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'Come On—Let's See Some Action'

'Cuddles' Peron Must Fidget Over Fate Of Motor Scooter

By ROBERT C. RUARK

No Doors Open To Psychotic Children

THE news that there is such a thing as a psychotic child, that existing in fairly large numbers in Mecklenburg and in the state, and that North Carolina isn't equipped to do anything about it will come as no surprise to a handful of experts in the field.

But for most of the rest of us, the report published elsewhere in today's News is another of those eyebrow-raisers about mental health that have popped up frequently ever since psychiatry became a systematic study in the first years of this century.

personnel is in short supply; it would take 40 experienced workers, according to best estimates, to take care of 25 psychotic children.

Money is in short supply, too. The General Assembly was more generous than usual at the last session, but most legislators still have only the dimmest understanding of mental health needs.

We are also short on reliable data about our mentally sick. Even among the experts, with which North Carolina is fortunately endowed, the study of psychosis among children is still aborning.

These problems, however, haven't stopped Kansas, where a wing for inpatient treatment of children was recently added to the state mental hospital. They haven't stopped New Hampshire, where a new residential treatment center is sending the state's most severely disturbed children back to their homes to live normal lives again, or Massachusetts, where the small children's psychiatric center at the state hospital was greatly enlarged last year.

They must not stop North Carolina, either. It is to the state's credit that several institutions, among them the psychiatric centers at Duke University and Chapel Hill, are studying the needs of these children. But the need is for a treatment center.

Such a center has been proposed for Camp Butler. But the proposal is no nearer to reality than it was when it first came up several years ago. It appears that it will be several years more before it opens its doors to a bare trickle of those who need its services.

And the problem of psychotic children shows no sign of diminishing in the meantime.

North Carolina, along with the rest of the nation, has been slow to come around to the now undoubted view that mental illness is just as real as physical illness. People have been slow to understand that there is nothing funny about it, and that it takes hospitals and doctors and money to treat the mentally ill.

The problem of mental derangement has a spotty and curious history. The Greeks of the Age of Pericles apparently treat their psychotics with surprising understanding and intelligence. The Pilgrim Fathers apparently hanged their sick wives. The Twentieth Century's great sweep of scientific advance has important steps forward in psychiatry, but we have yet to get all our mentally ill people out of jail in North Carolina. And now it is found that our inadequate mental institutions are more inadequate than we imagined. For there are no facilities for hundreds of psychotic and near-psychotic children who need immediate treatment.

One of the great men in the field, Dr. Gerald Caplan of the International Association for Child Psychiatry, drew the picture clearly when he held an international conference last year:

"It is extremely important that treatment of mentally ill children be started before the child reaches the age of six. If the child is young enough, we can treat him successfully in most cases. . . . Because we do not have to treat the child himself, but rather the harmful elements in his emotional environment."

The statement makes sense to North Carolina doctors, but for this state it is just wishful thinking. Our psychotic children cannot be treated when they are six, or 10 or 12, in most cases. They must stay in the same "harmful emotional environment" in which the harm was done—usually their own homes—and wait until they are old enough and there is room enough for them to go off to Morganton or Dix Hill.

The dilemma has many horns. Trained



Private And Informal The Unveiling Of Warren

By JOSEPH & STEWART ALSOP

Accentuating The Negative In Utah

POSITIVE thinking has no power for Joseph Bracken Lee. He is "agin" the situation that prevails—both generally and specifically it seems—but even so manages to muddle along in the political profession. He is governor of Utah.

The whole nation now knows that Mr. Lee is against the income tax because he has rather forcefully announced he won't pay it anymore. (Somebody will sue about that.) And he is against foreign aid tax because he is against foreign aid that consumes much of the tax.

F. Y. I.

THE old house is gone from this place on Wedgewood Drive, but its trees have outlived it. There is a magnificent oak, marked by lightning but flourishing still; some birch, pine, and several persimmon trees branched and fruited thick enough to hide and feed a woods' full of possums.

Behind the persimmons stand two black locust trees and they have had a good season too. We aren't recommending them for advertising trespassing, but should some stroller's feet follow ours, he may as well know it's too early for the persimmons and too late for the locusts.

But Mr. Lee is positively negative about other things, too. For two consecutive years he has refused to provide funding for the state's cultural organizations. He disapproves tax support of cultural organizations such as the Utah Symphony Orchestra. He frowns on the thesis that his Republican Party must renominate Mr. Eisenhower, having said early this year

he would even vote for the "right Democrat." He doesn't like Utah's flashy gubernatorial mansion, and is planning to swap it off for a smaller house. He doesn't get along with professional educators, claiming increasing school costs haven't produced corresponding improvement in teaching quality. And it may also be noted that Gov. Lee is against closed sessions of public bodies.

By turning all these positions around, of course, one can say Gov. Lee actually is a very positive man: he would be for strict economy, isolationism, simple living, political independence, better teaching and freedom of the press. In the context of the time, however, it does appear he has an essentially negative approach.

There's no moral at all in this little discussion. We were just wondering: What is positive thinking anyway?

THE GRADUAL UNVEILING

The intentions of key individuals is always the most exciting prospect in any contested political situation, such as the creation which has been tragically created by the President's heart attack.

Last Monday, a major unveiling occurred in Chicago. The occasion was the fund-raising dinner at the Regency ballroom, presided over by the Finance Committee, at which Secretary of the Treasury George M. Humphrey was the chief speaker.

One could easily imagine what the President might say. He gave Warren the chief justiceship, and what he gave her can claim the right to take away, in favor of a higher duty. He has been forced to leave unfinished an immense national task, and he can also claim the right to designate the man who is to finish that task.

And on a lower level, he can hint that he has no alternative to Warren except Dick Nixon—and there are few men the chief justice dislikes more and distrusts as much as the vice president.

NO PRECEDENT

There is no precedent for this kind of an appeal, by an out-going chief justice to the incoming chief justice who is also his appointee. But in this very iffy situation, the biggest party went to see the Chief Justice's response to this kind of a Presidential appeal if it happens to be made.

Last night, for instance, when Eisenhower was talking as though he did not mean to run again, two old friends with great influence in the Republican party went to see the chief justice with politics in mind.

THE HANDS

If these two are not converted to the Nixon candidacy, moreover, it is a 2-to-1 bet that the President will not give the vice-presidency any laying on of hands.

Nixon would be a certain nominee with the President's blessing. He will still be the leading Republican hopeful but his future will become the opposite of certain if no blessing is forthcoming. What holds true for Nixon, furthermore, also holds true with even greater force for the lesser Republican hopeful on the Eisenhower team, such as the caper, hard-breathing Harold Stassen.

IMPLICATIONS

On the positive side, the implications of the Humphrey choice are equally great. Always assuming that Humphrey and Adams are still acting together, it quite probably means that the President will be persuaded to intervene to get Chief Justice Warren into the race.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

THE Eisenhower Cabinet gave its chief spin a quince tree for his Gettysburg farm on his 45th birthday.

It was a very thoughtful present. It could be suggested something different. It could be donated by many Americans over a period of time and I know would cheer the heart of the man in Denver who cannot work at these things himself.

Meanwhile Ambassador Bohlen has reported to the State Department from Moscow that already the new Russian peace and friendship has become so popular and the Russian people so sold on it that the Kremlin could not change without risking grave unrest at home.

In other words, friendship between peoples is the best insurance we have against war.

Exchange Plan

At Geneva last summer, where I watched Ike work, he proposed a greater and continuing exchange of people between the United States and Russia as a means of winning the peace. Even before he made that proposal, a group of Russian housing experts had arrived in the U. S., while a group of American farmers had arrived in Russia in an exchange which helped cement good will among peoples as never since the days of U.N.R.R.A. or the first mingling of American-Russian troops at the river Elbe on V-E day.

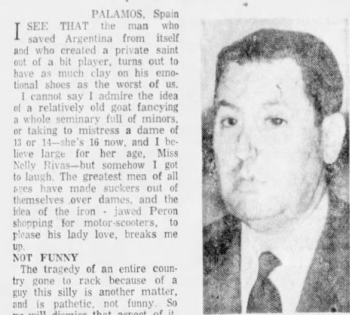
Friendship Train

I remember at a luncheon with Eisenhower in New York in the spring of 1944, I proposed a friendship train to Russia to try to accomplish people-people friendship. His reaction was negative and perhaps my idea was about as good as dead.

So I would like to propose that the best and most lasting birthday present the American people could give would be to carry on the Geneva idea of getting people acquainted.

More Visits

If, for instance, the American Medical Association did what the home builders have done and arranged for reciprocal visits of doctors; if the American Bar Association arranged for reciprocal



JUAN PERON

I SEE THAT the man who saved Argentina from itself and who created a private saint out of his first player, turns out to have as much play in his emotional shoes as the worst of us.

I cannot say I admire the idea of a relatively old goat favoring a whole seminar full of minors, or taking to mistress a dame of 30 or 28. He's 16 now, and I believe large for her age. Miss Nelly Rivas—but somehow I got to laugh. The greatest men of all ages have made suckers out of themselves over dames, and the idea of the iron - jawed Peron shopping for motor-scooters, to please his lady love, breaks me up.

NOT FUNNY

The tragedy of an entire country gone to rack because of a guy this silly is another matter, and is pathetic, not funny. So will I dismiss that aspect of it, and deal with Old Daddy Browning-Peron the scourge of the ladies— which means stalwart peaches to ease his mind after a long hard day of stealing the poor man's money, and capturing other people's newspapers.

I must say, though, introducing Senator Rivas as his niece is a bit odd hat. That age went out in the late Fatty Arbuckle age in Hollywood, when the entire town was populated by nieces. I work in advertising, a more vanguardish bit and introduced her as my old aunt, remarkably well preserved, you know.

LOW BLOW

I think the popular British press dealt him a low blow, though, on the love letters to his lady. I wish he got through a long scroll full of "my treasures" and "darlingest outsmiles baby girl," and then signed it "Juan and Pappy." Juan D. Peron, that's reaching. You just know he had a pet name, like "Cuddles," which means stalwart puppy dog, or some other Spanish pet name, approximating "Cuddles." I like that—"Cuddles" never fails.

Ain't much of a mental trans-peeker-over, but I would like to hear the tape of the conversation between Senator Rivas and Cuddles Peron when they were sitting on Saint Eva's best dress. I wish and would, nevertheless, to ride on the motor-scooter. An Argentine Baby Scooter could have made a marvelous thing out of it.

COLOQUY

"Let's play dress-up, Daddy." "Yes, the game you give your big kiss."

People's Platform

My son said, if you put 50 cents down for a quarter ride you did not get any change back. He asked for his change and the man told us an argument about this being a 'bum' fair and someone was going to help pay for his loss.

PHOTOGRAPH

My son and his girl friend went in the fun house and the same thing happened. No change after that. He went to a church booth and asked for some change and made it a point to always have the right man on each ride and he had no more trouble.

I asked my daughter how she and her date made it. She told me they had ten cents to go in. Ezra Taft Benson, Gallup discovered that 37 per cent of the nation's adult population is anxious to love some dress up at the fair, and if all 38 million of the fatties get around to doing at the same time, it's a real fine idea. The agriculture is going to find he ain't seen nothing yet in the way of crop surpluses. — New Orleans States.

Quote, Unquote

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A Lasting Birthday Gift For Ike

visits of lawyers; if teachers, university professors, the engineering societies, architects, service clubs, churches, women's clubs, continued this idea, it would lead to an understanding which no ruler in the Kremlin, no matter how belligerent, could easily put aside.

Would it not be a great birthday present to a man now unable to work at these things himself. Why not get a message to him promising such an exchange right now? The birthday presents that come in a day or two late are sometimes appreciated most.

Secret Jury Bug

There's more than meets the eye behind the Senate investigation of the hidden microphone placed in a Wichita, Kan., Federal grand jury by the University of Chicago Law School.

Attorney General Brownell, when he heard about it, got in touch with Judge Orin Phillips of Denver, a Republican, a good friend of Ike's and chief judge of the United States Circuit in Denver. Brownell wanted to start some fireworks that would react against the University of Chicago and the Fund For The Republic, both critics of its security prosecutions.

However, what Brownell didn't know was that Judge Phillips would have OK'd the placing of the secret

From The Randolph Guide

LET'S MOVE THE CAPITOL

NOWADAYS major industries think of nothing of moving their heavy equipment hundreds of miles to a location closer to their natural supplies of raw materials and labor. College campuses are transplanted overnight to take advantage of attractive endowments and luxurious new buildings.

And there is forever with us talk of yanking up the seat of government by its striped pants from Washington and placing it gently somewhere in the Midwest, closer to the geographical center of the United States.

argue unless Asheville became the new seat of the mountaineers wouldn't hear of Asheville.

Their thoughts drifted to the Piedmont. Charlotte was out of the question. "Charlotte is too interested in becoming the Atlanta of tomorrow," someone suggested. "Too close to South Carolina," another chirped.

"Greensboro . . . Winston-Salem . . . High Point?" one adventurous legislator inquired.

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microphone in the Wichita jury room. In fact, District Judge Delmar Hill of Kansas and the University of Chicago staff refused to go along with the fan until Judge Phillips gave his OK.

Furthermore, Judge Phillips went on record officially at an annual conference of the National Council of the Bar in Santa Fe, N. M., last year at the fair. He said that the jury didn't understand the charge that on a critical issue the charge was misread. He said he would correct these mistakes in the future."