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The Threat And The Threatened

Unlike Europe or Asia with its hungry masses, its large bodies of people so oppressed that the burden of this oppression opens their minds to the false hope of Communism, the people of the United States are not in danger of becoming Communists. Even during the Depression when bread lines stretched longest and disenchantment with the American Way was most general, the highest vote given the Communist Party was the 102,991 received by presidential candidate William Z. Foster.

But there is within our country a Communist threat to the national interest. The subversive acts of the Communist Party present that "clear and present danger" which Justice Holmes formulated in 1919 as the test for deciding when a limitation of our freedoms—speech, association, or whatever—is necessary to protect the society which permits their existence.

From Evil Came Evil

Furthermore, the situation arising from this threat has bred another evil which now rivals it: that particular brand of anti-Communism we call McCarthyism. Propelled by a blind, frenzied fear of Communism, McCarthy and his apostles seek to purge the country of all who do not conform to their self-styled ideas of loyalty and patriotism. In doing so they ignore or sidestep legal procedures and imitate totalitarian methods which usurp our civil liberties, produce an atmosphere of suspicion, an intolerance of dissent, and cause us to lose stature in the eyes of the world—this at a time when our security also depends on convincing other nations that democracy is the more attractive faith.

And then there are those who comprise a third danger: that group of extreme anti-Communists sometimes termed "ritualistic liberals." So driven by a zeal to preserve our civil liberties, they either underestimate the Communist Party threat or lose sight of it in their attacks on McCarthyism. That a concern for civil liberties is certainly justified makes it no less dangerous when it causes one to minimize or fail to see the threat which created McCarthyism.

Of the two, McCarthyism is more prevalent and by far the more dangerous because with its political power it is in a position to commit excesses.

A Better Way

How then can we deal with these problems? The sane approach, we believe, is to return with an informed, intelligent fear to the original danger, the threat of the Communist Party, and face it by adopting a more effective, yet more democratic way to do the task the McCarthys and the Jenners and the Veldes are doing with such "brutal ineptitude" and such damage to our civil liberties. This is not to say we should forget McCarthyism. But we can never defeat McCarthyism until we successfully meet the Communist threat which gave it *raison d'être*.

We propose, therefore, during the next few weeks to scrutinize the Truman Loyalty Program, the National Security Program of Eisenhower, and proposed plans. Our aim will be to choose the best features of each and incorporate them with our own ideas, producing what we consider the best means for protecting the national interests at the least expense to civil liberties.

Tar Heel At Large

—Chuck Hauser—

IF EACH STUDENT in the Infirmary were asked what he thought about the rule prohibiting patients from having visitors other than immediate family members, I believe the result would be a unanimous "thumbs down" on the regulation. Yet for years, sick students have been denied this aid to recuperation—being able to see their friends instead of just four white walls.

★ WHY DID CAROLINA set up an FM campus radio station when the small radios students usually bring to school with them are almost entirely AM? WUNC is simply not being listened to on campus—not because students don't want to listen, but because they don't have the proper kind of radios to receive the programs.

★ THE GOVERNOR has gotten himself all stirred up over basketball. The Carolina alumnus who's presently sitting in the Big Chair in Raleigh has designated the week beginning Feb. 25 as Basketball Week in North Carolina. Next thing you know the General Assembly will be meeting in the Cow College Coliseum. . .

★ IN CASE YOU'RE interested in statistics, Graham Memorial spends \$150 each year to buy pingpong balls. This is an illustration of the amount of money it takes to operate the student union for a single year. Out of a total budget of \$16,500, it takes \$10,000 just for operational costs. The remaining \$6,500 per year must pay for all activities at GM—including things like pingpong balls. It's not enough

★ EFFICIENCY PLUS: The University, in order to keep better track of its wastebaskets, has started numbering them. The one in 108 Hanes—just an ordinary green metal wastebasket—has a neat gold and black label on it announcing "Property of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N. C. 10383."

★ THE BEST COMMENT yet on the Big Four meeting in Berlin was published this week by "Punch," the British humor magazine: "Despite world misgivings aroused by long and inauspicious preliminaries, a triumph was scored at the very first meeting of the four Foreign Ministers. They all turned up at the right address."

★ HOW TO SAVE money on dates is the subject of a thesis being done by a graduate student in economics. His three main points: (1) Get a girl whose favorite sport is swimming or taking long walks in the Arboretum; (2) Accidentally burn your date with a cigaret every time she asks for something; (3) Break up with your steady before her birthday or one day before Christmas (in the latter case, do not break up any earlier unless you are sure she has already bought you a gift; she will probably give it to you out of spite).

★ USELESS Information Dept: A survey at Vanderbilt proved that gentlemen there do not prefer blondes—they prefer brunettes by a four to three majority. . . . The Sophian, Smith College student publication, asks editorially: "Is a liberal education preparation for motherhood?" You answer it; I don't know. . . . And we read that at the University of Oklahoma, out of the 25 to 30 thousand cups of coffee consumed weekly by students and faculty, approximately 60 percent are black.

★ WHICH REMINDS me, if you think the coffee in the Y is weak, why don't you slip down to Graham Memorial in your morning hour off? The java down there is stronger, and still costs only a nickel.

'It's A Product Something Like Margarine'



Washington Merry-Go-Round

Drew Pearson

WASHINGTON—The U. S. Information Service, believe it or not, has banned the collected writings of Thomas Jefferson from overseas libraries.



PEARSON

Officials are a little red-faced over the ban and wish they hadn't gone quite so far in appeasing Senator McCarthy. Nevertheless, the book has already been taken off the shelves of some overseas libraries. Some, on the other hand, have not removed it. Reason for the removal was that Jefferson's writings were compiled by Sheldon Foner, who was on a State Department list of those who had taken shelter under the Fifth Amendment when quizzed by a congressional committee. It has been State Department policy ever since McCarthy raised such a storm last winter to remove books by congressional witnesses who invoke the Fifth Amendment, and since Foner was one of these his compilation of Jefferson's writings got the ax in some libraries. Other overseas librarians with more courage regarding McCar-

thyism, decided that what Jefferson wrote was more important than who compiled his writings and kept the book regardless of the directive from Washington.

After the White House radio correspondents' dinner the other evening, commentator Fulton Lewis threw a gala party at the Shoreham Hotel attended by various celebrities, most of them men.

Invited, however, was the one lady of the Cabinet—Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby, secretary of health, education and welfare. Mrs. Hobby is a lady with a fine background of public service, having been head of the WAC during the war, also publisher of the Houston Post. Despite the years, however, Mrs. Hobby is a lady of great charm, and on this particular evening she looked positively ravishing.

Appearing at the threshold of the Fulton Lewis party, she gazed at the crush of male guests and hesitated.

"I'm afraid I've come to the wrong place," she murmured. "Not at all, not at all," assured Mr. Lewis in his most expansive mood. "These men need someone like you to tone up the party. Come right in." The lone lady member of the

cabinet still hesitated.

But after further assurance from commentator Lewis, she finally entered, took off her wrap and prepared to meet the guests. "Now, let me see, dear," said host Lewis, "What did you say your name was?"

As Mrs. Hobby told him, Fulton literally fell on his knees. To slip up on a male member of the Cabinet is not usually done in Washington, but to slip up on the only lady member, said Mr. Lewis with conviction, is unforgivable.

Ike was irked at J. Edgar Hoover's testimony that the two major goals of the Communist Party are settlement of the Korean War and recall of U.S. troops from abroad. These also happen to be two of the Eisenhower administration's major goals. . . . Ex-Congressman Ham Fish of New York, the isolationist, has been holding secret conferences at the Mayflower Hotel to stir up opposition against his fellow republican, Sen. Robert Hendrickson of New Jersey. Hendrickson has a courageous record of battling isolation. . . . The Kremlin has indicated it will buy all Gatemalan coffee for the next five years, if the inter-American conference should boycott it.

YOU Said It

How Much BA For The BA?

Editor:

I am only one of a number of people who think that it is not only possible to get, as you stated it, "fullness of education" in our business school, but that it is being done. First of all, your implied definition of education does not seem to coincide with mine. It appears to be fallacious to contend that one acquires an education by concentrating on the liberal arts, or for that matter, by spending four years studying in a university or college, for when he graduates, he cannot be termed, in the fair sense of the word, educated.

If, at the most, he has acquired only a certain amount of knowledge (which will be quickly forgotten, since it is said that only approximately 3% of that learned is retained after a certain period of time), learned the processes of study or methods of learning, developed an intellectual curiosity due to comprehension of the real importance and value of education, and learned to think for himself and handle some of the problems of life. John Dewey has so aptly put it, "Education consists of learning to continue one's education." In my opinion, one never becomes fully educated, but is continually "whittling away on that giant block called total knowledge."

Since the benefit derived from college by the student seems not to be full of total education but the aforementioned values, I think you will find that business study offers complete means for achieving them. Certainly a considerable amount of knowledge per se is acquired by the person pursuing the curriculum, for two years are spent in the general college, and the other two years in the B. A. School involve additional liberal study through the electives system.

The business student may take five electives in the liberal arts which seem sufficient to give him the impetus for broadening himself. (Incidentally, he must take but 15 of his 40 collegiate courses in business.) These give him knowledge, teach him the study techniques necessary for delving

deeper in the various fields, and motivate in him a desire to become more enlightened about the world around him.

As far as the fourth part of my definition of your "fullness of education" is concerned, suffice it to say that the business study develops more in the student than the ability to learn facts and dates. Through its case study method and problem solving techniques, one readily develops a questioning attitude, an analytical mind, and the capacity for thinking through life's problems and perplexities intelligently.

Let us face it, realization of the fullest education possible is up to the individual throughout life and not just while in college. He may work toward it in the "ivy covered, hallowed halls" of the liberal arts or those that are not yet sufficiently old enough to boast of having their own vegetation, but he will not secure as much as possible unless he is adequately trained to read and study, motivated, and taught to think.

If these conditions are satisfied, regardless of the school or area of education responsible, he will receive the "fullness of education" about which you are concerned. I thank you for your interest, and hope you may see realize that we students in business administration are not completely wasting our time and money.

Walt Gurley

(First, to correct a factual technicality: true, only 15 of 40 courses must be taken in business administration; however, one also must take two accounting courses and two economic courses, all part of the BA School. Thus a BA major must take half his courses in the business curriculum. We do not take claim that a man is "fully" educated in four years in any curriculum. We do maintain, though, that more liberal arts and less business courses would be better for that part of the education he does get here. In other words, less emphasis on how to make a living and more on how to live.—Editor.)

YOU Said It

Editor:

I am writing this to you, as I know of no other way of reaching Mr. Name Withheld By Request. This letter is to that gentleman.

Young man, I think you are a very narrow-minded, prejudiced soul. Just because you and your roommate have had troubles with—at the most—10 coeds, you condemn all of them.

There are 900 coeds on this campus. If you ever got up or through Math 7X you will find that that is 1/90 or 1.11%, which is a rather small sample on which to base your statement. If I followed your example and judged all Carolina males by you, I would say that they were concealed little boys whose feelings had been hurt.

You must remember that coeds are not a race apart. Few of us have spent our entire lives here, though it seems like it. Most of us are transfers from other schools—many from WC.

I hate to disillusion you but all WC girls are not the sweet things you assume them to be. So they don't stand up. Do you want to know why? Coeds are outnumbered here four to one. Naturally that will go to some girls' heads. WC girls, on the other hand, don't see many males from one weekend to the next.

Whenever a coed is asked for a date chances are it won't be the only invitation. The few of us who do date are quite popular. With lots of chances, some girls are bound to change their minds. The WC girl, on the other hand, will probably end up sitting in the dorm unless she grabs anything that comes her way.

Don't think she wouldn't break the date if some one she'd rather date came along. She would, boy, don't kid yourself.

I know you're saying "How does this female know so much about WC girls?" Buster, I was a WC girl but I couldn't stand that life. I wanted to see some real live males occasionally, not the old creatures that they wheeled into class to teach us.

I know about WC girls breaking dates, too. I've been left with many stray males on my hands when one of your "dear" WC girls decided she'd rather date someone else than take a chance on a blind date.

You've been lucky there so far, kid. Don't count on it to hold out too long.

Some of your troubles may be caused by your taste in females. Anyone with 20/20 vision can spot the kind of coed you're attracted to. She's the glamorous girl or not so glamorous girl to whom social position (in the form of frat pins and cars) is everything. You just picked the wrong kind, kiddo. What's wrong with us ordinary, normal females? We may not be gorgeous but at least we're human. If we don't appeal to you I guess you're just out of luck.

All I can say is you must have horrible taste in females.

By the way—have you ever stood a girl up? Be truthful, now.

Miss Name Withheld By Request Former WC Student

Better Beer Mileage

Don Kurtz

With the approach of warm weather, students are heralding the return of spring. Young men's fancies are lightly turning to thoughts of beach weekends, beer, and afternoons at Hognan's.

As a precaution to all prospective beach burns let me tell you what happened on a beach weekend last year.

Four boys and I started for Myrtle with a full tank of gas and a full trunk of beer. After a few miles we found we were getting much better mileage from the gas than the beer. We refueled several times with high-test Budweiser, and by the time we got there, school had long been forgotten.

Our first task was to find a place to stay. After seven NO VACANCY signs we found one that announced a vacancy. A sleepy old lady in a faded kimono peeped out through the door in answer to our knocks. "I ain't got no vacancy; the NO is burnt out on the sign."

By this time we expected anything. "Wait a minute," she said, "I think there might be some room in the garage, if you boys want it, I'll give you a good price on it."

We accepted her offer and spent a fitful night trying to get comfortable on sandy, splintery floors with six-foot mosquitos whining around us.

We arose early—none of us had slept over an hour the whole night—feeling a little worse for wear. We quickly decided that swimming would fix us up. We dressed hurriedly and swung open the big doors in front. WHOOSH! We ran right out into a tremendous rainstorm.

By this time we held a hasty meeting where it was moved, seconded and passed to leave the beach forever. We looked around for our car. It was disappearing around the corner, being towed away by the police wrecker. It seems there was some ordinance about leaving a parked car out on the street in that zone.

Spring is almost here and the Y-Court is already humming with plans for beach weekends. Is anyone interested in a nice, quiet trip to the mountains?

The Brickerettes

From The Reporter

A lady reporter of ours in Washington attended several meetings of the Vigilant Women for the Bricker Amendment.

Our reporter called at the hotel of Mrs. Robert Murray of Osceola, Wisconsin, who had been identified as a "co-ordinator" and "one of the spark plugs of the group." A slim, attractive woman in her early forties, Mrs. Murray said that she had first gotten interested in the Bricker amendment through a local study group. She smiled vaguely when asked who the Vigilant Women were. "Oh, we're just people," she said. And what did they do? They just did what they could. It was hard to say. Would she describe please how she explained the need for the Bricker amendment to people?

Mrs. Murray turned and looked out the window. "Well," she said, "I tell them our homes and children are in danger."