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WAR & PEACE

Truman leaves Eisenhower a giant-size hangover

HARRY S. TRUMAN checked out of the White House on Tuesday, bequeathing to Dwight D. Eisenhower the greatest load of headaches any President ever inherited. Here were some:

KOREA: The nation looked to him to end the most unpopular war in its history, either by a compromise for peace or by some military novelty to break the stalemate and win. The former was not even being discussed; the latter involved decisions so potentially disastrous that no one wanted to take them, but many had suggestions. The Alsop brothers (N. Y. Herald Tribune, 1/16) said Eisenhower had been advised to sanction an attack on Mukden, Manchuria; to test the value of Chiang's troops by using at least one division in Korea; to hand MacArthur "back the hot potato" by appointing him Far East ambassador-at-large. Adm. King in U. S. News (1/16) thought

... the U. S. should be prepared to use the [atom] bomb against military targets at a moment's notice. With Korea topmost among Eisenhower's problems, he had two words to guide his inaugural. Outgoing Defense Secy. Lovett told the House Armed Services Comm. that an all-out Korea offensive would take more U. S. lives than it would be worth. Ex-ambassador to Britain Lewis W. Douglas said it was essential "to re-establish communications with the Soviet Union." Favoring an Eisenhower-Stalin meeting, Douglas said:

"We must convince the people of Western Europe and the Orient that we are willing to talk."

CHINA & INDIA: While success for any extension of the Korean War clearly depended on winning adherents to Washington's policy of relentless hostility toward China, key voices opposed to that policy continued to be heard. Gerald Bailey, British member of the Quaker team at UN, told California audiences the U. S. should immediately end the war, recognize the "historic reality ... of a New China" and that China "is entitled to return of Formosa." In India, whose support in Asia Washington needs desperately, Premier

Nehru told the Congress Party conference that non-recognition of China is a refusal to recognize "one of the major and obvious facts of our age" and can lead to "grave consequences."

Indians also displayed "acute alarm" (N. Y. Times, 1/15) over reports that Pakistan might join the proposed Middle East pact, becoming not only ... an area of an extended "cold war" but a major theater of operations in the event of an East-West conflict.

MIDDLE EAST: While tension grew in Iran (story next week), "free world" propaganda was not aided by a Hitler-style coup in Egypt, vital defense spot where U. S. influence has been growing (recently it swung to support of exclusion of China from UN). "Strong man"



Drawing by Fred Wright
"... And this medal was given to me by Chiang Kai-shek for saving him from the Chinese people..."

Gen. Naguib, who seized power last year, banned all opposition parties for three years, confiscated their funds, arrested their leaders and 25 army officers, and said "every known Communist will be jailed," because of an alleged plot to seize power from him. Egypt is the country of which Henry

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"... fired the shot heard round the world"

In French, Spanish, German and Italian the story of the Rosenberg Case is being told in the press of the world. From Scandinavia to China the facts are laid before the people. Many of the stories and pictures are GUARDIAN reprints; many articles are based on material the world press has requested of us since the first stories appeared in GUARDIAN in July, 1951. Above is a small sample.

Fate of the Rosenbergs now up to Eisenhower

THE Rosenberg Case and its implications came up for discussion at a meeting of the Truman Cabinet last week, the GUARDIAN learned; but at press time the clemency plea for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, sentenced to die as "atom spies," seemed certain to carry over to President Eisenhower. At his final press conference Truman said the papers had not yet reached him. On Jan. 17 the round-the-clock vigil at the White House came to an end after 21 days, "out of respect for the inauguration of the new President."

Before the U. S. Embassy in Ottawa, the vigil went on around the clock. A dawn-to-dusk vigil continued before the Embassy in London, with hourly delegations to the U. S. Ambassador; an all-night picket line was maintained in the heart of New York's Lower East Side, where the Rosenbergs grew up.

The counter-campaign against the world-wide clamor for clemency took on larger proportions; both Scripps-Howard and Hearst newspaper chains began series of articles demanding the death penalty; a group of citizens including Charles E. Wilson of General Motors and Samuel Rosenman, once a close adviser to President Roosevelt, issued a statement opposing mercy. Meanwhile the air was further heated by a new spy scare involving two ex-GI's in Vienna and a Soviet diplomat in Washington who was declared persona non grata and sent home. Be-

fore leaving office Defense Secy. Lovett said a new and tougher bill has been drafted to deal with "traitors, spies and blabbermouths."

VANZETTI'S SISTER: National and international protests against the impending executions would not down. The liberal weekly New Republic be-

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Ethel Rosenberg offers Judge Kaufman a quote from "St. Joan"

Following is an excerpt from a letter written by Ethel Rosenberg after Judge Kaufman's decision denying her and her husband clemency.

SING SING DEATH HOUSE
JUDGE Irving R. Kaufman's immortality is at last assured. His decision is full of the most extraordinary inaccuracies and omissions, and the kind of specious reasoning that leads credibility to distortion. Striking a pose worthy of Tomshelsky and Barrymore combined, and donning a respectable solemnity calculated to represent him to the gullible as a saddened but sternly dutiful guardian of the nation's security, he is actually at great pains to conceal the inherent moral bankruptcy of his position.

It even becomes necessary for him to produce the noble lines of a George

Elliot, whose entire life is a monument to those very ideals he slanders and subverts. Surely this is plagiarism on a signally low level; for while it is true that authorship is duly acknowledged, the cynical use to which this fine literary expression was put—a use that clearly could never have been intended by a great-souled woman who herself rebelled at the falsity that "saves the form while damning the spirit"—such a use, I say, constitutes a travesty and a defamation of a very repulsive sort indeed.

Enamored of quotation as the good judge seems, I would hazard the guess that a study of Shaw's Saint Joan would not incline him to press that into service against the Rosenbergs! As you will recall, John de Stogumber, the English chaplain who had been one of the most bloodthirsty advocates

of Joan's proposed burning, comes rushing in from this "glorious" spectacle, overcome with remorse and sobbing like one demented:

"You don't know; you haven't seen; it is so easy to talk when you don't know. You madden yourself with words; you damn yourself because it feels grand to throw oil on the flaming hell of your own temper. But when it is brought home to you: when you see the thing you have done; when it's blinding your eyes, stifling your nostrils, tearing your heart—then—Oh, God, take away this sight from me—Oh, Christ! deliver me from this fire that is consuming me—she cried to thee in the midst of it: Jesus! Jesus! Jesus! She is in thy bosom; and I am in hell for evermore."

And there shall you be, Judge Kaufman, for a "crime worse than murder!" Ethel

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munism and treason." but it says not a word about fighting fascism. It advocates the Hitler creed of the supremacy of people who happen to have white skins, even though two-thirds of the world's peoples have skins that are not white.

I wonder what action, if any, the Un-American Activities Committee would take if the un-American activities of the sponsor of The American Nationalist were brought to its attention. George F. Curry

Join the SATCHTOH-GH SULLIVAN, IND.

"To remain silent when your neighbor is unjustly persecuted is cowardice; to speak out boldly against injustice, when you are one against many, is the highest patriotism."—Abraham Lincoln.

"I am convinced that the Russians want peace more than anything else. They have suffered terrible losses in war, and they need peace. There is no reason why we should not be friends."—General Dwight D. Eisenhower.

If you agree that patriotic, liberty-loving Americans who love their country and its free institutions, who revere its Constitution and Bill of Rights, must act before it's too late, let's organize a Society of Americans to Call Halt to Our Home-Grown Hitlers. The time is short—send your suggestions, approval or criticism today. (Judge) Norval K. Harris Sullivan Circuit Court

Spirit of cooperation

DES MOINES, IOWA
For over 50 years I have wondered whether the progressives, liberals, rationalists, humanists or, in a word, the "Good People" who believe in a just social system are not capable of cooperating to the extent of establishing at least five large printing plants — East Coast, West Coast, South, North and geographical center. There never need be any begging, no failures, and every fellow could be certain as far as the printing is concerned to keep his big or little "sheet" going, even if it did have to go "up" and "down" in size. I have contributed to many. I have seen many fail. Of course there is more than one cause; but the spirit of cooperation is the main cause. But still the "cause," the main cause, is yet to be answered. R. E. Patten

That NATO stamp

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.
In a letter to the GUARDIAN (Jan. 1, 1953) Raymond Rector of Muskogee, Okla., says: "I despise the NATO stamps but I could get no other. Notice it is stamped upside down on the envelope." Mr. Rector is not the only one who despised the stamps. At a time when I could still get regular 3c stamps I consistently refused NATO's and heard others doing the same. So many must have been doing so that the Post Office decided to force them onto the public. The withdrawal from sale of the regular 3c stamps has been nationwide. When they pulled that on me I did some elementary calculating: a one-cent stamp and a two-cent

How crazy can you get dept.

Evangelist Billy Graham at Intl. Airport today following his return from the Korean battlefield said he had wept his way across Korea. "I never saw such suffering or utter misery as there is among the Korean people," he declared . . . It [the American army in Korea] has been called, and rightly so, the most compassionate army in American history." —L. A. Herald Express, Jan. 9.

One-year free sub to sender of each item printed under this heading. Winner: Bob & Marie Friend, Ventura, Calif.

motto is still "Better late than never" and we congratulate the Times. Ed.

Degrading the Jews
BRONX, N. Y.
It is time, I think, to recognize that a press which selects an Irving Saypol or a "Rabbi" Benjamin Schultz as honored representatives of the Jewish people is a press which seeks to degrade and insult the Jewish people. It is time for the Jewish people and the real friends of the Jewish people to speak up and say so. L. J.

Well, Mr. Velde?
MARTINS FERRY, O.
I have received copies of The American Nationalist, published in Inglewood, Calif., by one Frank L. Britton. It is obviously a rank un-American, anti-Semite publication. It exhorts its readers to "fight com-

THE MAIL BAG

Pomp and Circumstance
WILLOWBROOK, CALIF.
At this writing I have not seen the program of the symphony concert that might have been part of the carnival-like inauguration of Dwight D. Eisenhower. It might go something like this:
Directed by John Foster Dulles (member, board of directors, Chamber Music Society of Upper Wall St.)
Overture to Franco by Pat McCarran
Variations on a theme by Herbert Hoover by Herbert Hoover
Symphony with strings: Unfinished (counter-Point 4) by Paul G. Hoffman
In a Persian Market by Stan Darr Doyle
In the Hall of the Money King by Winthrop Aldrich
Flight of the Bumble B-36 by Juan Adambaum
The Rhinegold ("Restoration of the Ruhr") by Lucius Clay
Transcribed from trio: [bugle, English horn (muted), French horn (muted)]
Uncle Sam, first violin
John Bull, second fiddle
Marianne, 4th piccolo
Korea-graphy by D. MacArthur
Soloist: Dwight D. Eisenhower
Accompanist: Poore Richard Manon Horace

The Urey letter
NEW YORK, N. Y.
The GUARDIAN is mistaken in its information regarding the Urey letter on the Rosenbergs, as it did appear in N. Y. Times letters column of Jan. 8. Dr. Urey was compelled to write for the "doubt in his mind which allowed him no rest." But it was most amazing to see on two successive days letters of a positive and unequivocal nature appear in this paragon of "free world" intellectuality.
On Jan. 7 Gopinath Kallianpur wrote a scathing piece dealing with their editorial moralizing on the subject of "East and West," especially as it concerns the South African and prisoner of war questions, and ends by saying: "The Eastern mind of this writer is unable to appreciate the moral virtues of policies whose practical aims are to underwrite French imperialism in Indo-China and to keep the unwilling and militant Malayan people shackled to the yoke of British vested interests." Shale Dworan
The Urey letter was sent to the Times Dec. 29, the GUARDIAN was informed by Dr. Urey himself. On Jan. 5 (the GUARDIAN dated Jan. 8 went to press Jan. 6) a call to the Times produced the information that the Times did not intend to print the letter because it had carried quotes from Dr. Urey's news to Judge Kaufman in its news columns. The Times said it was sending the letter back to Dr. Urey asking him if there was anything he "wanted to add." Something (perhaps the GUARDIAN disclosure of the letter's existence?) happened between Jan. 5 and Jan. 8 to cause the Times to change its mind. Our

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REPORT TO READERS

1,000 people came out to say 'Happy Birthday'

IT'S BIG NEWS, we think, when a thousand and more people turn out from as far as 200 miles away to join in the observance of a newspaper's fourth anniversary.

That is the story of the GUARDIAN's Anniversary Get-Together at New York's City Center Friday evening, Jan. 16.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois keynoted the evening with a scholarly address on the state of U.S. journalism and the urgency of building and supporting a liberal-progressive press (selections from his address will appear in next week's GUARDIAN).

A "living newspaper" dramatization based on the Rosenberg Case was presented by a fine professional cast; Miss Martha Schlamme sang a delightful and meaningful program of songs; and Emanuel H. Bloch, attorney for Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, wound up the evening with a tribute to the GUARDIAN and a call to progressive Americans everywhere to lead the fight for a return to democratic principles.

THE GUARDIAN EDITORS, author Carl Marzani and a corps of backstage experts all participated in the event, for which the audience showed its appreciation by generous response of applause and contributions to the GUARDIAN's sustaining fund.

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THE EDITORS

stamp equals 3c; hence, I don't have to carry their foul propaganda on my letters. J. F.

What would happen?

BRONX, N. Y.
This poem was written by my daughter who is 10. I think it an achievement in this hysterical world that children can still grow up knowing the meaning of love and brotherhood.

By Eileen Reiter
I wonder what would happen
If every person looked alike
Then you couldn't tell the difference
between Anne or Bill or Mike.
I think it nice to be yourself,
whether Yellow, Black or White
If only the world could understand
that
You should be neighborly and
never fight.
Mrs. Reiter

Room for improvement

WASHINGTON, D. C.
With such intelligent readers, I wonder that you do not have more letters of criticism from those who think that specific improvements are possible. Here are mine:
Your documentation of news reviews is excellent and should be continued with the same care. There is a tendency to write articles which please those who agree with you rather than convince those who might disagree with you.

In particular there is resentment by some readers against painting everything in black and white when some intermediate greys might be more appropriate. Understatement is often more convincing than overstatement. Also, extreme leftism may result in greater purity but fewer adherents.

I doubt that you can consistently or on principle approve death sentences for counter-revolutionary activities, though you can report them objectively and place the responsibility on the foreign governments who promote such activities. Jim Higgins

The workers' job

NEW YORK, N. Y.
I was very disappointed to read in the Dec. 25 issue an article such as "Gang Probe Renews N. Y. Waterfront Hope." No workers in this country, and none of our unions can expect to get any honest help in organizing or in promoting their welfare from government agencies. There are no grand juries and no Congressional committees that are interested in our welfare. Whether they cry "reds" or "racketeers," their aim is all the same—to bust the unions and discredit the workers. If the longshoremen have "racketeers" in their leadership, it is their own job and right to kick them out — and nobody else's, least of all government snoopers. A Worker



An Editorial: Moscow, Prague and Anti-Semitism

THE Prague trials and last week's charges against a group of doctors in Moscow have serious implications, about which our readers are certainly and rightly concerned—as citizens of the country charged with suborning another's citizens to sabotage and murder.

Because most of the defendants in both cases were or are Jewish, the whole noisy machinery of the U.S. government and press and radio has been turned on to making a big Thing out of anti-Semitism behind the Iron Curtain. This ultra-noisy Thing is supposed to fill those in our country still riding the train of history—the train clearly headed for a reign of the people everywhere—with consternation and confusion; to shake them off the train, as many were shaken off by similar noise about the pre-World War II Soviet "purge" trial, later generally recognized to have been a key factor in ensuring defeat of Hitlerism in that war.

The "anti-Semitism" charges against the U.S.S.R. are, of course, not new; they have been increasingly made since early in the cold war, in which every means has been used to draw a curtain around the socialist world. The present climactic charges come just as Dulles, the father of "Project X" and active sympathizer with Hitler, rolls up his sleeves to "toughen" the cold war even further for the Eisenhower Administration.

THE GUARDIAN has no mysterious pipelines to Moscow, Prague or anywhere else; our Prague

correspondent was sick in bed at the time of the trial there and so could not cover it; the full evidence in neither of these cases is yet available in English; we cannot adequately report either until it becomes available. But as to "anti-Semitism" we have just this to say:

1. The charge against governments which have not only abolished the economic basis of racism in any form, but made it a serious crime (while our own Congress retains a filibuster system making even intelligent debate on the matter impossible), is absurd on its face. The absurdity is highlighted for rational folk by the latest (Dec. 25) issue of the anti-Semitic publication *The American Nationalist* which, having continually presented "communism" as a "Jewish conspiracy," is compelled to report the Thing as an elaborate "propaganda hoax launched by the Jews"—a blind to conceal the real "Jewishness" of the socialist countries. The paper writes indignantly:

The effect of all this has been to condition the public mind for the inevitable conclusion that if Communism is anti-Semitic, then anti-Semitism must, by the same token, be Communist. In other words, we as Nationalists face the prospect of being branded as Communists for our anti-Jewish, anti-Communist activities.

(Such anti-Semitic publications are illegal in all socialist countries.)

2. The charge is doubly ludicrous when it comes

from a government which, in Germany, has been busily freeing and elevating to high positions the perpetrators of the greatest mass extermination of Jews in history, as the U.S. government has done.

3. Even more nonsensical on their face are the attempts to set off the Prague and Moscow cases against the Rosenberg Case, since in Prague the defendants have confessed their guilt in open court while the Rosenbergs still proclaim their innocence in the shadow of the electric chair.

4. No rational person can suggest that men and women guilty of crimes in any state cannot be tried and punished for them just because they belong to a historically persecuted minority. Some of the defendants in these cases are Jewish. So are—and so will continue to be—dozens of the most respected leaders in Czechoslovakia and the U.S.S.R.

5. We have no evidence that Jewish or Zionist organizations, deriving most of their funds from here, are involved in the sabotage and espionage work for which Congress last year appropriated \$100 million. But there is no reason we know of why some of their agents may not be involved in this work, which is assuredly not done by ghosts.

6. The only conclusion we can draw from this latest and most hysterical Thing spun out of the overheated air by our cold-war leaders, and beyond belief by anyone even slightly informed on world affairs, is that they are even more desperate than we already believed—and bankrupt beyond all salvation in intelligent arguments against the socialist "spectre."

THE EDITORS

Arrests in Moscow, Budapest, and Germany point up increased cold war tension

ON both sides of the cold-war curtain, alleged spies, plotters and wreckers were being arrested wholesale last week. In W. Germany, where a U.S.-sponsored Nazi youth organization to murder top Social Democrats and others

Semitism in the U.S.S.R. Leading the attack, NYT (1/18) said "Moscow called the accused men 'terrorist Jewish doctors';" but its correspondent Salisbury had reported (1/16) that the Moscow press stressed

... what were termed constant efforts of the U.S. and other capitalist countries to establish a fifth column in the Soviet Union. The alleged connection of the arrested doctors with Zionists was not emphasized. It has not been found necessary to say anything in the press about the religious origin of some of what the press calls "fiends in human form."

RACISM DENOUNCED: N.Y. Herald Tribune correspondent Joseph Newman wrote from London:

The fact that at least three of the nine accused doctors are non-Jews is taken as an indication that Soviet fears are not confined to an alleged "Zionist threat." Furthermore, these three non-Jews—P. I. Yegorov, V. N. Vinogradov and G. I. Mayrov—were the most important of the nine. . . . Salisbury added that, in a lead editorial on cultural exchange with other countries, *Pravda*

... denounced what it called "zoological racism of the Hitlerites" . . . pictured the Soviet Union as a land where the greatest respect was shown to its own people and those abroad . . . [and where] special consideration [was given] to the cultural achievements of all peoples.

Chief Moscow Rabbi Solomon Schliker said that in the U.S.S.R. "anti-Semitism has been rooted out by law and by the will of the people," and that the doctors were "accused not as Jews but as Soviet citizens." But in Israel representatives of six parties called for a special debate in parliament, and expulsion of all Communists from office in the Histadrut labor organization was demanded. (Three days before, 2,000 unemployed demonstrated in Tel Aviv streets for "bread, work and peace.")

"X" MARKS SPOT? The reports pleased U.S. News, frank spokesman for business, which commented (1/23): "Trouble signs in Russia are real, encouraging." It made no reference to its own report (4/9/48) on John Foster Dulles' "Project X," which called for "strong-arm squads under American guidance" in socialist countries and "assassination of key Communists." The AJDC ridiculed the charges of complicity in any plot.

At the week-end the arrest of Lajos Stoeckler, "president of Hungary's Jewish Community" who administered AJDC funds, was reported from Buda-

pest. (The meaning of "president of the Jewish Community" is obscure; at least six top men in Hungary's government including the Premier and Defense Minister are Jewish.) In Sofia, ten Bulgarians were put on trial on charges of spying for "an American espionage center in Turkey."

Several Jewish community leaders were reported moving to the West from E. Germany, where Foreign Minister

Georg Dertinger (non-Jewish) was arrested on charges of "hostile activities" for Western spy services. More arrests on similar charges seemed likely as the press in all socialist countries called for greater vigilance, and as new Secy. of State Dulles planned

... to try a lot harder to stir up trouble in Eastern Europe with heavy propaganda and funds for the underground (Wall St. Journal, 11/21/52).

Rosenberg clemency

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lately took a stand for clemency "for the sake of America's world-wide position." U.S. trade union action in behalf of the couple was augmented by a clemency resolution adopted by the exec. board of Chevrolet local 659 of the CIO United Auto Workers, with 20,000 members.

From a small town in Italy Vincenzina Vanzetti, sister of Bartolomeo Vanzetti who, with Nicola Sacco, was executed in 1927 in what has since been proved to be a frame-up, made this plea to the President:

"I want to cherish the great hope that you will want to listen to and accept the appeal of a humble woman, to whom the great pain suffered gives the strength to implore from you an act of justice."

From Iceland came protests from writers, including internationally-known Halldor Laxness; seven MP's, including the chairman of the Socialist Unity Party; the chairman of the Longshoremen's Union, city councillors, editors and entire staff of the country's Socialist daily newspaper. In France the exec. committee of the intensely anti-Communist Socialist Party "urgently demanded" clemency, referring to "reasonable doubt" of the Rosenbergs' guilt.

NEW SOBELL MOVE: While Emanuel H. Bloch, defense atty. for the Rosenbergs, was enjoined from any court action for his clients pending final action on his executive clemency plea, no such restriction bound Howard N. Meyer, Harold M. Phillips and Edward Kuntz, attorneys for Morton Sobell, convicted with the Rosenbergs and now serving a 30-year sentence in Alcatraz.

In their petition for a rehearing, filed Jan. 14, they quote the U.S. Court of Appeals' own harsh criticism of Irving R. Saypol, U.S. prosecutor in the Rosenberg case; the court called his conduct "wholly reprehensible" and said it "cannot be too severely condemned." The court was also on record that "if defendants had moved for a new trial, it should have been granted."

2d WASHINGTON PILGRIMAGE: David Alman, secy. of the Rosenberg Committee (1050 6th Av., N.Y.C. 18), announced that failing action by Tru-

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EN NOMBRE DE LA HUMANIDAD, AYUDE A SALVAR A ESTOS INOCENTES DE LA MUERTE

A poster in Mexico City

man there will be another Clemency and Prayer Gathering in Washington Jan. 26, similar to the one held Jan. 5 to which 3,000 delegates came from all over the U.S. Said Alman:

"The overwhelming response throughout the nation to the last national gathering for the Rosenbergs indicated that ever-increasing numbers of Americans feel the Rosenbergs should not die. Since then many scores of thousands more have added their voices to the urgent appeal that Presidential clemency be granted."

At GUARDIAN press time, over 700 more clergymen had signed the clemency petition whose signing by an initial 1,500 was reported last week.

NIGHTMARE!

I awoke in fright out of the fevered night

It was done And they were dead!

Staring blindly in the dark Confusion pounding at my heart I could have done much more Than I had done

Trembling, I raised the blind only to find

Dark buildings Quiet as death

Good people of the world now mourn Shame to our land and scorn!

Suddenly the dawn Brought sanity and speeding time!

—Edith Segal



was recently exposed (GUARDIAN, 1/1), British occupation authorities jailed seven ex-Nazi leaders said to be conspiring to seize power. From Vienna, two Austrian-born ex-GI's studying there under the GI Bill of Rights were flown to the U.S. and charged with giving information on "U.S. defense and intelligence" to Yuri V. Novikov, 2d secy. in the Soviet Embassy in Washington.

Continuing arrests of persons said to be working for the U.S. in the socialist countries, following the recent Prague trials, were a possible indication of where some of the \$100 million voted by the 82d Congress for "behind-the-curtain" undercover work was going. The Moscow magazine *Communist* was quoted by N.Y. Times correspondent Harrison Salisbury (1/15) as saying in its current issue:

... It is well known that the U.S. is increasing expenditures on spying and diversionist work. . . . [The magazine called for] the highest vigilance against enemies within and without the Soviet Union, [warned that] agents of the U.S. are hunting any chink or hole in the armor of Soviet preparedness.

MOSCOW ARRESTS DOCTORS: Three days earlier Moscow radio had reported that nine leading doctors were arrested, charged with a murder plot against high government officials and military leaders allegedly directed by U.S. and British intelligence. The doctors were said to have confessed to murdering former Deputy Premier Andrei Zhdanov, whose death in 1948 was ascribed to a heart attack.

The indictments charged the international Jewish aid group, American Joint Distribution Committee, with involvement in the plot. The news spurred the entire U.S. press to step up its campaign to demonstrate official anti-

Eisenhower inherits

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A. Byroade, Asst. Secy. of State for the Middle East, said last Dec. 5 (when democratic rights were already effectively smashed) that he hoped the "democratic spirit" would be re-inforced there,

... not necessarily on the American model, but at least in a form which would recognize the same basic principles.

EUROPE: In France especially among NATO countries, concern over the nation's position as an appendage and potential victim of U.S. plans grew apace in conservative newspapers. *Le Monde*, daily more alarmed about the complexion of Washington's "united Europe," emphasized (1/10) the official invitation to a former officer of Franco's Blue Division (which fought for Hitler) to visit the U.S. and the proposal to restore Nazi arms king



Alfred Krupp's vast wealth. It said:

... But it was precisely to avoid a United Europe dominated by the Krupps and Wehrmacht generals that our war and Resistance fighters died.

On the war in Indo-China, *Le Monde* said it was now "generally agreed" that "a military decision can no longer be obtained"; that France's own interests are no longer involved, and that if it must continue it is now "up to the Pacific powers" to carry it on.

Home worries: labor, tidelands and tycoons

THE morning-after headache throbbed whether the President looked overseas or homeward.

ROSENBERG CASE: The decision of death or life for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg (which was expected to be left to Eisenhower) had serious implications for U.S. policy in Europe, where Secy. of State Dulles is going next week to try to patch up the crumbling NATO alliance. Sentiment for clemency is expressed from Left to Right in France, where feet-dragging on the NATO treaties is particularly strong.

U. S. Bomb Budget		
	millions of \$	percent
INCREASES (1954 over 1953)		
A & H bombs	700	35%
Aircraft	1,300	16%
Military research	200	14%
Arms export	1,784	31%
Propaganda, sabotage, travel restriction	42	16%
FBI and alien control	12	9%
DECREASES:		
Housing	248	33%
Agriculture	116	6%
Public Health	30	9%

ECONOMY, LABOR: Truman left behind an economic message which cheerfully predicted a continuing arms boom for 1953, but pointedly left a question-mark for 1954 when the bloom was expected to fade from the boom.

Labor, shocked into action by its fears, showed signs of rallying. (The AFL was holding regional conferences to work out legislative campaigns.) Contract crises were due this year in coal, railroads, packinghouse, others.

In civil liberties, the price for the Truman Doctrine would be paid most heavily by the people in the next four years; it would be up to Eisenhower to make them pay cheerfully.

TIDELANDS OIL: As a parting headache Truman bequeathed to Eisenhower the problem of \$250 billion worth of oil lying on the continental shelf that rings the nation and Alaska underwater. He signed an executive order designating all of the "tidelands" as a Navy reserve.

While the shelf was in the Interior Dept.'s hands, legislators sparked by private oil companies had campaigned for state control (leading ultimately to oil company control) and denounced federal control as "seizure." Eisenhower, committed to states' rights, would have more trouble prying the shelf away from the Navy than the Interior Dept.

TYCOONS IN OFFICE: The job of deftly merging government and big business troubled the Administration even before the inaugural festivities got under way. The new President had asked that his Cabinet be approved swiftly, and in pre-inauguration hearings Senate committees passed all but Charles E. Wilson for Defense Secy.

Sen. Byrd (D-Va.) in the Armed Services Comm. cited the law which provides two years in jail or a \$2,000 fine for any government official maintaining an interest in private companies. Wilson testified he had resigned as pres. of General Motors and as his only connection would retain \$2,500,000 worth of stock and \$600,000 worth of stock bonuses. Sen. Lester Hunt (D-Wyo.) said:

"I think it is silly for the government to try to get top-notch men as

officials and ask them to divest themselves of stocks, pensions and everything they own."

EVERYBODY'S GENERAL: General Motors is the largest single company working on government war orders. The Alsop brothers (N. Y. *Herald Tribune*, 1/19) said Wilson in closed-door testimony had voiced an attitude that

"... what is good for the country is good for General Motors; and what's good for General Motors is good for the country."

Broadening the Wilson theory to include any big corporation were four other Eisenhower Secy.-designates: Roger Kyes, deputy Defense; Robert Stevens, Army; Harold Talbott, Air Force; Robert Anderson, Navy. All insisted, reportedly on the advice of Atty. Gen. Herbert Brownell, on maintaining their profitable corporation ties.

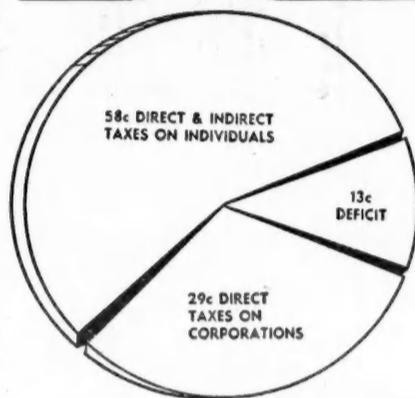
Brownell was blamed for their brashness "verging on arrogance" (Alsops, 1/19) in tying government to big busi-

ness even before inauguration.

AMBASSADORS: Eisenhower ran into further trouble with his appointment of ex-Gov. of Nebraska Val Petersen to the very ticklish post of ambassador to India, with the top strategic assignment of easing that nation's hostility to Western policies in Asia. Petersen's fellow-GOP Nebraskans, Sens. Butler and Griswold, acidly said they would turn down the appointment. Eisenhower would find it hard to pick an adequate successor to liberal Chester Bowles. Early, improbable reports said the post might go to Ralph Bunche. Despite campaign half-promises Eisenhower has not yet named a Negro (or Jew) to any high post, though Bunche is still mentioned as possible ambassador to Moscow.

These other appointments found reader GOP approval: Clare Boothe Luce (newly converted to Catholicism)

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The budget dollar — and what it buys

Official figures show that corporation taxes contribute only 29c to every budget dollar. Direct taxes on individuals contribute 41c—but to this must be added the additional (indirect) load on individuals of 12c sales (excise) taxes and 5c "other" taxes. Of each budget dollar, 13c will have to be borrowed.

Official figures show 59c of each \$1 going to "military services." To cover all past, present, future war expenses, add these: 10c for "international" (foreign military aid); 8c for interest on federal debt; 6c for veterans' payments. Of the 17c officially listed as "other" expenses, 5c goes for A-bombs. The total leaves 13c for peace needs.

The \$78,500,000,000 budget

PRESIDENT Truman's \$78.5 billion budget for fiscal '54—the year beginning next July—calls for

... the heaviest spending in history except for World War II, receipts only a fraction under this year's all time record, the biggest deficit since the war, and the largest national debt in history (N. Y. *Times*, 1/11).

The entire increase in the new budget—it is up \$4 billion from this year and \$12.5 billion from fiscal '52—is for war.

The new Administration, which campaigned on promises of "economy" and "lower taxes," has already virtually adopted this biggest war budget ever presented in peacetime. Eisenhower's budget director Dodge, who helped prepare and review it, said (1/6):

Eisenhower will not present an alternative budget. Congress should proceed on Truman's budget without waiting for changes.

The new Cabinet, unable to affect the '54 budget, will accept responsibility only beginning July 1, 1954—18 months after taking office—with no promise to cut spending even then.

HAPPY NEW YEAR: For taxpayers, the budget means:

- **No tax cuts.** Heaviest share of tax burden will continue to be paid by low-income groups. (Incomes under \$5,000 pay 40% of federal income taxes today as compared to 10% in 1939).

- **Increased tax load.** Increase in the federal debt means an increase in the interest paid to rich bondholders (who own 91% of the national debt). Truman doesn't show the steep rise there will be in the \$6.5 billion interest bill if the big bankers in control of the Treasury hike the interest rate as they have said they would.

- **Sales tax possible** to reduce the \$10 billion deficit.

- **Cut in corporation taxes** if excess profits tax is allowed to expire June 30, as expected. Corporation share in tax

burden has dropped from 38% in 1944 to 29% today.

LESS FOR THE PEOPLE: The great bulk of American families—the low-income group—who pay most of the taxes will get less than ever in federal expenditures for their own daily welfare. Spending for national welfare is on a starvation level. For example:

Public Health: Since July 1, 1945, \$1.8 billion has been appropriated; \$309 million is requested in the new budget—down from \$339 million in fiscal 1953. (According to the Joint Congressional Committee on the Economic Report, \$14.5 billion would be needed to meet the current needs in hospital construction alone.)

Education: Since July 1, 1945, \$972 million has been appropriated for education and research; the new budget asks \$288 million—up from \$272 million in 1953. But the bulk of this goes for building schools near war plants and arms installations, and for the Census. (The same committee said \$12 billion would be necessary to meet current needs for school construction.)

Highways: Since July 1, 1945, \$3.1 billion has been appropriated for highway development; \$612 is asked in the new budget. (The committee said \$32 billion is required for current needs.)

"DISAPPOINTING": In eight fiscal years (1947-54), \$56.7 billion has been spent on naval defense, \$746 million on housing. While war spending is more likely to be increased than cut, domestic welfare items face serious below-budget cuts by Congressional economizers. Implicit in the budget is the threat of new military adventures to find use for the mounting supplies of war materials provided.

The *Wall St. Journal* (1/10) says Eisenhower's campaign-promise betrayal on the budget "worries GOP politicians" and is "disappointing for Republican fans."



D. N. PRITT CLEARED OF CONTEMPT IN KENYA

The famous British lawyer (l.), whose analysis of the Rosenberg Case caused a stirring in high places, walks out of court with his counsel. The Kenya Supreme Court ruled he had not been in contempt for sending a cable to 4 British MPs about the trial of Jomo Kenyatta, African liberation leader, whom he is defending. The cable said Kenyatta's trial "amounts in all to a denial of justice."

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as ambassador to Rome; banker Douglas Dillon (associated in earlier ventures with new Secy. of State Dulles) to Paris; Harvard pres. Conant to Berlin as German high commissioner.

Truman, Acheson bow out

Before Tuesday's "changing of the guard" a newcomer to Washington press conferences asked whether Dean Acheson always wore that "hurt look." He was told: "No." It was the look of the old guard.

Harry Truman bade the nation farewell in a sentimental TV performance rivaling Vice-President Nixon's explanation of his slush fund. Seeking to set future history books straight on his record, he recalled his order to drop the A-bomb on Hiroshima "in the conviction it would save hundreds of thousands of lives—Japanese as well as American" and said:

"Starting atomic war is wholly unthinkable for rational men."

He defended U.S. action in Greece, Turkey, Iran, Korea, the world-wide cold war, and foresaw its end only at "a time of change in the Soviet world."

"PROFESSIONAL JEWS": On Capitol Hill the House greeted with scattered applause an anti-Semitic outburst by Rep. Francis E. Walter (D-Pa.), co-author of the Walter-McCarran Act. After hearing Truman's recommendations that the adverse report of the Presidential commission on immigration be followed concerning the act, Walter said:

"I think a great menace to America lies in the fact that so many professionals, including professional Jews, are shedding crocodile tears for no reason whatever."

The attack seemed aimed primarily at former solicitor-gen. Philip B. Perlman who headed Truman's commission. Walter further outlined the spirit of his legislation in an attack on French seamen of the liner Liberté who were screened under the act. He said:

"Finer examples of throat-slitters could not be found in any crew."

"DRINKS BETWEEN VOTES": The Senate, completing organization, bounced Oregon's Wayne Morse (who left the GOP to support Stevenson during the campaign) from his seats on the powerful Armed Services and Labor committees. He charged "terroristic" tactics but lost, 81-7, an unprecedented appeal to the floor. Only five Democrats supported his right to retain his old committee posts.

The last word in organization came with opening of the handy Capitol Hill Club, which columnist Drew Pearson called a place "for a quick drink between votes." Among charter members (initiation fee: \$50; life membership: \$1,000) are top Administration figures from Dulles on down.



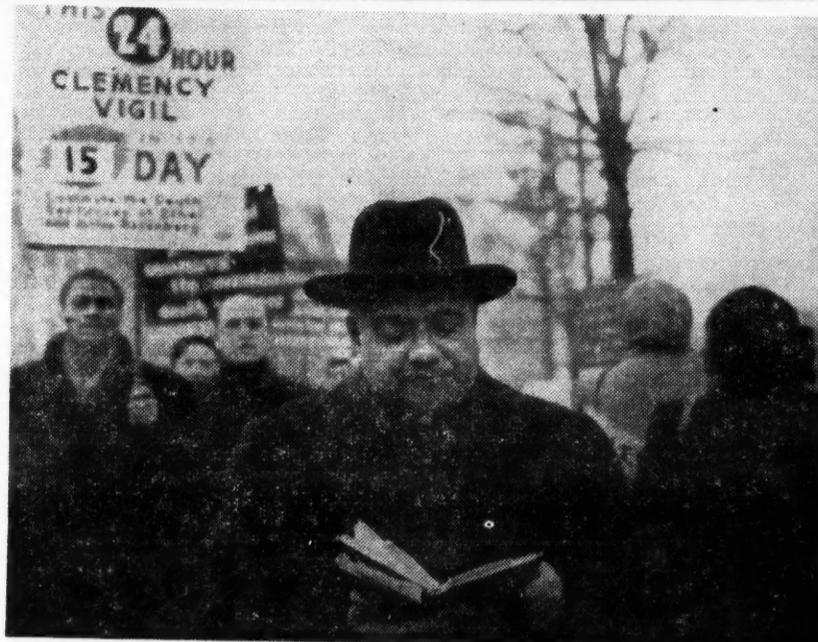
Carrefour, Paris

"They asked me if my cousin uses Russian dressing."

FREEDOMS

Colleges first target on Velde probe list

WITH the opening of the 83d Congress, the probers and investigators lost no time getting to work. Rep. Velde (R-Ill.), ex-FBI agent and new chairman of the House Comm. on Un-American Activities, announced that an investigation of universities is already under way and may embrace 25 top centers of learning. He said one



A PRAYER ON THE WASHINGTON ROSENBERG CLEMENCY VIGIL
Offered by Rev. Harold S. Williamson, Church of the Rugged Cross, N. Y.

of his committee's 12 full-time investigators is already "spending all his time checking on educational institutions in the East." He added:

"In my opinion, infiltration of Communists into education is one of the most important weapons that Stalin has for overthrowing our form of government."

Harvard, M. I. T., Johns Hopkins and the U. of Chicago were among the first targets. A special investigation of Rhodes scholars—32 outstanding U.S. students chosen each year to study at Oxford—was also announced. As a backstairs fight developed in Congress for priority in the schools probe, there was doubt which of several committees might conduct the investigation. It



Gabriel in Daily Worker, London

seemed Velde might be sidetracked; last week he muttered that he might have to go back to Hollywood.

OPPOSITION: Some voices were raised in opposition. A reporter for the Los Angeles Mirror said most educators he consulted regarded the investigations as "quite unnecessary and easily convertible into a 'witch-hunt.'" Some comments:

DR. STUART F. McCOMB, president of Compton College: "College administrators should be expected to handle such situations as arise themselves."

DR. HOWARD F. McDONALD, president of Los Angeles City College: "An investigation of this kind might readily interfere with academic freedom. A man is entitled to his own political views, whatever they are, provided he does not air them in the classroom."

DR. ARTHUR G. COONS, president of Occidental College: "Existence of Communism in our colleges is grossly exaggerated."

LOS ANGELES PURGE: Los Angeles' own school system was under attack. Last week progressive organizations were battling a local school purge among 26,000 employees. They sought to block court approval of the dismissal of two teachers for declining to talk before the state's Un-American Activities Comm. They also protested the School Board's appropriation of \$3,000 to hire the committee to conduct the proposed screening.

ROAD TO RUIN: In St. Louis, Dr. Maurice B. Visscher, chairman of the physiology dept. of the U. of Minnesota,

warned the annual meeting of the American Assn. for the Advancement of Science that this country is traveling "the insanity road to suicide as a nation of free men."

He accused the House Un-American Activities Comm. of using

"... the power of suspicion and unsupported charges, the fear of unintended perjury and the technique of condemnation by accusation."

The Assn. of American Colleges (800 of the country's leading schools) pledged support for the probe.

ROOM FOR MORE: In the Senate, Joe McCarthy (R-Wisc.), new head of that body's Permanent Investigating subcommittee, announced he will not claim exclusive jurisdiction over probes of "subversion." But he set conditions:

- The Internal Security subcommittee, formerly headed by Sen. McCarran (D-Nev.), will now be headed by McCarthy's friend, Sen. Jenner (R-Ind.). Sen. Ferguson (R-Mich.), originally slated for that job, will probably switch over to McCarthy's committee.

- There will be closest liaison and full interchange of information between the two committees (and with the Un-AAC).

2 MORE QUIT UN: Renewed attacks on the UN through charges of "disloyalty" against many Americans in its employ got under way. Some initial results: the resignation, on two consecutive days, of David Weintraub, director of the Division of Economic Stability and Development, and David Zablodowsky, director of UN's publishing division. Both had been named by Whittaker Chambers (now seriously ill at his Maryland home). Weintraub called charges of "disloyalty" against him "outrageously false," wrote Secy.-Gen. Trygve Lie that he resigned

"... in order not to cause the UN any embarrassment and at the same time keep myself free to take such legal steps as I might find necessary to protect myself against the continuing harassment."

Lie accepted the resignation with regret, praised Weintraub's "outstanding contribution" to the UN's work.

THE PACK IS JOINED: On Jan. 6 a new federal grand jury was sworn in in New York, promptly took up the UN probe where it was left off by an earlier grand jury which expired Dec. 4. One of the first witnesses called was Weintraub. The earlier jury handed up no indictments; Atty. Gen. McGranery ordered his prosecutors to press for possible "perjury, espionage or other"

indictments. Rep. Kenneth B. Keating (R-N.Y.), new head of a House subcommittee that had stepped into the UN probe, announced a continuation of that investigation soon.

In the Senate, McCarran, miffed because the State Dept. had refused to give him names of officials who cleared suspected Americans in the UN, demanded that the Senate claim the right to jail without trial any government official who refuses to surrender documents subpoenaed by any Senate investigating group. On Jan. 9 President Truman ordered a full-scale "loyalty" check of all Americans in UN employ; Lie agreed to hold up new appointments of U.S. nationals until the screening machinery is perfected. McCarran called the President's move a "death-bed conversion."

THE LAW

Smith Act cases around the U.S.

At GUARDIAN press time the jury in the nine-months-long Smith Act trial of 13 "secondary" Communist Party leaders in New York was still considering its verdict, after four days of deliberation. Meanwhile these other Smith Act prosecutions were in progress or pending.

HAWAII: In the Hawaii case, the trial last week was going into its third month before Federal Judge Jon Wiig who has twice rejected defense demands for a mistrial. The seven defendants include Jack W. Hall, regional director of the Intl. Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, which has won phenomenal benefits for the Islands' plantation and dock workers.

PITTSBURGH: In Pittsburgh the trial of five Smith Act victims is scheduled to resume Feb. 2. Meanwhile defendant Steve Nelson, denied bail pending his appeal from conviction under a state sedition law (he was given a maximum 20-year sentence), was confined to a dungeon and denied all privileges for the third time in three months. By last week he was still cut off from all mail and visitors. Protests were urged to be sent to Warden Lawrence J. Keenan, Workhouse, Blawnox, Pa.

SEATTLE: In Seattle no date was yet set for the start of Smith Act prosecution against seven defendants there; Judge William J. Lindberg still had under advisement pre-trial motions. The defendants who include a top officer of the CIO Intl. Woodworkers Union and the head of Washington state's powerful Pension Union, were arrested last Sept. 17; all are free on bail.

ST. LOUIS: But in St. Louis, where five Smith Act victims face trial on April 6, three were still in jail last week for inability to post bail. As in all Smith Act cases, the St. Louis defendants were finding it difficult to obtain counsel; last week four of them were still unrepresented, hadn't yet decided whether to defend themselves or accept court-appointed lawyers.

Six other Smith Act defendants awaited trial in Detroit.

CHURCH LEADERS PROTEST: Last week it was announced that 161 church leaders, representing 15 Protestant denominations in 33 states and including seven bishops, had appealed to President Truman during Christmas week for amnesty for the 11 top leaders of the Communist Party convicted under the Smith Act and now in jail.

Dr. Poling Hails Senator M'Carthy As Symbol of America's Defense

Victory in Wisconsin Primary Unleashed 'Hurricane' That Is Sweeping the Nation, Clergyman Declares in Milwaukee
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N. Y. Times, Sept. 25, 1952

Reds Accused Of Exploiting Rosenberg Case

Poling Issues a Statement for 6 Representatives of 3 Major Faiths in U. S.

N. Y. Herald Trib., Jan. 6, 1953

'End school jimcrow,' educators demand

THE Midwest Conference on Discrimination in Higher Education, at its third annual conference in Chicago this month, urged that

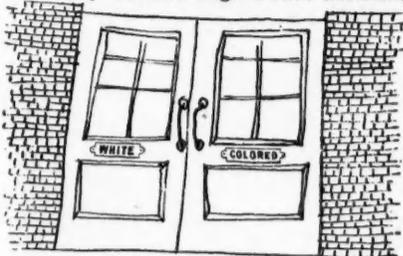
- Congress approve federal scholarships, fellowships and grants-in-aid, with non-discriminatory clauses;
 - Economic inequality between white and Negro down South, along with financial barriers against potentially excellent Negro scholars, be abolished;
 - The American Council on Education conduct a nationwide survey on discrimination in graduate, professional schools;
 - Educational institutions work to eliminate racial and religious discrimination in social organizations on campuses;
 - Curricula include such "sociological, anthropological and psychological data" as will aid students in overcoming prejudices.
- Three hundred educators present represented 100 institutions in seven Midwest states.

BYRNESITIS SPREADS: Georgia, Louisiana and Mississippi meanwhile moved closer to a stand already taken by S. Carolina, whose Reconstruction government of Negro ex-slaves and "poor whites" in 1886 (says A. M. Taylor's *The Negro in S. Carolina During Reconstruction*)

... framed and adopted ... an article which provided for universal free education, thereby beginning the public school system as it exists in most of the U.S. today.

S. Carolina's Gov. James Byrnes threatens to turn all public schools into private institutions if the U. S. Supreme Court, now weighing the question, should decree against jimcrow education. Georgia's Gov. Herman Talmadge pledges to emulate Byrnes. Louisiana warns it will lack "action." Mississippi has begun "equalizing"

both its jimcrow schools and Negro teachers' jimcrow salaries, thus demonstrating that since the "separate-but-equal" provisions of its educational law are being observed, it may ignore any adverse High Court decision.



The "equalizing" job is a big one. In 1940 (Stetson Kennedy, *Southern Exposure*) Mississippi

... spent 606% more per white child than it did per Negro child, or \$52.01 as compared to \$7.36 ... paid her white teachers 231% more than her Negro teachers, the average being \$776 and \$232.

STOP THE JITTERS: Tuskegee Institute pres. Frederick D. Patterson, founder and head of the United Negro College Fund, said recently that the universities of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi and Carolina "are the only ones" which now bar Negro students. He predicted that within five years they too would open their doors.

Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, Pittsburgh Courier columnist and former Negro college president, believes the South, instead of struggling against its "social revolution," should get ready

... to accept racial changes without getting the jitters. ... Negroes will be in every university in the South in ten years' time. Segregation in interstate travel will be a thing of the past in ten years. Negroes in the South will be running for public office in the not-too-distant future. ... Not because it will help the Negro, but because it will help America and the South and because it is right, Christian and democratic.

AMERICANISM PAYS

"De-segregation has worked out beautifully" after a year's trial at Dysart School in Phoenix, Ariz., where schools are still jimcrow. On this "parents, teachers and pupils agree," the Phoenix Gazette reports.

The experiment was undertaken at the school, in which 42 of 827 students and 2 of 21 teachers are now Negro, "when its administrators realized they could save money by admitting Negro children."

U.S. "HAMSTRUNG": Howard University pres. Dr. Mordecai Johnson, main speaker at the recent first convention of the American Council on Human Rights in Cleveland, said:

• "Racial segregation and job discrimination are part of the old imperialistic colonial system against which one billion people are seething in Africa and Asia."

• "America's tragedy" is that it "gives aid and comfort to the colonial powers" while we are looked to "for leadership of the so-called free world. ... But this leadership is hamstrung ... by the political combination of power in the U.S. which wants to prevent Negroes from enjoying democracy."

Howard University is subsidized by the U.S. Interior Dept. whose Secy., Oscar Chapman, at the convention praised the Administration's "fight against communism," cautioned against expecting quick civil-rights victories. Dr. Johnson, calling communism "diabolical," added that it is "also striking at the colonial system." The ACHR, formed by four Negro sororities and two fraternities, is a step toward greater human rights activity by college students. Meeting in the same hall where the militant Natl. Negro Labor Council convened in November (GUARDIAN, 12/11), it likewise came out for fair employment practice legislation and against race segregation "in every



form—not only outward signs, but all segregation."

Action for freedoms

THE Progressive Party last week called for local action principally by unions and Negro groups to save civil rights legislation in the current Congress. Its legislative bulletin listed these key Senators along with the unions strongest in their districts:

Ferguson, Potter (Mich.), UAW; Saltonstall (Mass.), Textile, UE, Steel; Bush, Purtell (Conn.), UAW, UE, IUE, Mine-Mill; Smith (N.J.), UE, Packinghouse, UAW; Beall, Butler (Md.), Steel, UE; Martin, (Pa.), Steel, UMW, UE; Langer, Young (N.D.), Farmers Union; Wiley (Wis.), UAW, Packinghouse, Brewery; Dirksen (Ill.), Steel, Packinghouse, UE; Johnson (Colo.), Mine-Mill, UMW, Steel; Watkins, Bennett (Utah), Mine-Mill, Steel.

To eye-sore readers

Having received many complaints about the prevalence of small type in our pages (it is used only to get more news in) we are trying an experiment this week: We have set the matter formerly put in 6½ point type in 8 pt. on an 8 pt. slug. The regular body type is 8 pt. on a 9 pt. slug. We lose some space for news, but you may regain some vision. The Mailbag remains as it was. We'd like to know how you feel about the change (not seen on this page).

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Truman's contradictions in character have frightened the nation. He blends homely likeableness with human insensibility and stubbornness which has no regard for the truth. When he saw himself defeated in 1948, he deliberately lied to liberals and Negroes with no intention of even trying to fulfill promises he knew his own party would repudiate. He was quite prepared to assent to whatever course they took. He defends Margaret's voice with

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DEEPER down in his hard-bit soul, he ranks with Adolf Hitler as one of the greatest killers of our day. Without expressing a word of public re-

gret he killed 150,000 Japanese men, women and children and was surprised when his flip-pant threat to do it again sent a shudder around the world. He forced the nation into the Korean War and tried to scare it into universal military service. His last word to the nation is a threat of universal doom such as no other sane ruler

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