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Veterans Call For Eisenhower

WAR VETERANS have moved to take the lead in a new Draft Eisenhower campaign. A North Carolina group has been formed to take part in a national organization which would promote the General for the Democratic Presidential nomination.

This rallying of old soldiers in a movement to place a military hero at the head of the Government will be regarded with misgivings by many persons who fear the ascendancy of the military over civilian influence in public affairs. That was a danger against which General Eisenhower himself warned when he removed himself from the Republican draft campaign that has been organized by some of his friends and admirers.

In this instance, however, we do not believe that the veterans' call for General Ike springs primarily from a desire for a military man at the helm of the nation, although the campaign might develop into a movement with a distinct military cast. It is notable that the former service men did not enter the Draft Eisenhower agitation until after many Democratic politicians had publicly indicated their probable replacement for Mr. Truman, and after strong Eisenhower sentiment had been expressed by all segments of the population.

A Drawback In Federal Aid

LIVING IN A state which would get more than any other under the Federal Aid To Education Bill, it may have occurred to many public school leaders that at this time is ill-advised, to say the least. We have a lot more children per capita to educate in the South and a lot less income to educate them than in the North.

There is also significance in a statement of Governor Tuck of neighboring Virginia that his state will not accept "one farthing" of proposed Federal grants-in-aid for education if such grants can be given or withheld as a weapon for enforcing the President's civil rights program.

Russia's Move In Finland

NEGOTIATIONS conducted at the request of Stalin himself have produced a Russo-Finnish mutual assistance treaty which Finnish leaders describe as a pact that preserves their tiny country's sovereignty, although it does bind Finland tighter in the Soviet Eastern bloc.

Russia's restraint in this instance appears to have been dictated entirely by considerations of world opinion, which is a heartening development but not enough to make us feel that Moscow has undergone a permanent change of heart.

Moreover, it appears that Finland has lost more of her sovereignty than her leaders are willing to admit, and it is clear that this treaty strengthens Russia's military power in the Baltic region.

There is not much cause for relief, but considerable reason for not relaxing our guard against Russia, in the news from Finland.

Family Tension

ONE fifth, popular explanation of juvenile delinquency has long blamed it on everything on parents without looking for why, lack of parental inadequacy. As a result of this there has been in the last year a rash of State legislation to punish parents by law—even to send them to jail—when their children were guilty of delinquent behavior.

Those two men who worked their way out of an Ardmore, Okla., jail with a can opener, reported as the jailbreak of John L. Lewis and the "Fast-Hatchet" Act—Greenboro Daily News.

Maybe We Better Build The Whole Thing Underground?



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People's Platform

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American Aid In War Making

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Change In Solid South

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Italy At Crossroads

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Drew Pearson's Army-Navy Feud Blossoms Despite Merger

ink of the Army and Air Force on the concept of future war.

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Lobbying, '48 Model

WASHINGTON
So fast are changes occurring that the Rip Van Winkle who comes back after only a few years finds himself a stranger in a strange land.

The laundry lobby as an example. Persistently and tirelessly this lobby has worked to modify the tax laws.

The judges offer something of a picture of the lobby. It will rarely be two or three members of Congress and maybe a retired lobbyist.

MANY CONTESTANTS
Certainly the judges would have a hard time picking the winner this year. There are so many contestants that it is hard to pick one.

The temptation would be strong to avoid the field of battle in a spectacular mass operation. At the top of the list is the drive to put over the atomic bomb.

It is organization plus. It is possible to win a battle with a few companies that stand to profit from the unlimited exploitation that has pushed the edge of exhaustion.

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James Marlow

Italy At Crossroads

WASHINGTON
ITALY'S problems, as it moves toward the critical elections of April 18, are different from this country.

We've had a democracy from the beginning. And with our two big parties, the third party has never had much chance.

This country now is wealthy, strong, well-fed and has full employment. It is not in a state of thinking of drastic change.

The people there lived under Fascism from 1923 till 1943, when the Allies drove them out.

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