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IRAN ISSUE GOES TO U. N.

BRITAIN'S decision to take its oil dispute with Iran to the Security Council...

The British have determined to retaliate for Iran's expulsion from Iraq by forcing the political downfall of Premier Mossaddegh...

International oil companies are always inclined to work closely when their common interest is threatened...

out of the West is to suggest that 'if you're not interested in my proposition, maybe Stalin'll be'...

Iran's views about the jurisdiction of the U. N. have been conflicting. A few years ago Iran appealed to the U. N. to kick Russian soldiers out of the Iranian province of Azerbaijan...

It is this about-face by Mossaddegh that gives rise to the hope of a peaceable solution. If technicalities are not considered, there is abundant reason for the U. N.'s jurisdiction to be accepted...

A FLIMSY ISSUE

NEGRO law student at the University of North Carolina, James R. Walker, Jr., has raised a new segregation question...

It appears to us that Walker is making a mistake in going over a line. The University's athletic program is not financed by public funds...

NEEDED ATHLETIC REFORMS

THE recommendations of Southern Conference school presidents adopted at Chapel Hill last week will mean little, unless the prexies follow through and see that they are enforced...

Perhaps the most important is the provision that no person whose primary interest is intercollegiate athletics shall cast a vote at a conference meeting...

dosen Walkers, in the white section of the stadium will make any difference in the prevailing social standards at the University...

What pains in the eagerness of the NAACP to agitate every ill situation that develops in the slow and continuing process of establishing equality of educational opportunity in the South...

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News The People Can't Get

By ALLEN RAYMOND
(Editor's Note—The following article was written before the President announced the security curbs on information last week.)

RETURNING to the United States recently after ten years within and around the Iron Curtain countries, I have been startled to learn how much U. N. secrecy the Government has grown up in my own nation.

Suppression or distortion of information about the activities of government is, generally, carefully planned, and deliberate in the offices of elected and appointed officials on national, state and local levels.

There are four major areas of secrecy in which the public's right to information is being violated by governmental agencies. One is the activity of legislatures, courts and executive boards in secret or "executive" sessions, from which the public is barred.

A second region of secrecy is the increasing control of information by formal statements on selected topics from the heads of executive agencies. This "release" system is supplemented by gag rules imposed on all underlings.

There are also agencies in the sealing or impounding of official records or failure to keep any. By these devices, no one except the legislators or executives concerned may know what they are doing about the public's business, or what reasons individual governmental agents or elected representatives may advance for what they do or how they vote.

A fourth region of secrecy is the extension by military establishments of so-called "military security" into fields having little or no bearing upon the nation's safety, sometimes involving outright violations of constitutional civil liberties.

It was not until 1949, well after the close of the Second World War, that the American people were told that there was something wrong with the way the government was run.

The society organized a Committee on Freedom of Information, of which James S. Pope, managing editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, was chairman. Pope has begun to suspect that "the biggest news story in America today is the story of the American people's ignorance of their own government."

The editors haven't got very far yet, but they have written a little more than they knew before about the nature of their problem.

The rights of newspapers, or of citizens and taxpayers, to inspect the records of American governments varies greatly from place to place. But denial of access to public records is no more irksome to newspaper editors and the public than the failure of governmental bodies to keep adequate records or any records at all.



WASHINGTON
BEFORE VERY long, the final settlement of the embargo controversy about the size of the Air Force ought to be publicly announced. After the most prolonged and elaborate negotiations...

If the President approves, which seems probable for expansion of the Air Force from 95 to about 140 groups, the basic current scheduling, this is the general scale. The increase in overall airpower will allow a much larger investment in tactical airpower...

\$48 BILLION TAB
In the two following fiscal years, the huge capital outlays involved in the expansion of the Air Force will add about \$10 billion annually to the defense budget. And when the program is in full swing...

It has long been very obvious that Air Force expansion would eventually be approved, in one form or another. The major creation of the Air Force has not one, but two main jobs — its own specialized job of building strategic bombers, and its co-operative job of providing tactical air support to the Army.

Particular offenders are the state legislatures. Editorial campaigns have been conducted for years to get the country's legislatures to keep adequate records, without very much success.

The country's military establishment has taken the lead in increasing the area of secrecy in government. Under the guise of national security, the armed forces and National Security Council have placed hasty and ill-considered prohibitions on many fields of business and scientific research...

PRICE A MILITARY SECRET
By the Mohawk Carpet Co. that it had received a defense order for duck cloth, but "... due to the limitations imposed by the military," the company reported, it was "not at liberty to reveal the yardage or the price."

Neither voters nor price of cloth can be considered a matter of secrecy vital to the defense of this country so long as the Federal Government itself announces major figures on the number of ships, planes and tanks put in service with them.

How far is the military trying to push this matter of secrecy in government? At the instigation of the National Security Council, the Department of Commerce has set up an advisory committee to study the problem of secrecy in government.

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REVOLT IN ARGENTINA

HITLER used a technique based on the premise "the bigger the lie, the better." Mussolini and Franco took with the proposition; Communist propagandists perfected it.

It seems that Argentina's Dictator Peron is now out to gain the Champion Lion crown. He charged yesterday that the recent, short-lived revolt in his country, financed by "North American imperialism" and incited by Spruille Braden, who was U. S. Ambassador to Argentina six years ago.

The official U. S. policy toward Argentina during the past four years has been extremely friendly, considering the totalitarian nature of the government. In Braden's opinion, our "trying to do business with Peron" has caused a great decline in U. S. prestige in other Latin American countries.

The little news which emerges from Argentina suggests that economic conditions and unrest in the army, rather than American intervention, precipitated the revolt.

Army officers were disturbed when Madame Peron announced for vice-president. The main reason for the dictator's wife decided to withdraw from the race. But perhaps the most important direct causes of the revolt were economic. Argentine workers have been unhappy about the high cost of flour—in a country whose No. 1

BEES AND FLOWERS

product is wheat; they have complained about the shortage of beef and virtual disappearance of butter in a country with millions of cattle.

Peron has been attempting, in the fashion of most dictators, to rapidly change what was once a great agricultural economy into an industrial economy. Good domestic production, by this formula, goes abroad in payment for industrial equipment. Argentineans feel the pinch, and in a country denied the basic freedoms revolution is the answer.

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Regardless of the cause, the rapidity with which the revolt was squelched indicates the control which Peron continues to exert. The U. S. in the light of Peron's latest charges, should adopt a stronger stand against the Argentine dictator. Such a position, in addition to being justifiable in view of Peron's recent actions and statements, will increase the stature of this country among Latin American democracies.

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Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round Czech's C. Embassy out of Place

THE Communist Czechoslovak Embassy in Washington is located in a most fashionable and un-Communist part of town. Almost next door are the French and the American Legations. The new Czechoslovak Embassy, the pro-American Philippines and the staunchly anti-Communist Turkish Embassy.

I have been inside the Czech Embassy only once in the past year since it was taken over by the Communists and that was on a visit in behalf of the American Legion to see whether the children of Czechoslovakia might be permitted to participate in the Legion's Tides of Toys.

Czechoslovakia, was extremely glib about permitting the children of his country to receive Christmas toys from the American Legion. He wanted to know how many toys there would be, and seemed horrified that there might be as many as one freight-car load. It was obvious that he didn't want anything to dispel the Communist myth that the American people—even including our children—are the mortal enemies of the Czech children.

In the end, the Ambassador said he would have to come to the government and after we had the answer arrived—as I expected, in the negative. In brief, Communist Czechoslovakia did not want any tokens of people-to-people friendship from the American Legion or from American children.

An quiet sure that few other American newsmen have been inside the Communist Czech Embassy during the years it has stood isolated and aloof on Rhy Massachusetts Avenue—until last week when all the press was suddenly invited in.

WASHINGTON
Historic Press Conference
SOMBER, unhappy Ambassador Outerra, who I interviewed, has now been replaced by Ambassador Vladimir Smetana. The man who in his historic press conference, having interview tried to tell the Communist side of the Czech case, submitted to questions, and threw out hints regarding Outerra's role in the U. S. released its economic and propaganda pressure.

The details of that interview have been well portrayed in the press. But some of the detailed facts behind that interview have not been portrayed.

They began last August when a long caravan of trucks camped out in a Bavarian wheat field late one night and began the series and rather fantastic job of releasing balloons carrying friendship messages to the Czechoslovak people.

A lot of people in this country at first looked upon the idea. Unquestionably it was an experiment. But systematically for two weeks a total of 11 million messages were dropped over Czechoslovakia, the equivalent of one message for every third man, woman and child in the country.

Simultaneously, Radio Free Europe, run by the National Committee for a Free Europe, began sending out balloons barrage. The effect has been electrifying.

seen the messages have heard about them. People are now watching for balloons pretty much as Americans once watched for the dropping of atomic bombs. The messages have been mimeographed, tacked up on telegraph poles and mailed anonymously to Communist officials.

The first balloon was shot down the balloons, but only succeeded in scattering the leaflets more. The Czech Prime Minister has made a speech on the floor of the parliament in which he carried "Radio Free Europe" and "press muzzlers." Moscow Radio said: "The winds of freedom sink." Unquestionably the balloon barrage has got under the Communist skin.

Each railroad engineer, and train dispatcher, who ran the freedom train across the border into Germany, went up to the border and released a small amount of balloons. The Czech people are now watching for balloons pretty much as Americans once watched for the dropping of atomic bombs. The messages have been mimeographed, tacked up on telegraph poles and mailed anonymously to Communist officials.

Three million of these leaflets are now being dropped by the Germans for Freedom. No wonder the Czech people have reached a new pitch of restlessness. No wonder the Czech Ambassador held an unprecedented press conference, warning of the danger of a steady, unrelenting campaign to change people's minds. He said: "Certain—if there is sufficient follow-through on the part of the American people, there is sufficient follow-through on the part of the American people."

When the press conference took place, most Communist held solidly favorable comment on the bill from the growers and refiners in their own states. No groups representing the housewife presented any opinion, favorable or unfavorable.

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IT USED TO BE the goose that laid the golden egg. Now it is the bee. The bee does two jobs—makes honey and scatters pollen that fertilizes flowers. He does the second only to get at the first, which is his food supply. Recently he got at the first job, and the price of honey dropped. So did the beekeepers' income.

You can't teach a bee new tricks, but you can change the focus of the old ones. He used to give alfalfa seed fields in California the once-over light, now he hunts them the once-over dark into many more blossoms.

From Business Week Magazine

sons. And every pollenized blossom gives a seed. Seed yield has jumped from 200 pounds to 1,000 pounds per acre. The beekeeper now makes more by renting bees for fertilizing than he did by selling honey.

The secret? Make it hard for a bee to get food, and he hustles. Six to ten times as many are put to work on each acre as used to be put to work on their sole job was honey. Each bee works six to ten times as hard in order to eat. It used to be called old-fashioned competition.