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No Secrets

There has been a very encouraging increase in the number of people who own stocks in American corporations—the businesses which are the hub of our vast industrial machine. And one of the best factors is that the great majority of these shareowners are typical Americans, with moderate incomes.

However, many people still seem to think that there is something of a mystery involved in buying stocks—that it's an activity which only should be followed by "insiders" with highly specialized knowledge and training. That misconception needs clearing up.

Anyone who wishes to may buy many or few shares of any stock listed on the exchanges by the simple expedient of going to a broker and placing his order. He can sell his stock in the same fashion. There is no question about the price—it is a matter of public record as it goes up or down or remains stationary from day to day. Nor does anyone "fix" that price—it is determined by what the seller is willing to pay and the buyer is willing to accept, much in the manner of an auction.

Furthermore, the prospective investor doesn't have to work in the dark so far as selecting shares in this company or that is concerned. State and national laws, and the regulations adopted by the principal stock exchanges, see to it that all pertinent information is readily available to anyone.

The people who own stock are partners in the American economy. They have faith in the future. Most important, they have a direct personal interest in preserving free enterprise and all the other freedoms at a time when every effort is being made to undermine them from within and without.

The High Cost Of Socialism

According to the Oregon Voter, 14 per cent of all the ad valorem property tax levied in that state is paid by public service enterprises—power and light, railroad, and telephone companies. This is entirely aside from the income taxes, corporation fees, franchise taxes, license fees, and all the rest of the levies they pay.

The situation is comparable in other states—in all parts of the country the public service companies are among the largest taxpayers, and are often the very largest. And what gives this special interest is the fact that the campaign to socialize the electric industry, and take its properties off the public tax rolls, is being pushed with unabated vigor by political groups.

The argument, of course, is that socialized power is cheaper power. That argument is strictly in the three-dollar bill class. Survey after survey has shown that any rate advantage of publicly-owned as against privately-owned utilities is made possible only by tax exemption and tax subsidies. On the average, the business-managed power companies pay out about 23 per cent of all their revenues in taxes. The socialized operations either pay no taxes at all, or comparatively small sums as token grants to states and municipalities. Every time a tax-paying enterprise is socialized, the tax burden of all other taxpayers must go up. Socialism means political control over our lives and affairs—and we pay a big price in money to boot!

Frederick OTHMAN

WASHINGTON. — I can't understand why the Federal Trade Commission didn't invite me and my dog, Emma, to its conferences on chlorophyll as a product to make this best smelling of all possible words.

We are experts on this subject. Particularly Emma. She does not like the stuff, Me, I can take it, or leave it.

The government claims that some makers of chlorophyll have been too dazed enthusiastic about the ability of their product to make everybody Emma included, smell sweet. Some rival manufacturers of green mouthwash simultaneously have been advertising that chlorophyll is a fake. They point out that grass contains more chlorophyll than anything else. Goats eat grass. They still smell like goats.

This, according to the trade commissioners, is confusing to us customers. So the manufacturers of chlorophyll pills, pastes, ointments and many other things, to name only a few, are about to be ordered here to do some explaining and demonstrating for the record.

Emma and I, even if asked at this late date, will be delighted to appear as friends of the court. Emma is a large poodle with a coat the color of coffee and cream and plaintive brown eyes. When she's had a bath and the humidity remains high, she does not smell at all. Except, of course, when she's been chasing skunks, however, Emma on wet days does not exactly resemble a rose. I tried to feed her some of the original green chlorophyll pills, but she spurned them. I dissolved them in milk, which turned green and a little peppermint and she'd have none of that, either.

Canine then the beneficiary of

dog owners, stirring chlorophyll into dog food, both dry and canned. This Emma cannot escape. She eats chlorophyll or she doesn't eat. I give her a little meal, of course, along with the medicated pup chowder and I regret to report that she smells like she always smelled. She rolled in the snow yesterday and when this melted in her fur, the word for her, I believe, was high.

My own experience with chlorophyll has been more disastrous. Some of the first chlorophyll toothpaste I bought somehow got splashed on the bathroom wall. It also got on my bride's best towels. It still is on the wall; it remains to be seen faintly after many washings on the towels.

When I mentioned this in an item here a few months back, the maker of another brand of green toothpaste sent me six tubes of his product, together with a letter saying I was ruining him. He added that his chlorophyll was guaranteed washable. I have no doubt that it is, but I cannot swear to it.

Mrs. O. was so bitter about her towels turning green that I have used the full half-dozen packages with such care not one smear of green has dribbled where it shouldn't. This, I know, is a minor matter to the trade commission. What it wants to learn is exactly how I smell after all this scientific testing. This is hard to say, gentlemen. A lady cannot notice her own perfume 10 minutes after she puts it on. I suggest you check this with your own wives.

Obviously I do not know for sure what chlorophyll has done for me, but I have one hint: Emma still is able to recognize me in the dark. She does this with her nose, commissioners. I'm still willing to be persuaded on the merits of chloro-

phyll, but at this writing I'm inclined to go along with Emma. Leave the grass to the goats. We'll take our chances when the weather's wet, on being chased out of the house.

These Days



By
Sokolsky

DEFINITIONS

It is so easy to pick an argument about definitions. Yet when one says the word, child, he does not mean a man of 50 with a beard. However, in the fields of politics or economics the tendency is to fudge through by fighting over private definitions, each thinker coming up with his own.

In the hope that there may be a way of stating ideas with some clarity, I offer a few definitions which seem to be standard:

Capitalism: "... capitalism is an economic order based on the profit motive; therefore its leading characteristics are the private ownership of the means of production, their operation for pecuniary gain, their control by private enterprisers, and the use of credit and the wage system." ("The Triumph of American Capitalism," by Louis M. Hacker.)

Fundamentally, this system requires human freedom because in it is the right of the individual to use his earnings according to his choice and conscience.

Socialism: while the basic concept of Socialism is government ownership of the means of production, distribution and exchange, the varieties are many, ranging from the mild reformist measures of the left-wing New Dealers to the present state of society in Soviet Russia. In effect, Socialists differ as to whether their aims are to be achieved by "democratic" means or by revolution, depending upon their theory of the speed of change.

Although numerous Utopian Socialist concepts existed prior to Karl Marx, he and Frederick Engels founded what has come to be known as "scientific" Socialism, the basis of which is the biologic assumption of the struggle for existence which Marx accented from the writing of Charles Darwin and Thomas Huxley. Applying these ideas to politics, economics and sociology, they evolved the Class Struggle.

"The history of all hitherto existing society is the history of class struggles.

"Freeman and slave, patrician and plebeian, lord and serf, landlord and journeyman, in a word, oppressor and oppressed, stood in constant opposition to one another, carried on an uninterrupted, now hidden, now open fight, a fight that each time ended, either in a revolutionary reconstitution of society at large, or in the common ruin of the contending classes." ("Communist Manifesto")

There have always been deviations from this position among Socialists.

Fabian Socialism: this is strictly a British form of Socialism represented by the Labour Party. The word Fabian represents "go slow." It is go-slow Socialism by strictly constitutional means. Even when Labour Party was in power, it limited its socialization program (in Great Britain, called a nationalization program) to 20 percent of the nation's economy. The founders of Fabian Socialism were Beatrice and Sidney Webb, George Bernard Shaw, H. G. Wells and other intellectuals.

Marxism: the economic doctrine of Karl Marx is based on the "Theory of Plus Value," which means that the increased value arises only from the laborer added in its production. Harold Laski describes this extremely complicated theory as follows:

"It is therefore evident that in the production of any given commodity all who do not contribute labor-power thereto do not produce values. All, therefore, who receive its social product without this contribution are parasites robbing labour. Marx accordingly denies that profit results from the capitalist who lends money or the trader who conducts the process of exchange."

All this theorizing would have meant nothing had not a faction of the Russian Social Democratic Party, the Bolsheviks, succeeded by violence in capturing Russia in 1917.

Communism: generally the current Russian system is called Communism, which is an error. Russian Marxism is now in what they term a Socialist stage; to be followed by Communism; which will produce a state of society in which government writers away. The Russians faced the problem of making their ideas work in an antagonistic world. This was accomplished by neither Lenin nor Trotsky nor any of the early Bolsheviks, but by a comparatively obscure adventurer, J. V. Stalin.

In April 1924, he delivered a series of lectures at Sverdlov University under the general title of "Foundations of Leninism," which became the accepted doctrine of Soviet Russia, Soviet China and the satellite states. It is the doctrine of every Communist country in the world. It is a practical and flexible concept of "... Marxism in the epoch of imperialism and of the proletarian revolution."

Oh, I haven't done ANYTHING to him yet. I just want to know my chances of acquittal."

MISTER BREGER



"I know Christmas is over long ago, but our simply WON'T let us throw out anything beautiful..."



WASHINGTON. — One of the most sensational aspects of the McCarthy investigation was not known until the Senate Elections Committee members themselves. It was the sudden flight from the U. S. of a key witness and friend of McCarthy's — wealthy divorcee Arvilla Bentley.

Mrs. Bentley, formerly married to the new GOP congressman from Michigan, Alvin Bentley, skipped out of the country under the assumed name of Mary Peterson. Reason for her hurried exit was because she had officially given \$7,000 to McCarthy, which is more than the legal limit; in addition to which she told friends that she and her ex-husband had actually given around \$75,000.

Naturally, she didn't want to be cross-examined by the Senate Elections Committee.

Mrs. Bentley is a society lady, living next door to Averill Harriman on Swank Foxhall Road in Washington. For a time her husband was in the State Department. For a time also, both he and Mrs. Bentley were great friends of McCarthy's. Now divorced, she is still a friend.

When the Senate Elections Committee got hold of some of Mrs. Bentley's canceled checks, they telephoned her, asked to see her. But she flew the coop before a subpoena could be served. Boarding an Eastern Airlines plane at 11 a. m. Nov. 28, she arrived in Miami, transferred to Pan American Airlines, and arrived in Nassau that afternoon.

Meanwhile, her Washington lawyer, Joseph Rafferty, claimed he didn't know where she was, though actually she was in touch with him and asked him to set certain records of canceled checks from the Riggs National Bank.

Mrs. Bentley was escorted to the Bahamas by a professional ex-Communist, Harvey Matusow, who then returned to New York, but flew back to the Bahamas after the storm had blown over in order to pick her up and escort her back to Washington.

It was \$10,000 of Mr. and Mrs. Bentley's money given to McCarthy that the Senate Elections Committee found was carefully withdrawn, by John Kerr, his secretary, they deposited through circuitous channels in Wisconsin where it was used to speculate on soy beans.

Congressman Bentley, when interviewed by the Senate Elections Committee, emphatically stated that he had not given the money to McCarthy to be used by him personally.

SAM RAYBURN FIGHTS
Sam Rayburn, the redoubtable Texan who celebrated his 71st

birthday this week, was heart-broken when the Democrats lost last November. For a time he was determined to resign from Congress altogether and retire to Bonham, Texas, where he is building a library to house his books, the records of some twenty Congresses, and the gavel he was wielded when Churchill the Queen of England, MacArthur, Eisenhower et al. Addressed Congress.

But his old friend and brother-in-law, Judge Marvin Jones of Amarillo, finally cheered Sam up, persuaded him not to resign. And the other day, when Sam stepped down as speaker and took the humble position of minority leader, he delivered a fighting pep talk to the closed-door session of house Democrats.

"The recent election was not a victory for the Republican party," declared the ex-speaker. "All it demonstrated was that a nationally advertised product, whose place in the sun was made possible largely by two Democratic presidents, is the national hero he's cracked up to be."

"It was a personal victory for Eisenhower rather than the Republican party."

"Aside from Ike's 'great personal popularity with the people,'" Rayburn continues, "I don't think 40 years in the military service automatically qualifies a man for the most important civil job in the land, any more than my 40 years in legislative work qualifies me to be a military leader."

"But I hope the general will learn fast, that he will take advice and that he will get good advice."

SUPPORT FOR IKE
Republicans will have a tough time finding a better program to replace the Democratic reforms for the welfare of farm and city people, continued Rayburn.

"They are going to learn the difference between construction and obstruction," he added. "Any jackass can kick a barn down, but it took a carpenter to build it."

Rayburn emphasized, however, that "the Republicans are entitled to their chance at the helm of government and I hope for the welfare of the country that they do a good job."

"As for Democrats, now that we are the minority party we should show the country that we are big enough to support the Republicans when they offer anything that is good for the national welfare. As minority leader I intend to follow that policy and will not oppose the majority party just for the sake of opposing."

"But if they threaten to abolish the good things we Democrats have done for the people, things

Walter Winchell

In New York

MAN ABOUT TOWN

The Duke & Duchess and friend Jimmy Donahue broke away from a party and slipped into St. Patrick's for midnight Mass. The House of Lords would have debated it were Windsor on the Throne. Because the British Ruler automatically is head of the Protestant Episcopal Church of England...

The obstacle retarding the out-of-court settlement in the Billy Rose case is that Eleanor and her barrister insist on a Large Lump of cash in addition to yellowing... Patricia Neal of "Children's Hour" is the adored of Roubal Dahl, The New Yorker. He has fathered several good books. As Gen. Montgomery's ace fighter pilot, Dahl created the famed war-word: Gremlins. The Stass Reed - Martha Cuneo merger news should break any edition from Mex. City. They flew there set-to-voce... One of the most controversial figures of the American Civil Liberties Union's nat'l board (an author) may resign this or next week... What a beautiful city ours is without the stink of the Buses.

Eisenhower was tipped that one of his distant kin had opened offices in Washington as a bargain-merchant in the percentage racket...

No 50 percentor he... You simply agreed to pay One Per Cent for whatever his "influence" could influe... White House attaches close to Truman spread it around the Capitol... A columnist learned of their tch-tching and relayed it to Ike... Punchline: Oh, the Poor Fellow!

Gov. Adlai Stevenson and his former wife dine together more than ever. His first political speech (since running 2nd) will be at the Demos' \$100 per plate feed here next month... Dorothy Thompson writes that she never wrote a plea to save the Rosenbergs. That the pamphleteers quoted her out of context, etc... Arthur Vandenberg, Jr. may be the first casualty (medically) of the new administration. Ike is making him take a bump. When he gives the huge 80 Constellation the sun, he shouts: "Let's take the show on the road!"

The Washington Line: The USSR will give aid & comfort to the U. S. Commies in their campaign to scuttle the McCarran-Walter Immigration Law by not accepting Reds deported to Russia and satellite nations... The buzz is that Nehru is destined to be the next Stalin prisoner... Atty-Gen. Brownell may be Ike's veep in '56. Many soldiers are discussing the lobbying for the 25 percent income tax colling... Hasnt Ike informed financial advisors that he wants a 60c dollar before the end of '53? ... When Acheson departs he and Mrs. A will vacation with Archibald MacLeish (another Joe McCarthy target) in the Caribbean, Mebbe Puerto Rico... There are compensations for everything. Now that Daddy is leaving the White House they will have to get Margaret better teevy script-writers.

During the Atomic Spy Ring expose (in Canada) the Prime Minister personally handed Pres. Truman a list of 286 Americans. He said the Canadian probes proved they were involved... Nothing has ever been done about these 286 alleged Americans... Does the White House still have the list in its files and will they be turned over to the new Administration? ... Clip this and send it to Ike (at the Commodore Hotel here) to make sure his staff shows it to him.

that are basic to our economy and prosperity, then it's time for us to become a fighting minority!"

BOATSMAN BOLIVIAN
Eric Rios Bridoux, the Bolivian pilot who crashed into an Eastern Airlines plane, killing 55 persons near the Washington airport three years ago, almost made the headlines again last week.

Two air force officers nearly swung on the brash young Bolivian as he boasted about the tragic accident at the Young Men's Store on F street in Washington. Bridoux, who was charged with responsibility by the Civil Aeronautics Board, apparently became irked at a shoe clerk for not recognizing him.

"Why, I thought everybody knew me," the pilot arrogantly told the clerk. "I'm famous. I was involved in the biggest air accident Washington ever had. It was my plane that collided with that airliner several years ago, killing 55 people."

When the clerk remarked that

The Worry Clinic

By Dr. GEORGE W. CRANE

Terry is a victim of the Ponce de Leon Complex. Wives, if you wish to vaccinate your happy marriage against the disaster which has struck Terry's home, then study this Case Record carefully. Don't delude yourself by thinking your home is the exception or that your husband is too good to do such a thing.

Case F-334: Terry J., aged 42, is an Army Officer now in California. "Dr. Crane, we are in a terrible muddle with our marriage and don't know where else to turn," his wife spoke pathetically. "I always got so much help out of your column in our Washington TIMES HERALD when we lived in the capital. But now I need personal advice."

"My husband had been a college teacher. When he entered the army, he was run down physically, I think. After being in camp a few weeks he finally set for me. "He was almost a nervous wreck. He shook and had fainting spells, and wasn't able to eat much. He had lost a lot of weight. "Then I found that he had fallen in love with a WAC. He kept calling her by phone and sending her presents."

"He had me come to visit him just to make sure whether he loved me or preferred the other woman."

WIFE ON TRIAL
"My husband and I had known each other since grammar school. We married in college. He had never looked at another girl in all those years."

"I had been afraid that some day he might become frightened at the thought of growing old, but I still secretly hoped it would never happen."

"Of course, it nearly killed me, in spite of the fact I had read your discussion of the Ponce de Leon Complex in men who pass 40."

"We have two lovely children in high school, and I didn't want to let them know the awful truth. "So I tried to solve my problem alone. I didn't wish to confide in anybody at home, for my pride wouldn't permit that. So I have now come to you."

WIFE'S FIRST REACTION
"My first reaction when he told

Mary Hawthorth's Mail

By America's Foremost Personal Affairs Counselor

Unmitigated Pressures and Emotional Malnutrition Are Claimed As Prevalent Causes of Mental Illness

DEAR MARY HAWORTH: Your understanding attitude towards mental illness has held my respect for some time. Now I wish to comment on "P. D.'s" recent disparagement of psychiatry and her thought that mental disorders may be communicated by a virus.

About two years ago a national magazine published an article on Dr. Karal Menninger and his work. This great psychiatrist gave his concept of psycho-therapy, and there was nothing abstract or propagandist about it. Simply it is the Golden Rule — the expression of unfeeling kindness in ways that all human beings need, and of which some are acutely deprived.

I, having had the best psychiatric care that money can buy, wish to explain that it is (pure and simple) understanding, kindness and unfeeling security of friendly care. The psychiatrist is trained to take up where society failed. I paid to receive what my parents never gave me — emotional security in a good relationship. A recent article in the Saturday Evening Post documents the relationship between childhood insecurity and emotional illness.

SOCIAL STRESSES CRUSH INDIVIDUALS
Unmitigated pressures and emotional malnutrition cause mental illness, and sometimes psychiatry.

FISHERMEN OUT OF LUCK
ORTONVILLE, Mich. (P) — Fishermen in the Ortonville state recreation area reported unusually high catches of large and small-mouth bass but all had to be thrown back because the season hadn't opened.

LAND OF APRICOTS
BERKELEY, Calif. (P) — California apricots accounted for 85 per cent of all those grown in the United States and from 35 to 40 per cent of the world's supply, according to the University of California college of agriculture.

HAND HOLDING ISN'T ENOUGH
DEAR A. R.: We might say that unfeeling kindness and sympathetic interest provide a favorable climate for dynamic psychotherapy but there is more to this branch of psychiatry (to coin a phrase) than figurative hand holding. Emotional reassurance is good medicine in treating anxiety states, but it is sedative rather than curative — a kind of bridge to the healing process.

When a good reciprocal relationship is established between doctor and client, the next step — usually marked by defensive struggle on the patient's part — consists in diagnosing and underlying the neurotic components of his distress. By bringing these to light and exposing them to a shared understanding, from the adult view, they are relieved of their harmful content as a rule. That is, if the patient has the innate capacity and courageous disposition to learn and grow, and thus get the better of background handicaps, M. H.

Mary Hawthorth counsels through her column, not by mail or personal interview. Write her in care of (The Daily Record).