

Looking Ahead
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On Critical Danger?

General Earle G. Wheeler, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (the nation's top military strategy board), has added his voice to warnings sounded by General Nathan F. Twining that foreign policy and military policy decisions are being made for the American people which constitute "a blueprint for national suicide." In an unprecedented break with Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara, the Joint Chiefs' Chairman said that

America is not adequately defended against Soviet Communism.

General Wheeler called for the development and deployment of an anti-missile system in the United States. The Soviets have developed and are deploying one, he said. His public revelation of critical shortcomings in the nation's defense tied in with General Twining's Reader's Digest statement declaring that there is "a clear and present danger" to America because forces are at work "at influential levels within the State and Defense departments and the White House," weakening our nation and strengthening World Communism.

The Appeasement Continues

General Twining said these forces seek to reduce America's armament, and especially her nuclear capabilities, as a means of appeasing Soviet Russia; the announced theory projected by these forces is: Our being good to the Communist bosses will

make them be good.

M. Stanton Evans, Editor of the Indianapolis News and one of the nation's best informed young citizen-leaders, had the same fears that provoked the warnings just sounded by two of America's most respected military leaders. His fears for the security of our country began years ago while he was probing, as a professional newspaperman, into the behind-the-scenes as well as the open maneuverings in our foreign and military policies. He put his findings and conclusions into his well-documented new book, "The Politics of Surrender" (Devin-Adair Co., New York). He notes that "In 1944 World Communism controlled (only) an estimated 170 million people and some eight million square miles of territory. By 1964 Communism controlled more than 16 million square miles of territory, 18 separate states, and more than one billion people." **Our Weakness Exploited**

"How did these things come to pass?", asks Mr. Evans. "Despite the considerable cleverness and unflagging zeal of the Communists, the story of this astounding reversal (for the free world) was written, not by Communist strength, but by western weakness. The Communists have not in fact been winning the Cold War so much as we have been losing it. We have, on a variety of pretexts, been steadily surrendering the world to the enemy in the Kremlin."

Vietnam and Cuba, Mr. Evans

feels, are glaring examples of a frighteningly dangerous military strategy dictated not by military authorities but by the influences at work in the State and Defense Departments and the White House. "The first rule of successful guerrilla warfare," he observes, "is sanctuary, and the first rule of successful counter-guerrilla action is to eliminate sanctuary." In both of our sample cases—Vietnam and Latin America — our primary objective should be to move against the sanctuary from which the Communists operate. **One-Handed Warfare**

"In Vietnam, the sanctuary consists of Laos and the northern part of Vietnam; in Latin America, it is Castro's HDQ for hemispheric subversion in Havana. Even in our best moments, our reigning policy assumptions have required us in some wise to give the Communists this asset when they wanted it—in Korea, Laos, Vietnam, Cuba. If we are to relieve the free world from the pressures of aggression, we must stop guaranteeing the Communists that their bases of operations will be immune to our attack . . . (Yet) the people who have negotiated (Our stunning foreign policy failures) inform us that they are alone qualified to tend to our diplomacy . . . Common prudence suggests that they, and not their critics, are the appropriate candidates for analysis."

Such an analysis of the forces behind our military and foreign policy decisions now seems

to be under way. It is healthy for our nation. On too many fronts, we have been losing the Cold War. Now, some of our most prominent military men tell us, we are in critical danger. All of us need to understand better the facts in this decisive controversy. We will continue to discuss it.

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LEGISLATIVE REPORT FROM Annapolis. By GOODLOE E. BYRON STATE SENATOR Carroll-Frederick District

Election Law Revision. Since 1965 the Election Laws Sub-Committee of the Legislative Council has been making a section by section review of the hodgepodge of voting laws of Maryland. The result has been a 108 page major rewriting and revision of election laws now pending before a special sub-committee of the Judicial Proceedings Committee of the Senate, headed by Senator Anderson (R-Montgomery). Voting is the fundamental act

of self-government providing the citizens of our free society the right to participate in the running of government. Despite the increased concern for vigorous self-government through universal suffrage, a substantial number of our people cannot or do not choose to vote. It has been suggested that restrictive legal and administrative procedures for registration and voting are a major reason for low participation. Frequently such procedures lead to

voter apathy and the suggestion that one vote does not count. That one vote does count has been proven repeatedly in recent years. In 1960, John F. Kennedy's national plurality was less than one vote per precinct.

The proposed election laws legislation would make three major changes and at least twenty others which could be considered significant. Among other recommendations would be the elimination of the dual procedure for registration of voters and the establishment of one procedure for continuous registration in all political subdivisions; simplification of the provisions and procedures on voting machines; and greater flexibility in registration and absentee voting. Other changes proposed would be the issuance to voters of a voter identification card; adoption of a constitution and by-laws by the major political parties; and standardization of registration and election day procedures.

Finally, the legislature has been asked to consider placing the staffs of election boards under the merit system to establish a state office of election law administration to provide a continued review of election statistics on a state-wide basis.

Congressman Long Blasts Governor

Rep. Clarence D. Long (D. Md.), said this week that Governor Agnew has already made his mark as a ruthless spender and taxer.

The Congressman said Agnew is doing a cruel thing to Maryland by putting through the biggest income tax increase in the State's history at the same time he is asking to be allowed to build a harbor tunnel and three bridges—the cost of which must

all come out of the taxpayers' pocket, even if it is a different pocket. The Congressman predicted a tremendous taxpayers' jolt when they learn what is in store for them.

"How many taxpayers," Rep. Long asked, "yet realize that the \$120 million tax increase may mean for them a doubling of their State income taxes? Will the family head, making out his check for twice as much income tax, get any consolation out of seeing twice as many bridges as we need at the same location near Annapolis?"

"Most Maryland taxpayers feel the way I do," Rep. Long said. "They want to do what is right for education, welfare, prisons, and other worthy causes. But at the same time we are told that more taxes are needed, we are asked to swallow a wasteful and unnecessary bridge program.

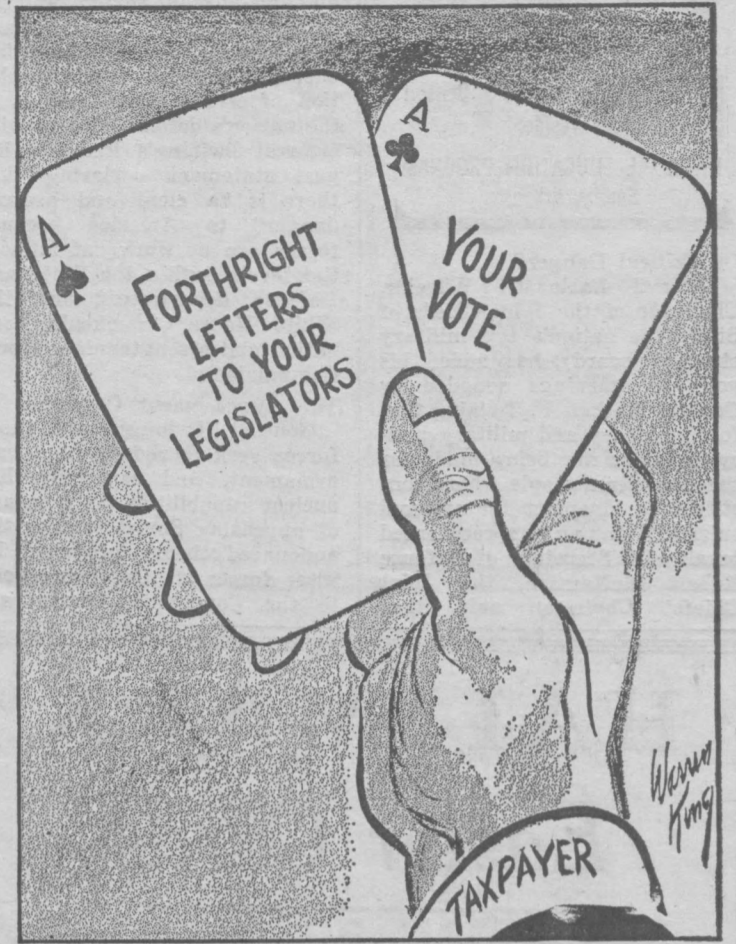
"One thing you might say about the Governor is that he is consistent in his spending. Some people like to squander big sums. Others like to squander small sums. Governor Agnew likes to do both.

"He hadn't even gotten into his Governor's chair before he doubled the size of his personal staff and raised their salaries besides. Now he wants authority to build three bridges and a tunnel, not one of which will carry enough traffic to pay for itself for decades to come. All of these must therefore be paid for out of the taxpayers' pocket.

"The Agnew argument that this is a different tax pocket will not

move the ordinary taxpayer. Who ever picks my pocket leaves me poorer, regardless of which pocket he picks."

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As the turn is completed, the skier again sinks down to re-set the edges. This is sometimes called, "carving the turn." At the end of the turn, the skier rises into a new traverse position.

Two important factors in this type of parallel skiing are: (1) that there is a good unweight at the start of the turn, and (2) that the knees are pressed forward and in the direction of the turn, so that the skier is carving the parallel christie and not just sliding around.

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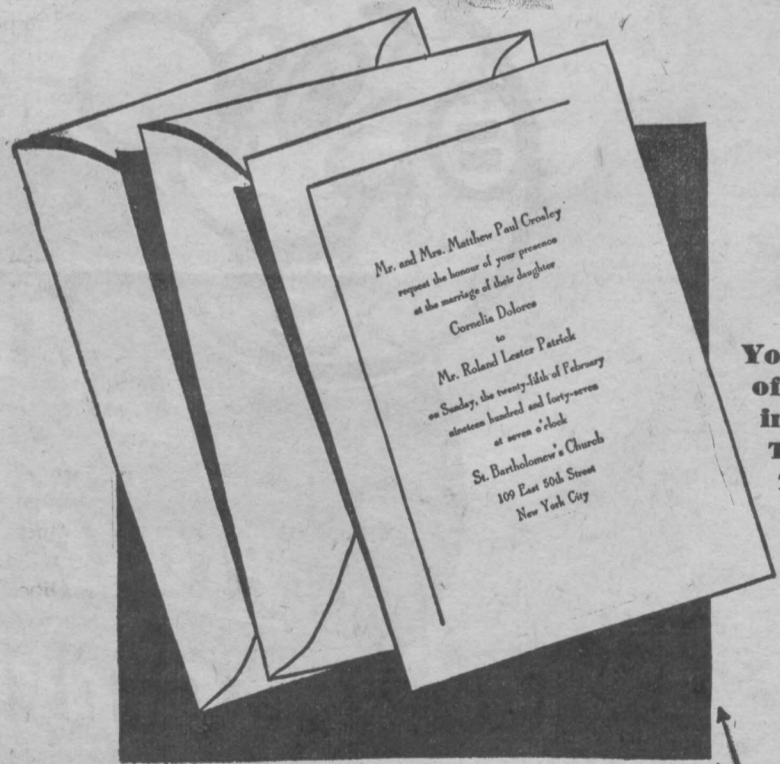
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