Life would be a bowl full of cherries if some people quit throwing the pits!

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CRISIS of the 60's

Though the novel, THE UGLY AMERICAN, has been around for several years, it was only recently that it came to our attention. Finally, over the Christmas holidays, we plowed through 200 some odd pages written by two young authors who have actually raked the U.S. Far East policy over the proverbial hot coals. And justifiably so! This revealing book, written by William Lederer and Eugene Burdick of actual Far East experience, points an ugly picture of the blundering American officials and mediocre "good time Charlie's" who are partially responsible for the repeated political, military and propaganda defeats of the Western powers and Democracy.

We wonder why the Asians, Africans, and the Eastern world in general is so rapidly flocking to the hammer and sickle; we knit our brows in consternation and ask why our billion-dollar foreign aid policy is failing to win friends for Democracy; and the American citizen smugly ponders what he can possibly do at his infinitesimal level to halt the gathering tidal wave of Communism. The simple truth of the matter is that the responsible people of the West are just beginning to understand the temperament and culture of these people and speak their languages, while the Soviet officials sent to these countries have been thoroughly trained in the language and culture of the inhabitants and thus are able to communicate with them on a far more intimate level. We are losing the struggle on the back stops of the very people we are attempting to befriended.

The Communist tactics are extremely complex to the American because he does not think on a world-wide scale as did Marx, Lenin, and their followers, right on down to Mr. K. Actually, their master plan is the essence of simplicity—the eventual capitulation of the whole world, to be accomplished by propaganda tactics and infiltration techniques, leading to the eventual seizing of the conquest-ripe country.

Democracy is doomed to oblivion in the East if America does not stop playing the "gullible, good-natured rich uncle" and start spending her millions where they will do some good—in helping the people to help themselves.

Americans, who always have their eyes peeled for the bargain and anything free, completely misunderstand the temperament of the races of the Eastern countries. These people, industrious by heritage, would rather honestly work for their bread than have it handed to them on a silver platter. We Americans, so material-minded, grossly underestimate the stubborn self-pride of peoples of smaller, less-fortunate countries. Surely, multi-million dollar roads are nice, but are they practical for a country of only a thousand cars? Would not 2,000 well-laying hens, 500 cows, or improved agricultural techniques just be of more value? Why not help these people with things that will be of a highly practical nature, and which will not offend their fierce self-pride? Also, why not help them in their own languages without the aid of interpreters?

These are but a few thoughts of the authors, supplemented by some of our own. We hope that they will affect you enough to make you want to read THE UGLY AMERICAN. We even dare hope that the book may move you to further thought and possibly to action. This is an area with which all Americans should become familiar—a problem which you, as an American should want to solve. Do so by taking advantage of your Freedom of Speech and making your voice heard!
KNIGHTS CLOSE OUT '60 WITH THREE DEFEATS

Talented Bellarmine of Louisville combined balanced scoring and an aggressive group of youngsters to down the Knights 86 to 61 in a hard fought game. Buddy was high for Bellarmine with 12, while Pete Datillo pumped in 19 for Marian, followed by Wirtz with 12 and Noone with 10.

In the Holiday Tourney at Indienne Central, the Knights got off to a bad start by dropping their opener to I. C. by a 73 to 48 count. Mike Hoskins contributed 13 points, but got little help from the rest of the cold Knights.

Against Earlham, in the consolation game, Marian jumped into a 7 point 1st quarter lead, but couldn't keep up the pace and found themselves down 78 to 69, despite a 34 point 4th period. Bob Ayers led the Knights with 15, while Hoskins, Wirtz, Noone, and Phillips each contributed 10 to the final tally.

Homecoming Festivities have been planned for the weekend of Jan. 27 and 28, beginning with a Student-Alumni Mixer. Here is an advance schedule of the events.

Fri. Nite, Jan. 27, 1961
- Student Alumni Mixer, Knights Club, 8:30 - 11:30, D.J. & Records, 50c
- Homecoming Queen will be presented to her subjects.

Senior - Shirley Bill
Junior - Sally Jo Ryan
Sophomore - Nancy Coleman
Freshman - to be announced next issue

Last year's Homecoming was a tremendous success, but this one promises to top even that! Don't miss a single event!

FRESHMAN CLASS

presents.

"WONDERLAND BY NIGHT"

Pat McGuire's Band

Friday, January 13, 1:30 - 11:30

$3.00 per couple

Congratulations "Big Mike" (Sifferlin, of course). Yesterday was the "Big Mopper's" birthday!

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Sister Adelise would like to thank Santa Claus (alias Father Frazee) for the ameba hatchery given to her for Xmas.

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Today, Jan. 6, feast of the Epiphany, is the traditional day for the blessing of the buildings; the priest and his three assistants bless all rooms and corridors, marking the doorways with M., C., B. - the names of the three Magi.

INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL

January 8, 1961, Schedule:
12:30 Knicks vs. Vets
1:30 Colts vs. Chemists
2:30 Lakers vs. Royals

Congratulations to Taty Guzman - not everyone gets a year's supply of rum-flavored bubble-gum for Christmas!

DATES TO REMEMBER:
Jan. 7, Marian-St. Joe Game
Jan. 27, Homecoming Weekend
Jan. 27, The CARBON, best weekly publication on campus, announces the birthday of its sole female contributor! We are, of course, referring to Jan.

Jehoshaski.