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"I don't have to go (to Europe). If I went over there, I'd see a bunch of buildings and a bunch of grass and a bunch of trees. You can tell about as much about a country as you can by looking at motion pictures." — Governor George Wallace in a lengthy interview on foreign affairs.

- GOVERNOR, what about the Q present state of Europe today?

A - Not worth a hill of beans. Pack-jammed with nothin' but spies, murderers, jool thieves and low-down preverts.

Q - Preverts?

A — You seen "Last Tango in Paris," boy?

Q - Do you consider the Russians a threat, sir?

A - Not much. They're mighty mean, no-good skunks. But they're none too bright. You take that Oscar Homolka. He don't never win the gal from us good Americans in the end.

Q - Would you recognize China, Governor?

A — Sure would. It's that place where all these poor starvin' folks is eatin' mud and grass. Seen "The Good Earth" when I was only in knee britches.

Q - And what about Vietnam, sir?

A - I'm not worried none. John Wayne proved he can lick a hundred of them Commies with one hand tied a-hind

Q - But the Communists won in Vietnam.

A - They did? Shows how we never should of pulled ol' John out of there. He had 'em licked.

Q - Turning to Africa, Governor

A - Nothin' but a bunch of natives dancin' around with spears and evil witch doctors causin' trouble. I say we ought to send more American Tarzans over there to restore lawn order.

Q — I think Tarzan was British, sir.

A — That so? Shows how we should've fought on their side in World War II. Then we would've licked them Russians and they wouldn't have sent their tanks rollin' into Holland.

- You mean Czechoslovakia, Governor.

A - Czechoslovakia, you say? Just shows how you can't trust them Commies. They're everywhere.

Q - Current tensions in the Middle

East...

A — I'm an expert on that. Seen "Beau Geste," "Casablanca" and "Lawrence of Arabia." And you just can't trust them Arabs, neither.

Q - Then you'd support Israel?

A — I would, but I missed seeing "Exodus."

Q - Lastly, what are your views on Latin America?

- A lot of right fine-lookin' ladies with bananas on their heads singin' "Chico-Chico." But their lazy men folks don't even shave, just ride around shootin' our fine American cowboys in the back. But my new Secretary of State'll fix 'em good - if'n ol' John'll take the job.

Q — Despite your vast knowledge of : foreign affairs, would you, if elected President, be willing to make an aroundthe-world good-will tour?

A - What! And likely fall off the edge?