

The Birth of Pakistan

A personal viewpoint of the birth of Pakistan in relation to India, the Middle East, and other Islamic states, and how a relationship could be founded.

Since 1941, the Moslems of pre-partitioned India intensified their demands for a separate state for themselves, comprising the provinces in which they were in the majority, in order that they may be able to lead their lives in accordance with the tenets of Islam. Another reason for the Moslem's demanding a separate state was to be able to associate themselves of the neighboring Islamic states.

It is a fact that the Moslems of these states have many things in common: their climate, culture, religion, and the political problems which they have to tackle.

Pakistan is contiguous with the Middle East States, and is destined to stand or fall with them, obviously because it happens to be the biggest Moslem State, and as such has to play its role as a unifying force. Already there is a move on the part of the government of Pakistan to invite all the Moslem States to set up a consultative machinery for their close mutual co-operation.

One more reason for the demand of Pakistan was the disparity between the cultures of the Moslem and the Hindu nations of pre-partitioned India. It would be definitely wrong to say that they had a common Indian culture, because the two cultures have their origins in their respective religions which differ basically.

Apart from this the British rule in India was responsible for holding together the Moslems and the Hindus—at least on the political dias. Nevertheless, hardly a month passed before they had a communal riot in some part or other of India.

In this background the Moslems thought that the withdrawal of the British power from India would leave them entirely at the hands of the Hindus, and the independence of India for the Moslems would mean nothing else than "mere change of masters".

Although the campaign for the achievement of Pakistan was bloodless up to its birth, but the horrible events which followed in its wake are indescribable! The loss of lives and the exodus of the Moslems from India to Pakistan was on an unprecedented scale—about 150,000,000—and the exodus still continues!

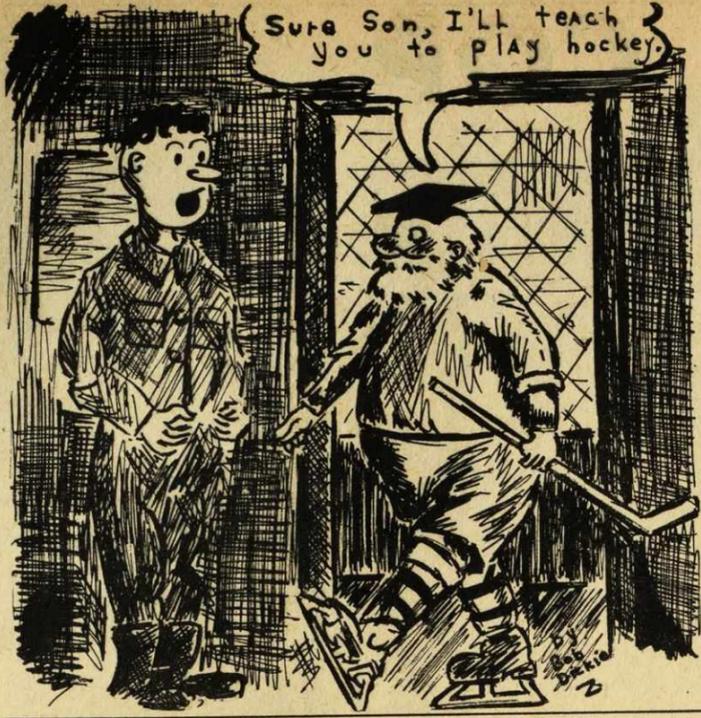
The British people quitted India leaving unresolved all the outstanding points of differences between India and Pakistan. It is here that we smell the malafides of the British Imperialism. One such dispute is the Kashmir Dispute.

Kashmir is situated in the northeast of Pakistan, and is contiguous with it. It has a population of over 80% Moslems, having the same culture, language, climate, and religion as Pakistan.

One Kashmir dispute with little substantial progress is lying with the U.N. for the last five years, and the people of Kashmir are craving only to enable them to express their will whether they would accede to Pakistan or India under a free and unbiased atmosphere! A cursory look at the map of Indo-Pakistan sub-continent of Asia and a little knowledge of that area would suggest itself how Kashmir is naturally integrated with Pakistan. One Kashmir problem has become well-known since the indication of the Soviet interest in it, as such it hardly requires to be stressed further here.

Pakistan is one of the underdeveloped countries of Asia. It is a nascent state with only five years on its back, therefore everything in Pakistan is in the making. We have big hydro-electric projects, road, railway, waterways, communications, projects and a good many schemes, concerning agriculture, fisheries and forests. Pakistan is considered to be the richest country in Asia in its fish wealth and it would surely welcome the Canadians to participate in its fish industry. Jute and cotton industries have already made remarkable progress there.

Pakistan resembles Canada in many respects. Like Canada, it has had surplus budgets and enjoys a favourable trade balance. Again like Canada, it is predom-



inantly an agricultural country, and one of the happy countries that enjoys a food surplus. And again like Canada, it is trying to become industrialized.

But to become industrialized, it has to import machinery from outside, and this cannot be done hurriedly without shattering its own economy. Unlike Canada, it is over populated with over 80 million people.

In view of the context of these circumstances, developed countries can help Pakistan in one way. They can, and they are always welcome to invest their capital in establishing industries in Pakistan.

During these years, the economy of a country is mainly responsible for shaping its political outlook. Pakistan, having a sound economy, has not yet cared to associate itself with the Communist block. I can safely say that at least in the immediate future, Communism cannot thrive in Pakistan, mainly for two reasons.

Firstly, people in Pakistan generally believe that Communism is a Godless creed. The Moslems of Pakistan would be the last to follow a Godless creed, because Pakistan is founded on very spiritual values.

Secondly, Islam has a moderate view in respect to capitalism primarily. It is not a capitalism system. Its rules of inheritance and succession are such that any capitalist can hardly expect his future generations to remain capitalist like him. But at the same time one is not prohibited from earning and amassing wealth, although it is always subject to religious taxations besides the moral obligation to support the poor and to pay the charities.

Pakistan is keenly watching the conflict between the capitalism and communism in the present period. Although it finds nothing in common with the communist countries, its previous long experience of the exploitations by the British imperialism makes it reluctant to throw in its weight with Western democracies unreservedly.

Frankly speaking, the people in Southeast Asia generally believe that the Western democracies are quite late to realize their duty to help the undeveloped countries. Unfortunately, as this change of attitude is preceded by colonial exploitation, it has less inspiration than what it should really have been.

But it is a source of great relief and consolation for the major section of humanity the world communities are now moving towards internationalism.

Pakistan welcomes the international outlook more than any other country, because Pakistan itself cannot claim to be a nationalist state in the strict sense of the term, as it would be contrary to the fundamental principles of Islami policy. That is why Pakistan is playing its increasing role in the activities of the international organizations. It honestly hopes that the United Nations would solve its five year old Kashmir problem justly and fairly.

Pakistan is a peace-loving country, and believes in "Live and let live".

Sex In America

I
This is the 20th century! Everything is fast, furious or streamlined. We have three excellent examples at our disposal:

- (1) The car
- (2) The airplane
- (3) The female body

Today, among students, men and women, sex is an everlasting source of delight and conversation. Novels on the whole are written with little thought in the writer's mind but to play up sex and sell a million copies. Movies are made with undertones of sex but—alas—they are not that much covered! Yes sir! "This is a mighty powerful word nowadays. It is certainly traveling fast and furious. It's the latest fashion. Haven't you heard We're eating sex for dinner—I'm wearing sex tonight in a soft pale green shade—I've just bought the most wonderful perfume called Sex. Today more men, women and children smoke sex than any other brand of high grade tobacco.

II
Let us discuss sex from this most alluring angle. Hollywood is the nucleus of this new campaign. A famous director says about Marilyn Munroe, "She doesn't have to say a word in pictures. But she should get an Academy Award just for the way she walks." Her walk is in slow glides, and her movements show her natural attributes with the grace that has actually stopped traffic. Munroe is aware of her appeal and makes the most of what she got. She says that men are supposed to admire the lady's figure.

In England the austere BBC were having trouble and it was known as the "bra problem". Last year Parisian show girls came to London to do a TV show and when the dignified censors realized the girls were to appear "au naturelle" they rushed out and bought a batch of bras. That's a fact!

"If you ask me", says a certain movie star, "being sexy is part of being feminine. When a woman thinks about being a woman (hardly ever) deep inside that's all she needs. Tight sweaters and low-necked lines are really props. It is like hanging out a sign or using a password that everyone knows. Sex is much more subtle than that. Sexiness is more how you feel than what you wear. It will show through automatically—you don't have to dress or undress to prove it."

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Halifax Harbour

A seagull darts out on the grey horizon,
Circling the icy waters,
Screaming midst the smoke stacks
And the riggings of the harbour
Then wings back inward through the smog,
And is lost!
Lost amid the labyrinth
Of drab stone buildings bleak and tall,
With sagging rat-strewn hovels inbetween
And narrow streets, and alleyways, and dingy taverns, . . .
And over all — the smell of fish and salt.

III

That sums it up. All of us will be tired of Munroe in a few years—she's okay now—she is a novelty but it will wear off eventually.

This, however is only one side of sex. Sex isn't as bad as all that. Today, unlike the time of Grandma and Grandpa, people are not ashamed to hide their "view-points" on the subject. Children are told the facts of life! The great harm comes when you find out these facts yourself for they will probably seem absurd and amusing. Sex should be a compulsory subject in high school. By the time one reaches college they should know the ropes and, I might add, that if you don't I'd advise you to remain in high school until you do.

We are a new generation. Each past generation has had its own characteristics and so we must have ours. In the twenties they had the Charleston, the ban on liquor, racoon coats and Rudy Vallee. Nowadays we have our own music, our own special dances and our own fashions. Above all we have a different outlook on sex. In Grandma's time everything was "hush-hush" so—

- (I) Men, women and clergymen. In father's time they were a bit startled so they had
- (II) Men, women and professors.

Nowadays we have
(III) Saints, sinners and beechers.

ACP Notes

CHEATING: A FINE CONVERSATION PIECE . . .

(From the Daily Californian, University of California)

Everybody talks about cheating but practically nobody does anything about it. The University Faculty Committee on Student Conduct reports that in the last year it heard only 17 cheating cases.

Seventeen cases would be a remarkable record for an institution with the registration totals of the University of California. But the number of complaints from students about cheating destroys their statistical value . . . The fact that such few cases were heard is not a testimonial to the honesty and integrity of the student body, and mistaken tolerance and protection is helping it along.

Contributing to the problems is the haphazard manner in which the regulations . . . are carried out. Books and notes are allowed into the examination rooms; seating regulations are not adhered to; proctors are careless and often irresponsible.

These rules, while no surety of student honesty, are at least part of the solution. It is distressing when even such elementary efforts are not effectively performed.

. . . Students need to evaluate cheating for what it is and face up to the fact that it benefits no one

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and only makes a mockery of education. Students must furthermore take it upon themselves to report cheating when they see it. There is no need to have false qualms about such violations.

. . . It has been said that most of the cheating goes on in the lower division classes which are large and unappealing, and often required. While the tendency and the opportunity to cheat are increased in such situations, so is the need for student honesty and cooperation.

. . . The essential point (is) that administration, faculty and students all have their share in solving the problem. We of the student body should at least do ours. It's our necks.

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