

Congress—

U. S. Project X Set To Continue Fight Against Communists

Hush, Hush Program Operated During Italian Campaigns Against Red Power

WASHINGTON, Apr. 21 (UP)—"Project X"—America's new hush-hush anti-Communist program—is in operation today. Congressional sources revealed the United States has spent about \$4 million for "political purposes" in Italy where non-Communist groups polled a big majority in the week-end elections. And they said funds for anti-Communist groups behind the Iron Curtain are still to come.

The disclosure came as American officials hailed the outcome of the Italian elections as a severe blow to Russian prestige and to international communism. Note of Caution

But diplomatic authorities tempered the optimism with a note of caution. They said Communist-fomented trouble is still possible in Italy, particularly before a new government can be formed. And concern was expressed that Moscow, along with Italian Communists, may raise the shout that the elections were "a fraud and a steal."

Chairman Styles Bridges (R. N. H.) of the Senate Appropriations Committee, who backed "Project X" in Congress, declined to discuss details of its operation in Italy. He said such disclosures would weaken what he called American efforts to "undermine Communist tyranny in areas already conquered."

Funds for the program were drawn, with consent of key congressional officials, from special "contingent funds" written into departmental appropriations. Mr. Bridges indicated more money for this purpose might be forthcoming, perhaps in granting European Recovery Program funds.

Senate Set to Pass Long-Range Housing Bill
WASHINGTON, Apr. 21 (UP)—The Senate was ready today to pass a long-range housing bill aimed at producing 15 million new homes over the next 10 years.

Supporters of the Taft-Ellender-Wagner measure were so confident of victory that Sen. Robert A. Taft (R. O.) a sponsor and floor manager of the bill, took off on a political campaign trip.

Sen. Ralph E. Flanders (R. Vt.), author of a series of amendments to the legislation, was charged with pushing it through.

Predict Defeat
A final vote was expected as soon as the Senate disposed of a few more amendments. Chief among them was one by Sen. Harry P. Cain (R. Wash.) to knock the public housing features out of the bill. Opponents predicted they would defeat it.

The bill calls for construction of 500,000 public housing units during the next five years. It also provides funds for a slum clearance program, inquires veterans' housing co-operatives up to 95 per cent, and extends special

credit aids to builders of low-cost rental housing. The House has been waiting for the Senate to act on the housing measure before taking it up.

Some GOP Senators Back AEC Nominees

Influential GOP Senators favor confirmation of new terms for President Truman's Atomic Energy Commissioners, despite their desire to keep long-term government positions open until after the elections.

They are said to feel that failure to approve these particular nominations might hurt the atomic program.

Mr. Truman has reappointed Chairman David E. Lilienthal and four other commissioners to terms ranging from one to five years, but they must be okayed by the Senate.

Hope of GOP Dim On Revision of Taxes

Republican leaders in the House conceded they won't be able to make as many changes in the tax system as they had hoped to. The new defense program, they said, has virtually ruled out the possibility of further large-scale tax cuts.

However, Chairman Harold Knutson (R. Minn.) of the Ways and Means Committee held out the chance that taxes on telephone calls and telegraph messages may be reduced.

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Ask Mrs. Manners—She Loves Her Husband, Not His Daughter

I LOVE MY HUSBAND more than anything on earth but I have no feeling toward his daughter. I've tried to like her but can't, yet I have to look at her 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

We've been married a year and went together three years. I thought I knew what I was getting into and that I loved my husband enough to make a home for his daughter. I was crazy about her at first, but now would rather stay home than take her with me and I take out my spite on her. My husband belongs to clubs and I can't join him because of the daughter. I miss going places with him. He loves me and won't let me go away for awhile. He says it's foolish to let a little thing get me down. I'm 23. I would like to go to the doctor but I'd just have to come home to the stepdaughter.

Your husband is right—and he's patient—so far. Forget this resentment by forcing yourself to like the child. Arrange to go out with your husband and plan some evenings with women friends, letting him stay home with his daughter. You're probably feeling in need of a doctor because you want to excuse your cold-bloodedness by finding an ailment.

The first year of marriage with its budgets and lack of freedom is always hard. You're missing the fun of being single more than you're disliking your stepdaughter. I think. Get some recreation somehow and quit hating.

'Handicapped' Referred to Society
To "Handicapped" writing privately—Contact the Marion County Society for the Crippled, 3001 N. New Jersey, Ta. 2482.

No Information on Business
WHERE COULD I send furniture to be cleaned?—MRS. S. I don't recommend businesses. Ask your furniture dealer.

Address Acknowledged With Thanks
THANK YOU, Mrs. M. C., for that address. MRS. MANNERS.

Urges 'Break' for Ex-Husbands
TO "LONELY FIRST WIFE"—Did you ever stop to think that "Outrage Second Wife," objecting to support, might have reason to complain? I've a son by my first marriage and received support until I remarried. Now we have a daughter.

I think when a man marries a woman he should be able to take the responsibilities of that woman and her children. It is only fair to give an ex-husband a chance to raise a family too without financial worries. What do you think? MRS. F. L. M.

I think most men want to support their children and I hope that the ex-wives accept the support for the good of the children, not in revenge.

Hasn't a Single Family Problem
YOU'RE GOING to be shocked to hear this—but I haven't a single family problem. I have one of another nature. While in service I subscribed to War Bonds under the allotment system and think I subscribed for one more than I now have. Can you tell me where to inquire? Fifty dollars would look quite big to me now. C. L. A.

If you were in the Army write The Bond Saving Branch, Army Finance Center, OCF, 4300 Goodfellow Blvd., St. Louis (2), Mo., or War Savings Bonds, Custody Section, Division of Securities, Treasury Department, Liberty Loan Bldg., 401 14th St. W., Washington (25), D. C., provided you think the bond was not delivered. If you believe the bond was lost, stolen or destroyed write the Treasury Department, Division of Loans and Currency, Merchant Mart, Chicago (64), Ill.

For other branches of service write: Navy—Field Branch of Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, Navy Dept., Bond Insurance Division, Cleveland (15); Marines—War Bond Issuing Office, Headquarters, U. S. Marine Corps, Washington (25), D. C.; Coast Guard—War Bond Allotment Section, Office of Finance and Supply, U. S. Coast Guard Headquarters, Washington (25), D. C.

What Are Hostess Qualifications?
WHAT are the qualifications for train hostesses? Where do you inquire? A. S. G.

Qualifications vary. Write the railroad company of your choice for qualification lists.

Wife Wants to Help Husband
THERE'S A PLACE I can work nights during the summer and my husband says he'll leave it to me. I know he feels, too, that I can help out with my wages. With the exception of

two hours each day one of us would be with our children, a school-age boy and a baby. I have a lady to watch the children then.

We have only about \$90 for groceries, cleaning, church, taxes, recreation and extra things. My husband is under nervous tension and three times during our nine years of marriage I helped out. He is a swell person and except for a few ball games never goes out any place. He is good to us in so many ways. What is his for me to do? M.A.E.

You've worked successfully before, your husband doesn't object, you need the money, and you won't be neglecting your children. I see no reason why you shouldn't take this job. Your husband may be embarrassed because he needs your salary, and consequently won't tell you to go to work.

Recommends Sex-Study Courses
WHAT IS BADLY NEEDED is a thorough course in sex education. I'd say 95 per cent of the boys and 70 per cent of the girls find out for themselves before they graduate from high school. Unfortunately too many learn the wrong way or none at all. The beauty and joy that can come from the art of love-making, which, if lacking in gentle, refined and patient approach, is fatal.

It's time to wake up and really look this business of sex squarely in the face. This is not the "dark ages" but 1948. It isn't a question of wishing things were different but of facing the situation. Like nearly every young woman I know, my parents told me nothing. SINCERE.

Indianapolis high schools have several courses in family relations, hygiene, personal regimen, charm, etc., and churches sponsor training in family relations.

Seeks Address of Friend in Army
HOW COULD I send a letter to someone I know in the Army? I know his station but not his rank. M. J.

Try a letter to him, without rank. If it is returned write the commanding officer of his station.

'If You Aren't a Hoosier, You're Out'
I FEEL THE SAME way about Indiana as the person from Montana—if you aren't a Hoosier you're "out." We came here a year ago and bought a house. Our 61 son has tried since September to get a job. We're old and my husband is retired and we try to live on \$15 a month—and that is hard to do.

Honestly, don't you think your favorite places are the spots where you were the happiest, the wealthiest and the luckiest? I'm sorry that Indiana hasn't been that place. Try to become acquainted with some Hoosiers in churches and at neighborhood affairs. Give us a chance.

I hope that your son applied for a job at the Indiana State Employment Service, 237 W. Washington St., talking with veterans' representatives. Did he apply at the Veterans' Administration, 36 S. Pennsylvania St., for training, and ask advice of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Disabled American Veterans?

In Love With Thrice-Married Youth 20
I'M 15 and I love a boy, 20, who has been married three times and has two children. He thinks we could make a go of marriage, I want to marry him but I'm not sure he will get along with me. I must answer him soon. M.A.R.

These "marrying" men have a boyish way about them. They appear pathetically anxious to make a success of their next marriage. All very nobly and subtly they convey the idea that they had grand wives—but wives who didn't understand them. A far away, sad expression gives the impression that they actually were married to horrible creatures and you set out to "mother" them.

You're too young to "mother" any man—you're too young to leave your mother. At 15 you know nothing about mature love and this winning boy who infatuates you knows nothing about marriage. Who would help whom? "No" will save you a lot of unhappiness.

Typing Service Offered Ill Writer
I WOULD like to offer my services to the person who is ill and can't afford a typewriter to write children's stories. I work evenings but have time in the morning I could type them free. MRS. H. W.

Thank you, Mrs. H. W. I'll forward your letter if Ray will contact me.

Let Mrs. Manners and readers of the column share your problems and answer your questions. Write in care of The Times, 114 W. Maryland St.

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