is a must. The average person in this exuberant, friendly, over-generous, often zany and sometimes tasteless country of ours, has stuck by the solid virtues.

He may be whistling past a graveyard by worrying more about the Dodgers than Suez, but he is concerned about the schools, the morals and the future of his children, the slaughter on the highways. His conscience, whether southern or northern, is torn by segregation.

This surprised us, because in the seven years away we had read and heard so much slander of an envied America that we were, I will admit, almost afraid to come home.

Expatriate Americans Liberate and Presley were the "real America," not Eisenhower and Stevenson. Americans had lost their liberty and freedom. The machine age had swallowed them. In the atom age, they were trigger-happy for war. They were cultural baboons.

This we had heard from Europeans, from the new breed of Americans who have exiled themselves to Europe and from traveling Americans themselves.

In the seven years we were away—the years of Korea and McCarthy—there were serious crises for peace and liberty. But when we landed here on Labor day, whisked in 17 hours from the old world back into the new, we found ordinary and nice people leading an incredible life. It was good to be back.

Fund Appeal Starts For Youth Group

Ashland—Annual appeal for funds for the Ashland-Talent youth drive opened Monday, and campaign headquarters are located in the lobby of the Luthia hotel.

Goal of the drive this year is \$14,300 for support of four youth organizations in the community—the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, YMCA and Camp Fire Girls.

Allan Harris is general chairman of the drive with Mrs. Jean Polk, co-chairman.

Headquarters in the Luthia lobby are open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. from the opening date through Oct. 30.

Committee chairmen are Bill Warren, special events; John Billings and Gordon Hays, business solicitations; Ken Jones, advance gifts; Chet Squire, schools and colleges; Don Lewis, industrial solicitation; Mrs. Lorena McNair, residential solicitations; and Sam Davis, publicity.

Around Hollywood

Hollywood — (U.P.) — Dick Haymes now is building a new career in New York, but on this side of the country the singer faces a burden: An estimated \$225,000 in debts and two warrants for his arrest.

The warrants, issued last week at the order of two of his four ex-wives, point up Haymes' position as the most troubled star in show business.

Critics agree Haymes still has one of the best ballad voices, but he also has had a penchant for muddling into marital-financial trouble since he hit the big time with his record of "You'll Never Know" in 1943.

His second wife, Jeanne Dru, has the law out to nab him the minute he steps across the California border for \$4,478 in support payments for his three children. Wife No. 3, Nora Haymes, also wants him arrested for \$12,150 in back alimony.

Federal Claim Unsettled The records show he still is trying to settle a government claim for \$18,800 in back taxes and penalties.

Three years ago Haymes was involved in one of the all-time legal headaches. The good-looking singer hopped over to Hawaii to court voluptuous Rita Hayworth, and the rendezvous al-

most cost him his right to live in the United States.

The government charged that Haymes, an Argentine-born alien, had no right to such a visit without a visa for his return. After a two-year fight that included hearings, appeals, various decisions and legal documents, the government finally gave up its case.

Attorneys Claim Nonpayment But the attorneys who sweated through two years of the bitter legal battle and guided Haymes to his freedom claim they haven't been paid for their efforts. Recently one of his lawyers, David Marcus, sued Haymes for his bill of \$25,000.

Nora's attorney, Saul Ross, says Haymes' excuse for getting behind in his bills is that "he says he lost \$100,000 through his divorce from Rita Hayworth. The crooner's pals say that was the amount Dick would have received if he and Rita had formed their production company.

But a month after he finally won his immigration case the red-haired star walked out on him. She told friends, "I'm fed up with his troubles." Since their divorce Haymes has been singing in nightclubs and is up for a new York TV show. He has said he never will marry again and that he's trying to settle his back accounts.

Gouverneur, N. Y. — (U.P.) — Mrs. Millinda Richards celebrated her 101st birthday here Sunday.

Spray Trees Soon, Agent Advises

Peach and apricot trees should be sprayed before Oct. 25 to control leaf curl on peaches and blight on both peaches and apricots, according to C. B. Cordy, county extension agent.

Cordy stated that where these disease have caused trouble, orchardists should apply a second spray during January.

Recommendations Given He pointed out that orchardists use either seven pounds per acre of spracop, five pounds of COCS, five pounds of orthocop, five pounds of copper A, or 10 pounds of copper hydro.

In air blast sprayers, Cordy said, increase the dosage to eight pounds per 100 or 15 pounds per 100 and thoroughly wet the trees. For small sprayers, he explained, orchardists should use one-fourth pound of any of these materials in three gallons of water.

A "good sticker" is essential, Cordy said. He advised orchardists to use two quarts of summer oil or one-third pound spreader depository per 100 gallons.

Mix sticker and fixed copper with a little water and pour into partly filled tank with agitator running, he said. Cordy added that the trees should be sprayed thoroughly.

Less than five per cent of Finland's domain is suitable for agriculture.

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Election Results in Illinois Uncertain Because of Scandals

Editor's note: This is another of the dispatches on the most interesting and important election contests across the country.

By AL LEECH United Press Correspondent

Chicago — (U.P.) — Scandal has clouded the state election campaigns in Illinois and lent added uncertainty to the outcome of the presidential balloting in the home state of Adlai Stevenson.

Political experts agree that the Democrats need the Illinois vote if they intend to defeat President Eisenhower. At first, the Democrats appeared to be getting the breaks when a fraudulent check scandal drove Republican State Auditor Orville Hodge out of office and into prison. It was a blow to the whole GOP state ticket from Gov. William G. Stratton down.

But then the Democrats suffered a setback when Cook County Treasurer Herbert C. Paschen, the Democratic candidate for governor, was forced to withdraw from the race after alleged irregularities were uncovered in a welfare fund for employees of his office.

He was replaced on the ticket Sept. 5 by Judge Richard B. Austin of Superior court, who took a leave of absence and set out to accomplish in 60 days what it takes most candidates as much as seven months to do.

Furthermore, he was up against a formidable opponent in Stratton, a veteran of the political wars at 42. Austin is virtually unknown except in the legal profession in Chicago. Stratton became a political boy wonder when he was elected to Congress in 1940 at the age of 26.

The Republicans hope to counteract the Hodge scandal with the claim that they acted speedily to straighten out the mess. They are confident of restitution of all the money Hodge took from the State Treasury—more than a million dollars in all.

Democrats are trying to keep it alive. The Senate Banking committee headed by Sen. William Fullbright (D-Ark) is conducting Chicago hearings on ratifications of the case involving Chicago banks.

The Democrats contend that the Paschen case was small potatoes compared with the Hodge scandal and that Paschen himself has not been found guilty of wrong-doing. The case revolved around the fact that banks which had county money on deposit contributed around \$29,250 in two years to the welfare fund for Paschen's county employees.

Bankers said this amounted to about 1-10th of 1 per cent of the county funds the banks had on deposit.

Grand Jurors Named For Coming Term

Seven persons were sworn in by the clerk of the circuit court to serve on the Jackson county grand jury Monday morning.

Those who will serve on the grand jury and be subject to call during the next three months are Charles V. Reeves, Prospect; Clara Spatz, 20 North Groveland, Medford; Viola Ragsdale, P. O. Box 16, Trull; Walter J. Carr, route 1, box 598, Central Point; John P. Daugherty, 564 Ashland st., Ashland; Robert G. Germer, 4585 South Pacific highway, Medford; and Claudina M. Smith, 1306 South Columbus ave., Medford.

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