

Notice the new room numbers (415-16) in our address

FREEDOM FROM FEAR "I AM A FRIGHTENED MAN," writes Dr. Harold C. Urey, professor of chemistry at the University of Chicago and worker on the federal atomic energy project since 1941. His article in Collier's (1-5-46) begins: "I write this to frighten you I hear people talking about the possible use of the atomic bomb in war.

"As a scientist, I TELL YOU THERE MUST NEVER BE ANOTHER WAR."

Fear will never end war, but if you agree with Dr. Urey's conclusion, will you do three things:

Read carefully Senator Taylor's proposal (enclosed). These reprints are not easy reading but this one is worth your attention if you care about war.

Read Harlan Smith's message, written especially for PNL, on the opposite page.

If you wish, sign and return the enclosed card to us promptly.

AMBITION In so doing, you may be helping the eight year old London boy who 1,945 years after Christ and in the first year of the Atomic Age was asked what he wanted to be when he grew up. Said London's child: "Alive."

ADAGE A teacher who fought in the last war and whose sons fought in this one told his class in a passionate voice: "Count that day lost in which you do nothing to further the cause of world peace!"

ACTION Here is something you can do now. Register for and promote attendance at our Institute of International Relations February 15-17. You have had one program. Ask for more. Give them to your friends.

LEND-LEASE! Among recent contributions to SPQ, one of particular interest was a few packages of high quality paper and an ink pad from the newly liquidated Army Air Base. Thank you.

DOROTHY THOMPSON SAYS: "By agreeing, in the name of 'reparations' and 'industrial disarmament,' to a four-way loot in countries already devastated beyond imagination, they initiated in the name of peace a new scorched-earth policy; set adrift the last remnants of order; betrayed the hopes and prayers of all Christendom, and sowed the seeds of anarchy, nihilism, and despair.

"All this was done while the United States had the mightiest Army, Navy, and Air Force the world had ever seen--and the atomic bomb on the verge of perfection.

"Let us, then, face the reality. Universal military training is not for the enforcement of peace. It is asked because there is no peace--in our consciences, our minds, our hearts, our policies, our societies. It is asked in the frantic hope that the great nations, estimating each other's terrifying power and maneuvering against each other over the moans of the real peace lovers--the suffering, sacrificing, believing, hoping, and broken-hearted people of the world--will fear to attack each other, lest the result be mutual annihilation.

"This is our peace, for which the youngest and noblest died."

PAINLESS CONSCRIPTION? Hearings on the May Bill were not resumed as scheduled by the House Military Affairs Committee. The bill, as it stands, is probably dead. However, the American Legion has had its "painless plan" introduced as an amendment to the original May Bill. The Legion plan calls for only 4 months of basic training, but this must be followed by 8 months or its equivalent in either the regular armed forces, the National Guard, the ROTC, or as a conscript trainee in industry or college. In other words, the plan calls for at least one year of forced military training.

This new bill has all the principal faults of the former one plus a much greater threat to militarize education and to create a military caste in which those 8% to 10% who can afford to go to college would be officers.

The Legion wined and dined about half the members of Congress at the Statler on January 25, in order to work up support for its bill. Your Representative for Syracuse and vicinity, Mr. Hancock, is reported as being still undecided. 'Nuff said.

NEW CLOTHING DEPOT OPENS! The response to our appeals for clothing and shoes has been so generous that it overtaxes the facilities of our office and elevator service. FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE AND OURS and through the kindness of Mr. Emil Evertz we are opening a New Clothing Depot at 722 North Salina Street. This will make both deliveries and shipments much easier. Small hand packages at the office if necessary, but all others at 722 North Salina, please.

We are now shipping about 500 lbs. per month. Since it is estimated that one ton will clothe 700 persons, this means that 175 needy are helped each month by your efforts. We thank you heartily and rely on your continued--even extended help. The AFSC clothing program is not a sporadic effort but a continuing program through established channels. It is distributed efficiently, with loving concern, and without discrimination of any kind.

The pit of human misery is bottomless--help us to outgrow our new quarters, too! Has some on a car or pick-up that could be used to collect parcels from people who do not have transportation?

\$64 QUESTION Mr. Anthony Eden (who helped set up the UNO at San Francisco, speaking in the House of Commons: "Has not the United Nations Organization with its insistence on unimpaired national sovereignty, already been made anachronistic by the atomic bomb?"

Foreign Minister Bevin (the next day): "Yes." "And the British Government is ready to merge its sovereignty in a new world sovereignty based on a direct vote of the peoples of the world."

If the British Government means what Mr. Bevin said there is hope.

SPECIAL Now, as the UNO holds its first meetings, is a good time to take stock of
TO PNL all our peace efforts. Should we merely continue to advocate the same policies as those for which we worked during the 20 years before World War II?

Why did we succeed so little then? Do we need to strike out in new directions now?

Reflections on these matters has led some of us to conclude that those who desire to establish a durable peace on earth must place their emphasis upon the achievement of a genuine world government, a government which can guarantee that security from attack which nations are unable to achieve by their own military power. World government has long been a subject for dreamers about the distant future; but even they little realized that the atomic age was to come so soon. The sort of world government that is needed is one quite analogous to the United States government, in that it should be a federal government of delegated and limited powers. It could guarantee security to all peoples because it would permit no nation to manufacture atomic bombs or to maintain military establishments with which it could threaten its neighbors. Nothing short of such a government can prevent another world war.

Despite the UNO, nations still retain their sovereign right to enforce their own will against each other. So although everyone hopes the UNO may be able to prevent war, as long as it remains in its present form no nation is able to place complete faith in its ability to do so. At the same time that it commits itself to uphold the UNO, the U.S. plans, therefore, to keep strategic bases across the Pacific, to maintain larger military forces than before the war, and to checkmate likely opponents in the struggle for diplomatic influence in Europe and the Far East. This struggle for power, carried on by each nation, will lead inevitably to war, as it has already lead to a serious deterioration of international relations. The alternatives are world government, or total preparation for a war of world domination.

But can world government be achieved? The conservatives, who would let present trends carry us into another war before they would change their thinking to embrace world government, can point out many things that will make world government difficult, as good government at any level is difficult. But it is often conceded today that the biggest problem is getting people to see the need of it.

It is significant that we have reached the point where a Senator has introduced a resolution calling for the U.S. to seek the establishment of a genuine world government. A copy of that resolution, and of the interesting speech with which Senator Taylor introduced it, is enclosed. You will notice that in talking with some of his constituents about world government, Senator Taylor found that each one approved the idea but didn't think anyone else would. The fact is that the atomic bomb has jarred more people out of old mental ruts than is generally imagined, and when we give our statesmen enough concrete evidence of that fact, we will have helped release the biggest brake on our progress toward world government and peace. -- Harlan Smith

What can a mere individual do? To begin with, sign and return to the Peace Council the enclosed CALL FOR ACTION card. For those who want to study the whole question more, or who want "literature" to arouse the interest of others, materials may be secured from a number of national organizations whose purpose is to work for the establishment of a world government. Ask us.