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Strip Tease Ends

A Note On Fellow-Traveling

This running battle to remove Frank Graham from the presidency of the University of North Carolina has been given new impetus by the House Un-American Committee's recent charge that he is a fellow-traveler of the Communists. The President, an avowed enemy, has returned to the fray with a double-truck editorial in its current edition.

slightly ahead of the other 139,999,999 Americans. When the same issue was presented on a slightly broader scale, the people of the United States made the same decision. We sent money, arms, ammunition, and finally men to join the Russians and the British in their effort to destroy the fascist ideology Frank Graham opposed in Spain and anywhere else he encountered it.

Granting, for the sake of argument, only the most liberal of standards between communism and fascism, then it may fairly be said that Frank Graham chose communism. In doing so, however, he was only

To charge Frank Graham with being on the wrong side in the Spanish Civil War is to present it in the wrong light. It is necessary to sustain this argument it is necessary to charge further that World War II was a pointless mistake, since our real enemies were not Germans, Italians and Japanese, but Russians.

The Dignity Of Manual Labor

Someone once observed that education had become a religion in America. The educated and uneducated alike accepted the thesis that universal book-learning would solve all our problems. And education came to mean college degrees. The college degree came to be regarded as a passport to a profession, or at the very least to a white collar job. Manual labor was scorned even by those who performed it, for most of them it was not their own work they were doing.

a much better chance of advancement these days. The practical argument is sound enough. In a generation the manual worker has used the leverage of union organization to double and in many cases triple his income. He has also shortened his working hours, improved his working conditions, and generally made his job as pleasant as is profitable. The white-collar worker, on the other hand, has had for his independence to keep his job at about the same economic level. One striking example is the current divergence between incomes of factory hands and school teachers.

Love Among The Comatose

EXPERTS on marital relations have observed that the honeymoon is over long before the husband begins to drop into bed with his wife. The honeymoon is dry. They have also observed that at this point trouble begins. Nothing so irritates a wife as the spectacle of her spouse recumbent upon the sofa, shoes off, necktie loosened, relaxed, and gazing absently during the very rank of the evening.

whom the movie publicists have expended their most extravagant and super-heated adjectives has divorced her third husband, Actor John Leder. The grounds were conventional enough—crUELty. But consider Miss Lamar's detested indictment: "He would lie down on the couch in the evening take a drink, and go to bed. He went to sleep in the movies, too. Each of his movies he never let me had to his doctor."

Another Voice

Charlotte In Christian Role

OPENING at Charlotte by the North Carolina Spastic Association of a day nursery with a capacity of sixteen children is one of the most encouraging sociological signs of our times met with within recent months. There are lots of conditions these strenuous days which society cannot completely cope with, and there is much to learn from such spastic children and how to care for them. It is a great, quiet source with constant attention cannot fall to aid those who can be helped and to this must be added the slight bit of comfort coming to those who have tried to do something about a situation which to those most directly concerned calls for all the mental and spiritual endurance of which they are capable.

Surely this was the acid test, providing proof positive that the husbandly provider-nap has no relationship at all to the physical character for lack of it of the other life partner. If so well-endowed a wife as Hedy Lamar couldn't keep her husband awake, who can?

Some recall of Bernard Shaw that he picked Carpenter over Dempsey; others, that he once nominated Wallace for President. We love him for his plays. Because of veterans' bonuses, a cry is raised in sundry states for more tax dough. Or at least a tax dollar with 720 degree, for cutting up as per diagram.

People's Platform

The Unloading Racket

Pinhurst

It is to be hoped that the masses of our fellow countrymen have been reading about the evidence given before the House Labor subcommittee, holding hearings in New York, which is investigating racketeering in food costs. Witnesses before the committee testified that they had been compelled to pay from \$2.50 to \$12.25 to representatives of Local 202, International Brotherhood of Teamsters, A.F. of M. before being allowed to unload perishable farm products consigned to the Washington Market in D. C. and nearby terminals.

Undemocratic Charlotte

Editors, The News: It is both provoking and exasperating to hear the repetition and indiscriminate use of the label demagogue applied to the United States, whereas, in truth and fact, there is no such animal. The founders of the Republic of the United States were well aware of the failings of democracy. In fact, it is a well-known fact that the United States was founded and destroyed itself—and therefore wanted no part of it. It is a well-known fact that the United States was in such bad repute in the early days of its history.

Dr. Pearson's Rep. Cox Still Remains Nепotism Champ

WASHINGTON CONGRESSMAN Gene Cox of Georgia still is popular with his colleagues, especially Republicans, but around the House of Representatives checkbook, it is a different story. His salary is \$12,000 a year, but he has received only \$1,000 in pay roll so far. But the Congressman from Georgia still probably tops the list in the nation's capital here as one of the relatives receiving salaries at the expense of the taxpayers through the House of Representatives. Lamar P. Cox, son, runs his father's office. Salary—\$12,024.30.

Behind Greek Revolt

ACCORDING to the diplomatic grapevine from Athens, the so-called Communist uprisings inside Greece were carefully planned by the Communists, but by the "Paidariki" Government—to coincide with the departure of Gov. Dwight Griswold, Greek aid administrator, for Athens. The Greek Government motive is to convince the Greeks that the Tsalalidis-Maximos regime is essential to the security of the country and must remain in power. Actually, what happened was that the EAM or so-called Communist group was holding conferences with Prof. Alexander Stoulos of Athens University just a few days ago.

WASHINGTON AFTER his speech at the Governor's Conference, Secretary of State George C. Marshall began to get a day of well-earned rest with a fishing-rod, while his agricultural and forestry colleagues were busy with the task of briefing the Governors on the grain to be sent to the Balkans. At the same time, the international Brigades—Communist foreign legion assembled by the Kremlin for the capture of Greece—was at last reported crossing the Greek border in force. And so he made his speech, and flew back all that night to Washington. When telegrams announcing dangers overseas recall Cabinet members from vacation—even from very brief vacation—it begins to be disagreeably reminiscent of past times which the whole world has hoped would not recur. The worst of it is that this echo is not inaccurate. Conceivably to be sure, the crisis may be over before these words are printed, or the United States may be engaged in a major assault on their border. But whatever its outcome, the Greek crisis has become an other critically important result in Washington. It is the first time, since the onset, for the first time, serious discussion among high officials of the United States has been whether the United States will accept in Greece a more serious situation than the British suffered at Munich, or will attempt to prevent this reverse. The Communist-led Greek Government has long been known, and is now being agreed and directed from across the border. Their use has been in the territories of the Soviet Union Balkan puppets, Yugoslavia, Albania and Bulgaria. The guerrilla movement by itself, however, has been so small that the capture of Greece as a whole, Russian troops, and the capture of the Balkans some time ago, in the form of an International Brigade recruited among the Communist parties of Europe on the pattern of the International Brigades in Spain, was first treated in this space rather lightly, the brigade has gathered along the borders of the three Balkan puppet states. It is now estimated to number approximately 4,000 men, and the course is greatly reinforced by the simple expedient of adding to it units of the large Yugoslav, Albanian and Bulgarian armies in non-national uniforms.

WASHINGTON (The Kremlin) The decision to send the brigade into action has long been recognized as the decision to declare overt hostilities against the wretched semblance of international uniformity which begins the end of the war. That decision has now apparently been taken. American members of the United States Balkan Commission staff have been partly to confirm to the American observers have actually watched the movement of the brigade from across the Yugoslav border, at the critical conclusion of a national uniform.

WASHINGTON (The eyes of Washington, meanwhile there is much more to the Greek problem than the mere dumping of the Greeks in the long strip (see by which the Kremlin has revealed that it has not yet sent only a few days earlier, when Czechoslovakia was invited to join the United States talks on the Marshall plan.)

WASHINGTON (In the eyes of Washington in the future, the American future is in the hands of the Greeks. The Greek aid plan was launched if Greece is to have any future. The ensuing chain reaction will continue irresistibly until all the Middle East countries, and all of Western Europe have become involved in the general collapse.)

Europe Finished?

WASHINGTON (WE Americans are developing a new kind of "charity" in the form of disposing of much of the rest of the world which I think we had better get rid of as soon as possible. This kind of arrogant diatribe, common enough. There are only two important points in the world, America and Russia. One murmurs in reply that Britain, which does not exist according to this formula, held the Nazis off alone for a year while we sat on our hands.)

WASHINGTON (Yes, but she's been taking it for eight years and she's getting on her feet. It's been taking it for a thousand years, but it is hard to convince a country of the map. WESTERN VARIATION Another variation by Spenser of the "Dial" Boone, goes as follows: "The East is done. The West is the coming republic. Pacific is the coming continent.")

WASHINGTON (One points out that Europe has a much greater population than Asia, and is doing it without bloodshed. The minimum-wage law is a recognition of the fact that it stands right on the firing line, face to face with reality, yet some of the nations are still alive.)

WASHINGTON (And suddenly one has the feeling that one of the reasons we keep getting into trouble in Europe is dead is that we don't like some of these realities, and would like to get rid of them. The minimum-wage law is the whole thing into non-existence.)

WASHINGTON (There is Gen. Robert E. Wood, board chairman of Sears, Roebuck & Co., who told a Congressional committee that "Western Europe is finished.")

No Labor Appeasement

WASHINGTON (It is silly to appease labor; threatened the gentleman from Indiana. The minimum-wage law is a recognition of the fact that it stands right on the firing line, face to face with reality, yet some of the nations are still alive.)