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SECURITY THROUGH TERROR

AND NOW the "H-Bomb" big brother to the little fellow who created a cloud of radioactive dust over Hiroshima and a pall of fear over the entire world: the hydrogen bomb, reportedly one thousand times more powerful than the uranium explosive.

Yesterday President Truman still had not made it clear whether the United States would begin production of the super bomb. Administration officials, quoted by AP, thought he would give the go-ahead signal soon.

The ethical problem is, of course, too big for President Truman. Too big for the people. Will we produce the most deadly weapon ever devised by man?

The practical problems are less difficult: will we engage in a possibly suicidal arms race with Russia? Should we manage other nations in the process? If we do not take part in the arms contest will Russia reap the track alone and win by default, with all the expense of thousands of even millions of lives?

THE SHRINE AND THE HOSPITAL

THIRTEEN years ago squads of youthful football players from high schools of North Carolina and South Carolina played a game in Charlotte—and the Shrine Bowl was established. The annual contest, now a fortunate idea on the part of kindly Carolina men who then, as now, sympathized deeply with another group of children, unfortunate, who are crippled.

Over the years, however, the Shrine Bowl has become a more than a game of charity. In the late 1930's another fortunate man, heard of Shrine Hospitals for Crippled Children located wherever in widely scattered cities. Through such a Shrine, he sought the rehabilitation of the children. It is the Shrine Hospital for Crippled Children located in Charlotte, which is the one in North Carolina. It is the Shrine Hospital for Crippled Children located in Charlotte, which is the one in North Carolina. It is the Shrine Hospital for Crippled Children located in Charlotte, which is the one in North Carolina.

MR. DELAPP STEPS DOWN

WE CAN THINK offhand of a good many political assignments more interesting and more rewarding than the job Jim A. DeLapp has held for the past eight years—that of chairman of the North Carolina Party in North Carolina. They have been ten years for the GOP, on both the state and national level, and Mr. DeLapp's desire to hand over the party to a younger man is understandable.

It has not been the fault of Mr. DeLapp that North Carolina Republicanism is still a weak, ineffectual, opposition movement. He has labored diligently and assiduously to build up a party. He has been in charge of power and influence. That he did not succeed is due to factors, some of them historical, some of them current, over which he has no control.

THE BIRDS HAVE NESTS

THERE are three and a half million men and women over 65 years old in the United States who have no cash income at all.

It is not gross-work. The U. S. Census Bureau has made a careful survey and tabulated the figures.

Some of these old people without income are able to work if and when they can find employment, perhaps. Some of them are not. And many of them are wandering here and there with their last days.

The problem of security for the aged has grown much more serious in recent years due largely to the national shift from a predominantly agrarian to an industrial-urban economy.

Younger couples living in crowded town and city apartments find it difficult to keep their aged relatives with them. Too many cases are the cost of having them care of them in special homes is too heavy for their relatives to pay.

On the farm or in other ways one could find three or four generations living in the same house and on the same land.

Formerly, when large, and often the old folk could "board around the school", going from the farm home of one son or daughter to another and living with each

We must not underestimate Soviet ability. Many of us made the mistake of thinking that nation incapable of developing and producing a uranium bomb; even our experts, who knew the United States had more money on scientific ability, had a skeptical wring on the time it would take the Soviets to get the bomb into production.

There must be no similar mistake with the hydrogen bomb; we must assume, even if we are later proved wrong, that Russia is capable of producing the hydrogen bomb—and producing it as quickly as we can.

This does not solve the ethical problem. But it does make obvious the solution to the practical problems.

Russia and the U. S. have arrived at the grim and inevitable end of two-power hostility; prepare to kill and to be killed. We have, for the past five years, existed in a state of security through terror: a period in which the nation which could kill or threaten to kill the most people stood the best chance of survival.

There is no happy solution; we must live and be prepared to use the hydrogen bomb.

Has humanity now come to the end of its long journey to the jumping-off place? Or will sanity prevail.

Little Brighter Picture



Defeated Chiang Supporters Play Into Communists Hands

BY MARQUIS CHILDS

WASHINGTON

THE DRIFT OF European toward a policy of American toward stability and reconstruction has been so rapid that it has left little room for maneuvering. The leaders of the deliberate and calculated tactics of the Soviet Union and the United States are now in a state of quarrel over China.

This is a part of the tragic drama which the advocates of Chiang Kai-shek are now doing. With their loud cries of their angry demands carried so far as to cause the resignation of Secretary of State Dean Acheson, the supporters of Chiang are now in a state of quarrel over China.

Secretary Acheson is forced back to being a lawyer for the defense. He is not a lawyer. He is not a diplomat. He is not a statesman. He is not a leader. He is not a man who can give an imaginative and forward-looking foreign policy, as are the Communists.

The Chinese Communists hold all of China except the small island of Formosa. No power that the United States can bring to bear will dislodge them. That is a reality which even Secretary of State Acheson acknowledged when he was in the White House. The present Press air program.

NO LAST STAND

Yet Knowland and the other advocates of Chiang would argue that reality. They would like the American people to believe that the loss of Asia to the beleaguered and discredited Generalissimo is what is now at stake. They would like to see the loss of Formosa as a final desperate bid.

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Where's The Spirit Of The Berlin Airlift? We Should Take A Hand In Formosa

(Note: The following letter by David M. McConnell, president of Chinese Affairs Committee of the U. S. House of Representatives. All the request of the House, Mr. McConnell has written reprinting the letter in this space. It sets forth the author's ideas about U. S. policy in the Far East, where he has been for many years. Editors, The News.)

I meant to get to see you while you were at home but I had to sleep with pneumonia in the hospital and had to forego the pleasure.

Needless to say, the principal subject of my conversation with you was the situation in Formosa and the situation at the continuation of our foolishness and bombing policy of catering to the Communists in China and Communist generally in the Far East, while at the same time we spend billions of hard earned tax dollars in remodeling Europe against the same Communists who are bitterly hostile to us.

As you know, in November 1948 (see clipping attached) a number of Army officers who had been in Asia during the war attempted to set forth what they regarded as a practical approach to the crisis in the Far East, particularly in the case of Communist in China. It was of course not palatable to the State Department, particularly to the group that helped draft the detailed policy directive under which our distinguished leader, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, had stepped into the only failure of mission in his long and brilliant career of service.

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Australian Labor Loss Held Reaction To Long Domination

BY ROBERT C. BUARK

THEY counted on the Labor Party's recent election in Australia to be regarded as an omen of things to come in the rest of the world. But there is some skepticism over the import of the recent election in Australia. A great many people are wondering whether the election in Australia is a harbinger of things to come in the rest of the world.

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Gamblers Undermine Law Enforcement

murders have been solved by the police in the last two years. And as a result of the current Justice Dept. probe in Kansas the connections between the campaign manager for Republican Senator, was murdered recently. Another witness, Sam Butler, after being lacerated by the gam, committed suicide.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

EARLIER in this series I expressed the opinion that President Truman knew nothing about the links which some of his associates have with racketeers and the gamblers.

I base this opinion on the fact that, at this moment, Federal law enforcement agencies are not doing a very good job of cleaning up the gambling scene in Miami and in Truman's home town, Kansas City.

Crusading Papers Curb Rackets

In Fresno, as in Kansas City, the rackets have also been curbed by crusading papers. The crusading papers have crusaded against racketeering. In Missouri, the Kansas City Star has cracked down on every major rackets man who has been mentioned in the paper.