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'Truman's Move Made Illegally'

EDITOR: The danger of atomic war has increased in the past two weeks. The increased danger is due to the intervention of President Truman and the military-monopoly forces behind him in the internal affairs of the Korean nation. While they hide behind the skirts of the United Nations, their conduct in Korea adds up to illegal aggression from start to finish.

First: No attempt was made to determine responsibility for the fighting in Korea;

Second: Neither the Chinese people nor the USSR was represented in the Security Council when action was taken by that body. Thus its actions were illegal and represented something less than the 'United' Nations;

Third: The resolution rammed through the U. N. in no way authorized the United States or anyone else to unleash war against Korea (and much less did it O. K. defense of Chiang on Formosa, defense of the puppet Bao Dai regime in Viet Nam, or intervention in the Philippines);

Fourth: The only foreign troops on Korean soil are Americans, 5,000 miles from the Redwood Empire. Admittedly there are no Russian troops in Korea. Thus American boys are being asked to fight Koreans on Korean soil—nothing less than an invasion of that nation. (Imagine our righteous indignation were the USSR to send troops to Mexico!)

An Iron Curtain has been clamped down by the press and the government. The people are entitled to the answers to some questions:

What was John Foster Dulles doing in Korea at the start of hostilities there?

What was the subject matter and what were the decisions at the meeting between Defense Secretary Johnson, Dulles, Gen. McArthur, and Gen. Bradley in the Far East just prior to the shooting in Korea?

Much evidence (Frank Bartholomew, as quoted in *The Press Democrat*, June 27; Homer Bigart, *N. Y. Herald Tribune*, June 26; Walter Sullivan, *N. Y. Times*, June 26; Allen Raymond, *Herald Tribune*, May, 1948, etc.) tends to establish the following as facts:

The South Korean government was a dictatorship like that in Franco Spain and was just recently repudiated in the elections;

The Syngman Rhee government was fearful of internal collapse (and the lack of enthusiasm displayed by the South Korean soldiers bears this out);

The Rhee clique was 'trigger-happy', created numerous border incidents and begged the U. S. repeatedly to allow full-scale invasion of the North.

From this evidence and plenty more it is safe to conclude that in all probability the Johnson-Dulles-McArthur-Bradley meeting was to lay the plans to give the green light for a Rhee puppet invasion of North Korea and unleash the present conflict so that the United States might intervene.

For the past five years we have been assured that the Marshall Plan, the North Atlantic Pact, A-Bomb stockpiles, and the cold war were necessary to guarantee the peace. The present plight of Korea proves that these were all deliberate lies. The American people have been deceived! The purpose of all these moves was precisely to bring about the present situation—to bring about war.

The lives of American boys are to be sacrificed in an attempt to thwart the will of the Korean people (both North and South) to establish a united country and rid themselves of a Chiang-like government . . .

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