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THE VINDICATION OF DEAN ACHESON

The eloquent slogan these days regarding Secretary of State Dean Acheson speaks volumes. Little more than a year ago he was condemned and calumnyed by almost every Republican and many Democrats...

phrases as 'some have charged that' or 'there is a report that'—may a Republican on the committee was frankly impressed by the Secretary's well-organized group of facts, dates and documents...

The turning point in the vindication of Dean Acheson probably occurred during the MacArthur hearing. Time, whose sister Luce publication, Life, had demanded Acheson's scalp, reported on Secretary Acheson's appearance at the hearing as follows:

"There was a cause to be made against the Administration's Far Eastern policy, but its Republican critics failed woefully to make their case in the manner of Mr. Acheson's appearance at the hearing as follows:

VARIATION ON AN OLD THEME

THERE is nothing new about scurrilous, malicious, and misleading political propaganda. It has been with us since the earliest days of the American republic, and it will be with us, in one form or another, so long as we have political campaigns.

Carolina, relatively free of such tactics, former Sen. Frank Graham suffered heavily in a 1950 campaign that sank to uncommonly low levels.

What is new in the history of the American party is a growing tendency to believe such propaganda—so swallow it, hook, line and sinker, to dust off an cliché without taking a second look at it. It's incredible that Americans will believe the stuff, for in so doing, they show that they have learned nothing from the long and bitter struggle with Nationalism and Communism, both of which rely on the technique of The Big Lie to confuse, divide, and conquer.

Finally, Gotwald has also appointed another high-ranking official to his cabinet, a certain Basilek, as chief of the secretariat. This is a move which is not vital of his absolute ruthlessness and his blind obedience to the Kremlin's standpoints.

TURN INDICATORS A BIG HELP

BY ONE relatively simple legal requirement, most of the European countries have made driving much safer than it is in the United States. In Italy, in France, and in Great Britain, in name, at least, every motor vehicle must have an electric or mechanical turn indicator—and the driver must use it.

The equipment is optional in the U. S. The more thoughtful driver pays the small extra charge as insurance against having his car smashed up on a turn. But millions of American vehicles lack the indicator, and the drivers all too frequently fail to give a proper hand signal.

MAY IN MECKLENBURG

THE countryman, and his unfortunate folk who inhabit the city but leaves it occasionally for the open road, find May in Mecklenburg a delightful experience. The first burst of Spring has given way to the bustle of the growing season. Trees and plants, having thrived in the rains, seem to compete feverishly, seemingly impatient with time as are the children, who hourly seem to be growing up in their remaining school confinement.

honeyuckle, the best of July and August seem far away indeed, the affairs of home and business not at all urgent.

May in Mecklenburg is a time to renew one's acquaintance with that friendly talk-wagging dog whose affection has been turned away. It is a time to show inquisitive young minds the distinguishing features of various crops and plants—or perhaps to show them the beauty of the flowers and the fun. May its remaining days and cool evenings linger.

From The Christian Science Monitor

'MR. TRUMAN'S WAR'

THERE is one aspect of current criticism of the Korean War that deserves special comment. It is the mistaken attempt to give President Truman the entire credit or blame for the stand taken against Communist aggression in June, 1950.

has taken to uphold the hands of the United Nations and the free peoples of the world, he should have the over-whelming support of all Americans, regardless of their partisan affiliations.



Another Tito? Czechs Veer Away From Stalinism

FOR the first time in some years of weary waiting, the experts are weighing the possibility that a major satellite regime is about to be pulled from the Kremlin's thumb. The regime is that of President Klement Gotwald of Czechoslovakia.

Add to all this Gotwald's own background. As crucial Stalin-Trotsky struggle, this is one error far back as the 20's. Gotwald was sentral in the Czechs who the Kremlin never forgives. In 1947, Gotwald accepted the Marshall Plan offer without consulting Moscow. The Kremlin brutally disciplined him for this mistake. Since then, his public pronouncements have continued to strike a suspiciously nationalist note.

U. S. Experts Wary

All this is very far from conclusive, of course. While it is true that there is real evidence of trouble between Prague and Moscow, the American experts are inclined to regard the Karastov logical exerts. They think that Gotwald may perhaps have really gained control of the state he may be using this control to remove Communists from the Democratic Party.

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Gotwald Defies Kremlin

The strongest interpretation of the mysterious Slansky denunciation and arrest has just appeared in the official Yugoslav magazine, Foreign Affairs. This article was written by Ivan Karastov, who is the top Yugoslav expert on the Cominform, and has a noteworthy reputation for being well informed on the Kremlin and its intrigues.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

A CAREFUL check of previous decisions by individual members of the Supreme Court should lead to the list of required equipment. The man who proposes such a law at the 1953 General Assembly can count on the support of many thoughtful Tar Heel motorists.

Eight Justices Okayed Seizure in Past

A "right point out," Justice Clark wrote, "that the issue before the President to deal with emergencies that affect the health, safety and welfare of the entire nation is exceedingly great."

North American Case

JUSTICE Robert Jackson—passed upon a seizure similar to that of the steel mills plant, as Attorney General Tom C. Clark immediately after Pearl Harbor. American citizens of Japanese descent, they were forced to leave their homes, give up their jobs, their property, and were removed bodily to concentration camps.

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Young Republicans Concerned Over Party's Deepening Rift

RECENTLY one of the ablest members of the House, Patrick Hillings of California, spoke at a party rally in the city of Los Angeles. He found his Republican friends on one side of the room, the Taft Republicans on the other side. He found his Democratic friends on the other side of the room.

Among the millions who want Eisenhower to be re-elected, it would find it difficult or impossible to swallow Taft. The range in this category is wide. It includes the "Eastern internationalists"—a term of contempt as applied by the Taftites who believe that the United States is still an isolationist at heart.

Give A Man Smorgasbord—Don't Encase The Sardine

BY ERIC SEVAREDD on CBS: THE news from the north is dire and dark. Authorities in Minneapolis, the very heart of transplanted Scandinavia, are trying to abolish the smorgasbord; claim it's unwholesome to leave food sitting out exposed; what madness.

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