

CORRECT US IF WE'RE WRONG! Last October we offered to send the monthly Legislative Analysis of the Friends Committee on National Legislation in Washington to all SPC Members who contributed \$3.00 or more. This began in January. If you are eligible but not getting the FCNL MEMO and would like it, a card to Lena Gray, this office, will bring it. We're sorry if we missed you!

GIFTS THAT GROW We have pledged 50 gardens to Finland for the summer of 1947. Each garden consists of a package of Burpee seeds that will provide beets, cabbage, carrots, cucumbers, lettuce, kale, onions, radishes, spinach, turnips, other vegetables and flowers for a family of five people. The cost of each is 55 cents. Do you know a child (up to 70!) Sunday School class or school group that would like to supply one or more of these? Send the money to us; we can not send seeds to individuals but your name and address will be included in the box and Quaker workers in Finland will ask the teachers who receive the boxes for distribution to acknowledge them.

CALLING ALL SEWING CIRCLES! "We need all kinds of children's underwear, baby clothes, diapers, crib sheets, little girls' dresses, blouses, etc. Any simple practical style is acceptable and children come in all sizes!"

The Syracuse Friends Meeting has on hand nearly 400 yards of blue linen, Jersey tubing, and woolen and cotton material in assorted colors. SPC will be glad to serve as agent in supplying you with cloth if you can make it up reasonably soon. Write "Goldilocks" in care of this office.

"Goldilocks, Goldilocks, will you be mine?
You shall not wash dishes nor yet feed the swine!
But sit on a cushion and sew a fine seam
And feast upon strawberries, sugar and cream."

Yes, we still collect and ship good used clothing from our depot at 722 N. Salina.

HOW MUCH DO WE CARE? A Quaker representative in Berlin has written us "we are able to take care of about half the number of requests for help that come in to us; these unattended persons weigh heavily on our consciences. Can you help?" The Executive Committee has agreed to undertake a share of this responsibility in the belief that you will CARE to help. The procedure will be very simple:

1. You, your family, class, club, or other group send us \$10 for a CARE package.
2. We will assign it to the next name on our waiting list, order the package, and send the name to you.

This will enable us to keep the accurate records and make the reports this responsibility requires. It also enables us to distribute the packages equitably in turn, instead of allowing them to concentrate on a few at the expense of others as has sometimes happened in the past. In other words, we shall try to make the maximum use of the resources you CARE to supply. More news of this venture next month.

Think of these men and women as standing in line outside our door--your door--and imagine yourself having to turn half of them away. Which half? Next, please!

PROTECTION OR PEACE One of our members received the following telegram the other day:
"LOW TARIFFS UNDER RECIPROCAL TRADE WILL SERIOUSLY AFFECT MOST INDUSTRIES IN YOUR LOCALITY WILL LOWER PURCHASING POWER ACCORDINGLY... IF YOU ARE OPPOSED TO REDUCTION OF TARIFF PLEASE WRITE YOUR CONGRESSMAN NOW."

It was signed by an important corporation. This only points the moral to our "Little Lesson in Economics, #1" in the February PNL. More detailed communications that have reached us warn of the dangers of freer trade. The issue is being drawn clearly; Can the world exist, half stuffed and half starved? Lincoln said on another, but not unrelated issue, something about a house divided. The world is a house. Trade wars lead to atomic wars. You can't have your cake and eat it!

PICTURE SHOW During the last two weeks in March, available at this office a 16 m.m. (40 min.) black and white sound film of AFSC child feeding and relief work in Finland. No cost except transportation. Call Ray Fuller 2-5316.

TENTH TRY The statement made on our enclosure this month is the tenth attempt of the nations to get relief from the burdens and waste of armaments. We do not think it goes far enough--reduction is not dis-armament; but will even this succeed? What will our country do? More to the point, what will you do?

I WAS A STRANGER About a million war refugees are still awaiting a chance to start over again, free from the danger of political or religious torment. We ought to take our share-- 400,000 in the next three or four years has been estimated. This would require legislation and the trend in Congress appears to be toward further limiting immigration. Also, we should appropriate our share, \$68,000,000, for the International Refugee Organization of UN. Will we? Will you? Say so.

"Give me your tired, your poor,
Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free,
The wretched refuse of your teeming shore.
Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me,
I lift my lamp beside the golden door!"

We said this on the Statue of Liberty sixty four years ago. What shall we say now? The world is waiting for our answer.

WHAT PRICE VICTORY? "It may come as a great shock to American taxpayers that, having won the war over Germany, we are now faced for some years with large expenditures for relief for these people...."

"Entirely aside from any humanitarian feeling for this mass of people, if we want peace; if we want to preserve the safety and health of our army of occupation; if we want to save the expense of even larger military forces to preserve order; if we want to reduce the size and expense of our army of occupation - I can see no other course but to meet the burdens I have here outlined." --Herbert Hoover to Harry Truman

THE BIG BRASS The following paragraphs are quoted from an article by Col. Robert S. Allen, veteran of W W I and chief of Combat Intelligence for General Patton in Europe during W W II. (New Republic 2/10/47) Speaking of the determination of the armed forces to maintain the dominant position held during the war,

"Already, the tentacles and influence of the military are potently fastened to key branches of government, industry, finance and science. Few are aware of the depth and strength of this attachment. But it is very real and all-important. And it is particularly vital that its scope and dominance be clearly understood amid all the talk of a new war...."

"Scientific research in the country today is entirely dominated by the armed services....The inevitable results are a corruption of science and scientists in the universities and the further strengthening of the alliance that has always existed between the services and big business. It is a repetition in our country of the sinister tragedy that took place in Nazi Germany and that led immediately and directly to the holocaust of World War II...."

"Every citizen has a personal and vital stake in that drama. For on its outcome depends in a large measure continuance of our traditional American way of life and the duration of peace in the world."

DELIVER US FROM EVIL? "Science is the arbiter of the future. It can lead us down the road of destruction or deliver us from evil into a veritable Kingdom of Heaven here on earth. Science belongs to all the people. The people cannot allow science to be monopolized by any group, no matter how patriotic it may be. The military point of view must not be permitted to dominate science in time of peace. If we allow the present situation to continue, we shall eventually have in the United States a semi-military police state. No one will have planned it that way, but the forces now set in motion will inevitably produce that result unless the people speak through their elected representatives. The Universities and the scientists should let the people know just where they stand." (New Republic 2/3/47)

REAL REASON Eighteen months ago General Eisenhower told a House Committee: "Physical training will always have to be repeated after the war starts but takes the least time. Psychological indoctrination and moral training requires the longest time but fortunately it is never completely forgotten."

And Capt. John H. Burns has written in "The Psychologist Looks at the Army":

"The military problem, psychologically speaking, resolves itself into taking every advantage of the herd instinct to integrate the mass....It is useless to try and convince men of the value of military standards by reasoning...in fact the only way --is to indoctrinate him....Three things are fostered....one, the growth of herd consciousness; two, the development of the habit of automatic obedience; and three, the recognition and acceptance of leaders, and the belief that these leaders have herd approval behind their action." Indoctrination is the word.

This statement is of course the perfect formula for Fascism. Will you speak out again on the question of compulsory military training?

YOU GET WHAT YOU PAY FOR Speaking of teacher's salaries (and who isn't?), "During the war, we needed aviation cadets. They had to be well trained, highly skilled students of war. So the government invested \$27,000 for every year's training of each cadet. The school child, whose peacetime mission is now equally important, averages \$117 a year for education."

SPRING CONFERENCES Our March meeting is something new in our program - a conference for high school students only! The theme: USSR - USA - and US! Faculty: Warren Walsh, School of Citizenship at S.U.; Bayard Rustin of F.O.R.; Clyde Miller, Propaganda Analyst, from T.C., Columbia. Fee of \$2.00 includes supper. YWCA, Friday, March 21, 3:30 - 9:30 p.m. Don't you wish you could get in on this? You can, by sending a teen-ager.

And we warn you now not to miss our conference on "Atomic Warfare and the Christian Faith." Dr. Philip Morrison, nuclear physicist of Cornell, formerly Los Alamos and Hiroshima; and the Rev. A. J. Muste, of F.O.R. First Methodist Church - April 22. Detailed programs next month.

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