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Politics In A Moral 'Revival'

DR. FRANK BUCHMAN and his Moral pleter the week. His organization is holding a world assembly in Califoria to celebrate the tenth anniversary of MRA, and the sessions got under way with a global broadcast in which Dr. Buchman declared: "Moral Re-Armament is the good road of an ideology inspired by God upon which all can unite. Catholic, Jew and Protestant, Hindu, Moslem, Buddhist and Confucianist—all find they can travel along this road together."

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In other words, MRA's promoting a religious revival in all parts of the world outside materialistic, atheistic Soviet Russia
and her sphere of influence.
The anti-Communist character of Buchman's movement involved it, in political
controversy in the years immediately after
Munich. Britain's and America's entry in
the Second World War as galles of Comp-Munich. Britain's and Americas whe Second World War as allies of Communist Russia put a damper on the Bothmanite crusade but the present of the Bothmanite crusade but the present as created highly favorable and the set as created highly favorable and the organization is in the first of the MRA type offs of a vigorous expansion.

It is said that MRA now has adherents in 32 countries. It minitain headquarters in many cities, including large offices in London. Caux (Switzerland). New York, Mackinac Island and Los Angeles. Dr. Buchman has trained 1,000 specialists to

spread his gospel and his followers include political, industrial and labor leaders. That his crusade is receiving important encouragement in high official circles is indicated by the names of some of the individuals who have sent greelings to the assembly of MRA. Among the messages is one from Paul G. Hoffman, European Recovery Program Administrator, who sent a telegram saying in part:

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"You are giving the world the ideological
counterpart of the Marshall Plan."
For our part, we find in MRA disturbing
pridence that the ideological conflict of our
time is spreading into the spiritual realm
rather than that religious forces are being
mobilized to bring understanding, forberance and Christian fellowship into our sorry political affairs. We would feel better
about the Buchmantte movement if less
emphasis were placed on its value as an instrument to rally Christians in the fight
against Communism, and more on its at-

strument to rally Christians in the fight against Communism, and more on its attributes as movement to grouse moral lorces that will bring salvation to all people of the world, including Communists.

As we see it, the political direction which MRA has taken raises the clear danger that a Christian crusade may be used to incite a 'holy war' with Russia—a tendency that already is over-emphasized in American life. Such a "revival" would not bring us God's peace or help the cause of world democracy.

A Poor Dodge On Draft

SENATOR LODGE's proposal to open the American Army to allens, which was approved by the Senate yeaterday as an amendment to the draft bill, has obvious popular appeal. In fact, its vote spipal in a Presidential year is much too obvious. Senator Guerney, chairman of the Armed Services Committee, states the main case against the Lodge plan when he declares that "many people feel that such a move would subject our nation to the criticism that our own people are not willing to bear arms in defense of the nation."

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The Lodge program would meet the objection that we are employing mercenaries with the provision that the foreigners may qualify for citizenship in five years, and the added stipulation that these men are to be assigned individually to the regular service units rather than organized into a mitted that American Army pay and United States citizenship have a high market value to Europeaps in their present poor situation. The mercenary element in this business is too pronounced for comfort when it also may be said that we are accepting foreign assistance only to relieve some of our citizens of a duty which they consider unpleasant or inconvenient.

Under the plan approved by the Senate.

only 25,000 aliens would be accepted in our Army. That number would make so small a contribution toward easing our burfen that it is necessary to ask why the scheme was considered at all. Apparently it is an experiment and if it works to the satisfaction of the generals and the public the foreign contingent may be expanded.

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The danger here is that we are establishing a precedent, departing from our historic traditions of the American citizen soldier and educating the public to the soldier and educating the public to the control of the co

and prestige.

Senator Lodge makes it clear also that he
likes this plan because our recruitment of
anti-Communist Europeans will anger the
Russians. This strikes us as a frivolous
piece of provocation. The propagands we
make of the European raily to our colors
will be outwelpided by the Communist agi-tation over the mercenaries in the hire of
American insperialism.

More Confusion In Divorce Thus the already muddled divorce situation becomes more so. It is a national scandal, as bad in the South as elsewhere. Outside South Carolina, which does not recognize divorce at all, perhaps the most pernicious aspect of the problem is that pernicious aspect of the problem is that ling in all respects but who just cannot get along, find it necessary for one of them to bring shameful and disgraceful charges against the other in order to conclude a marriage which they find no longer to the best interests of either of them or children. If any. They both may be reasonable and ready to come to divorce terms, but7m, modst states they may not do so without one of them publicly recording a contrived scandal against the other. In nearly all matters we are against

"IF there is one thing that the people are entitled to expect from their lawmakers, it is rules of law that will enable individuals to tell whether they are married and, if so, to whom.

"Today many people who have simply lived in more than one state do not know, and the most learned lawyer cannot advise them with any confidence.

"In a society as mobile and nomadic as ours, such uncertain thes affect large num-bers of people and create a social problem of some magnitude. It is, therefore, im-portant that, whatever we do we should not add to the confusion. I think that this decision does just that."

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This is from Justice Jackson of the United States Supreme Court, who with Justice Prankfurter dissented from a majority opinion that Nevada divorces do not permit two ex-husbands to stop making alimony payments previously ordered by New York courts under separation decreas. The New York courts under separation decreas. The New York courts and they owed back alimony to their (ormer) were despite the Nevada decrees.

From The Atlanta Journal

A Bitter Pill For Henry

In its latest grab for glory the Soviet Un-ion, through its Ministry of Agriculture, has appropriated to itself all the credit for breeding hybrid corn.

Left out in the cold by his friends, the Muscovites, is that eminently subcessful breeder of hybrid corn. Henry Wallace. Few experimenters have won more fame than he did in hybridizing corn; and it paid off financially, too. The New York Times reports that the company which Mr. Wallace established to market his hybrid was selling \$4,000,000 worth annually as recently as 1944.

as recently as 1944. In the ordinary course of events, the Russians could be expected to make notable contributions to selence and industry, since thought along such lines is not hampered by party policy as is thought in other fields. As a matter of fact, they have done well. However, not content with the fruits of honest research, the Soviet leaders latterly have been swinding their masses with all manner of extravagant claims. School children in the USSR now are being taught that Russians invented the trans-

former, electric bulb, electric welding, radio, radar, steam and jet engines and probably a few other things. To this list they now have added corn.

In nearly all matters we are against Federal intervention or centralized author-ity. There is far too much of it already. But it is inconceivable that the states ever

yountarily could make their divorce laws uniform, and divorce may be one instance in which it might be better to let Federal courts assume jurisdiction and remove it from the states.

Mr. Wallace, who has given due credit to other agricultural scientists in his field, recently has been sowing Russian 'corn' broadcast in his own country. For all we know, he may believe the Kremlin to be a temple to truth. But, golly, this last pill must have gagged him.

Once a United States Senator made a speech which lasted an hour on the subject of wasting time, in the course of which he said any Senator could explain his view on any subject in twenty minutes.—Louiseille (Ky.) Itmes.

Many folks are confusing the "higher cost of living" with the "cost of higher living." — Nashville (Tenn.) Banner.

A friend is a man who cusses out the same people and the same things you cuss out. — Tallahassee (Fla.) Democrat.

'For Heaven's Sake-The Parade Is Ready To Start!'



People's Platform

How We Look From Abroad

The witter's name is consisted because of the offthe-record nature of his observations.—Eds., The
News.).

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News.—Han you over there. Perhaps you at home
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way has put the United States in the diverse seal.

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resembles. Sweet Alices to Ben Bolits. It is an
or us to hold the wording fast in our bands to the
extent we do. And, in the other-sense of the word, it
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defeat, I think.

My own man is, and has for long been, Eisenhower. The bigness of him is, I think, attested by the fact that he—and one or two others, like Marshall and perhaps Patton—inver been able to resist a control of the property o

Fred A. McGraw's Vindication CHARLOTTE

Editors. The Naws:

IN VIEW of the fact that on election day, May 28, 1946, there appeared in the local afternoon newspaper an article stating that I shad been indicted for lake pretense in that I, Fred McGraw, Constable of lake pretense in that I, Fred McGraw, Constable of Sashvilla, Trem. by means of fraudijent, and of Nashvilla, Trem. by means of traudijent, and clase pretenses. I believe you will publish substantially the facts as came from the witness stand in court, man in the race for re-nomination to the present position I hold of Constable of Charlotte Townian in the race for re-nomination to the present position I hold of Constable of Charlotte Townian in the race for re-nomination to the present position I hold of Constable of Charlotte Townian in the race for re-nomination to the present position I hold of Constable of Charlotte Townian in the race for re-nomination to the present position I hold of Constable of Charlotte Townian in the race for re-nomination to the present position I hold of Constable of Charlotte Townian in the present position I have been considered to the contract of the present position I have been considered to the contract the constant position of the contract of the contract of the contract of the present position in the contract of the

Marquis Childs

Troubles For ERP

'On Edge Of Abyss'

Drew Pearson's GOP Steamroller Flattens Housing Merry-Go-Round

MASHINGTO

HERE is how carefully Republican leaders in the House
Representatives watched the housing bill in order
keep it bottled up in Wolcott's Bank & Currency Comittee.

of Indiana.

Together they beckened to GOP Congressman Borgs of Delaware, asked why he had signed the housing petition Borgs protested that he hadri signed. Arens had made a mistake. It was Borgs of Louisians, a Democrat, who had signed.

All of which illustrates how the Republican leadership agree categorical orders to Republican Congressmen not to be for housing—despite the fact that one of the pillars of the party, Sentior Taffe, pashed the will through the Senate,

Truman Merry-Go-Round

Scenar Secreto has placed a double guard around the Truman train at each stor because of White House troubles
with the railroad unions, They result that during the 120 rail
strike. Woodhow Wilson was subjected to much embarrosstrike Woodhow Wilson was subjected to much embarroscoupled his private car, letting the rest of the train puil
out of the station without him. .. The President has with
him a draft of the Democratic National Committee's new
\$2.50 political handbook. "The Power of the People" by
Senator McGratho.

vance. Trumon studies them between stops, sometiges alters them when he sets on his feet... At Gary, Ind., for instance, Truman's attack on Congress was linspired by Democraty-Congressman Ray Madden of Indians. Before Introducing Truman to this huge labor suddence, Madden introducing Truman to the huge labor suddence, Madden punches—and if you've got anything to say about Congress, lay it on the line." As a result, Truman, who had planned to make a short five-nimute talk in Gary, spoke for twenty about the cost of living. Just before he left Washington, the President inst-field four old-fashioned rocking chairs on his new hadom. They are heated in the southeast corner of the second of the control of the control of the second of the control of the second of the control of the

No Army-Navy Unification

each other.

However. Secretary of Defense Forrestail, supposedly a business man, hasn't even accomplished this—despite the fact that he knew from recent war experiences how great the second of the supplies, it would brine great saving. Back when he was still Secretary of the Navy. For-restal, himself, directed the Navy to prepare a single system of catalogume. But he later gloored his own directive, and catalogume. But he later gloored his own directive, and catalogume of the second of

Senator McGrath.

The waste that has resulted from this lack of uniformity is astronomical. For example, \$30,000,000 worth of tubes were kicker line for local audiences, were largely written in adviscred to the strength of the strength of

Yet the following week another order was placed for \$60.000,000 worth of tubes—because the Army had to stock offerent types. As a result, Army warehouse overflowed outflerent types. As a result, Army warehouse overflowed no more than a prong spaced differently. Tet, even this overflow was multiplied a hundredoid by duuleation of stock numbers. Normally, the manufacturers momber would be assigned to ag article; so if termy different numbers would be assigned and scattered through a document of the stock of t

On The Truman Train