

Acheson, Master Blunderer

Ever since Dean Acheson became U. S. Secretary of State, in January of 1949, and even prior to that when he was Under Secretary, his private and official acts make us suspicious that his early sympathy for Soviet Russia hasn't completely vanished.

In its April issue, the American Mercury Magazine printed an article entitled: "Freedom's Case Against Dean Acheson." It was written by Felix Wittmer, and traces Acheson's record as a private lawyer, whose firm represented Russia in getting an American loan at the close of World War II.

Acheson, associate and defender of Alger Hiss, John Carter Vincent, John Stewart Service, Owen Lattimore, Lachlin Currie, and other Soviet sympathizers... Acheson, friend of the Chinese Communist group prior to the Korean outbreak... Acheson, who said following Hiss' conviction "I will not turn my back on Alger Hiss"... Acheson, the smooth and suave manipulator of Presidents, diplomats and dupes... Heaven only knows how much this man is responsible for the international mess we are in.

TRUMAN STAUNCHLY DEFENDS Acheson. Truman, inept and fairly ignorant of international problems and his solutions, leans heavily upon his Secretary of State... just as he leaned heavily upon many other of his official appointments... some of whom are in prison.

Harry S. Truman, nice little guy in a neighborly sort of way... but so unable to be the statesman his job really calls for...

And the Truman Democrats hope and expect to re-elect one of the Truman camp, to impose, if successful in November, the same domestic and international policies that have carried the United States so close to war and so far from traditional freedom...

Boy, this coming November 4, we think, is the most important date in American history since the nation was freed from the oppression of a foreign King!

Any Republican would and will be a tremendous improvement!

Playing for Big Stakes

General Eisenhower is now surrounded by politicians who run the gamut from honest and sincere to some lesser level that is close to the belly of a snake (and the same goes for practically all other high politicians who cannot always select their supporters).

When he headed up the military forces of freedom in Europe during the late war, he found it reasonably easy to weld together different viewpoints of the various leaders involved. This was because, threatened by a common enemy, those depending upon Ike's leadership were willing to follow him. Eventually, he led

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ONE THING OR ANOTHER

THEY'D BE LESS THAN 10 FEET APART

If you've ever tried to visualize just how many federal government employees we taxpayers are supporting, try this: If all these workers were lined up in a single row across the continental limits of the United States, employees would be less than 10 feet from the ones on either side. Come to think of it, this might be a good idea—they could supplement this nation's radar warning net and would put most of these employees to work doing something beneficial.

When the day comes that ANY woman comes to her senses and makes mistakes, then I'll confess mine.

Many of our month's high school and college graduates were told by their commencement speakers that "they have the world by the tail." If they haven't found that our steady, they soon will.

them to victory.

But in a political campaign for the office of President of the United States, the stakes are high, because the rewards can be high. That is why the supporters of each leading contender, in each of the major parties, are fighting hard for their man to win.

THAT IS WHY within a political party words are uttered that sound as though they came from an evil enemy. That is why each candidate and his supporters are sparring as adeptly as possible to win delegates who will vote at the two conventions.

The stakes are very high... indeed, about as high as income taxes and the tolerance of the American people will allow... and that, as we all know, ain't hay!

From Our Point of View

President Truman wants it to be known that he wears no man's collar. Indeed, how can he, with all of labor hanging on his neck!

Senator Bob Taft once played, as a baby, in the White House. His dad, you know, officially lived there. Robert certainly is working hard to get his luggage back to the big mansion... wonder if he intends to look up some of his missing boyhood toys.

Being human beings, most of Detroit's policemen recently voted to be allowed to remove their ties during hot weather. Police Commissioner Boos had refused the request earlier, but agreed to do what a majority of the boys in blue would vote for on the subject. Being a man of his word, George Boos will head up tieless cops when the weather is hot. (At all times, though, the Fifth City's public defenders will keep their shirts on.)

Either Taft or Eisenhower would, in the opinion of millions of Americans (including many Jeffersonian Democrats) better represent and defend the basic principles and traditions of this nation than any of the New-Fair Deal crowd. Another four years of Trumanism and you may rest assured that you really will become slaves of a socialistic state.

Let us fight everybody and everything in order to preserve our freedom—even if we have to give up our liberty," seems to be the general idea behind the actions of too many do-gooders and politicians today.

So They Say...

Robert A. Lovett, Secretary of Defense: "The Communist techniques, worldwide, have usually been to charge someone else in advance with the crimes they propose to commit."

S. H. Bingham, N. Y. transportation official: "Downtown U.S.A. is doomed to die unless the cities stress movement of people rather than motor traffic."

Wallace J. Gardner, Episcopal Bishop of New Jersey, condemning bingo parties in support of churches: "By no means can I construe the fruits of gambling as a holy sacrifice."

By George Wm. Averill

The quickest way for a woman to drive her husband (or any man within earshot) crazy is... and get... and gab...

In charging off mistakes, too many people put them under the column headed "Experience." When more of them should be entered under "Stupidity."

Pretty soon now the fall hunting season will be upon us. We will read about several hunters being shot, some probably killed. The reason is a good one: they were hunting for bucks who were lighting cigars.

When that new bridge over the Straits of Mackinac finally is opened to traffic, we probably never again will read about the

Talk to My Lawyer



Happenings of Long Ago

Bits of News Gleaned from Old Files of the Eccentric—The Items That Make Up The Historical Background Of The Birmingham of Today.

50 YEARS AGO July 11, 1902 We are glad to announce that Wm. Hunt is making his beautiful home shine with a new coat of paint. Mr. Robinson, the tall man, is applying it. Now Wm. will name his farm some appropriate name "suitably" will be happy.

On the Perry Phillips farm northeast of Birmingham last week Mr. Milton bored for water finding it at only eight feet. Wishing a larger supply, he bored a little farther and now they have a fine well only eleven feet deep.

A wonderful premise, a fine peach crop is proved to us by a branch about a foot long brought in by John Wilkinson of Southfield avenue. It has on it 18 perfect peaches of the Elberta brand, and which that the yield will be enormous.

The Messrs. Foster and Mark Hanna, sons of our worthy postmaster, have gone to the mountains for a vacation seeking rest and recreation after their hard work of the city. They are in the south—honored guests of their aunt.

20 YEARS AGO July 14, 1932 With southeast residents warning to the Potts, Ray A. Palmer and John Rosko became members of the Birmingham board of education this week. The John Marts, candidate for reelection. A record 1,200 votes were cast.

Step one in an economy move Bloomfield Hills commissioners a 20 per cent reduction in all township salaries. Other reductions will be made in township expenditures as plans are thoroughly studied and revised.

Ten persons have volunteered their services to the village to act without charge in accepting permanent registration of voters.

HORSE SENSE AND NONSENSE

BY ALICE E. MORGAN

BEAT THE HEAT The usual way to beat the heat is to make a good fast spring for the house, some every inch of yard around, wash down the sides of the house and make sure that the porches and concrete walks get a good cooling off.

This, of course, is followed by as small an amount of clothing as the law and one's conscience allows and whatever other things come to mind.

Right now, step one of the program has come a cropper—there simply isn't enough water. Since most of us have a certain amount of faith in the old saying that you never miss the water 'til the well runs dry, we are complying with official requests to take it easy on the springs.

There are a number of other ways to beat the heat, so don't lose heart.

ONE IS frequent raids on the ice cube trays, the lemon supply and the sugar's bowl. It has been drawn, of course, it takes too long, it uses too much sugar and the store sells out of lemons.

Another which many have used to advantage is to get a good book, tucked under the head and another tucked under the feet. Then you sit quietly and read. Myrtle's eyes are said to be the best and the wisest the better.

To a certain group the only solution is to get in the family car and drive fast enough to create a breeze. It's fine until the radiator boils a tire blows and the man in the motorcycle starts to write you a note—an invitation to meet Judge so-and-so at such-and-such time the early part of next week.

OTHERS BELONG to the cold shower school of thought. They keep popping in and out of show-

People's Column

The Eccentric welcomes letters for this column. All letters must be signed but accuracy will be kept confidential upon request. Letters are limited to 500 words.

To the Editor: I was very happy, these past two issues, to see the Sunday Sermonettes continued. When The Eccentric appeared for two weeks without this very interesting feature, I feared it had been discontinued.

It seems to me to be one of the finest gestures your paper has made. There is too little thought to religion these days, save as a token gesture every Sunday morning.

The ministers serving the various churches in this area should feel proud that they have the opportunity of reaching so many.

Too, they should be congratulated on the manner in which they have written these brief sermons. They have been most interesting and up-to-date.

Again, let me congratulate The Eccentric for devoting space to our churches and the pastors for being concerned enough in the religious welfare of their community to take advantage of it.

A READER

News copy submitted early necessarily is given preference over late items. So the "Early Bird" usually gets the space.

ELECT STANLEY M. BROWN REPUBLICAN TO UNITED STATES CONGRESS 10th DISTRICT OAKLAND CO.

LEGION SLAMS Clawson, 16-0

Birmingham's American Legion baseball team posted its most convincing win over Clawson Wednesday night, July 2, by a lopsided 16-0 score.

Led by the one-hit pitching of winning hurler Sheldon, Birmingham batsmen pounded out 13 hits and committed only one fielding miscue. Sheldon fanned 16 men

in the seven-inning game. Only bright spot for the losers was the outstanding fielding of left-fielder Crevy who grabbed two drives that were tagged for extra bases.

BILL WATKINSON led the hitting for Birmingham with a home run triple and single.

Friday, July 11, Birmingham will play a previously postponed game with undefeated Royal Oak at Memorial Field at 8:30 p.m. Sunday, July 13, the team will go to Clarkston to meet Waterford at 2:30 p.m.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of School District No. 2, Fractional, Townships of Bloomfield, Troy and West Bloomfield and City of Bloomfield Hills, for the election of members of the Board of Education and for the transaction of such other business as may lawfully come before it will be held at the school house on Vaughan Road, Bloomfield Hills, July 14, 1952, at 8:00 P.M.

EDWARD A. PROCTOR Secretary, Board of Education July 1, 1952

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