

'Culture' Has Many Meanings

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Just as Man has had a most difficult time in trying to explain what Love is, so does he stumble around when he attempts to capture the term 'culture' in so many printed words.

For the past couple weeks more than a half dozen or so informed folks have struggled with: 'What is Culture?' Will it sound like conceit if the bold declaration is made right here to the effect that we knew it existed all around us all the time?

Nobody will dispute the obvious fact that it certainly does lie within the notes of great music; that it is found, too, in books, buildings and budding ballerinas reaching high on their toes.

HOWEVER, WITHOUT detracting from its significance could not other avenues of Culture be touched upon? Maybe they're only the by-products of this intangible item. Maybe again they are just as real in their own way. Like:

the value of silent communication. A silence which comes suddenly after two people have been exchanging ideas on a certain subject and there burst through an unique UNDERSTANDING of what each other meant.

IN A PECULIAR way this, too, could be labeled a form of culture. Never in the history of Man has this been utilized to such a degree by so many different races.

Some boast that it shall be our only way in the future—a most exciting thought!

Without getting really poetic, couldn't one bring in the sister to the above which follows so closely after communication is experienced—that of tolerance?

Surely, this is a flowering of the word 'culture'. In one of its most beautiful dresses, Unlike an evening frock which hangs in the back of a closet and is brought out only for gala moments, it's put on for hourly use by ordinary people.

enanced in a musical instrument, in a pair of ballet slippers or even between covers of books or within the steel of a tall building. And where does each one have its birth? Ah, that is where their real beauty and worth lies hidden. Because all of us know, without even being told, they constantly spring right up out of: Each one's heart!

Culture? It is such a perpetual moving thing.

Training Exercise

CAMP LEJUNE, N. C.—Participating in a recent three-week training exercise in North Carolina's mountainous Pisgah national forest, was Pvt. Kendall A. Madaras, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Madaras, 1356 Davis, Birmingham, Mich. Before enlisting in August 1955 he graduated from Birmingham High School. He is a member of the 3rd Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment, an infantry unit of the 2nd Marine Division at Camp Lejeune, N. C.

State Reins Get Tighter On Scooters

New restrictions for motor scooter drivers go into effect in Birmingham Saturday, as required by the Michigan State Motor Vehicle code. The minimum age limit has been raised by one year (drivers must now be at least 15 years of age), scooter drivers must have had driver training, a maximum speed limit has been set at 35 mph. The state has limited the number of persons on the scooter to one (that is, no passengers are allowed).

FURTHER restrictions have been imposed on those who drive after dark. A special permit which sets the time and area in which the scooter will be operated has to be obtained from the police department, according to the Michigan Motor Vehicle code, said Birmingham Police department, according to the Michigan Motor Vehicle code, said Birmingham Police Chief Ralph W. Mosley. Parent or guardian will have to sign for the permit at the police station, he added, and submit a letter requesting permission and stating reasons for the need of the permit.

THE PERMIT will have to be carried in addition to the special operator's license. The permit, police Lt. Robert Schaele, director of safety, pointed out, will be good within the Birmingham city limits. Each municipality will issue its own permits, he said.

Back from Duty

NORFOLK, VA.—Jon M. Ross, fireman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Ross of 711 Bates, Birmingham, Mich., has returned to Norfolk, Va., aboard the destroyer USS James C. Owens after a seven-month tour of duty with the U. S. Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean.



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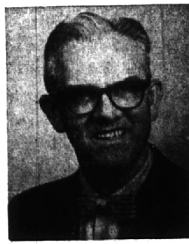
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