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A Fortright Statement

The Eisenhower Doctrine is making slow progress through the United States Senate. It is now clear that it would not have been approved at all if the President had gone ahead with his plans to support sanctions against Israel.

Of all the Senatorial criticism of the Administration's Middle East policy, a paragraph in a speech by Senator Olin D. Johnson, Democrat of South Carolina, is of special importance, for it exposes the fatuousness—or something worse—of the President's stated view that some nations should be compelled to obey resolutions passed by the U.N.

The "One World" Concept

At the National Convention of the Association of American School Administrators Mr. Norman Cousins, the distinguished editor of Saturday Review and a scholar of note, deplored what he called the "superficial information" which most college students possess of Asia, India and Africa.

which they are not and never will be, the cramming of facts, or opinions, concerning the world's civilizations into the head of a student over a four, five or six year period would be a physical impossibility.

In any event, is a fair knowledge of other cultures than our own, in fact whatever it may be in theory, an incentive to better international relations? The point has certainly not been proved.

Since the end of World War One the "international" fashion has grown steadily. As Mr. Cousins says, it is still limited in scope, but it is a thousand times stronger than it was no more than twenty-five years ago.

EDITORIAL NOTES

An Egyptian Government spokesman is quoted as saying "Egypt could easily drive Israel out but prefers to win world opinion to her side."

A nudist group in Vancouver has volunteered to send speakers to any organization anywhere in Canada which might be interested in learning about their "way of life."

The Canadian scollop fishery is facing new competition. A report from Brisbane, Australia, says that the tasty fish have been found in large numbers along the Queensland coastline.

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A GOOD JOB FOR THEM

PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open to the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinion of correspondents.

CRISIS IN EDUCATION

Sir, — I would like to add my mite to what others have said on the educational question. It would seem that the chief malady of education is overwork and malnutrition. Education faces a job today unparalleled in the history of the human race.

Percentage of Budget Spent

Table with 3 columns: Educa-tion, High-ways, Agri-culture. Rows for years 1900, 1925, 1934, 1945, 1955.

One can make some very significant perhaps alarming deductions from the above. The share for education shows an increasing almost relentless decline. The expenditure on highways moves up equally inexorably.

Last March our teachers received a raise in pay of \$100 per year. On the 11th of May, 1956, the Department of Education reported that the grants for classroom construction were to be raised to \$2,500.

In 1955 the average salary of teachers in Prince Edward Island was \$1,445.83. Out of around 800 teachers about 400 were second class 100 were permit, and only 127 were male teachers.

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Ghana's Prime Minister

By Seaghan Maynes Reuters Service, London

Dr. Kwame Nkrumah, prime minister of the new West Africa nation of Ghana, sees the emergence of this former British Gold Coast colony into self-government as another step towards his vision of a socialist Africa of independent states.

With his dream of independence in his own country now a reality, this prime minister who left a prison cell to form a government outlined his political philosophy in his autobiography entitled Ghana.

The publication of the book coincides with the inauguration of independence on March 6, making Ghana the first British colony in West Africa to attain self-government within the Commonwealth.

This autobiography is the story of the rise to power of a village goldsmith's son, of his introduction to "underground" political work in Britain and America, where he knew poverty and hunger, and of the bitter intra-party struggles in the Gold Coast from which he emerged as a national leader who negotiated with Britain for the independence of the colony's 4,125,000 people.

Much of Dr. Nkrumah's political thought and action is dominated by hatred for the colonial system. He says "it is far better to be free to govern, or misgovern, yourself than to be governed by anybody else."

He regards the achievement of independence in Ghana, not as an isolated objective confined to the Gold Coast, but as part of a general movement toward the abolition of colonial rule throughout Africa.

"From now, it must be pan-American nationalism, and the ideology of African political consciousness and African political emancipation must spread throughout the whole continent," he declares.

"The African has been awakened and the struggle for freedom will go on . . . Our task is not done and our own safety is not assured until the last vestiges of colonialism have been swept from Africa."

Dr. Nkrumah rejects the capitalist system as "too complicated" for a newly-independent nation and advocates a socialistic society, in which democracy may need the support, in the early days, of "emergency measures of a totalitarian kind."

He confesses that he once thought armed rebellion was the only way to achieve his objective of self-government. But he was turned from this course by a study of Mahatma Gandhi's philosophy of non-violence, which he sought to apply in practical terms in the Gold Coast.

Like Gandhi and many other revolutionary leaders who changed their country's systems of government, Dr. Nkrumah knew the humiliation of imprisonment. In 1948, when he was general secretary of the United Gold Coast Convention, he was arrested and detained following riots in Accra, the capital.

Shortly afterwards, he broke away from the convention group to form his own Convention People's Party and again suffered imprisonment as a political agitator.

He was still in prison when his new party swept into power in the 1951 general election. He was released and invited by the governor, Sir Charles Arden-Clarke, to form a government.

World's Lonely Spots

In a world of overcrowded cities and streets, there are still many lonely spots. Some desperately need more people for the survival of dwindling communities.

An outstanding example is Scotland's Fair Isle, in the North Atlantic Shetlands. On this rocky little island, long noted for fine specialty knitwear, population has dropped to less than 50.

The National Trust for Scotland, holder of the six-square-mile area, recently launched a campaign to attract new settlers and halt the flight of birdless young men who hopelessly outnumber single women. Inducements include better housing and fishing industries, and modern housing and medical facilities.

Fair Isle's location makes it worth fighting to save, says the National Geographic Society. Halfway between the Orkneys and the main Shetland group, it guards strategic sea and air routes between northern Europe and North America. It is a noted bird sanctuary. Its lighthouses protect shipping in dangerous waters.

For their islands scattered over the Pacific, the Caribbean, and Indian Ocean, remoteness from travel lanes is itself the charm.

Medically Speaking

By Herman N. Bundesen, M.D.

TB IS STILL A THREAT You don't hear much about tuberculosis any more. Get into a discussion with anyone about the disease and they're likely to respond: "TB? Why that's all licked. Look how the death rate has dropped. It's no problem any more."

Well, let's look at the record. It's true, fortunately, that we have cut the TB death rate by 90 per cent in the last half century.

But it's also true that tuberculosis still strikes one American every five minutes; that nearly 60,000,000 Americans are infected with TB germs right now, and that about 400,000 of them have active cases.

At least 1,200,000 of these TB victims need medical care or medical supervision for either active or inactive cases. And 400,000 of them probably don't even know they have the disease.

With so many persons capable of spreading the infection, I think you'll agree that tuberculosis still presents quite a sizable problem. LIKELY VICTIMS

Who is likely to be a victim of TB? Tuberculosis can strike anyone, any time, anywhere. It can kill at all ages.

Recently, however, we have observed that TB is becoming more a disease of older persons. More new cases and more deaths occur in middle life and old age than in the younger years.

Men appear to be more vulnerable since TB attacks twice as many men as women. Especially hard hit by the disease are Negroes, Americans of Spanish descent and American Indians.

You give the germ a better chance to gain a foothold if you are in poor general health. An inadequate diet, frequent exposure to infections, poor housing—these are among the numerous health and social problems which help lower the body's resistance.

Yet, even if you're in good health, you've got to protect yourself from the ever present danger of tuberculosis.

To be sure, see your doctor. QUESTION AND ANSWER

O.G.: I have noticed a marked difficulty in swallowing. Liquid foods are easily taken, but I have difficulty swallowing solid and soft foods. What could cause this? Answer: I may be due to some form of constriction of the tube leading from the mouth to the stomach.

The Poets Corner

THE RAM

The pasture holds the flock. The fence Stretch a taut, barbed confidence Around the acres where the sheep stand still, or graze, or fall asleep.

From oldest ewe to youngest lamb The sheep are tranquil. But the ram Raises his black, inquiring face Above the heads of Queen Anne's lace

To challenge, with impatient horn A rustling in the neighboring corn. The shadows of the linden wood He deems intentioned of no good. He nudges flames of paintbrush fire

Become potential case for ire; The droning, clover-stead, bees Are momentarily his enemies.

And so he stamps the peaceful ground At no stage sight, no alien sound— Because, although obscured and dim, Some ancient memory stirs in him That once, among forgotten rocks, He guarded other, wilder flocks, And fended off a thousand ills Upon a thousand ancient hills.

—Silence Buck Bellows, in the Christian Science Monitor.

The Age Old Story

This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world

OUR YESTERDAYS

From the Guardian Files TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (March 5, 1932)

After a hard day of snow fighting following Thursday's severe rain, the railway lines of the Province were cleared shortly after 5 o'clock last evening. The train which was held over Thursday night at Borden, and which carried 60 passengers, proceeded to Charlottetown arriving here about 10 p.m.

Twelve new members were added to the executive of the P.E.I. regular quarterly meeting held last night. The President, Mr. Gilbert Gaudet presided, and in his remarks stated that it was the purpose of the Association not only to protect fish and game, but also to educate people to observe the laws.

TEN YEARS AGO (March 5, 1947)

Estimates for the year 1947 calling for an expenditure of \$413,294.25 and a revenue of \$414,042.00, leaving a surplus of about \$48.00, were passed without discussion at a special meeting of the Charlottetown City Council yesterday afternoon.

A \$4,000,000 estimate is provided for reconstruction and improvement of the P.E.I. car ferry terminals in main Department of Transport estimates tabled yesterday. Estimates also provide \$665,000 for construction for an ice-breaker ferry vessel for the P.E.I. car ferry service.

MAXIMS

Few persons have sufficient wisdom in greater measure which is useful to them in praise which depends them.

NOTES BY THE WAY

Tight money is favored by those who lend; opposed by those who borrow. And who wins? Them what has.—Windsor Star

We're told that Americans on the average eat 14 pounds of hamburger per capita each year. But how much of it is beef?—Chatham News

If there is any planning at all in Ottawa's budgeting method, it would seem to be planned confusion. With a current surplus substantially above half a billion dollars, and a nine per cent surplus in prospect of around one-third of a billion, Dominion budgeting can only be described as reckless and inefficient, with re-its that are dangerous and grotesquely fantastic when compared with the principles of "sound and responsible finance" of which the Minister boasted a year ago.—Globe and Mail

As a rule, wives know all the ropes, except those favored by whose husbands have bought them a clothes-dryer.—T.D.F. in Ottawa Citizen

A United States submarine has travelled 60,000 miles on a piece of uranium smaller than a light bulb. On that basis a bit about the size of a peanut would drive an automobile for its lifetime.—Ottawa Journal

One of the biggest fish ever caught in South Africa has been taken at Muizenberg, a popular holiday resort of Cape Town. William Norris caught a 665 pound blue-fin tuna bareheaded in the surf of the Union's most popular bathing beach. The fish was more than eight feet long and six feet in circumference, and had fouled its gills with sand by coming into the surf.—South Africa News

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