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Will The Somber Warnings Be Erased?

THE quiet around the White House during these critical days is beginning to be disquieting to those who persist in wondering what response the US. The president has not a changed world situation. The President has unithed a present the property of the conference in beld a pressonal property of the president subordinates subordinated in getting order to park and been engaged in getting good for Congress the lack of press on preners is nonetheless registered to be president to the vacuum in recent weeks. Part of the Gailher Report on U.S. defenses has been "leaked." The President has received a study report urging that the Joint Chiefs of Staff be subordinated to one overall service chief. The Communists have staged a new and apparently successful propaganda campairn among the Middle East and Asian nations. The administration's program

The Fearmongers Will Fail In The End

CHARLOTTE and other Carolina communities with gumption enough to resist the anti-fluoridation fear campaigns can afford to enjoy a deep sigh of self-satisfaction today. After exhaustive studies by its council of arrays and its council on nutrition, the American Medical Association has reaffirmed in stronger language its previous position that fluoridation of public water supplies is a safe method of reducing tooth decay among children.

Meanwhile, the Chicago Trainung reports that in Evanston, Ill., where fluoridated water has been used for 10 years, the incidence of tooth decay among children 6 to 8 years old has dropped 64 per cent.

dren 6 to b years with the last 12 years, 1,432 U. S. communities have approved adding fluorides to their public water supply. More than 30 million Americans now drink fluoridated water. Another 3 million are—and have been for years — imbiling water containing natural fluorides.

But by charging fluorides with being anything from "poison" to part of a "Communist conspiracy," the antifluoridation interests have continued to campaign against their use. On the profluoridation side are almost all of the major scientific organizations in the nation. Included in the long list of groups either recommending or sanctioning fluoridation are the AMA, the American Dental Association, the U.S. Public Health Service, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the American Cancer Society, the American Plaert Association. The American Plaert Association, the American Plaert Association, the American Plaert Association, the American Plaert Association, the American Plaert Association. The American Plaert Morks Association, the American Plaert Morks Association, the American Plaert Morks Association, the American Plaert Morks Association and the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, the State and Territorial Health Officers Association and the Scientific evidence is overwhelming and, in the long run, moridation will win out everywhere. Educated Americans cannot be stampeded by fear forever.

Let's Leave Fish & Apostrophes Alone

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The late George Bernard Shaw was correct of course in saying fish can be spelled ghotid—sounding "gh" as in "enough," "o"

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Mr. Dulle Defends A Plain Mail Box

Out in our neighborhood there are their racks

OUT in St. Louis lives a man named boxes of all sorts black with white letters, and the plain box with black lettering.

That isn't good enough for 27 of his neighbors, who got together and decided his 'd like their boxes to be black with white lettering. That length me to the plain box with black lettering. The lettering has a professional touch some of it is obviously amateur. Some boxes are blue, some velously consumer to the plain to the lettering has a professional touch some of it is obviously amateur. Some boxes are blue, some velously come to heir lettering and the plain this box blue some velously come unstripped cedar posts. But nobady has complained about this individual preference expression.

We hope the judge throws the case out of court. Then, we hope, Mr. Dulle and put the box on a rack. Further, they want \$2,000 for the anguish he's caused them.

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From The Richmond News Leader THERE'S STILL HOPE FOR THE REPUBLIC

None of those gloomy days early this year, a copy of the current Purblishers' Weekly came across our desk. It proved a fine antidote for the cold drizade outside.

Item: In Boston, more than 3,000 persons tried to crowd into Jordan Hall to hear a poetry reading by Robert Frost. When the silver-haired New Englander arrived for the performance, he found a line of poetry lovers, four abreast, stretching a block long before the teater.

Item: A survey of Walt Server Joys.

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Item: Houghton Miffilm has come with a teen-aged author, 18-year-Lynne Doyle, who has written a no that is not a dirty novel. Rem: A survey of Wall. STREET JOUR.

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NAL readers found that nearly half of them (47 per cent) spend \$50 or more a year on books.

Rem: A New York television station reported that since Sept. 22, when it launched a half-hour program on good books at the fairly incredible hour of 7

'Maybe You'd Better Start Out With A Funny Story'



An American Promise

Eighty Years Of Sandburg



Scrabble Babble

Doggedness Doesn't Count

acon and refrigerated greens."

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Why Didn't Washington Heed Hot Warnings From Spies?

By STEWART ALSOP

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OBVIOUS QUESTIONS

Then Sen Stuart Symington, with an assist from other sena-tors, began asking the obvious questions. How long had the Central Intelligence Agency had such intelligence? The CIA began getting "hard" intelligence as Setting "hard" intelligence as 1932, Dulles replied. Had the intelligence been made available to the National Security Council Certainly, Why, then, had our own beautiful and the control of the Central Centra

Certainly, Why, then, had our own inside effort actually been cut back?

The replied frankly that the condition of the condit

BASIC REASON



to be considered in a vacuum.

In the pre-Spatitik era, for example. Le a di 10 g administration spokement r pe a t e do wer. like an incanation, that "we have new toen stronger." In a literal sense, in the sense of total firepower available to the American armed forces, this was no doubt true. But in the only sense in which it had real meaning—in terms of the comparative

BASIC REASON

This is not, of course, the whole reason why the NSC was not "impressed with the impact" of the CIA's intelligence. The basic reason was that the men who did not want to be impressed. If they are the course of th

People's Platform

U.S. Must Prevent Another Depression

Editors. The News heraw S. C.

Wit. AMERICANS have more to
be thankful for than any
other people in the world today,
we may not agree with all that
takes place in our country but
we will have to agree that our
way is the best for mankind today,

Drew Pearson's Ike And Wilson Play Pot-And-Kettle Merry-Go-Round

WASHINGTON
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Wilson complained that someone was
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Letter To Knowland

It is true, as Wilson says, that he god a larger defense appropriation last immer than Eisenhower wanted. It is a superfect that the same than the same than

Inadequate Support

WARNING.—I felt that we were not making enough progress relative to our possible enemies, and turther I felt that the level of support for air power and missiles was not adequate." — Trevor Gardner, missile executive of the Air Force, who resimed from the Eisenhower and processing the protest over the missiless was protest over the missiless. SMIGNIK—"I think operall we have

1955, after visiting Eisenhower in Colored State with the Colored State of the Colored State sile lag.

SMUGNIK—"I think over-all we have no reason to believe that we are not doing everything that human science and brains and resources can do to keep our position in proper posture."—President Eisenhower at a press conference Feb. 8, 1956, following Gardner's resignation.

would he "taking a fearful gamble." that the government's research and development U.S. must not go down "that fool-hardy road again."

"Smugniks'

Thus the President was officially for heavy defense spending, unofficially for heavy defense statements. If you look at the public statements of hoth the President and his secretary opposing defense research.

Less Drain

21, 1984. "WILSON SMUGNIK—"More hang for a buck" was the way Wilson described the new look in defense policy, Oct. 17, 1985, after visiting Eisenhower in Colorado. The Eisenhower administration he declared, was cutting down on military numerical strength by putting more emphasis on technological warfare.

Barrage Of Smugniks