

Obstinacy is a human trait that brings to us very tremendous difficulties in its relations with others. Obstinacy is a human trait that is not to be despised and with stubborn clinging to something against which another man is opposed, the possibility of a loss of the achieving of good is not to be confused with obstinacy.

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IS THAT and THAT

By G. R. A.

England To Be Socialized? Whither The U.S.A.?

In a speech last week in England, Deputy Prime Minister Morrison revealed that Britain's dominating Labor Party has a tentative plan for socializing the country. As you know, folks, England has been going that way ever since the recent war ceased.

England, the former stronghold of the processes of a capitalist democracy, the "American Way of Life," is being taken over by the masses. Under Socialism, she will be more than half-way to something bordering on totalitarianism—and, (though we pray not), close to the "police state."

England, "a brave little island" for many centuries, reveals the modern drift of world populations toward complete mass control, rather than the so-called "class control" of the past.

Under "class control," it was assumed that a leadership could be developed that would look after the welfare of the whole mankind to evolve, through education and hard work, to a more abundant life for every man willing to think and work. True, in this control mankind has been proved its ability to produce, on farms and in factories, more of the commodities that human beings want and need. The standards of living of many peoples did improve, with that America reaching the highest level.

Too Slow A Pace

It is also true, too, that while these improvements took place and mankind developed technologically and agriculturally, it was unable, rapidly enough, to bring about the social changes that would look after their well-being and economic stability for the nations so engaged.

England, once "Queen of the seas," once a great leader in the world, has been unable to distribute its products, cannot meet the competition of other nations that have sprung up in the past century. She cannot raise food enough on her soil to feed her own people. She is the victim, also, of class differences, and a comparative lack of people holding most of her wealth.

Bravely she sought and fought to maintain her position, both at home and abroad; she witnessed the direct loss of her various colonies, that formerly made up her Empire.

And now she is traveling the hard road toward socialism. In it, it seems to me, she will only find "the atmosphere of the grave."

She will not find in Socialism the desired heritage of "the more abundant life."

Fault in Human Nature

Well, folks, simply because the basic values of human nature have not changed, mankind still is too selfish, too full of lust for personal power, too lacking in essential intelligence to make the larger apparatus of Socialism work.

Mankind may change the present systems of its political, economic and social life, but he cannot, unless man himself changes, but he will remain what he was before he changes, and he will be more like than not, (as history records), man will again seek another change in state of his outward life, but will remain only at the level of his best... which, apparently, is not good enough to satisfy his wants.

"This is not to say that mankind is headed for good, because that he is no more tolerant; or that mankind, eventually, is not destined to support more Utopian heights."

This Is The Harvest

What we are witnessing in England is merely a sort of autumnal harvest of what was planted in the springtime of mankind's birth in Merrie Old England. The seed sown, and is being harvested. Come the winter, bleak and cold... and then another spring.

May the "seed" that is to be planted contain more of the pattern of an ideology based upon the Golden Rule of Jesus Christ, His commandments, and every similar ideal mankind has thus far envisioned.

Shades of the Past! Ah, ye are a shadow on the present... and in your place, please God, may a more stable image and likeness of the Maker appear and populate this good earth.

Bloomfield Hills, Baldwin to Graduate 165 Students Today

Dr. Kenneth I. Brown, president of Denison University in Granville, Ohio, will address the 145 members of the Baldwin high school graduating class Thursday morning at 10 o'clock in the Birmingham Theatre. His topic will be "You speak Education with Two I's."

Thursday will also mark the date of the commencement exercises of Bloomfield Hills high school. Dr. John Visser, pastor of the Highland Park Presbyterian church, will deliver the address on the school grounds, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Following his address the 20 members of the senior class will receive their diplomas.

The Baldwin class speaker became president of Denison in 1940. He received his degree from the University of Rochester in 1918; M.A. from Harvard in 1923; Ph.D. from Harvard in 1924 and LL.D. from the University of Rochester in 1935.

Committee Member

A naval veteran of World War I, Dr. Brown has worked with several universities and colleges. In addition to this he has become widely known for his literary works, having published several articles in national magazines. He has also worked in an editorial capacity on various publications.

Dr. Brown has served on committees of national importance in the educational field, including his chairmanship of the "Committee of Colleges and Universities," North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, and the Committee on Education for Citizenship, Ohio College Association, to which he was named in 1946.

Baldwin Seniors

The following students will be presented by Ross A. Wagner, state senator, to receive their diplomas from Dr. Dwight B. Ireland, superintendent of Birmingham schools.

Carolyn Abbott, Betty Lou Ackerman, Joan Allison, Jennette C. Dr. Brown, Kenneth B. Gault, James H. Barnes, Nancy J. Beck, Fian Berganigan, Margaret L. Bernier, Marie A. Berrier, John D. Benish, Dolores Benson, Richard D. Blaisdell, Walter S. Bollen, Barbara B. Bollen, Sarah B. Breitenstein, Robert C. Brown, Robert H. Brown, John C. Bueck, JoAnne Burdick, Conrad W. Burkman, Mary Alice Burkman, Robert C. Canfield, Robert C. Carey, Earl S. Carter, Virginia B. Carter, Nancy J. Chesna, Carolyn B. Clark, Elizabeth A. Clark, Robert Curley, Elaine O. Curtis, Dorothy C. Cutler, Ruby L. Dexter, John D. Dixon, Elizabeth M. Drake, Joseph Draper.

Eleanor Dufoure, Andrew J. Gilbert, Phillip G. Gibson, Andrew J. Engel, Barbara J. Everett, Robert F. Folin, John C. Fontaine, John A. Fricker, Alan D. Garland, Robert J. Gibb, Richard B. Grimm, Harry S. Gruber, Cynthia Hadley, Vivian L. Hale, Charlotte A. Hall, Richard Halpin, William W. Halstead, Eleanor Hambrick, Lee C. Hanson, Frederick D. Harter, Peter H. Hartouff, Martha E. Heikkinen, Helen A. Hemming, John D. Henn, Peter L. Hersey, Sue L. Hersey, John H. Hersey, Alan H. Hersey, Evelyn G. Horne, Patricia L. Howell, Barbara J. Hughes, Arthur H. Hunsicker, Alan H. Hunsicker, L. Jackson, Nancy A. Jacobi, Margaret Jafano.

Richard J. Jagger, Bertram Johnson, Clayton Joyce, Norma Lee Kass, Kate Kelly, Mary E. Keane, Robert E. Keith, Stanley E. Kothke, James Laidig, Erling R. Landsness, Russell W. Layland, Robert E. Leary, Frank Perkins, Ariene Phelps, Robert H. Pivitt, Timothy S. Reed, Richard C. Reilly, William E. Reynolds, Harold Goodwin Roy, Virginia Schaffer, Thomas E. Seaborn, June M. Seaborn, William E. Seaborn, Madge B. Staley, Marilyn L. Staley, Janet R. Stearns, Robert C. Stevens, Elsie Swartz.

Margie A. Thayer, Charles A. Thomas, Georgia C. Thurman, Guy W. Tomlin, Charles W. Towner, David Walker, Patterson Wall, Robert B. Webster, John D. Welton, Robert G. Wilcox, Stanley G. West, Elizabeth Whitelaw, Sherrill A. Williams, Adelin E. Wilson, Norman E. Wilson, William J. Wilson, Cecil R. Woodhouse, Robert N. Woodruff, Laurence B. Young.

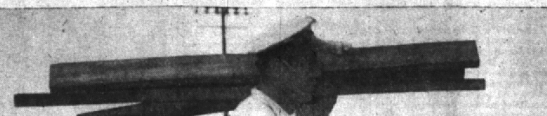
The invocation is given by the Rev. Harold Towne of St. James Episcopal church, after which several addresses will be given. The Baldwin high school student body will present musical selections.

Church of Churches Has Annual Election

The Rev. Emil Kotus, pastor of the First Baptist church, was named president at the Birmingham Council of Churches meeting Tuesday noon. The Rev. Reginald Becker of Embury Methodist church was elected vice-president, and Ed. Kirbert re-elected secretary-treasurer.

The meeting, held in the Community House, featured annual reports of the council.

Work on Second Pierce School Addition Progresses Rapidly



Alfred Martin carries a load of lumber to be used in making concrete forms for part of the new 4-room addition to Pierce School. School officials hope the construction of this north wing will be completed so it may be ready for use when school resumes next fall. An 8-room wing was added last summer and used for the first time this past school year. (Photo by H. P. Estes)

Moery Named Head of Local Lions; Hold Installation June 29

Joseph E. Moery was named president of the Birmingham Lions club at their election last Wednesday. He will be succeeded by Robert B. Bender, first vice-president and Orbo Casau, Jr., second vice-president.

Donald L. Cummings is elected to serve his seventh term as Lion tamer. Lyman (Rocky) Craig will be the official Traffic Court judge. Max Ege is serving his second year on the board of directors, with Thomas Spencer and Roland Reese, the immediate past president.

The officers-elect will be installed on Wednesday, June 23, by the past presidents of the local club.

Man Is Judged By His Record, Graduates Told

Using the famous slogan of the late Alfred E. Smith, the Rev. Emil Kotus opened the baccalaureate sermon Sunday evening by quoting, "Let's look at the record."

"To look at one's record," he said, "will cut through the maze of controversy and endless debate, for man's record will show what he did and what he was, and will test the sincerity of his word."

"If one would keep his record true, there are four things he must watch. He must think clearly, without confusion; act purely, without hypocrisy; be honest, from honest motives; love his fellowman sincerely and trust securely in his God in heaven."

For the first step, Rev. Kotus, pastor of the First Baptist church, showed the members of the class that to have a successful democracy, people must think independently and for themselves. He brought out that the first step to any complete regeneration is the destruction of true democracy is the trend of the public to follow the whims of the present, blindly and without intelligent thinking by the individual.

Individual Integrity

"To act from honest motives, purely, is one of the most important things in life," he told his listeners. "It gives a man added strength to go on to overcome obstacles. A great deal of the trouble in the world today is caused by highly intelligent persons who are possessed with low morals. We must personally and as a group, for the ends do not justify the means. If we would succeed, both personally and as a group, a city, nation or world, we must live honestly."

"The third important factor, to love your fellowman sincerely, will develop the great American Democracy which had its original roots in religion. Sincere regard for our fellowman develops into so many other things, the wonderful patriotism of Edith Cavell, Stephen Decatur and so many others, whose lives of their fellowman has passed even their love of life itself."

"The final fact which we must incorporate into our individual records, if they are to stand close examination and be true in God. Without that, we are lost."

To emphasize this, the speaker illustrated the experience of the radio star, Eddie Cantor, who told of being on the streets of New York.

4,000,000 Gallons of Water Pumped Here Saturday

Birmingham pumps a record 4,027,500 gallons of water through city mains Saturday as residents watered lawns and gardens after waiting in vain for several weeks for rain to do the job.

The previous high was established on Aug. 1, 1946, when 3,468,300 gallons of water were pumped in a 24-hour period.

Saturday Park Opening of Summer Recreation Program

Bigger and better than ever—that about describes this year's summer recreational program which is being offered by the City Recreation Board.

Starting with the Quarterback-sponsored Track and Field Olympics at Pierce Field this coming Saturday, June 18, and closing with an all-city playground picnic at Springdale Park on August 11, Birmingham's recreational minded citizens will have had the opportunity of participating in 41 different sports and other planned activities.

Many new features have been added to increase the variety of activities being offered to appeal to older age groups. Among these are the extensive drama activities featured in the Baldwin high school, featuring a playground sport at Barnum; Springdale; advanced jewelry making for playground and craft shops; a Junior girls academy for boys and girls who are interested in FBI type work; and information; rifle shooting at the Police range on Grantbrook road, and trampolines on the newly purchased trampoline at the Barnum playground.

Supervised playgrounds will function at the Adams; Quanton; and Pierce playgrounds on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Instrumental music will be available in the Hill school band room daily. Classes will be arranged according to playing ability of children, class sizes, and individual needs. Boys who cannot play an instrument but who desire to learn are especially welcome. Some instruments to be furnished. Drum majoring interests will be met also.

Will Use Police Range

Rifle shooting activities will be held on the police range on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in complete safety. A marksmanship instruction, firearms safety education, and extensive target shooting will be given to boys and girls who desire to learn to shoot the safe way. All rifles are furnished and ammunition will be sold on the range at cost.

No participants in the program will be allowed to bring their own guns or ammunition to the range. All instruction is expertly supervised and the range will be held if enough interest is demonstrated.

Trampolining classes will be held during afternoon hours on the Barnum playground. The apparatus has become very popular for boys and girls, plus many other benefits and balance rather than brute strength.

Condition Unchanged

Meanwhile, the condition of Kathleen McGowan, injured June 3 when she ran into the side of a motorcycle in W. Maple, remains the same. The nineteen-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. McGowan, 110 Appleton, suffered severe head injuries which necessitated an emergency brain operation. According to hospital personnel, she has not yet regained consciousness.

Schluske road officers have had fallen asleep, suffered fractured ribs, and a leg broken. They demolished, officers reported.

Fencing Lessons

For all boys and girls who desire to learn the art of fencing or who would just like to have fun, periods will be devoted to the study of fencing on the playground during a fifteen-minute period. Arrangements will be made for the instruction to be held after they have been directed to the playground. (See Page 2)

Olympic Star Will Officiate at 1949 Jr. Olympics Here

One of the highlights of the Junior Olympics to be held at Pierce Field Saturday will be the appearance of Bill Porter, North-western University's Olympic high hurdles champion. Porter will run an exhibition high hurdles race, will act as official starter for the high hurdles classes. Porter is the son-in-law of Mayor Harold Gause, 860 Fairfax.

Community Council Names New Officers

Mrs. John K. Ormond, 1169 N. Woodward, was named president of the Community Council at a meeting held at the home of Mrs. Cleveland Walcutt last week. The Rev. Emil Kotus, pastor of the First Baptist church, was named vice-president; Mrs. William J. Gossett, secretary; and Paul Frick, treasurer. The committee will be handled by Mrs. Harvey Forest.

Second Fire Damages Cecil McCann Home

A second fire within a three-day period added to the damage at the Cecil McCann home at Quanton road, last week Wednesday afternoon. Canvas used to cover areas of the roof which burned Sunday, was burned as well as additional areas of the roof.

The fire started in the Bloomfield township fire department had the blaze extinguished Wednesday morning. The fire started in the Quanton road, last week Wednesday afternoon. Canvas used to cover areas of the roof which burned Sunday, was burned as well as additional areas of the roof.

The general chairman of the committee of the 1949 Junior Olympics is Colin Campbell. He will be assisted by Mrs. Warren S. Sumner who will prepare the monthly calendar of events.

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