

On Gun Control And Other Items

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THREE ITEMS:

The first: The gun-control hysteria.

Those who control our government do not believe in personal liberty, that is, the right to do as one pleases so long as there is no infringement on another's rights. Instead, the Liberals base their philosophy on force: They would make you do what they think best since, to hear them tell it, they know what is best for you.

And since a little of that sort of thing doesn't work (any more than a lot of it will work), as time goes by they must continue to tighten the screws in a futile effort to make it work — more laws, more taxes, more this, more that. Under this system, inevitably, there will come a time when even the most bovine of characters will resist further restraint.

We have about reached that point, now. The Liberal Establishment, during the past 14 years, has rubbed race noses to a degree that is no longer tolerable to either race. So, folks are arming themselves a little more than somewhat. And the next thing on the docket is pop, pop, pop.

To avoid that, The Establishment would, first, register all weapons and then, at the first pop, confiscate them. After that the overlords would be able to do anything they please and you would be helpless, a la Russia, a la China.

Registration of weapons isn't the answer, of course; we have never needed that. The answer lies in a return to self determination. But to the Liberals, self determination is a fate worse than death.

There is another reason for creating the sin of owning a gun: Manifestly, integration is not working, anywhere. And soon people everywhere will be searching for the reason why — the reason "who", would be a better way to put it — why integration has failed. To avoid that finger, they have cooked up this guilt-by-ownership business. Gun owners are to be made the new villains. It is the same sort of thing a magician does when he pulls a rabbit out of his hat — they would misdirect your attention.

ITEM TWO: Our public schools, as many of our colleges, are all a-twitter over courses they are preparing on Negro history.

That is sad, you know it. Negro history is mostly a blank.

Much is made over George W. Carver as a Negro "scientist." So far as I can learn, G. W. Carver's principal contribution to science is peanut butter. Not bad, I admit — I love peanut butter. But it is not the same sort of scientific creation I would equate with steam propulsion or the electric light bulb. To do, also, is made over the Negro who was "the first man to reach the North Pole" — I forget his name. But let it be known, that fellow had about as much to do

SMITH AT ABERDEEN

Private George Smith, Jr., son of Mrs. Dorothy M. Smith, Route 2, LaGrange, completed an automotive repair course June 14 at the Army Ordnance Center and School, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.

with discovering the North Pole as had the huskies who pulled his sled. He was Admiral Peary's servant, is what he was, who had been sent ahead with the baggage. White folks used to do that all the time.

I would suggest — unless our scholars are concocting another hoax — they let well enough alone.

Until the Negro was exposed to the White man, the Negro's system of agriculture consisted of digging a hole with a stick and dropping therein a seed. His system of cartage was the human head. He had never invented so elementary a thing as a wheel and had never domesticated an animal. That's history?

ITEM THREE: The grandson

of Coal-Oil Johnny, Nelson Rockefeller, indubitably is the stupidest politician of this century. Twice, now, his millions have brought him within grasping range of the Republican nomination and twice he has blown it. Here is how he does it:

Recently, this aging Lothario urged a concave of governors to support his presidential candidacy because, as he put it, he had "coat-tail power." That is, as the Republican nominee he would pull a victory "weak" Republican candidates for lesser office. Well, sir! This is the man who, during his tenure as governor, has seen both houses of the New York legislature turn from Republican to Democratic and the State's congressional delegation follow the same fallow route. Some "coat-tail power", his.

AND A POSTSCRIPT: On June 27, in the little town of Columbia, Maryland, George Wallace drew a crowd of 7,500 people who braved a frightening thunderstorm to attend the open-air meeting. You think something ain't cooking?

WHAT IS THE ANSWER?

by Henry E. Garrett, Ph.D.

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Q: Dr. Garrett, I thought the uproar created over the death of Martin L. King was maudlin and overdone. Do you agree?

A: I most certainly do. The behavior of many public figures over King's funeral was a good illustration of mass hysteria. One expected the Negroes to act emotionally; King was their champion (or so they thought) and Negroes are an emotional and childlike people. No sane person, to be sure, can feel anything but sorrow when a man is struck down in a cowardly and cruel fashion. But the federal bureaucracy reacted out of all proportion to the event. After all, 30 people were killed in recent riots and we hear no expressions of sorrow from officialdom. President Johnson's order to lower the flags to half-mast was an ill-considered, in-

appropriate and overly emotional act as King held no government nor military office.

King was neither hero nor martyr. His "non-violent" marches and demonstrations always seemed to lead to riots and the loss of life and property. The head of the FBI denominated King as a notorious liar, and his overly pious appeals always had a touch of phoniness about them. At the time of his death, King was in contempt of a court injunction forbidding another march in Memphis. He called the injunction "illegal" and "unconstitutional." Always laws were wrong and should be broken if King opposed them. His teachings led directly to civil disobedience and anarchy.

To regret King's death is one thing; to elevate him to martyrdom is quite another.

Other Editors Say

MOUNT OLIVE TRIBUNE

Honesty Is Best Policy

Drew Pearson, in his nationally-syndicated column, recently revealed some startling things about the late Martin Luther King which he claims were discovered and documented by federal agencies under orders of then-Attorney General Robert Kennedy. Up to his death, Senator Kennedy neither directly denied nor admitted that Pearson's claims were true, but cloaked all answers to questions about the matter in ambiguity.

Perhaps the late Senator felt the wise thing for him to do in the midst of his Presidential aspirations was not to become involved in destruction of the Sainly image of a recently departed person such as King, however, false the image may be.

Mr. Pearson stated that evidence is on secret federal file showing the late Dr. King as guilty of prolonged adultery, at least one instance of drunkenness at a New York party, and that he did, indeed, have a known communist writing some of his speeches. These things indicate that many charges made

by Dr. King's worst critics actually were true.

The American people, especially black, have a right to have the air cleared about a figure so controversial as the late Martin Luther King. They have a right not to be the butt of behind-the-hand jokes for having boosted a man to a saintly pedestal, while undisputed word floats around that he was something worse than an ordinary sinner.

The truth here might hurt, but not nearly so bad or so long as a false image snickered at internationally. And besides, it might be a beneficial lesson to all of us, both would-be leaders and would-be followers, for ages to come.

Tired of receiving "begging" letters, an irate businessman prepared a form letter for reply:

"Gentlemen:
"Please remove my name from your succour list."



food news & cues

from famous test kitchens

One Cooky, Three Great Dress-Ups



This chewy oatmeal cooky is a three-base hit with back-to-schoolers. Start with a basic batter, then take your choice of extras. Try dotting the cookies with chocolate candy pieces, with raisins and nuts, or dress them with almond extract and coconut. — Or divide the batter and bake a selection. It's a great 3-in-1 idea to clip and save for the long school year.

CANDY DOT OATMEAL DROPS

Makes 5 dozen

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| 1/2 cup shortening, soft | 1 teaspoon salt |
| 1 cup sugar | 1/2 cup milk |
| 1 egg | 1 cup rolled oats (quick or old fashioned, uncooked) |
| 1 teaspoon vanilla | 1 cup multicolored candy coated milk chocolate pieces |
| 1 1/4 cups sifted all-purpose flour | |
| 1 teaspoon soda | |

Heat oven to moderate (350°F.). Beat shortening, sugar, egg and vanilla together until creamy. Sift together flour, soda and salt. Add to creamed mixture alternately with milk, beginning and ending with milk. Stir in oats and candy. Drop by teaspoonfuls onto ungreased cooky sheets. Bake in pre-heated oven (350°F.) 12 to 15 minutes.

Raisin-Nut Drops: Omit candy in above recipe. Sift 1 teaspoon cinnamon and 1/8 teaspoon cloves together with dry ingredients. Stir in 1/2 cup raisins and 1/2 cup chopped nuts with oats.

Coconut-Almond Drops: Omit candy in above recipe. Substitute 1/2 teaspoon almond extract for vanilla. Stir in 3/4 cup flaked or shredded coconut with oats.

Other Editors Say

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT RECREATION ASSOCIATION NEWS

'We Are Tired...'

Editor's Note: If you've wondered from time to time whether the citizens who work in this vast Federal bureaucracy in Washington are as seemingly oblivious to what's happening to America as their leaders in the Johnson-Humphrey Administration, you may be as pleasantly surprised as we were by the following editorial which was printed the other day in the Interior Department Recreation Association News, a publication for employees of that department. We couldn't have summed up the problem facing this Nation better ourselves nor suggested a better solution.

This is a time of discontent. A time of not remembering what we are grateful for — but what we are ungrateful for. A time of sick humor, sick standards, sick people. The abnormal has been accepted as the norm. Old fashioned are responsibility, patriotism, loyalty, tolerance, love of fellow men. Indeed, even decent reserve in life to family and one's private and public conduct has been forgotten. We are negative. We are ugly. We are unclean.

Our religious sanctuaries have been used for psychodelic orgies. Our public streets for murder, terror and destruction. Our college campuses, institutes of learning, used for the mindless roars of reactionaries. Our lawful way of life set aside and criminals exalted during riots and "marches." Our country and ourselves ridiculed and hated for giving away that which we have earned by the sweat of our brow, which we go without to give to others. Our Constitution and ideals twisted for use to permit crime, pornography and hate to excel.

We are tired in this land of abundance of food prices beyond reach; that we must teach

our children fear for their safety; that we must censor our family's literature, television and films and protectively audit education; that we must strive constantly to improve our studies, vocations and personal property only to lose it to increased taxes and living costs; and that we must condone the conduct of those unwilling and uncooperative to share and work in an environment that half the world would be envious to have, much less take.

We are tired of working toward our future and our children's future against those who think only of today and of self, laying waste to this great nation, its resources, its ideals. We are tired of labels — "neurotic" if you differentiate between right and wrong — "dogmatic" for idealism or religious concept — "rights" as a license for intellectual and physical terrorism to subvert constitutional law.

The malignancy in the world and in our Nation today comes not from God being dead, but from mankind's slow death from suffocation in the conditions he alone has created. Humanity spitting upon itself and choking on it. Man so passive to his environment — is he already dead? Without law and its observance, society destroys itself. Without responsibility to himself and his world, man is destroyed. Are we so without soul, dignity or integrity that this is no longer "One nation, under God, with liberty and justice for all."

We alone must vindicate the great wrong we are doing to ourselves. Unified, we must use our initiative and ingenuity to validate the trust of our forebears in our Nation. Regain our self-respect and, hopefully, our world trust, by swinging the pendulum in the other direction — the right direction.