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GUARDIAN special correspondence

THE U. S. government had to scare the American taxpayer to pay up for the arms program so the Russians could be talked to from positions of strength, and now we have lost control of that fear—it has got out of hand." This admission was made last week in Paris by one of the leading American UN delegates, the GUARDIAN has learned from a reliable source. In a talk with a distinguished European seeking an explanation of U. S. belligerency, which has inspired a hostile

and despairing attitude among delegates of almost every other nation in "corridor" huddles, this U. S. delegate: • Expressed horror at the "terrifyingly low" living standard in France: "One can see the people can't make ends meet and therefore can't stand such a heavy burden of rearmament." (Paris reports say that the people are "seething" in shops and on the streets at the skyrocketing prices—cheapest cigarettes 29c a pack, eggs 9c each, shoes \$10-15, milk, bread, coffee, sugar, fats rising continually; average French

industrial worker's wage, \$21.50 a week.) • Denied any belief that the U.S.S.R. wants or is planning war, but disapproved of Communist "subversive activities in all countries." • Said the U. S. wanted "free elections everywhere." Rearmament-inflated prices in France are now so high that many lesser UN officials are doing their own laundry, living in one small room. Many groups of women and others, Communist and non-Communist, have been coming from all over France to visit

UN delegations; all of them see the Soviet delegation (often Vishinsky himself), none has got to see the American. One was a group of widows of soldiers or people shot by the Nazis. A women's delegation from Bordeaux left a letter asking for peace with the French and British delegations; at the U. S. Embassy the porter brought it back from a secretary unopened and told the women rudely to get out. The women of France are forming the only possible conclusion: the U. S. is not interested in peace.

WAR & PEACE

Korea: Cap'n Harry rides again Rome: Gen. Ike lays an egg

THROUGH 17 months of slaughter and destruction in Korea, Washington's confusion has mounted as its delusions of military insuperability have been remorselessly exposed by facts. Last week's day of peace climaxed the confusion, fixed a ghoully spotlight on the ineptitude and the failure.

On Wednesday Chinese and North Korean soldiers played volleyball in plain sight of GIs; at night along the hitherto blacked-out western front they lit bonfires, smoked cigarettes.

The GIs didn't join the ball game but one of them, Sgt. James Shore of Silver Hill, Ala., said:

"If they're going to stop the shooting they should do it right now while I'm still alive."

Pvt. Jack Bower, Hubbard, Ore., said: "If they don't want to sign anything over there at Panmunjom why not just let the shooting fade away . . . and us old soldiers will never die."

Arthur Krock, commenting on the "barbarage of denials," wrote:

The Truman administration is in this plight today, its lack of coordination having reached alarming proportions and its official record showing a growing stain of corruption. Accordingly its denials have steadily become more short and ugly.

DEADLOCKED AGAIN: At Panmunjom there still remained the questions of truce enforcement and exchange of prisoners: both, U. S. sources said, might be spun out well beyond the 30-day deadline for an armistice on the presently agreed line.

The Americans have proposed a ban on all military construction including airfields in Korea with inspection teams to check for violations. To the North Koreans this is as if their side had demanded a halt to all rearmament in the U. S.; they proposed to guarantee the truce by withdrawing all non-Korean troops from all Korea. Before negotia-

"Make it permanent"

At Trenton the New Jersey State Legislature last week unanimously passed a resolution of hope that the cease-fire reports "mark a permanent end to that conflict and the beginning of a new era of peace among the nations of the world and the emergence of the United Nations as a strong international organization for peace."

tions on these points were a week old, the N.Y. Times reported U. S. negotiator Adm. Turner Joy had presented a "put-up or shut-up ultimatum."

ATROCITY FIASCO: Official confusion in dodging responsibility for peace had followed quickly on the world-wide fiasco concerning alleged atrocities. On Nov. 14 the Eighth Army's Judge Advocate, Col. James Hanley, said 6,270 Americans died in atrocities committed by the Communist forces. On Nov. 20 Gen. Ridgway said he counted 6,000 but had proof of only 365. On Nov. 23, N.Y. Herald Tribune reporter Peter Kihss dug a paragraph out of Ridgway's routine report to UN dated Nov. 12, which casually set the figure at 8,000.

Rep. Edith Nourse Rogers (R-Mass.) said the American people were being "hoodwinked and deceived."

The confused irritation of the little President in the flowered sport shirt who confronted newsmen at Key West seemed to stem from the humiliating collapse in Korea of the strategy on which the multi-billion-dollar U. S. war program has been based.

UNSTRANGLER "SAVAGES": Analyst Hanson Baldwin in the N.Y. Times put it this way (Nov. 29):

"Operation strangle" in Korea, the attempt of air power to isolate the ground battlefield by cutting enemy communication lines, so far has obviously failed to strangle. . . . There is good reason to believe that the enemy is as strong, if not stronger, than he was when the interdiction and isolation campaign started. . . . How can this be? In part the answer is that we have deluded ourselves, or rather, the over-enthusiastic advocates of air power have deluded us.

(They did not delude the late Max Werner who exploded the delusion in GUARDIAN article after article begin-

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Drawing by Liu Chien-an, Peking

CAPT. HARRY DENIES: News that shooting had stopped, following the drawing of tentative armistice lines, came first in an AP report from Seoul that "orders from the highest source—possibly from the White House itself—brought ground fighting to a complete if temporary halt Wednesday." The President quickly denied he had anything to do with it. For weeks in a tent at Panmunjom U. S. truce negotiators had insisted fighting must continue until the whole armistice agreement was agreed on.

But, after the negotiators had won their fight to postpone the cease-fire, the front-line soldiers had ceased fire.

In bewildering succession the headquarters of Gens. Ridgway in Tokyo and Van Fleet in Korea denied the momentous order, then "clarified" it, finally insisted it had been "top secret" though it was meant to be relayed at once to 100,000 men. Truman at his Thursday press conference lectured the press on their responsibility for accuracy. Transforming himself into the World-War-I Capt. Harry of Battery D, he illustrated his point with a vivid but obviously inaccurate anecdote of his experience following the false armistice report sent by Roy Howard in 1918. The N.Y. Times'

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Thoughts of home—and Christmas?

A wounded GI stares into the water at a Korean port, lost in a most personal reverie. Could he be thinking perhaps of Harry Truman, sitting bronzed in the Florida sun, drawing blood-and-thunder pictures of the days when he was Captain Harry of Battery D, and telling reporters (doesn't that sun feel good?) that the killing in Korea must go on—and on?

A mother along the line of march

By Aaron Kramer

Here are three riddles, not so deep,
yet no one cares to try.

I promise there'll be prizes—
but you stare, and turn away.

When is a day like midnight,
though the kettle-drums rejoice?

When every face is on parade,
except my darling's face.

What is the town that won so much,
yet lost more than it won?

It is the town that lent my child,
and has him not again.

How can a king, a haughty king
with hundred ears, be deaf?

Because he does not hear my heart
beat out his epitaph.

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This is a selection from Aaron Kramer's new volume of verse, "The Tinder Box," to be published soon.

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THE MAIL BAG

Over Vladivostok?

BRISBANE, CALIF.
Gen. Ridgway denies that the missing U.S. plane, which the Russians say had crossed the Soviet-Manchurian border Nov. 6 when Soviet planes fired on it, chasing it out to sea, could possibly have been where they said it was—80 miles from Vladivostok. On the night of Nov. 23-24 I heard a report on the radio to the effect that the mother of one of the plane's officers had a letter from him lately saying his plane "had recently flown over Vladivostok." I am quite sure the mother was Mrs. Rosenfeld of San Francisco, mother of Lt. Sam Rosenfeld, co-pilot of the plane.

On Nov. 24 the San Mateo Times published an interview with Mrs. Rosenfeld in which she merely said her son "always told her it would be dangerous for him to tell her what he was doing."

Did the radio reporter invent the letter about "flying over Vladivostok?" Louise Harding Horr

The laying of hands

SPRINGFIELD, MASS.
In this city there are three people who defended Rommel's "Desert Fox" film in letters to the editor. In the same newspaper, Springfield Daily News, I found the following historical anti-climax to end all anti-climaxes. Despite this, most Springfield citizens are decent, upright, sane people. The excerpt is from a UP story by Lyle C. Wilson from Paris:

"If the Western powers no more than get their hands on the word 'peace' for their own propaganda purposes this meeting of the United Nations Assembly will have been a success for our side."
Chet Kurrier

BROOKLYN, N. Y.

450,000 times more
I found this in a newspaper: "In its claims to be a state, the Vatican notes that it has 1,200 people under its jurisdiction. The N. Y. Times notes this fact with great awe as justifying the government's

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Goebbels! Taxes going higher and higher! The rumors of the new German army to defend the "Abendland." That's all old stuff for us, and we know where it ended in 1945: destruction, terror and death! A great many people often follow blindly the lies of the officials. It is our duty to make them cleverer and to put their sleeping brains to work. We try everything to enlighten the ignorant to prevent the outmoded fashion of bloodshed. It is a hard and difficult task to convince people, but we will reach our aim at last.
Friedrich Jaeger

American unity

NEW YORK, N. Y.
Congratulations on Elmer Bendiner's clarion call for unity between the progressives of the U.S. and Latin America in your Nov. 21 issue. Bendiner certainly makes it clear that it is in our own self-interest to unite with the 150 million people of Latin America.

Our publication has been plugging away at this theme for a year—and to have such a prominent progressive voice as yours take up the cudgels was very heartening.

If your readers want additional information on Latin America may we urge them to obtain our monthly publication Latin American Facts, \$1 a year? We are at 799 Broadway, Room 836, N. Y. C. Betty Millard

DuBois and Marcantonio

PASADENA, CALIF.

With a ticket headed in 1952 by Dr. W. E. B. DuBois for President, and Vito Marcantonio for Vice-President, with other candidates for Congress and candidates on the state level waging the battle cry of PEACE, and the preservation of the Constitution and Bill of Rights, the Progressives will make a change for the good of all.

What does the public think of this suggestion at a time when

How crazy can you get dept.

In Chicago, Hobo Ben Benson, after announcing that the Hobo Fellowship of America was urging all members to "help America once more to fight aggressors," explained: "You can't be a hobo in Russia."

Reader's Digest, Oct., 1951
(Sender of each item published under this heading gets a free one year sub. This week's winner: S. L. C., Los Angeles.)

break with our traditional refusal to recognize churches as states.

"People's China has 450,000,000 people solidly backing the new, democratic regime. That means that Truman has about 450,000 times more reason to recognize People's China than he has to recognize the Vatican as a state."

Sylvia Rosenheck



Action, Paris

"Are you sure that wasn't Stalin sneezing?"

Western Germany today

HAGEN, GERMANY
The situation in Western Germany at the moment is: Prices are all crazy; there is food enough in the shops but there is no money to buy it; housing poor; domestic strife through all these things very high; there is no coal—that is, not for us, the families and the schools and hospitals! Everyone with two ounces of brain to use knows that we are in a terrible mess. Propaganda around us like we know it from Hitler and that lying-master

law and order have broken down, and the decadence of morality has reached the abyss?
I. H. Spears

The Voice

TIENTSIN, CHINA
Do the American people listen to the Voice of America? Do they really believe all that rubbish? The other day the Voice was saying that the Chinese government was putting a tax on all male children that are born. That's just as true as saying that my nose is rainbow colored (it is no such thing). Where



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did they find so many ham actors to act as news reporters? The Voice's ridiculous lies make such publications as the GUARDIAN all the more wonderful and appreciated by the liberated peoples. Liu Shu-Lien

out on open display for browsing or for taking home? If these offices do not have a library of progressive books this may also be the beginning of a circulating progressive library.
B. G.

Stool pigeon: 1712

AUSTIN, TEX.
In regard to the "testimony" that was used to railroad innocent and brave people like the Rosenbergs, Joseph Addison, writing in The Spectator, July 24, 1712, has a neat dissection:
"A man who is capable of so infamous a calling as that of a spy, is not very much to be relied upon. He can have no great ties of honor, or checks of conscience, to restrain him in, those covert evidences, where the person accused has no opportunity of vindicating himself. He will be more industrious to carry that which is grateful than that which is true. There will be no occasion for him if he does not hear and see things worth discovery; so that he naturally inflames every word and circumstance, aggravates what is faulty, perverts what is good, and misrepresents what is indifferent. Nor is it to be doubted that such ignominious wretches let their private passions into these their clandestine informations, and often wreak their particular spite or malice against the person whom they are set to watch."
Max Abby

That's mighty rotten

MARSHALL, MO.
In the 25th chapter, 32nd verse of Jeremiah it says evil shall go forth from nation to nation all the dead shall be strewn from one end of the earth to the other—they shall lay unlamented and unburied and they shall be dung.

Well, now, most of those fellows in Washington wouldn't make dung. They are too rotten. And the shepherds—I hear them howling already and they beg, beg, beg for mercy. The Lord will spoil their green pastures. What a batch of drones they are!

Also read Daniel 2-44. L. Jones

A full page in Paris

PARIS, FRANCE
Here is \$50 for the Rosenberg Defense Committee. The story broke last month in a 2-color full page resume of the GUARDIAN series in Action, the progressive weekly.
Two friends in Paris

One whispered word

TUCSON, ARIZ.
Readers Digest, Oct., 1951, p. 100: "When Dr. Robert Oppenheimer, who supervised the creation of the first atomic bomb, appeared before a Congressional committee, he was asked if there was any defense against the weapon. 'Certainly,' the great physicist replied confidently. "And that is . . . ? Dr. Oppenheimer looked over the hushed, expectant audience, then whispered into the microphone, 'Peace!'"
Reader

Atrocities and casualties

NEW YORK, N. Y.
I don't think the atrocities concern Gen. Ridgway, Col. Hanley and the Pentagon. What worries these gentlemen is—how can we explain the low casualty lists or the unrevealed casualties if we have a sudden armistice? Blame the Communists for thousands of known but unrevealed dead. This is preparation for the discrepancy between the reported deaths and the actual deaths.
GI Joe

Forward, march

Come, warriors for world peace, Enlist, defend your homes, With pens for bayonets And brains for bombs. Defend your country's flag That traitors would malign, Twisting its stars and stripes Into the dollar sign. The rich can fight their wars, We'll fight, whatever comes, With pens for bayonets And truth for bombs.

Pearl Chne Denver, Colo.

Ward 14 does it

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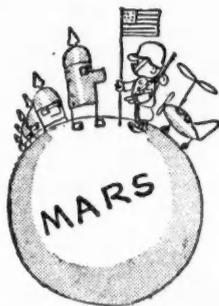
Harry rides again; Ike lays an egg

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ning in 1948. Sept. 6, 1950, he wrote: "In Korea a quarter of our entire Air Force cannot force a decision against a small country, in spite of round-the-clock strategic bombing.")

Baldwin saw no comfort on the ground either:

We do not have enough ground superiority over the enemy to make decisive victory possible.



Daily Worker, London

"Mr. Truman would like you guys in the North Atlantic Treaty mob."

The N.Y. Daily News asked simply how it was that in 17 months a "first-class power" like the U.S. had been unable to beat a lot of "badly equipped semi-savages." Last week the Communists sent a bomber fleet over South Korea for the first time, and Far East air commander Gen. Weyland

... was concerned about the numerical superiority of the MIG's [Soviet-designed jets] over the United Nations Sabre jets ... the only plane we have that can go after the MIG and either chase him out of the sky or give him a good scrap (Times, Dec. 3).

Meanwhile "extreme martial law" was declared in two provinces of South Korea, where a large South Korean force had been sent against guerrillas holding wide mountain areas.

The specter of peace stirred propagandists at home to convince people that the GIs had to keep shooting and getting shot. The Wall St. Journal said the U.S. would have

... to make its warnings of the Russian threat all the more vehement [and] persuade its allies that peace in Korea may mean the Far Eastern war is just beginning, not ending.

Big 4 talk again; Ike lectures troops

IN Washington, the Journal found a peace panic and fear of a "psychological let-down" interfering with plans for still more rearming. Practically the whole world wanted peace; the unanswered question was whether the peoples of the non-socialist world could still stand up to the Washington war group before its domination of "the West" became total and final.

In Paris, where there seemed no possibility of a compromise in the UN General Assembly between the Washington and Soviet disarmament proposals, a Pakistan-Iraq-Syria resolution calling for the Big Four to spend ten days in search of a compromise "behind closed doors" won endorsement from many Arab and Asian states and Big Four assent. The talks began on Monday with UN Assembly pres. Luis Padilla Nervo of Mexico sitting in.

Only the U.S.S.R. assigned its top man (Vishinsky) to the talks. Vishinsky expressed optimism but sat down with Western delegates knowing the Soviet proposals would continue to be distorted in the Western press, which pictures him as demanding destruction of atomic weapons before any control ma-

U. S. foreign policy: Taft explains

Certainly our program in Europe seems to me far more likely to produce war with Russia than anything we have done in the East. I am only asking for the same policy in the Far East as in Europe.

(From Sen. Robert A. Taft's new book, A FOREIGN POLICY FOR AMERICANS.)

chinery is set up. In his Nov. 24 speech he had emphasized eight times that the U.S.S.R. proposes simultaneous destruction and control agreement.

COLD-WAR "DISARMAMENT": Meanwhile Iran and Afghanistan (both touching the Soviet borders) abstained when Yugoslavia, complaining of Soviet "aggression," got a 50-5 vote for a routine cold-war resolution bidding the U.S.S.R. and its socialist neighbors "resume normal relations" with Belgrade. For India, Sir Benegal Rau indicated new compromise moves in the offing if the East-West power deadlock continued, re-introduced a 1950 resolution providing for a UN reconstruction and development fund to be financed by savings from disarmament.

The U.S. plan as "explained" by Truman for "disarming by stages," beginning with conventional weapons and ending with atomic, drew ridicule almost as bitter as Vishinsky had given it from the conservative British weekly Economist, which said:

The world, as the Secy. of State said next day, does not want catchwords, tricks or propaganda gestures, but that, unfortunately, is just what it was given by Mr. Truman. ... It is safe to say that the U.S. would come out of this scheme [stage] disarming and suggestions for computing the eventual size of each country's armed forces] with considerably more armaments than anyone else. ... By the time Mr. Truman had finished explaining [the Acheson proposals] they had shrunk to little more than a tactical move in the cold war—and not a very adroit one.

A FRANK IN ROME: The reality of Washington policy showed itself in Rome, where North Atlantic Treaty Orgn. political and military chiefs heard a rearmament exhortation from Supreme Commander Eisenhower (described last week by the Washington Times Herald as "the European candidate for the American Presidency").

Speaking "by a merry prank of history ... amid the Fascist trappings of a bygone totalitarianism" in the forum Mussolini built to glorify himself (Newsweek, Dec. 3), Eisenhower told NATO powers to "stop haggling over minor points of national interest" (N.Y. Times,

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Nov. 27). They were expected to provide 60-70 ground troop divisions for a "pooled sovereignty" European Army to defend a line "far east of the Rhine." But as Edward Weintal reported to Newsweek:

The key to European defense is still German rearmament [but] the whole problem is bogged down in a morass of political and financial difficulties. ... European hearts were not in rearmament. They would do only what they were forced to do by American threats or cajoling.

THE KIDS MISBEHAVE: Britain's Anthony Eden refused NATO standardization of the U.S. 30 rifle and a U.S. admiral for the North Atlantic command, said "British formations will not join the European Army." (At the Council of Europe meeting in Strasbourg Britain said it would not participate in any European political federation.) France's Paul Reynaud warned that Britain's attitude might force France out of the European Army plan, and Belgium and the Netherlands boggled at supra-national authorities for a European Army.

The West German government—about to return to 1933 with a ban on the Communist Party, and fresh from the triumph of a special Acheson reception for Chancellor Adenauer in Paris—was already behaving with the arrogance born of knowledge that Washington's plans depended on its participation. Yet, at Bonn, Asst. U.S. High Commissioner Bittenwieser admitted that—even supposing the German people's opposition to remilitarization could be overcome—West Germany could not afford more than 13 of the 28 billion marks which the 12 divisions expected

ATLANTIC ISSUES CLARIFIED IN ROME
Delegates to Council Parley Satisfied That Progress Was Made at Conference
By C. L. SULZBERGER
Special to The New York Times
ROME, Nov. 28—The meeting of the

Speeches on Unity and Army Add to European Confusion
Remarks Made in Rome and Strasbourg Said to Have Beclouded Real Issues
By HAROLD CALLENDER
Special to The New York Times
PARIS, Nov. 28—At the meeting of the Schuman plan, the

Same newspaper (N. Y. Times), same page, same day.

of it would cost. (West German Finance Minister Schaeffer "hotly" set the ceiling at only 8 billion marks).

HANDOUT FOR FRANCE: France, whose economic crisis is greatest of the NATO countries, was told on Saturday it would receive \$600,000,000 between now and June 30 out of the \$6,000,000,000 fund already allotted to Europe by Congress. But the question of who would pay the gigantic bill for what Eisenhower demanded remained unsolved. Treasury Secy. Snyder threw a cold douche on the West European leaders when he told them at Rome to "remove any illusions they may have concerning U.S. aid plans" (N.Y. Times, Nov. 28)—illusions which had been spread by "optimistic" U.S. military men "through the woeful lack of co-ordination within the U.S. government. ... Gen. Eisenhower is one of the optimists." Michael Hoffman (Times, Nov. 29) reported:

Economic officials almost without exception are gloomier than they were before the Rome meeting. ... Unpleasant decisions have simply been postponed. ... With the North Atlantic treaty having passed its second birthday not one dollar's worth of mutual aid has been extended by one European country to another. [This was a special slap at Belgium which, with a strong foreign exchange position, was already under fire before Rome for total inaction in "intra-European financing."]

THE HUNGER QUESTION: The gloomy officials of both the U.S. and West Europe were acutely conscious of "the hazard of requesting supplemental appropriations at the outset of a Presidential election year" (Times, Dec. 2)—a year in which none could prophesy the actions of the hungry people in Washington's satellite countries. Plunged by rearmament into "appalling economic difficulties," the six continental NATO powers had already agreed before Rome (Alvarez del Vayo, Nation, Dec. 1)

... that if economic conditions do not improve and the burden of rearmament on the workers causes serious internal disturbances, the participating governments may ask permission to use their national forces. Thus a double front is to be maintained—to the satisfaction of the Americans and the reactionary Europeans governments—against both Russian communism and the masses who may some day rise in revolt against their miserable living standards.

"Sweeping reorganization" (N. Y. Times) of NATO to give Washington more absolute power, now being actively planned, alarmed European governments to whom "points of national interest" did not seem "minor." The

London Times (Nov. 24) commented acidly on proposals which would mean all NATO nations submitting to a body with the same power as that "enjoyed by the U.S. government over the 48 states."

Summing up after the Rome and Strasbourg meetings, GUARDIAN's Ella Winter wrote from Paris:

All papers report the Rome conference as a flop in black headlines. Strasbourg was not only a fizzle; the 14 U.S. Congressmen who attended thought they could talk to Europe as if to a high school class caught in a rather nasty prank, and Europe is furious and resentful. A few more Congressmen in Europe and we will win the peace.

Smoldering resentment against the relentless U.S. dictatorship is breaking out everywhere at U.N. Whether decisively or not, the little nations are finding their voice.

Vice Premier Slansky arrested by Prague

ON SEPT. 7, 1951, Rudolf Slansky, since 1945 general-secretary and a leading theoretician of the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia, was relieved of his post. He was made Vice Premier and given the job of coordinating Czechoslovakia's planning which, according to Rude Pravo, party organ, was suffering from bureaucracy and disorganization that favored "the development of subversive activity by class enemies."

Last week an official Prague announcement said that Slansky had been removed as Vice Premier, resigned his seat in the National Assembly and had been placed in custody. The announcement said:

In the course of investigation of the activities of anti-state espionage groups, the hitherto unknown fact has been revealed that Rudolph Slansky has been taking an active part in anti-state plotting.

PLOTS AND PAPER: A month ago Premier Zapotocky declared that production in Czechoslovakia's main coal center, Ostrava-Karvina, had been disrupted by officials "in the service of a foreign power." On Nov. 7 Radio Free Europe (sponsored by American cash) claimed it had received "sensational" documents revealing a plot inside Czechoslovakia for a break with the Soviet Union. RFE named the jailed former Foreign Minister Vladimir Clementis as one of the plotters, said Slansky had been removed from his party post for failing to discover the plot, declared it had the minutes of a secret meeting of the CP Central Committee held on Sept. 6. Slansky was removed from his CP job Sept. 7.

The U.S. press was full of explanations (mostly from Czechs in exile) for the arrest of Slansky: the Oatis case, unrest in Czechoslovakia, a personal vendetta with President Gottwald. But the pundits were baffled. Until now they had been saying that the Eastern European democracies had been removing only officials who spent the war years in London. Slansky was in Moscow from 1939 to 1945.

PEACE

Five-power pact petition launched

A NATIONAL petition campaign with a goal of 1,000,000 signatures calling for a pact of peace between the U.S., Great Britain, France, China and the Soviet Union was getting under way across the country last week. A recent Chicago meeting of the national com-

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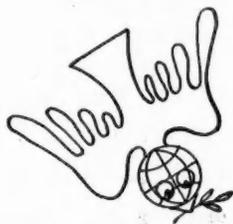
Action, Paris

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mittee of the American Peace Crusade decided on the petition drive, set Jan. 30 (Franklin D. Roosevelt's birthday) for a national delegates' assembly in Washington, D.C. Over 600,000,000 people have signed similar petitions in almost every country of the world. Latest country reporting is war-torn Viet Nam (population 22,500,000) where 7,532,378 people signed.

In New York on Sunday the APC held a victory reception for Dr. W. E. B. DuBois and four associates recently acquitted of failure to register as foreign agents when they headed the Peace Information Center. New York peace groups were stepping up their activities. The Greater N.Y. Councils of Peace held a city-wide conference Dec. 4; the Labor Conference for Peace held a shop stewards' and delegates' conference Dec. 1; the American Youth Peace Crusade scheduled a Peace and Friendship Rally for Fri., Dec. 7, at the Riverside Plaza Hotel.

A call for aid to other peace fighters



who oppose war on religious grounds came from the Central Committee for Conscientious Objectors, 2006 Walnut St., Philadelphia 3. The appeal, signed by Albert Einstein, Clarence E. Pickett, Harry Emerson Fosdick and Pitirim A. Sorokin, cited the case of Robert Michener, a young Quaker, who was sentenced to a total of ten years in prison for refusal to cooperate with Selective Service—after he had already served a year in jail for not registering with his draft board. Protests brought a reduction of his sentence to five years. But the committee reports that ten other prosecutions have begun of conscientious objectors who have already served prison terms.

SCIENTISTS, ARTISTS SPEAK UP: Abroad, some of Europe's best-known cultural figures were taking up the fight for peace. Over the week-end a North European peace conference, sponsored by writers, professors, scientists and trade union leaders, was held in Stockholm with delegates from Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden. In France a group of top theater figures, including Irene Joachim, Yves Montand, Felix Oudart and Pierre Renoir, formed a Theater Committee for Peace. In London the Science for Peace Committee was preparing a national scientists' conference for Jan. 19-20. Joseph Needham, Fellow of the Royal Society and one of Britain's top scientists, wrote in the committee's Bulletin that the wars in Asia have as one of their objects the destruction of all industry there:

Last year, the most highly industrialized nations in the world engaged in the systematic destruction of the nascent industries of one of the least highly industrialized nations. . . . If all the high-sounding talk about "collective security" is leading the rich quarter of the world's population to a position in which it must literally destroy the under-privileged and technically undeveloped three-quarters—then what began as a doctrine to preserve peace will end as a war to preserve the technical superiority and wealth of the white race. If such a concept as the sin of nations is still legitimate, is this not something very like it?

"IF WE ARE WITCHES . . .": London's conservative Sunday Observer was under fire from both writers and musicians. A columnist had called them "Peacemongers," got prompt replies from both. Christopher Fry, known in the U.S. for recent successful productions of his plays *The Lady's Not for Burning* and *A Sleep of Prisoners*, answered for the writers:

The Authors' Peace Appeal is exactly what it seems: It asks that writers should create greater understanding, not misunderstanding; vision, not mud-slinging; honesty, not expediency; should look for the human being, not the label; and even shun inventing the word "peacemonger" as a term of belittlement. Is the word peace never to be reclaimed?

A group of ten of Britain's best-known composers, conductors, singers and instrumentalists answered for the Musicians' Organization for Peace:

If we are witches to be hunted down,

then so is the Church of God; so was its inspiration, Jesus Christ; and so was every philosopher who ever preached the brotherhood of man and the foolishness of war. The musicians' organization is headed by Sir Adrian Boult, conductor of the London Philharmonic Orchestra; vice-presidents are Sir Arnold Bax, Master of the King's Musick, and composers Benjamin Britten and Arthur Benjamin.

FREEDOMS

Bay State enshrines the stool pigeon

ONE OF THE MOST MEMORABLE scenes in one of the most memorable of all movies, *The Informer*, shows a British officer pushing with a stick the reward money toward the man who had betrayed a fellow Irish rebel; the gesture was a classic illustration of the contempt for the informer, even by those who use him.



Last week, Nov. 27, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, by proclamation of Gov. Paul A. Dever, celebrated "Herbert A. Philbrick Day." Some 800 persons attended a dinner for him given by the Crosscup-Pishon Post of the American Legion. Philbrick, for nine years an undercover agent for the FBI in the Communist Party, was a star witness against the top 11 CP leaders in their trial under the Smith Act in 1949. His latest exploit: testimony that led to the indictment under a state sedition law of Prof. Dirk J. Struik of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, world-famed mathematician and educator, and Harry E. Winner, a successful small businessman. Dr. Struik has been suspended from MIT since the indictment. A Struik Defence Committee, composed of ministers, educators and others, is working from 258 Mt. Vernon St., West Newton 65, Mass.

SUPREME COURT DEFIED: On Nov. 5 the U.S. Supreme Court found that

\$50,000 bail for each of 15 Californians under Smith Act indictments was exorbitant, directed the District Court to reconsider motions for its reduction. In Los Angeles U.S. Atty. Ernest A. Tolin vigorously fought any reduction; Federal Judge William C. Mathes dragged out the hearings, took his time reaching a decision. Last Wednesday, more than three weeks after the Supreme Court ruling, he announced it: motion denied. Defense lawyers headed back for the Supreme Court.

Twelve of the 15 have been in jail since July 26, have had little opportunity to prepare their defense; the trial is scheduled to begin Dec. 11. On Nov. 5 one of the defendants, Mary Bernadette Doyle, was ordered to bed after a heart attack. Since then she has suffered three more, the latest one last week. Judge Mathes has denied all motions for her release for proper care.

In San Francisco the chief judge of the Ninth U.S. Circuit Court ordered the release of Mickey Cohen on \$5,000 pending appeal of his conviction for income tax evasion. The West Coast's most notorious gangster, Cohen is serving a five-year sentence.

HALL TRIAL ENDS: In New York last week there came to an end a trial for which no precedent exists in all the annals of the law: a charge of criminal contempt against Gus Hall, nat'l secy. of the Communist Party, who failed to surrender last July 2 to serve a five-year sentence under a Smith Act conviction. Defense attorney Harry Sacher told the court:

"In the 900-year history of English and American law, no other prosecutor has ever invoked contempt proceedings in such a case."

Federal law contains no provision for penalty for jumping bail; forfeiture of the bail itself has always been considered penalty enough. Final arguments on motions in the case will be made Dec. 14.

Meanwhile Federal Judge Conger had under advisement seven pre-trial motions for dismissal of indictments against 17 other persons indicted under the Smith Act. The judge said he would set a trial date 10 days after ruling on the motions.

CALENDAR

New York

KATHARINE CORNELL in "The Constant Wife." **FRI., DEC. 7.** GUARDIAN Theatre Party. A few seats still available. \$7, \$6, \$5. WO 4-1750.

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NEW YORK

N. Y. people & dogs rehearse for disaster

WHEN New York's air-raid sirens wailed at 10:30 a.m. last Wednesday, Mrs. Tillie Schonkoff of Brooklyn was having coffee. Commenting later on the city's first rehearsal for an atomic bombing, she said:

"The people were very good. I think it was a great success. I was in a coffee shop and couldn't leave. I sat there with all the other customers and saw how orderly it was and I got to thinking how much safer you feel when you know just what to do in an emergency."

She sat there.

Mrs. Garitano of Brooklyn told how she defended herself:

"I put the dog in the bathroom, closed my windows, turned on the radio and waited for the all-clear so I could resume my house work. The dog howled but I guess it didn't hurt him."

In Macy's three women were trying on girdles. Said one of them, Mrs. Hopp of Manhattan: "This is most humili-



Chicago Daily News
"Charge!"

ating." The Daily News reported one "disaster" this way:

Safe behind the massive stone walls, officials of the Public Library, Fifth Av. and 42nd St., looked on with theoretical horror but no sympathy yesterday as 100 passers-by, taxi and bus passengers "died" on the library steps. . . . A uniformed library guard shrugged helplessly. He wouldn't open the door. The library has not been designated a public shelter for those caught on the streets.

SANITY—\$25 FINE: The "surprise" alert found the streets heavily patrolled hours ahead of schedule by police and white-helmeted wardens, with TV apparatus erected at Times Square. At 149th St. and Third Av. in the Bronx crowds milled in the streets until police herded them into shelters and most people in homes stayed put, but downtown streets were cleared in two minutes, Civil Defense officials reported. Though CD had said there would be no penalties for those who did not cooperate, police arrested four people who refused to take cover and charged them with disorderly conduct. One was fined \$25.

The working press had to take loyalty oaths before being allowed out of shelters. For days before the "raid" oath forms had been circulated throughout news offices from editors to copy boys.

American Women for Peace distributed peace leaflets in some shelters, and in the afternoon the War Resisters League raised anti-war placards.

Civil Defense Officials promptly termed the drill a success. CD Director Arthur Wallander called it "insurance against the real thing." But on the War Resisters' leaflet was this quotation from the Emergency Committee of Atomic Scientists:

There is no defense against atomic bombs and none is to be expected. Preparedness against atomic warfare is futile and, if attempted, will ruin the structure of the social order.

ALP warns against GOP gerrymander

REPUBLICAN leaders have been quietly redrafting the political map of

Peace Information Center VINDICATED

The P. I. C. worked from April to October, 1950, holding meetings, publishing the Peacegram, distributing literature and collecting signatures for the Stockholm Appeal. It was attacked by the Secretary of State as a dupe of the Soviet Union and in February, 1951, indicted by the Department of Justice as an Agent of a Foreign Principal. Its officials were searched, fingerprinted and publicly handcuffed and released on bail.

November 20, Judge Matthew McGuire of the District Federal Court in Washington, after three weeks trial, declared that the Department of Justice had failed to sustain its charge and dismissed the five defendants.

This case cost the defendants nine months of work, worry and public obloquy; and entailed a total expense of

\$35,215, despite the fact that the Chief Counsel served without fee.

The expenses approximately were as follows:

Legal fees	\$18,400
Publicity	5,600
Office	5,250
Salaries	3,600
Travel	2,365

Toward this sum, the public, through trade unions, public meetings and small individual contributions has already given \$30,115. This leaves a deficit of \$5,100. Considering how great a victory this case is for Free Speech and World Peace, we are urging our friends to rush pledges and gifts to wipe out this debt so that we can close our office and make final report to the public by December 20. Send your contribution to:

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ADVERTISEMENT

New York State with what ALP state chairman Vito Marcantonio has called "a partisan pencil."

According to recent federal census figures New York must lose two Congressional seats. If the GOP map is allowed to stand, those seats will come from New York City; Negro representation, already inadequate, will decline; the redistricting will give greater weight to Republican areas like Suffolk and Nassau counties, dilute working-class and progressive strongholds by adding conservative districts to them. The new map will be sprung, according to Albany observers, at a special session of the Legislature next month.

Marcantonio analyzed the proposed changes this way:

The Rockaway area in Queens is tacked on to the Brownsville area of Brooklyn. Staten Island is tacked on to the Bay Ridge area of Brooklyn. Nassau and Suffolk counties are given an additional Congressional seat. The proposed plan deliberately ignores the rights of the Negro people to Congressional representation, particularly from the Bedford-Stuyvesant district in Brooklyn (strongly Negro and working-class).

A sound redistricting would assure Puerto Rican and Negro representation from New York City and upstate, leave Marcantonio's 18th C.D. intact and lift the lily-white stigma from the state Senate (where no Negro has ever been elected). The ALP last week demanded a public hearing before the special session and urged community groups to wire similar demands to Senate and

Assembly majority leaders Arthur H. Wicks and Lee Mailler, both at Albany.

Also in Albany, State Sen. Henry A. Wise sponsored legislation to publish the names of all who receive relief. ALP Exec. Secy. Arthur Schutzer quickly denounced it as "stigma legislation"; City Welfare Commissioner Henry L. McCarthy compared it to Nazi legislation.

PROPERTY TAX SUPPORT: In New York City the ALP saw one of its prime demands—for raising needed revenue by a reassessment of real estate—taken up by Mayor Impellitteri and newly-elected Council President Halley. ALP welcomed the new support for taxing commercial property but warned of other items that might go into the "package." The Mayor also declared that the 3% sales tax must stay, and imposition of a 15c fare to give transport workers their raises was strongly indicated.

The ALP has maintained that transport workers should get their 40-hour week and long-due raises but that the money should come from increased state aid, taxes on stock transfers and commercial real estate.

The AFL and CIO, which approved the 10c fare, last week announced "unalterable" opposition to the 15c fare.

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Pandit Nehru is 62

Prime Minister Nehru of India had a birthday last month and hundreds of well-wishers called on him in New Delhi. Among them were India's President, Dr. Rajendra Prasad (facing camera). Others were members of the cultural mission from New China who got a most enthusiastic reception in India and whose exhibition was attended by Nehru. He said: "The exhibition will help people to understand the present day conditions in the two countries and help them in their attempt to build up understanding and, wherever possible, cooperation."

FARM

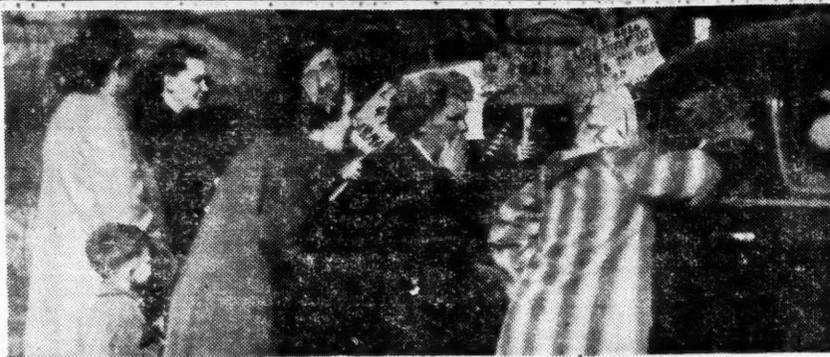
Stover fights new attack on Iowa FU

IOWA STATE LAWS require that farm cooperatives allot not less than 1% and not more than 5% of their savings to educational purposes; Farmers Union members have insisted that their co-ops give the maximum amount. Last week Fred Stover, president of the Iowa Farmers Union, charged that some co-op managers are trying to withhold the educational funds from the state organization on these grounds:

The character of educational work now being carried on by the Farmers Union of Iowa is not in the best interests of agriculture and particularly of the Farmers Union program.

Stover named specifically the Great Plains Supply Co. and the big FU Grain Terminal Assn.

"POLITICAL WHIMS": To Stover the new move is simply a continuation of "the pressure for complete conformity to the war program." Top leaders of the FU give full support to Harry Truman's adventures abroad (GUARDIAN, Nov. 28), have long fought Stover for his advocacy of peace. His membership supported him against an effort of the FU national office to lift the state charter, won a court fight against a dissident group that tried to capture the state organization. At the last state convention, Stover was re-elected without opposition. Of the withholding of



The ladies have the know-how

When the Consumers Mining Co., a Wheeling Steel Corp. subsidiary, asked exorbitant prices for miners' homes in Harmarville, Pa., the women got so mad they barred their own husbands and sweethearts from working the mines until the company got some second thoughts on the housing holdup. They formed a human chain across three mine entrances.

funds, Stover writes in the current issue of the Iowa Union Farmer:

When co-op members who have no contact with the Iowa Farmers Union undertake to appraise its educational program and decide to allocate the savings from such a state on the basis of their political whims, we are confronted with a display of arrogance unparalleled in FU history.

It is a question of whether the Farmers Union people are going to continue to walk resolute and uprightly. . . . If this proposal to choke our organization to death is carried through, we will have one recourse. We will do just as we did with every other violation of Farmers Union principles. That means taking it to the people, to Farmers Union members everywhere, including cooperative patrons and stockholders. We have not the slightest doubt what their answer will be.

THE BIG GET BIGGER: With top FU leaders backing Truman's foreign policy, latest Census figures revealed that the family-sized farm is being squeezed out of existence under the Administration's domestic policy. Total number of U.S. farms decreased by 713,000 between 1940 and 1950. Small farms grew fewer, big farms grew bigger. About half the lost farms were in the South; but in Iowa itself farms between 50 and 259 acres decreased by 16.2%. Farms from 260 acres up increased by 26.6%. Biggest single increase was in farms of more than 1,000 acres: 17.4%.

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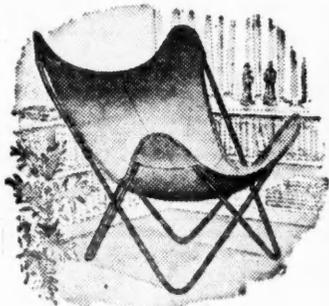
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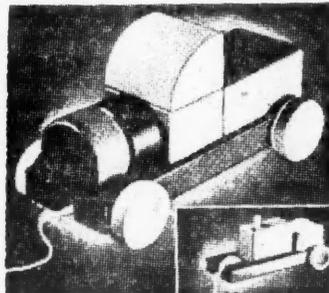
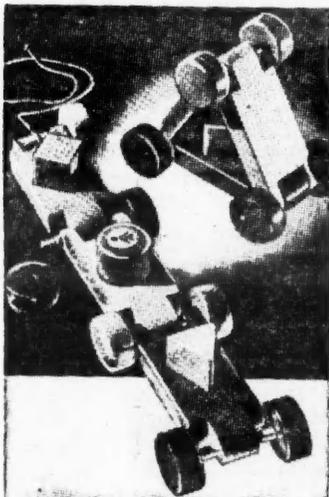
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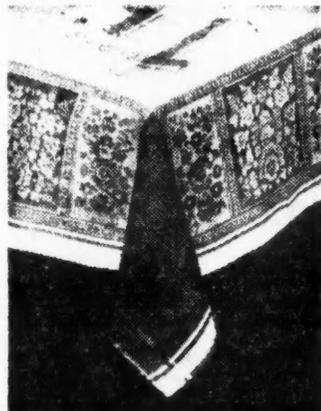
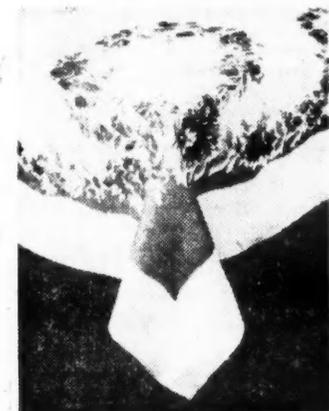
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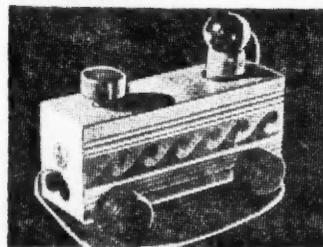
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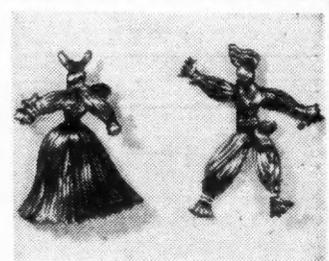


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**Cook's Tour for peace—
Arthur Kahn's odyssey**

By Cedric Belfrage

IN A RECENT Sunday N. Y. Herald Tribune Ogden R. Reid devoted most of his incomparably weird column "The Red Underground" to a biography of Arthur D. Kahn. The space given to this vigorous and forthright young progressive indicated a high rating for Kahn as a menace to American reaction. Kahn's new book, *Speak Out! America Wants Peace*, is proof that the rating is deserved. For what he has done is something that badly needed doing. Having spent six months (from March to September this year) traveling through 23 states as a herald and mobilizer of peace, he has set down his experience in a diary which introduces progressive America to itself.

A fascinating journey it is; and progressives tied down to their own communities—subject as all must sometimes be to the debilitating sense of isolation, in the witch-hunt era which has frightened so many into silence—will bless him for making and recording it. For the *GUARDIAN* it is particularly fascinating since most of the salt-of-the-earth Americans who were Kahn's hosts

and meeting sponsors are *GUARDIAN* readers and builders—old friends to us, though we have met but few of them. They are the people whose thoughts expressed in our mail-bag section from cities and



crossroads all over America we have always seen as the best feature of our paper.

THE PEACE ARMY: "Our people"—the progressives who can't be scared, and in whose hands we believe America's future to lie—are scattered thinly perhaps over the country, but they are everywhere and they add up to a mighty army. Here we can learn more about what they are like, about their homes and kids, about their personal and political problems. We meet Negro Americans in the great cities, Mexican Americans in the west

and southwest, Finnish Americans in Minnesota; miners in Montana, homesteaders in the Dakotas who, though linked to the air-conditioned world only by a 15-mile-an-hour "toonerville trolley" from Omaha, fight for air like the rest of us in the blanketing fog of hysteria: Although Spearfish, S.D., would seem to be isolated from any war danger, 1500 miles from the coast, . . . recently a civilian defense worker went from door to door asking how many persons could be accommodated in each home in case of a bombing. An airplane spotter system has been established with a watcher every seven miles.

AMERICA'S SOUND CORE: And in traveling from one progressive home or group to another, in buses and planes and dining cars, Kahn gets to talking with scores of "average" Americans from business executives to drafted farmers' sons to inflation-harried workers' wives—people confused by war propaganda who, however, see and hear and feel and wonder plenty. He learns to listen patiently to their attempts to explain the wrongs they see, and finds how thin is the crust propaganda has laid over their brains, how much common sense lies underneath.

His talk on peace—how to get it, and how not to get it (with special stress on the folly of U. S. policy in Germany)—inspires a working-class group in Minnesota to action, earns red-baiting attacks and a big freeze from a middle-class group in Iowa. He takes the rough with the smooth, his conviction constantly deepening that the American people as a whole is sound and decent; and like a good doctor, he prescribes the right antidote for curable cases of lie-induced error:

On the plane from Salt Lake City . . . a young man, a vet, a furniture salesman, said he had owned some Bethlehem Steel stocks and had found that when stocks declined at the end of June after the Malik truce proposal, he had secretly hoped hostilities would continue. . . . He wanted to know where one could get reliable information these days. I sold him a subscription to the National Guardian.

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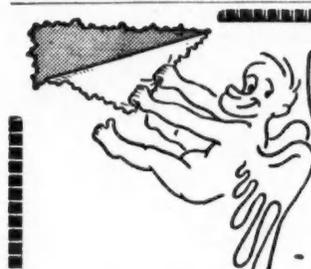
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