

Reconstruction: Phase 2
The Path Is Cleared

An organized effort to clear city streets of debris has been "lauded" by both city and state officials as Oelwein shifts gears in its reconstruction project.

The estimate of property damage (not including inventory) has been pushed upward to \$18 million as a result of an aerial survey of the city's devastation.

"We have completed the first step in our schedule for re-making the city," commented one official. "The path has been cleared."

State officials visiting the destruction area have praised the organization and teamwork of the community in its fight to return to normal.

Businessmen and home owners are now in the midst of arrangements to rebuild and remodel the community for "an even greater town than we had before."

A Needed Review

There should be a comprehensive review of existing "anti-poverty" programs before the government jumps into spending additional billions of dollars to "serve" the same people.

Arms are being twisted ferociously in Washington, to get the administration and Congress to add more of the ingredient which Americans persist in thinking will solve all problems—money.

More money, however, will not automatically solve the problems. It might further confuse the issue, for it would add more excited, underinformed bureaucrats who would frantically get in each other's way as they tried to find instant answers for problems that may take decades to solve.

There is a neurotic insistence, sometimes, on finding new solutions.

No one seems to know which of the various government programs are actually competing in their efforts to serve the poor.

Often the interests of the bureaucrats in building up their own little departments make them set up programs in which they fight each other to provide "services" for the poor.

The New Jersey

Air power has made battleships obsolete, or so military scientists concluded a few years ago.

But there she is in all her majesty, the USS New Jersey, reconditioned at a cost of \$22 million and out on the Atlantic again on a test run before being recommissioned for service in Vietnam.

In this sophisticated age and in a mixed-up country, admiration for a battleship may be regarded by some as evidence of emotional immaturity.

REGISTER'S CIVIC PLATFORM

- Improved Fire Insurance Classification from 7 to 6 Rebuilding CGW Bridge
NEW Street Signs
County County Lake
County Planning
Widening of So. Fred. Ave.
Annexation
Industrial Promotion

PRAYER FOR TODAY

"I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in me, and I in Him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing." (John 15:5, RSV)
PRAYER: Dear God, forgive us for yielding to the temptations of the day that pull us away from Thee. Help us to know that our strength is in Christ. We pray in His name. Amen.

Is It Progress To Provide Play Area For Wealthy?

Dear Editor,
The farm or the lake.
Why do we farm? We farm by choice, because we feel a sense of accomplishment, to see a long day's work come to a peaceful end.

OPEN FORUM

We feel we can raise our children to work, give of themselves and find a sense of security. They learn to think, plan and carry out ideas for themselves, then know the value of a job well done, also knowing they are in a small part helping feed this world.

Now all of a sudden these plans are to be changed.

How? We are being talked into, frightened, or pushed into selling our farms so there can be a lake for recreation. To provide a place for wealthy sportsmen to fish, hunt, sail and throw their empty beer cans.

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Speak Your Piece Through The OPEN FORUM COLUMNS

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FALL, when the crops were harvested, when the trees and pastures stood bare. A sad forlorn picture, indeed.

They (appraisers) never come when the corn stand green, straight and stately—like the king that it is. The oat fields proudly waving their golden heads in the sun's warm rays.

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Dear Abby

DEAR ABBY: I have been dating a guy named Jake for the last month or so. My problem is that Jake doesn't know how to kiss. He is 24 years old, hasn't been around much and he kisses me like he's kissing a wall.

I know how a guy should kiss a girl, and poor Jake doesn't know what he's missing.

Is there some way I could tell him without offending him? I would like to hang on to him, but I'm afraid if I criticize his kissing he will drop me.

Can you please give Jake and guys like him a simple 1-2-3 lesson on how to kiss? I'm sure I'm not the only girl with this problem.

LIKES JAKE

DEAR LIKES: Sorry, but each girl will have to give her own kissing lessons. An inexperienced kisser may be clumsy at first, but with practice, he should improve. Kissing, when inspired by honest affection, is instinctive. Don't tell him. Show him. If he's normal and genuinely interested in you, he'll catch on.

DEAR ABBY: My wife is one of those women who knows everything. And her most thoro area of knowledge is what "most" husbands do and do not do, although she can't figure out for the life of me where she gets all her knowledge.

The specific question at the moment is who should shampoo the rugs? The husband or the wife? We have had an electric "shampooer" (price \$85) for a year, and it's been used only once.

I am employed full time. My wife is not employed outside the home, nor does she participate in any volunteer work, church charities or social activities. Our three children are in school all day. We live in a well-furnished home with all the modern conveniences. She expects me to shampoo the rugs because "most" husbands do. Do they?

POOR RICHARD

DEAR RICHARD: I can't speak for "most" husbands, and neither can your wife. But what they do should have no bearing on who does what in your home. If a person doesn't want to do something—one excuse is as good as another, but if you can't agree—take turns.

DEAR ABBY: My fiancé and I set a date for our wedding and I went ahead and made all my plans. Then his mother tells me that I should change the date because it conflicts with her high school reunion.

I told her it was impossible to change the wedding date, so she said, "Well, I may just have to miss the wedding." Abby, which do you think is more important? A high school class reunion or your own son's wedding? And do you think I was wrong for not changing the date?

WONDERING

DEAR WONDERING: I would say that one's son's wedding would take precedence over a class reunion, and I don't blame you for not changing the date.

CONFIDENTIAL To B. L. F. When a woman marries John Jones, she becomes Mrs. John Jones. . . and remains Mrs. John Jones as long as she lives and is his legal wife.

John die, she is Mrs. John Jones (not Mrs. Mary Jones) unless she marries another man. However, if Mrs. John Jones divorces John, she does not retain the name "Mrs. John Jones," she is Mrs. Mary Smith (her maiden name) Jones. It makes sense to me because if John marries again, his wife becomes Mrs. John Jones, and if his former wife (and, heaven forbid, former wives) all retain the name of Mrs. John Jones, would not they have a time with their charge accounts, mail and identification?

DEAR ABBY: In our circle there is a widow past 65 who has a man living with her. He's a cousin (widower) about her age. She tells people that she is afraid to be alone in the house without a man. The home is hers and this cousin helps with the household chores. They share expenses, and seem to be enjoying the arrangement.

Most of her friends do not approve of this setup, but so far they haven't let her know how they feel. What do you think of such an arrangement?

TRUMPS

DEAR TRUMPS: I think every widow over 65 should be so lucky as to have a male cousin about her age with whom to share her home, expenses and to keep her company. And that goes double for widowers.

Everybody has a problem. What is yours? For a personal reply write to Abby, Box 69700, Los Angeles, Cal., 90069 and enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

For Abby's Booklet, "How to Have a Lovely Wedding," send \$1 to Abby, Box 69700, Los Angeles, Cal., 90069.

HENRY J. TAYLOR
Commies Pillage Everything

The Red satellite Czechoslovakia I have seen inside is a very different battleground from what the news implies at this distance. The Czechs are an amiable people; individually brave, collectively they have been the doormat of Europe.

Ordinarily there are no Red Army troops in Czechoslovakia. They are not needed, for 60,000 always stand poised on the adjacent Hungarian frontier, 300,000 in East Germany, and Panzer divisions galore in Poland.

There are, however, about 800 Russian officers on duty with the Czech army. They command all strategic and logistic planning, conduct the maneuvers, dictate the pay of the Czech officers and designate all Czech army promotions.

Czech gasoline, like Czech coal, is hardly fit for burning. The Red Army controls all aviation gasoline and the quality Diesel oil required by mechanized units. It feeds the Czech forces through a petroleum cage and further guarantees control by a severe rationing of spare parts.

The industrial potential is greater than any country between the U.S.S.R. and East Germany. Czech technical skills, equipment and know-how always have made it an advanced nation. But the economy now is a sieged economy, and this makes the low living standard especially tragic and poignant.

The one common denominator that coils through the system and grips an observer's heart is the human disintegration.

Communists not only pillage the satellite countries, they govern them - morally, economically, ethically and spiritually. Thus the macabre plight of the Czechs is not the low standard of living, the fear of jail or any one particular thing. The plight is a morass.

The Iron Curtain is both an electrical fence and a frame of mind. And it is this pressure from a central Red drive that you find reflected in the ineffable and penetrating sadness in so many eyes. It is a terrible feeling of loneliness and frustration, the feeling that no matter what happens you are being thrown away, which reveals itself to be

DAILY CROSSWORD

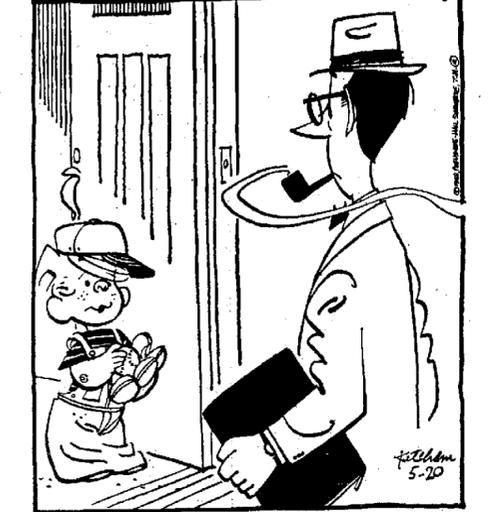
- ACROSS
1. Harvest
5. Membranes
9. Violet
10. Upright
12. Measure of land
13. Medicant
14. Happened by accident
16. Music note
17. Lampry
18. Conjunction
19. Rodent
21. Originated
23. Weighing machine
26. Affairs
27. Bearded: Bot.
29. Swelling
30. Pronoun
31. Grain spike
34. Perform
35. Whiner
37. All
40. Chills and fever
41. English author
42. Handles, as of swords
43. Trick
44. Malt beverages
DOWN
1. Hiding place for supplies
2. Of the country
3. Baking chamber
4. Protestant denomination: abbr.

Grid for crossword puzzle with clues and answers.

Secret Agent Corrigan



The Heart Of Juliet Jones



"A KNOW SOMETHIN' THAT'S NOT GONNA HAPPEN TO OUR HOUSE NO MORE WHEN YOU TEACH ME TO PLAY BASEBALL BETTER?"

It is obvious that, beyond hardcore cadres, the young Czechs couldn't care less about the ideological outpourings and is ideologically cynical (and sullen) about the government as a whole and the entire party from top to bottom.

There's an ancient Bohemian saying that "he who would attack a king must kill him." By killing off religious instruction, which perpetuates the church, the Communist party has chosen this way to kill off the church.

In the place of religious faith it tries to substitute pagan rallies and a pride in party glory. But as this kills off religious faith it kills off faith in nearly anything.

The youth control agency is the Czechoslovakian Union for Youth (CSM) headquartered in an immense, headquarter-beaten building which broods near Prague's Ruzyně airport. The CSM has two adjuncts: the Jiskry (Sparks), for indoctrinating children six to nine years old, and the Pioneers (nine to 14), whose million members pass the indoctrinated word in neighborhood brigades.

Happily, however, most young Czechs find the indoctrination package a plain bore. The chief breakaway is among the youth. Charles University professors and other intellectuals confirm that to you. And as you move and probe the innards of the country

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CONTRACT BRIDGE

By B. Jay Becker
(Top Record-Holder in Masters' Individual Championship Play)

South dealer. Both sides vulnerable. NORTH: 10 8, K Q 10 9 2, K J 8 4, A 7.

WEST: 8 7 5 4 2, 7 5 3, Q, Q J 4 2. EAST: A K Q J 6 3, A 8, 10, K 10 5 3, J 6 4, A 9 7 6 5 3 2, 9 8 6.

The bidding: South West North East Pass Pass 1 Pass 4 4 4 4 5 Pass Pass Pass 5 Pass Pass Dble

Opening lead—four of spades. One of the biggest swings during the annual world championship staged in Miami Beach last year occurred in this deal in the match between Thailand, representing the Far East, and the North American team.

At the first table, with Norman Kay and Edgar Kaplan North-South for the American team, the bidding went as shown.

It was difficult for either side to gauge exactly how far to go in the highly competitive auction, and Kaplan quite properly contracted for six diamonds.

Realizing that a spade lead would prove ineffective on the bidding, Murray tried the queen of clubs. As a result, the unfortunate Thai declarer went down one, and his team lost 1,740 points.

In retrospect, it would seem that the West player at the first table should also have led a club, but the 1,740 points he cost his team by failing to do so are surely out of proportion to the magnitude of the error.

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