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FREEDOM OF SCIENCE

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America comes from a long line of witch hunters. The essential difference between Cotton Mather of Plymouth and the doctors and professors of today is that the modern Torquemadas get more pay for it.

America is involved today in a war of wits. The brightest nation scientifically will survive. But her general staff in this scientific scrap are, I fear, her nit-wits. For they forbid scientific adventuring.

The medicos, the professors and even the government have evolved certain procedures of advance in science. They are sufficiently dull not to realize that there could be other avenues of approach to solutions in the various fields of investigation. "Man comes from Mud." "Matter is made up of molecules." "Man thinks with a brain." These are some of the cliches of the new religion. If you don't believe this you are an heretic and by law richly earn the right to be burned at the stake.

The ways the channels to truth are blocked by these people are many. But the most subtle and least obvious of them is the Old School Tie. America, which never does anything by halves it can do by doubles has taken this version of the closed shop from the medieval university and made it modern. If you do not wear the right alphabet soup on your vest and yet persist in thinking about things, you are condemned for heresy. You can even be jailed. But more likely, tried without trial in the public press.

"Science is a Sacred Cow" wrote Anthony Standen in 1950. Science by definition is a search for truth. It has become a religion. And it has rituals made up in the Dark Ages by the godless. Science was once a revolt against the beliefs and rituals

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of the Holy Roman Empire. Science is now the Unholy Calculus Church, complete with its Torquemadas. High Mass is said to the catechism "Man is from Mud" - "Drugs cure everything" - "No scientist should benefit personally from his work" - "Om Mani square root ohm." And those that falter can talk to the police chief or the FDA or the judge.

For today theories of approach in electronics, chemistry, healing et al have become liable to inspection by law. We find the FDA concerned more with whether something matches "Scientific thinking" than whether it is useful or true. We have seen statements written by the U. S. government which con - demn because a thing is not Orthodox in approach.

Oddly, I write in no effort to include Scientology amongst the outs. Scientology has won and will win further. The attitude of the old school tie touches us but vaguely. But we reserve the right to point out flaws that affect us nationally. For we should be able to rely on the nation's science to protect us and the nation's science has gone religious - and ineffective - on us.

Increasingly you will see the U. S. government buying idiocy from the priests of the new religion. For error comes in when the truth runs out.

The revolutionist of 1500 AD is become the priesthood of the 20th Century - with all his prejudices intact and indeed codified into law. And he leads us forth to battle with his awesome weapons against which he has not bothered to create a defense since his motto is "Succumb for All."

Like any other priesthood the science of today is making martyrs. The FDA can forget the Constitution, forbid Wilhelm Reich to "write, speak or work" with a specific energy form. And send him to prison for two years. So science has its Torquemada to execute the heretics. And the Torquemada is above the Constitution of the land since he is a priest.

My hope is that the ghost of Wilhelm Reich can come back to haunt the portals of the U. S. government enough. Enough to cause new legislation that forbids restraint of science, that snips to bits the old school tie.

I don't know if "modern scientific thinking" is useful or not. The whir of the Giant Mechanical Brains annoys my ears. Mathematics is just another way of not looking at something but looking at its symbols instead.

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So common have the modern scientific idiocies become that we accept them as an "everybody knows". Our new generations, ground fine in the mills of Chastise U. have the originality of a row of bone buttons - they're all alike. Or they don't get the supreme reward - the OLD SCHOOL TIE.

America seems to hate originality and wits. Just as she executes her heroes, she starves her unorthodox. Her poets, painters and writers must conform. Or forego the royal commission.

We are building a more deadly disease than we know in our forts of learning. The student is taught that science is Truth - and ORTHODOX. He is also taught to sneer at "Americana," a cute name with which to hang our Jeffersons and Washingtons as well as any native art.

Why isn't a university able to turn out writers? Yet no writer of note ever studied writing at a university? Why isn't a university able to turn out Edisons? Yet any scientist of note -- Ford, Firestone and all the rest, never saw the inside of a university.

I speak from experience since I was once threatened with expulsion for writing a theme in a university class on the question "Why don't you let us think?" It took me a long while and a lot of bicarbonate of soda to recover from my years in universities.

If America has to hire foreign mercenaries like von Braun and Teller to do her thinking for her, to develop her tools of defense, then something must be wrong with her home-grown scientific product.

A scientist is an adventurer. New sciences are built by non-conformists. But America rewards only the Orthodox. This is a worship of what was thought yesterday. So if they give you a degree, they only advertise that you believe in the greatness of yesterday.

In Scientology we have resolved this. Scientology itself is a precise body of knowledge about knowledge and its source. It is not a science so much as a key to thinking.

In Scientology we achieve certain results. As long as we specifically and definitely achieved them, we have no reason to change.

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A person producing results in Scientology is creating the ability to think. To have ideas. To be free. What his creation now thinks, now believes is up to the creation, not Scientology.

Scientology is a route to knowledge, it is not the knowledge itself. If you travel a road you travel the road, not the by-passes. And we have found the road. But if Scientology is not true for someone, it's not true for him and that's the end of the witch burning. If a person has no reality on the data of Scientology when he examines it thoroughly, there will never be an execution squad to shoot him.

Not so "basic sciences". They call themselves KNOWLEDGE. They are the thing itself. And in our modern times lord help the neophyte who dares question the priesthood.

Today if a doctor sought to cure pneumonia without using penicillin they would hang him. Yet all pneumonia does not succumb to drugs.

Factually if a psychiatrist sought to cure a mental patient without electric shock he could be brought to court. Any institutional psychiatrist refusing to use it can be and has been fired. But the records show that when it is not used, patients get out of institutions two to five weeks sooner.

So the goals are lost to view in science -- to cure -- to help -- to accomplish -- to be effective. In their place we have a kangaroo court which tries people for not "using the standard method." This state of affairs is backed by Federal and local law.

Today we need an enforced Freedom of Thought. We need legislation which makes it an offense to chastise or harass anyone or any group because they have scientific ideas that differ

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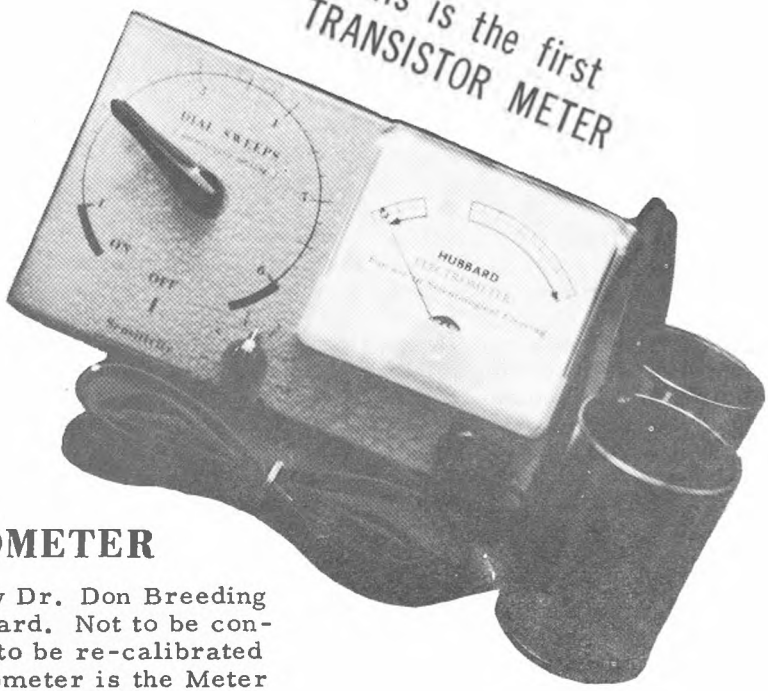
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from the past. Further, such legislation should forbid hiring by degrees alone and should insist upon performance. The law should state that the ability to do, to accomplish the goals of any job should be the sole criteria of hiring.

The country was made great by Whitneys and Edisons. By modern standards they could not have been hired.

A Whitney or an Edison could solve our defense problems. Yet if they tried, lacking as they did, the Old School Tie even in their own day, they would now be arrested for trying.

Priesthoods rise by mystery. And there's certainly enough mystery surrounding modern physics, chemistry and medicine. So much that I suspect they have to a large degree ceased to be true. Anything that becomes that complicated has broken down somewhere! Yet who could get in past the security to find out?

A bill to Guarantee Freedom of Science could save America internationally. The Right to Think must now be guaranteed along with the First Amendments Right to Speak and Right to Believe. Otherwise, we are not only anchored in chains made Precedent we are also risked in our entirety before the scien - tific advances of the rest of the world. A society, whether Athenian or American, never looks so prosperous as just be- fore it sinks forever in the mud of its own decay.

How does this affect you? If you have children in a school, your home is invaded by the weird nonsense of that school's "child psychology".

If you are trying to hire people, your applicants are unable to think and therefore act to accomplish goals.

If you are seeking to help your help is refused because you don't wear the Old School Tie.

And even more important, one day the bombs come down and your dreams go poof! because the men who should have done something about it wore instead the Old School Tie.

America, your number is up. You put it up when you for- got to include in your Bill of Rights the Right to Think. You forgot it and now, too soon, the world will forget you.



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