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SMUGGLED OUT
by Usha**

*"I want to be free.
I want to be free...
Please do something."*

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New Horizons

In pre-Independence era, India had plans and programmes for social and economic betterment of the people. But there was a fundamental weakness—the weakness of their belonging more to the Government than to the people.

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Different Wave-Length

ON SEPTEMBER 30, Lucknow University students had a five-hour running battle with the police in the university campus. In the last weeks five towns of Madhya Pradesh have been rocked by student disturbances and so has the Delhi University. At a meeting of the Congress Parliamentary Party on October 1, Congress MPs were severely critical of the Government's handling of student indiscipline.

Home Minister Nanda stirred himself to action.

His solutions:—

° To call an immediate meeting of the IGs of police to examine the law and order aspect of the problem.

°° To invite the Vice-Chancellors to discuss student indiscipline.

°°° To appoint a working group under the Commissioner for Public Grievances to study cases of student unrest—academic, sociological and political.

While Mr. Nanda was frantically searching for these ways, 14 student presidents of Delhi colleges, some of whom had participated in recent riots in the city, were enthusiastically cheering a performance of the patriotic revue, "India Arise". It was staged by students of the very age that create riots.

Seventeen-year-old Miss Anju Chinai expressed the challenge of her generation from the platform: "We are not going to allow things to go on as they are. I believe India no longer is meant to be run by jealousy, dishonesty and callousness. We are determined to use every ounce of our energy and our lives to change this country."

Among the audience, which included some of the leadership of Delhi, was the President of the Delhi University Students' Union. He told the cast, "You are inspiring the youth of our country." He wants a half-hour performance at the University.

An African High Commissioner who knows how some African Governments back MRA's programme for youth, asked, "How can we get the Indian Government to back this?"

"India Arise" is a demonstration of what the youth of India and the world want for their nations—to use every ounce of their energy to see their country changed. Is that the aim of our leadership? Or are they mainly interested in keeping them quiet and subdued?

When not properly guided, wrong ideas and wrong people do take youth over. To expect the police and committees to supply the answer shows the bankruptcy of our statesmanship.

Vice-President Dr. Zakir Husain is a man of perception. He said, in Bombay last week: "We cannot

leave our youth uncommitted now when we are a developing country. Even as we could not ignore it during our struggle for freedom."

Commitment is the cure to indiscipline. Youth committed to Moral Re-Armament have startled statesmen and the ordinary man in every continent. Governments serious about the welfare of youth have backed them in country after country. Has Mr. Nanda's Government?

Today the Government and the students are on different wave-lengths. If the Government is committed to build a new India and backs forces which are out to do it, they may find that the wall of partition that divides them from students may disappear.

It is not the recalcitrant students, but the Government that is on trial.

Free Mihajlov

MIHAJLO MIHAJLOV, 32-year-old former university lecturer and author of "Moscow Summer 1964", was planning to set up a "democratic socialist" magazine to oppose the Tito regime when he was arrested last month. He is now sentenced to a year's imprisonment on the charge of spreading false information about Yugoslavia abroad.

Mihajlov argued in the Yugoslav Court that it was not wrong to label Yugoslavia as totalitarian, since only six or seven per cent of the population who are members of the Communist Party had rights. His arguments proved fruitless, and even his property, worth a modest 2000 dinars (Rs. 1200) was confiscated.

It seems that while politicians under Communist rule have made their peace with the regimes they live under, the spirit of revolt and change comes mainly from the writers. Marshal Tito prides himself on having given Communism a new look, but his reputation is not enhanced by the fact that when opposition arises his methods are little different from Stalin's.

Give Them Their Homes

COLD COMFORT for slum dwellers in Bombay politicians' pre-election jockeying for place.

Some politicians, Communist, Republican, SSP and others, say Congress seeks political advantage from moving slum dwellers from their present areas to distant suburbs. These parties, which have worked hard among the slum dwellers, feel they will lose the political benefits if they are shifted before the next elections. Slum clearance must halt, they say, till after the elections.

This political game with human needs should halt immediately.

The Opposition parties, if they so wish, can appeal to the Election Commission for slum dwellers who are shifted, to vote in their present constituencies. They should drop their cry of "No demolitions before the elections."

No family should linger in reeking hutment or bare pavement one day more so politicians can collect a few more votes.

Briefly Speaking ...

Every man who takes office in Washington either grows or swells.

PRESIDENT WOODROW WILSON
1856-1924

Arsenic and Old Lace

MY FRIEND Krishan Bhatia whose Political Note-book in the *Hindustan Times* is one of the finest weekly features of its kind, writes on "India's tired and aging leadership." As editor of a paper in the capital, he is well-acquainted with many of the facts he mentions. He says that:

Till the last elections the Government of a large state was headed by a person who sometimes failed to recognize even members of his own Cabinet. At times in the middle of a discussion it would become necessary to remind him of the subject and the identity of the person with whom he was talking. Even after defeat in the elections, his desire for power remained unabated.

CHALTA HAI...



"The foundation stone was late, but the Minister could not spare any other time so we decided to lay it anyway."

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TINY-PAL

Bhatia speaks of another case of a former Union Minister who became the Governor of a problem state, but such was the state of his mental alertness that for months after he took his gubernatorial assignment, he did not know whether the state capital had a secretariat.

Yet another former Chief Minister who was sent as a diplomat abroad dozed off at official banquets.

I can add to his list an incident concerning a Union Cabinet Minister in office until a few years ago. A friend of mine went to see him in connection with laws governing electricity. The conversation went somewhat as follows:

The Minister: "But are you sure this subject comes under my Ministry?"

Answer: "Definitely, sir."

Minister: "I see."

The Minister pressed a button. His PA came in and confirmed the subject was under his Ministry.

The Minister rose from the desk, invited the visitor to sit on the sofa and have a cup of tea. "Let us not talk about all these complicated matters now. Let's have a good cup of tea and talk of other things."

The Minister was a warm-hearted old boy, but all the cupboards in his top storey were empty. Believe it or not he has asked for a Congress ticket to Parliament again. And watch out, he'll get it.

After 49 Years

IN AN ATTEMPT to reduce juvenile delinquency, public disturbances and petty crime, the Soviet Government has created a Ministry to deal with hooliganism. As certain Congress leaders in India have a great respect for the "Soviet ways", it will not be surprising if such a Ministry is established here. The trouble here will be that persons in charge of it will not quite know from which age-group to start collecting the hooligans.

Home, Sweet Home

SPORT IS A GAME in some countries, a religion in others. Two detenus in New Zealand Plymouth prison es-

BOLD EXPERIMENT

On October 1 in the Great Lakes, America's latest College was officially inaugurated at Mackinac Island, Michigan.

Dr. S. Douglas Cornell was installed as its first President. One hundred and sixty-four colleges and universities from across the US were officially represented and took part in the academic procession.

On page 15 HMMAT carries an exclusive feature on this bold new experiment in education.

caped to witness the Rugby match between New Zealand and the British Isles. Unfortunately they could not reach the stadium, so they tuned on a transistor radio in the bushland.

The police caught them. As they tramped home their one consolation was the home team won.

Their Dearest Possession

AN APPEAL IN AUCKLAND, New Zealand, for a person to be marooned for two weeks on a mountainous island 55 miles off the coast was answered by 300 applicants. Whoever is chosen will be left on the island with only a gun, ammunition, a knife, a fishing rod and a box of matches.

Among the applicants were businessmen, hunters, a young woman, a Scottish parachutist and a diver who had searched for the Loch Ness monster.

Several wives volunteered their husbands.

'Dictator's Slippers' Filmed

PETER HOWARD's play, "The Dictator's Slippers" recently serialized in strip form by HMMAT Weekly, is being filmed in Switzerland. It has just concluded its run at the first Caux Theatre Festival, with other plays of Peter Howard. The Indian actress Surya Kumari plays a leading role in the film version.

Speeding Safety Man

SIR ALFRED OWEN, Chairman of Britain's Road Safety Advisory Council, has been convicted eight times for speeding, according to a press report. Sir Alfred, 57, said the other day, "I'm determined now to restrict myself on speed and to be a law-abiding citizen."

R.M.L.

Gandhi files HABEAS CORPUS in Mysore

From Our Correspondent

going to get worse the more I don't give in. And I ain't giving in—no man! I've taken on a job for life and if it means spending part of it in a prison—it's damned hard, but fine...

"God, when is this nightmare going to end? If the only way to get my freedom is through the Court I want to fight it that way.

"Janaki's sticking it out I'm sure. I think she'd want to fight it out straight too. Because we have been brought here illegally and are being kept here illegally... that night (2nd) I was lied to—they said I could go—double-crossed me, pushed me into the car driven by two plainclothesmen and brought me here. No amount of screaming helped.

"I want to be free. I want to be free... Please do something... I want to be able to say real soon, Boy! that was an experience! But thank God for it—now comes the real job—I want to use everything to save this country's freedom."

The affidavits reproduce sentences from letters written by Miss Varadhan and Miss Chandiram in May and July respectively of this year in which they anticipate their forcible removal from their work with Moral Re-Armament and urge legal action

should their fears materialize. Miss Varadhan wrote:

"I want to use my life with Moral Re-Armament to save my country from corruption, division and hate. Of my own choice and free will I join the force of Moral Re-Armament as a fulltime worker. Some people will dislike this decision, including my relatives and it may even be my parents. But I know what I am doing and I am 21 years of age. If the need arises I hereby fully authorize you to act on my behalf in any legal matter so that my decision is not altered by force."

Both affidavits allege that the whole sequence of events in Madras, starting with the complaints of the two fathers regarding the influence of MRA on the young ladies and the registration by the police of complaints under various sections of the Indian Penal Code and the registration of cases against Mr. Gandhi on the basis of those complaints, was merely a cover and a device to invest the illegal kidnapping of the two young ladies with a semblance of legality.

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Bangalore

Mr. Rajmohan Gandhi on Tuesday October 4 filed two affidavits before the Mysore High Court on behalf of Miss Usha Chandiram and Miss Janaki Varadhan, Moral Re-Armament fulltime workers. The affidavits urged the High Court to issue a writ in the nature of Habeas Corpus setting Miss Chandiram and Miss Varadhan at liberty.

The respondents in the affidavits are the Police Commissioner of Madras City, Sri S. Chandiram, father of Miss Usha Chandiram, and Sri C. Varadhan, father of Miss Janaki Varadhan.

Regarding Miss Varadhan the affidavit alleges that she was illegally seized on September 2, 1966 in Mad-

STOP PRESS

Tuesday 2 p.m.

Mysore High Court Judges Hegde and Bhimiah today issued notice to Sri Chandiram and Sri Varadhan to produce their daughters before the court 3 p.m. today.

ras by the police and despite her screams of protest, was forcibly removed by the police. It alleges that she was then illegally detained by the Police Commissioner and that the latter transferred his illegal custody to her father who was now keeping her under confinement and under stringent restraint. It alleges that Miss Varadhan is not allowed any freedom and is deprived of her liberty to move and to act.

About Miss Chandiram the affidavit states that on September 2 she was invited by the Police Commissioner to his office to state that she was above 18 years of age and working with MRA of her own free will, but on arrival she was illegally detained. The illegal custody was then transferred to her father who was now detaining her in his home in Bangalore against her will and depriving her of her freedom.

The affidavit filed on behalf of Miss Chandiram reproduces the text of a letter written by her on September 24, 1966 to three ladies working with MRA. In the letter Miss Usha Chandiram states:

"I don't know how I'm ever going to post this as I have no freedom whatsoever. It's hell and I guess it's

On your toes

RS. 18,000 AN HOUR

In a fully justified attack upon those members who "waste public money by creating disorder in Parliament" the Prime Minister explained that such disruption costs the nation Rs. 18,000 an hour.

I do not uphold for a minute those who see their main function in Parliament as the creation of legislative anarchy. Their motives are medley. Some want the thrill of reading their names frequently in the press. Others do so believing that democracy is a farce anyway. Most of the latter sit in the Opposition. But they do not achieve too much towards ousting Congress from its long-held though undeserved majority.

These were obviously the target of Mrs. Gandhi's assault. But after some profound dissection of the whole proposition I came to a rather remarkable conclusion: her figure of Rs. 18,000 must be the cost of running Parliament per hour—whether in order or in disorder. In that case, not only does DISORDER cost the nation Rs. 18,000 an hour but so does INEPTITUDE and HOT AIR. And those most responsible for this sit on the Treasury benches.

Mrs. Gandhi's appeal to the public to elect only those who will not create disorder would have indicated more integrity had it been to vote for only those who will not waste public funds. In this event the Congress President would have been forced to reconsider the whole question of giving out Congress election tickets.

How many of those to stand on the Congress platform will be chosen for their value to Parliament and to the nation? How many will be the sort of representatives who will put their nation before their party, as even Mrs. Gandhi herself has promised to do? Or how many will be silent vegetables, smothering their consciences under the party whip—mere bells that tinkle every time Mr. Kamaraj pushes their button?

If Mrs. Gandhi were to carry the logic of her argument a little further she might realize that the greatest burden carried by a weary, tax-paying electorate is not the few disrupters in the Opposition but the great, smug sea of Congressmen, many of whom have put their party and their posts before their nation for years and so can no longer hope to produce for a searching, eager generation the dynamic and imaginative administration they seek and deserve.

As the electorate comes to realize this too, the picture in March may be very, very different.

FREEBOOTER

Rajaji On The Rights Of Youth

Express News Service

Madras, October 2

Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, who is recovering from his illness and is still confined to bed, said today that he has the fullest trust in Mr. Rajmohan Gandhi's devotion to the cause he has taken up—of regenerating and restoring moral values as the basis of all national life.

Rajaji hopes that the "graver issue behind the raid on the Moral Re-Armament in Madras" will be taken to a clear decision in the highest courts of the land.

Rajaji, who is the grandfather of Mr. Rajmohan Gandhi said in an interview: "The non-venturism and the all-absorbing involvement in selfish purposes which naturally char-

acterise the older generation must be balanced by the adventurism and idealistic outlook of the younger generation if there is to be scope for change and progress.

"If the older generation", Rajaji went on, "is armed with the illegitimate power of the State executive to hold the young generation in total custody and non-freedom even after

the attainment of legal majority, it would be fatal for progress."

Commenting on the legal aspect of the majority youths, he said "the law having fixed the age of freedom for boys and girls, it would be wrong for the State executive to help the older generation to override this and prolong its custody and control of the youth particularly those who have received education and are competent to undertake the responsibilities consequent on unselfish devotion to causes beyond the selfish purposes to which the older generation is attached."

"No great movements," he said, of either moral regeneration or political emancipation would be possible if the young are kept in physical confinement by the older generation until they too lose the dynamics of youth.

"If people keep themselves in rigid ultra-conservatism and give no chance to the dangers of youthful dynamics, the legal age of majority must be raised to 35 and a difference made between the sexes," Rajaji said.

Surrender

"But it is not likely that any people would accept such a total surrender to the advantages of ultra-conservatism and complete exclusion of the possibility of any revolt against the existing order," he added.

He said, "These thoughts are natural when the nation has been celebrating the 97th birthday of the Father of the Nation whose great and successful revolt against foreign rule was possible only because of the selfless sacrifices of youth."

"The issue cannot be left where Mr. Justice Ramamurthi (of the Madras High Court) has left it to the bare technicalities of a procedural Section."

Courtesy: INDIAN EXPRESS, Bombay Oct. 4, 1966

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Stating that there was no doubt whatever that the two fathers would do their best to remove the two girls physically and by force outside the jurisdiction of the High Court, Mr. Gandhi urged the Court to issue an interim direction to the fathers to have the girls produced in Court forthwith in the interests of justice.

IS COMMUNISM CHANGING ?

PIERRE SPOERRI, our European Correspondent, talks to an expert on Communist affairs, a diplomat at present stationed in East Europe.

Do you think that the ideological situation in Eastern Europe has changed during the last years?

Certainly. The hold of Communism has been weakened by three things—the revelations in the Soviet Union after Stalin's death, the quarrels between Moscow and Peking, and the gap between Communism's promises and actual achievements. To meet the rising discontent, the Communist rulers have relaxed their controls and it is doubtful whether they could put the clock back now.

Another fact is that many Communist rulers have lost their passion and are more interested in retaining their power. They still talk about revolution, and they foment it abroad, but they will do nothing that will endanger their own positions and privileges. They are therefore vulnerable to anyone who comes along with more passion and a big enough idea.

Have Communist aims changed?

No. They are still out for world revolution, theoretically at least. It is the risks they are prepared to take to achieve it that have changed.

Communism can spread by three methods—conquest, subversion or demonstration. Military conquest is less likely because Communist leaders of Europe now admit the disastrous consequences for everybody if war breaks out. Subversion, of course, goes on non-stop. But other countries

SAY THAT AGAIN...

It is not a question of white power or black power but whether we have the guts to mobilize the heart power of our whole generation.

WILLIAM STOREY
American Negro student

The Prime Minister (Harold Wilson) plays everything off the cuff and he has the longest cuffs in history.

JOE GRIMOND
UK Liberal leader

I'm feeling fine.

IAN SMITH
Premier of Rhodesia's rebel government

Mr. Vaiteswaran who is now abroad will continue his feature "Under The Lens" from next week.—Ed.

are now more awake to its dangers. To this extent it is less effective—though wherever moral compromise or cynicism prevails, we are vulnerable. As for demonstrating a superior answer, the more people really know about conditions behind the Communist curtain, the less impressed they are.

Do the changes in the economic structure in Eastern Europe mean a return to capitalism or are they just a means of making the economy run more smoothly?

Not a return to capitalism. The aim is to make the present system work better. But to do this, they have to remove central controls, give more powers to individual managers, give more incentives to workers and allow market-demand rather than artificial norms to guide production. If this goes on, it will mean, at the very least, a transformation in Marxism.

Have the Western businessmen who have visited Eastern Europe had any influence on the situation in these countries?

Very little. Western businessmen have had neither a big passion nor a big idea. The process of change has been generated amongst the Eastern Europeans themselves. Of course, the superior economic achievements of America, West Germany and Japan, under free enterprise, have had a big effect indirectly.

What does the younger generation in Eastern Europe really want? What do they believe in?

Most of all they want good jobs and freedom. This is because they have been regimented and repressed for so long. But they care for their countries too. There are deep springs of patriotism waiting to be tapped. Idealism will have to be recreated by people who live the way they talk. The gap between noble words and crooked living has produced a crop of cynicism amongst the young generation.

Are they attracted by the Western way of life?

They are attracted by all the things they have been denied. Whether they would be satisfied with them if they got them is a different question. One young Marxist intellectual said recently: "Britain's most successful export today is Ye-Ye." Then he added quite thoughtfully: "Of course, it's not much of a faith to live by."

Are people interested in religion?

Events in Poland and elsewhere show that Christianity is still a force. In some places Catholic publications have now a bigger circulation than the official Communist publications. Persecution has often purified the church. People who stand by their faith under attack, and those who enter the priesthood, do so with deeper conviction than many in the West. If religious leaders gave a resounding call to a positive revolution based on absolute moral standards, not just an anti-communist one, millions would respond.

In what other way could people who live in the free parts of Europe and Asia support those who really want freedom and democracy inside the Communist world?

The best thing for outsiders to do is to demonstrate an answer to the problems that both Communism and capitalism have failed to solve—class hatred, race hatred, indulgent living, crass selfishness. There is a widening conviction in Eastern Europe that Communism has spent its force. The future will go to those who demonstrate a superior ideology of change for the whole world, and who have the passion to implement it.

Does all this apply to China?

Communism in China is at a different stage of development from Eastern Europe. Also the Chinese appear willing to take far more risks in blood and human suffering to extend their influence. But the recent news out of Peking suggests that there too Communism is not really satisfying the new generation. The Chinese can have no interest in returning to the pre-war situation or in preserving the *status quo* in Asia. But millions of them will respond to an idea that gives hope of solving the problems of mankind without the sacrifice of millions of lives.



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VERDICT!

This week **HIMMAT**

AGREES WITH Mrs. Indira Gandhi's statement that her Cabinet consists of "human beings not angels" and **ASKS** whether she can convince her colleagues of that.

FINDS IT DIFFICULT to believe that Mr. Atulya Ghosh spent only Rs. 19 to win his Lok Sabha election and **ENQUIRES** if, as AICC Treasurer, he assesses the cost of electing Congress Members to the Lok Sabha at Rs. 10,000—Rs. 20 each for 500 seats.

EXPRESSES BOREDOM at the unimaginative and brutal antics of the Red Guards being continually publicized, thereby giving them more attention than they deserve.

SALUTES Andhra farmer N. Gonnanna for obtaining 3834.87 kilograms of rice per acre and being eligible for the Award of Krishi Pandit and **SUGGESTS** that the Press Information Bureau sends out his photo to all the press of India instead of dishing out with monotonous regularity pictures of loan agreements being signed by joint secretaries.

COMPLIMENTS Mr. S. K. Patil on his belated discovery that the Congress has deviated from the path of Gandhiji.

REJOICES at U Thant's generosity in donating his Rs. 1 lakh for his Nehru Award for International Understanding to the UN School and **ENQUIRES** of Mr. C. B. Gupta, ex-UP Chief Minister, whether he will consider using the Rs. 60 lakh purse of his birthday for similar education purposes within the country.

APPRECIATES the initiative of an Information Ministry official who ordered 24,800 files out of 39,700 pending to be destroyed and **SUGGESTS** an official be appointed to make sure that files are also dealt with in other ways.

President's Rule Still Likely in Orissa

From H. P. Mahalik in Cuttack

With the end of the second act of the political drama of Orissa at Ernakulam, it has become clear that the rebel ministers and deputy ministers, headed by Mr. Biju Patnaik, did not find favour with the High Command. Even their big brothers "Atulya dada" and Mr. Sanjiva Reddy expressed their resentment about the action of the rebel ministers and their defiance of the High Command.

It is now certain that the High Command will not yield to the pressure tactics of Biju Patnaik, who is eager to come back to power by all means. In case Chief Minister Sadasib Tripathy is allowed to step down in favour of Biju Patnaik or Nilamoni Routray, the prospects of Congress victory in the general elections would be very bleak, because Tripathy, being an honest politician, has won the confidence of the Opposition as well as of the public.

So there are only two alternatives for the High Command to bring stability to the Orissa administration, at least till the general elections.

They are:

1. Allow Chief Minister Tripathy to reshuffle his cabinet without which it would be impossible for him to carry on the administration;
2. Go in for President's rule.

The Pradesh Congress Chief, Mr. Bijoy Kumar Pani, who is supporting Mr. Tripathy's stand, is reported to have informed Congress President Kamaraj about the unchanged attitude of the rebel ministers even after the withdrawal of resignations. He feels that the functioning of the Cabinet has been far from satisfactory even now.

Mr. Pani is reported to have taken exception to the fact that the resigning ministers did not even send a copy of their withdrawal letter to him. He is of the opinion that if the present state of affairs continues, prospects of Congress victory in the general elections would be doomed.

The PCC chief has also requested the High Command to issue a strong directive to the rebels to behave or else allow the Chief Minister to reshuffle his Cabinet. It is reliably learnt. In the meantime there has

been a rift among the rebel ministers on the one hand and three ministers plus one deputy minister on the other. The latter who did not go to Ernakulam refused to sign the memorandum against Chief Minister Tripathy.

Now Mr. Tripathy has accepted the challenge of the rebels and has expressed his willingness to lead the Congress poll campaign in Orissa. He perhaps wants to prove that Biju Patnaik is not indispensable in Orissa politics. Mr. Tripathy has even blamed corrupt ministers for the Congress defeat in Keonjhar bye-elections.

Showdown

Political observers here believe that this tussle between Mr. Sadasib Tripathy and his Cabinet colleagues has led to a showdown between Biju Patnaik and Kamaraj. Both in New Delhi and at Ernakulam Biju Patnaik is reported to have had heated exchanges with the Congress President. Mr. Patnaik perhaps wants to show that he is the *de facto* king-maker of Orissa and he wants no interference by the High Command.

A meeting of the Congress Legislature party called on October 5 is most probably to pass a motion of no-confidence against the Chief Minister, in defiance of the wishes of the High Command. And as matters stand now, the High Command may go in for President's rule in case anything happens contrary to its directive.

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FROM THE WORLD'S CAPITALS

Same UN Problems—but Hope Survives

FROM STEWART LANCASTER

New York

The tall slab of concrete and glass on the east side of Manhattan Island, New York, the United Nations' building, is again alive with people.

Representatives of 117 nations have gathered for the 21st Session of the General Assembly. The world's ambassadors in Washington D.C. have temporarily vacated the capital of "peace-less power" for New York and the palace of "powerless peace".

Each year the delegates come with renewed hope despite the fact that the problems they face are the same—war in Vietnam, apartheid in South Africa, the racist regime in Rhodesia, the breakdown in disarmament talks, the widening gap between rich and poor nations and the ever-present financial problems of the UN.

The newest aspect of the 20-year-old Assembly is the rising power of the African bloc. The once most powerful Latin-American bloc call the African bloc the "apladora"—steamroller—because of the way it rolls over opposition to vote through resolutions on colonialism and racism.

GATT Versus UNCTAD

FROM PIERRE SPOERRI

Geneva

When one walks through the streets of Geneva or reads the Geneva papers, one gets completely confused by the increase of organizations and conferences hiding behind various groups of letters everywhere.

From old faithfuls like UN, WHO (World Health Organization) and ILO (International Labour Organization) to the newest arrival UNCTAD (United Nations Conference for Commerce, Trade and Development), organizations are spreading, office-buildings mushrooming and activities mounting.

Two of the lesser-known organizations are now entering crucial negotiations, and the result of these deliberations may mean prosperity or stagnation for most nations in the world. GATT (General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade) groups the 70 nations which carry between them 90 per cent of the world's trade. UNCTAD, now holding its fourth council session, is a platform for the developing nations.

What is most frustrating to the "vote-strong" but "power-weak" blocs is the disregard the greater powers pay to the resolutions of the smaller nations.

The maintenance of an effective peace-keeping force with two of the large powers (Russia and France) refusing to pay their share of the bill is one of the thorniest problems in the peace palace.

But despite the frustrations of the past years the delegates have come to New York with new determination.

A UN guard in a blue starched shirt and pressed suit watching the representatives drive up to the entrance for the opening session of the General Assembly commented, "Well, they come here year in, year out and they never seem to get tired—that counts for something. It gives you hope."

GATT is sometimes considered the "rich nations' club" as it includes only a few of the nations of Asia, Africa and Latin America. Except Czechoslovakia which was a founder-member and Yugoslavia which joined only this year, it does not include the Communist nations either.

The negotiations which are carried out in the framework of GATT are known popularly as the "Kennedy Round". The aim is relatively simple to formulate. President Kennedy got from Congress the authorization to negotiate with all the nations of GATT for a linear reduction by 50 per cent of all tariffs in order to effect an increase in world trade.

The negotiations for the "Kennedy Round" are just now entering their

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The week in Asia

RANGOON—Trading in 33 farm and marine products was decontrolled and is now open to Burma's private business. This follows soaring prices and black-marketing resulting from controls imposed by the Government in January.

SEOUL—Korean President Park dismissed two cabinet ministers accused of being involved in a smuggling case. This followed a political crisis in which his whole cabinet handed in resignations.

PEKING—Chinese schools which closed for the "cultural revolution" will remain shut for at least another term according to a report here.

RIYADH—King Faisal of Saudi Arabia returned from his campaign for an Islamic summit. He visited Morocco, Guinea, Mali and Tunisia. President Bourguiba of Tunisia will visit Saudi Arabia soon.

COLOMBO—All Opposition parties boycotted the House of Representatives after the Deputy Speaker ruled that a no-confidence motion in the Government on a magistrate's decision could not take place. He said the issue was still sub judice.

KUCHING—Sarawak's new Chief Minister, Penghulu Tawi Sli, asked for an enquiry into foreign diplomats' involvement in the recent political crisis. One of his supporters accused British diplomats of supporting former Chief Minister Dato Ningkan.

HONG KONG—North Vietnamese Premier Phan Van Dong rejected American peace offers, repeated that the Communists would win, and said peace would only come when the US accepted North Vietnamese and Viet Cong terms.

DJAKARTA—Ten thousand Indonesian youth demonstrated in the Chinese quarter here and shouted "Chinese go home" outside the Chinese Embassy. Earlier they demonstrated outside the President's palace shouting "Sukarno go to hell".

BANGKOK—The Russian Embassy Attache and the Chief of the Soviet Trade Organization were expelled by the Thai Government, despite strong Soviet protests.

ADEN—British forces will have left Aden by early 1967, excepting minor air force units, said South Arabian Information Minister Girgrah.

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FROM THE WORLD'S CAPITALS

decisive phase as the US President has received from Congress a deadline—June 30, 1967—and has to finish all negotiations by then if he wants to get the treaty ready in time.

The negotiations at the GATT headquarters are watched with considerable mistrust by the men at the UNCTAD council. The latter feel that instead of expanding trade amongst themselves the rich nations should direct their energies to reducing the growing gap between the industrialized and developing nations.

In the 77 developing nations, production increased by only two dollars per capita in the last five years; in the developed countries there was an increase of 60 dollars a year.

Even more alarming is the decline of the prices of raw materials—the main source of income of developing nations. These prices are today from 33 to 40 per cent lower than in 1953.

Next spring, at the second World Conference for Trade and Development, it will be seen if the members of both GATT and UNCTAD are ready to work out real solutions or if the gap between continents will grow deeper.

Uruguay's Politicians Invite Chaos

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT

Sao Paulo

Uruguay is at this moment serving as the bridgehead for the ideology of Communism in South America.

Placed at the mouth of the River Plate it has one of the highest living standards in Latin America. Most of her three million inhabitants can read and write. It has been called the "Switzerland of South America" because of its democratic institutions and tourist attractions.

But while in her neighbours—Brazil and Argentina—Communism is persecuted and outlawed by the military governments, in Uruguay Communism is legal and flourishing. In Montevideo, the capital, the number of registered Communist members has grown in the last two years from 3,000 to 10,000.

They have three of the 99 members of parliament, but political observers calculate that they control indirectly 18 seats. A recent signature-collecting campaign indicated they can count on over 10 per cent of the electorate.

Apart from the Communists' deep

infiltration in the universities, their greatest strength is amongst the workers. Ninety-eight per cent of the trade unions are Communist controlled.

Every month an average of 800 sacks of Communist literature, weighing 130 pounds each, arrives by plane. These are collected by representatives of the Soviet Embassy at the airport, without any kind of control in regard to the contents taking place.

Due to an old postal law, any news of "world interest" is distributed at a third of the price of ordinary printed matter. The Communists use this loophole to flood the country with their literature.

At the Communist Party Congress in August, reference was made to a statement at the Havana Conference earlier this year that, "The Communist Party which achieved most pro-

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gress for Communist world domination was that of Uruguay". The plan now is for agitation by the trade unions culminating in a general strike "of revolutionary character".

The Uruguayan elections on November 27 will probably bring a re-

Manila Summit Draws Swift Response

FROM C. B. MAYOR

Melbourne

The call by Philippines President Marcos for a seven-nation Vietnam Summit on October 18 drew a swift response from the Australian Government.

Just back from the London Commonwealth Conference, faced with the general elections on November 26 and confined to bed with virus pleurisy, Prime Minister Holt nonetheless confirmed he would go to Manila only two hours after President Marcos announced his plan.

In contrast to the indifference to South-East Asia shown by his predecessor Sir Robert Menzies, this will be the Prime Minister's second visit to Asia within six months.

Mr. Holt's acceptance was quickly followed up by the leaders of South Korea, South Vietnam, Thailand and the United States. New Zealand Premier Keith Holyoake also said his country would attend.

Since his earlier "All the way with LBJ" statement in Washington, Mr. Holt and his Government have been accused by the Opposition as being the mouthpiece of Johnson. The Opposition Labour Party have promised, if elected in November, they will recall conscripted servicemen from Vietnam.

Mr. Holt rejects the insinuation that Australian foreign policy is swayed by Washington. Some say that his anxiety to correct this impression lies behind his speedy acceptance of the Manila Plan not waiting for Johnson's reply.

Mr. Holt's Government intends to

turn to the presidential system, with power concentrated in the hands of one man. But much more than a change in the government system is needed. For it is not Communist agitation but the corruption and lack of purpose in the established political parties which has brought Uruguay to the brink of collapse.

make defence and Vietnam a cardinal issue in its election campaign in turn, charging the Labour Party with a lack of interest in Australia's defence. He is assured of a safe electoral victory by opinion polls and even by many opponents so whatever political dividend the Manila Conference may have for Mr. Holt his interest in closer co-operation with the South-East Asian countries can hardly be dismissed as an election stunt.

Mr. Holt will press strongly for civil reconstruction in South Vietnam to play as large a part in the meeting as the conduct of the war and the search for peace. While regarding the war as a wretched necessity, most Australians would rather see their money going towards the stability and development of the region.

No one here expects the Manila Conference to produce any panacea for Vietnam. But the alacrity with which seven non-Communist allies agreed to meet indicates the strong desire to find more than a military solution.

Ceylon Debates Role of "Blimps"

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT

Colombo

Beginning with a strong article attacking "Blimps" in the "Ceylon Daily News", the largest circulation English-language daily here, a highly emotional correspondence has developed about the Englishman's role in Ceylon and Asia.

It began with a speech by Mr. R. L. Harvey, retiring President of the Ceylon Estate Employers' Federation, in which he said, "Greatness cannot be achieved by a society

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Holt—second Asian visit

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The week in India

LUCKNOW — Lucknow University closed for the rest of term following an all day student-police clash in which 175 people were injured. All nine colleges of Gwalior also closed for the remainder of term due to student strikes.

JAIPUR — A no-confidence motion against the Rajasthan ministry, accusing Chief Minister Sukhadia of hoarding gold, was rejected in the Rajasthan Legislative Assembly.

CALCUTTA — A strike by 16,000 dock workers, paralysing cargo handling, was referred to the central labour tribunal.

SHILLONG — About 70 Mizo rebels armed with light-machine guns and automatic weapons attacked a border outpost near Kathicherra on the Cachar-Mizo border.

NEW DELHI — The 674-kilometre oil pipeline from the Barauni oil refinery to Kanpur, built in co-operation with an Italian firm, was completed.

JAIPUR — The Rajasthan branches of the Swatantra and Jan Sangh parties reached an electoral understanding to fight the coming elections.

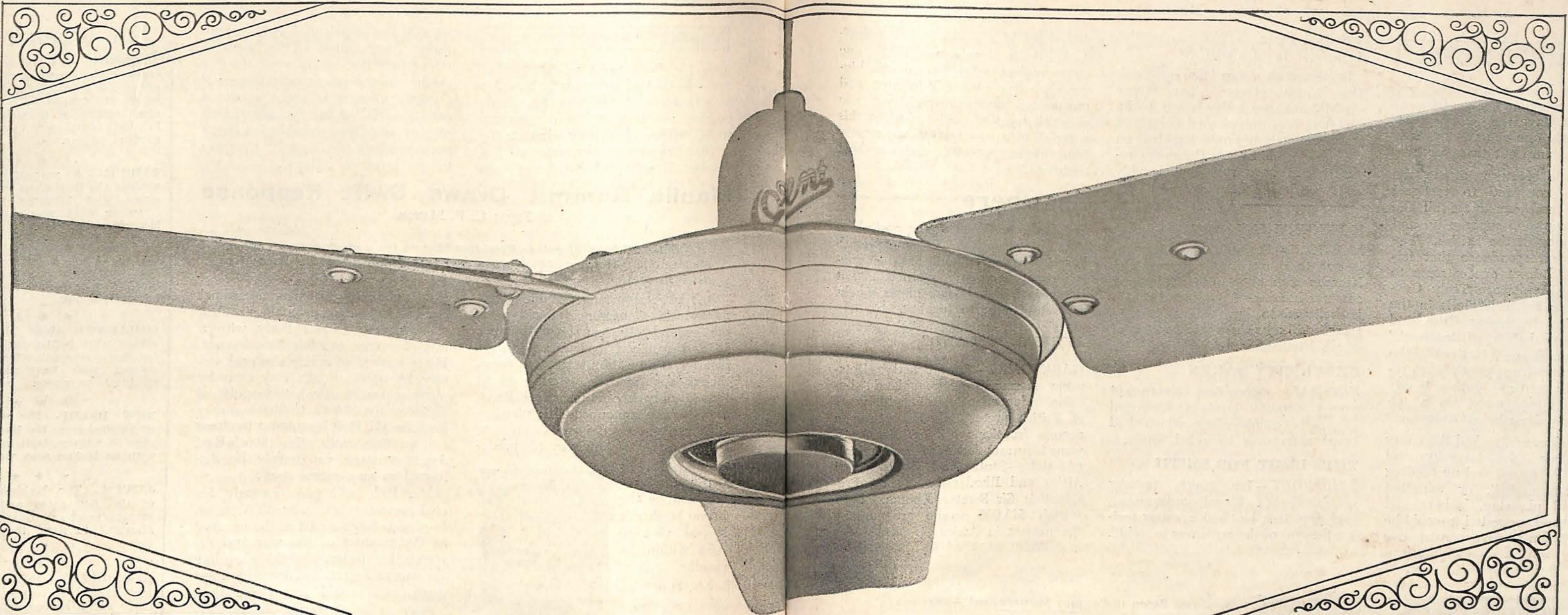
NEW DELHI — India and Switzerland signed a three-year technical co-operation agreement providing for the use of Swiss technical experts on projects in India.

PANJIM — The President of the United Goan Party, Dr. Sequeira, resigned as leader of the Opposition in Goa after eight of the 12 UGP members expressed a lack of confidence in him.

BOMBAY — Shipping movements in Bombay Harbour halted while the Port Trust's pilots went on strike in protest against an enquiry against one of their members.

NEW DELHI — India's population has now reached 490 million, stated Census Commissioner Ashok Mitra.

HYDERABAD — Andhra Chief Minister K. B. Reddy's candidate, Mr. Kakani Venkataratnam, was elected by the APCC to the State Election Committee. This gave the Chief Minister's supporters a majority in the Committee over supporters of Union Transport Minister Sanjiva Reddy.



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riddled with black marketeers, bribery and corruption. The Government... must have the co-operation of every single one of us if it is successfully to stamp out these pests."

In a main feature article the *Daily News* proceeded to castigate Mr. Harvey and enumerate all the alleged corruption, superiority and indulgent living of the British. The weeks-long correspondence that followed, ranged from one extreme to the other. There was "Truly Ceylonese" whose Britisher "lolls in the Hill Club or Swimming Club and laughs at the habits of 'natives'." And "Planter Prince (Native)" who was sure "many firms continue to resist Ceylonisation and import barely educated countrymen to do a job of work easily done by a Ceylonese."

Other Ceylonese attacked the paper for impugning "the integrity and character of a trusted and upstanding minority community", or admitted the "lack of planning, bribery and corruption" and suggested it would be better to "learn to take constructive

criticism" so as to "get out of this rut and work to a plan".

Some argument has been historical. The British planter says: Where would Lanka be today if our hardy ancestors had not planted acres and acres of sterling-producing tea on your barren hills? A Ceylonese rejoins: You have ruined our paddy

The week elsewhere

KOSYGIN'S HOLIDAY

MOSCOW — Soviet Premier Kosygin is due to return to his desk at the Kremlin soon, after an unusually long summer holiday of two months. He is believed to have taken part in secret talks with a delegation of North Vietnamese.

REBEL CITY TAKEN

KINSHASA — Congolese Government troops gained control of Kisangani (formerly Stanleyville) which had been taken over by rebel forces.

TIME LIMIT FOR SMITH

SALISBURY — Ian Smith, premier of Rhodesia's illegal government, said here that he "had a strong feeling the end of the crisis was in sight".

and failed to preserve our irrigation.

"What is surely needed," one correspondent wrote, "is an aim bigger than our own self-interest and prosperity, towards which we can all work together. The road to this is for all of us to practice, not merely boast about, our faith and our best traditions."

But little progress was reported in talks between UK Commonwealth Secretary Bowden and Smith's government. Bowden warned that Rhodesia had only five or six weeks more to return to legality.

AFRICAN "ISLAND"

GABERONES — Landlocked Botswana (formerly Bechuanaland) became independent, ending 81 years of British protection. Except for a narrow frontier with Zambia, Botswana is surrounded by white-dominated states—South and South West Africa and Rhodesia. Its first President is Sir Seretse Khama. Botswana's 543,000 people are among the poorest in Africa.

Mackinac College — "Bold New Step in Education"

By Bruce Currie

Mackinac Island, Michigan

Why is it that young Americans often leave college with less initiative, smaller aims, lower standards and weaker faith than when they began their studies?

In his intelligent indictment of US education last summer entitled "The Anti-leadership Vaccine," Dr. John Gardner, now Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare in Washington, DC, said, "It is my belief that we are immunizing a high proportion of our most gifted young people against any tendencies to leadership."

For a nation thrust since World War II into the forefront of free world leadership, this charge constitutes a crisis. A farseer like Peter Howard, the late world leader of Moral Re-Armament, felt that nothing less than a bold, new step in higher education was needed.

During the fall of 1964 he developed the concept of a liberal arts college that would produce graduates with finely-trained minds and more—the determination to exert responsible, selfless leadership in meeting the challenges of our time.

Howard saw in the excellent Moral Re-Armament-built conference faci-

mately concerned with the growing interaction between science and public policy at the highest levels of the United States Government.

Among the faculty members with unusual professional experience is Dr. Yu-Tang Daniel Lew, a Harvard Ph.D., who left his post as the Republic of China's (Taiwan) Ambassador to New Zealand in order to head the Political Science Department. A graduate of Calcutta University with an M.A. in comparative Literature from Jadavpur University, Mr. Malika Banerji, will teach English. He has been an assistant professor at North Dakota's Jamestown College for the past two years.

As the College adds a new class each year its enrolment is planned to reach a maximum of 1000 students in the next five years, with 75 to 80 faculty.

The Charter class, which will graduate in 1970, numbers 114 from 30 States and Canada. For the 1967-68 academic year the College will be able to accept foreign students at either freshman or sophomore level.

The two-semester programme of instruction this year will offer a choice of three modern languages,

German, French and Spanish; Modern European History; Ideas in History I—an introduction to the Natural Sciences and Mathematics followed by a second semester choice of Physics, Biology, Chemistry and

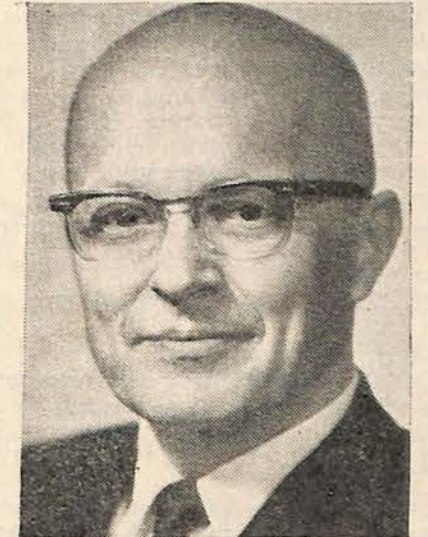
Mathematics; and English Composition and Literature.

Dr. Morris Martin, the Oxford-educated Dean of Faculty, says of the curriculum: "Fundamentally our emphasis is on creating over a four-year period men and women who will react to the world around them as leaders, not merely followers, as patriots who love their country as she is, but in whatever walk of life they find themselves will do everything to make her what she could be."

"Our history courses will emphasise the study of forces, operating

through men, that have formed today's society, and will point to the type of man needed to shape tomorrow's.

"The study of English will be designed to enable a student to speak



Dr. Cornell, President of Mackinac College

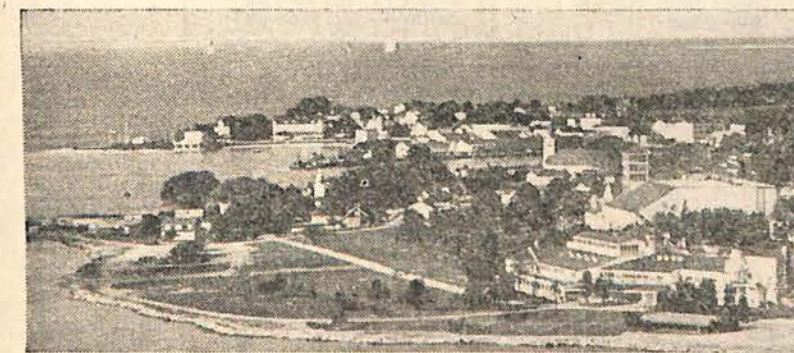
clearly, to write accurately and well, and to enjoy literature, with the ability to distinguish what is important from what is trivial. It will also stimulate the creation of works that will touch the minds and motives of modern men.

"The teaching of languages will stress the ability to use all that is learned to communicate with people of other nations and cultures.

"Our natural science instruction will aim for an understanding of the different modes of thought that have created modern technological development. It will indicate how scientific advance has come about and the growing importance of individual decision in using the highly sophisticated tools man has evolved."

The academic programme got underway on September 19 in classrooms on the third floor of the newly-opened Peter Howard Memorial Library. With a capacity of 100,000 volumes the Library, valued at one million dollars, has been built in one year by a largely volunteer crew.

On October 1, in formal ceremonies, Mackinac College was inaugurated as the newest four-year College in Michigan. This pioneering venture in higher education has begun.

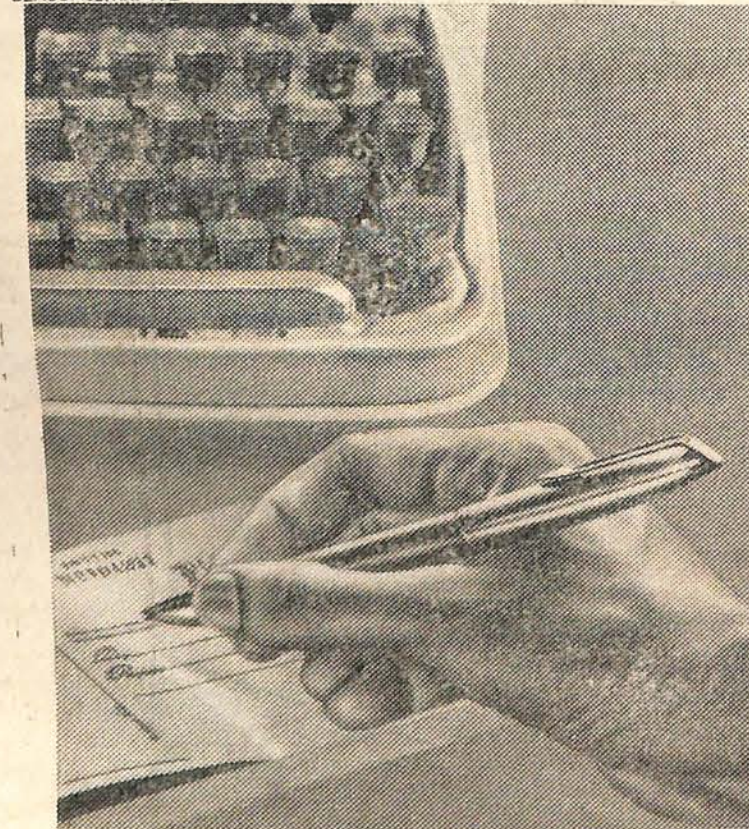


Mackinac College buildings (right of picture) on Mackinac Island in the Great Lakes

ties on Mackinac Island, Michigan, an ideal campus nucleus for such a college. The Directors of MRA deeded to the College as a gift the 21-acre Cedar Point campus with all its residential facilities.

As its first President, the Trustees named Dr. S. Douglas Cornell, who was for 12 years Executive Officer of the National Academy of Sciences in Washington, D.C. A physicist holding his doctorate from Yale University, Dr. Cornell has been inti-

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BOOKS

BRITAIN AT WAR

English History, 1914-1945
by A. J. P. Taylor, Oxford University Press. 45 Sh.

WAR, post-war, pre-war, war again. This, tragically, very largely sums up the story told in this latest contribution to the Oxford History of England series.

For 10 out of the 32 years Mr. Taylor surveys, the British Empire was at war. It is worthwhile noting that Britain and the Commonwealth were the only belligerents to go through both the slogging matches from the very start to the very finish. Though victorious, Britain naturally emerged dazed and battered.

Mr. Taylor highlights how Churchill, with "Victory" as his only policy, deliberately, if reluctantly, sacrificed Britain's future capability as a world power. "We threw good housekeeping to the winds," said Keynes, the economist, "but we saved ourselves and helped save the world."

Mr. Taylor is particularly good on what might be termed the social side of the two great wars. There can be no doubt that they acted as powerful catalysts for social and constitutional change.

The process was especially marked in

the Second World War with its virtual "war socialism". In Taylor's view, wartime Britain became "more fully socialist than anything achieved by the conscious planning of Soviet Russia". Rationing, conscription, direction of industry and labour, free secondary education, social security, town and country planning—they were all there. War smoothed the way, too, for the Welfare State. But must we have world wars to achieve progress?

P.W.

REALITY THERAPY

by Dr. William Glasser, Harper and Row, New York, \$ 3.95.

AN INTERESTING and hopeful breakthrough in the world of mental health is represented in the pioneer findings of a Los Angeles psychiatrist, William Glasser. What he is calling "reality therapy" is indeed a new approach to psychiatry. To the average layman at least it is most refreshing.

In fact, Dr. Glasser asserts there is no such thing as mental illness. He does not deny the fact that something is wrong with the 500,000 who now occupy the mental hospitals. "People do not act irresponsibly because they are 'ill'," he says, "they are 'ill' because they act irresponsibly."

Conventional psychiatry and clinical psychology, in the tradition of Sigmund Freud, assume that neurosis arises because the afflicted individual's moral

standards are unrealistically high. The new approach holds that human beings get into emotional binds not because their standards are too high, but because their performance is too low.

With an impressive list of successful case histories, Glasser's book *Reality Therapy* documents the value of the new method. Basically, it shuts off the self-excuses arising out of elaborate attempts to "understand" past hurts. It concentrates on whether the person is today living up to what he knows is right, that is whether he is acting responsibly now. The objective is to support and strengthen, never to weaken, the functioning of conscience.

IMPLICATIONS ENORMOUS

"Admittedly," Dr. Glasser continues, "the introduction of morality into psychotherapy may draw criticism from many sources. ...It would be easier for us if we could avoid the issue also, but we cannot.We believe that to the best of our ability as responsible human beings, we must help our patients arrive at some decision concerning the moral quality of their behaviour."

The implications of the new approach are enormous—not only for the mental clinics and hospitals but also for the mounting problems facing society in respect to discovering the cause and cure of crime, juvenile delinquency, alcoholism, drug addiction and other evidences of social breakdown.

W. H.

VIEWPOINT

Should Congress Step Out Three Months Before the Elections?

By Miss S. Nirmala Rao, Hyderabad, A.P.

SPEAKING TO PRESSMEN, Prime Minister Mrs. Gandhi is reported to have said, "It is not necessary and proper for the Congress to resign three months before the General Election."

This is an inadequate reply to a genuine demand in the interests of the healthy growth of our democracy.

There are immense advantages for the Congress in holding office during elections. It can use (indeed is known to use) official machinery and public treasury for electioneering, to woo electorates or appease recalcitrant groups. The opposition have to work with the dice loaded against them. This is not the way to strengthen democracy or mitigate political corruption.

Party Above Country

India, especially rural India, poor, uneducated and abject, is still feudal in its outlook, easily carried away by the show of pomp and power. The democratic Congress, which has been in power for two decades, has done nothing to improve matters. It prefers the status quo and exploits it to perpetuate itself, keeping party above country.

It has stifled growth of an effective opposition so necessary for a healthy democracy. As it is, we are a democracy in name, its institutions having been monopolised by Congress with its good, bad and indifferent membership, geared to win the elections only, thus denying to the nation the benefit of all talents who are outside the Congress.

In order therefore to ensure free and fair elections and let Congress compete on equal terms with other political parties and afford a chance to many a talent in the country to serve it, the Congress should resign well before elections and take credit for starting a healthy democratic convention in letter and spirit. Probably, this renunciation will be the greatest single act of the Congress.

First Prize

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Seventy-six per cent of the entries were for Congress resigning three months before the elections. 24 per cent were against or undecided.

Second Prize

Reform Congress With Young Blood

By R. NARAYANAN, Calcutta 1

TODAY, the Congress Party has merged with the Government in such a manner that it is very difficult to differentiate between the two. The village population, which forms most of the total population of the country, is at the beck and call of the ruling party. The only reason for the proposal that Congress should step out of power three months before the general elections is that the ruling party should not use its offices and power for the purposes of winning the coming elections.

It is pertinent here to see who else can claim to replace the Congress.

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The entire strength of the opposition has been fragmented. Consequently, none of them can claim enough following severally towards forming an alternative Government.

The idea of President's rule during the period of three months when the opposition parties want the Congress Government to step out of power is fraught with grave possibilities of autocracy.


"Unknown Angel"

As the ruling party has been in power for 19 years, there should be nothing wrong in their continuing for the three months before the elections. *A known devil is better than even an unknown angel.*

Energy should be better spent in weeding out deep-rooted corruption and over-experienced people blocking the rise of the younger generation. In other words, Congress should be reformed by infusing young blood.

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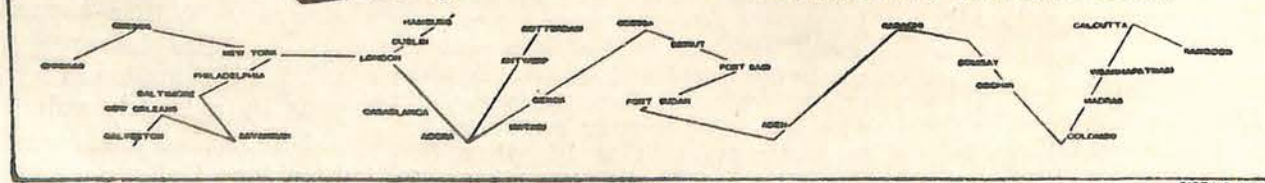
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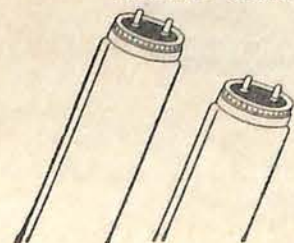
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"IF YOU WANT to become a Badminton champion you need speed, quick reactions, physical fitness, stamina and a good technique," says international Badminton star Irmgard Latz. She is one of the international players who competed in the Western India Badminton Championships last week during an Indian tour.

Escaped to West

Miss Latz, 27 years old, lives near Dusseldorf in West Germany. Her home used to be in East Germany, but in 1949 she and her family had to escape to the West because her father was going to be arrested. "My father was a member of the Social Democratic Party and he didn't keep his mouth shut so he was in trouble," she said. "I went back to my home town in the East two years ago to visit relations and it was like coming to an old peoples' home. All the young people had left—either to the West or to the big industrial towns."

How long have you been playing Badminton?

"For ten years. It is a comparatively new game in Germany as it was started only fifteen years ago. To begin with I did not have a lot of competition and within three years I was on the ranking list of West Germany. For the last six years I have been the West German ladies' champion, and for the last four years the ladies' doubles champion."

This gay young athlete is an enthusiastic sport-lover. "I'm so used to sport," she said, "that I'm unhappy when I can't have it. I need it to keep fit. When I grow too old and slow to continue Badminton I shall take up tennis and play it for the rest of my days I hope."



Irmgard Latz

What is the importance of sport?

"Competing in sporting events gives you the chance to meet and know people from other countries. You are able to learn for instance of the struggles of the people in India. Unfortunately divisions have entered into the world of sport where certain countries refuse to play other countries because of national or political disagreements and this is bad."

What countries have you visited?

"I have been to many European countries, but this is the first time I have travelled outside Europe. I have been the international ladies' champion in Norway, France, Scotland, Switzerland and Germany. Last year I reached the semi-finals of the world championships at Wembley

Pool in London and this year I was in the quarter finals.

"I don't want to make excuses, but I never felt at my best in London," she said with a wry smile. "You see in Germany we go to bed early and we get up early. But in London, the players have a different schedule and go to bed late and get up later. So when I was there I went to bed late, but unfortunately always woke up early at my usual time!"

What was your most exciting game?

"The game I always remember was the one against World Champion Judy Hashman when I beat her in the German International Championships last March."

Magnificent record

Irmgard Latz has a magnificent record of games won. She is also, however, a good loser, taking defeat in good part. Surely this is an important part of sport. One appreciates this quality in her when confronted with the extraordinarily childish bad temper displayed by certain of the other international players when they were losing a game.

Already she has formed a high opinion of the standard of Badminton in India. She eagerly looks forward to getting to know more people and places as this international group continues its tour of the country.

A.E.F.

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LETTERS

"DECADENT THINKING"

From October 1, 1966, the price of cloth has gone up. Though the Government is shouting that prices will be controlled, nothing practical is being done by the Government to stabilize the prices. Every day the prices are going up of every article of daily use.

Food, clothing, housing and education are the four primary requirements which need to be made cheaper so that every individual can get the basic necessities of life.

Congressmen after becoming Ministers or Deputy Ministers amassing wealth do not think of the people they govern or their needs.

The Government, in a democracy, are like parents in a family. Instead of instilling ideas of good character, dedication and service in the minds of the people, they make new laws and the people cunningly disobey the laws.

People are propagating the legalization of abortion which is a sin according to the Hindu Shastras.

In the time of Lord Krishna the demon Bhawmasur had imprisoned many good kings. Today the Government has put into prison many Mahatmas (saintly persons) because they want cow slaughter to be banned.

Indians do not get enough milk, ghee and other milk products and they become unhealthy by eating impure milk products and drinking impure milk. Why then does the Government not think of banning cow slaughter?

After reading all the news about what the Indian Government is doing, I think the saying "Vinash Kale Viparit Pud-dhi" ("Decadent thinking is the precursor of a destroyed civilization") is very true.

MRS. S. H. NANAVATI*

Bombay 7

* This week's Rs. 10 prize winner



"This must be what they call modern art. It is dated October 7, 1966."

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CHEERLESS MANIFESTO

I would like to compliment Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit for her forthright criticism of the Congress Manifesto. Instead of advocating bold and new policies, the Congress Party has helplessly taken refuge in discredited policies and programmes.

Mere promises will no longer cheer the electorate.

ASHOK L. SAMPAT

Bombay 9

INTELLECTUALS' TASK

Nowadays politics has become a profession. Men enter politics not to serve but to save money for their personal needs. If intellectuals fail to check this state of affairs India will be corrupted fully.

M. THIRUMENI

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MORAL GIANTS

Honest labour and clean dealings are at a discount and the stench of corruption pervades the land. Yet there are stirrings among the nobler elements of our society.

If the better-minded do not despair and join in the battle for a spiritual renaissance, we can still restore those moral values which governed our lives and earned the respect of the world when we followed the precepts of Gandhi, Gokhale and other moral-minded giants.

ALEX FRANCIS

Poona 1

GOODBYE TO ANTICS

Reports in the press say that Mr. L. N. Sudhanu, Speaker, Bihar Assembly, declined an invitation to a reception for Prime Minister Mrs. Gandhi because



the invitation card had been printed in English.

It is time leaders like Mr. Sudhanu realized their timeworn conceptions of class and language do not impress today. Better say good-bye to such antics, or the people will say good-bye to you ere long.

If you really care for the country, provide a new kind of leadership—just, dynamic, progressive and responsive to the needs of the people. Millions of Indian youth are ready to respond.

D. R. MOHAN RAJ

Hyderabad 1

HIBERNATING FILES

I suggest the following measures to minimise corruption:

1. A moral revolution is required;
2. Hibernation and tardy-gaited journey of files must be put an end to;
3. The nasty practice of replying with the words "under consideration" should be replaced by prompt action;
4. The Government should deal with the terrible rise in prices otherwise any effort to end corruption will not fructify.

C. DAYAKAR

Ramachandrapuram, AP

CANADIAN PERSPECTIVE

I am an Indian recently arrived in Canada for permanent settlement. Since I am eager to keep myself informed of current developments in India I request you to include me as one of HIMMAT'S overseas subscribers.

India needs Moral Re-Armament and I am eager to help in any way I can to promote it.

MICHAEL LA PORTE

Toronto, Canada

A BRITISHER'S FAITH

India can be a great country. Wipe out the apathy; collect the brains, and India could be one of the richest countries in the world.

(MRS.) JENNIE STEVENSON
Stoke-on-Trent, UK.

This was a life

WILLIAM HARVEY
1578-1657

A SINGLE AIM possessed the life of William Harvey — to increase man's knowledge of the body so he could fight better against disease and pain. His discovery of the blood's circulation caused a medical revolution.

Harvey, son of a London merchant, was educated at King's School and then studied medicine at Cambridge University. In 1597 he went to Padua, then the world's most famous school of medicine, where he studied under the famous Fabricius of Aquapendente. Fabricius had discovered the existence of valves in the veins but did not know their function. It was Harvey who found that they prevented blood flowing in any direction but towards the heart.

After graduation Harvey went to St. Bartholmew's Hospital, London, as physician and this gave him ample opportunity to study blood circulation. He became convinced that the existing theory was wrong. In 1628, after much research, he produced his first book in which he set out his own theory of blood circulation.

Like most initiators he met considerable resistance. His reputation suffered. In the words of a contemporary writer, "Many believed he was cracked in the head." But his proofs could not be refuted and his theory was soon accepted in England and later in Europe.

Harvey continued his anatomical researches becoming one of England's most respected doctors. During the Civil War between King and Parliament he was the royal physician. When Parliament won, he nearly lost his job at St. Bartholmew's. Much of his research material was destroyed when Parliamentary soldiers broke into his house.

BURNED WITH IDEAS

Friends described Harvey as a man who "burned" with ideas. Often he would get up in the middle of the night to work on the ideas that came to him. Today's progress in biological and anatomical discoveries and studies are largely due to his researches.

In his later years he suffered from gout but still took an active interest in medicine and medical students. In 1645 he erected a new building for the Royal College of Physicians. He died in 1657.

He bequeathed his estate at Eurywash, Sussex, to the Royal College, together with a fund for an annual lecture which is still given today. He did not exploit his discoveries for his own benefit but wanted them to be developed by others, both during his lifetime and after.

K.C.B.

FRONTIERS OF science

Russia's Natural Gas

The Russians are fast developing for home and industrial use, their vast natural gas resources.

In the Arctic coastal area of Western Siberia, the Yamal-Nenets national district alone has one eighth of all the Soviet Union's natural gas resources. From this district at least 27,000 million cubic metres of gas will be piped by 1970 to industrial areas of Leningrad, Moscow and the northwest and west of the Soviet Union.

Near Bukhara in Uzbekistan, Soviet Central Asia, there are 17,000 million cubic metres of gas, already discovered. They are to be sent to Tashkent, Frunze and Alma Ata, and to other industrial centres.

Gas from Azerbaijan and Northern Caucasus will be stored in underground salt beds in Armenia. Six oval-shaped caverns are being formed by injecting water through wells to a depth of over half a mile. This dissolves the salt and forms a salt and water solution. Air is then pumped in to drive the salt solution to the surface. Enough gas can be stored at one time to meet the needs of a city for a month.

Toothache In Space

WHAT HAPPENS if you get toothache on a long space flight? Space medicine men have thought of this.

Dr. Jack Hartley of the US Air Force School of Aerospace Medicine, Texas, told the Chicago Dental Society recently about miniaturised dental equipment which weighs just over one pound. It is for an astronaut with an aching tooth.

In the kit is a drill, plus the road-picks dentists use for making holes in one's teeth—finding the holes, I mean. There is some amalgam or filling material which hardens in seconds; a hypodermic needle for injections of local anaesthetic; forceps for pulling out a tooth; antibiotics to stop infection; a tiny mouth mirror with a battery-powered light.

The kit can save much needless expense. Already some astronauts, trained at great cost, have had to be taken out of the programme because of tooth difficulties. Three 90-day tests out of twelve, in chambers that simulate weightlessness, have had to be interrupted because of dental trouble. So far, no trouble has been experienced in orbit but such things have to be anticipated. Flights have been short. As they get longer, such things have to be anticipated.

Who is going to do dentistry if it is needed? So far, there has not been room for a space dentist to go along. So the astronauts will have to do it for each other.

Reginald Holme



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Politicking With The Dead

By Rajmohan Gandhi

OUR GOVERNMENT has won the reputation of perfecting the art of killing initiative. Raise any vibrant suggestion for improving the bus, railway, telephone or electricity service and you'll be ignored at first, harassed if you persist and finally attacked as an anti-social force if you stick up for your suggestion. The Government has discovered the definitive formula of how to be successful in bringing death to new ideas.

Side by side with this goes on a steady and painstaking research in how to cause dead men to become living political forces. In this department our country sure has something novel and pioneering to offer the world.

Birth and death anniversaries are of course just what the political doctor ordered. And with every state having its own and expanding list of national heroes, the public is never for long deprived of the chance of reading or hearing about the particular (I should have said burning) relevance to today's problems of a dead great.

Political Exhibitions

It is wonderful how sudden discoveries about the hopes and wishes of some near-forgotten Titans of yesterday time nicely with today's political exhibitions.

Take for instance the story of the late Dr. Chempakaraman Pillai, the Indian revolutionary and patriot. If many Indians, including large numbers of Kerala people, were ignorant about the details of the late Dr. Pillai's historic role, the organizers of the Congress rally in Ernakulam, who displayed his ashes, should not be blamed too much. Probably an imperialist plot kept his name and fame from the Indian public all these decades, and doubtless political parties other than Congress had an interest in suppressing news about him all these years.

In fulfilling the late Dr. Pillai's wish, an Indian warship flying the national flag brings his ashes from Bombay to Ernakulam and if the Congress rally happens to be held on the same day and in the same place, should such a coincidence be interpreted in sinister terms?

The Indian Navy is strictly non-political and the last thing leaders of the Congress Party want is to use it for their narrow political ends. In any case the spirit of its great past leaders, including Dr. Pillai, would definitely prevent their even thinking of such a move. But can you expect them to be so heartless towards the people of Kerala that when the Navy brings the urn of ashes to Ernakulam they should physically and forcibly prevent the urn from being seen by the large crowds gathered to see the Congress leaders?

Above all, what weighed with the Congress leaders were the feelings of Mrs. Lakshimibai, the late hero's widow, and when she placed before them her heart's longing they could not but be moved. Even when there was a serious risk of a charge of political exploitation of a dead man, they bravely decided to link their rally with the delivery of the ash urn.

Nor should much be made of the fact that the ashes had been in Bombay for over twenty years. Similarly, only unfeeling people would ask if the Navy could not have done the needful before the Congress show in Ernakulam.

Painful Realities

The Congress bosses have emerged from Ernakulam with a new and presumably unshakable resolve. They will deal firmly with all attempts to question the wisdom or propriety of Congress actions and policies. And if anyone raises a whisper suggesting that this whole business with the late Dr. Pillai's ashes has harmed his memory instead of illumining it, his churlishness can be exposed. And if poor Mrs. Lakshimibai gets second thoughts about the series of events as they unfolded, she can be told that the realities of political life are unfortunately painful.

I'm afraid, however, that I do not look at most things the way today's Congress leaders do and I have no hesitation in stating that the whole drama of warship and ashes was a shameful and low political deal. If Dr. Pillai was the kind of valiant patriot I am inclined to believe he was, he would have flayed Congress and resigned from it in contempt.

October 2 was recently with us and brought with it Gandhi and Shastri. The President, Dr. Radhakrishnan, solemnly asked the nation to return to the Gandhian path. Prayer meetings were held at Rajghat where Gandhi was cremated and Vijayghat where the funeral rites for Shastri were held. As part of the celebrations a 216-hour non-stop spinning session began at Rajghat, while at Vijayghat commenced a 24-hour recital of the Gita and other hymns. There were photographic exhibitions, processions of flames, articles in newspapers and books.

Where is Truth?

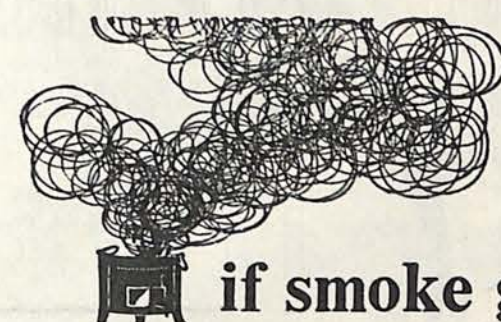
Floral tributes were offered both to the Mahatma and to the hero of the battle with Pakistan.

Would Gandhi laugh or cry at the current Indian scene? He had a great capacity to pick out and enjoy life's humour, but on the whole I think he would cry his heart out because he did love this country. Every value of personal morality that he stood for and lived out has been debased in today's India. Where is truth? Where is purity? Where is character. Where is sacrifice for what one believes in? Where is fearlessness?

They are not dead, Bapuji. In the hearts of a large number of men and women they are very much alive. But they do not shine out of the conduct of those in charge of the country today. There is a systematic attempt to murder the values for which you stood, in fact to murder your spirit, and they will use your name and your birthday and your death day to do it.

Just three days before the birthday a powerful Congress Member of Parliament, knowing that I was standing for Parliament as an independent candidate, told me, "I warn you. Do not underestimate Congress villainy."

That is it. Villainy in power is therefore virtue. Learn to be corrupt, crooked and callous and then you'll have a chance to succeed. A straight life is dangerous. Black is white, and white black. This is free India nearly 20 years after freedom. By God we have got to change her.



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