

# BEHIND THE HEADLINES

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JAPAN must create an army and make great efforts to insure its security. She must also demonstrate a more friendly attitude towards President Chiang Kai-shek's Formosa government than towards Mao Tse-tung's Communist Peiping regime.

These are two points that Mr. John Foster Dulles will make clear in Tokyo when he confers with Premier Shigeru Yoshida.

If Japan is not ready to give assurances on these points to Mr. Dulles and two United States senators who are accompanying him, the American statesman will point out he may find it very difficult to obtain prompt ratification of the Japanese peace treaty when

he presents it to the Senate upon his return from the Far East.

Under-Secretary of State James Webb yesterday gave two clues to the purpose of Mr. Dulles' visit to Japan. First of all, Mr. Webb stated, America is now striving to bring Germany and Japan into the family of free nations.

Considerable difficulty is being encountered now with regard to Germany. On the one hand, the European army plans are making little headway. On the other hand, France and many European countries are opposed to unilateral German rearmament.

The delays in Europe, in the eyes of Americans make Mr. Dulles' visit to Japan all

the more important because they believe it is vital at least to consolidate the Far Eastern area as rapidly as possible to avoid leaving both America's far-flung fronts wide open to potential Communist threats.

Secondly, Mr. Webb added that Mr. Dulles was going to Tokyo to convince the Japanese people of the vital part they have to play in the defence of the Far East.

Here again he indicated the importance the American government attaches to adequate Japanese forces to prevent or repel aggression with the help of American security forces and to a Japanese foreign policy in harmony with that of the United States regarding Formosa and Peiping.

Before Mr. Dulles, Mr. Dean Rusk studied the problems of Japan. He was faced with two divergent views of the State Department and the Defence Department.

General Ridgway would like to retain most of the American bases and installations and several other former occupation privileges. State Department officials would like to re-stitute full sovereignty to Japan.

Mr. Dulles' views will do much to shape a decision. It is believed he will try to impress Mr. Yoshida with the fact that he will be greatly helped in giving satisfaction to Japan if its government in turn meets him halfway—by building an army and remaining aloof from Red China.—World Copyright.

## We, the People

## Rule By Ninnies

Sir.—I think that the present Emergency was brought about as follows:

1. On our release from captivity, the Government paid itself and all its employees 3½ years full back pay. 6

## HE LOST A CAR

Sir.—I was one of those whom Government saw fit to compensate for the loss of my car during last year's

months full pay leave, return passage and many other concessions.

2. The next thing they did was to refuse to pay anyone else a single cent, although all had suffered alike.

3. The Government refused payment to those who had fought for them over a period of 3½ years. This includes the M.P.A.J.A. and Force 36 (Now referred to as the Bandits).

On whose shoulders does the responsibility lie for the emergency?

The bunch of ninnies often referred to as the Government of Malaya, have done their very best to aggravate the situation even

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