Meeting in Moscow Reminds One of Old Spy Movies (Sue Shaughnesy, diote Rustian to a student) party of the Farmington Enterprise-Observer, has returnquite florm a three week varstion in Russia. This is the says to a gathering of streed in Moscow River, A group of us to flore in Moscow Riv

our way of life.

I went to the meeting with high expectations. But all
the while I sat there listening to a lengthy discourse on the
unfair treatment being given the youth I was forced to

unfair treatment being given the youn 1 was source or smile.

All the while, too, I still to yould feel the sting of my mother's wet hand across my mouth—even though it has been many long years ago since I first felt it. And, for some strange reason, I had a tingling feeling in my back—the kind of a feeling one gets after being smacked with a reasor strap or a belt.

While the tingling made it a bit uncomfortable I satther, waiting for the speaker to get around to discussing the utter lack of respect for family, friends, law and order for the present generation.

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**DAYAFTER DAY look upon instances of this disrespect and can't help whispering to myself, "you wouldn't have gotten away with that if you had my Dad or Mother." You would have been given a lesson of the type that you never could forget. The greatest example of this came the day I felt the first sting of my Mother's wet hand across my mouth. My Dad had been dead for a few years and Mother was string gling to hold her "brood"—four girls and a boy—together distributed by the could. To do that the had been of the could be could. To do that the had been longer to the could. To do that the had been longer to the could. To do that the had been longer to the could be could. To do that the had been longer to the could be could be

situation only once. It was with his razor strap — and I still can feel it."

From that day on my Dad had only to look at meand then at the clock—to stell me that it was time to retire, or to go home, if I had been working at our little lunchroom in the Pennsylvana Dutch country.

One look from him was enough. I knew what it meant. I also knew what would happen if I failed to heed the signal, As a result I had the utmost respect for both parents, not hecause I was afraid of getting a licking, but because the lesson had been taught me in no uncertain terms.

I was still thinking about these things that evening when returned home and was approached by a neighbor. "I am on my way over to my daughter's teacher's home," he said. "I want to tell her a thing or two. She took my daughter by the shoulder today and shook her, I want to let her know that she can't get away with anything like that."

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wann't safe.")
When all were gathered
we took off for the Mairo
entrance in back of the
hotel (there is one in front
of the hotel which the student ignored.) Then a fast
ride for a few stops where
we were sail harded to a
corner of the statilen and
fold to wait. "five minutes"
while our guide contacted
some other people.
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some other people.

students. These, however, were not Russian but visiting anything to say there was no better place than at meal time.

Well, we had just been seated at the table for the evening meal when my oldest sisters poke up and said, "Mom, who do you think I saw my brother with today", and she mentioned the name of a girl in the next block who had been sort of an outcast in the neighborhood.

When I heard my sister blurt out the name I looked at her across the table and said, rather defiantly, "Oh, if she was some washowman's deughter I guess she would be air; thi."

Quick as a wink, or sooner, my Mother's wet hand landed across my mouth and stung like all getout as she said. "I'll have you know your Mother's wet hand landed across my mouth and stung like all getout as she said. "I'll have you know your Mother's wet hand landed across my mouth and stung like all getout as she said." I'll have you know your Mother's wet hand landed across my mouth and stung like all getout as she said. "I'll have you know your Mother's wet hand landed across my mouth and stung like all getout as she said." I'll have you know your Mother's wet hand landed across my mouth and stung like all getout as she said. "I'll have you know your Mother's wet hand landed across my mouth and stung like all getout as she said." I'll have you know your Mother's wet hand landed across my mouth and stung like all getout as she said. There were many too."

You CAN BET I never made a remark like that again.

I had been given a lesson in respecting one's parents.

It was the same with my Dad. As I recall, he gave me a "lickin" only once. It was with his razzor strap— and the floor—drinking, smoking, dancing and singing following the said and the floor of drinking, smoking.

Al 10:30 p.m. a woman knocked on "he knocked on "he woman and then at the clock—to tell me that it was time to recommend the said the said

the students.
At 10:10 p.m. a woman knocked on the door and politicly informed us that the party would have to end as the "neighbors had complained." Outle frankly I don't blame the neighbors as the students told me that this was the fourth nearly the had in as many party they had in as many

Outside the hotel (the Americans all left together and alone) we found a taxi and the Metro station. Half look the taxi and half the

Metro.
The students all knew the American civil rights song "We Shall Overcome." They indicated some surprise by their reactions that the whites (there was one Negro

their reactions that the whites (there was one Negro in our group) knew the song. However, when the students ran out of words and inserted the phrases "We Shall Ban the Bomb" and "We Shall Stop the Bombing in Vietnam" they also noticed that not many of the Americans sang those phrases. My discussion with many of the students centered upon two topics — Vietnam and the Detroit riots. This is interesting as I came prepared to field these two questions from the Russians. Other than a few digs by the lecturers on the U.S. position in Vietnam no Russan has mentioned the topic.

Some more observations in general:

general:

The Russian youth I met
on the riverbank told me
that the youth is gathetic
towards politics and when
his generation takes power
he expects that the Communiant Party will lose influence. The same youth
told me that, while he
knew little about America
he would like to live there.
"In answer to why' he said." "In answer to 'why' he said because of free enterprise and freedom of speech. He repeated several times that

proud of the economic progress made by the country during the last 50 years.

On the other kand any discussion with Russians on the topics of foreign policy and economics (the two formal sessions we have had) don't really involve two-way communication. The emphasis had no choice.

by ourself.

On the second try for reservations we were successful. Then came the kicker—the dinnef would cost 10 topics of foreign policy and advance.

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himself—approach.

This conversation was carried on with five Americans adding comments in English to the one member of the group who could speak Russian and the law taxi drivers who waved their arms and should like izard-drivers throughout the world. The Morkow taxi drivers also drive like laxid drivers also drive like laxid drivers. drive like taxi drivers throughout the world. They would give N.Y. cab-bies a run for their money.)

all alone.

After about 10 minutes the taxis arrived — called by some unknown persons—and the trip back to the hotel was uneventful other than the fact that the windshield wipers worked imperfectly and there were no defrosters.

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