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LOYALTY PROBES VS. SIDESHOWS

ON FEB. 9 at Wheeling, W. Va. Senator Joseph R. McCarthy, a Wisconsin Republican, said in my had fifty-seven cases of individuals in the State Department who would appear to be either carrying members of certain loyal to the Communist Party.
On March 30 in a Senate speech, McCarthy set up as his test case one Owen Lattimore, writer on Far Eastern subjects and occasional State Department consultant. McCarthy said he would prove:
(1) That Lattimore was the number one Russian espionage agent in the U. S. and (2) That Lattimore was the chief architect of the U. S. Far Eastern policy.
If he could not prove those things, he said, he would drop his case against the State Department.
He has not proved them. He has instead brought to the stand before the Senate Foreign Relations Subcommittee investigating the charges these witnesses:
Louis Budenz, who avows that, when he was a Communist himself, someone told him that Lattimore was "under party discipline."
Freda Uley, who swore that if Lattimore was not a Communist "the certainty sets his nose."
Bulent evidence is hearsay. Miss Uley's is opinion. Neither prove that Lattimore is or was a Communist. Neither prove that he is or was the chief architect of the Far Eastern policy.

THE AMERICAN TRAGEDY

"Too young to retire and too old to find a job—the jobless men of 45 up to the Displaced Person in our society today. This is truly the American tragedy."
—Eric Johnston

ONE YEAR AGO

ONE year ago people over 45 constituted about 23 per cent of the total number of unemployed in the United States. Today that group makes up about 30 per cent of the jobless. As our population grows older, the length of a worker's useful life is shortened. As a good part of our work force grows older due to age, the assembly lines are speeding up.
This week Eric Johnston, president of the Motion Picture Association of America, put the problem before a group of employers, the American Trade Association Executives' meeting in Washington.
"Think justice," he said, "demands we should do something in our power to help these old workers. It's a matter of economic justice. It's a matter of social justice. It's a matter of human decency. It's a matter of common sense. We have the same concern about human dignity in the very midst of the productive energy of workers centered in the middle of their adult lives."
If business doesn't do something about it, government will. Johnston said the government already there are whispers of legislative action.
Attorney General McGrath, for instance, said last year:

COUNTING TEN

WILL there be war? Will the cold war continue for another decade? Will incidents like the recent shooting-down of the American plane by the Russians force us into war?
Important questions, all of them, but no one, even the chairmen of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee can answer them.
Senator Tom Connally, the Texas statesman, tried to answer them this week in an interview in U. S. News & World Report, but his answers all added up to "possibly" or "maybe."
"I don't think," he said, "we're going to have any hot war any time soon. But we may ultimately see the Russians are not ready for war now."
But in a series of questions and answers, Senator Connally admitted that war might be just around the corner.

ON PEOPLE MAKING MONEY

THE Raleigh News & Observer sets forth a bill (tentatively to point) out that the United States Steel Corp. earned 73 cents on every dollar of sales in the first quarter of 1959 and the Raleigh newspaper goes on to comment that "those who profited against the increase in prices have proven to be right."
Criticizing the News & Observer, which continually hammers at private initiative's profits, publishes its own rate of earnings for the first quarter of 1960 as compared with 1959. We dare say they would rank right along with those of the United States Steel Corp.
And we dare say that the concern this day and time which does not earn eight cents on the dollar had better try to find out what is the matter with its system, whether it is the United States Steel Corp. or the "main merchant" who peddles papers on the corner.
We know that the News & Observer in its attack on corporate earnings is trying to make a point for Frank Graham and several other Smiths. That is understood.

On the other side, four men declared that Lattimore did not form U. S. Far Eastern policy. They were Secretary of State Dean Acheson and former Secretaries of State George C. Marshall, James F. Byrnes and Cordell Hull.
April has indeed been the cruelest month for Joe McCarthy. His test case—the one on which he would stand or fall—was against him. He has been unable to produce a single State Department employee who can be proved Communist or sympathetic to Communism.
Though the circus at that has surrounded the McCarthy investigation is unfortunate, though there is more than a little political skullduggery behind the whole thing—the investigations have proved one thing: that the government's own system of loyalty checks has been successful. If it had been faulty, McCarthy could surely have flushed one Communist from cover.
Let us, through loyalty checks, investigate and continue to investigate any government department closely connected with peace or war. They must be carefully scrutinized. If war is coming, Communist infiltration of our government would be disastrous: if we are successfully to "wage peace" we must have a government strong in its devotion to democratic principles.
Let us have investigations but let us have no more dangerous political sideshows in the McCarthy tradition.

THE JOB HAS ONLY BEGUN

ACCORDING to the official timetable, we are at the midway point in the reconstruction of Europe, which is to be completed by 1962. Unfortunatly, every fact of the European situation already suggests that the official timetable is wrong.
The rebuilding of the war-shattered political and economic life of the Western world is going to require an American attack on a much broader front and with a far more drastic line than the Marshall plan.
The temptation, of course, is to "to hell with it, let the Europeans stew in their own juice." But here we run into the grim blackback of the cold war. If we duck our responsibility, Western Europe will rather soon become a new province of the Soviet empire. And in the United States will experience the equivalent of a gigantic military draft, probably without a shot having been fired.
In no sense does this mean that the American involvement in Europe to date has been wasted. Here we have had substance, only two and a half years ago a great crisis of misery impended. The catastrophe averted. If America had not acted, the Communists would surely have come to power.
Think how new seems incredibly distant. The Italian "recovery" in 1948 has been wasted. Here we have seen this superbly beautiful city with a splendid quality of prosperity. The life of the hour is still infinitely hard. There are still 1,000,000 jobs in Italy. But in Italy the gap between privileged and unprivileged has been cruelly wide.
In the political sphere, the same rule holds true. The government of Prime Minister Alcide De Gasperi is at least a stable, non-Communist government, completely anti-Soviet. But the stern policies of the latter-headed little Minister of the Interior, Mario Scelba, the authority of the Italian state has at least been reinforced.
These achievements, which seemed almost unimaginable two and a half years ago, are certainly the result of American aid. But the aid in 1950 must now be less not be taken at face value. The many things that ought to have happened have not happened.

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'How You Coming With Your Work, Pally?'



Joseph Alsop

The Job Has Only Begun

INCREASING Italian national production at the expense of everything else. But the real cause of the curious political-economic sterility in Italy is another and in the national recovery. A normal political life has not yet been restored.
The De Gasperi Government in effect enjoys a monopoly on power because the Communists are the only alternative. Prime Minister De Gasperi himself and the whole coalition having a vested interest in the status quo always succeed in blocking bold action. This Government grows more and more timid and tends to rely more and more on simple police measures to maintain itself in the face of the discontented masses.
The sterile cabinet government, staying in power because most people do not want the Communists, because the police are efficient, and because of Marshall aid in other countries besides Italy. But such governments cannot endure forever. Even if Marshall aid is not abruptly terminated in 1952, the Communists must eventually, unless the present political monopoly can be broken. The creation of a healthy, vigorous, independent Left Wing is the basic necessity of the restoration of normal political life in Europe.
FINALLY, the situation is rendered all the more precarious by the fact that has not happened. Neither Italy, nor Western Europe as a whole has recovered as yet from the nervous let behind by the weakness of the American position in Europe. The progress of the last two years. But the present situation is hardly responsible, indeed, for what the future may bring.
There is no reason to despair. The Western European nervous can be cured almost overnight, for example, if the Western Europeans can be given a sense of direction from aggression. All that will follow. But it is now urgent to grasp how inherent the weakness of the American position in Europe is. This is why Western Europe is so vulnerable to the tactics of terror the Kremlin is now adopting. If the American position in Europe is to be restored, the Kremlin had only to "buff and to puff and to blow the house down."

The Burley Showed Em How Democracy Really Could Work

By ROBERT C. RUARK

IT PLEASES me to learn that the citadel of culture in this part of the world is the old and musty Gayety Theater, home of burlesque since the century's adolescence. The play is refurbished now, and housing such things as "Streaker" and "The White and Black People."
The National Theater, still in closed, because in this pattern for the rest of the country. The theater is able to resolve the problem of whether art should be sold at a profit. It was also being the first play that was being the son was not allowed to sing in the Deaf convention hall. It is now to return to the old and musty Gayety Theater, home of burlesque since the century's adolescence. To date no one has other unimpressive has played the Gayety's money.
I am just sorry that burlesque has died. It was a source of tolerance to the smoochy bourgeoisie, the comic strip, the burlesque in Washington, and is a source of tolerance to the bourgeoisie. Divested of some of its character terminology, the burlesque is a source of tolerance to the bourgeoisie.
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By MARQUIS CHILDS

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In the closing days of the campaign La Follette came back to Washington in the race to succeed La Follette. It was too late. He was defeated in the primary by about \$500 vote.
That narrow margin may well have been supplied by the Communist effort. The election was open primarily to do a hatchet job. It was generally felt that without the aid of the Communist effort a long period La Follette would not have been defeated.
There is no public statement. La Follette has wished the Communist effort to be kept quiet. The growing feeling of the harm done to the nation and particularly to Washington is not inevitably so. Four years ago he had felt that he was probably through with politics. He had been defeated by a large group of corporations as a consultant in Washington and he is on the board of directors of United Fruit Corp.
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