

Not Standing Alone

CRITICAL as the position of the United States forces in fighting the Battle of Korea may be we need not be discouraged. Conceivably, the Americans may be even driven off Korea. In fact, we had better steel ourselves for the worst as far as that is concerned. But, if they are, all is not lost. It just means that the decisive battle will be fought some where else and later on there will be the victory of Korea too.

Assistance to United States in the Korean war from the other members of the United Nations may not be so great as yet—and that is not discounting the contributions which have been made particularly by Great Britain, with her fine naval support; Australia, with its air power; Canada, with its naval vessels and air transport—but those other nations are living up to their obligations.

Though most of the smaller members of the UN have not come forward with offers of troops for the Korean war, they have offered all sorts of aid short of military involvement.

On this latter point it may well be that for them, as for Britain, realistic strategy dictates some husbanding of resources to meet threats elsewhere. We may assume that such decisions are being worked out with much more understanding among the western nations than can appear on the surface of current diplomatic developments.

It would doubtless be a comfort to many Americans to hear of troops of other nations fighting side by side with American soldiers in Korea. But the front against aggression extends far beyond that unhappy peninsula. Both Britain and France are fulfilling heavy responsibilities already in the Far East. And the British Far Eastern fleet is fighting alongside the American Navy under General MacArthur's over-all command.

In view of the fact that the American decision in Korea surprised Americans themselves it would not be surprising if the marshaling of public opinion in other lands were much slower than it has been. The fact is it has been remarkably speedy, due to the existence of common obligations among nearly all nations to the UN and the sincerity with which most of the nations of the world regard these obligations.

America is not alone in Korea — but the fact that the United States took the risk of standing alone there for the UN is reflected in such statements as have been made by the British Prime Minister.

WHY STUDENTS QUIT

THE results of the most detailed and comprehensive educational survey of its kind ever performed, have just been released. Notable in its findings is the alarming fact that each year 100,000 students leave Canadian high-schools without graduating because they find no meaning in the course of studies offered them.

The survey was conducted by the Canadian Research Committee on Practical Education, a group sponsored by the Canadian Education Association to study practical education in Canada. Highlights of the survey appear in the current issue of Maclean's magazine.

With the revelation that more than half the students who start high school in Canada never finish their studies, Maclean's points out: "It seems that our high-schools, costing somewhere close to \$100 millions a year to operate are giving us 50 per cent value. Half the work they start is never finished."

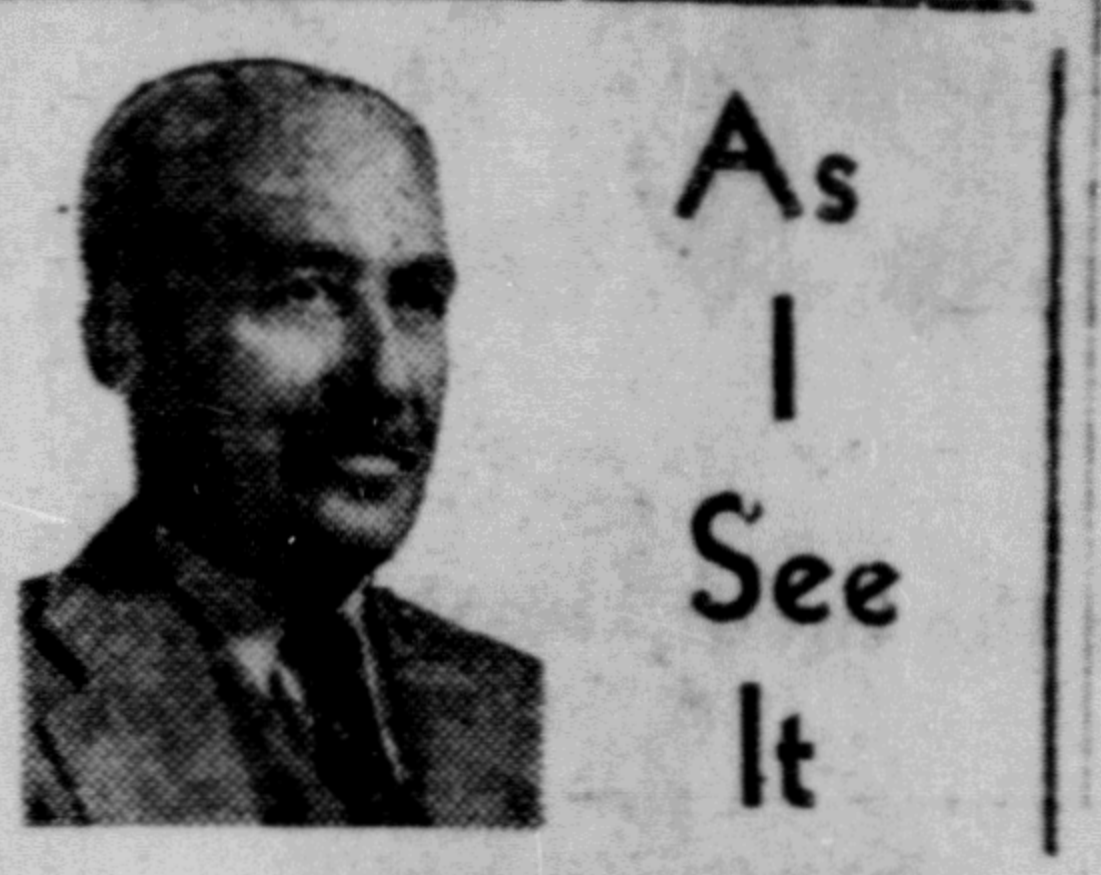
The survey has brought into the open the controversy among educationists seeking an answer to the problems. The issue is this:

"Will secondary education continue its swing toward a more practical form of schooling, or will it shift back toward the old-style brain-teaser type of education which aimed at the development of mental discipline and hard thinking and left the student to pick his everyday knowledge on his own hook?" Asks Maclean's "Is the job of mass education to produce breadwinners or thinkers?"

"Say the modernists: high school education must be made more practical, it must deal with the problems students see in the world around them; otherwise many quit school and get little or no secondary education. It isn't a case of which system is better, the modernists add, it's a case of which is possible."

"Say the traditionalists: high-school education is too practical now. It has sold its birthright for a mess of contemporary courses dealing with trivial things. Too much of it teaches students how to work with their hands, too little teaches how to work with their heads."

Says Maclean's: "Whatever the solution, the survey reveals that the majority of students quit high-school because the schools are boring them stiff."



As I See It
By ELMORE PHILPOTT

WHY NO SKEETERS?
RADIUM CALLING Sherlock Holmes—calling Sherlock Holmes. Wanted—the key to the great Rocky Mountain mosquito mystery.

This little haven in the Sinclair Canyon is full of refugees from Banff and Lake Louise—who have been driven out by the mosquitoes.

But here—believe it or not—there is not a single mosquito—not a screen on any window and not a screen needed.

PENDING A FULL REPORT from Sherlock Holmes here is my own guess as to the explanation.

The Sinclair river comes leaping down from the mountains with such abandon that no mosquito egg has a chance to hatch out in peace. And if any stray mosquito flies in near the hot water pool and takes even a tiny drink of the water—napoo—fini—he's all washed up. The radio activity in the water is just too much for mosquitoes and other bug pests.

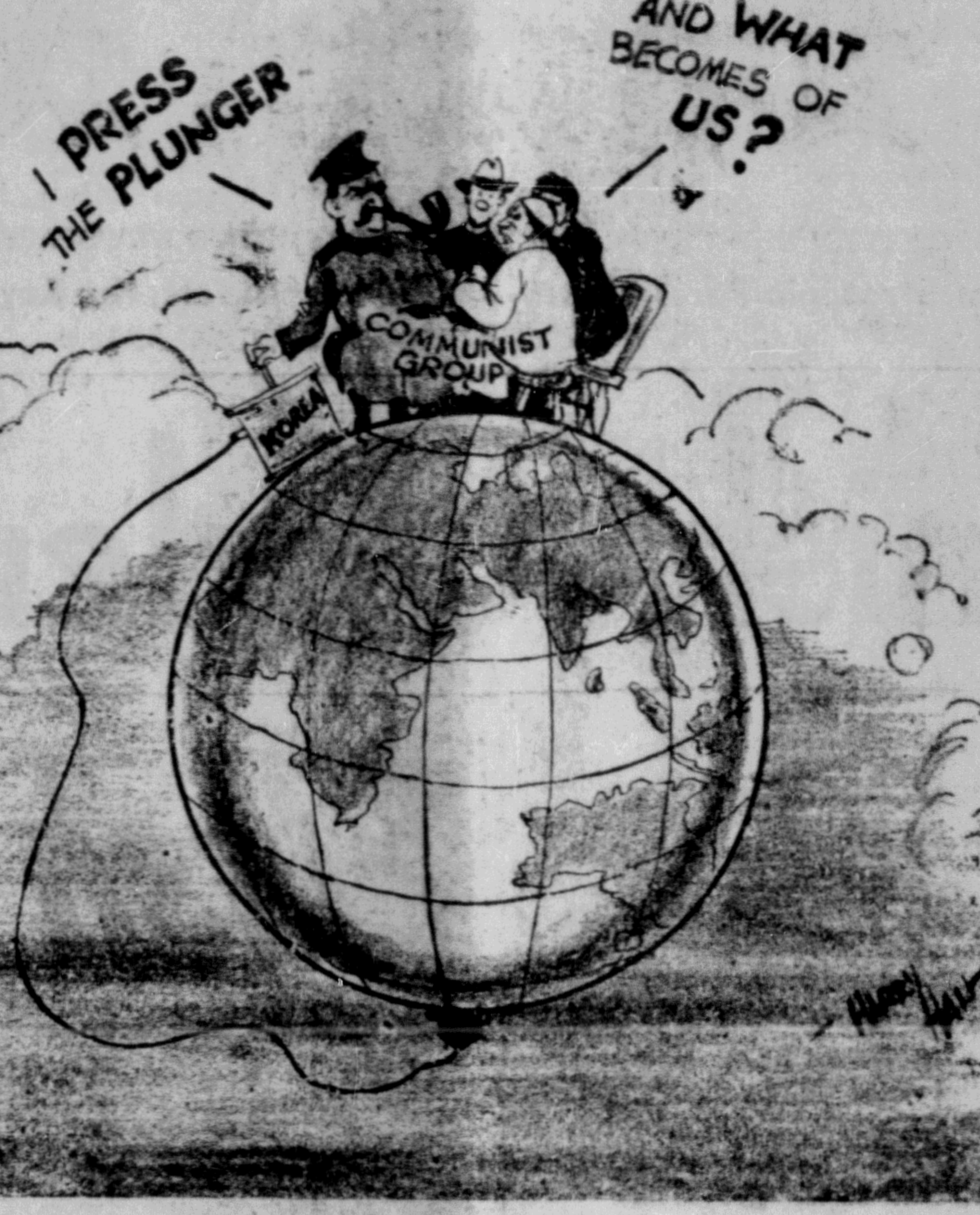
Yet it puts new life in old crock humans.

THE MEN WHO WORKED all last winter on the construction project tell me that they had some grand times in the open-air hot pool when the air temperature was 45 degrees below zero.

Nobody has ever been known to catch a cold, after emerging from this hot pool—winter or summer. The local theory to explain this is that you get so thoroughly heated through in the pool that you carry your own furnace inside your bloodstream for the next few hours.

Incidentally, the above is not kidding. It is also in line with the findings of the Japanese—who are the greatest hot-water lovers in the world. They too claim that you just can't catch cold after emerging from the hot baths.

The Japanese, by the way, Classifieds bring quick results.



ON TOP OF THE WORLD—MAYBE — Drawn by Harry Hall in the Toronto Telegram. (CP Photo)

Church Service For Ukrainians

Church of the Annunciation had a special visitor on Sunday morning when Father Michael Hawryluk of Edmonton, celebrated Mass in Annunciation Church for the Ukrainian Greek Catholics. Many parishioners who had attended the regular morning Mass stayed on for Father Hawryluk's Mass.

A special choir of Ukrainian voices acquitted itself very creditably after only one practice. Father F. Rayner O.M.I. assisted the celebrant at the altar. More than one hundred people attended the Mass after which Father Hawryluk addressed the congregation in Ukrainian.

Later the congregation posed for a group picture. During a three-day stay in Prince Rupert Father Hawryluk formed a committee from the ranks of the Ukrainian Catholic population. Fred Prystay is chairman of the three man committee which also includes Alex Kingersk and Paul Sokolowski.

Father Hawryluk had resided in the Edmonton district since his arrival in Canada eighteen months ago. Another brother is a priest in the archdiocese of Montreal.

On Sunday afternoon Michael Zeporen of Terrace drove the visiting priest to Terrace for an evening service in Sacred Heart Church there.

A distinctly Canadian delicacy is the pickled cherry which originated in British Columbia.

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Ray Reflects and Reminisces

A brace of bandits stole three gold bars worth \$95,000 at a mine in Northern Ontario. Less than ten hours later, the bars were found near an abandoned car. The robbers must have suffered an embarrassment of riches. The job of turning a lot of raw gold into legal funds of the state has its dangers. Yet, such a quantity of yellow metal must have a mighty fine "feel."

Word comes from Minnesota that a tomcat died there recently, in his twenty-fifth year. This, it seems, is explained by the fact that he went to bed regularly every night and shut up.

Kelowna, in roasted brown Okanagan Valley, is having water events on a major scale with everyone smiling and streaming with sweat. They really seem to enjoy a temperature of 107 which reaffirms the old axiom that there is no accounting for taste.

An authority says there are more than fifty waterfalls higher than Niagara. While not going quite that far, we know of a high one not so far from Prince Rupert. Its situation is on Vancouver Island and it's worth a second look.

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Ross Munro, Canada's ace war correspondent, writes home that going to Korea in 1950, is vastly unlike roughnecking it to Europe in the first half of the forties. Today you recline at ease in an upholstered air service lounge, with occasional hot coffee and light refreshments. Someone is due for a rude awakening.

Better English

1. What is wrong with this sentence "I took her for you."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "negligee"?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Impropriety, impressario, impostor.
4. What does the word "demonstrative" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with pro that means "abundance"?

Answers
1. Say, "I mistook her for you."
2. Pronounce neg-ih-zha, as in ate, preferred accent on last syllable. 3. Impresario. 4. Expressing much; displaying feeling or sentiment. "Her nature was demonstrative." 5. Profusion.

Col. G. S. Andrews, chief of the topographical survey branch of the Department of Lands and Forests, is in the city on official business, having arrived yesterday from Victoria. Col. Andrews department has several parties in the field in northern and central British Columbia this year.

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