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These Days



By

Sokolsky

A CRY FOR UNITY
The genius of the American people is progress through differences. It has been the constant interplay of individual responses to the challenges of problems that has made it possible for our people to achieve so much in the atmosphere of freedom.

Tyrants demand unity of thought and attitude, and when they achieve it, as Hitler and Stalin did, they reduce a people to physical or spiritual slavery, or both. Unity is the antithesis of liberty. It can only produce an intellectual smog.

We are now witnessing a not unusual phenomenon, for our country, of a strong effort on the part of New Dealers, professional internationalists, gay do-gooders and even Communists musing into the Republican Party. Their cry is for unity. Let all the smart boys who made the mistakes that wrecked us in Asia and lost for us a half a century in Europe, continue to have a good time despoiling the United States and all in the name of unity!

Even if it were possible that the Eisenhower victory could be twisted into nothing more serious than a toned-down Achesonism, it would be harmful to the country to less: debate, to avoid investigations into the errors made over a 20 year period and their causes. The temper of the country would not permit a pall of orchids over the nice fusion. Nice people can do frightful mischief sometimes as, for instance, the activities of Aler Hinder, to say nothing of Frederick Van derbilt Field, who is the nicest of them all.

The opposite of unity, politically in America, is not dissimilarity; it is intellectual and spiritual freedom; it is difference of opinion, constantly expressed; it is the investigation of cause and effect in public affairs. The opposite of unity is the two-party system, a whole-mean political mechanism which prevents the "ins" from becoming haughty and corrupt and proud of place, and keeps the "outs" hammering away at the facts of life, not only in search for the truth, but as a justification for throwing the "ins" out.

When the Republicans were eating thistles in the desert for 20 years, they were ardent supporters of the two-party system, making a fetish of it. Already some of them are shouting, "Unity! And by that mean that everybody should rest behind them blindly and should criticize nothing. In the intoxication of a long-delayed victory, they are not thinking clearly.

I have been a Republican for these 29 luckless years, believing ardently in the two-party system, recognizing the great advantage of free criticism of government. Victory cannot dispel a fundamental principle; success can only strengthen the correctness of it.

The current outcry for unity seems to be most articulate, even eloquent among the internationalists who hope that the policies of American support for the enemies of Great Britain and the Western European countries will be continued without even the slightest reappraisal of the past and without any adjustment to the economy of our country. They are stand-patters. Their orthodoxy in international relations narrows their vision so that while they can gaze at the world, they do not see the United States of America.

Their greatest fear is that any new look at world affairs will establish the bankruptcy of both the Marshall Plan concept of European Aid and the Containment Policy in Europe while giving the Russians a free hand in Asia. When they insist upon unity, they do not mean behind Eisenhower but in support of the Acheson appeasement of Soviet Russia while giving the appearance of bellicose intentions.

These internationalists object to Eisenhower's concern over Korea. They would have him forget Korea and the 122,000 American casualties there and to devote himself rather to Anthony Eden and the forthcoming British request for aid but calling it something else.

These internationalists do not read the election returns correctly. General Eisenhower was chosen, among other reasons, on the Korean issue. When Eisenhower said that he would go to Korea personally, he won the election. It is not that such a trip will solve any problem; it was rather that every man who felt that here was a man who could be trusted to look after his boy.

That confidence in General Eisenhower should be dispelled by any shouting by New Dealers for unity.

nor a merchant, either. When we didn't buy, the man always acted as though he still was pleased we had dropped in.

So, as I say, it was with an odd feeling of sadness that we climbed aboard a DC-6 of American Airlines for the fast ride home. This is fancy traveling for sure, but I still miss my boat at Puerto Mar- que thought he was overpaid with ques with the old Indian skipper, \$125 for a full day's paddling.



"Sarge, he wants to know if there's a reward for finding any of the precincts still missing from the election..."



WASHINGTON—Premier Pinay of France has thrown out feelers for an early — if not immediate — visit to the United States for a conference with General Eisenhower and or President Truman.

At stake in this visit is the entire structure of our carefully built-up Western European defense. We have been so busy with our own elections that the public doesn't realize that this now hangs in the balance.

This was the reason why President Truman sent a special courier to Eisenhower last week carrying a secret communication.

Briefly, here are the reasons for Premier Pinay's proposed pilgrimage and the vital factors awaiting decision in West Europe.

1. The French are sore as blazes over our discussion of the Arab demand for North African independence at the U. S. They even threaten to pull out of NATO if we don't back them up against the Arabs.

2. The French feel they have been bled white in Indo-China and are about ready to dump this in our lap in the same way the British dumped Greece.

3. The Pinay government is in danger of being voted out of office. Yet it's one of the most efficient governments France has had since the 1930's. It will need political support from the U. S. A. to stay in power, and that political support will have to come either in regard to the Arabs or Indo-China.

4. A huge Chinese Communist army is reported poised on the Indo-Chinese border. If there's peace in Korea, more troops and more material can feed the Communist "revolt" against the French.

Perhaps worst of all, and hanging over it all, is the growing anti-Americanism, growing isolationism and the French. In the same way that more Americans are getting more isolationist, so are the French. They are increasingly suspicious of Germany, are backing the United European Army, and it looks as if the great strides toward peace and unity might go down the drain.

Divide and rule is the Kremlin's strategy, and it will take superhuman steps by an inspiring leader to weld us together again with our Allies.

This is the greatest problem the new president will have to face for, whereas Korea is a very small war, what's happening in Europe is planting the definite seeds of another World War.

CABINETTERS
Sinclair Weeks, the Boston banker who came out for Eisenhower against Taft at a crucial moment

Walter Winchell

In New York

Stars in the Night: Shirley Booth (the "Time of the Cuckoo" Big Dipper) after-theatre-supper in Sardi's—a table from Ethel Shutta, who used to light up the Broadway skies. One of the Palace show-stoppers... Jackie Gleason challenging Bob Hope to a game of golf (for hefty stakes), winner to give all to the Runyon Fund... Benny Goodman (the Licorice stickler) getting in with the Bushkin beat at the Embers... Desi Arnaz (the I Love Lucy/Lebrity) giving the George Healy's (he's the New Orleans States' blue-pencil) a "kick" at the Stork... Barry Fitzgerald giving the same spot's celeb-200 a thrill... Phil Moore's pluck (rehearsing for the Nov. 18th preem at La Vie), crowded with lovely little lambs. The wolves'll love it... D. Acheson scratching his head (with his ballet program) during intermission at City Center.

Sallies in Our Alley: John Wayne's pet gambler gag: About a dice-shooter's cronies at his funeral. The preacher intoned: "Our friend Rocky isn't really dead. He's just sleeping." From the rear of the chapel a voice boomed: "A C note says he's dead!"... Orry Kelly's observation: "There are two times in an actress's career when she is sweet and chomming. The first 6 months—and the last."

New York Vignette: It happened the other middle-of-the-night... In Lower Manhattan, near Greene Street... Anne Jeffreys, the star, and husband Bob Sterling were our guests—chasing police calls and the Hooknadders... We tailed the fire-wagons and zoomed along at the same tempo... They got the blaze out in no time... We told Annie of the terrible Triangle Fire, when dozens of young girls working in a sweat shop (near that spot) jumped to their death... As we all ambled back to the car, we saw a deserted (we thaw!) fire engine... We climbed on it and ding-dong'd the big bell... Out of the Dark Night, a fire chief went Over Very Big with: "We're gonna send you one for Christmas, Wall-tahh!"

Memos of a Midnighter: Personal to our Canadian friend, who put up \$750,000 to win 680 Gs on the "Your Stork Club waiter made a mistake in addition and will have to pay the \$10 unless you do... Sech Mrs Dept: A star of the Jelke Victrola got the crumb's rush from El Morocco's major doormo... Dick Maney's notice (in the Times book dept.) says "Heliager got Herbert Bayard Swope, then editor of The N. Y. World, to write a bogus offer to Winchell, which was used as a lure to impress the Mirror's publisher"...

PENTAGON SHAKE-UP
Top generals of the Defense Department are expecting a political shake-up.

Politics isn't supposed to enter the military picture. However, everyone in the army and navy plays it — from the generals down to the colonel's wives — and this includes the White House too.

General Joe Collins, in turn, probably will be replaced as Army Chief of Staff by General Van Fleet, whose letter re South Korean troops played a part in the election campaign.

VISITING IN U. S. A.
In Ecuador, the most intriguing question of the day is: Where did Senora Velasco Ibarra, the wife of Ecuador's unpredictable president, get the money to make her present extended pleasure trip to the U. S. A.?

When Velasco returned from exile in Argentina last March, he was so destitute that backers of his candidacy had to put up the money for plane fare. His wife remained in Buenos Aires until after the June election which gave Velasco, twice president and twice overthrown for making himself dictator, a third chance to govern.

Meanwhile, municipal elections in Ecuador on Nov. 2 gave Velasco a sharp setback, and notably boosted the stock of Carlos Guevara Moreno, the mayor of Guayaquil who regards himself as a second dictator Peron.

The Worry Clinic

By Dr. GEORGE W. CRANE

HUSBAND OFTEN COMPLAINS EVEN ABOUT DOING THINGS WHICH THEY KNOW ARE RIGHT AND PROPER. THIS IS SIMPLY A CARRY-OVER FROM CHILDHOOD WHERE THEY ARGUED WITH THEIR MOTHER'S OVER WASHING BEHIND THEIR EARS OR BRUSHING THEIR TEETH. YOU WIVES MUST NEVER SURRENDER YOUR IDEALISM, FOR WITHOUT IT YOU CAN'T HOLD A MAN'S RESPECT.

Case F-304: Rowena R., aged 22, is a new bride.
"Dr. Crane, I am ideally happy," she admitted with a smile. "I have followed your column in our St. Louis POST DISPATCH ever since I was a sophomore in high school. So I know that successful marriage is something that we must create from day to day as we live it."

"I suppose most brides feel that no other marriage could be as perfect as their own, and that their love is a divine thing pre-ordained by God."

"But you have taught me that scientific planning is essential. So I thought I'd pay you a visit while we are honeymooning here in Chicago."

"Is there any special advice you can give me by which I can guarantee permanent happiness in our marriage?"

HELP GOD
Love is divine, all right, but no more so than electricity. Both must be generated and regenerated by following precise, scientific laws.

God is behind both, but you must diligently learn his formulae. For God helps those who help themselves.

Posts may resent recognizing the precise formulae by which love is generated and maintained, but that fact does not alter the scientific basis of love.

It requires two competent women to make a good husband and the first is his mother!

If she falls down on her job of rearing a self-reliant son who is a good sport, and doesn't train him to be dutiful or kind, as well as generous in praise of his women folks, then an angel from heaven would have a tough time trying to civilize and housebreak such a

selfish male.

REASONS VS. EXCUSES
Men grumble and complain about doing mad things which are logical and right.

Their grumbling is just on general principles, and belongs in the same category as a child's arguing about washing behind his ears or brushing his teeth.

An intelligent wife must soon learn, like the star salesman, to distinguish between "excuses" versus "reasons."

A husband's grumbling is usually illogical. It represents his physical and psychological inertia. He lazily wants to stay put or continue with the status quo.

Ingrate such "excuses" as your husband may put up, and smile sweetly but keep prodding him.

Remember, a man never returns dislike for his mother because she made him do things that were right and proper.

You wives must thus learn to jog your husband into correct behavior. Don't let down and take the easy road of agreeing with a man's illogic.

RELIGION IS WIFE'S NAME
You are familiar with the old saying that men often try to carry their religion in their wife's name.

They also expect her to stand for other cultural and altruistic enterprises in society. They like to see her shed tears of sympathy for unfortunate children. They respect her for her prayers.

True, they make light of her being so sympathetic and tender-hearted, or even complain about her wasting her time in church work, but NEVER take such comments at face value! They are excited women who stand for idealism and morality.

Thru your husband sexually and submit physically, but never make the mistake of surrendering your ideals to him.

For without them, men will not respect you, and respect is necessary for true love.

(Always write to Dr. Crane in care of this newspaper, enclosing a long 3c stamped, addressed envelope and a dime to cover typing and printing costs when you send for one of his psychological charts.)

On Refusal To Testify

U. S. Senator Willis Smith is exactly right in his contention that the courts have gone too far in protecting witnesses' rights to refuse to answer questions on the grounds that they might incriminate themselves.

Mr. Smith was referring to those sordid characters suspected of being Communists who won't even answer simple questions for the Senatorial Committee investigating subversives in the United Nations.

"We have had witnesses refuse to acknowledge their own signatures on passports," pointed out Senator Smith. "And they have refused to state whether or not a certain person may be their brother or otherwise related."

"I know," continued Senator Smith, "that the founding fathers wanted to protect citizens from having to testify against themselves, but I don't think they intended that this constitutional protection should be carried as far as some of our courts have done."

Among those who have refused to cooperate at these hearings are some proven Communists.

It is absurd for these enemies of America to openly flaunt higher authority. They're standing on rights granted them by a Constitution which they are trying to destroy. It doesn't make sense.

The U. S. government can throw you in jail for not reporting a crime if you know about it; you can be jailed for giving aid to a common garden variety thief.

But these traitors are given all the protection in the world. It seems we need a law to enforce suspected subversives to cooperate with our government officials.

Senator Smith is doing an excellent job in fighting and trying to weed out the Communists. He sees the great menace and dangers of Communism.

North Carolina's junior Senator attended the famed Nuremberg trials as an official representative of his government, twice in the past two years he has gone to Europe to see firsthand the situation for himself.

The other day in New York Senator Smith lost his patience with the pinks.

Angry at the attitude of some witnesses, Senator Smith snapped at the close of the all-day hearing that it is up to the U. N. "to help us purge it of spies and saboteurs."

"If that cannot be done," he said, "the U. N. ought not to be allowed to sit in America."

To that, we add a hearty "Amen."

Acheson Is Sure To Be Replaced

WASHINGTON (AP) — Dwight D. Eisenhower's election means the end of Dean Acheson's career as secretary of state, and the axe for such politically-appointed ambassadors as former New York Mayor William O'Dwyer.

South Korean Army Boosted

TOKYO (AP) — Gen. James A. Van Fleet disclosed today he strengthened the South Korean army by the equivalent of four new divisions last Saturday, only six days after receiving an "okay" from higher headquarters.

Frederick OTHMAN

EN ROUTE TO WASHINGTON.
— The lady on this flying machine just brought me a hot breakfast, including a bouquet of tropical flowers to make the seas look prettier still, and I fear my Mexican holiday rapidly is drawing to an end.

Frederick OTHMAN

many an expatriate American boy is doing, is incredibly cheap. A cook can be hired for \$12 a month and a parlor maid for eight, while the cost of vegetables in the native market is measured in fractions on pennies.

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What I'm trying to indicate is that we had an elegant three-week siesta south of the border; if you're contemplating a winter vacation, I can recommend matana-land almost without reservations. The place has improved amazingly since we last were there 15 years ago.

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At Taquileo we laddered down at the Caleta, the newest of the seaside hostleries. Here a large and breezy room with private porch overlooking the bay, plus three meals, cost us \$13.50 per day, each. The food could have been better (it soon began to taste the same, no matter what we ate), but on the other hand it was nourishing. And who wants to worry about the tenderness of the steaks when there's a mariachi in the moonlight singing songs of love? Not here, says Mrs. O.

Frederick OTHMAN

Mexico City has a number of superb restaurants, which are costly as sin. We dropped into the Ambassadeurs for lunch casually one afternoon. There we consumed a simple meal of avocado cocktail, brailed red-snapper, and French pastry. This cost us \$4.50 per head, but then as Hilda pointed out, where else would the service plates be solid silver and all the waiters wear long tailed coats and striped pants like ushers at a church?

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"Personally, I'd forget these exercises. There's nothing better for you than a good, strong, steel-ribbed corset."

Mary Hawthorth's Mail

By America's Foremost Personal Affairs Counselor

PARENTS' TESTAMENT LEAVES ALL TO A PRODIGAL SON; BROTHER'S WIFE WORRIES OVER HIS HEARTSICK REACTION

DEAR MARY HAWORTH: My husband, whom I shall call Bill, has a buoyantly cheerful personality and until recently he was almost always in good spirits. Nowdays he is so saddened that it breaks my heart. The children and I miss his old mood very much and maybe you can say how to comfort him.

His father died a year ago and recently his mother died also. To add to the grief of his bereavement, he was rejected by them in his will. All their considerable estate went to his younger brother Nathan. In a letter left to Bill, his mother explained it was because Nathan needed the money more; and she asked Bill not to let me talk him into challenging her last wishes — an idea that wouldn't occur to me. I am not concerned about the property but about Bill's deep hurt and chagrin.

When Bill was 16 he began substantially to pay his own way and at 21 became entirely self-supporting. We met that year and married when he was 23. Honors were heaped on him as a student and he was always trying to please his parents, who never praised him. They were always critical, his mother in particular — but he thought they loved him. Today he is a professional man, outstanding in his field. What more could his parents have asked?

Nathan, now 25, has never had a job. He has a college degree, having taken eight years to complete the course; meanwhile devoting a good deal of time to the social whirl. He always lived at home, lavishly provided for by his parents. Apparently he ruled their hearts completely and, although he deceived them at times, they never knew it. Where is the justice in this situation? Can you help me remove the sting? C. L.

EQUITABLE PAYOFF IN FINAL ANALYSIS
DEAR C. L.: In a curiously twisted way, perhaps the parents bal-

anced the scales unwittingly in "giving" to their sons. Judging by your picture of Bill's qualities versus Nathan's, it appears that Bill got the finer legacy, even though Nathan gets the property.

In struggling to earn his parents' approval, or rather say, in trying to overcome his insecurity, Bill developed extraordinary social competence. He learned at an early age to make his own way financially. He invaded the field of scholarship with resolute ambition, taking many honors in stride and today he is doing distinguished work in his chosen profession.

In addition, he has attracted a wealth of true love and warm devotion to himself in his married life, wherein he is "the big cheese" with wife and children. All this he was wrought from the stuff of self—from his own inborn or God-given resources. And in climbing the upward path strictly on his own he has retained a buoyantly cheerful disposition; you say until staggered by the triple blow of his parents' death and the "rejecting" last testament.

ELDER BROTHER ISN'T DEPENDENT
It is rather to Bill's credit, I think — proof of wholesome sensibilities — that he is heartsick over the crowning evidence of parental favoritism of the lesser brother. It indicates that he isn't a hardened, closed, embittered personality who hides vindictiveness behind dimpassivity. On the contrary he shows himself spontaneously receptive to life as it is — capable of feeling pain, shock, grief and disappointment, and registering the repercussions in his whole behavior. This is the hallmark of humane character, genuinely love-worthy.

It is Bill's inalienable good fortune to be fully a man in terms of experience, though a saddened man, in the wake of his parents' death. Whereas Nathan is still a child, comparatively, at 25, possibly dependent on dote from trust funds. Or at any rate, dependent on parental arrangements — mad towards the last when they dimly realized their mistakes in relation to both sons, probably, and the intrinsically ruinous effects on him.

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