

Buildup In Cuba

There is general agreement the Soviet military buildup in Cuba has continued since the sharp crisis last October. The Russians have not sent jets and, at least not openly missiles.

There are charges missiles have been sent; they are denied in official Washington. If the Soviets have risked introducing missiles into Cuba again, it would be a gross act of stupidity, for eventually their presence will be learned and when that happens the United States will take military action—if for no other reason than that the President and the country had been the victim of a deceit which threatens national security.

A full congressional hearing

on Cuba might clarify the issues and produce a better picture of what is happening there and what has happened there. Republicans have called for such a probe and are entitled to it.

But in probing the Cuban dilemma, we should all remember that Cuba is not a U. S. island and never was. The Cuban people, though we don't understand it or admit it, have supported Fidel Castro to a major degree.

Whatever we do should not be done in the heat of emotion and idealism. We have fought two world wars with idealistic goals only to be disillusioned afterward.

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Unfortunately, the attitude of French President Charles de Gaulle does increase the chance of war because the nationalist leader is appealing to the Germans, by hinting at nuclear cooperation. The West German Government in 1955 pledged itself not to build such weapons.

Washington's best course is to provide a solution with a NATO-nuclear strike force, to protect all Western Europe. This unfortunately was long opposed in Washington (during which time General De Gaulle got his foot in the door) and only recently has the United States pushed this solution. Whether it is too late will be seen in what happens in Bonn and Paris, unpalatable as this is to us.

Reds On Bonn A-Bombs

The Soviet Government has warned France that its recently signed alliance with West Germany was a "direct insult" because it eluded the dangerous question of nuclear arms for the West German Army.

The Russians accused the French of paving the way for the acquisition of nuclear weapons by the Germans and warned that if this came about the Soviet Union would have to take the "necessary" counter measures.

The Soviets charged that the alliance was a pact aimed at furthering West Germany's aims at recovering the territory taken from Hitler Germany at the end of World War II. The Russian warning contained other charges, but the above are enough to accurately portray its tone and

Reporters To Jail

In London two reporters were recently sentenced to jail terms because they refused -- in the tradition of the press -- to reveal their source of information. One other reporter had been sentenced to a jail term, but after his source came forward and identified himself, the court dismissed the sentence.

All these sentences involve a high scandal in the British Admiralty, where the leaks of various reporters helped touch off an investigation that uncovered a spy network. One man has been convicted of spying and is now serving a long jail term as a result -- so the disclosures have caused a sensation in England.

The press in western democracies has attempted to jealously defend the right of a reporter to keep his sources of informa-

tion confidential. Generally, and in the vast majority of circumstances and categories, this rule is unassailable.

However, when the national security is at stake, it is harder to define the traditional right of the reporter. If the court decides that national security is vitally concerned, few fair-minded persons, even members of the press themselves, can deny that a good case can be made in behalf of requiring the sources of information to be revealed (perhaps in secret).

That means, simply, that reporters must take into consideration the overriding public interest and national interest, when they are writing about state security, spying or nuclear secrets, etc.

Why Russia Fears Germany

One of the keys to the present world situation is the fear of the Russian Government of another rearmament and unified Germany. It is not hard to understand this Russian fear, if one is familiar with history.

In World War I, Germany defeated Russia even while fighting the other allies, and total Russian casualties in this war, including dead, wounded, missing and prisoners of war were 9,150,000-76.3 per cent of Russia's total forces!

In World War I Germany suffered fewer casualties than that on all fronts, and against all enemies.

In World War II, Russia suffered 7,500,000 battle deaths alone in defending itself against Germany. Germany suffered 3,500,000 battle deaths in the entire war on all fronts. Thus once again, though Germany lost both wars, Russian losses were heavier by far than Germany's.

This was because German army organization and tactics were superior, and in the first World War equipment was almost invariably better. Equipment was also better in many cases in World War II, though the Russians tanks were probably superior to the German tanks, or at least equal, as might have been Russian artillery, in World War II.

Russia's policy today is designed to keep Germany divided

and weak. She cannot keep West Germany weak for the new West Germany is already powerful again. But she is succeeding in keeping Germany from reuniting. Russian foreign policy then is built on both a fear complex and a guilt complex, for she was equally guilty in the starting of World War II, along with Germany, and has profited by the war, having stolen much German land, for Poland and for herself. Such a situation bodes no good for future decades and future generations.

But His Name Wasn't Daniel



No Mercy

Neighbor (to little boy eating an apple) - Look out for the worms, Sonny.
Willie - When I eat an apple, the worms have to look out for themselves.

A Little Sarcasm

Wife: "Here's a scientist trying to prove that worms think."
Husband: "I think."
Wife: "Yours may be an exceptional case, darling."

If money grew on trees, the big corporations would probably own all of the trees.

Go-getters are mainly responsible for the business idea that the profits justify the means.

Negro County Agent Seed Is Important To Production

L. D. Baldwin, Agent
S. D. Little, Assistant

The part that seeds play in your farming program is more important today than ever. This is because the new varieties constantly being developed by the colleges and private producers not only lead to better crops but also help to reduce the cost of production.

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Most people who say they talk too much talk too much.

Negro Home Agent Retirement Kit May Be Handy

Margaret L. Baldwin, Agent

Even though you may be a long way from retirement, it might pay you to prepare a 'retirement kit.'

This would assure that information needed in filing for social security benefits could be located when needed, either for the survivors in case of death or for the worker when retirement time rolls around. It also would guard against trouble and time loss should the need arise for filing a disability claim.

It is suggested that the kit contain such items as proof of tax payments, records of marriages and divorces, birth certificates for all members of the family and the stub of the social security account card.

Self employed persons are advised to keep copies of their tax returns for at least three years. It is advised that persons nearing the age of 62 inquire about their accounts and possible social security benefits, although they may still be working. If no claim is filed then, another check with the social security office should be made as the age approaches 65. A worker who is 72 and has never filed should investigate immediately.

A claim may be filed three months prior to the month in which the birthday qualifying the claimant for benefits occurs.

We agree nothing is as bad as active ignorance.

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