

Iranian Oil---War Fuel?

The Iranian oil "nationalization" is gradually thrusting itself into the world spotlight. Iran has taken over a vast natural oil resource center located within her borders. This Iranian natural resource is the largest single oil production area in the entire world.

England in the past ran the show and reaped the benefits in the Iranian oil picture. Now England's oil contract is being breached and England pushed out of the director's seat in Iranian oil management and use.

Iran's new national head furthered the cause of oil nationalization and, in fact, came to his present prominence because of this stand.

This action of Iran is not just a nation taking unto itself its own, rather it is something far more world shaking. A glance at a world map and Iran's location thereon plus the knowledge that Russia needs oil badly gives the explosive picture.

England's oil technicians have "oil know-how" where Iranians do not. Who will supervise use of Iranian oil? Iranians must now auction off their newly gained oil resources. Who will be the lucky bidder?

Reports hint that Russia fathered and-by agent influence-steered the nationalization of Iranian oil and the effective taking away of British oil concessions in Iran. Russia needs oil for a war machine. In the interests of world peace she must not get it in Iran in the near future.

If the Iranian oil spigot is turned into Russia's oil barrel, World War III would not be so risky for oil-poor Russia. The vast Red land, air and sea war machines could be then thoroughly oiled and fueled for full scale world aggression.

England should submit the Iranian oil conflict for United Nations handling as soon as possible. Before the United Nations Assembly, England can air the whole matter and focus world public opinion on the sinister moves now occurring in Iran.

The United States, through Marshall plan aid, is trying the route of peaceful influence in preserving Iranian oil for use by the free nations of the world. This worthwhile effort should continue at a more rapid pace. The Iranian people need help and not brick-bats.

Why a Corporal Fights in Korea

(Editor's Note:-The every day waking thought of many citizens is: What about Korea and those who carry high the banner of -the United Nations in Korea? Corp. J. B. Tavender of the United States Air Force had thoughts on this matter and compiled them in a letter to the Tokyo bureau of the United Press.)

DEAR SIR:

inadequate for everyone. For that I remember a few weeks ago in reason, I suggested to myself-"What Korea a particular despondent even- if I didn't like the military? What ing. I was in the tent alone, the if I'd found security elsewhere?" others were working as usual. As I At this point, gentlemen, the soap remember, I realize I might have said box starts wavering, and I am gesturit aloud—"What am I doing here?" ing with both fists. It is a question I'm sure we've asked

ourselves at one time or another. Had I not been in the military last

I've given considerable thought to the June, I feel reasonably certain that I query. If you'll permit me the soap box, gentlemen, I shall elaborate. would have been standing in line at the recruiting station the day after The only logical answer I could the Communists marched across the

muster was simply that I am a career 38th parallel. airman assigned to the Far East air | Since the initial plans for a United in civilian life after World War II, I utmost faith in the belief that world any peoples that sought humane rights is their insurance for survival. decided upon a military career. I peace could be achieved only through a

liked the security of such a career. United Nations. From the tragic lesson of the ill-

eves watered tears of sheer joy.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Rural Units Must Supplement Metropolitan Defense Groups

By Walter A. Shead

(This is the last in a series of five articles on the civil defense program)

WHETHER YOU LIVE in a city, or a small town or on a farm in the rural areas of the nation, you have an obligation as a citizen, interested in saving your own life and the lives of your fellow citizens in the civil defense program.

Many folks in small towns or on

the farms may be inclined to take The same watchfulness is essenthe dangers inherent in a full-scale tial in detection of plant pests and war with a grain of salt. There are diseases. County agricultural no barriers to poison or nerve agents, farmers and regional, state gases. There are no limits to blolog-ical warfare, and the destruction of will advise which crops in their rethe means of providing food to our spective areas are most essential military personnel may be a main for national welfare, and therefore objective of our potential enemy. more likely to be the aim of biolog-Suppose your neighbors in a near- ical warfare. by city have the most efficient civil

large numbers of its personnel. Then it may be the duty of those in provise hospitals and many other defense rests at each level of local

The State and local governments defense system possible to work are furnishing approximately half out and an enemy attack knocks out of the three billion dollars appropriated in the national civilian deense act to provide for this nationsurrounding cities and towns and wide program. But in spite of every counties to move in as rescue teams thing the federal administrator may -to care for evacuees, to im- do, the responsibility of adequate

essentials of defense work. government including the responsi-There are hundreds of jobs for bility for health-service operations. civilians which must be filled-air-plane spotters, apprehension of rector to map out his state and to saboteurs, guarding against water determine in each locality just what poisoning or pollution, amateur ra-dio operators, ambulance drivers. A community then would find itself messengers, first aid trucks, stor- in one of three categories; first, age of thousands of items of supply cities within critical target areas; in medication and food-transport, second, mutual aid communities; engineers, housekeeping employees and third, mobile support commufor nursing and dietary depart-ments, cooks, laundresses, blood donors, watchmen at plants, utili-selves in one of the last two cateties, and essential services such as gories and their principal function dairies and pasteurization plants, would be to receive casualties from immunization of small animals to the nearby principal city, and to prevent rabies, grave diggers, spe- send health-service rescue teams cially trained radiation detection to its aid.

teams, air raid shelter construction-and dozens of other essential may be anywhere from 50 to 150 workers.

The mobile support communities miles from the nearest principal

Alert watchfulness on the part of city. And while these latter comfarmers to detect dangerous dis- munities might not be the delibeases in their live-stock, and pests erate aim of a bombing attack, and plant disease is highly im-portant. The bureau of animal in-dustry already has given instruc-unities in Europe and Asia distion to a large number of veterina- covered in the last war. The organrians in the differential diagnosis ization of these mobile support of these diseases and at the first communities in rural counties are suspicion the farmer should call the of greatest importance to the whole state livestock sanitary officials for civil defense program. The healthprompt investigation. In many in-stances large amounts of vaccine be organized to operate as self-conmust be promptly available and in tained teams in such fields as first any widespread outbreak, quaran- aid and radiological defense. Lartine procedure and destruction of ger communities with hospitals or animals and their burial may be sizable clinics would also be preall-important to prevent spread. pared to receive casualties and Special equipment for disinfecting should be able to supply complete crews should be immediately avail- surgical, burn and shock teams to disaster areas. able.

States doubled with the announcement, in the knowledge that I have served We were openly combating the my country, and in so doing, have forces of communism, we were com- assured the little peoples of the world mitting ourselves to the defense of that membership in the United nations in preference to suman bondage.

we were defending the very funda-

I've said it, and I'm glad, I now In the name of the United Nations, surrender the soap box. Yours very truly, J. B. TAVENDER CPL.



When I signed the dotted line, I supported League of Nations, it was knew that the military might ulti- evident that world peace could exist life. mately demand a wartime assignment. only so long as there existed a force In exchange for the security, I was powerful enough to impose it. willing to risk that ultimate.

It has now become necessary for the military to make the ultimate military support to the defeat of demand. Because of that necessity am here.

However, from bits of conversation If such a thing were possible, my with others, I gather my answer faith in the government of the United

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Had we failed to support the United Nations, had we failed to rally to the cause of the independence in the EDITORIAL COMMENT: When the United States pledged its republic of Korea, we would have failed our heritage.

Communist aggression in Korea, my In supporting the United Nations, we are encouraging a world-wide resistance of Communist aggression, in democracy will rally hehind Presi-In the end, that resistance shall be dent Truman in his dismissal of Gen-DESCRIPTION DESCRIPTION OF THE PRODUCT OF THE PRODU

In this world of ours today, there basically exists but two major fac- based is the supremacy of the civilian tors-that of Communism and that arm of the government over the of anti-Communism. Any country, military. however large or small, that refuses challenged that princple by disobeying to submit to Communist forces is an orders. A good soldier obeys orders. ally. If they are with us, they are A good American respects that not against us.

however reluctant.

Had we failed the republic of Korea, he did. He has reaffirmed civilian here would have been no faith in the supremacy, and by dismissing so United Nations for the many nations eminent a commander has made certhat today are bordering on Commun- tain that not lightly in the future will

the United Nations cause ian authority. In this unstable world, Had lacked forceful support, these that in itself is a tremendous contricountries now combating the Com-|bution to the strengthening of demo munist elements from within would cratic processes. have been forced to a resignationthe ancient story of "submit and trust the United Nations and the cause of the gods."

. . .

What am I doing here? minute cog in a very immense machine to extend it by "punishing" the that is geared to the production of a Chinese. He is irked because of the world peace. I shall ever take pride costly reverse he suffered last fall-

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eral MacArthur. A fundamental principle on which our government is MacArthur repeatedly principle. Truman would have been If they are not with us, they are faithless to his oath of office, and fodder for the Communist machine, might even have endangered our whole form of government had he not taken the bold and courageous action which

a military man again challenge civil-

Mr. Truman has also strengthened world peace by his dismissal of Mac-Arthur. The United Nations policy in Asia is to end the Korean war as I am playing the role of a very soon as possible. MacArthur wants a reverse largely due to his own faulty intelligence service. But the United Nations is not willing to plunge into World War III to gratify MacArthur's pride. With MacArthur out of the way, it may now be possible to move

> of the costly Korean adventure. Thoughtful Americans should think twice before joining the hue and cry led by the Fulton Lewises and the Gabriel Heaters in denouncing Truman. In dismissing MacArthur, he rose to the finest traditions of the Presidency. He struck a blow for democratic freedoms-and against military_domination-which we venture to predict, will ring through the years .- Oregon Farmer Union.

> toward a United Nations settlement

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