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HYSTERIA AGAINST CHINA

THE SENATOR from Formosa, William F. Knowland, says he will continue his crusade for a policy that can be termed nothing else but a demand for preventive war against China and the Soviet Union.

This comes at a time when the Administration in Washington is trying to whip up hysteria against the Chinese for the arrest of Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) personnel in China.

A dispatch to the New York Times yesterday reported that Knowland will press even more for "a far harder line" than the Administration is taking. According to this report Knowland wants the U.S. to serve notice that any "subversion" by "Communists" anywhere in the world "might bring an American counter-attack."

Now let's just think through those words. Subversion is the word that has been used to describe the revolution in China and Indochina, the struggles of colonial peoples for land and the determination of socialist-minded workers in Italy, for example, to win an electoral majority.

That being "subversion," a "counter-attack" using atomic and hydrogen bombs mean preventive war. It means bringing down on American cities a rain of pestilence and death that threatens the very existence of our civilization. That's the Knowland - McCarthy foreign policy.

BUT WHAT ABOUT the outcry against the Chinese concerning the operations of CIA in the Far East?

A sober warning about the provocative activities of CIA has been sounded by the organ of railroad workers, "Labor." This paper notes the recent series of articles about CIA which appeared in the Saturday Evening Post. That series boasted how CIA agents were behind the overthrow of the Egyptian, Iranian and Guatemalan governments. And "Labor" asks:

"What is the effect on the people of these countries if they learn American agents are behind such sabotage?"

That same Saturday Evening Post series boasted about CIA operations in blowing up bridges and actually organizing sabotage, and other acts of violence both in Europe and in the Far East. It boasted how the agents of CIA penetrated to all the socialist countries.

Saturday Evening Post said in advance what the Chinese government is now charging against persons, both civilian and military, whom they charge are agents of CIA.

THE PROVOCATIONS of the CIA and the demand of Senator Knowland for war now are horses from the same stable:

A policy of coexistence must of necessity be a policy for peaceful coexistence. That means an end of interference in foreign lands. It means mutual agreements on such non-interference and for real friendship, trade and cooperation to take the place of inciting war.

Rejection of McCarthyism in foreign policy is an urgent American need. We need a foreign policy which

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