

MAY DAY SLOGAN ! "Friendship of the peoples of the Soviet Union, the United States and England is the best guarantee of a firm peace. Long live the brotherly alliance of the peoples of England, the United States and the Soviet Union in their struggle for peace!"

Sounds all right, doesn't it?

(but see top of page 2).

LAST CLASS ! SCHOOL'S OUT ! The final session of our spring "School of Peace Education" promises to be of exceptional interest. Many of our people know Bayard Rustin personally and will want to give him a warm welcome.

In 1948 Bayard received the Jefferson award from the Council Against Intolerance in America as "one of the Americans who had done most in the recent past to better relations between colored and white citizens."

On February 25, 1949, he returned from a five month tour of Europe, the Near East and Asia. He was invited to India by Gandhi's son and had several interviews on world problems with Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru.

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Lisa Albrecht, one of the German women visitors here last month, told of 2400 such children in her neighborhood of Bavaria "not one of whom had a whole pair of stockings."

These are reasons why we are so grateful to the Syracuse Rotary for the Clothing Drive it is conducting this month. You can leave your bundle at the Merchant's Drive in Bank, at the nearest fire-station, or call 2-5316 and ask for a pick up. Mail parcels as usual to our storeroom, 722 North Salina Street.

SPRING FOR ALL THE WORLD ! "Give us freedom from fear of war. That is enough." This appeal from a Finnish volunteer reconstruction worker was reprinted in the Congressional Record not long ago. School boys in Germany are often very nationalistic and bitter against other countries, reports a schoolmaster from Augsburg. And why not? Letters from American boys and girls do much to help change the attitude. A Japanese school girl writes: "I am afraid you may not like this letter, but I am not your enemy....Out of all this cruelty and hatred, could we not arrange peace for all? How do we arrange that it might be spring for all the world?"

How are American young people going to understand the fear, the bitterness, the longing of the children of war torn lands? How are they to learn how to answer the plea of those youth across the seas "that it might be spring for all the world?"

WORLD AFFAIRS CAMPS (enclosed folder) are one answer, and an excellent one. Plan now for a teen-ager in your family, church or school to attend. Some scholarship aid available. You can help in three ways:

1. Send in a registration for a teen-age friend.
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ANYBODY WANNA BUY A GOAT? Okinawa, fought over and forgotten, is one of the worst sinkholes of post-war misery in today's world. "Heifers for Relief" has been asked to ship 2,750 goats. They will provide milk for babies, children, the aged, tuberculars and lepers. We sent a goat to Japan last year. Is there some church or club that would like to give Nanny 1949? She will cost just \$50.

- THINGS TO DO: 1. The N.C.A.C., which cannot afford a clipping service, will be grateful for dated and labeled clippings about conscription, pro or con, from papers and magazines. Send them to this office.
2. Two senators have recently complained that they are not hearing from the country on the Atlantic Alliance. They would appreciate reasons for the writer's views. Pick your own Senators! (or Congressmen) State your own views!

CAKE Take One Cold War
MIXTURE Add Peace Time Conscription
 Stir in Universal Military Training
 Season with the Colossal Arms Program
 Frost with an Atlantic Alliance

Relax and Let it Explode!

PROGRESS The world has achieved brilliance without wisdom, power without conscience. Ours is a world of nuclear giants and ethical infants. We know more about war than we know about peace, more about killing than we know about living. This is our 20th Century's claim to distinction and to progress.

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PRESS AND PEACE Certainly it would be inexcusable scapegoating to blame sensational journalism for the sad state of the world today, but it is not unfair to upbraid the press for its avidity to exaggerate and distort absolutely every difference of opinion between this nation and the Soviet Union or between any other two countries.

The mere suggestion that it might be possible to work out our problems without resort to force, to restore the Big Three unity which won the war and to build the United Nations into the agency for peace we all hoped and expected it to be, is enough to cause one to be called a Communist, or at best a deluded fellow traveler, hoodwinked by Stalin's little helpers who presumably are everywhere, even though you and I never may have seen any of them.

Unless we can ignore all of the warnings of our atomic scientists who for three years have been eating their hearts out trying to tell us that another war would mean the destruction of western civilization, a peaceful way out must be found. The American press as a whole is not helping us find that way. Instead, the majority of American newspapers and radio commentators are in the vanguard of those who are rapidly convincing a majority of the American people that war is the only solution.

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BOOK END Sir Bernard Pares was a great Englishman who devoted most of his life to the study of Russia. He was opposed to communism but he realized the importance of and believed in the possibility of friendly relations with Russia. His firsthand experience is summed up in an admirable book, Russia, Its Past and Present, just published for 35¢ by the Mentor Library. The gap, he says is one of knowledge. It must be bridged; the alternative is disaster. Postpaid on receipt of price, from this office.

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