

One Out of Four Scientists Asked to Return to War Work

(Following is the third of six dispatches prepared by the American Society of Newspaper Editors' committee on atomic information in collaboration with the bulletin of the atomic scientists, and distributed by the United Press.)

One of America's most responsible scientists this week called for one out of four of his fellows to turn to "war work" without further delay.

He is Dr. Edward Teller, University of Chicago physicist and authority on hydrogen bomb theory. He is himself already at work at Los Alamos, N. M., presumably on this super-weapon.

"We are in a situation not less dangerous than the one we faced in 1939," Teller states in the



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current bulletin of the atomic scientists. "It is of the greatest importance that we realize it. We must realize that mere plans are not yet bombs, and we must realize democracy will not be saved by ideals alone."

Opposite View
The March issue of the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists contains both Teller's article and another of opposite view by Albert Einstein. The Bulletin is a little-noted forum in which debate America's leading men of science.

"Back to the Laboratories" is the title over Teller's argument, "Arms Can Bring No Security" is the title of Einstein's. Colleagues say Hungarian-born Teller has been urging for years—since the days of the Manhattan project, in fact—that science should find out if an H-bomb is possible. Whether or not the United States tries to make one, he has argued, someone else almost certainly will—and that someone will be working under the hammer and sickle.

"No one will be glad to discover more fuel with which a coming conflagration may be fed," Dr. Teller asserts. "But scientists must find a modest way of looking into an uncertain future."

Scientists are not responsible for nature's laws, he holds. It is their job only to find out how they operate "and can serve human will."

Rests With People
The responsibility of determining whether an H-bomb should be built and whether or how it should be used "rests with the American people and their chosen representatives," contends Teller. "As a citizen," he does not know "in what other way President Truman could have acted."

"Our scientific community has been on a honeymoon with me," he says. "Hydrogen bombs will not produce themselves. Neither will rockets nor radar. If we want to live on the technological capital of the last war, we shall come out second best."

"This does not mean we should neglect research of teaching. If we get to work now, it will be sufficient to have perhaps one quarter of the scientists in war work. The load could be lightened by rotation. If we wait too long, not even the effort of all the scientists will suffice. "Do we dare hope that all citizens in their turn will realize that democracy will not be saved without some daring ideals? I do not believe that the hydrogen bomb or the whole arsenal of technological warfare will save the United States unless we accept the fact that the United States and all the freedom-loving people of the whole world must be saved."

"The grim alternative is that all of us will live in tyranny."

Groups Must Try
All groups, this 42-year-old physicist pleads, must also keep trying for peace—and "to the scientist, at least, it should be clear" he can contribute by helping to make his country strong. Both Teller and Einstein, it

happens, are ardent advocates of world government "as the only real solution."

In this same issue of the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, however, Einstein writes:

"The idea of achieving security through national armament is at the present state of military technique a disastrous illusion. The maxim we have been following during these last five years has been, in short, security through superior military power, whatever the cost."

How, Einstein asks, do we therefore act: "Establishing military bases at all possible strategically important points on the globe. Arming and economic strengthening of potential allies. Within the country, concentration of tremendous financial power in the hands of the military, militarization of youth, close supervision of the loyalty of citizens—in particular of the civil servants by a police force growing more conspicuous every day. Intimidation of people of independent political thinking. Indoctrination of the public by radio, press, school. Growing restriction of the range of public information under the pressure of military secrecy."

Hysterical Character
"The armament race between the U. S. A. and the U. S. S. R., originally supposed to be preventive, assumes hysterical character."

Einstein calls "general annihilation" a clear possibility, and asks: "Is there any way out of the impasse?"

"The first problem is to do away with mutual fear and distrust," he argues. "Solemn renunciation of violence—not only with respect to means of mass destruction—is undoubtedly necessary. Such renunciation, however, can only be effective if at the same time a supra-national judicial and executive body is set up, empowered to decide questions of immediate concern to the security of the nations."

"Even a declaration of the nations to collaborate loyally in realization of such a 'restricted world government' would considerably reduce the imminent danger of war."

"In the last analysis, every kind of peaceful cooperation among men is primarily based on mutual trust and only secondly on institutions such as courts of justice and others. This holds for nations as well as individuals. And the basis for trust is loyal give and take."

FAIR WARNING

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Minneapolis, (U.P.)—Nearly \$10,000,000 has been invested each year since 1943 in Minnesota's telephone network, according to J. C. Crowley, Jr., an official of the Minnesota Telephone association.



EASTER SEALS HELP HIM—Eight-year-old Chester Doane, Port Orford, Ore., a cerebral palsy victim, practices climbing stairs at the Easter Seal agency's children's hospital school in Eugene. Mrs. Helen Dittman, physical therapist, lends an assist. The hospital school is financed by the sale of Easter Seals.

Terror-Stricken Russian Immigrant Hangs Self To Escape U. S. 'Gestapo'

Cushing, Okla., Mar. 23—(U.P.)—A terror-stricken Russian immigrant hanged himself because he thought he heard his name mentioned several times in radio newscasts about the deportation of Valentin Gubitchev, authorities said today.

The body of Jackin Saij, 37, was found dangling from a wooden beam in the garage of W. L. Simon on the outskirts of Cushing yesterday.

Working as Servants
Simon had brought Saij, pronounced "Sigh," to Cushing recently. With him came his wife, Prowska, 32, whom he married in a German displaced person's camp three years ago.

They had been working as

servants at Simon's house. Mrs. George Larrimore, a neighbor who speaks Russian and who befriended the couple, told authorities that Saij's eight years in German prisoner of war and DP camps had made him distrustful of police.

Two weeks ago Saij saw a radio in a church and since had been listening to news broadcasts to "learn the truth."

He followed accounts of the Gubitchev-Coplon espionage trial with intense interest, although he spoke only a few words of English, Mrs. Larrimore said.

Saij became unduly alarmed every time he thought he heard his name mentioned in the Gubitchev broadcasts, but the often repeated word which struck terror in his heart was "spy."

A physician called Mrs. Larrimore in to console them.

Not Fleeing Gestapo
Saij became apprehensive last week when he saw the Simons packing to go on a fishing tour, and Mrs. Larrimore argued with the couple for 45 minutes to convince them that the Simons were not "fleeing the gestapo."

Since that time the Saijs had become increasingly moody. When Mrs. Saij was told that her husband had committed suicide, she asked for a decent burial for his body.

"Please do not throw him naked into a trench," she pleaded.

Two Baby Girls Cry Audibly Before Birth

Louisville, Ky., Mar. 23—(U.P.)—Two babies born yesterday cried audibly before birth, hospital authorities said today. Doctors said there were only about 150 cases of such prebirth audibility reported in medical literature.

The babies, both girls, were born about nine hours apart.

The first infant born to Mrs. Robert G. Halliwell cried about five minutes before delivery was made. The other baby was born to Mrs. Phillip Zapp. Both babies were reported doing well.

Doctors at the hospital explained that on rare occasions fluid in the uterus is released during birth. The fluid is replaced by air, which causes the baby to begin normal breathing and makes it possible for him to cry before the birth is accomplished.

Civilian Pilot Found By Rescuers

Seattle, Mar. 23—(U.P.)—A coast guard helicopter crew rescued a downed civilian pilot today who was found crawling on hands and knees on snow-covered terrain three days after his plane crashed in a mountain wilderness 60 miles east of here. It was not believed the pilot was seriously injured.

The helicopter, hampered by fog and snow flurries landed in a clearing about noon today and waited for a para-rescue team, dropped to the scene earlier, to guide the survivor, Victor C. Roberts, 30, Spokane, Wash., to the coast guard plane.

Roberts was found by the ground party three miles from the wreckage of his plane, a single-engine rented Taylorcraft, shortly before the helicopter landed.

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Hollywood, Mar. 23—(U.P.)—Arthur Lake, who plays the role of the comic character, Dagwood, in the films, spent the night out and got tangled up by being arrested on a drunk charge, police reported today.

Lake, 38, was arrested at the apartment of a friend, Paul Sebring, 33, after a citizen complained about the noise.

Taken to Hollywood police station, Lake objected strenuously

to having his picture taken, according to news photographers, declaring: "You can't take my picture. No paper will print it. I own the papers in this town."

After Lake and Sebring spent a couple of hours in jail, Attorney N. E. Youngblood bailed them out and they were scheduled to appear in municipal court at 2 p.m. today. Their bail was set at \$20 each.

Lake was booked as Armeus Lake.

There has not been a case of cholera in Japan since December, 1946.

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Paroles Granted On Larceny Prison Terms

Suspended three-year prison sentences were given to Eugene D. Erickson, Arlo G. Stockton and Christopher A. Holder Jr. in a circuit court session Monday. They were placed on parole on condition they refrain from further violations.

Erickson was charged with larceny from a motor vehicle and Stockton and Holder were both held on grand larceny charges. They pleaded guilty on a district attorney's information.

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