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## ANNOUNCEMENT

Several months ago Boarding Student Council announced that students would not be punished on failure to sign the meal book. However, each student was urged to see that the meal book was signed on her going out. For the past three weeks the meal book has been checked and it has been found that only one-third of those going out have signed it. This new ruling was passed that students might feel more adult and on their own. The Dean's office hastens to say that if the students do not cooperate more fully the meal book regulation will have to go back under the old system.

## THINK

Are Queens girls flea-brained, weak minded, uninformed on current topics and trends? Queens girls say that they are. Are they incapable of thinking and so delicately trained that they can see only one view of things—the orthodox, conventional, approved view. Some quarters seem to hold that belief. Are they always going to be led by the nose thinking just what they are supposed to think? These are the years when such habits of thought are formed. Are Queens girls spineless and lacking in will power and common sense? Sometimes it appears that this is true.

Those traits are excellent for those people who are going to be led, who will never have anything to say about what they are going to do or how their life will be managed. Those habits of thought are the ones dictators hope to maintain in their people, but *They Are Death to Democracy*. Will Queens girls ever assume any responsibility in governing their country? They have never showed any indications of the independent thought necessary for maintaining a democracy. Now is the time to wake up—become an independent thinker.

GOALS FOR THE UNITED NATIONS—  
POLITICAL AND SECURITY*What Has Been Done So Far*

During the months since the Charter was signed on June 26, 1945 and was declared to be in force on October 24, 1945, positive measures have been taken by the United Nations to pronounce political stability and international security.

*Perfecting Organization and Making Rules*

Considerable progress has been made toward giving practical form to the organization and putting solid foundations under the procedures of the United Nations. At its first meeting in London, which opened January 10, 1946, the General Assembly elected the non-permanent members of the Security Council, members of the Economic and Social Council, and, together with the Security Council, elected the members of the International Court of Justice.

Even in the midst of its administrative, procedural, and organizational work, the Assembly dealt with urgent substantive problems. It created the Commission on Atomic Energy. It made recommendations concerning refugees, famine, and trusteeship. It discussed the question of Franco Spain.

*Hearing Disputes and Fostering Negotiation*

The Security Council in turn found itself confronted from the day of its first meeting, in London on January 17, 1946, with hard problems of political stability and international security. The first dispute brought before it was the accusation of Iran that the Soviet Union was interfering in its internal affairs. Negotiations between the two countries were conducted at the request of the Council, and the Council has continued to keep the question on its agenda.

Another issue raised before the Council was the ques-

tion of the presence of British troops in Greece and in Indonesia. No action was taken after the Greek Government informed the Council that the troops were in Greece on invitation and the Dutch Government demonstrated the progress of its negotiations with national groups in Indonesia, thus making clear that the presence of British troops there is only temporary.

A similar question was put before the Council by Syria and Lebanon. A formal resolution calling for the withdrawal of British and French troops from these countries did not carry, but the British and French Governments, by voluntary negotiations with the Levant States, made arrangements for withdrawal, which is now being completed.

A fourth issue raised for the consideration of the Security Council was the contention of Poland that the Franco regime in Spain constitutes a threat to international peace and security and that the United Nations should recommend breaking off diplomatic relations. A special subcommittee found that the situation in Spain did not constitute an immediate threat to peace. The case remains on the agenda, however.

In more than fifty sessions—the Security Council is required by the Charter to remain in continuous session, recessing no longer than two weeks at a time—the Security Council, in addition to developing its rules of procedure and forming its working habits, has demonstrated that disputes brought before it will be thoroughly aired, that the facts will be made public, that the smallest nations may appear fearlessly before it, and that even the largest nations will be obliged to answer charges. Moreover, the outcome of several cases demonstrated that even discussion may stimulate direct negotiations and promote amicable settlement.

*Providing for Judicial Decisions*

Progress toward the settlement of international disputes by judicial decision has been made by the election to the International Court of Justice of its 15 judges, including one from the United States. The Court held its inaugural meeting in the Peace Palace at The Hague in April. Meantime, several nations, including the United States, have agreed to the compulsory submission to the Court of all legal disputes of an international character. The United Kingdom has made known its intention to submit to the Court its century-old territorial dispute with Guatemala over British Honduras.

*Controlling the Atom*

Since June 14, 1946 the Commission on Atomic Energy has been meeting regularly to frame a plan for the international control of atomic energy. The United States has proposed the creation of a new, semi-autonomous body, the International Atomic Development Authority, whose powers would be derived from an enabling treaty among the peace-loving nations of the world. The proposed authority would have managerial, proprietary, inspecting, and licensing powers beyond those that it would be possible for the Security Council or any other organ of the United Nations to delegate to it. Violations of the treaty threatening international peace would be referred to the Security Council, but in dealing with such cases the United States has recommended the waiver of the veto power of the permanent members, lest delay in securing unanimous agreement among them permit a violator to wreak great destruction before restraining action could be taken.

*Getting Trusteeship Under Way*

Although the Trusteeship Council has not yet been formed, the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as required by chapter XI of the Charter, has made arrangements for the collection of technical data, through the Department of Trusteeship and Information from non-self-governing territories, on economic, social, and educational conditions in those territories. Furthermore, at the meeting of the General Assembly in London, the United Kingdom announced that draft terms of trusteeship had been drawn up for placing Tanganyika, Togoland, and the Cameroons (British Mandates) under the trusteeship system. A French representative declared that France intends to place her mandates of Togo and the Cameroons under trusteeship. New Zealand, Belgium, and Australia have announced their intention to transfer the mandates of Ruanda-Urundi, Western Samoa, and New Guinea, respectively. With the concurrence of New Zealand and the United Kingdom, Australia declared the same intent with regard to Nauru. The approval of trusteeship agreements for such territories at the next session of the General Assembly would enable the Trusteeship Council to be established.

Thus, in the course of less than a year, methods for promoting political stability have been developed, precedents have been established, and, in several instances, disputes between nations have been turned into the channels of peaceful negotiations.

Platter  
Corner

By Rossie Meadows

Hello again . . . Hope you're ready for another list of records 'cause I've got plenty to tell you about . . .

No. 1 record is another recording of "Jalousie". This one is by Harry James and is really a good record. The opening bars promise a high-brow interpretation . . . then, in the middle the orchestra steps the tempo up and James takes over for a jump rendition. Notice, though, the strings in the background of James' solo . . . they are truly beautiful . . . Right, J. T. . . . ? The flipover is "The Man with the Horn", and it, too, is a good number. The tempo is slow . . . almost a blues tempo. All in all, this record would be a nice one for your collection.

No. 2 up in our collections is a Duke Ellington recording. The title: "Happy-Go-Lucky-Local". This number is from the DEEP SOUTH SUITE which Ellington penned himself and played in Carnegie Hall. To name a few of the featured soloists: "Cat" Anderson, Johnny Hodges, and Lawrence Brown.

"Little Jazz" Eldridge has put out a new one . . . "Les Bounce" and "It's the Talk of the Town". I haven't heard it but knowing Eldridge, I think it ought to be plenty good.

Now . . . to get to the jazz . . . and I've got two albums lined up that I'd give my eye-teeth for. The first is Stan Kenton's.

A warning note . . . If you don't like this new weird jazz that is being played, you won't like this album. But, I think it's fine . . . He's got several of his "Artistry" numbers in the album and one of the best records in this ten-incher is his "Artistry in Bass" . . . Notice that one, won't you . . .

The second album is another jazz album . . . and to my knowledge, no copies of it have reached Charlotte . . . Everyone should like this album . . . it's "52nd Street Jazz", is put out by Victor . . . and features selections by Dizzy Gillespie and Coleman Hawkins. Each band has recorded two discs. Gillespie has "52nd Street Theme" and "Anthropology" . . . Hawkins has "Spotlite" and "Low Flame". These two bands are really contrasts . . . says LOOK: "The Gillespie sides are typical of his be-bop style and his technical ability on the trumpet. The Hawkins sides contrast with Dizzy's new styling. They are jazz of still another type, and are certainly characteristic of New York's "52nd Street" . . . for the middle-brow enthusiasts . . . Morton Gold has recorded some beautiful numbers for a new 10-inch album, "String Time". The list of tunes includes "Laura; Body and Soul, and Solitude". But, it seems the highlight of the album is his recording of "The Surrey with the Fringe on Top" . . . This album should be extra good.

It seems that the fans of Frank Sinatra have another record to drool over. Sinatra has recorded "Soliloquy" which is a tune from "Carousel" . . .

In the long hair department . . . I do have a surprise for you. If you like Brahms, take a listen to "Brahms Sonata No. 2 (Columbia Masterpiece)". No, that's not the surprise . . . this is it . . . This classical recorded is recorded by Benny Goodman and I'm just as surprised as you are . . .

Arturo Toscanini and the NBC have recorded Mozart's "Jupiter" Symphony No. 41. This particular symphony has been called "Mozart's greatest symphonic achievement" . . . I've got to make that deadline, so I guess I will have to sign off . . .