

Further Reflections On Nuernberg

In a letter published in The People's Platform on Saturday, Charles W. Tillet, Charlotte attorney and perceptive student of the United Nations, writes of the Nuernberg trial: "The horrible impenetrable wall of the sovereign state has been broken and laid open so that the forces of law can now come to grips with the causes of war at the places where they begin..."

their zone of influence, that they are frantically seeking to unlock the secret of the Atomic Bomb. Why not make with an impartial jury's definition of "activities calculated to bring about an ultimate breach of the peace?"

These two statements combine to provide an optimistic picture of the trial established at Nuernberg. Certainly the trials represented a sincere international effort by men of good will to establish justice in a sphere which has never existed before. But it contains an ominous foreboding that the "shell of the sovereign state" has already cracked under the impact of the Nuernberg precedents seems to us to blink the unpleasant facts of the present relationship between Russia and the West.

Or apply the definition to America. There is no iron curtain to hide the fact that the United States is maintaining full production of the B-29 Superfortress aircraft on spectacular long-distance flights to demonstrate her new bombing potential, arming bases in the Pacific and the Atlantic, and, by the way, putting into effect a plan to arm and train the armies of her Latin American neighbors, sending armed warships into the Mediterranean to "support our foreign policy," and to "show our determination to support the plan of universal military training. What would an impartial jury call these acts?"

Spain today. Are activities being carried on within that country calculated to bring about an ultimate breach of the peace? If so, can the United Nations intervene and put a halt to these activities before they are used in war? The answer that Nuernberg gives to this question is that the answer is yes, just as clear as the crack of the explosion at Hiroshima.

It seems to us that there is enough evidence at hand to sustain an indictment against either Russia or the United States under the act of "aggression" which Nuernberg. Obtaining a conviction, of course, would be far more difficult. Americans, certainly, would praise our military preparations as purely defensive, and would point in all sincerity to history for proof that we have never fought outside our own borders except after undue provocation. And Russia, of course, could make the same plea, and offer the same historical proof.

Certainly, in the case of Spain, the war is not a "civil war" but a "civil war" in an isolated case, one of the few surviving fascist states. As they demonstrated many times before, Russia and the western democracies agree fully that fascist aggression is a crime, and that the use of force and of that racism which was also judged criminal. This international condemnation of fascism, a logical outgrowth of the international effort against the Axis, is certainly one positive and immensely valuable precedent of Nuernberg.

But would impartial judges (and we must assume that an international tribunal would rule out any evidence tending to show that democrats are always on the side of the angels while communists are never on the side of the angels) necessarily the difference between the aggressive and defensive war? Would not an alert prosecutor recall that Russian leaders have always placed their faith in world revolution? And would he not also recall that Franklin Roosevelt once placed America's frontier on the Rhine, and call the court's attention to the fact that many responsible Americans are now seriously discussing the need for a "preventive" war?

But how does the test stand when applied to a non-fascist state? Does the iron curtain come evidence that the Russians are maintaining a standing army, that they have shifted their forces into "neutral" territory in the Balkans in an effort to gain an outlet through the Dardanelles, that they are rapidly and brutally imposing an alien form of government on the small states in

The code established at Nuernberg may very well be the last major effort to write morality into international law. But no law can be effective until it is accepted, without reservation, by all parties concerned, and is, therefore, enforceable. First there must be an area of agreement which makes it possible to define an act as illegal regardless of whether it is accomplished in Spain or in the United States. Clearly there is no such agreement, and the result through its potential work may be, the only immediate value of the Nuernberg trials is to call attention to its absence.

A Birthday Cake For Gaston

WE HAD RECEIVED sufficiently from the effort to lift the Centennial edifice, and recovered from an acute attack of every body, by the sight of all that newspaper, and we hasten to make our manners to a good neighbor.

With all due modesty The Gazette concludes its Centennial editorial with the hope that this week's celebration will become "a fixed habit with Gaston County in the Fall of each succeeding year as we add to our years and growth in stature and wisdom." There is no question that the Centennial has been a success, whatever the fate of the plan for the annual celebration. A county that has demonstrated such impressive capacity for progress during its first hundred years, the harder by all accounts, has nothing to fear of the future.

And The Gazette also pauses long enough to take a look at the present and the future. It is a good thing that North Carolina's banner liquor making county to the nation's premier.

Congratulations and best wishes, neighbors.

An Equally Revealing Item

HERE IS depressing news in the announcement that the Georgia State Bureau of Investigation has abandoned the fruitless effort to track down the murderers who lynched three Negroes at Monroe, Miss. It is equally depressing news that the FBI is not contemplating withdrawal because of "lack of cooperation." And it comes at a time when the Columbia, Tennessee, race riot trial is in the headlines, a travesty of justice that is hardly comparable to the acquittal of 23 out of the 23 Negro defendants.

quits it, but \$19,000 is a sizable sum of money for any league. It would represent freedom to most men, and it is the short-order cook. But how did he capitalize his good fortune? By living in ease on the Golden State? By heading for the land of opportunity? Not at all. He did what most men, white or black, would do. He packed up and headed home to buy a farm. His home is in Georgia.

Incidents like these, as friendly newspapers outside the region frequently point out, all but contravert the good impression made by the South's slow but steady progress in improving race relations. Certainly this will give rise to a withdrawal from the South's legion of constant critics, all of whom will overlook a less scandalous, but equally revealing item in the press last week.

The Fall election campaign moves now into higher gear. The fact that Wisconsin tribes of Indians refused recently to ask for the country back seems not to have deterred the Republicans.

As sporting a gesture as any since knight-hood was in flower in our Democratic Administration conceding Vermont a price lift on maple syrup.

That operation on Bilbo for "inflammation of the mouth" still haunts us. In fancy we hear one consultant asking the others, "Well, boys, do we amputate?"



People's Platform

The Battle Is On

Editors, The News: WHILE in Charlotte last week, I read with keen interest the articles appearing in your paper regarding the inadequate service given Charlotte and other North Carolina cities by EAL, and thought possibly you would be interested in copy of letter attached.

Raleigh, Durham, Greensboro and other non-competitive points on EAL, I find they have had similar experience numerous times. I have read in the papers that other airlines have applied to your Board for parallel routes or extensions and that you have refused to grant them. I am sure of their routes at the natural assumption that EAL deliberately encouraged such to and from these points to enable them to present at the hearings before your Board. They were operating on this route and to and from these points with great success and to add force to their possible argument, it would be unbecomingly to extend permission to any other airlines operating parallel routes, extend their routes to and from these points. When they (EAL) were flying empty seats on these routes, I am sure that these points. EAL's Vice-President Arnold is said to have stated they flew 2175 empty seats out of Charlotte in the month of August, but in my opinion this was due to their ticket and reservation agents discouraging prospective passengers from buying.

I have had more trouble in securing seats and reservations from non-competitive points on EAL than all the other airlines put together. I regularly travel every airline operating in the Southeast. Keep up the fight until you get some real service for Charlotte—you certainly are entitled to it.

I also understand EAL maintains an "Executive" list of preferred passengers, who are assigned to their preferred passenger, with the exception of Post Office or similar Government officials. Whether or not this is permissible or comes under the jurisdiction of your Board, I frankly do not know, but again this would seem to be discrimination against other air travelers who are not on this list.

May 31, 1946—Requested seat on flight that left Raleigh for Charlotte on P. M. at the time. Request originally made by phone to Atlanta reservation bureau of EAL, but advised no space available, although request was made on May 23. On arrival at Raleigh May 30, A. M., contacted EAL airport office, but was told no seats available. I would place my name on the waiting list. Continued to contact the R-D airport office until time for the station wagon to leave the hotel for the airport, but always received the same answer—no space available, but they felt sure it could be boarded if I came out. I finally was sold a ticket to Charlotte only on the day of the fact the five passengers were discharged at Charlotte, and nine were boarded on the R-D and only three passengers boarded. The other two passengers having the same trouble were discharged at Charlotte, and nine were boarded on the R-D and only three passengers boarded.

I am not and never have been a stockholder in any airline and my only interest in calling you attention to the above, is to place before you and your Board these facts that certainly should be considered in providing the air traveling public with adequate air transportation.

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Public Relations Dept. AIR LINE. SHELBY I HAVE read with interest the various articles and editorials in regard to the effort to organize the desired air service for Charlotte. But when he helps to do to assist in this up at once to see what I can do to help in this important undertaking.

THANK YOU for the articles which I have enjoyed reading. I hope that Charlotte and the surrounding territory can secure the service which is so long desired.

Member of Congress. I HAVE communicated with the Civil Aeronautics Board regarding the desire of the Aviation Committee of Charlotte to have six routes into Charlotte.

Byrnes Is Right

HAROLD FREEZE, CHATTANOOGA, TENN. — I have known Jimmie Byrnes about fifteen years, during which

times I have probably disagreed with him more than otherwise. However, I am convinced: 1) that he has grown greater in stature; 2) that after a long period of assessment, his policy of firmness with the Soviet Government is right.

My prediction of a five-year plan for friendship with the Russian people in no way conflicts with Byrnes. His policy of firmness with the Soviet Government is aimed at the Russian people, many of whom do not know what their Government is doing. The five-year plan for friendship is positive and constructive. The policeman on your beat may be a fine, conscientious guardian against crime. But when he helps to organize clubs, as many police do, then he is building constructively. It is the same with the difference between the policy of firmness and the policy of friendship. Both are sometimes necessary, and Byrnes has been so busy with one he has had time to concentrate on the other. If Russia goes on the rampage in Turkey, or even threatens to, then Secretary Byrnes will be absolutely right in being stern and for one shall back him up.

On Oct. 30, representative of the three Scandinavian countries... The new Scandinavian Airlines System... It is a measure of what has happened during the past six months that the Scandinavians are so enthusiastic about the new Scandinavian Airlines System... It is a measure of what has happened during the past six months that the Scandinavians are so enthusiastic about the new Scandinavian Airlines System...

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Samuel Gratton

Search For Solution

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Platform Diplomacy

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Goodwill Ambassador Wallace

FOODER DENNIS, LOUISVILLE, KY.—Unquestionably one of the most important things that the United States has done in the past few years has been to send a goodwill ambassador to the Kremlin... It is a measure of what has happened during the past six months that the Scandinavians are so enthusiastic about the new Scandinavian Airlines System...

Russia Needs Funny Papers

MRS. WILLIAM COOK NEW YORK CITY—I doubt if more than one or two publishers would object to my plan of a Russian radio station and a Russian newspaper in Moscow... It is a measure of what has happened during the past six months that the Scandinavians are so enthusiastic about the new Scandinavian Airlines System...

Drew Pearson's: Pearson Answers Queries On 5-Year Plan

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