

The World's Hungry Youth A Challenge To Our Nation

To what kind of future are we heading in these closing years of the 20th century? What kind of problems will we face in attempting to insure the role of the United States as leader of the free world?

The answers to these questions are many and complex. They make the future of the world appear as one of revolution, misery and hunger.

Dr. Eugene L. Smith, executive secretary of the World Council of Churches in the U. S., said the world is threatened by hordes of "Hungry, angry and unlettered teenagers" at the Annual Assembly of the Texas Council of Churches Tuesday.

He said 40 per cent of Africa's population is under age 15, with Zambia harboring 80,000 unemployed youth; Nairobi, 20,000, and Lagos, 500,000. Half the people in Latin America are under 20.

What is the significance of these figures to us in prosperous America? Mainly the age of these individuals.

When we reach maturity and take over the reigns of this nation, they will be doing the same thing in theirs. They will look through eyes that are pained with sickness, feel hunger from morning till night, and move with muscles that are sore from malnutrition.

And what will they see across the ocean in America?

Food, freedom, a population that works very little in proportion to what it has. A nation that professes Christianity, yet hoards most of the world's wealth while the majority starves.

They will not see that we have earned these luxuries, only that we have them while they have not. That we profess freedom from want to all mankind, yet share not.

The answers? Like the questions, complex and difficult. Dr. Smith advocates the reentering of society by the churches. They can help fight the poverty and ignorance problem at home, serve as the voice of conscience for nations, become channels for responsible discussion of world affairs, help lead developing governments in the ethical issues of building an economy and give more support to their own mission programs.

Giving away what we have earned will not solve the problem, giving away what we have learned will. Only when these nations have the opportunity to solve their own problems can they take their place in a co-operative world. We have the knowledge. It is to our advantage as well as theirs that we share it.

CADET SLOUCH

by Jim Earle

Local Juvenile Delinquency

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during the year boys are charged with contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

However, drinking and possession of alcohol by minors have caused little trouble. Godfrey said he realizes many boys alter their drivers licenses to avoid the 21-year-old minimum age limit for buying liquor, but said the liquor control agent and local police have handled the problem well.

Godfrey said he once came upon several "fish" who had parked their car and were busily becoming inebriated. Godfrey simply made them pour out the remaining four cases of beer.

"Their faces indicated that they were hurt more by that than by having to pay a fine," Godfrey noted.

The numerous motels in the area have caused some problems with boys and their dates.

"Some motels will rent out a room four or five times a night," he said.

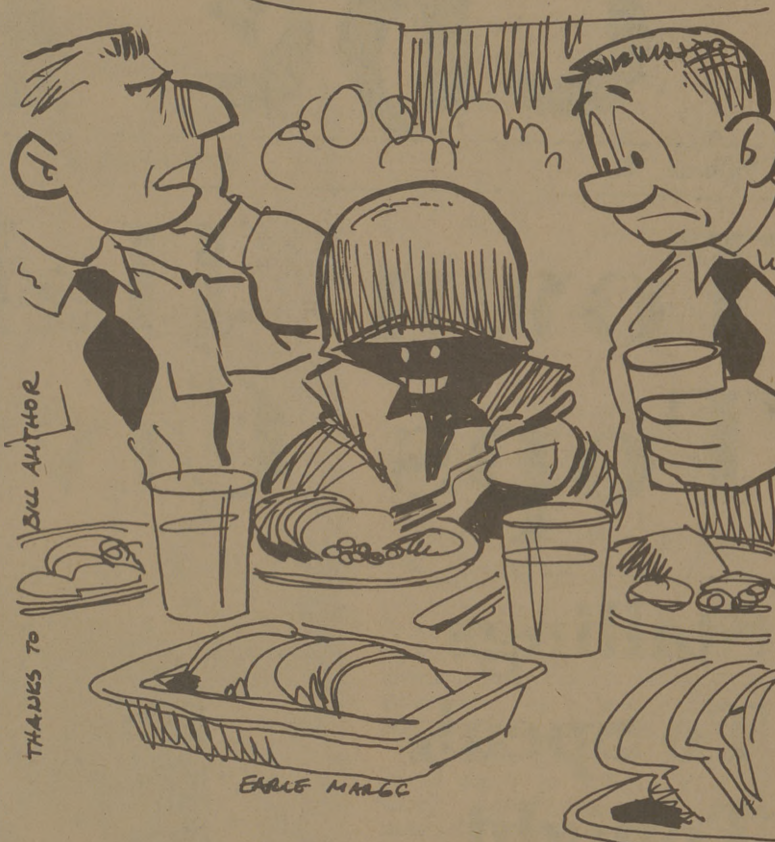
But the courts cannot use hearsay evidence to close down such establishments. The parents of children involved usually fear their child's loss of reputation and therefore will not press charges nor allow their son or daughter to testify.

Nevertheless, the presence of the university also brings with it great advantages and herein lies the reason for the low delinquency percentage.

A larger than average number of residents are permanently settled and are not transients. The staff of the university has families that are generally intelligent, well-educated and law-abiding.

Therefore the community is stable and educated to a large degree and thus a good community in which to raise children, Godfrey believes.

In a recent report to Judge Barron, Godfrey concluded by stating "The cooperation and assistance of the Bryan and College Station Police Departments, the Sheriff's Department, Liquor Control Agent, and the Department of Public Safety, combined with the efforts of the Boys Club and the Brazos County Counseling Service are to be commended for their help in reducing the number of children referred to this department and to the Court."



"If they crossed a potato with a sponge, it might not taste good, but it sure would hold more gravy!"

Stop the Presses

By Lani Presswood

It looks like they're really going to go through with it after all. Madison Avenue has struck down Dizzy Dean in his prime.

After years and more years of providing the most entertaining baseball broadcasts around, he has been let out to pasture prematurely because he doesn't fit someone's narrow-lapel-minded idea of the proper image for his sponsor.

That sponsor just happens to be Falstaff, an outfit whose production has increased approximately one thousand per cent in the years Diz has been entrusted with their image.

Jerome Hannah Dean has actually become an institution, a true showman and a national folk

hero. When word of his dismissal reached the public, you notice that NBC and Falstaff both were mighty quick to pass the blame off to a behind-the-scenes ad agency.

It seems ironic that baseball, currently suffering from a steady tailspin in popularity, should lose a guy like Dean just when they need his revitalizing showmanship the most.

People could say many things about Diz but nobody could ever charge him with being dull. More than one easy-chair baseball fan has admitted that he tuned in the game more for Diz's performance than for the actual contest itself.

It takes an entertainer to pull that kind of following and at heart that's exactly what he is.

Sure, he's one of the game's all-time pitching greats and a knowledgeable commentator and analyst. But he's also got one of the freshest, honest and most natural personalities in television and it comes across the airways so well that you almost can't help but feel you've known him all your life.

Ah, the Dean style. How many hours on lazy Sunday afternoons have the country's diamond fans

spent enjoying it . . . One of his greatest virtues in the broadcasting booth was enthusiasm. From the first inning on, he gave the impression that there's nowhere in the world he'd rather be.

And how many trademarks does this guy have, traits as familiar and as reliable as an old pair of house shoes. For instance, you could always count on him to good-naturedly harass his booth partner off and on during every game.

He also reminded his audience every now and then that he "was a pretty fair country pitcher" in his time, a boast that somehow never grated even a little bit.

Diz always took up for the pitcher and was never happier than when a hurler could get himself a base hit. And when a player booted the ball, Dean flatly said he booted it. He "called 'em as he saw 'em" from the booth and was never shy about expressing his opinion of an ump's call.

He also didn't hesitate to say howdy to a buddy celebrating a birthday and would read all sorts of wires over the air, even those which cut him down.

Then if a game started dragging he would launch into his inimitable version of "Miller's Cave" or "The Wabash Cannonball," something you just can't quite see Lindsey Nelson ever doing.

Diz also tossed the language around pretty freely. A man "slud" into third when Diz was at the mike and the English teachers who protested his presence on the air only succeeded in publicly exhibiting their own petty intellectual snobbishness and artificiality.

But these pedants have finally been granted their wish. Dizzy Dean doesn't fit into the groove of predictable conformity so the powers that be have ushered him out of the picture. Yeah.

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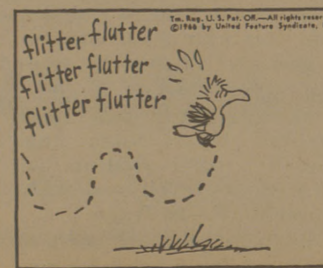
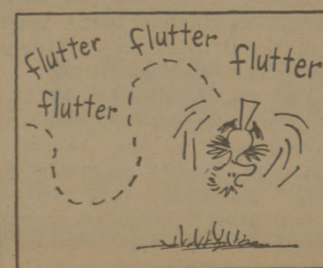
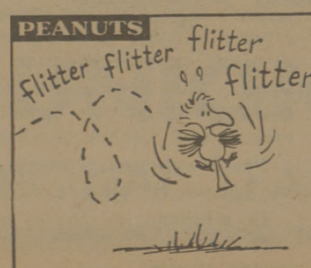
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