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Top of My Head



Third-Degree Burn

▶HERE IS A fear in high places that the recent public burning of a draft card may lead to general outbreaks of pyromania in other papers peculiar to Americana-such as a public burning of a credit card, or even a banking card when you discover you don't really have a friend there.

To forestall these possible acts of arson the House Committee on Un-Attractive Activities decided to investigate. They called in a young man. The committee consisted of Congressmen North, East, South, and West. North

"Young man, I suppose you're wondering why we called you here. It's in connection with setting fire to your draft card. You remember?"

'Yes, sir.'

"How old are you?"

"Twenty."

"Are you employed?"

"Yes, sir. I work for a charity organization that distributes books to the indigent."

"What is your salary?"

"About twelve dollars a month."

"Now about this draft card burningare you proud you did that?"

'Well, it's not 'proud.' I feel I was more of the catalyst."

"The what?'

"The catalyst. That means, sir, the agent that brought the force into focus."

You don't have to define for me. Now how would you feel about a marriage license? Would you burn that?"

"Oh. I'm not married, sir."

"Well, suppose you were married."

"Oh, I can't suppose that, sir. Not on my salary.'

'Can't you imagine you are married?" "I'd rather not, sir. I'm in enough

trcuble as it is.'

Well, then, how about a man who is married. Would you advise him to burn his marriage license?'

'Well, doesn't that depend on the man's wife, sir?"

"I'll ask the questions. You stick to the answers."

Congressman East interposes: "Let me take the witness for a moment. Relax, young man. There's nothing to be nervous about. You may smoke if you like.'

"I don't smoke, sir."

"You don't smoke at all? Cigar, cigarette, pipe?

"No, sir."
"Well now, perhaps you can tell this committee why you carry a lighter. Is that just to burn draft cards?"

"Oh no, sir. I borrowed it."

"You borrowed it! Now we're finally getting somewhere. That's what we wanted to know. Was this a group action? Are you a member of some group or organization?"

"Do you mean, sir, a group or organization that lends lighters?'

"No, I don't mean a group that relax young man. Take it easy. Now, let me ask you-how do you feel toward a driver's license? Would you burn a little driver's license?"

'Oh, I don't have a car, sir."

"Well, imagine you had a car. Not a big car-say a Chevy or a Rambler or a Volkswagen. I don't necessarily mean a big catalyst."

"A big what, sir?"

Congressman West interjects: "Now you cut that out!"

Congressman East replies:

"I didn't say anything.'

"Not you! I was talking to him. Tell me, young man, do you have a Social Security card?"

'Yes, sir."

"Why don't you burn that? Or isn't that antisocial enough for you? You seem to be antisocial enough to burn your . . . uh . . . what was it he burned again?"

Congressman South: "His draft card. So you believe nothing is antisocial except draft cards, is that it?'

"Do you mean, sir, do I believe it's social to go to war?'

Congressman West: "Young man, we are not here to answer to your questions. This is an investigation by the House Un-Attractive Activities committee. If you don't want to answer questions then you must cooperate like all our witnesses. Just take the Fifth."

"The Fifth, sir?"

"Yes. Just say I refuse to answer on the grounds of-and so on and so on. Here, read it off this card. . . . No, no, read it out loud. Go ahead—the question is do you believe it's only antisocial to burn your draft card but not your other -no, no, no! Don't burn it! Read it!"

-GOODMAN ACE.

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THE NUNAMIUT ESKIMOS: Hunters of Caribou. By Nicholas J. Gubser. Yale Univ. Press. \$8.50.

Archeology

THE CIVILIZATION OF GREECE. By François Chamoux. Simon & Schuster. \$12.95.

INTERCONNECTIONS IN THE ANCIENT NEAR EAST: A Study of the Relationships Between the Arts of Egypt, the Aegean, and Western Asia. By William Stevenson Smith. Yale Univ. Press. \$17.50.

TESTAMENTS OF TIME: The Story of Pursuit of Lost Manuscripts. By Leo Deuel. Knopf. \$8.95.

Art, Architecture

THE ARCHITECTURE OF THE ROMAN EMPIRE. Vol. I: An Introductory Study. By William L. MacDonald. Yale Univ. Press. \$17.50.

ETRUSCAN ART, Vol. I. By Raymond Bloch. New York Graphic Society. \$10.

Business, Economics

ECONOMIC ADVICE AND PRESIDENTIAL LEADERSHIP: The Council of Economic Advisers. By Edward S. Flash, Jr. Columbia Univ Press. \$8.95.

AN EMBARRASSMENT OF PLENTY. By Lauren Soth, Crowell. \$5.95.

How To Win the Business Battle; or, How Our British Cousins Survive the Rodent Race. By Eric Webster. Coward-McCann. \$4.50.

THE YOUNG EXECUTIVES. By Walter Guzzardi, Jr. New American Library. \$4.95.

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THE BARRIOS OF MANTA. By Earle and Rhoda Brooks. New American Library. \$5.95.

India. By Stanley Wolpert. Prentice-Hall. Hardbound, \$4.95. Paperback, \$1.95.

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MEN OR INSECTS? A Study of Population Problems. By Alfred Fabre-Luce. Horizon. \$4.50.

Moscow Summer. By Mihajlo Mihajlov. Farrar, Straus & Giroux. \$4.50.

THE PARANOID STYLE IN AMERICAN POLITICS AND OTHER ESSAYS. By Richard Hofstadter. Knopf. \$5.95.

POLITICS IN WEST AFRICA, By W. Arthur Lewis. Oxford Univ. Press, \$3.50.

Santo Domingo: Revolt of the Damned. By Dan Kurzman, Putnam, \$5.95.

SOCIAL CHANGE IN ISRAEL. By Judah Matras, Aldine. \$6.95.

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THE MISSION. By Marcos Spinelli. Vanguard. \$4.95.

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BEFORE THE LAMPS WENT OUT: Britain's Golden Age, Christmas 1913-August 1914. By Geoffrey Marcus. Atlantic-Little, Brown. \$7.50.

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THE JOHN ADAMS PAPERS. Selected, edited, and interpreted by Frank Donovan. Dodd, Mead. \$5.

LABOR IN CRISIS: The Steel Strike of 1919. By David Brody. Lippincott. \$3.95.

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SHAKESPEARE SURVEY 18. Edited by Allardyce Nicoll. Cambridge Univ. Press. \$8.50.

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