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Erwin Mills Sets A Splendid Example

The best answer to the Communist lie that American big business exploits the worker unmercifully was given last Saturday night when Erwin Mills held its fifth annual banquet in honor of employees who had completed twenty-five years of work with the mills.

The yearly event was a glowing example of the effectiveness of considerate, intelligently-applied employer-employee relations.

Erwin Mills is not required to spotlight its workers after twenty-five — or fifty, or seventy-five — years of employment in the mills. When a man gets his pay check at the end of the week, he has received the value of his labor.

Yet the mill leaders, realizing that industrial progress flags and falters unless bolstered by the skill and willingness to work of old, experienced and trustworthy hands, took it on themselves to honor the little men who made their industry great.

The tribute was not undeserved. Not only the corporation but the twenty-five year men deserve congratulations. For, just as it takes enlightened management to keep a man in the same plant for a quarter of a century, it takes perseverance and the will to work for a man to stick with any company — no matter how benevolent — for twenty-five years of his life.

To spike the Marxist fallacy more convincingly, the man who presented symbolic gold pins to the forty-six new members of the Twenty-Five Year Club was Erwin's President William H. Ruffin, president of the National Association of Manufacturers.

And the NAM is a favorite Red whipping boy — a symbol to some of reaction, intolerance and exploitation.

The Record believes that the one hundred and seventy present members of the Twenty-Five Year Club must be proud to wear their gold emblems. And the leaders of that great, sprawling corporation should take pride in the fine example they have set in the usually turbulent realm of employer-employee relations.

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These Days



By

Sokolsky

THE RESERVES

A joint committee of Congress ought to be appointed forthwith to investigate the unbelievable bungling in the handling of Reserves—Army, Navy, Air Force, and National Guardsmen. The committee should consist of Senators and Representatives who are either Reserves or whose sons are Reserves, so that the Pentagon brass could not reach them with the plea that this is not the time to discuss unpleasant topics. Somebody is mishandling an important problem; let us find out who and why.

First of all, let us consider the policy of not giving employment to reservists as Army or Navy civilian employees. Is it not bad enough that private enterprise holds back on giving work to Reservists, lest they be called to war suddenly? Do the Army and Navy have to discriminate against these Americans who have voluntarily agreed to serve their country when needed?

A Reservist writes me: "The bewildering changes in policy and procedure, along with stupid practices, work unbelievable hardships on Reservists who now can plan their lives only on a day-to-day basis. Typical is the announcement that for each recalled Reservist, usually a man with two or more dependents, one less 19-year-old youngster, usually without dependents, would be deferred by his neighborhood draft board. Another is a firm order by General Marshall for uniform mobilization plans which the Navy promptly says is not applicable to that service. Another is the discrimination of employers against Reservists."

"The only fair method for recalling Reserves is in the point system, under which all services were demobilized. The Army has installed it for enlisted Reserves but, strangely, not for officers. The Air Force, the Navy, the Guard, up to this time, have not announced it either for men or officers. Evidently uniformity is not yet in order!"

"Since it isn't possible for me, or for any other Reservist, to take a public stand on this matter, it is necessary to ask if you, in your charity, will 'front' and add one more good cause to your list."

Why should not Reservists be permitted to tell their story? The regulations forbid them to talk. Why should not reservist organizations be subpoenaed to appear before a Congressional committee to tell their stories under oath? What has become of the quality of American manhood that we have grown fearful, for any reason, of officials and officers who can work their petty tempers on those who ask questions?

If what my correspondent says to correct it should be changed. Here is a dispatch from Washington dated October 26. It is reported that there will be at least a four months' notice for most Reservists; in the same dispatch, the Navy is reported to have said that it could not guarantee four months' notice.

In some of my correspondence on the subject, I am told men were called up and then dropped—without any consideration for all that that entails.

I am not capable of judging this situation. What I have written above is a digest of a tremendous amount of material that has come into this office. However, we each have our limitations, and mine is that I have little understanding of military organization and no sympathy for the rigid military mind which binds itself voluntarily in red-tape.

Therefore, any judgment of mine would have to be inconclusive, but from the material in hand, it is evident that just as our government bungled the stockpiling of wool, concerning which Bernard Baruch warned them as early as 1946, so they seem to have bungled in the matter of human reserves.

That adds nothing to the morale of our Armed Forces, and their parents, in these troubled times.

Therefore, we need the full truth and a complete re-examination of the system of maintaining active and inactive reserves, of calling them up, and of releasing them after a period. All these men have already given years of their lives

Mister Breger



"Good heavens, you CAN'T call the police—we still don't have a license for Rover!"

Little Old NEW YORK

By ED SULLIVAN

My Secretary, Africa, Speaks

Dear Boss: Nehru's sister, Mme. Pandit, and India's Sir Benegal Rau feuding... Nancy Oakes and Tao Izzo a duet... Mrs. Irving Berlin planned to Honolulu to join hubby for Christmas... Orson Welles' newest romance is a Parisian fashion designer... Dan Topping and Del Webb may help Joe DiMaggio to get the San Francisco Seals club... Ethel Merman's understudy, Nancy Andrews, recuperating from virus... Noel Coward to spend the Winter at Jamaica... Add Christmas Spirit: Theatre chain owner, Walter Reade, himself ill, flying to N. Y. to pay a Christmas visit to Frank Erickson.

To solve coming manpower shortage, Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker adding fifty stewardesses on Eastern Air Lines... Glenn Davis Christmas shopping for Pat Williams... Lili Damita to wed Jack Gibbs... Mada Gabor and Brazil's Candido Rengel blazing... It's a boy for the Sid Dolingers (she's warbler Paula Bane)... Gretchen Donahue flying to Paris to wed diplomat Jose de Costa... After 20 years, N.Y. detective Ben Gallub retired and the next day died... Sol Hurok to Chicago... Cigarettes from Israel on sale in midtown shops... Perry Como cocktail party at Stork, Wednesday... With Senator McCarthy flattering Drew Pearson, after the White House blasted a music critic, Washington newsmen soon will add bodyguards on their expense slips... Louise Baer Heart Fund Memorial built around the premier of "Harvey" at Astor Theatre Wednesday, already over the \$50,000 mark (Robert Dowling is contributing the theatre).

Tropical Park racetrack 30 per cent ahead of last Winter's daily betting handle... Charles Feldman dating Ava Gardner... Betty Hutton inked a new Paramount contract... Pamela Churchill back to Paris. UN's Maurice Pate gets Loyal League Philanthropics Award, at Waldorf, for his work with children... The Exio Pinzas expect Sir Stork any edition... Lady Fitzgerald and the Duke of Verdura at the Colony... Joan Kalmine weds Daniel Parides, February (her pop's prexy of Warner Bros. Theatres)... Prince Sherbatow shooting south with Alfred Vanderbilt... Trudy Deluz of "Call Me Madam" weds Danny Yale... After 22 years of Christmas Eve carillon recitals, the Bok Singing Tower, donated by the publisher to Lake Wales, Fla., has discontinued. The reason: firecracker shooting rowdies.

Shah of Iran, Reza Pahlavi, weds Saroya Irfandiari on the 27th... Kirk Douglas in town to visit his kids... "Kiss Me, Kate" opens in London with Patricia Morison and Bill Johnson, February... Carpet factories converting to war work... Boris Karloff one of the backers of "Let's Make An Opera"... Is Betty Furstenberg's engagement to Peter Howard still on?... Lina Romay and Yule's Denny Slater an item... Stella Roman to the coast... Don't forget Cardinal Spellman's Christmas party for N. Y. Foundling, Waldorf, Tuesday.

Joe Cotton, who got his start in Miami's Civic Theatre, appeared there two nights as revival of "Susan and God." Carol Hamilton, who walked away with the notices in this one, is the star-dusted daughter of Helen Hamilton, who owned the famous Trolka Club, in Washington, D. C... Eddie Dowling sailing in Chicago... Nancy Kelly and CBS's Bill Robson an item... In response to the column appeal, children in the pediatric ward at Holy Family Hospital, received three TV sets... Rosalind Low of "South Pacific" to wed David Freedman... Catholic War Veterans' Jim Fay lost his mother... Gil (Dodger) Hodges expects Sir Stork... Add TV Eye-fel: Marion Carter... Third anniversary for Al Schachts... Slap-Happy, new big league motif, wires Don Cornell.

"Christmas for the Wounded" donations can be sent to this desk. The hospitals will acknowledge them... Evelyn Keyes dating Pat DiCicco... Archduke Otto on another lecture tour next month... "The Life of Eddie Aracaro" by Jack O'Hara to be published in the spring... Pamela Rank of the film clan with Roy Atwood at Alibi Club... Mimi Benzell to Port Jefferson for St. Charles Polio Hospital Club... Add concert... Jan Murray getting \$4,000 per at Paramount... Lester Lamin's Coral player, "The Cake Walk"; Martin Drake at Cafe Society... If you wish to share in the American Legion's Tide of Toys, drop them off at the Brooks Post, 100th St. and B'way. AMELIA.

Wood Funeral Services Today

Miss Doris Evelyn Wood, 19, of Dunn Rt. 1, died in Dunn Hospital Tuesday at noon.

Funeral services were held today at 2:30 p.m. from the Corinth Free Will Baptist Church, conducted by

to war service, are married and have families, and may have to abandon businesses which they built after World War II. They deserve kindly consideration from a country that can afford to be grateful.

So, mistakes have been made! Do we have to continue them forever? It is the hidebound attitude of place-proud men who are doing the damage in these days. Flexibility and good sense are sorely needed.

MONEY OF A MESS

NEW ALBANY, Miss., Dec. 18.—(UP)—Molasses isn't slow in December, anyway. Ask the folks who live by the railroad tracks here. Two freight trains collided yesterday, and a carload of molasses spread a sticky mess over a large area when its sides were splintered.

The Canadian River is not in Canada. It's a branch of the Arkansas River, which rises in New Mexico and flows eastward through Texas and Oklahoma.

Frederick L. OTHMAN

WASHINGTON.—Okay, gents, I guess it's all right to eat fried chicken even if it's been hormonized. And it probably has.

You may know about the deal. The poultry farmer shoots a pellet of hormones, known as Stilbestrol, into the neck of a rooster and he becomes fat, placid, and strictly non-roosterish. This has been going on now for about a year and nobody thought anything of it until Rep. A. L. Miller (R., Neb.) brought up the sorry case of the childless mink.

Rep. Miller, who is a practicing medic, said one of his constituents fed the heads of these doctored chickens to his mink, which immediately stopped having young. Dr. Miller wondered out loud what would happen to him if he ate a chicken that had had a pill inserted under its skin. He said he thought Congress ought to investigate. It did.

The special committee of Rep. James J. Delaney (D., N.Y.) considering the chemicals that go into food, called in Dr. Arthur D. Goldhaft, eminent veterinarian of Vineland, N. J., and manufacturer of Stilbestrol for use on roosters.

He said he had planned to bring in a chicken, a pill and one of his oversized hypodermic needles for a demonstration, but the U.S. mails had fallen down. All he could do was quote medical authorities as to the harmlessness to man of sex hormones as sold by him. What happens to the rooster he knew about from personal experience.

"The skin surface of the bird becomes smooth and glossy and the flesh tender and juicy, with an improved flavor," he said. "All male characteristics, such as crowing and fighting, vanish almost completely." The elderly Dr. Goldhaft, who was almost bald and who spoke in precise fashion, went on in this vein at length. He did not satisfy Vincent A. Kleinfeld, the committee counsel, who wondered what would happen if the farmer gave his roosters two pills, or maybe three. Would that have any effect on the man who ate a fried chicken dinner?

"I hadn't intended to make this public," replied Dr. Goldhaft, "but since you have brought it up I may as well tell you. I wondered, too, what would happen to man if he took large doses of Stilbestrol and I have been taking it myself."

The Congressman went "ulp." Kleinfeld looked startled, but he said: "And how are you now, Doctor?"

"I'm still all right," retorted Dr. Goldhaft in a deep bass voice. "A chicken gets 15 milligrams; so far I have taken 35 milligrams."

"You may be better than the average," suggested Kleinfeld.

"No, I am not," snapped the doc. "I'm just average and I am 66 years old."

He went on to say that his pills not only were good for roosters, but that they also had an excellent effect on broody hens.

"When they quit laying," he added, "we give 'em a shot of Stilbestrol and they crow, and start laying eggs again."

Farmers all over the land are using his products, he said. Sale of hormonized chickens, particularly in the New York City markets, have increased tremendously. Ditto turkeys. And so far as Dr. Goldhaft knows, human beings have not been affected one little bit. The Congressmen took this under consideration. They'll issue their verdict later.

To The Editor

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR
SUMTER, S. C.

TO THE EDITOR:
You did a very fair and impartial job in reporting my meeting. It was an excellent piece of reporting.

You are putting out a fine paper.
RAYMOND J. JEFFREYS,
President,
JEFFREYS LECTURE BUREAU

EDITOR'S NOTE: Dr. Jeffreys delivered a temperance address in Dunn last Tuesday night.

WASHINGTON, D.C.

TO THE EDITOR:
I am writing just a line to offer my sincere congratulations upon your paper, The Daily Record.

I read it with interest and profit. You are getting out a lively, useful and stimulating paper and I know the people of Dunn and Harnett County are giving you enthusiastic support.

With sentiments of esteem and regard, I am

Yours very truly,
CLYDE R. HOEY
U. S. SENATOR

Charters Issued

Secretary of State Thad Eure has issued a charter of incorporation to the Wellons Foundation, Incorporated of Dunn.

It is a non-profit charitable organization headed by Johnnie Wellons, prominent Dunn Candy manufacturer.

Other incorporators listed were Calvin Wellons, his brother, and I. R. Williams, his attorney.

It Says Here

by Bob Hope

Charlie McCarthy's got company. Podine, ssip 'twaga jessy, gu panponny tasing rappa 'is '991 Puffington, on his new television show and she was a great success. Podine is a beautiful doll who speaks with a sultry southern accent and Charlie has hit upon a sneaky way to get a date with her. He is going to use his "Mason Dixon line."

Charlie says: "I think she's heard about the birds and the bees... but I want to warn her about the termites."

Podine's debut represents a unique achievement for Bergen. He's the only man ever had to teach a woman to talk.

My brother gets jealous when he hears of the success of McCarthy, Mortimer Snerd and now Podine Puffington. He says he's the only dummy who isn't getting anywhere.

Funeral Directory

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Miss Claudine Evelyn West, 15 daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eden West of Dunn Rt. 4, died Tuesday in Good Hope Hospital, Erwin. Funeral rites will be held Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Pleasant Grove Free Will Baptist Church near Erwin. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Mrs. H. H. Hobbs, 73, died at her home in Goldsboro Tuesday. Plans for the funeral arrangements were incomplete today.

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