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Fair Enough

Congressman Frank Buchanan, Democrat of Pennsylvania who heads the House Lobby Investigating Committee, has been attacked from coast to coast by the economic royalists.

"He or anyone else has a perfect right to lobby as he sees fit, but sound policy calls for full disclosure of what he is up to, and from whom he derives support."

That doesn't sound like any one's free speech is being threatened. To tell the truth, to us it seems fair enough.

Healthy Or Is It Greed?

Just what's behind the bankers' demand for a \$68,000,000,000 rebate from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation is not quite clear.

Is the country in such a healthy financial condition that no big amount of insurance is needed to protect \$5,000 bank deposits? Or is it greed?

Tear Off Its Mask

The Readers Digest apparently is hiding behind a mask, cunningly fitted to cover its alleged underhanded acts.

Reportedly created to "digest" stories, books, etc., the widely circulated Digest allegedly "planted" stories of its own and then "digested" them for an unsuspecting public.

A debate in the National House of Representatives a short time ago brought out some of the journalistic trickery charged against the Digest. Just before that the Chattanooga Times "called attention to a misquotation by the digest of a book review from the New York Times of John T. Flynn's volume. The magazine had said the Times called Flynn's book one of the two most important of the year; actually the comment was that it was important as showing the endemic hysteria now prevalent."

In the August issue, the Digest picks up a story, "What Does CVA Mean To You?" According to the Digest the author of the original story, called Dr. Paul J. Raver a socialist. The author, Leslie A. Miller, denies he ever made such a charge. On the floor of the House, Representative Jackson said that the Reader's Digest admitted writing the phrase into the article.

The digest has a tremendous circulation and possibly great influence. If it is stooping to such tactics as are charged in the National House of Representatives it would do well to take off its mask, bare its Republicanism and admit that it seeks to influence by hook or crook.

Summary

By T. R. IN NEW REPUBLIC

Summary of three years of Truman's economic reports to Congress—he told Congress if it killed the OPA prices would soar; it did and they did; he told Congress if it cut taxes the deficit would return; it did and it did; he told Congress that if it ignored steel expansion the next emergency would bring shortages; it did and it did.

Both parties have now fitted Korea nicely into politics. The GOP has definitely adopted a two-point election slogan: He Took Us Into War, and He Didn't Prepare Us For It; Democratic strategy emphasizes GOP votes against the Korean aid bill. It's the ancient, time-honored game of blame-shifting; actually neither side knew what was coming.

Who's Getting It?

Farm commodity prices have advanced in recent weeks, but unfortunately the farmer had few crops to sell during that period. It seems strange but farm prices have a tendency to go up when the community has long since left the producer's hands, and to go down when the producer gets ready to sell, with some few exceptions of course.

Farmers in this section had hogs for sale in fairly large numbers when prices hovered at low levels. Since prices increased, farmers have had comparatively few hogs to sell in this section.

The retailer says prices to him have been advanced. If the farmer isn't getting it, then who is?

Through July farm income this year was seven percent below that of last year, but prices have increased seventeen percent or more.

Tobacco is selling high, according to reports from the markets south of here, but production costs this year were among the highest on record, meaning that the farmer is making little or more than he did a year ago.

Labor—The First Line of Defense

By Ruth Taylor.

No nation has ever fallen prey to a dictator, whether of the left or of the right, when the workers, whether of brain or brawn, were strong, secure and free. This was true in ancient Greece, in the days of the Roman Empire. It was true when communism swept over Russia, when Hitler and his Nazis destroyed the German labor movement before they struck at Europe. It is true today.

The first line of defense for America is not the men who are trained for actual warfare. It is the men behind them - the men who arm the fighters, who can make America so strong that any aggressor will shiver before its might.

The Communists tried to bore from within the ranks of labor because they knew this. But the labor movement threw them out. The Soviet papers sneer at American labor, holding to the lie that regimented democracy but undertake the obligations of workers and slave labor can do more than free men. Their masters will find this a costly fallacy.

But this first line of defense needs arms of its own as surely as do the fighters need the equipment they produce.

First - they need the armament of knowledge - a knowledge of what subversive ideas and perverted ideals have done to the workers in the lands behind the Iron Curtain.

Second - they need the armament of intelligent self-government. They must not only avail themselves of the privilege of citizenship. They must take an active part in the choice of their leaders - and see to it that they are men equipped with the knowledge, vision and integrity for their job, whether it be national, state or local government or in the very unions themselves.

Third - they need the armament of co-operation. Cooperation with their fellow workers, with their unions, with their employers, with their community, with their government. Cooperation is not a one man job. It takes at least two to make it work - but it begins with the individual.

Fourth - they need the armament of thought that they may not be led into false paths by the cries of demagogues. Propaganda is a powerful weapon - and anti-labor propaganda is carefully fomented by those who would destroy this first line of defense.

And lastly, they need the armament of purpose. Like all other free men they work for their homes and their families - and they will give their all to keep them safe and secure. They know by experience that starvation or injustice anywhere is a threat to those they hold dear. It is because they know the brotherhood of work that they will always come to the rescue of those who are threatened. They know the democracy - and its price. It is because of this they are America's first bulwark of defense.

Maybe They'll Be Afraid

A pretty good reason was advanced the other day, supporting the opinion that the Korean war still will not develop into a world-wide conflict.

It was pointed out that all other countries will hesitate to line up with any side or faction, realizing the ruin and havoc and devastation that have followed for the Koreans. Certainly no country will want to have its lands made into battlefields.

War Boosts 'Profit Taking'

According to newspaper financial pages, speculators are reveling in "profit taking" on the stock, grain and other exchanges. Somehow, such "profit taking" doesn't seem just right while American boys are fighting and dying in Korea. Why should some men get rich without sweat, while other men sweat and bleed and die to protect them?



If you knows ther train will kill yer, ef it hits yer would you try to cross ther track by a second?

That hurly-burly town they calls Noo-York, uster poke fun at Philadelphia fer bein slow and poky as a back-woods grave-yard half mile from ther hi-way. So they callid it Sleepy-Holler. But I reads in ther paper tuther day, bout one them up-and-go-in fellers from that Manhatn-Ile, drivin into Philadelphia, and runnin ther fust red-lite he hit on entrin town. And that was a traffic-cop ride on hand to wave 'im down. And he lent over and says to that Hurry-Hummer - Peers lak you don't see things that you air supposed to see - Is your eyes weak? And ther feller says - Nope. And ther cop says - Whay air yout frum, Bub? And ther feller straited-up, rat proud lack and says - Frum Noo-York City. And ther cop says - Oh, frum dat place; Well lissen, Wise-Guy, Over heah, we goes on Green - And we alerts on Amber - And we STOPS on Red. I is a-go-in to fone to ther next lite-cop that a Noo-York baby is on ther way to 'im, and likly to be needin sum nussin, but not outn a bottle with a rubber on ther end. Now go see whet he doose to yer. But whilst Noo-York mout be sendin out sum red-lite runners, they hav got one law that's calkerlated to liminate one ther most dangous death-traps ever hyn to a automobile. And that is - Ef you ever arives up to a curb stone, and swings yer lef-hand door out into traffic-row, thars a cop draps rat outn now-whars, and takes you to his fold before you kin retch yer foot to ther pave-ment.

Yassir - d-barkin into traffic-row, is one thing them Mammoos Dont Low. And thats one law that ort to be a-dopted by Philadelphia, and Washington, D. C., and Washington, N. C., and Pactus, and Finetown, and Parmele, and all ther Plusses.

Magnesium is being used in electroplating to protect metal against corrosion.

Robert Walker Is Star In Comedy

What happens when the man in the family dons a kitchen apron to take over the duties of housekeeper, shopper, cook, laundress and "mother" is told to hilarious effect in "The Skipper Surprised His Wife," which brings Robert Walker and Joan Leslie to the Watts screen Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

When young Navy Captain Bill Lattimer is given leave from his destroyer for a special two-months training course at San Diego, his reunion with his very-much-in-love wife, Daphne, and their two youngsters is punctuated by an accident in which Daphne breaks her ankle and is confined to an invalid's couch. Bill volunteers to take over the running of the house. Moreover, he will do it the Navy way, methodically and efficiently, with every household chore planned, charted and worked out mathematically to the minute. It takes him some time to learn that a home run exclusively by scientific methods can mean the loss of personal warmth and happiness. Before he has learned this elementary fact, he loses the affection of his children, his wife runs out on him and he botches up a chance to win himself a high salaried executive's job with an aircraft plant. It all turns out happily in the end, however, with Bill back in the Navy where he belongs, and only to willing to concede that running a home is a woman's job.

Robert Walker, whose role as the hapless Private Hargrove is still a happy memory, is equally at home in his Navy uniform of the new comedy and makes the part of Bill Lattimer one of sheer delight. Walker never misses a laugh, whether he is hopelessly entangling himself in a new-fangled mangle or pompously addressing a women's club on time-saving devices in home management. As his adoring wife, Joan Leslie is as natural and disarming as the new bride next door and is admirably adept in proving that old-fashioned methods of raising children and running a house are often the best.

Edward Arnold is punctiliously "Navy" as the Admiral who defects his wife's plot to have him retire from active service, and

Men's Dress and Work Shoes For Less. WILLARD'S SHOE SHOP

Advertisement for Guaranty Bank & Trust Company. Features a cartoon of a man in a suit and the word 'PRIDE...'. Text includes: 'That's us... and that's you! We're proud of our long list of satisfied depositors - and our depositors are proud of the feeling of security they derive from a steadily growing savings account.'

Spring Byington is the perfect type as the amiable busy-body who tries to run everyone's affairs. Other good portrayals are offered by Leon Ames as the pediatrician who first opens Lattimer's eyes to the facts of home life, Jan Sterling as the dangerously attractive next-door neighbor, and Anthony Ross as her husband who tries in vain to interest Bill in the fish business. Mention should also be made of little Tommy Myers, Rudy Lee and "Muscles," two of the most endearing kids and a dog ever seen on the screen. Elliott Nugent directed "The Skipper Surprised His Wife," and from the laughter with which his scenes and episodes mount up, he must have had as much fun directing as audiences will have watching this felicitous M-G-M offering.

The earliest patterned textiles known are Egyptian linens of the 15th century B. C.

Providing Baby Sitters At Show

Television may be helping the music industry, but it isn't doing anything for the nation's movie makers. On the contrary. To counteract its influence, one enterprising Florida operator has come up with a scheme designed to inveigle people with small chil-

dren back into the theater; a free baby-sitting service. While Mom and Pop are enjoying the show, Junior is well cared for by a nurse and baby-sitter in an adjoining nursery "parking lot." Appropriately enough, the room is decorated with motion picture cartoon-comedy characters - Mickey Mouse, Bugs Bunny, etc. The Mississippi river drains five-twelfths of the United States.

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