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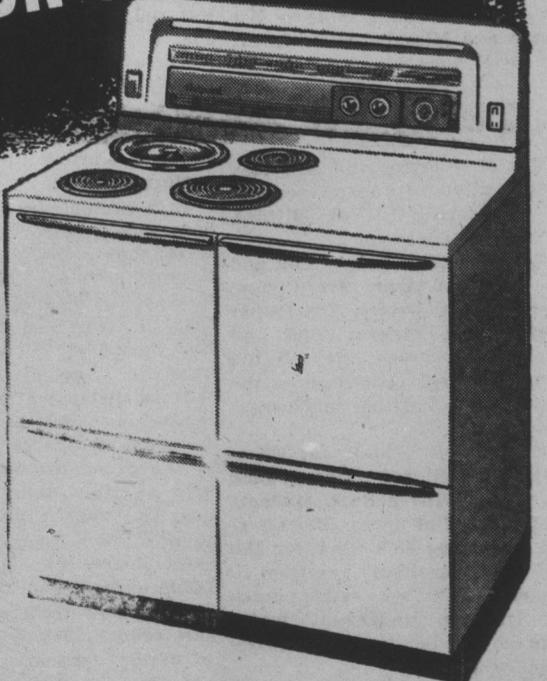


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**PUBLIC ENIGMA NO. 1**  
IS JOHN L. LEWIS a super-patriot, an economist extraordinary, or just a common garden variety of power-grasping human being like nearly all others who have tasted of omnipotence and are incapable of putting down the cup?

Following the passage of the Wagner act, labor leaders so abused the license which it granted them that they aroused the ire of the customarily lethargic citizenry and the rumbly of action became audible. But these, by now, power-hungry labor czars knew not when to stop. They had enslaved their unions' members and were dictating to our very government.

Finally Lewis' extreme disregard of their interests so angered the people that they elected a new congress—the 80th—for the specific purpose of controlling these excesses. Was Lewis a super-patriot who dared everything that he might defeat the threat inherent in the behavior of these embryonic dictators?

Under our present management we seem unable to handle too much prosperity. The more of it we acquire the deeper our government runs into debt and the shakier becomes the structure. Now, as we have stated before, every time we begin to gain industrial momentum Lewis puts on the brakes.

It because he foresees the havoc our present government might create if a tremendous boom should develop? Is he the farsighted patriotic economist—willing to make himself the butt of a nation's hatred for the sake of that nation's future?

John Lewis holds great power over the lives not only of his miners, but all of us. Is he like so many before him—just another grasping crackpot carried away by that unaccountable passion for power? Is this the answer to the riddle?

## Sportlight by GRANTLAND RICE

### Next Season's Top Stars

HUDDLING with a group of veteran ballplayers and managers we finally steered the argument in the general direction of headline makers for 1950.

Who would they be? From the American league you start right off with Ted Williams, Joe DiMaggio, Tommy Henrich and such

pitchers as Mel Parnell, Ellis Kinder, Joe Page and possibly Rae Scarborough, Bob Lemon and Ed Garcia.

In the national league you had Jackie Robinson, Stan Musial, Ralph Kiner, Eno Slaughter and such pitchers as Don Newcombe, Preacher Roe, Ken Heintzelman, Howie Pollet and one or two others.

"There won't be much change among the top bunch," Frank Frisch said. "Ted Williams still has a few big seasons left. DiMaggio has one or two after 18 years in baseball. In the National league, Jackie Robinson will be hard to head off again. He has shown Musial and Slaughter, who are not getting any younger (who is?), that both will have to have even bigger years to beat him. Some of the fellows out front last season may not repeat. Kinder at 35 or 36 is no kid. Neither is DiMaggio. For that matter Robinson will be 31 in January."

The younger fellow with the best chance is Don Newcombe," another manager cut in. "This big fellow has had less than a year in big league baseball and yet they are all talking about him. If we are going to have any 30-game winner in 1950 it will be Newcombe. He'll be the best pitcher in either league."

What about Mel Parnell? Parnell is only 27 years old. He is with the best run-making club in either league.

"I'll bet you 10 dollars Parnell finishes above Newcombe," an another manager cut in. "This big fellow has had less than a year in big league baseball and yet they are all talking about him. If we are going to have any 30-game winner in 1950 it will be Newcombe. He'll be the best pitcher in either league."

"How can you tell?" another said. "Kell has a lifetime big-league average of .297. Ted Williams has one around .354. Yet Kell outdid Williams last year."

"He won't come within 25 points of Williams this year," a Red Sox entry cut in. That led to another 10-dollar bet.

"And I'd like to bet that Stan Musial gets more M.V.P. votes than Jackie Robinson," some outside said. "Robinson is good but he isn't any Stan Musial."

"There are not many Stan Musials lying around loose. After all, Musial is only 29 and he has known only eight big-league seasons. That's little more than a warm-up. Or at least it should be."

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Dyer and the Cardinals

Edie Dyer, the crack blocking back from Rice some years ago, feels that his Cardinals are about due again. Eddie won the pennant his first year out in 1946. He finished second to the Dodgers in 1947. He ran second in 1948 and last year he was beaten on a lone game.

"We'll have at least four .300 hitters next season," Eddie said. "Who are they? Musial, Slaughter, Jones and Schoendienst. It's true that Jones and Schoendienst hit only .299 and .297 respectively last year but they'll pick up those extra points sure. They are really .310 hitters. As a matter of fact we have another good kid who should hit better than .300. His name is Ed Kazak, our third baseman. Ed hit .304 in 92 games last year before he was hurt. This would give us three infielders and two outfielders in the .300 or better class."

"What's the doubtful side of your outfit?" I asked.

"The answer is nearly always the same," he said. "Pitching. Last season we landed Lanier and Martin well into the season."

For Double Platoon

"A year ago I was dead against the double platoon," Wes Fesler of Ohio State said. "Since then I have changed completely. I'm all for it. I believe those coaches who dislike it haven't given it a fair trial. I know I hadn't when I was against it. Since then I've discovered most of the players want it. That's a big reason for liking it. I know it produces faster, better football. I also know it gives many more students a chance to play football."

Don't miss an inspiring story in the American Weekly, the great magazine with Sunday's CHICAGO HERALD-AMERICAN, of three chaplains who banished bigotry from their hearts to bring faith to the men of the U. S. Navy. Learn how the three chaplains worked together to dissolve intolerance and to build the Navy's present day Chaplain service. Read "A Rabbi, a Parson and a Priest," another true-life story in the Sunday Chicago HERALD-AMERICAN's great color magazine.

## Star Dust Stage Screen Radio

### By INEZ GERHARD

EDGAR BERGEN has what many a man longs for, an outlet for a side of his character that otherwise would be buried. Bergen isn't funny; Charlie McCarthy, Mortimer Snerd and the other Bergen-created characters are. Bergen is polite; Charlie is the rudest person on the air. People look for



BERGEN AND McCARTHY

ward to tuning in on CBS Sunday nights to hear him say the kind of things they'd like to say. Bergen is kind; the Bergen Foundation lends money to student nurses, without interest, to finish their training. He also maintains 12 scholarships in speech at Northwestern university—the school where he couldn't finish because he had not quite enough money.

For a scene in Goldwyn's "Our Very Own" Ann Blyth was to be licked on the cheek by Rags, a shaggy canine. He did fine until it came time to kiss Ann; heartily disliking the makeup she wore, he refused to have anything to do with her. Trainer Jack Pack solved the problem by rubbing her cheek with a chunk of beef, and Rags' performance was enthusiastic.

Lou Steele was just visiting the Paramount studio when Hal Wallis spotted him. Steele was given a screen test which resulted in a supporting role in "September Affair"; Wallis saw the rushes and put him into "The Furies."

"The Red Shoes" had run for one year and 11 weeks at New York's Bijou theater when Eagle Lion Films and the Bijou's managing director made an amazing deal; for \$100,000 the theater purchased the right to continue its run of the film for as long as it wishes. The film has broken all records for continuity of patronage, and has won three Academy awards.

Walt Disney tested more than 400 applicants before deciding that Irena Woods' voice was the ideal for "Cinderella." Then he picked red-haired Helene Stanley as the model for her looks, and for part of her personality.

Corinne Calvet, the French siren who scored with American audiences in "Rope of Sand," has been cast in an important role in "My Friend Irma Goes West." The principals will be the same as in "My Friend Irma."

In "Bright Leaf" Gary Cooper is shown admiring a hoghead of fine tobacco labelled "Plews Consignment." Plews has been a property man at Warners' for 20 years, and has always managed to get his name into pictures he works on.

Larry ("Sammy") Robinson made a New Year's resolution to Gertrude Berg that he would be on time for "The Goldbergs" rehearsals in 1950. So on January 1 he was caught in a typical New York traffic jam and ruined his record.

Early morning at Warners', with Ginger Rogers, Joan Crawford and Patricia Neal having their hair washed—nothing unusual about that, except that, too late, the hairdressers found there was only one dryer; location companies had taken the others. Ginger had to work in "Storm Center" at 9:00. Joan wasn't due on "The Victim" till 11:00. Patricia had "Bright Rehearsals" at 10:00. Some stars would have fought for that one dryer, but the Misses Crawford and Neal gave Ginger the dryer and settled for towels.

A scene in "The Glass Menagerie" shows Jane Wyman taking a dancing lesson from Kirk Douglas. A former chorus girl, Jane is one of the best dancers in Hollywood; Douglas can't do anything but waltz—which is what he teaches her.

ODDS AND ENDS . . . The Cass County Boys, Western trio heard on Gene Autry's radio show, are set to play in square dance scenes in Columbia's "Beyond the Purple Hills" . . . Kinuyo Tanaka, actress known as "the Betty Davis of Japan," was one of the people who Janet Leigh on the first day's shooting on RKO's "Jet Pilot" . . . In the 21 cities where "The Outlaw" is finally being shown the crowds waiting to get in look like the lines at the world series.

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## Do You Want To Cut Your Federal Taxes?

### Slash Government Cost

If your personal or business expenses go up and your income and efficiency come down this year at the same rate as that of the Federal Government, you will be in the hands of the sheriff at an early date.

Workers, farmers, and businessmen from Maine to California know this. The answer is in the Report of the Commission on the Organization of the Executive Branch of the Federal Government. This twelve-man, bi-partisan Commission was unanimously created by Congress with the approval of the President. At the suggestion of Mr. Truman, former President Hoover was made its Chairman and Secretary of State Dean Acheson, Vice Chairman. The late president Franklin D. Roosevelt had long advocated such a reorganization of the government.

There is a two-fold purpose behind the effort to reorganize the Executive Branch of the Government: One—the elimination of inefficiency caused by overlapping and duplication; two—this should lead to a reduction of your taxes. If our Government can save from three to four billion dollars a year by more efficient methods of conducting our business, failure to act is stupid short-sightedness.

Action, however, depends upon the President and Congress. The President has already submitted a number of reorganization recommendations. The Congress has adopted several of these, most important having to do with the housekeeping of the armed forces, which save the taxpayer more than \$500,000,000 a year. But these are only first steps. There will be more ahead if Congress is made to realize.

Mr. and Mrs. Taxpayer want more tax-saving economies. Congressmen and Senators will vote for just so many of the Commission's recommendations as you, their constituents, demand.

What can you, as an individual, do about it? The answer is to write your Congressman and Senators. Tell them you want the Recommendations of the Commission on the Organization of the Executive Branch of the Federal Government made the law of the land. Join the non-partisan Citizens Committee set up to obtain the necessary action to make the Commission's work report. Write to the Citizens Committee for Reorganization of the Executive Branch of the Government, 1421 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia 2, Pennsylvania, for more information about the Commission Report. Tell your neighbors about it. Make speeches! Make your representatives in Washington act now!

COUNTY RECEIVES \$47,498 AS SHARE OF GAS TAX

Kosciusko county has received \$47,498.56 as a quarterly share of the state gasoline tax money, it was reported Friday by county Auditor Earl Himes.

The money, \$1,794.77 more than the sum received during the same quarter a year ago, goes into the county gravel road repair fund for use by the county highway department.

Last year the county's share of the gas tax money amounted to \$248,589.57.

WHEN SYRACUSE CLUBS MEET

Pythian Sisters—1st and 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

American Legion Post 223—1st Tuesday, 8 p.m.

American Legion Auxiliary—4th Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.

F. & A. M. No. 454—Each 2nd and 4th Monday, 7:30 p.m.

R. A. M. No. 124—Each 1st and 3rd Monday, 7:30 p.m.

O. E. S.—Each 2nd and 4th Wednesday, 8 p.m.

Rotary Club, every Monday, 6 p.m., at Dixie Grill.

Chamber of Commerce, second Tuesday of each month.

Town Council, 1st and 3rd Tuesday nights.

P.T.A. meets first Thursday night of each month at High School.

W. R. C.—First and third Friday of every month at 7:30 p.m.

Safe Pins

Mothers find stainless steel safe pins sanitary and easy to use because they don't corrode.

The President's pronouncement with regard to the Chinese island of Formosa has opened up another barrage of pros and cons regarding the Chinese situation, but despite opposition in certain Republican quarters and even in some Democratic circles, his statement on the question which he permitted newsmen to quote directly was generally well received.

The President declared: "The United States government will not pursue a course which will lead to involvement in the civil conflict in China . . . it does (not) have any intention of utilizing its armed forces to interfere in the present situation."

Strangely enough one of those most vigorously opposing the President's stand was Senator Taft.

Save the Bees