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The whole world wonders:

WHO GOT US INTO THIS MESS?

By BILL CARR

Wallace's 10-point program for peace

Representatives of 15 million Americans of Slavic descent meeting in Chicago, this week endorsed the candidacy of Henry A. Wallace.

Some 1,400 delegates who attended the fourth annual convention of the American Slav Congress in behalf of 800 organizations unanimously agreed that Wallace "is the only Presidential candidate who honestly, courageously, and with all his might leads the people's fight for peace."

Later the Progressive Party candidate addressed a mass rally in the Civic Opera House under the auspices of the congress, a federation of autonomous societies.

In his speech Wallace outlined a 10-point "program of action that would send a surge of new hope around the world." He urged that:

1. Financial aid to other nations be used "solely for the purpose of reconstruction" and to help the people of those nations to raise their living standards.
2. The program of "world rehabilitation" be conducted through an agency of the United Nations.
3. Negotiations "on the highest level" be instituted for settling the German and Japanese peace problems, and all occupying armies be withdrawn by a fixed date.
4. The peacetime draft be suspended.

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Taylor condemns assault-stabbing of Communist

NEW YORK — Sen. Glen H. Taylor, Progressive candidate for Vice President, has condemned the assault on Robert Thompson, New York state chairman of the Communist Party, as an attempt "to make politics a dangerous business and intimidate those who may seek office."

Thompson, 33, was brutally beaten by three unidentified assailants near his home in the borough of Queens. The men fled after stabbing him on the abdomen. Doctors said he will recover.

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War clouds grew darker over the earth this week, as the United Nations were asked to agree on a drastic program for disarmament.

To the question, "Will there be another war?" the people of the world got no satisfactory answer.

"That question is too deep for me," said Gen. Walter Bedell Smith, U.S. ambassador to Russia. But he added more reassuringly, "We are not trembling on the brink of war."

But war—next week? next month? next year?—was on the lips of worried men and women everywhere. It was

in the newspapers, too, as the Chicago Daily News joined thousands of newspapers elsewhere in headlining: "Fear of New War Grows."

At the meeting of the U.N. Security Council in Paris, representatives of all the great powers spoke as advocates of peace. Everyone wanted peace, judging from the speeches—but the war danger grew.

Speaking in behalf of the Soviet Union, Andrei Vishinsky said:

"Millions of common people, who paid with their blood for the crimes of the fascist inciters and organizers of the recently-ended war, cannot allow the repetition of a new war, which will bring in its wake severe calamities and hardships for all mankind."

He urged an arms slash of one-third within the next year.

Was Vishinsky sincere? British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin didn't think so, but his cabinet colleague, War Minister Emanuel Shinwell, said that he was.

Sober citizens would judge, not by Vishinsky's words (pleasant though they might sound), but by known facts.

One of the most important of these facts came to light in a dispatch to the Chicago Sun-Times from its Paris correspondent, Andre Visson. Wrote Visson:

"Intelligence reports from back of the Iron Curtain indicate not the slightest preparations for war in Soviet Russia or her satellites."

Last February, it was recalled, the U.S.S.R. had demobilized all of her wartime army except the 21- and 22-year-old classes. The number of troops remaining in her army is not known definitely, but it cannot be very large, considering the tremendous land area which Russia must guard. The Soviet Union covers more than one-sixth of the surface of the globe.

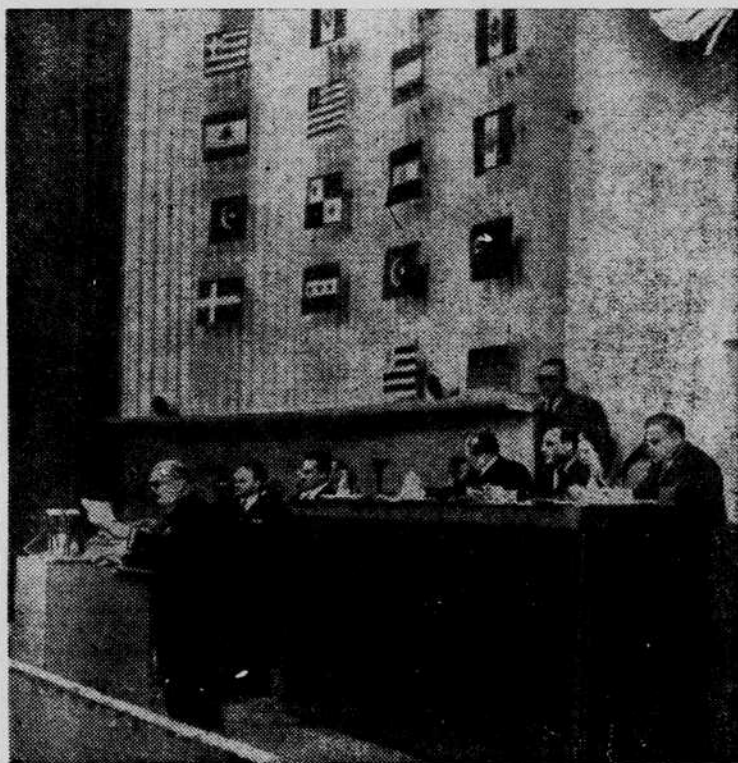
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This is important

The editors of The Illinois Standard feel it is high time that Americans—and Russians and Britons and Frenchmen—take time out to analyze clearly just how hot the "cold war" is getting; to find out who wants war, who would win a war, and how the world got into this mess.

Political Editor Bill Carr has completed a thorough research job by writing the article beginning in the column at the right. It is carefully documented and full of clear-cut statements by people who have had an eye-witness view of the developing situation.

It will give you answers to many of the questions you have been asking. If you don't read another thing in this issue you must read this article. Otherwise you may never know what hit you.



FRENCH PRESIDENT Vincent Auriol greets United Nations delegates at the opening session of the current meeting of the UN General Assembly in Paris. The eyes of all the world are on the assembly as people everywhere wait with heavy hearts.

EXCLUSIVE IN THE STANDARD

IN HIS SPEECH at the American Slav Congress convention here last Sunday, Henry Wallace outlined a 10-point program for peace . . . see pages 1 & 2. Senator Glen H. Taylor, Progressive candidate for Vice President, doesn't like violence or intimidation in politics or anything and says so . . . see pages 1 & 6. Sidney L. Ordower doesn't like hecklers and pie throwers at street corner meetings either . . . he's the man who's going back—back to the corner of Madison and Karlov sts. . . see page 2.

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ON THE FIRST BOUNCE

DON'T forget to register before Oct. 5 . . . see box on page 2 for details. If you've been wondering what the anti-trust suits against the meat packers are going to mean in terms of meat on the table . . . see page 3. Illinois Progressives are still making a fight to get on the ballot . . . they're on the picket line and will go into court this week . . . see pictures and stories on page 3.

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LABOR in the NEWS

PRESIDENT John Pilch, of type local 16, charges Senator Taft with trying to frame the typos . . . see page 2. Pickets at the American Zinc Co. plant in Fairmont, Ill., showed their mettle by standing up to a freight train that tried to cross the picketline . . . see page 6. Jim Krause of Steel doesn't know what this country is coming to . . . first he was slugged, then, when he took the slugger into court, the judge took the slugger's word that he deserved the slugging because "he's a 'red'" . . . see page 7.

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STANDARD FEATURES

METZ LOCHARD looks at the "Berlin Crisis" . . . see page 4. For the inside labor point of view ISABEL CARR'S "Looking at Labor" . . . see page 4. "Our Town" . . . see page 4. Movies reviewed . . . see page 6. Sports galore this week with AL VAUGHN all over the place on football, basketball, boxing, etc., in "The Fan's Corner" and other items . . . see page 8.

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WALLACE IN THE STANDARD

FOR HIS PIECE on the Bernadotte proposal for Palestine — see page 4