

# Riff In War Clouds

**T**VERY once in a while a little gleam of sunlight L strikes through the black clouds of impending war that hang over the international situation, and it gives us at least momentary relief from the strain of fear of another world war, with all the certain horrors of the atomic bomb. It is with such relief that we read the announcement by Jacob Malik, the Soviet deputy foreign minister, that his government would pledge itself not to be the first to use the atomic bomb, and was prepared to talk



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People were calling that brisk fall breeze last Friday night a storm. It only cleared the air and was good for the average lazy mortal. Real gales occurred earlier in the history of Prince Rupert. Then, a late-at-night gust hardly got going until some folk were beginning to miss the roof. Plank sidewalks had a disconcerting way of shaking loose and folding up for a few hundred



## peace.

The statement was made in reply to several questions put to Mr. Malik by the Maryland Peace Committee which has been distributing a "peace ballot" asking signers whether they favor outlawing the atomic weapons and a United States-Russian meeting to negotiate differences. The organizers of the ballot claim that they had nothing to do with the "Stockholm Peace Appeal," which has been denounced as a fraud, the purpose of which was to disarm the Western Nations of their chief. weapon of defence in the event of an all-out Russian offensive in Europe.

Now that the Korean war has been won by the combined forces of the Western Nations, the Soviet government is, apparently, waking up to the fact that the Atlantic Pact means business. The rift in the clouds through which a little gleam of sunshine has come has been made by the utter defeat of the Red armies in Korea. Mr. Malik's announcement that his government will not be the first to use atomic weapons, and is now in favor of a peaceful settlemtnt of "differences," is a confession of fear. The would-be world dominators of Moscow have been striking fear into our hearts for the past five years, but the worm has turned, and they are, at least, beginning to be afraid. The men who sacrificed their lives in Korea will not have died in vain if they have put the fear of God into the hearts of the men of the Kremlin. Let us hope that the fear will grow, and that it will be the beginning of wisdom and of real peace for the world.

feet. And as for plate glass windows-there has not geen a grand smash in years. Only through an examination of early numbers of the News will details be available.

There would not be a prodigious water power going to waste in the untamed mountain country down the coast from Prince Rupert unless the region was as wild as they make them. Aluminum Company engineers are impressed by such a wilderness but sometimes there are circumstances when its a case of "the wilder the better."

The call to service offers a challenge. It may take someone near and dear. They'll see new sights, meet new companions, live new lives. But, says an exchange, such service instils virtues which we, at home, never hope to do. Discipline, in itself, is an opportunity-an educational advantage which too many fond mothers and fathers can or will offer their offspring. Military service puts the boy or the girl face to face with the world. But, it protects him in the process. It sees that he gets food. JUST WHAT'S A RED? care, clothes and shelter, no matter how inefficient his own. efforts might be. And only a small percentage of those called to unform will ever see the dangers of battle.

AN OUT-OF-BALANCE SITUATION-Drawn by Robert Chambers in the Halifax Chronicle-Herald. (CP PHOTO)

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mer owns his own land, raises as

much as he can, sells it for the

is too big for one family, many

the people join together and form

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panies of Canada have a job (like making steel or glass)



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It is that human beings need if you can produce and sell it at an unlimited number of goods a price your customers are willing and services. Some of these are and able to pay. But you lose necessities, like bread and but- money if you are inefficient or ter. Some are amenities, like if some disaster befalls your cusmovie shows, music on the radio, tomers ;or if you have too many or grand opera. Some are lux- competitors-that is, if too many uries, like nylon stockings, mink companies are trying to render coats or trips to California or the same public service. Florida in the winter.

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## WHAT NEXT IN KOREA?

THE FIGHTING may not yet be completely over I in South Korea. The end cannot, however, be long delayed and the ultimate result is not in doubt. This happy state of affairs has come with unbelievable speed. It is not so many days ago that the forces of the United Nations were pinned down in the small southeastern corner of Korea and people wert wondering whether and for how long they would be able to hold on even to this. The victory of the United Nations forces has been dramatic in its speed and completeness.

At this moment it has become necessary for United Nations forces to cross the 38th parallel into Northern Korea since General MacArglected. thur's appeal to the northerners to surrender has not been heeded. Quite apart from the danger in-George Bernard Shaw, being without evasion, utters what he volved in the threat of the Chinese Communist thinks. A patient in an English forces to intervene in Northern Korea after the hospital, and lying on his stomach, he yelled when a nurs-United Nations forces cross over the parallel, no started rubbing oil into his skin 'It's nothing at all,' remarked the one wants to prolong the fighting in Korea if a round us today? doctor soothingly. "She's only do satisfactory political arrangement can be reached. ing that to prevent bed sores" "Nothing at all?" roared Shaw It is clear to the Western powers, however, that it "whose bottom is she playing would be of no service to peace if they failed to with, anyway?" take their present opportunity to get some final It is beginning to appear that settlement based on the unification of the whole no matter what part of the world is engaging attention a crisis i country under a free and democratic government developing, or one is on the point -- if they were content to return to the situation of disappearing. Go through an average paper or periodical, and which existed before the North Korean aggrescount the number of times sion; in other words, if they left the North Koreans "crisis" appears. It does not always follow that what is called in a position once again to launch an attack on crisis, is actually that. Situation~ their brothers in the south when they had recovare arising all the time. of local importance, and of varying deered their strength and Moscow was ready for grees. but they have nothing to do with the fate of nations. or another attempt. even the possibility of war. Yet. practically everything, today would appear to be a "crisis." SCRIPTURE PASSAGE FOR TODAY "The God of my mercy shall prevent me."-Psalm 59:10 The bard of the Yukon was 76 the other day. He looks well and says he expects to live a lot longer His hobby is longevity. He has FAITH IS CONFIDENCE already written 700 peems. and Faith in your personal integrity, your willingness to PAY plans on rounding out a thousand. And it's just because he PROMPTLY, is the basis on which the merchant extends feels the way he does that Robert credit to you. Charge accounts are payable not later than Service's funeral is still a long the TENTH of each month. way off. CREDIT BUREAU OF PRINCE RUPERT When Thanksgiving was intro-

Three United States Senators. on their way from Seattle to been in an illegal price-Alaska to size up the territory fixing combine. Their exand gain new and timely imprescuse is that they never did act sions may call at Prince Rupert. contrary to the public interest. Anyway, they have been myited and it is to be hoped they will LOOK only reasonable profits. accept. Prince Rupert 15 the The main point which arises nearest city in Canada or the out of all this is: United States to Alaska. Being What's a Red anyway? neighborly, nothing is lost and usually, something is guined.

If a Red is somebody working for the overthrow of the system

of capitalism, or what used to be There is a local indifference to called "free enterprise" then the the "Operation Mercy" precauruddiest of all the reds are not tions to take place this month, in in the Communist party but in British Columbia, according the padded seats of the Board the Red Cross president at Prince rooms of big business. For these Rupert. But you can't find the latter, by the price fixing, finanslightest bit of indifference when cial manipulation, and just plain a ball game or prize fight is being profiteering have damaged their staged

own system far worse than Tim Buck and Co. could hope to do

Saskatoon small boys took in a thousand years. \$9,000 from a strong box in their

home and travelled as far as

Vancouver before being caught terprise system is not a bad one. up with. Five hundred had already been spent in buying what-

ever caught their fancy, and five duced, many, many years ago, spot tips. They are in line for it can well be believed, there was correction, but whoever was re- far less reason to give thanks sponsible for preferring his house than there is today. This would to a bank ought not to be ne- be a glorious world in which to dwell, could our chief problem

charity, the knowledge, the mercy and kindness we all acknowledge and accept in this age were unknown, centuries ago. Yet, it was then, the festival of Thanksgiving was thought of. Do we ever think of the blessings that sur-



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