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With Genius of Asia

MR. JOHNSON'S first visit outside North America as President is to Asia where the US is determined, he says, to "meet her obligations as a Pacific power". The journey to Manila provides him with the occasion to visit Australia, New Zealand, Thailand, Malaysia and South Korea. He might even take a quick look at South Vietnam where there is a good part of the men, materials and the heart of the US.

Starting on October 24, the Manila Conference will discuss the military situation in South Vietnam and "explore" ways of finding peace.

His allies want peace with freedom in South Vietnam. General Park of South Korea, with 41,000 troops there, may, if asked, be willing to do even more in Vietnam. Premier Ky has the largest stake of all. Thai Prime Minister Kittikachorn, knows that unless Vietnam's freedom is safeguarded, his country's turn is next. The Tunku's views are known. Australia and New Zealand feel more than ever responsible for Asia.

Politically the situation facing America and her allies in Asia is the most encouraging in two years. China is more isolated and internally involved. Indonesia, a king-pin in the region with its islands stretching 1000 miles, is on the repair. Ky has won the elections in spite of gloomy forecasts and Viet Cong threats. Malaysia is freed from the conflict with her neighbour. South Korea is immensely strengthened and stable. Johnson comes to an Asia free to choose its way of life.

"I have a great many objectives and hopes for the people of that area...two-thirds of humankind live in Asia," said Johnson on the eve of his departure for this tour. It indicates that he may put forward a major plan for the economic development of the region.

Last week Prince Norodom Sihanouk of Cambodia said, at a banquet for our Vice-President Husain, that the International Control Commission was sufficient to give protection to the Indo-China states and that the US should get out of Vietnam. He surely realizes that if his country still survives independent, it is not because of the ICC of which India is the Chairman, but because of the military might of the US which has shown itself thrice in 16 years to be ready to halt the Communist Chinese aggressor—Korea in 1950, India in 1962 and Vietnam since 1960.

Today the US is buying the time Asia needs. The pattern for our future will have to be drawn by the initiative, dare and wisdom of Asian leaders in keeping with the genius of our people. No other pattern will be lasting.

The emergence of an efficient, incorruptible Asian leadership, genuinely interested in the welfare of its people, is the most immediate need of all nations in this area. Incorruptible men are free from fear. They cannot be bullied by China, nor can they be bought with promises of affluence. But the creation of this kind of leadership is the task for Asia.

A Strange Way

"WE ARE WORRIED about the happenings in the Himalayas," said the Prime Minister recently. Her immediate worry is that Chinese troops have occupied the Doklan pastures in South-Western Bhutan. India has sent a strong protest note. Mrs. Gandhi declared that if the Himalayan kingdom was attacked and we were asked, we would rush to the defence of Bhutan.

A Gangtok report in *The Hindu* suggests that the Chinese are "not in a mood to withdraw and are believed to be militarily improving the area". The Bhutan Government has not so far taken any measures to evict the intruding Chinese. An official Indian spokesman says we have no information on whether the Chinese have withdrawn or not.

It seems a strange way to look after our responsibilities if to date India does not even know whether the Chinese have withdrawn or not.

Either the pastureland belongs to Bhutan or it does not, and as it does, it is important that China is not permitted to quietly occupy and get away with the territory. It may be the beginning of further incursions.

Wise Suharto

WHATEVER THE VERDICT of the Subandrio trial, it is President Sukarno who emerges as a diminutive figure at the end of it. Events have compelled Sukarno in the last days to admit that the September 30 *coup* of last year was "an act of treason". Sukarno's end is unfolding slowly but surely, act by act, like a Greek tragedy.

The Suharto Government knows its mind, and will not permit any interference with its schemes. It did not hesitate on October 3 to crack down on slogan-shouting students who yelled for blood with the words: "Go to hell, Sukarno". The Government is averse to mob rule and knows that violence in Djakarta against Sukarno today might result in outbursts for him in Central Java tomorrow. The Suharto Government has no desire to risk a civil war. It earnestly wants the country's unity and with its present measures, is winning increasing respect from its neighbours in Asia and all nations in the free world.

Briefly Speaking ...

Falsehood is never so false as when it is nearly true.

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS
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All Over the Place

There are still 300 million people who do not know how to read and write, said Minister Raj Bahadur at a seminar.

Planning Commission member Dr. V.K.R.V. Rao added that audio-visual techniques like films, film strips, radio talks, pictures, posters, pictographs could acquaint the illiterate with the world of agriculture, crafts, local democracy, co-operation and health habits.

This is exactly where the Government of India goes wrong. They try to concentrate on too many media of communication all at the same time, spending (wasting) our limited

resources in too many spheres. The Government should select two or three media only, like books, papers and the radio, all of which can easily reach the furthest corners of this country. The Union Information Ministry, I understand, has literally lakhs of posters unused.

Dangerous Occupation

IT IS MORE DANGEROUS to drive a tractor than pilot a plane in Australia. This was revealed by a State Minister for Labour and Industries who claimed there were 100 tractor deaths on Australian farms last year, which represents a higher rate than factory deaths.

A Question of Care

WISE WORDS on student unrest can be measured by the yard. But basically could it boil down to the question of lack of care between the teachers and the taught?

The diploma course at a leading Arts School in Bombay had no teachers of physics or mathematics from June to September. When the students in a deputation went to the Principal and complained that their studies were neglected, the Principal looked up and said, "Oh, but I thought I had sent a letter of appointment to a teacher some weeks ago." Nobody had bothered to check whether the teacher had presented himself.

Unless there is a shift in human nature, problems like student agitations will strike the nation. The *Hindustan Times* quotes an estimate that by 1986 there will be 200 million students in schools and colleges. Let's think of that one!

The Monster is There!

THE LOCH NESS MONSTER continues to arouse speculation. A team of scientists who spent four years collecting evidence declares, "It does exist." The *Daily Mail* reports there may be more than one and it could be they are giant sea slugs. The Loch Ness Phenomena Investigation Bureau (as the scientific team calls itself) believes that if the 21-mile long Loch is dragged with steel nets, the mystery could be solved. But it would cost well over four million rupees (£ Stg. 200,000). One American professor of Chicago University claims that he has a film of one monster estimated to be 12 feet 4 inches long and one of two others weighing one and a half tons.

Health Day

JAPAN celebrated on October 9 a new national holiday, "Health Sports Day", intended to stimulate interest in sports and good health. An observer says Japanese youth hardly need fresh stimulus. Every kind of sport is a craze. Nevertheless, millions flocked out of the cities and took part in health meetings, family team competitions and "Let's walk" rallies throughout the country.

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MYSORE CASE

"My Interest is that of any Decent Human Being in Cause of Human Liberty" says Rajmohan Gandhi

Bangalore

Police had failed to locate Miss Usha Chandiram by Friday, October 14 when the High Court held further proceedings on the affidavits filed by Mr. Rajmohan Gandhi seeking that Miss Chandiram and Miss Varadhan, MRA workers, be restored to liberty.

Justices Hegde and Bhimiah of the Mysore High Court had directed the police on October 10 to locate Miss Chandiram wherever she might be in the State of Mysore and have her produced in court.

Mr. Varadhan, father of Janaki, was present in court on October 14, but not Janaki. Mr. Varadhan filed another statement before the court and enclosed a photostat copy of a letter stated to have been written by Janaki to Mr. Gandhi.

The letter, bearing no date and without indicating where it was written, said, "Dear Mr. Gandhi, I have given my father an affidavit which protects him completely. Even in person I am going to do the same. Please withdraw the petition now at least and say you are doing it at my request. It will spare me and MRA a lot of embarrassment. My uncle, Mr. Seshadri, who knows Mr. Vaithe-swaran, has come to say this in person. Thanking you, Janaki."

Mr. R. M. Seshadri, counsel for Mr. Gandhi, asked why Janaki herself could not be present. He said that it was necessary to inquire into the genuineness of the said letter. Even if the letter was written by Janaki, what guarantee was there that it was not signed under duress, asked Mr. Seshadri.

He said that the question was a fundamental one of human liberty and that the court had to be fully satisfied that she was free and that that could only be possible when she herself was brought to the court.

"Not even a father has the right to be a jailer to his daughter, my lord," Mr. Seshadri observed.

Quoting the sentence in Janaki's stated letter about her uncle coming in person to speak to Mr. Gandhi, Mr. R. M. Seshadri asked, "Where in this wide court is this uncle?" There was no answer.

In his reply to Mr. Varadhan's counter affidavit, Mr. Gandhi said that Mr. Varadhan had given no rea-

son which prevented Janaki from being brought over to Bangalore in obedience to the orders of the court. He said that since Mr. Varadhan himself had admitted that he left Bangalore on the 5th instant (without stating the time or the manner of his departure) he was certain to have known of the court orders since they were widely published in the newspapers of Bangalore on the 4th evening and the 5th morning.

Citing several examples of complete inconsistency in the different statements of Mr. Varadhan, made before the Mysore High Court and before the Police Commissioner in Madras, Mr. Gandhi said, "I submit that these leave no room for any conclusion other than that this respondent has scant regard for truth."

Reminding the court that Mr.

Varadhan had in Madras charged that his daughter had been deceitfully taken away by MRA, Mr. Gandhi pointed out that in his latest affidavit, Mr. Varadhan admitted that she went to Bombay to join MRA voluntarily and with his permission.

Mr. Gandhi said that it was revealing that Mr. Varadhan, who wrote in his statement to the Madras Police Commissioner on September 2 that Janaki had wept and stated before his brother in Bombay that she was kept under restraint and wished to return to Bangalore, should now swear in an affidavit before the Mysore High Court that in spite of persuasion by his brother in Bombay she refused to go back to Bangalore.

Enclosing copies of the letters written to him by Mr. Varadhan dated May 19 and June 5, 1966 in which the latter had expressed that Janaki would "resume her MRA activities after qualifying as a doctor" Mr. Gandhi said that this was wholly inconsistent with and destructive of Mr. Varadhan's charge in Madras

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On your toes

THE GREAT FASCINATION

Shakespeare said:

"Be not afraid of greatness: some men are born great, some achieve greatness, and some have greatness thrust upon them."

He forgot: "Some thrust their greatness upon others."

The Lok Sabha Who's Who of 1962 provides some examples of the latter. There you will find the photographs of all the MPs and the descriptions they have given of themselves. Pandit Nehru had only 24 lines devoted to himself, whilst Mr. Joachim Alva, an editor, has more to say and takes 68 lines.

The members of Parliament also have entries like hobbies, favourite pastimes, recreation and special interests. One MP candidly states that his special interest is "travel". One hundred and eighty-six out of 500 members of Parliament say that their special interest is "the uplift" or "improvement" either of the backward, the tribals, the Harijans or "the rural classes". None speaks about the uplift of the ruling classes.

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A technique that has become very

popular nowadays, especially nearer election times, is to appeal for funds to raise statues for live leaders. A Deputy Minister wanted a statue of Sri Nijalingappa in Mysore. Not to be left out, the admirers and friends of the Chief Minister of Madras have started a campaign to install a life-sized bronze statue of him at a cost of Rs. 50,000.

I have no intention of detracting from the virtues of this gentleman, whom I do not know, but I do know that in Madras city whenever schemes in honour of Congressmen are launched, money is levied from private firms. The contributions are of course "voluntary". But if they do not pay then, they have a lot to pay for later.

Madras has already raised a statue to an ex-Chief Minister who is alive and kicking and if Sri Bhaktavatsalam's statue is now erected, there is no reason why the rest of his Cabinet should be left out. Seriously, should not Sri Bhaktavatsalam say a firm "no" and put a stop to this raising of statues in the lifetime of people.

Furthermore statues these days of previous regimes are known to be kidnapped overnight and what with the Madras police....

FREEBOOTER

HIMMAT, October 21, 1966

VERDICT!

This week **HIMMAT**

SUPPORTS University Vice Chancellors who asked Home Minister Nanda and Education Minister Chagla to see that Chief Ministers don't interfere in university affairs.

CROWNS Central Railways' smooth-running new Deccan Queen, Empress of Indian Railroads.

RAPS Mr. Ragnunath Singh MP for his conceited statement calling on Jayaprakash Narayan "to confine his activities to Sarvodaya and not to dabble in politics" and **ENQUIRES** if, by the same measure, Mr. Singh will confine his activities to shipping, about which he knows something, rather than to the ship of state.

COMPLIMENTS Acharya Kripalani for his suggestion that students formulate demands, win public support and then place them before the Government and **APPRECIATES** his cutting short his tour of the Far East on account of the student agitation.

COMMENDS Mrs. Gandhi's diagnosis that student unrest is due to the absence of opportunities to be "creative" but **CHALLENGES** her to enlist students in the task of modernizing India.

FUMES at the Orissa rebels who are axing Chief Minister Tripathy in favour of Biju Patnaik and **WARNS** that this move and its purpose of political power may boomerang in February.

AGREES with Congress President Kamaraj that the Opposition has not worked out an alternative government policy and **HOPES** that the ample brain power of the Opposition will swiftly remedy this.

REPROACHES Mr. M. C. Khanna, Works and Housing Minister, for his cynical observation that it was not in the human grain to give up power and that no Government official wants to quit Delhi, and **DRAWS HIS ATTENTION** to the many Indian patriots of past and present who have put aside selfish aims for the sake of the nation.

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that Janaki was being wrongfully restrained and confined in MRA and had said so to his brother in Bombay.

Referring to Mr. Varadhan's comments about the disturbances in his family life, Mr. Gandhi said that he was obliged to state that Mr. Varadhan had only himself to thank for those. Had he not resorted to physical force in the manner he did and not kept his daughter in wrongful restraint, there would have been no call for initiation of any proceedings in a Court of Law. Mr. Gandhi added, "With reference to the profession of affection which the respondent makes towards his daughter, I state that it is irrelevant and what is relevant to the basic legal issue is the manner in which he is demonstrating it and continues to demonstrate it."

Refuting Mr. Varadhan's statement that he had no *locus standi* to move a *habeas corpus* on behalf of Miss Varadhan, Mr. Gandhi said:

"Apart from my being the leader of the MRA movement in India and the responsibility I bear for the welfare of every member thereof, my interest in this petition is the interest which any decent human being should have in the cause of human liberty and in the preventing of the dragooning of one mind by another mind by

the application of brute force."

In a second counter affidavit with which was enclosed the stated letter of Janaki, Mr. Varadhan said among other things, "I did not know that the petitioner had actually joined MRA in March 1964 or that she had organized shows and performances in Bangalore and that she attended camps and shows in various parts of the country and took part in them."

"I do not also know that Mrs. Rangaswami has resigned from her office as an Honorary Magistrate as a protest against any incident in her house...."

"I do not know what happened at the Court of the Chief Presidency Magistrate in Madras and the part the deponent (Mr. Gandhi) played there. I am also not aware of the learned Magistrate's order (issuing notice to Mr. Varadhan and his daughter to appear before him)."

Mr. Varadhan said that all he knew was that through the post he received a notice from the Madras High Court staying the proceedings in the Presidency Magistrate's Court.

Their Lordships posted the case for further hearing to October 24. The Court is on vacation from October 17 to 23.

President Johnson on offensive in Asia

President Johnson is on the ideological offensive in Asia. The announcement of his official visit to New Zealand, Australia, Thailand, Malaysia and Korea, along with his visit to the Philippines to participate in the Manila Conference on Vietnam is not the least of the initiative of Washington. It began with the announcement several weeks ago of the peace proposals on Vietnam by Mr. Arthur J. Goldberg of the United States delegation in the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Mr. Goldberg's proposal contained some modifications of the stand of the United States Government; for example, the US would stop bombing of Vietnam "the moment we are assured, privately or otherwise", that North Vietnam would follow suit with a corresponding reduction of her war effort. The operative word "assured" suggests that even an indication by North Vietnam of her intention to reciprocate would be sufficient for cessation of US bombing. The promise of eventual withdrawal of US troops was also made provided North Vietnam did the same. The right of the Viet Cong to be a party to the negotiations has been privately accepted.

The South Vietnamese Government, in its latest letter to U Thant, Secretary General of the United Nations, has also made concessions on its stand including acceptance of the Viet Cong as a party to the negotiations.

The US has followed up its initiative by unilateral ceasing of military activity in the cease-fire zone around

SAY THAT AGAIN...

History will determine whether Sukarno has been a good or a bad leader.

PRESIDENT SUKARNO

I have been facing and resolving problems day after day. They have now ceased to weigh with me.

CONGRESS PRESIDENT KAMARAJ

Acquisition of freedom is not so much the end of a struggle as the beginning of a process.

VALERIAN CARDINAL GRACIAS

the 17th parallel. This move is intended to establish its genuine desire for negotiations to end the war.

The public response of the North Vietnamese, not unexpectedly, was not positive. The counter proposals of the National Liberation Front, however, suggest that they will not insist on prior withdrawal of US troops from the South as a condition for negotiations. The National Liberation Front of Vietnam, moreover, no longer claims to be the sole representative of South Vietnam.

It is easy to dismiss the moves of President Johnson as the clever pre-election tactics of an adept strategist of the political game. Of course, the connection between the present peace offensive and the elections is obvious. But to see nothing more in these attempts than a desperate attempt to retrieve waning popularity, as suggested by some commentators, is not only an injustice to the President himself but a misreading of the US mood.

From all the evidence available, the United States is determined to honour its commitments in Asia and no amount of dissident or neutralist pressure will be of any avail in forcing withdrawal from Asia. Though President Johnson is sensitive about criticism of his policy, he is unswerving on the basic fact that the United States is in South Vietnam to stay until reasonably assured that the South Vietnamese will be free from aggressive interference from the north.

Communists' Mistake

At the same time, the United States is sincere in seeking negotiations to resolve the Vietnam war. She intends to withdraw her troops from South Vietnam ultimately, provided guarantees are available that the South will be left alone by the Communist regime.

It is possible that the United States' determination to stay on in Vietnam indefinitely if need be, as well as the sincerity of this nation for a negotiated settlement, is underestimated by the Communist powers. The strength of the opposition to the US Government's Vietnam policy tends to be exaggerated because of the persistence of critics like Mr. Walter Lippman and Senator Fulbright, as well as the publicity given to demonstrations of the vocal minority that

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by **R. VAITHESWARAN**

opposes US presence in Vietnam. Almost all observers of the forthcoming elections agree that Vietnam is not a major issue. When it comes to a choice between the continued presence of the US in Vietnam under present conditions and withdrawal, the electorate will vote for the former.

The North Vietnamese perhaps tend to compare President Johnson's situation with the pressures on French policy in 1954 from their internal situation, and anticipate that if President Johnson is proved to be politically weaker at the elections, the administration will be more amenable to negotiations under their terms. But this, if true, would be a costly mistake. For even the loss of thirty seats in the House for the Democrats, which is what the administration expects, is quite normal for a mid-term election and would not hamper presidential policy.

Apart from the fact that whereas the French, prior to Dien Bien Phu, were an exhausted nation, the United States is more vital and dynamic than ever. The economy can take the military burden of an indefinite Vietnam war, just as much as it can absorb the economic shock of its cessation.

An added factor is the confidence of the US administration, generated by growing Asian responsibility and co-operation. Far Eastern nations like the Republic of Korea and the Philippines are participating with the United States in Vietnam. There are now 40,000 Korean troops in South Vietnam. Australia and New Zealand are also moving closer to Washington. There is a definite change in Indonesia, encouraging to President Johnson because it is attributed by knowledgeable observers to US firmness in Vietnam.

From a position of comparative moral isolation, the United States is moving into an era of growing partnership with Asian powers in its legi-

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FROM THE WORLD'S CAPITALS

Is Mao Dead?

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT

Hong Kong

The October 1 celebrations of 17 years of Communist rule in China are over and, despite the urgent pleas of the Red Guards, Mao did not speak at the great rally in Peking. Once again Defence Minister Lin Piao spoke on his behalf. Why?

Some people in Hong Kong speculate that Mao may be dead and that the other leaders have got somebody making public appearances for him. They say the reason there are no speeches from him is that Mao speaks Mandarin with a Hunanese accent and a substitute would immediately be noticeable. Others profess to see a difference in his recent pictures.

Here in Hong Kong, since Britain recognised Communist China in 1950, there are hundreds of Communist organisations—banks, trades unions, shops, schools, movie theatres and newspapers. As usual on Communist China's National Day the buildings were bedecked with huge posters and the five-star red flag. The posters this year showed massed Red Guards holding aloft copies of "The Collected Works of Mao".

The Bank of China, which used to be the tallest building in the city, had a sign reaching from top to bottom which read, "Long Live Thoughts of Mao Tse-tung!" Is there any significance in the fact that it did not say, "Long Live Mao Tse-tung!"

The world is aware of the rumours that have long been circulating that Mao is ill. Then in May came the exaggerated assurance that he was in perfect health because of the nine-mile swim he is supposed to have made in the surging Yangtze. At the

same time there has been the crash programme for studying Mao's writings as the magic formula for success in everything.

Take also the sudden prominence given to Mao's present wife, Chiang Ching, since August. The Hong Kong Star states that Mao's marriage with her, a film "extra", was only approved by the Party on condition that she took no public part in political affairs. "Until Red Guard activity she never appeared with her husband and confined her duties to the home. But now she is officially First Deputy Head of the Cultural Revolution Group and wields unprecedented power. She is appearing with her husband and expounds his 'thoughts' at the first available opportunity."

Why has she been brought out of near obscurity? And why is she expounding Mao's thoughts and not he himself? It may not be too great a stretch of the imagination to suspect that a grand impersonation is taking place. Is it whilst the succession is being fought out?

Is the population being conditioned for the change by the deluge of Mao Tse-tung's thoughts that are flooding the country through exhortations, rallies, study groups and the distribution of millions of his books now being printed?

Australians Welcome Johnson Visit

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT

Canberra

Despite one or two sour belches from the left wing of the Labour Opposition, President Johnson's proposed three-day visit to Australia over October 20-22 has been welcomed throughout the nation.

Though there is a vociferous anti-Vietnam and anti-American minority in the country who may try to cause trouble, most people are coming to the realisation that Australian and American destinies in Asia have never been more closely intertwined.

Australians are also conscious of the fact that Mr. Johnson is the first American President in office to make an official visit to their shores, or for that matter to undertake such a major tour of Asia.

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The week in Asia

CAIRO—The Palestine Liberation Organization has received arms from Peking. Palestinian Arabs have been trained in guerrilla warfare in China said PLO leader Ahmed Sukairy.

COLOMBO—Premier Senanayake reached an agreement with the Tamil Federal Party concerning the implementation of Sinhalese as the national language and the medium of education. This issue had threatened to split the National Government.

KUALA LUMPUR—Indonesia's warning to the dissident "North Borneo National Army", which has recently sent infiltrators into the Malaysian State of Sabah, to accept Indonesia's peace with Malaysia, was very encouraging said Malaysian Premier Tunku Abdul Rahman. Malaysia has repatriated 539 Indonesians captured during the recent "confrontation".

SAIGON—South Vietnamese Premier Ky refused to accept the resignation of seven civilian Cabinet Ministers. Earlier the Health Minister resigned when his top aide was detained by security police.

BEIRUT—Southern Yemen, where there are 15,000 UAR troops, is becoming a military base for operations against the South Arabian Federation according to reports here.

SAIGON—A Viet Cong plot to assassinate US Defence Secretary MacNamara was discovered by South Vietnamese police hours before he arrived on a four-day visit.

JERUSALEM—Jordanian and Israeli troops clashed in a two-hour battle following recent heightening of border tensions. Jordan's King Hussein said his country "cannot permit further Israeli expansion".

RAWALPINDI—According to informed sources Russian leaders including Premier Kosygin and Communist Party Secretary Brezhnev will visit Pakistan early next year.

BANGKOK—General elections will be held in Laos on January 1 said Prime Minister Prince Souvanna Phouma. All groups, including the Communist Pathet Lao, may participate.

TOKYO—Japanese Prime Minister Sato faced a political crisis when Opposition members demanded that his Cabinet resign or the Diet be dissolved because of scandals involving Ministers using Government funds for private purposes.

FROM THE WORLD'S CAPITALS

Though the President's journey at this stage is regarded in some quarters as largely symbolic, the majority of observers agree that the President has a genuine desire to explore ways of finding a just Vietnam peace and of bringing prosperity and security to South-east Asia and the Pacific.

With elections due in Australia and New Zealand at the end of next month, the Johnson visit has aroused some discussion about the benefit that may accrue from it electorally.

However, the Labor Opposition

leaders in both countries have welcomed the visit, the Australian Leader Mr. Calwell stating that he looked forward to the opportunity of meeting the President and explaining his party's policies to him. Mr. Calwell is opposed to Australia's Vietnam commitment and proposes to withdraw Australian troops if Labor becomes the Government.

Meanwhile, Mr. Calwell's position on the Johnson visit has been largely undercut by the Federal president of his own party, Senator J. B. Keefe, who has called on all Australians to use "every peaceful and constitutional means" to demonstrate to the



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President against Australian involvement in Vietnam.

But the American officials who have been in Canberra to prepare for the President's visit are unperturbed.

As White House press secretary, Mr. Bill Moyers, pointed out, the President did not have to travel 10,000 miles to see demonstrations and no matter when the visit was made it would have been subject to some criticism.

Wilson's Key to Economic Crisis

FROM GORDON WISE

London

On the whole, Prime Minister Harold Wilson and his policies survived the Labour Party conference as well as could be hoped. The basic loyalty of the British worker to the party which he calls his own proved stronger than the reaction against an enforced wage freeze and the eloquence of some able opponents of Government policies.

Through it all, the British Government is assuming more and more power over the lives of the people. To break the wage freeze, under certain conditions, can now mean incurring a hefty fine.

There have been open indications from Government spokesmen that this will not be a temporary phase and that enforced restraint will have to continue for at least a year.

Wage-freeze Broken

It was a trade union opponent of the wage and price freeze who precipitated this situation. Clive Jenkins, General Secretary of ASSET (Association of Supervisory Staffs Executives and Technicians), took to the courts an employer's refusal to pay a wage increase. Employers have Government backing to refuse these increases.

The court ordered the employer to pay. That decision may make legal history because it led directly to the Government making the freeze legal rather than voluntary. The significance of this legal judgment was marked by George Woodcock, General Secretary of the Trade Union Congress, who warned the unions that this might be "the blackest day's work in the life of the trade union movement". For Woodcock knew

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that the Government would have to insist with all the legal means at their disposal if Britain's economic decline is to be halted.

Yet neither the Labour Party nor Cabinet utterances have answered the basic question, "After the wage freeze, what?" On the long term the battle will have to be won in millions of British hearts as well as in the House of Commons or a court of law.

Manila May Lessen US Dominance in Asia

FROM STEWART LANCASTER

Los Angeles

President Marcos of the Philippines after his recent visit to the United States has taken the initiative in seeking a peaceful settlement to the Vietnam conflict by calling for a "Council of Peace".

The Philippines' President pointed out in a speech before the National Press Club in Washington DC that America, longer a Pacific power than an Atlantic power, needed to share her responsibilities in the Pacific with other Asian nations.

Following the Second World War with Japan and the granting of independence to the Philippines, the US began a withdrawal from the Pacific when a surprise progression of events, the Communist take-over of China, war in Korea and Vietnam, involved the US more deeply than ever.

Isolationism, a luxury afforded by two broad oceans, is a position that has only recently been buried despite the weak protests of some American senators.

An immediate step in the direction of a new attitude of America as a Pacific power and not the Pacific power, was President Johnson's quick willingness to accept the Philippines'

Harold Wilson struck a basic note in his address at the Brighton conference, "We have to carry through this great revolution of change by consent, and this means that we must have the faith and enthusiasm to change the hearts and minds of men."

On the other hand, Mr. Wilson's Conservative critics warned that this increased Government involvement in fixing rates of pay is "equipping the state with powers that are essentially totalitarian and illiberal".

President's invitation to attend a seven-nation Conference on Vietnam in Manila on or about October 28.

At this forthcoming gathering, President Marcos of the Philippines will certainly call, as he did before the National Press Club in Washington D.C., for greater "community development, rural reconstruction, and civic action", in other words for offering a "better life to the peasants".

The Philippines and other Asian nations will also ask that there be a more proportionate distribution of US aid given all Asian nations, where as now the concentration of aid is mainly to South Vietnam.

Basically the Manila Conference will mean greater collective participation of Asian and Pacific countries in the overall welfare and development of Asia.

It also could lead to the US playing a less dominant role in the Pacific as the other Asian nations take more initiative in a new concert of Asian responsibility.

Five Lakhs Quit Castro-land

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT

Sao Paulo

Cuba continues to be Russia's foothold in the Western Hemisphere. The faithfulness of Fidel Castro to the Kremlin is not ideological only. It is also because Cuba's economy depends on Russia.

After the revolution of 1959 Castro tried to industrialize and to get away from the predominance of sugar in Cuba's economy. But industrialization brought such difficulties that Castro was forced to return to sugar. His plan now is to reach by 1970 a production of 10 million tons or a sixth of the world's production.

Since the United States has closed its doors to Cuban exports, Russia remains the only country that can absorb so much sugar. It remains in Castro's and Cuba's interest so to behave that they do.

Cuba's history in the last century made her much more part of the

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The week in India

SHILLONG—A Chinese Army patrol infiltrated several miles into the North East Frontier Agency following intensified activity on the Chinese side of the MacMahon line.

NEW DELHI—A fourth round of talks between rebel Naga leaders and Prime Minister Indira Gandhi are scheduled to be held on October 27 and 28.

MIRAJ—Nine people died and 132 were injured when a train was derailed in the disputed Mysore-Manarashtra border area. Maharashtra's Home Minister Desai said that it was caused by saboteurs who removed fish plates.

HYDERABAD—The second rail crash in three days on the South-Central Railway took place when an express collided with a goods train, killed two people and injured 68.

BHUBANESWAR—The Opposition in the Orissa Assembly has demanded President's rule for the State because of the continuing Cabinet crisis.

LUCKNOW—An unprecedented drought in Uttar Pradesh has destroyed Kharif crops worth Rs. 1,000,000,000 and is affecting 75,000 villages.

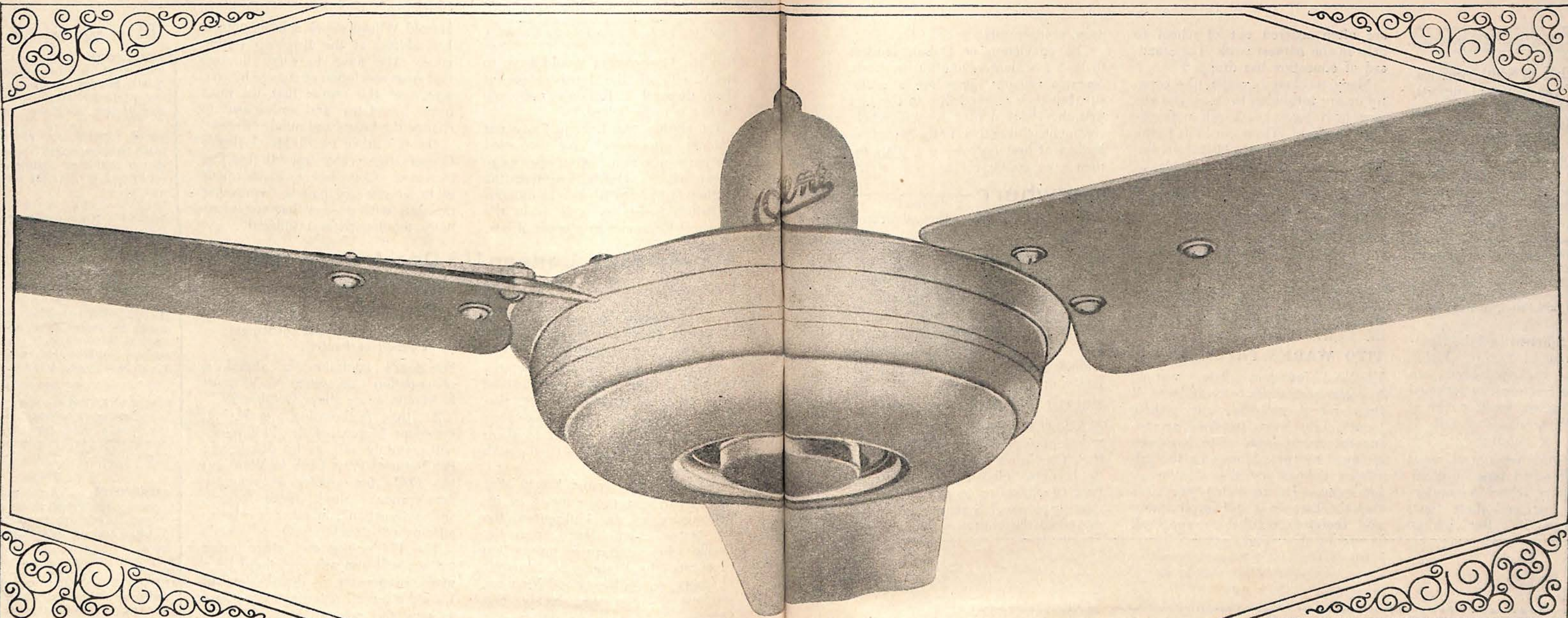
BHOPAL—Opium consumption in India by registered addicts has dropped from 150 tons to three tons in 10 years. There are now 400,000 registered addicts.

SILIGURI—Prime Minister Mrs. Gandhi pledged India's support to Bhutan if it was attacked. She was addressing troops in the eastern border area.

DARJEELING—Chinese intruders into Bhutan may not have withdrawn yet said the Indian Political Officer to Bhutan. Chinese troops crossed the border and dug in on Bhutanese territory three weeks ago despite the protest of the Indian Government.

NEW DELHI—Chancellor Erhard postponed until December his visit to India, previously to begin on November 8, because of measures before the November session of the West German Parliament.

KALYAN—The former opposition leader in the Maharashtra Assembly and 444 other Samyukta Maharashtra Samati volunteers were arrested during demonstrations over the Maharashtra-Mysore border dispute.



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United States than of South America. All the cars, all the technical imports, all her way of life until 1959 was linked with North America. Miami and New York are much closer, and attracted Cubans much more than the capitals of South America. It is part of Castro's political education to de-Americanize Cuba, stressing its past as a Spanish colony.

One fact speaks loudly of the attraction of the US. From 1959 till 1962, 300,000 Cubans left the island for the US. Then Castro closed the doors. But when he opened them again last year, another 200,000 Cubans signed up to leave.

Food is still rationed and the situation reminds one of Europe during the war. Sugar, fruit and bread are freely available but meat is rationed at a quarter pound a week, coffee at two and a half ounces and milk is available only for children.

There is a certain amount of social progress. For the first time all children go to primary school. Secondary education has increased three times over the level of 1959. But children

are often ordered out of school to help in the harvest work. The standard of education has dropped.

Many teachers have left the country or are forbidden to teach and the new ones have lost touch with the outside world. There are 150 hospitals, where there were 90 before, but the doctors are not as capable as

The week

FIJI ELECTION RESULT

SUVA, FIJI—The multi-racial Alliance Party defeated the predominantly Indian Federal Party in elections for the Fiji Legislative Council. The Alliance Party which contains both Indians and Fijians won 23 seats to the Federal Party's nine.

TITO WARNS PRESSMEN

VIENNA—President Tito warned Yugoslav journalists to cease some of their recent activities after three months of relative freedom, according to reports here. Tito has been annoyed by press attacks on the privileges enjoyed by the Communist hierarchy. He reminded journalists that the Party was still revolutionary and therefore entitled to apply all

their predecessors.

The conviction of Cuba's leaders to lead a violent revolution in Latin America remains. They are a minority, but their strength lies in the fact that they have a plan for the whole continent while other Latin American leaders at best only have a plan for their own country.

elsewhere

means against those who advocated different ideas.

ODINGA SEARCHED

NAIROBI—Oginga Odinga, Kenya opposition leader, flew to Uganda under a false name to collect money from a Communist embassy, according to Kenya Home Affairs Minister Daniel Moi. He was searched by police upon his return.

ISRAELI-SYRIAN TENSION

JERUSALEM—Israel told the Ambassadors of Britain, Russia and the US that it could not tolerate terrorism on its borders, following the death of four Israeli police in a Syrian landmine explosion. Syrian troops have moved to the border.

Farming Under the Sea

by Reginald Holme

UNDERSEA FARMS will increase the fish yield fourfold to feed growing world populations.

This will be possible soon, say a group of top US scientists in a report to President Johnson. The report is partly based on work by the 1962-65 International Indian Ocean Expedition which made the first systematic scientific study of this ocean basin.

In their report the scientists list, as one example, a cheap, high-food-value fish concentrate made from hake, which abounds in the oceans.

Eighty-five per cent of this product is protein which is essential for maintaining strength and health and usually deficient in Asian diets. The remaining 25 per cent are valuable vitamins. Cost of hake concentrate: under Rs. 2 a pound. One ton of processed hake provides 1 1/3 oz. of supplementary protein daily for 30 people at a cost of Rs. 14 per person a year.

The US Congress has a bill before it proposing to build a 36 million rupee prototype factory to make hake concentrate commercially.

Undersea farming will be done in the shallow waters at the edge of

continents. These continental "shelves" run out hundreds of miles and offer huge areas for fish cultivation.

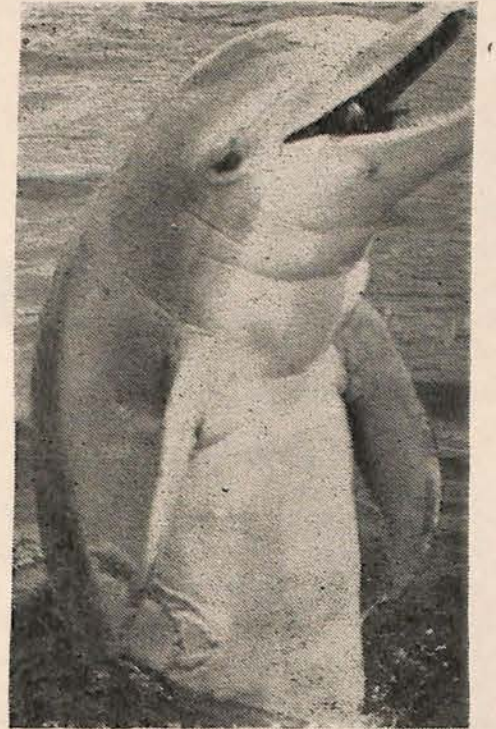
On British television films have been shown of French "undersea farmers" at work surveying and marking out "fields" on the sea bed. They were working in the Mediterranean under Captain Jacques Cousteau, famous underwater explorer, at a

FRONTIERS OF science

depth of 350 feet near Cape Ferrat in France.

The new type farmers' houses will be developed from the experimental Sealab II, the 200-ton sea laboratory of the US Navy. In it three teams of some 30 aquanauts (ten to a team) lived and worked last year for 45 days at a depth of 205 feet and a mile off the California coast.

Each man spent 15 days undersea except for two team leaders who spent 30 days down under. One of these was Commander Scott Carpenter, astronaut turned aquanaut to explore "inner space" under the oceans. Director of Sealab II, Captain



Taffy a well-trained dolphin, can be summoned by a buzzer or whistle for distances up to 550 yards. He can help rescue divers 300 feet under water.

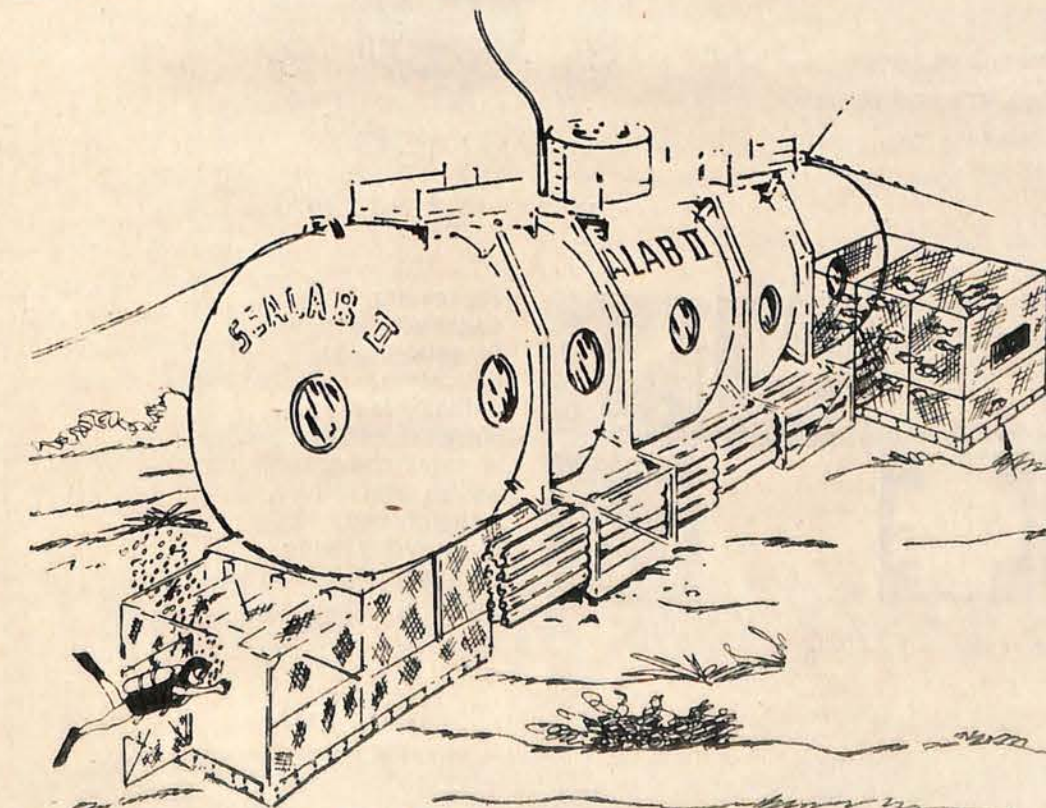
Levis Nelson, said: "We have been able to prove conclusively that men can work at great depths under water as members of a marine fraternity."

Captain George Bond, director of the US Navy's "man-in-the-sea" programmes, said that harsh conditions were deliberately chosen for Sealab II since much undersea living will have to be done in difficult circumstances. Off California the water was only 50 degrees Fahrenheit and visibility only six inches to 20 feet.

After the California experiment Captain Bond said: "If men can survive and work here, they can do so pretty well anywhere else."

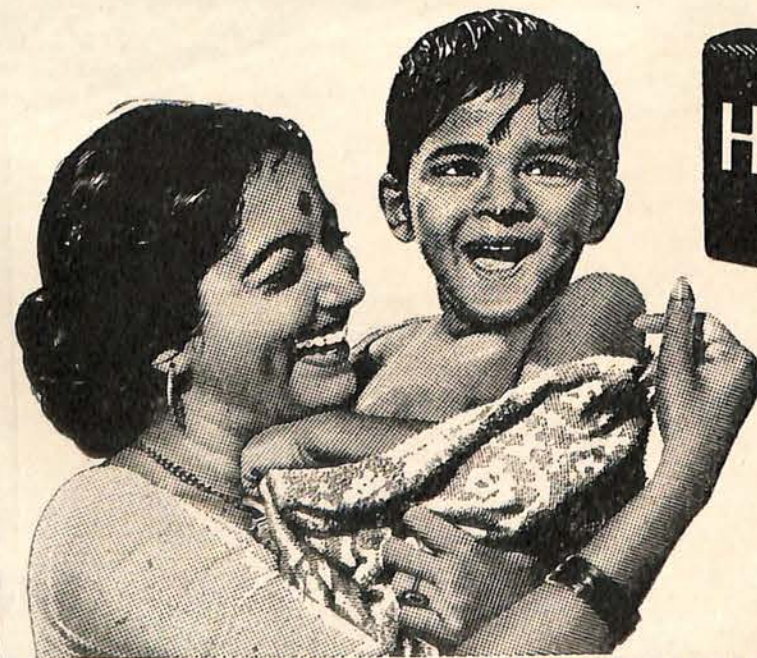
The men lived in a 12-foot room divided into laboratory, cooking galley and bunk room with eleven viewing ports or windows. They ate plankton, the small organisms on which fish feed, as part of their diet. They described it as "tasty—something like nuts".

They and their colleagues trained a seven-foot dolphin called Taffy to carry messages and small packages from sea surface to underwater house. He also learned to carry a guide line to a lost diver. Seven Atlantic porpoises (dolphins) are being trained as well as two seals and three sea lions. So they have the equivalent of farm dogs under water already.



Sealab II on ocean bed with aquanaut entering through anti-shark cage. To enter he swims into the cage and floats up into the access hatch.

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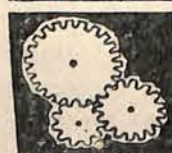
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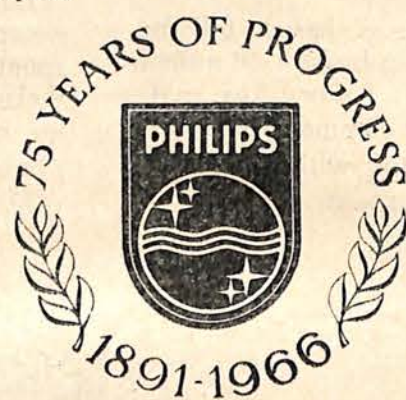
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Prayer Flags Up in Bhutan

by Ajit Das

They must be planting new prayer flags in the backyard of the Paro Monastery. There were hundreds of such flags fluttering in the freezing Himalayan breeze during one of my recent visits to Bhutan. There must be many more by now, as news arrived of incursions by Chinese Communists into several parts of Bhutan south of its frontier with Tibet.

In fact, Bhutan, the peace-loving intensely religious Himalayan Buddhist Kingdom, is about to be punished by the Chinese because it has persistently refused to permit international politics to mar the sacred peace of its 800,000 population inhabiting 18,000 square miles of rich mountain lands.

Troubles started trickling into this once forbidden Himalayan land as its King, Druk Gy-alpo Jigme Dorji Wangchuk, decided to end its tradition of living in its own safe shell of mountains and monasteries aloof from the din and bustle of the world outside. It was then that China started casting unholy glances on her peace with all its promise of progress.

The story of Chinese moves to bite off parts of Bhutan, which hit the headlines in the first week of this month, is actually 8 years old. In 1958, China, true to the pattern she has also followed in the case of India, published maps showing parts of

Bhutan as belonging to red-ruled Tibet. India, which handles Bhutan's external relations under the Indo-Bhutanese Treaty of Friendship of 1949, protested. China then withdrew the old maps and replaced them by new ones, which continued to show the Bhutanese areas as part of the Tibetan region of China.

In the second phase China took India to task for trying to espouse the cause of Bhutan and simultaneously sent feelers to Bhutan that China would be happy to welcome direct diplomatic contacts and also, in return, flood Bhutan with spend-as-you-like aid unlike the aid Bhutan was receiving from India, always for specific projects.

Secretariat in Monastery

The conscientious King, who can never separate truth from tact, and who early this year transferred his modern secretariat to the premises of the Thimphu monastery as being in the most appropriate place, refused to oblige China. There could be no question of sneaking out of the treaty that authorised India to represent Bhutan in foreign affairs, he said.

This angered the Chinese. Bhutanese officers in eight Bhutanese enclaves inside Tibet were molested. Their belongings and animals were forcibly taken away. Bhutan protested. But all protests were ignored. Bhutan was forced to quit her enclaves.

The Communists increased pressure. Bhutanese mail couriers, who through centuries have carried their mail to India and the outside world through Tibet's Chumbi Valley via

Chinese troops intruded into north-west Bhutan last month. India has protested. Prime Minister Mrs. Gandhi declared India would rush to Bhutan's defence if Bhutan was attacked and asked for India's assistance. Ajit Das, who knows Bhutan well, writes on this Himalayan Kingdom.—Ed.

Nathu-la Pass and Sikkim, were subjected to systematic harassment by Chinese troops. Finally the Bhutanese couriers were forced to give up this route.

But Bhutan refused to be brow-beaten. After the Tibetan uprising, when Tibet faced an acute food shortage and rice was being smuggled in from Bhutan, the export of Bhutanese rice was banned. While rice sold at Rs. 15 per maund in Bhutan, the price offered by the Chinese Communists rose to Rs. 120 per maund. But nothing could tempt the Maharaja. When hoards of Tibetan refugees entered Bhutan and the Chinese seemed ready to send in agents, Bhutan took another step—the entire border with Tibet was sealed.

These courageous moves did not disturb the King's desire for peace with her neighbour. Chinese threats did not shake his faith in non-alignment. During the Chinese attack on India, Bhutan preserved its strict neutrality by not allowing troops of either country to enter her territory.

Bhutan's non-alignment, however, is not the creed of a coward. When India, attacked by Pakistan, also faced a Chinese ultimatum in the closing phase of the armed conflict, the Maharaja of Bhutan supported India.

In this fresh challenge from the Chinese I can see the King with his characteristic suave smile counselling his advisers and people: Nothing should stifle our spirits. Truth must triumph.



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DAVID AND GOLIATH

Gandhiji, with his foresight, spoke of the day when the people, subjugated to Congress misrule, would abhor the very sight of a khaddar white cap and unless things were mended would burn these caps. Things have not been mended, as can be seen from the plight of the man in the street. There is rank regimentation.

India needs but a few men of integrity, moral values and democracy to fight the Congress cult. David slew the mighty Goliath, Krishna could kill Kansa, Gandhi's lone voice rose above the hue and cry of the sternest imperialism and a free nation was born. It is time to stand up to dictatorship of all sorts. For these few men—and through them for the nation—the time for decision has come.

C. G. MANDAVIA*

Porbandar

* This week's Rs. 10 prize winner

CONSTITUTION VIOLATED

It was shocking that salary bills of officials in Jaipur District in Rajasthan were not passed by the treasury department because the signatures were not in Hindi. It seems the language mania is now becoming very arbitrary and is even violating the freedoms guaranteed by our Constitution. Young men in India should join hands to get these linguistic states and mania wiped out from our country and unite it again.

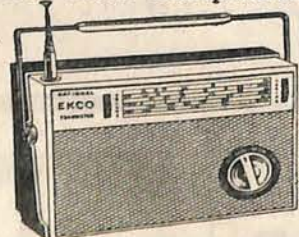
K. S. JAGMAG

Bombay 3

MIDDLE-AGED YOUTH

That Congress needs fresh blood has been obvious for a fairly long time but the supply is rather limited. Relatively few young men have cared to join the Congress Party during the last 10 years or so, and the leaders of the so-called Congress youth movement are middle-aged.

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The aspiring young politician needs a political sponsor, and such cannot be obtained without aligning himself with this or that faction in the Party. In these circumstances the fresh blood that can be injected is not necessarily of the healthiest kind.

The Congress Election Committee has yet to come to grips with this problem.

T. S. PRASAD

Bangalore 10

"STORED" REPORT

The Kothari Commission's Education Report has become but a synonym to its name, i.e. a kotharnor or "storage".

We need another Education Commission to release it.

DIPTI S. BHAVSAR

Ahmedabad 13

MEMORIAL TO C. P.

Your tribute to Dr. C. P. Ramaswami Aiyar in HIMMAT is fit to be carved in letters of gold. It was sheer irony that a gifted personality such as C.P. was never utilized to guide the destinies of our country when lesser fry were sought to do it.

Should not the Government now consider the scheme fathered by C.P. to connect the Ganga with the Cauvery in the south and could there be a more fitting memorial to him that to accomplish this scheme?

K. R. SRINIVASAN

Madras 4

WHY LITTLE SUMMIT?

Leaders of three non-aligned nations are shortly to hold a "Little Summit" in New Delhi. Whether there is a reason for this "show" remains a mystery.

Student Unrest

INCREASING SUPPRESSION

Every day newspapers report increasing student unrest along with enormously increased police suppression. Moral armament of the students as well as of police authorities is the need of the day. Without it no Nandas and Kotharis can solve the problem.

P. M. BORA

Hyderabad 7

CO-OPERATION NEEDED

Student indiscipline occurs whenever there is a conflict either amongst students or with the teachers or the authorities. It is obvious that to solve student indiscipline, co-operation between teachers, students and the authorities is needed.

ASRAR AHMAD

Delhi

BEGGING FOR JOBS

Students are no longer serious about their studies. Why should they be? A degree is proving to be a passport to "Q" on the doors of industrial establishments and offices begging for job.

HIMMAT awards Rs. 10 for the best letter received every week. Letters should be brief and exclusive.—Ed.

The Nehru myth of non-alignment, a synonym for helplessness, has long been shattered. Which non-aligned countries rendered moral support when China attacked us? All the joint proceedings of these countries have all along fallen on deaf ears. Yet India delights in hanging on assiduously to a myth laid bare long ago.

JOSE ALEX

Tiruchirappalli

LEADERS FOR CHINA

The request for all Chinese students studying in Moscow to leave the USSR is a natural reaction to the Soviet students having to leave China. But is not this an opportunity missed by the Soviet to train the mature leadership that they feel China needs at this time? A training that someone must give.

ROBERT PATISON

Bangalore

PURPOSEFUL TRAINING

During a crucial time of students' indiscipline in many parts of our country, Moral Re-Armament is a purposeful movement training youth for the future India.

May I ask a simple question: if some people have the right to disagree with MRA then why should not others have the right to agree with it?

A. S. TATA

Bombay 26

BLEAK FUTURE

The utterances of politicians that students' grievances should be looked into sympathetically and much force should not be used against them are the cause of students' indiscipline. If no stern action is taken to end this student unrest the future of democracy will be bleak.

C. L. NARASIMHAN

Madras 51

PAY TEACHERS MORE

It is shameful that in a country like India the teachers, who are the builders of the nation, have to go on strike to demand a living wage.

If the Government gave them a decent salary, they would educate our students better. Then the students would concentrate more on their studies instead of politics.

ANJAN GHOSH

Calcutta 29

ON THE Spot

HIMMAT meets the people

A teacher on his feet

Mr. John William Peterson (a very ordinary man, as my subject-study explained to me) looks every inch the "grey philosopher" one of his friends labelled him, yet it will be very hard to meet a man more in touch with the realities of Indian educational problems.

A small, powerful speaker, whose sentences are measured out word by word, Mr. Peterson is a difficult subject to write on because it is very hard to know what to leave out. His life has been a climb and he has made it.

Fatherless at 8, he schooled in Kanpur and Allahabad and colleged in Goragalli. In 1930, at 20, he began his career as a teacher. Today at 56, Mr. Peterson is a teacher of La Martiniere for Boys, Calcutta, where he has been in service for 16 years. He is the senior teacher of English and Indian History.

Success to Duffers

What is the greatest joy you have experienced as a teacher?

"It is in hearing of the successes of old pupils of mine, especially 'duffers.' If a backward boy makes something of his life my joy is multiplied."

Do you believe in the division into separate classes of boys of different intelligence?

"No, I have no belief in the inequality of mental ability. The sum total of every person's raw sense is the same. The way a pupil shapes depends on the teacher and the taught."

What do you teach and which subject is the hardest of all?

"I used to teach Mathematics, but now I prepare boys for the Indian School Certificate Examination in English and Indian History. The hardest subject of all to teach is a language; in my case, English. My mind is flexible and I try all approaches."

Mr. Peterson also believes in the teacher himself being a student, for education blesses him that gives and him that takes. He is a very respected teacher today, because he believes in teachers educating themselves. I attended a number of times meetings of the Anglo-Indian Teachers' Association of which Mr. Peterson is Secretary.

At one Anglo-Indian Teachers' Association meeting I recognised another endearing facet of Mr. Peterson's personality—he was a peace-maker and an ace negotiator. This is where his contribution to West Bengal's educational life is so invaluable. Respected by Headmasters in the State, Mr. Peterson knows how to bring different points of view together, through compromise, friendship and humour. On different occasions, when the air has built up with tension, Mr. Peterson sets in motion a breeze of humour, cooling hotheads.

He understands and cares for the children he teaches, mixes freely with young teachers, is at home with

Headmasters and is as cheerful inside the classroom as he is outside it.

He used to play the violin and is a great hiker. He told me that he has hiked almost all around North India on foot. He has even taken parties of boys on hiking tours. He is a great philatelist and believes in healthy leisure for his pupils.

In December 1961, Mr. Peterson represented India in the second Asian Leadership Training Seminar at Saigon. He went as a teacher-leader. The picture above shows him addressing the body. And that's how you'll always remember Mr. Peterson; a strong, power-packed, enthusiastic teacher-leader, doing all he can to give the teaching profession in India greater dignity. I. S.



Mr. John Peterson

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VIEWPOINT

First Prize

Are Politicians Using Police for Political Ends?

by A. S. Ravindra, Bangalore 3

IT IS A TRAGEDY that few police officials today seem to have any knowledge of their responsibility to maintain law and order. Not only do they passively watch the break-down of law and order and do nothing to prevent it; but judging from the recent reports from Madras, they also actively participate in destroying

Out of entries for this week's competition, 81 per cent thought that politicians use police for political ends, 19 per cent thought not or were undecided.

whatever little law and order and liberty is still left.

The fact that police should dare to go to such an extent is a sure indication that there are political forces which are supporting or even instigating them to do what they are indulging in.

Of course the public have lost faith in the police as decent and dignified people who would protect their interests. They are tools in the hands of politicians.

The Bombay *bundh* for instance, clearly demonstrated this. The organisers claimed it was peaceful and was a success. When the police had no intention whatsoever of protect-

ing loyal workers and the public the *bundh* could not but be a success.

For the same reason there was no chance of a clash and hence its "peaceful" nature. Who were the politicians behind this "police *bundh*" and what their intentions were, are a public secret.

Why powerful men in the police fear a crooked politician I cannot understand. Are our police too spineless to stand up against them? Or do they choose a comfortable road of shirking responsibility because it brings them promotions and fortune through illegal channels?

Any police officer who loves this land and burns to make her powerful has a tremendous opportunity to expose the culprits in power who exploit him for political ends. People might once again begin to look up to police for protection.

Second Prize

OVER THE RED HAT

By Mrs. S. Lakshmi Devi, Madras 5

THE POLICE IN INDIA is seen more in the role of playing second fiddle to the party in power than in its assigned role of an effective machinery for the maintenance of law and order

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in a welfare state. It must be added that if police are the powerful tool of the party in power, the student community with its impulsive rashness is a vibrant and no less powerful tool in the hands of the opposition. Consequently whenever there is student unrest in the wake of any political issue, major or minor, it is followed by a police "unrest", ostensibly in the disguise of restoring order in the disturbed areas. In effect, the student-police encounter is only a more violent version of the verbal wrangle between the ruling and reprimanding parties that take place inside the Lok Sabha.

The police in the hands of the ruling party is a convenient tool to stifle any effective opposition that may develop. There is of course freedom of speech and action for you. But once your music jars the rulers sooner or later the police invent a way of circumventing your fundamental rights—it may be the DIR or a charge of corruption and what is worse, a charge of kidnapping young girls. All the while the great master—the politician—watches you from over the red hat of the police constable and smiles triumphantly.

The police can be very choosy about the grant of licenses for the conduct of public meetings and processions in protest at erring Governmental decisions. These are blessings without disguise to the ruling party in their election campaign. Even the most impartial of the ruling politicians cannot resist the temptation to exploit the machinery under his control for a furtherance of his stay in power.

This was a life

NELSON
1758-1805

October 21 is the anniversary of England's greatest sea victory of Trafalgar. At the hour of his triumph the British Admiral, Lord Nelson, was killed by a sniper's bullet.

Sixth child of a Norfolk country parson, Horatio Nelson went to sea aged 12 as a midshipman. At 21, already an experienced officer, he was promoted captain.

England began her long struggle with Napoleon's France. The battle of Cape St. Vincent in 1797 demonstrated Nelson's unorthodox daring. Having captured one enemy vessel, he led a boarding party from her decks on to a second and captured it too.

In 1799 Nelson ended Napoleon's plan to conquer the Orient by destroying 12 of his 14 battleships at the Battle of the Nile. In this and in his many other engagements, Nelson received wounds which included the loss of an eye and an arm.

In 1801 Nelson was sent to the Baltic with a fleet commanded by a more cautious admiral. At the climax of a fierce struggle with the Danish fleet at Copenhagen, Nelson's admiral signalled to withdraw. Realizing victory was near, Nelson placed his telescope to his blind eye and declared, "I really do not see the signal".

Nelson fell passionately in love with Emma, Lady Hamilton, wife of the elderly British Ambassador to Naples. Leaving his wife Frances, he set up home with Emma and had by her a daughter.

In 1805, Nelson left the home he loved and with premonition of death took command of the ships watching the French and Spanish fleets.

His victory at Trafalgar followed a hectic pursuit of these combined fleets across the Atlantic and back. Napoleon hoped to sweep aside the British fleet in the English Channel so that a French army could invade England. Trafalgar, at which 19 of his ships were sunk or captured, ended that hope.

Before the battle, Nelson's signal, "England expects every man to do his duty," roused his men. Nelson's leadership stemmed from his convention-defying tactics aimed at nothing less than total victory, and his care for his men which brought out the best from each.

When news of Trafalgar reached England people were at a loss whether to celebrate or mourn. No man has more fired the hearts of his countrymen than the frail, battered admiral who left all he held dear to give his life for his country.

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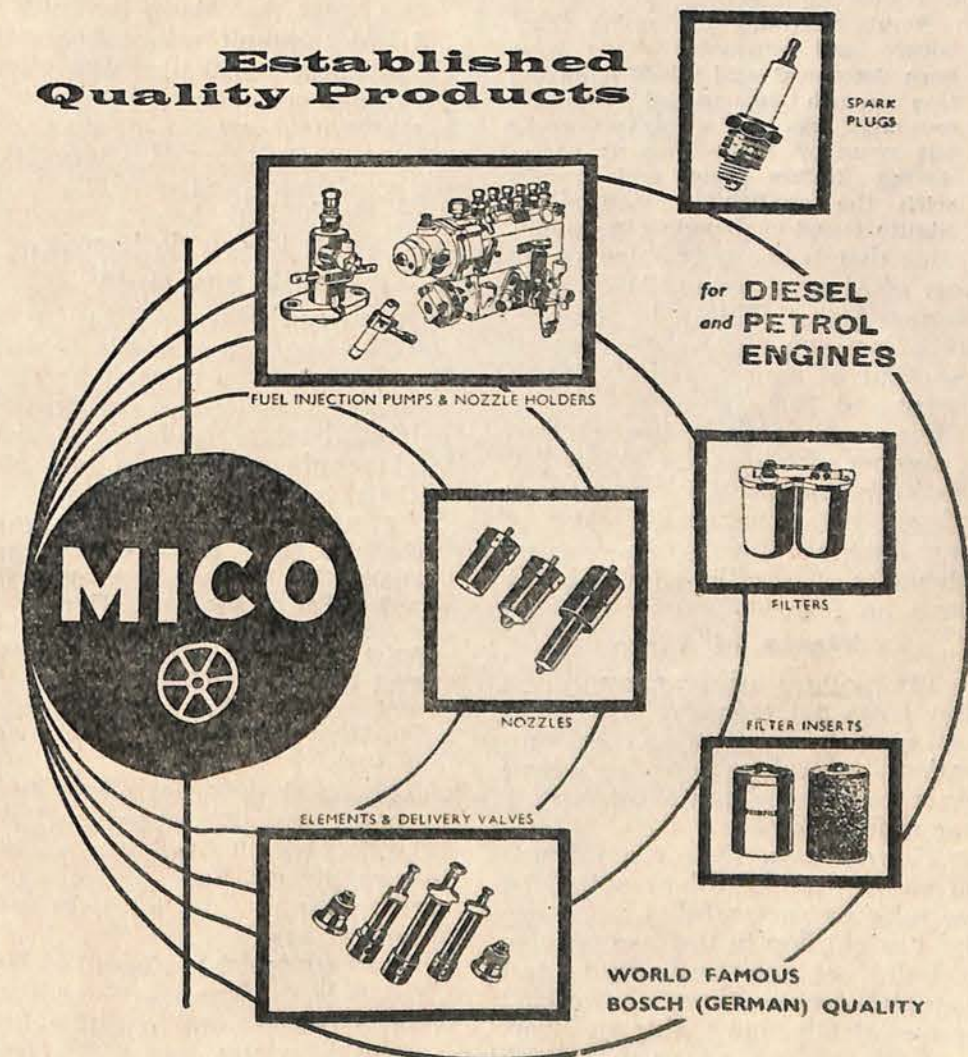
timate role as a principal Pacific power. It is Communist China rather than the US which is getting isolated. The shift of Lee Kuan Yew, Singapore's Prime Minister, towards regional collective security against the threat of Communist China is an instance of the ideological realignment now taking place in Asia. It has had its effect even on neutralist South Asia where non-alignment is interpreted without anti-American bias.

If North Vietnam is not to further isolate herself in Asia, she must reconcile herself to honorable negotia-

tions which involve an abandonment of her design in South Vietnam. Whether, in fact, sober counsel will prevail in Hanoi is, however, very much subject to the relative strength of the various ideological groups in the Lao Dong Party.

It is equally clear that the Pacific nations must envisage and prepare for a period beyond the Vietnam war when they can together carry forward the fruitful partnership for economic development and political stabilization. President Johnson's visit to the six countries of the region can be the first step to work out the design for a new Asia.

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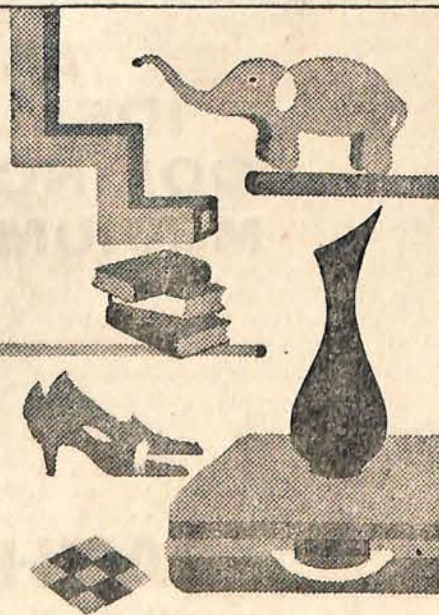
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Everyone Can Do It

By Rajmohan Gandhi

SMUTS SAID that men like Gandhi "redeem us from a sense of commonplace and futility and are an inspiration to us not to vary in well-doing.... It was my fate to be the antagonist of a man for whom even then I had the highest respect... He never forgot the human background of the situation, never lost his temper or succumbed to hate, and preserved his gentle humour in the most trying situations. His manner and spirit even then, as well as later, contrasted markedly with the ruthless and brutal forcefulness which is the vogue in our day."

Smuts said this of Gandhi. Elaborate and expensive plans have been discussed and adopted during this month to spread Gandhi's message. As far as I can make out none of them aims at reproducing Indian men and women with the quality of soul which Smuts found challenging in Gandhi.

But that is the only relevant aspect of Gandhi today. And it can happen fast and on a large scale. India can see a multiplication of the kind of man who bids fear a merry and firm farewell.

For some reason I have received a number of letters during the last weeks complimenting me on my alleged guts. I'm not conscious of any such nobility in my nature. However, I readily admit that I have no fear.

Waste of Time

Temptations of fear assail me but I am not excessively polite in ordering them out. They are fraudulent and dangerous and they waste time, and my heart has no room for them.

There was a time when I was afraid. I was fearful of not being popular or successful. I was scared I might flop in the eyes of men.

I did not necessarily desire vast sums of money although I wouldn't automatically have thrown away cash if it came my way (I still wouldn't, today; I would gratefully use it to revolutionize the country and the sums do not have to be vast).

But I was definitely keen on reputation. How wonderful I used to think to be called great or brilliant. At the very minimum I wanted to be known as a good man.

Today I have no such desire. All I want is that India be cleaned

up and remade and that India play a worthwhile role in bringing sanity, peace and brotherhood back to our world.

God knows my worst thoughts as well as the true wish of my heart. The imagined or evident opinions of men affect neither. They do not matter. What matters is whether I am loyal to the voice of God which, if I am willing to obey, can reach my heart.

Fear's obverse is demand. If I demand riches, comfort or fame I shall be afraid of those who can help or hinder. Fear will keep a healthy distance from a demand-free heart that blazes for truth.

I know myself reasonably well though others will doubtless often see me more clearly. I believe I am aware of my limitations. And I am satisfied that if a man like me can desire and obtain a fear-free, faith-filled heart, everyone who wants to can do likewise.

Faith and Guts

There can be a proliferation of faith and guts. It surely is needed. It will give hope to our cheerless millions, direction to our drifting national boat, a shock to the fanatical prophets of gloom and stir nations to their foundations.

I know from experience that shackles are self-imposed, that chains that bind can be snapped by a decision of the will. There is a price to pay. Something has to go. That something is the big I in me that I serve, feed, cherish, decorate and worship when I am not obeying the voice of truth or the voice of God.

The big I does not allow itself to be crossed out without a fight or without pain. And it does not always present itself in rude unworthy forms. It is clever and disguises itself.

Its death is the beginning of life. Free, full and fearless life. Relevant, satisfying and patriotic life.

If nothing else, love of material security for our children should drive us on to the fearless path. The despair of our millions, the inadequacy of our leadership and the spreading fire of anarchy have created a full-grown revolutionary situation.

Elections are to be held next February and although it is likely that there will be a significant shift in at least some of the states, no

sane man expects the election results to alter India's climate fundamentally.

Today's harrowing and explosive situation will stay with us and, save for the revolutionary path described here, will result in tyranny. And this serfdom will make automatons of our children, ordering forcibly their lives, occupations, marriage and movement.

The issue really is whether we love ourselves more or our children. If my efforts are confined to obtaining for my children education, money and homes, I shall within a few years fail even in my limited aims.

On the other hand, if I hazard my riches, comfort and reputation in a battle under God and with a rising army of patriots to give this country a new leadership, my children will have freedom and opportunity.

A thinking man today has one of three choices. He can try to emigrate to a happier, more encouraging land. He can steel his heart, commit himself to ruthless selfishness and concentrate on satisfying his immediate desires by fair means or foul. Or he can decide to throw his life into the stormy yet satisfying fight to alter the thinking and living of this ancient subcontinent.

Multiplying Manhood

I have the belief that this new crop of leadership is going to be raised fast. Manhood will multiply. Courage will occupy the hearts of our people.

Roadblocks placed before our advancing men and women will only be jumping off boards. Every obstacle will be a launching pad that will take our revolutionary ideas to more and more people.

Everyone's part will be important. Some will cheer and applaud. Their support is necessary and welcome even though when the battle is hot they might temporarily disappear. Others will give money and that too is necessary and welcome. Many will give spare time and a bit of their holidays.

But at the core will be those who pledge their hearts and minds, and all their lives to re-erect our society from top to bottom.

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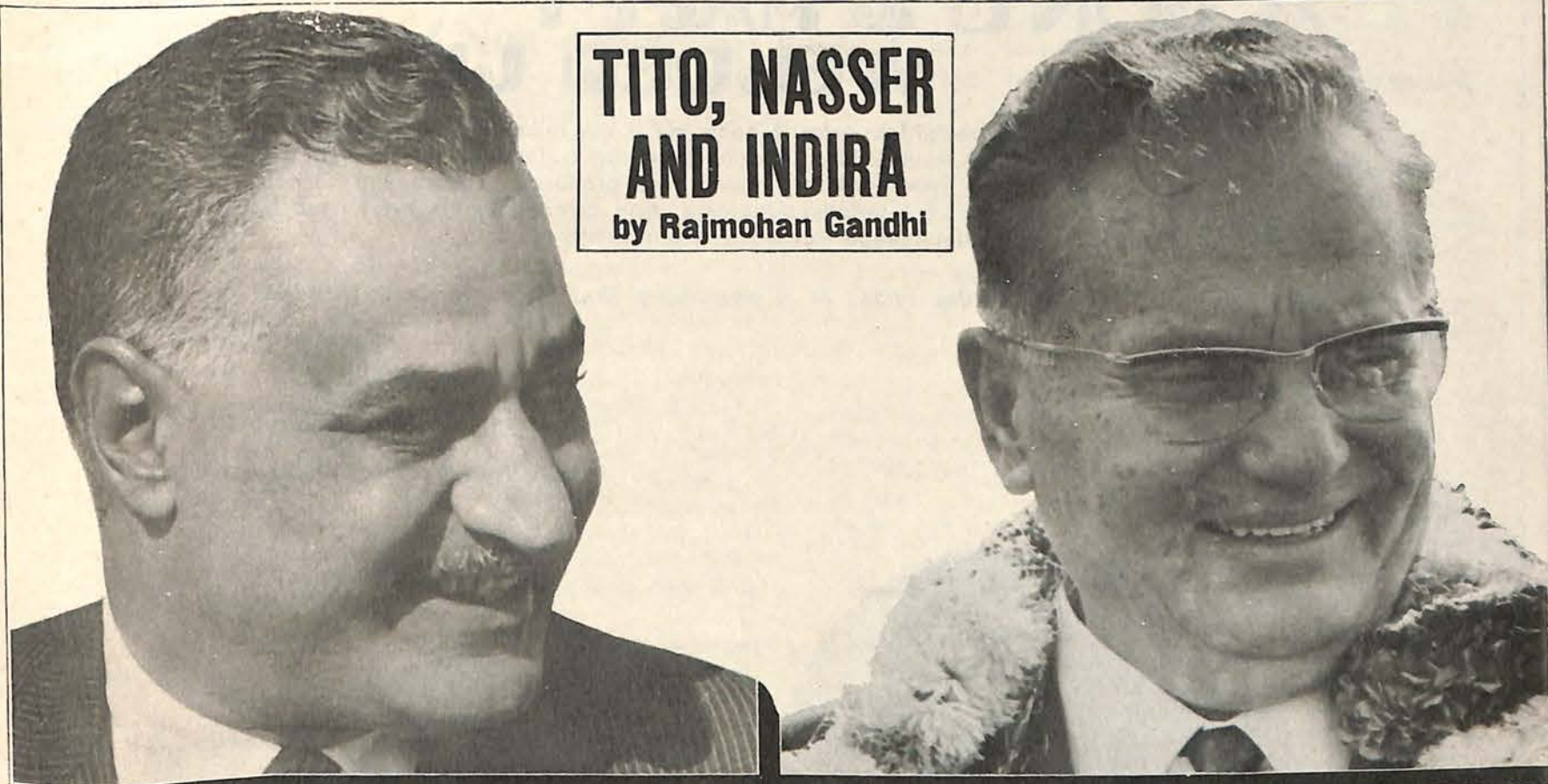
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