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WASHINGTON DIGEST

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alize that if he is given too free a hand he'll be cutting off his own nose with it.

COMMUNISM MEANS HIVE AND ANTHILL

Two reports in the news recently caused some interesting comments in Washington on the international situation.

Charles Reese, extension specialist of University of Ohio, recently reported that because of the late season and resultant scarcity of pollen on which bees feed, many of the drones (which do not work and are preserved for social purposes only) have been pushed out of the hives by the workers. Picket lines have been formed and the drones are not allowed to re-enter. They die in the damp and cold.

"Theirs (the bees') is not a very pleasant society," says a biologist. "Hive activity is communistic and utterly ruthless."

A statement by Andre Visson, French writer who syndicates a column in American newspapers, was the second inspiration for an unofficial comment. Visson said:

"The world has indeed entered into a contest between Americanism and Communism."

"This pearl of wisdom laid beside the dispatch from Columbus proved a certain engineer-economist-philosopher to the observations which follow:

"For the first time, this pundit pointed out, the human race is really at the crossroads. Life has followed two paths, one taken by the animals, another by those who have in them something that distinguishes them from the beasts. One path has been clearly visible to materialistic philosophers. Nietzsche, Hegel, Marx and the monster who was created out of their theories, Hitler. The other is the one that has been thought and action of those who from cot or castle, from work-bench or cloistered hall, lived in the belief that the activities of the state, or the individual, should be measured against something other than material forces."

It has been shown that animals, when they master technology, tend to form a perfectly regimented, totalitarian state. Take the ants and the bees. They long ago were able to do what Hitler planned and had begun to practice—change the nature of species, not only by creating a special environment for the young, but also by feeding it certain foods.

The bees carefully segregate the babies (the eggs) and by feeding them three different menus produce three different classes, the workers, the drones and the queen. Hitler had well-worked-out theories for producing a slave-class by feeding the children certain vitamins, withholding others, weeding out all those undesired by the Nazi state, feeding and training a ruling class (Fuhrer-prince).

And now, the followers of Marxist-Leninism are set up to carry out the principle. Hitler went farther and was more successful because the Nazis were more advanced technologically. The rest of the world—living under systems which cherished the belief that man was something quite different from a highly skilled ant—debated with Hitler, and won.

Now the situation is different. It isn't a question of force. We aren't fighting Communism with fire and sword. It hasn't come to that yet. If it does come to that—now that science is on both sides—it will be the end of our kind of civilization no matter who wins, because the resulting destruction will be such that only totalitarianism can exist.

The human race faces a great choice for the second time. We learned the difference between good and evil when to put it in the terms of the Bible story, Eve plucked the

VETERANS NEWS

From the OFFICE OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS
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INJURIES IN TRAINING UNDER P. L. 161

Veterans drawing compensation for service connected disabilities who wish to enter a job-training program should know that under Public Law 16, any injuries incurred during the training program which resulted in further disabilities, or death, will result in benefits on the same basis as if the disability or death had been incurred in war services. These benefits do not apply to trainees under Public Law 34, Chapter 381, American Law of Veterans, states:

"If a veteran trainee suffers an injury, or aggravation of an injury, as a result of the pursuit of a course of vocational rehabilitation of his own willful misconduct, and such injury or aggravation results in additional disability or death of such person, benefits will be awarded on the same basis as the disability, aggravation, or death had been incurred in war service. Application for this benefit must be made within two years after the injury was suffered or such death occurred."

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In the event of the death of a veteran who holds an Armed Forces Leave Bond, his survivors should arrange immediately to cash in the bond. This bond, while non-negotiable for five years by the veteran himself, may be cashed in by survivors in the following order, in event of the veteran's death: First, wife (or husband) and children, in equal shares; and second, the parents (or grandparents, step-parents or parents through adoption), in equal shares. Neither survivors nor other relatives are eligible to receive payment, and if the veteran left none of the above listed survivors, the bonds revert to the government. Application is made to the Treasury Department Form DP 2666.

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apple and ate it. We can use science for good. We can allow science to be used for evil. If we do the latter we have taken the road that ends in beehive or anthill. Where there is no difference between good and evil, where the only law is that which protects the survival of the state. We shall probably be able to roam the stratosphere, chain the atom and release it at will, build perfect hexagons, create workers, drones, queens and commissars, and destroy those who "deviate" from the rules of a materially perfect world.

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Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gardner of Haled Road are expected home this week after vacationing in California.

Bob Bowerman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bowerman of 3623 W. 13 Mile Road is expected home this week after completing a year's work at Michigan State College.

Michigan Mirror

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survey that most clerks are inefficient and must be re-trained to give prompt, intelligent customer service. Another straw in the wind.

Union bricklayers on state construction jobs are laying only 300 bricks a day compared with 1,000 pre-war, says A. N. Langus, state building director. Low efficiency of union labor is blamed by Langus for high costs. Example: A new state hospital building, built in 1939 for \$61,143 is being duplicated this year. The 1947 cost will exceed \$280,000. Same building, but \$200,000 more!

As a curb on juvenile drivers, the Michigan legislature adopted a bill raising the minimum age from 14 to 16. However, licenses can be issued "in cases of necessity" where parents agree to assume full responsibility.

Mecca for Sportsmen
Newfoundland, one of the largest islands in the world, contains 42,000 square miles of unspoiled forests and lakes.

There's a line at the heading of the Woman's Column in my paper that reads:

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It's the women who are guardians of the things we cherish about home-life—who are tolerant of ashes on the rug; the rings a glass of beer can leave on tables; or the comfortable but too-warm chair that we can't bear to throw away.

From where I sit, those little satisfactions become more and more important in this world of strife and change. Smoke rings curling from a mellow pipe; a glass of beer; a comfortable chair before the fire. And I'd like to salute the housewives—"keepers of the flame" whose tolerance and understanding helps preserve them!

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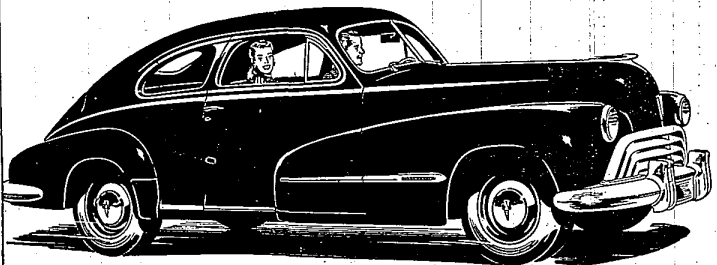
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