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## Freedom Made This Possible

Dr. Gunnar Gundersen of La Crosse, Wisconsin made this memorable statement in a paper read to a conference of the American Hospital Association: "Freedom has made this country strong. Its accomplishments, during its less than two centuries are the marvel of the modern world. Freedom has created the modern hospitals of today. They have, in large measure, grown and developed on a free, voluntary basis. Freedom has seen our voluntary hospital and medical care programs develop at a rate of speed and to a size believed to be beyond achievement, and the end is not yet in sight. Freedom has seen the development of medical science and medical practice in this country, which is second to none. Freedom has made all this possible without compulsion, without government enactment, without police action, and without licensure. . . . If you and I can hold fast to freedom the future has nothing to fear."

All the details and controversies to one side, here is the strongest possible argument against socialized medicine, government domination of medicine, or any variant thereof. It is a case where the record speaks for itself. In no other major power has there been such improvement in the health standards of the people. In no other is so vast a wealth of medical service available — measured either in terms of quality or terms of quantity. In no other have so many people voluntarily insured themselves against illness and accident — the number is now past the 100,000,000 mark. And in no other does the future hold so much promise for still greater achievement.

## Well Deserved Recognition

Governor John S. Fine of Pennsylvania recently declared that the "welfare and security of the nation depend upon the maintenance of a healthy domestic fuels industry." He then announced that he has asked chief executives of 15 other coal-producing states to confer with him and discuss a number of important problems the coal industry now faces.

He offered an agenda which includes: more favorable tax policies with reference to higher depletion allowances and better treatment of depreciation and exploration costs; encouragement of coal use in state and public buildings; encouragement of basic research in the state universities for new uses and applications of coal; encouragement of young men in these universities for careers as mining engineers and related jobs; greater state cooperation in dealing with mine water problems; and a study of soil reclamation and conservation problems which are implicit in strip mining.

The fact that the governor of one of our principal industrial states is so greatly concerned with the welfare of coal is in itself a good indication of how important the industry is. We must have an energetic and progressive coal industry—every sign points to an expanding need for coal in the future. Yet coal has been a near-profitless enterprise at a time when most other industries have been doing well. No industry can render maximum service, and build properly for the long-range future, when that is the case.

## Harmon W. Nichols

WASHINGTON — Lindsay Warren would have made somebody a good editor. He knows how to cut out unnecessary words. When he wrote his chief, President Eisenhower to say that his doctors advised him to retire he wrote a short note. The chief was moved to accept, with regret, in a note many words longer.

Lindsay Warren was allowed to step down as comptroller general of the United States after 13 years service and is leaving shortly from Washington to go back to Washington, N. C., his home.

1941 to date total over 915 million, most of which had gone out of the Treasury illegally and which Warren and his staff smoked out. That amount is twice what it has cost Warren to run his own shop.

## These Days

By Sokolsky

HOW CAN THEY BE WRONG. I saw an article in the London "Daily Mirror," which has an enormous circulation. The headline reads:

"The Appalling Failure of Eisenhower."

The story is by John Walters and of him his newspaper says: "This dispatch on the present sickening crisis in America reached the 'Mirror' last night. It is from John Walters, who has represented this newspaper in the States for many years. Because of America's world significance today, special prominence is given to his message."

The story opens with this paragraph: "America is unhappy, bewildered and frightened because of the appalling failure of the self-proclaimed crusader she elected President." Of course, no American will recognize the diagnosis. We have our troubles, our quarrels, our sensations and our absurdities, but no one who lives here will agree that we are particularly unhappy or bewildered or frightened. In fact, a fair criticism might be that we are too gay, too fun-loving in the face of serious crises.

I walk along Broadway in New York and I see about a million faces on their way to play at something. Are they unhappy? Not while they have jingle money in their pockets. Are they bewildered? If anything, they are bewildered by our friends becoming neutral after we helped them so much.

All the agencies of government have tried to frighten the American people. They have published maps and charts and photographs showing them exactly how they are going to be killed by the H-bomb. Has there been an evacuation of the big cities? Not so anyone would notice it.

In fact, in our tenement we are all signing two year leases at this moment. This is the kind of people who do not scare readily. If the H-bomb came along, some speculator would probably put up grandstands and hope to make an honest dollar.

Now, as to Eisenhower's "appalling failure," it just is too early to judge whether he is successful, a middling, or a failing President. Americans judge such conditions differently from other workers.

If on the whole everybody does and earns a living and taxes do not go any higher, Americans would say that Eisenhower is a fairly successful President in tough times. If our sons are not sent to fight in foreign countries, we would say he is a very successful President in troubled times. If he gets into trouble with Congress but puts over the essentials of his legislative program, this country is likely to forget some of the political ineptitudes of his Administration.

Americans maybe are not as good as the British, because they do not take their politics as seriously as the British do. No American really expects his President to be a superman. Perhaps that is why Ike's golf score evokes such interest, and on how Mammie came to marry Ike the newspapers publish a serial and what they have done since then. I am sure that more Americans read such a serial than read the President's speeches, which are no different from any other President's speeches, usually dull except when he speaks extemporaneously. Then this President has wit and humor.

This business about being a crusader never meant anything much. It came from the title of a book. Nobody ever expected any kind of a crusade because the last crusader, Carry Nation, got to be a bit of a bore. Besides, what is there to crusade about?



"You can't miss it—it's a 1948 dark green, two-door sedan, light gray and red plaid upholstery, white wall tires, license number H477319 . . ."

## Lillington News

### FOUR NEW CUB SCOUTS GIVEN WELCOME BY LILLINGTON PACK

Four new Cub Scouts, officially known as "Bob Cats" were welcomed into the Lillington Pack on Friday night at candlelight ceremonies conducted at the Community Center.

They were: Dickie Jackson, Ricky Fox, Gerald Stewart, and Terry Leonard. Cub Scout Master R. B. Leonard presided and was assisted by A. R. Taylor, assistant master. Parents of the new Cubs were present and stood with the boys during the impressive ceremony.

In addition to the initiation ceremony, a court of awards also was held. The Wolfe badge, for which nine year old Cubs are eligible on passing the requirements, was presented to Norwood Hudson and Bobby McDonald.

One silver arrow to add to the Wolf badge was awarded to Sammy Byrd, Corky Norwood, Robert Ward, Winston, Beattie Leonard, and Kenneth Sexton.

The Bear badge, reserved for Cubs who already have attained the Wolf badge and are past nine years of age, went to Richard Bradsher. The same Cub Scout also received one gold arrow and one silver arrow to add to his badge.

Joe Davis, ten years of age, was presented the Lion Badge.

Members of Den One, led by Mrs. Paul McDonald, provided the program for the monthly pack meeting, composed of Cubs, den mothers, parents, and adult committee sponsors. Cubs presented an original patriotic skit on the American flag, written and arranged by Robert Ward, Winston, den chief. All den members participated.

**PLAN CIRCUS**

At the business session parents and leaders made plans for the Cub Scout Circus, long an annual event in Lillington, to be staged out-of-doors on Friday May 23. Exact site to be used for the show will be announced later.

Scout Master Leonard named a variety of committees to assist with the circus which will feature original acts to be presented by the Cubs themselves. Mrs. G. M. Norwood, Jr. was named in charge of acts for the ring. Joe Gourlay was appointed ring master, and George Jannette and Eddie Davis were placed in charge of the lemonade and hot dog concessions.

The Scoutmaster informed parents that in June, Lillington Cubs will be hosts to other Cub packs in Harnett County. In honor of the event, plans are now being drafted to make a supervised tour of Ft. Bragg. The Lillington Scouts, next year, will return the visits some time during July and August. An annual picnic is also on the summer schedule.

## The Worry Clinic

By Dr. George W. Crane

"Suspense" can be created just as scientifically as you would build a garage. It has four basic rules. So study this Case Record closely and then paste it in your scrapbook. If you want to enter Prize Contest, too, then send for the bulletin below.

Case K-386: Marlene J., aged 20, is the journalism student whom I mentioned yesterday. She wants to know the psychological laws of suspense.

These laws are of great value to salesmen and public speakers, as well as to you students of writing. Suspense is simply the observer's expectancy that a suggested act will occur coupled with uncertainty as to the actual outcome.

If a toddler walks over to pat the head of a coiled rattlesnake, we experienced adults are under the strain of suspense. For we know the fatal nature of snake venom. But if we came from Mars and had never seen a snake before, there would be little or no suspense.

**WHAT IS SUSPENSE?**

There are thus 4 factors that are indispensable for suspense. (1) We must have previous habits with reference to the situation. (2) Suggestions or acts that can set off these previous habits. (3) The actual operation of these suggestions. (4) The possibility that the future action may not occur.

Now let me illustrate how these apply. Suppose we are viewing a movie in which the villain decides to get rid of the hero by dropping some poison pills in the hero's bottle of aspirin tablets.

Later, when the hero has a headache, he shakes out a white tablet and swallows it. But the hero is calm and devoid of suspense.

For factor No. 3 is lacking in his case, since the suggestion of poison not operating in his mind. We members of the audience, however, are in a dither for the hazardous suggestion is certainly working on us. Suspense demands doubt.

Suspense also requires uncertainty. If all the tablets in that bottle had been poison, and if we knew the hero was on a desert island by himself, then his swallowing of the poison pill would mean sure death. But doubt has been instilled in several ways. First, not all the tablets were poison. Some were ordinary aspirin, so maybe he would miss the poison pill.

And if he did swallow it, we know that doctors and hospitals are close so he might get his stomach pumped in time to be saved.

But he might not be saved even then, so we teeter in uncertainty, and this is what we mean by the strain of suspense.

Moreover, there are degrees of suspense, based on how near the author is shooting at the bull's-eye of our basic human interests.

For example, if a robin is hopping near a fishworm about to gobble the latter, it causes little suspense in us. For worms are not close enough to human shape to permit us to identify ourselves with them.

Suppose, however, that a tiger is stalking a dog. Our interest increases and so does our suspense, for dogs are more akin to human beings.

And if that dog is our family pet, then our suspense quadruples. But even so it is negligible compared to the way we would feel if that tiger were about to spring upon our own child!

So it is necessary to employ the 4 factors for arousing suspense, and then combine them with the discussion yesterday about hitting the bull's-eye of human interest.

The closer the author strikes home, the faster suspense develops and the more intense it becomes.

Whether you are a Sunday school teacher, telling dramatic religious narratives to children, or a playwright or author, these rules are basic to your success.

And for a fuller account of this topic, send for my bulletin "How to Write Salable Copy," enclosing a stamped return envelope, plus a dime. It also has a section on Prize Contesting.

## Walter Winchell

IN NEW YORK

Hottest Scandal in Town  
The James A. Micheners (he auth'd "South Pacific," "Sayonara," etc.) have parted. When his wife greeted him at the airport (on his return from Tokio) she revealed plans for abrogation.

Frances Langford (Mrs. Jon Hall) planning a flash from Fla.?  
Joan Crawford's "Secret Love" is Chas. Baron, a rich Cal. egoist.

If Sen. McCarthy's Roy Cohn quits Gov't prosecution of Reds, his next outlet may be a syndicated column.

June Haver is furious with Joan Fontaine, quoted by newspapers as the source for the "secret merger" with F. MacMurrary. Dick Haymes' dentist will be his next headache.

Did "Pat" Korman (the show-girl) quietly settle the Papatermy lawsuit against a recent Versailles comic for \$2,500?  
Wm. Zeckendorf, Jr. (son of the realty tycoon), and Constance Frye reportedly cancelled April 4th wedding plans. Returned his ring. Babette Holmes (the yeast heiress) testing a trial sep?

Candy heir Geo. Schrafft returned from Palm Beach ahead of sched to ogle pretty Carolyn Phillips, Frank Hunter's Used-to Beebie.

Intimates of a famed Hollywood couple (here) fear they may be hounded into a double tragedy. They have "concocted" suicide.

Barbara Hutton's friend, tennisstar Baron von Cramm, reported "joining" her here, can't! He's on a permanent list of undesirables.

A New Jersey politico (dept. store owner) plans a suit against "21," alleging he was physically ejected midnight, March 25th.

The Barbizon Hotel (for ladies) has a "Be Careful" list — for naive new-comer tenants. Lists over 200 wolves-about-town. The names would amaze ya. The dossiers (on the Romeos) reveal how they operate, their "lines," etc.

Susan Caabot's reported pitty-pat for M. Brando has gone limp. She rendezvous at Major's Cabin with Iran's Prince Kase Kashani.

Anne Baxter, the star, sez she loves to eat pickles in bed because they make her dream. (Mr. Heinz, meet Annie and hide your cigars.) Celeste Holm, a click at The Statler (Washington), made a bigger hit with R. J. M. of the Italian Embassy.

The new badge worn by the Lavenderarie Set is a purple Homburg.

A top Broadway star paid \$5,000 to a party-gal after she threatened a suit — for conduct unbecoming a customer.

John Crosby (the radio-teevee inspector, reviewed the "Col. Humphrey Mack" comedy series on Max 28th. He wrote of Col. Flack's prediction for quoting Socrates "in the original Latin." But John, Soc was Greek. (Eeek!)

One of the newer startlets visiting N. Y. has girl-pals agog. So shocking are the tattoo marks around her hips.

Duncan MacMartin, the Canadian Zillionaire, reportedly contr'uted over \$100,000 to the Cuban casinos.

**"Mary Haworth's Mail"**  
By America's Foremost  
Personal Affairs Counselor

What About Marriage Between Deserted Wife and Neighbor Whose Spouse Abandoned Him? DEAR MARY HAWORTH: When my husband left me nine years ago for another woman, the couple next door helped me to conquer despondency. During my ordeal I came to love them both as the kindest, most generous, most "Christian" people. However, Ellen wasn't happy with Steve and often said she envied my freedom—which to me was a burden; and divorce filled me with a sense of failure. Repeatedly I told her she was foolish to envy me; that she had many advantages and shouldn't consider giving up a good home with a husband who was really a nice man—even if a bit stubborn, opinionated and domineering. Suddenly Ellen left home, taking her two elder children with her — after thoughtfully hiring a competent housekeeper to look after the younger ones. Two years ago she re-married and now lives on the West Coast. She writes that she is very happy, and her two children are devoted to her new husband.

**FIRST WIFE WONT MIND**

Meantime Steve has been a good neighbor to us, and the soul of generosity to my boys. Last week to my utmost surprise he suggested that we marry. My sons were delighted when I told them, as they have long considered him their proxy-father. I telephoned Ellen to tell her of Steve's offer. She was very thrilled and indicated she hoped we would marry, as she feels we are suited to each other.

Steve promises me a free hand says he loves me and the boys and only wants to take care of us. Yet I hesitate to marry him. First because I wouldn't feel I was his wife, having identified him as Ellen's husband for so long. Second, I shrink from the gossip in our small town, where everyone has long predicted we would marry. They've been most friendly but I can't bear the "I told you so's" that would dwell on E. Edgerton, \$4,750.

Repairs were made by H. C. Bass, E. Broad, \$1,900; Mrs. John Tew, E. Edgerton, \$500; W. C. Register, S. Elm, \$300; Mr. J. A. Bass, E. Divine, \$600; and W. M. Bryan, W. Cumberland, \$200.

**MAY PROGRAM SET**

The May Day program which is being sponsored by the Angler School will be held Tuesday, May 4, at one o'clock in the afternoon. If the weather permits, Miss Katherine Robertson is the director of the event.

## CUTIES



"Dear Diary—out last night with Emer. Another blank page."

## Permits Issued During April

Although new and repair construction work in Dunn last month hit \$44,350, it was a light month. Building Inspector John E. Norris stated this week.

As usual, new buildings lead the list with \$41,750. Repairs last month totaled \$2,600.

All of the new buildings were homes with the exception of one warehouse constructed by H. P. Johnson on S. Clinton Avenue at a cost of \$2,500.

Others building during April included: L. A. Tarf, dwelling on N. Ellis Avenue, \$10,000; W. V. Bass, dwelling on E. Central Lane, \$7,000; F. N. McLamb, dwelling on N. Layton, \$6,900; W. C. Register, dwelling on S. Elm, \$9,500; David A. Wilson, dwelling on N. Orange, \$5,000; and George D. Robinson,

greet our wedding announcement. In these circumstances should I marry him? I am 45, and he is 46 years of age. — D.R.

**WHY PLAINTEERS?**

**GUILT FEELINGS**

DEAR DR.: The full story, here cut in half, suggests to me that you have a guilty conscience about marrying Steve—as if you had broken up homes and taken him from his wife. On the surface, this may sound absurd. You and the friendly community may point out that Ellen left him of her own violation some years ago — against your urging. It certainly looks as if you and Steve had been rejected by your respective partners. But things aren't always as they seem.

I can believe that you've never consciously connived to capture Steve's heart or to become his wife. However, the drift of events—beginning as far back as your husband's desertion—may amount, in a sense, to answer prayer, from the viewpoint of Steve's unconscious desires—and yours.

In the aftermath of your husband's departure, when you were leaning on Ellen and Steve for help, and she was glorifying your "freedom," and implying that life with Steve was leaden, maybe she was vaguely trying to head off a triangle. Maybe she felt that Steve had you in mind, and that you weren't unaware — or indifferent.

**SELF-DECEIVING EXCUSES GIVEN**

Possibly your very advices to Ellen, to stay with Steve, were so phrased as to compliment him and put her in a subtly unfavorable light — in presumably objective, three-way discourse. In short, maybe for years you've had a deeply repressed unrecogized wish to be Steve's wife — a feeling he caught intuitively. Thus perhaps your suffering was more imagined than real when your marriage collapsed — and your disinterest in "other men" since then may have been due to the subjective conviction that Steve was waiting, over the fence.

If you don't love Steve, or if you distrust his temperament in double harness, or if your religion prohibits marriage between divorced persons, you'd have cause to shrink from his proposal. But the reason you give sounds phony to me. That stymies you. Thus I recommend a real psychological obstacle that is, they appear to camouflage the bit of firsthand psychiatric help in coming to terms with yourself. This is the safest approach to making a right decision. — M.H.

Mary Haworth's mail through columns, not by name or personal interview. Write her in care of The Daily Record.