

Asia To Be Rid Of Alien Rule In Five Years, Prediction Of India's Leader

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New visitors to America have attracted such sustained interest to their expression of views as has Prime Minister Nehru of India.

This is due in part, I take it, to the directness and clarity with which he attacks the paramount issues of the day, and in part to the fact that in him we apparently see the great new leader of southeast Asia's millions. It is for this reason that this column returns to further comment on his opinions as one of the outstanding personalities of our time.

For example, in an address before the Overseas Press Club of America in New York, Nehru struck a body blow at the imperialism which is struggling to retain its foothold in the Far East. The prime minister declared that "next to hunger, nationalism in Asia still is the primary urge." He said that ultimately the Orient must "play a very important part in world affairs," have a bigger share of the

world's wealth, and rid itself of foreign rule.

Nehru then made the startling prediction that "four or five years" will see the last vestige of alien rule in Asia.

That prophecy has a peculiar interest for our column, since we have been insisting over a long period that the day of empires is rapidly coming to an end. The time when "mother countries" can dominate peoples of another race is all but past.

"Four or five years" may seem like a very short time to finish clearing imperialism out of Asia. Still, we must listen with respect to the man who, more than any other excepting the late Mahatma Gandhi, was responsible for the winning of India's freedom.

"Better Life" Will Survive

Another viewpoint of the Asiatic leader was expressed at a reception given by the United Nations Correspondents association of Lake Success. During an informal question period one of the newspapermen asked Nehru whether he thought Marxist and Capitalist societies could live side by side indefinitely.

"I don't think so," the prime minister replied. "It is possible, but ultimately one will influence the other. The society which delivers the goods—the better life—will survive."

By "better life," Nehru was taken to refer not only to material things but to spiritual and cultural matters. Of course to get the full significance of this appraisal you must know just where Nehru stands ideologically. As this column has reported previously, the prime minister is a moderate socialist, who believes in following a middle course providing for nationalization of some industries but leaving plenty of others free for development by private initiative.

In short Nehru aims at combining what he regards as best in both systems.



A JUMP AHEAD OF REDS—Chinese who fled Canton ahead of the Communists are shown on arrival in Kowloon railway station in the British colony of Hong Kong, Oct. 14. Reds walked unopposed into Canton that very night.—(AP Wirephoto).

Estranged Wife Slain When She Laughs At Spouse

LEAVENWORTH, Wash., Oct. 21. — (AP) — A young mother who looked at her estranged husband and laughed was shot down in front of a tavern here Thursday.

The victim, 29-year-old Dovey Whistman Stinnett, died on the sidewalk as her husband walked into the tavern, said "I've shot her," and gave himself up.

Prosecutor Robert E. Conner said the father, George Washington Stinnett, 28, confessed the shooting orally and later signed a statement in which he detailed the shooting.

Conner said Stinnett had been trying to divorce his wife, charging her with mistreating their nine-month-old son. They were married last year in Idaho.

The prosecutor said Stinnett told him he was talking with an old man in front of the tavern when his estranged wife came by with her sister. She didn't speak to him, just looked at him and laughed.

He whipped out a .22 caliber revolver he had obtained from her brother and fired five bullets into her.

The couple had been separated since last May. Before the breakup Stinnett had worked as a logger with the Peshastin Lumber Co.

Conner said he was told that Stinnett was dishonorably discharged from the navy in 1944 after robbing a taxicab driver in Cairns, Australia. He now is on parole from a justice court conviction in Pendleton, Ore., for stealing articles from an automobile, he told the prosecutor.

MONEY SUITS FILED
Gilmer-Griggs Lumber Co. has filed suit in circuit court against Clifford H. Wood, asking judgment for recovery of personal property, including logging equipment, or \$3500, claimed as the value of the property.

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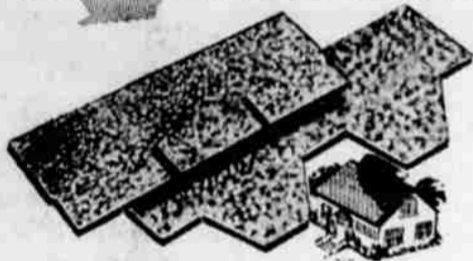
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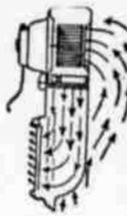
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