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A Time For Stem-To-Stern Reappraisal

When the Atomic Energy Commission voted 4-1 against giving Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer access to restricted atomic data, the curtain was finally lowered on the most extraordinary security case in U. S. history. But the tense drama that unfolded behind sealed doors of Washington's inner sanctums did not provide the final solution to a delicate and difficult problem. More is involved than the fate of a brilliant nuclear scientist. At stake is the whole question of internal security in a nation disquieted by persistent fears and doubts.

Oppenheimer's security case finally boiled down to such considerations as honest errors of judgment, susceptibility to influence, personal habits, candor and veracity. These are not factors that are easily weighed. Yet these were the factors weighed and reweighed, that decided the case of Dr. Oppenheimer and the conflicts that often arise between the national welfare and personal rights.

But if the decision was influenced to any extent whatsoever by restraints on "mature practical judgment," as the Gray report indicated last month, a stem-to-stern reappraisal of our internal security system is in order. The responsibility for this reappraisal lies squarely at the door of the White House.



"If we have another 4th of July week end like we had last year I'll be able to retire..."

There'll Be Other Guatemalas Unless...

The anti-Communist revolt in Guatemala has succeeded, and the first Red beachhead in the Western Hemisphere has been wiped out. While the free nations of the hemisphere are exulting over the outcome, the Eisenhower administration ought to begin a re-examination of U. S. policies toward Latin America to find out how other future Guatemalas can be avoided.

At the point of capturing complete control of the Guatemalan government when a military campaign was launched against them from Honduras, undoubtedly with indirect U. S. assistance. If any Americans have qualms about this nation's role in the overthrow of the Guatemalan government, they are naive indeed. The hard facts of the world crisis made it imperative that the Red beachhead close to the Panama Canal be destroyed. The wonder is that this nation played so skillfully a role in which it has had relatively little experience.

Driblets When A Torrent Is Needed

BURIAL of the dead has been since Stone Age days, a community responsibility. Only in recent times has private enterprise entered the burial business in a major way. Private enterprise does not handle nearly all the business, so the community must continue to do its share of the work. Because burial expenses are as inevitable as death itself, and because they are incurred at a time when many families can ill afford additional expenses, they should not be based upon what the market will bear. And certainly they should not be designed to produce revenue.

The Council committee was overly concerned with its quest for revenue, and unmindful of the community's obligation to bury its dead. The increases in rates adopted by the City Council Wednesday are not nearly so drastic as those proposed by the special committee, yet they are considerable. Most of the new rates are 50 to 100 per cent higher than the old ones. The new rates are, for the most part, in line with those charged by private cemeteries. They may be sufficient to cover the cost of operating the city-owned cemeteries. The old rates were not.

CIVILIZING THE HEATHEN

The Australian government plans to civilize the natives of the newly discovered "Shangri-La" in southeast New Guinea whether they like it or not. News item. Now well till the wretched heathen from the squallor of their lives, from their free and rustic woodlands we'll transplant them into dives, in our crowded, fetid cities, in the middle of our slums—and though culture's slow in coming, they will love it when it comes.

We will broaden their horizons and enlarge their narrow fate, so that they, like us, encompass states and peoples in their hate; we will take their local racoon, their dog, and their scamp and bend, and will teach them larger furies that take in a continent. We will put an end to rituals and their customs in a trice, and will teach them new diversions marked by well-developed vice; we will wean them from the pleasures that they hitherto prized, how much makes them most unhappy; they'll damn well be civilized. Watching a group of youngsters flying their kites only serves to remind us of what has happened to the price of coffee. —GREENWOOD (Miss.) COMMONWEALTH.

People's Platform

Letter should be brief. The writer's name and a address must be given, but may be withheld from publication in the discretion of the Editor. The News reserves the right to condense.

It Costs Too Much To Die In Charlotte

Charlotte Editors, The News: Now our old enemy HCL, in its high cost of living has the prospect of a boom campaign, HCL (high cost of dying). Yes, our tax experts, in their frantic efforts to raise the necessary nine millions they want for running this burg, have cast a covetous eye at our city of the dead!

Union County Man Says Thanks For The Votes

Wingate Editors, The News: I AM very humble and deeply grateful over my win in County June 28. I never would have been elected to the county commissioner's post without my friends, to whom I say "Thanks a million." —J. S. DEAN

Bible Supports Non-Segregation

Charlotte Editors, The News: ONE of the best letters I have read concerning the Supreme Court ruling was that entitled, "Don't Say Court Ruling Isn't Christian." It was signed by John McIntosh of Charlotte. Although I am white, a native of Mississippi and was educated in the South with the exception of my graduate work, I have been troubled, as Mr.

Easy To Pass Laws, Hard To Enforce Them

Lincolnton Editors, The News: THE do-gooders will have to devise some better way to have their measures carried out in regard to school segregation. I think it had better be let alone. Even if it had been a good idea, its administration with a hostile attitude would probably make things worse for the Negro. Look at the way the wage and hour law was administered. It was intended to be a good thing. Its object was to create more jobs and more buying power for the public. But the employers began at once to nullify it by increasing the work load and laying off of people.

Women—Bless 'Em—Are Ageless

FROM THE BOSTON POST THE CURSE of Special Sessions in New York has landed upon a profound decision that a woman's age is what she says it is. The present law when a woman who falsified her age on an automobile registration that phrase was that a woman's age is "subjective." There can be only one exception—and that is the determination of the present law when a woman becomes a woman. It seems to be the nature of the sex to handle the truth about age with supreme carelessness. Teenagers, pressing for the emancipation that they may achieve from family restrictions, will add years with shameless abandon, only to make a sudden switch at around the

Organized Labor Steps Up Bid For Friendly Congress

By CONGRESSIONAL QUARTERLY

WASHINGTON VICTORY in this year's congressional election for candidates it considers pro-labor, is organized labor's goal in one of the biggest get-out-the-vote drives in its history.

With slogans, increasing funds and a host of politically experienced workers, labor's leaders are setting out on a three-pronged political action campaign designed to: (1) Persuade as many as possible of the nation's 15 million union members and their families to register. (2) Inform them concerning major issues. (3) make sure they get to the polls on election day.

Stakes are high and the obnoxiousness of the great, according to officials of both the American Federation of Labor and the Congress of Industrial Organizations. Congress is nearing the end of its session with a record "hardly pleasing to labor and liberals." Included in the record are what they term the "millionaires tax bill," the effort to settle public housing, drive to make the Taft-Hartley labor law stricter and a social security program which unionists feel does not go far enough.

Organized labor has one of the biggest stakes of any single group in the nation in improving this record," said an official.

COMBAT LETHARGY The obstacles include the fact that this is a mid-term election. The record shows that the turnout at the polls is usually relatively light when the presidency isn't being contested.

Unionists say their job will be made more difficult by the money, public-relations work and advertising which they believe will be used in an effort to elect candidates whom labor considers unfavorable. However, organized labor is optimistic. Spokesmen claim a large number of politically active voters have been mobilized and are setting out to elect a "non-par-

If Mama Must Wear Men's Duds, Give Her Daddy's

By ROBERT C. RUARK

IT IS very possible that one pair of women's shoes emanated from the weight of a small sweater, but we have always paid horrible prices for these wigs of leather with the toes chewed out and the heels bare. With the exception of the chain-mail to hold in the hips, and the leather weather-wornesque sport, the average material in female frillery is about one-tenth as skippy as average men's wear. I have always been told that the extra cost of she-clothes was due to the intricate styling and the changing mode. We paid and kept mouths shut.

I am about to widen my big yap. The burr in my blanket mill in the other day was a bundle and opened it with some pleasure.

"What's that?" sezzi. "Shirts," she said. "Thanks very much," sezzi. "They're beautiful." "I know it," says she, "but they're not for you. They're for me."

COSTS MORE FOR LESS Now here is a dozen shirts, with men's sleeves and men's collars and men's buttons. Exactly what you'd see in Esquire for the well-dressed man. I asked the cost. Two bucks more than I pay for the same shirts. Although the shirts aren't any bigger than boy size.

I have noticed that this lady goes to a man's tailor for her slacks, and he charges her more than he charges me. In this case it'll buy the overcharge, because a dame consumes more material in the seat than a man does.

Like the moccasin shoes she wears are cut on a man's last, and the sweaters are manish, and so are the shorts, and so are the sport coats. She even goes to the haberdashery now and buys neckties to wear with her new pink shirts. And steals my cuff links.

This is all right. If a dame wants to look like a man—up to sagging off her hair like Audrey Hepburn and Leslie Caron—fine. It would never occur to me to

run for the Senate. This followed exposure by this writer of his alienationist street strategy.

Feb. 22, Jones announced his candidacy. He told newsman McCarthy would be his campaign manager. Jones in Sanford and Lewiston on March 6 and 7. Next day McCarthy admitted he had a speaking engagement in Maine on March 7, said he was campaigning because of largitties.

Feb. 25, McCarthy and Jones' campaign manager, Stover, were seen conferring in the Carroll Arms Hotel in Washington.

When the campaign first started, Jones made McCarthy an issue. He was for it.

But as the Army-McCarthy hearings progressed, Jones played down McCarthy more and more, though he continued using McCarthyism.

Hard as he tried to play McCarthy down, however, the people of Maine remembered McCarthy's early antecedents of the Jones candidacy.

So, the Associated Press to the contrary, McCarthy was an issue in Mrs. Smith's landslide victory, and that is something GOP campaign advisers are pondering carefully.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

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