

United Nations Day

Today is a sort of day of mourning for the tiny fraction of Americans who believe that the United Nations is part of the international Communist conspiracy...

For today is United Nations Day—the 18th anniversary of the day the U.N. Charter went into effect.

They have been 18 momentous years. The United Nations, while not always successful in its peacekeeping mission, has had its triumphs...

NO one claims the United Nations is perfect. But it has had the undivided support of all Presidents from Franklin Roosevelt to John F. Kennedy...

President Eisenhower once said the U.N. is "man's best organized hope to substitute the conference table for the battlefield."

Even Barry Goldwater, who once thought we should quit the world organization, now believes we should not unless Red China is admitted.

THE Birch types who wail about the United Nations taking over the United States armed forces and putting them under the command of a Russian colonel...

One recent publication said of the U.N.: "The international body never has become the sort of world parliament that some of its critics feared it might..."

And a tremendously important function it is, too.—E.A.

UNICEF at Halloween

Aside from the United Nations itself, two of its agencies have come in for witless criticism. One of them is UNESCO, which can take care of itself...

But, because some of these kids live in Iron Curtain lands, it too has come under suspicion. (Permitting a child to die because you don't like his form of government hardly qualifies one for a bouquet of daisies.)

ONE week from tonight is Halloween. For the past several years more and more youngsters out trick-or-treating have been accepting coins, as well as candy, and donating the coins to UNICEF.

This humanitarian project, and the organization which benefits from it, has the solid support of all who care a whit for the health and happiness of children...

A Way With Names

The British have a way with names. The Queen is called Elizabeth. The family name is Windsor, but until World War I was Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, previously Hanover.

Her oldest son is Prince Charles Philip Arthur George, and presumably he will be Britain's next ruler. Although commonly called Charles, he need not necessarily become King Charles III; he could use another of his names.

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"What A Dirty Trick, Sneaking Up On Us From Behind Like That!"



Matter of Fact

By Joseph Alsop

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ASIAN BALANCE SHEET

WASHINGTON — For the long pull, this autumn's most significant news may well concern the harvest in Communist China.

This does not mean, of course, that a great change is to be immediately expected. This does not mean, either, that if and when there is a general upheaval or a great leadership crisis, the successor-regime will not retain the Communist label.

Our own difficulties have at least been somewhat exaggerated by the obsession of a number of the American newspapermen in Saigon with a political-moral crusade against the government of President Ngo Dinh Diem.

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all the drastic self-reversals by Mao and his colleagues, the future of Mao's regime is now in doubt.

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Internal Split, Independence Desires, Make British Guiana Source of Trouble



By PHIL NEWSOM UPI Foreign News Analyst

As Britain step by step has gone about the business of dismantling its empire and giving independence to former colonies, among the most persistent of its headaches has been the crown colony of British Guiana.

Although on the way for more than 10 years, independence still is a goal to be realized by British Guiana which is situated on the north coast of South America and is about the size of Kansas.

Now the British are making another try at setting a date. British Guiana has been described as a small country with big problems, poor, racially divided and isolated by mountains and jungle.

As well as being a problem to itself and to Britain, it also is a problem for the United States.

At the center of the problem is Guiana's prime minister, Dr. Cheddi Jagan, an American-trained dentist of East Indian descent, and his wife, Janet, who once called Chicago home and who doubles as minister for home affairs with responsibility for internal security.

Jagan is an admitted Marxist and an admirer of the Soviet Union and Castro Cuba.

In London, Jagan has been making dire predictions of an "explosion" if British Guiana does not achieve its independence now. The country, he said, could be the signpost, whether the whole of Latin America is to proceed through peaceful evolution or bloody revolt.

Jagan derives his strength from the East Indians who make up nearly half of British Guiana's population, living mostly in rural areas and working on the big sugar plantations.

His chief opposition comes from the predominantly Negro Peoples National Congress led

by Forbes Burnham representing a voting bloc nearly as large as Jagan's.

And, while Jagan talks of an "explosion," Burnham speaks of civil war.

Last April the two forces locked in a bloody struggle which began with a general strike and lasted 11 weeks. Fourteen persons were killed in ensuing Negro-Indian race riots and about 40 buildings were bombed or burned. Before British troops restored order, losses

in property and wages ran to millions of dollars.

Strengthened Red Ties

Jagan used the period to strengthen his ties both with the Soviet Union and Cuba. He seized Shell Oil storage facilities and used them to store Russian gasoline. Cuba shipped in oil and flour and the Soviet Union offered long-term loans and cheap prices for fertilizers and agricultural machinery.

Jagan also offered landing rights to Cuban planes next door to both Venezuela and Brazil.

The United States sees an independent Guiana under Jagan as another Cuba and its suspicions are confirmed by Jagan's own words.

It has brought pressure upon Britain to see that such does not occur. On the other hand, there have been British complaints that the U.S. position destroys any chance of racial peace or national unity.

... Communications ...

Letters to the Editor must bear the name and address of the writer, although under certain circumstances the use of a pen name or initial for publication is permissible. The Mail Tribune reserves the right to edit all letters with a view to clarification and condensation. Letters submitted for publication must not exceed 400 words. The letters printed in this column do not necessarily represent the views of the paper; in fact the contrary is often the case.

Why Barry Can't Win

To the Editor: With all this noise about Goldwater lately you would actually think he has a chance to win. Actually, there are three good reasons why he does not have a chance. He is a halfbreed Protestant Jew.

Since he is a halfbreed the Westerners won't vote for him; he is a Republican so the Southerners won't vote for him; he is anti-labor so the Northerners won't vote for him; he is a Jew so the Easterners won't vote for him; he is a Jew so the Protestants won't vote for him; he became a Protestant so the Jews won't vote for him; the Catholics won't vote for him because they already have one to vote for; he is against civil rights so the Negroes won't vote for him; he is against government subsidies so the farmers won't vote for him; he comes from a rural area so the urbanites won't vote for him.

In other words, Goldwater will get the vote of every half-breed Protestant Jew in the country. That is, every half-breed Protestant Jew who is not a Northerner, Southerner, Easterner, Westerner, Laborer, Farmer, Negro, Catholic, or city-dweller.

This only leaves one person, Senator Barry Goldwater. And Goldwater won't vote for himself because he has said that, if elected, he would not eliminate the income tax, which he is against because it is unfair.

I may vote for him. At least we have a candidate who has stated clearly and concisely just where he stands.

Lee J. Hughes Jr. Butte Falls, Ore.

People Have Spoken

To the Editor: In Sunday's M.T. in the editorial, "What is the voters want?" E.A. asked "Pray tell what is it the voters want?" Really, Mr. Editor, if the overwhelming vote against this tax bill did not tell you what we want then I don't see how it could be made any plainer.

It would seem now that the people have spoken that the proponents for more spending and higher taxes would let this thing drop before the legislature presented this bill. We the people ask them to hold the line on more taxes and again at the polls Oct. 15 we asked loudly again for no tax increase and elimination of wasteful and unnecessary spending, mainly in the educational department. I think there are few of us but that are willing to sacrifice for our children's education if necessary, but we don't like the waste of our tax monies.

Unless we want another repeat like we got on the daylight savings time issue after the people had spoken, we should write our representatives demanding a full investigation and housecleaning in all state departments and especially in the education department before we think about any other form of taxes or change in existing taxes, before we get another huge tax crammed down our throats.

Unless our votes are upheld we may as well sit home on election days. If I were a legislator and wanted to keep my job, I think I would listen to the will of the people on this issue.

Mrs. C. T. Poole Route 1, Box 738 Eagle Point, Ore.

Courthouse Parking

To the Editor: Jackson County Employees association, in their resolution to the county court protesting restriction against their monopolizing street parking space in the courthouse area, at first reading, failed to create a sympathetic response in this taxpayer's heart.

The reasons listed for presenting the protest were that the county employees might have to walk a couple of blocks to their cars in stormy weather and their departure for lunch might be delayed five minutes.

Of course, county residents wanting to transact business within the courthouse should trudge through the rain with a smile on their face and the wind in their hair from a several block distant parking space so county employees do not have to endure these hazards of winter.

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Some people can refuse to do a favor with more grace than others can confer a favor; and we would rather be refused with tact than obliged with oily self-satisfaction.

Speaking of types of personalities, I'm fond of the anonymous definer of a "pessimist":

PS. They SHOT the horse.

Parking in the courthouse area has been a problem for years. The city of Medford several years ago made an attempt to solve the problem by restricting parking in the library block to two hours. This past summer courthouse employees were requested to park their cars away from the immediate courthouse area and this has further alleviated the parking problem.

As one who has enjoyed the resulting improvement of the parking situation, I am desolate to learn my pleasure has been at the cost of such great inconvenience for county employees.

(Name on file) Medford.

Extravagance

To the Editor: With reference to Tax Questionnaire, front page Sunday Mail Tribune, it is our opinion that the author of the questionnaire is sidestepping the real significance of the "No" vote on the tax bill.

Most of us know that our incomes have their limitations and that sickness and/or disability can affect those limits. We know that we must restrict our spending to where our incomes will cover our needs and necessities and have a little for that rainy day. We are also aware that we cannot wish ourselves a raise in income and start spending it before it is a reality without hurting ourselves or someone else.

When we observe the ever increasing numbers of department store vehicles on our roads, of one passenger to a car and often following one another; when we realize that our money can be spent by the bucket fulls, to try to obtain a vote so such extravagance may be continued, and so a new crop of state employees can be absorbed annually or oftener, when we note that our elected state officials can raise their own salaries and expense accounts and can include members of their families in their benefits, when we observe our school transportation vehicles coming and going in every direction, after school hours and on week ends, and when we assume that the 1000 graduates that our state is reported to absorb will require their share of expense accounts and state-owned vehicles, we believe that some of the same economy measures used at home might help if applied in our departments of state. It is

Under socialism there will be the strongest possible guarantees that power will not be usurped, nor freedom destroyed. And these safeguards will be enormously strengthened by the fact that material well-being will be enjoyed by all the people. It is one of the best-kept secrets of the age we live in that right now the material conditions exist, not only for wiping out the curse of poverty, but for insuring that every human being in the land receives an abundance in a world free from war.

The profit system, now no longer serving a useful purpose, is a hangover from a simple age to which it was fitted to a complex age to which it is not adapted.

Lydia Burnham, 814 W. 2nd St., Prescott, Ariz.

as being "somebody who's been forced to live with an optimist."

We cannot understand why boys generally follow the lowest and wildest among them, unless we recognize that boys need a vent for their anti-social impulses, and the leadership of such a boy allows them to give rein to their rebelliousness without assuming the prime responsibility for their deeds; the bold leader is popular not because they value him in himself — in the end they desert him — but because he embodies their repressions, and they are using him more than he is using them.

The fatal defect with most flatterers is that they put too much cheese in the trap that there's no room left for the mouse.

It is easier to respect a person who depreciates us than one who wildly overestimates us; the former can always be surprised when we turn out to be better than he thought, but the latter can only be disappointed when we fail to live up to his inflated estimate of us. (Women, especially, have a secret contempt for the men who overvalue them.)

The finest test for distinguishing true love from false was most succinctly put by St. Augustine, when he said: "Love says what we have been that we may me what we were not."

Strictly Personal

By Sidney J. Harris

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PERSONAL PREJUDICES

One of the saddest sights in the world is a man who, at the same time, looks aged and immature, who has become gray and lined beyond his years, and yet has not acquired the character to match his appearance.

"Giving an example" is not proof of anything, except of giving an example; we all know that one swallow does not make a summer, yet we persist in trying to prove our dubious points by flushing a bird or two from the bushes and calling them a "flock."

When parents correct or reprimand a child, they should never say, "I'm only doing it for your own good," which the child quite properly resents as smug hypocrisy; they should say, if anything, "I'm doing it for MY own good, because it makes me feel better to try to make you into the kind of child I want you to be."

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