

Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

FOR MANY YEARS, historians have been trying to decide which leg it was that doughty old Peter Stuyvesant lost. Some New Amsterdam pictures portray him with a wooden left leg; others show the peg on the right. Today the Hotel Astor, in New York, plays it safe by hanging two portraits in the Stuyvesant room: one depicts him with the left leg missing; the other without the right.

A distinguished surgeon once sought permission to exhume Stuyvesant's body to settle the argument once and for all, but the family descendants were properly outraged. At long last, however, Henry Kessler came upon an authentic Stuyvesant letter which states plainly, "I lost my right leg." And that's that!



Herbert Hoover reluctantly consented to pose for a pre-banquet photograph recently. When it was finished the photographer said reproachfully, "You promised to smile for me."

"Confound it!" exploded Mr. Hoover. "I was smiling."

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The Family Council

Editor's Note: The Family Council consists of a Judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, a newspaper editor, a woman's editor and two writers. Each article is a summary of an actual case history. The Council reports on problems that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors.

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of being shrewd about business is to suspect everybody of being a crook and act accordingly. I just can't do business that way.

Mrs. R. D.—My husband died last year, leaving his business in my name. I am in my 60s and I want our son to take over the full responsibility for the business as soon as possible.

In my experience most people are honest. I know there are exceptions, but I'd rather take my chances on an occasional loss than have to operate on the assumption that I have to out-trick the next fellow before he out-tricks me.

The problem is that Bob, who is 26, is very inexperienced and wants to run the business his way or not at all. He is like a baby in business matters. He would give everything away if things were left entirely to him. He is simply a fool where money is concerned.

Mother says she wants me to take the full responsibility, but she throws up her hands and screams the minute I make a suggestion. She treats me like a three-year-old. I may be inexperienced, but I'm no moron.

My husband worked hard to build up this business and I hate to see it go to ruin. Bob won't listen to a word I say.

The Council: Mrs. R. D.'s judgment of her son's business abilities may or may not be justified, but we can say for sure that she is taking the wrong tack if she wants him to build up his ability as a businessman.

Bob D.—My mother's idea

No man can take "full responsibility" and at the same time have a woman shouting at him from the back seat, insisting that he is a fool and a baby. It's enough to rattle the nerves of an experienced driver, much less a beginner.

Hawaii Observes Admission Day With Celebration

Honolulu—UPI—The biggest parade ever held in the islands was Friday's highlight of the five-day official celebration of Hawaii's achievement of statehood.

On the other hand, we cannot blame Mrs. R. D. for being concerned about the business which represents her own future as well as her son's. If she is familiar with the business and emotionally capable of giving advice in a calm, tactful manner, she should do so. Otherwise she should try to be stoic about things when she sees her son making a minor mistake. Let him make the mistake, then he'll learn a lesson which can't be taught by any amount of lecturing.

It was a marked step-up in the pace of things which started Thursday on a somber note of Thanksgiving in churches, cemeteries and private homes.

The late Mr. R. D. undoubtedly made mistakes in his time, but was (we hope) fortunate enough to have nobody screaming "mistake" over him—both before and after the event. It is a natural for a mother to want to guide and help her son, but she must accept the fact that he has to do his own floundering and falling. If he has courage and capacity to learn, he'll come through in the end.

Kilauea Ike volcano on the island of Hawaii offered the only disturbance in the otherwise quiet day. The volcano broke a four-day silence shortly after midnight and joined the statehood celebration with a 16-hour eruption. It died down again at 4:35 p.m.

Ball Scheduled

Friday was officially Admission Day—and it was a holiday for federal, state and city employees, as well as banks and many business houses. The statehood ball was held Saturday night at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel, and the holiday will reach a climax Sunday with an afternoon of celebrating and speechmaking at Honolulu Stadium.

Hotels were packed to capacity as streams of invited notables and tourists poured into Honolulu for the occasion.

Among the invited VIPs were Secretary of Interior Fred Seaton, who helped engineer the islands out of his control into statehood; five U.S. senators, several congressmen, official representatives of state governors, high-ranking State Department officials, and foreign diplomats.

Friday the new state's youthful governor, William F. Quinn, 40, was grand marshal of the parade down Ala Moana Blvd., which skirts the city and connects the downtown waterfront district with Waikiki, some three miles distant.

Bob, on the other hand, should try to avoid an overemotional reaction to his mother's overemotional expressions. He should train himself to listen to the essentials behind what she is saying and try to evaluate her opinions objectively. He may be able to learn the easy way if he can keep a level head.

Seaton Invited

San Francisco—UPI—John Davis Bradley, president of Bunker Hill Co. and a national leader in the mining and milling products industry, and his wife were killed Thursday night in a head-on collision on the James Lick Freeway.

New York—UPI—Actress Elizabeth Taylor, stricken with double pneumonia, was reported in good condition Friday.

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Eisenhower Will Find American Prestige in India Skyrocketed

By THOMAS R. CURRAN
UPI Vice President

New Delhi—UPI—President Eisenhower will find in his five-day visit here that U. S. prestige in India has skyrocketed to its highest point in the history of the two countries.

Red China's Premier Chou-En-Lai can take part of the credit.

The shock of the Tibetan revolt and Red China's creeping aggression against India's borders have opened Indian eyes and lent a sense of urgency to the President's five-day visit.

This, and Eisenhower's role in the seeming thaw of the cold war in Europe, add up to a warm welcome for the President, whom the villagers call "a man of peace from the land of multi-millionaires."

Observers will be interested in comparing the warmth of Ike's reception with the enthusiastic welcome Nikita Khrushchev and Nikolai Bulganin received when they barnstormed this country for three weeks in 1955.

Indira Gandhi, daughter of Indian Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru, told United Press International she hoped Ike's reception would be as big as the Russians'. But she noted the shortness of the President's stay.

Expects Warm Welcome

She is Nehru's official hostess and she forecast a "very warm" reception for the President during his stopover. In an exclusive interview she told me "the entire country" has been waiting for an Eisenhower visit.

Would Ike's reception match the 1955 welcome for Khrushchev and Bulganin? "I certainly hope so," Mrs. Gandhi replied.

But it would be hard to compare the occasions, she said, because the Russians were the first important foreign visitors ever received by independent India, and they stayed longer.

Chinese encroachment on the Indian frontier has made the Indians appreciative of the friendship of the United States and America's military might.

Nor is United States' friendship for Pakistan so deeply resented now as a year ago when India and Pakistan grimly faced each other as enemies. Explanations that American defense expenditures in Pakistan were strictly a Communist deterrent now are making sense in Delhi, Bombay and Calcutta.

Aid Request Anticipated

India is expected to ask for more economic aid, thereby freeing scarce foreign exchange for an anticipated increase in defense expenditures to meet the Chinese aggression.

The President's unofficial program calls for his arrival here on the afternoon of Dec. 9 from Karachi, Pakistan, and Kabul, Afghanistan. On Dec. 10 he will visit President Rajendra Prasad and address a joint session of the India parliament.

On Dec. 11 he will receive a doctorate at Delhi University at a special convocation, and later will open the American exhibition at the World Agricultural Fair with his

most important address in Asia.

The day of Dec. 12 will be confined to sightseeing, and on Dec. 13 he will go to church and then fly to Agra,

30 minutes by air from Delhi, to see the Taj Mahal. The next day he will visit an Indian village near Delhi which is receiving United States aid. The influential newspaper

"Times of India" struck the press's keynote for the President's visit with an editorial saying, "whatever might be said in criticism of United States foreign policy—and

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