

We Help Others, Why Not Ourselves? . . .

A new angle on the "What happened to our defense stockpiles?" question came to light in a recent testimony before a committee of Congress. At the vertex of that angle is the State Department.

It all goes back to the old political game of passing the buck. After the outbreak in Korea, people became aware of the sad shape of our national defenses and reserves.

Since then, the blame for our lack of preparation has been passed back and forth from one department or board of our national government to another.

Even more recent than that is an accusation before a congressional committee that the State Department has failed to

bring pressure on friendly Marshall Plan countries which "have been laggard in their production of our needed materials."

The State Department's position, the chairman said, is "that they are going out to do something for these people, and if they say we want something in return for it, that destroys the atmosphere."

It seems that we, as a nation born with the habit of helping others and requesting and expecting nothing in return, should change our ways, possibly to the extent of destroying the "atmosphere."

Korean Bombs--With a Two Fold Purpose . . .

North Koreans have become acquainted with the hell of pulverizing bombing from United States planes such as their Japanese neighbors and the Germans went through in the last two years of World War II.

One hopeful thought about the devastation being wrought by the American air attacks is that it may make Communist chieftains contemplating similar Moscow-sparked aggressions think long and hard before bringing such destruction down upon other countries.

Communist rulers are notoriously cautious to the hardships of their peoples. Theoretically the proletariat are the governing power; actually the masses are mere robots to produce goods and materials for state use, and expendable trigger-fingers and cannon fodder to be sacrificed in whatever numbers may be necessary to consummate their aggressions.

tinues for six months, is enough to make the prospective aggressors tremble for their own future as well as that of their country, should they go through with their contemplated attacks.

To mention just one instance, Russia's deputy-premier, Molotov, has been in Peiping for some time, supposedly trying to rib Mao Tse-tung to invade Formosa or Korea.

The Red would-be aggressors may not heed the solemn warning of Korea. Aggressors almost always find, in the end, that they were fatally mistaken in their plans.

—The Houston Post

Though not often made by persons who stay employed in the newspaper business, mistakes appearing in the nation's newspapers are embarrassing to editors, but humorous to readers.

For instance, imagine the expression of the editor of an Indiana weekly when he read "A little bungle of love came to frighten the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Jones," on his society page.

Usually, retractive statements are run, but often they too do not turn out so well. As in the case of an Iowa paper: "We reported in yesterday's paper that Mr. Brandon is a defective on the police force. This

is not so. Mr. Brandon is a detective on the police force."

The grand-dad of all newspaper "flub-ups" comes from an account in an Illinois weekly on the flight of a zeppelin from a nearby airport. This paper announced importantly: "Among the last to enter the great airship was a society-woman Mrs. A. E. Wiley.

"Slowly she turned toward the wind. Gracefully she lifted her massive nose and crawled along the grass until, with a mighty effort, she sped into the air and swooped up high."

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Teague Reporting . . .

Approval of Senate Seen for Controls

(Ed. note—Reprinted below is the latest newsletter sent to The Battalion by Olin E. Teague, representative in Congress for the Sixth District of Texas, which includes Brazos and seven other counties.)

Washington, D. C.—(Special)—Since the invasion of South Korea the Nation's Capital has become the news center of the world where plans are being made and implemented to stop Communist aggression.

Immediately after the President announced to the world the action he had authorized to be taken by the armed services in Korea, the Congress has attempted to move speedily in granting the legislation requested.

The Senate had previously been discussing for several weeks the Appropriation Bill for 1951 and during that time the House of Representatives voted to remove the 2,005,000 ceiling on our armed forces and has already approved a program of priorities and allocations with standby rationing and price controls.

Senate Has Bill The Senate has now taken up the controls bill and will probably approve it during this week. After the House and Senate differences as to the type of controls we should have on our domestic economy are worked out, the legislation will go to the President for his signature.

Yet to be acted upon are additional defense appropriations above our present military budget in compliance with the President's \$10.7 billion request to cover the cost of the Korean conflict and to

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Interpreting the News . . .

Nehru Should Accept Visit To Peiping, See Red Action

By J. M. ROBERTS, JR. AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

It might be a very good thing for the world at large if Prime Minister Nehru of India accepts the Chinese Communist invitation to visit Peiping.

Nehru has been straddling the fence between East and West. He is attempting to maintain a show of complete detachment. He denies neutrality, but says he wishes India to retain her freedom of decision on individual issues rather than to cast her lot unequivocally with one side or the other.

In the meantime, he is working toward Indian leadership of Asia, which he conceives as still in revolt against foreign hegemony and bound up in a new nationalism.

He maintains his willingness to use whatever system will work for the benefit of the people. Chinese Different He agrees that Communism is being misused by some countries

but—and here is the big point where he diverges from the general concept—he doesn't think that Chinese Communism is Moscow Communism.

There are others who still cling to this outlook, despite the identity of the Moscow and Peiping party lines. Nehru thinks the Chinese are too individualistic, have too many of their own problems.

In other words, he doesn't believe Mao Tse Tung and the Chinese Communist leaders who reiterate their unity with Moscow.

The New York Times only this past Sunday said Nehru intimated in an interview, although not with a specific statement, that he felt the western powers should try to make common cause with the Nationalist forces in Asia whether they are communistically inclined or not.

Overlooking Facts This idea that Communism in Asia and especially China is different or can be made different from Russian Communism is to overlook the source of the power which spreads it in the area, and to hope for Titoism without remembering that Titoism is still totalitarianism and that Asia is not Yugoslavia.

Nehru, of course, is caught up by some practical as well as theoretical aspects of the situation. It would be strange if, having spent so many years in British jails, he were not influenced by anti-westernism despite his admittedly great intelligence and education.

It would also be strange if he were not affected by the fundamentals of politics and geography with which he is faced. China is his near neighbor, larger and quite probably stronger, militarily, than India. To get along with China is bound to be an increasingly important

factor in Indian foreign policy.

Broad Outlook: But to get back to the Peiping invitation.

Nehru, even if he now seems to be off base regarding the Communists, is a man of generally broad outlook. He does not refuse to learn. He might learn much from seeing the Peiping Communists with their ears to the ground for Moscow's word, or actually asking for instructions. Many westerners have been and might still be misled by the "potemkin" shows put on by the Communists. But Nehru would be more capable than most westerners of real perception in Peiping. And there is no doubt of his importance. If he perceived, it would mean much to the world struggle.

Five Housemasters Named for Dorms

Housemasters for the coming year in five non-corps dormitories have been announced by Taylor Wilkins, veterans advisor.

They are as follows: Leighton B. Lee, senior accounting major from Kirbyville (Law); David M. Elston, senior vet medicine major from McKinney (Mitchell); Jesse N. Hill, junior architecture student from Port Arthur (Leggett); James O. Martin, fifth-year vet medicine student from Cotulla (Bizzell); and John P. Davis, fifth-year vet medicine major from Port Arthur (Puryear).

Too Much Expense

Experience has taught us that any additional government expenditures result in inflationary action unless by means of increased taxes or forced savings we can remove the threat of a serious disruption of our economy.

We have entered into a period which may result in a general world war or one which will result in several years of increasing military preparedness to meet the threats of communist aggressors.

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