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Editorials

VIETNAM

Six times the U.S. has stopped the bombing of North Vietnam. Six times the North Vietnamese dictators have made no move to negotiate. Still the cry is heard throughout the nation--"Stop the bombing, Negotiate Now". We too support a quick end to the war. It is fairly clear that the Johnson administration has no plans for a victory. Since this is so, the proper course of action is to stop letting our troops die in vain and seek a Korean type settlement. Now that thousands of men have died, let's make sure that the negotiations, if they come, give no new advantage to the communists.

Why though must the U.S. stop the bombing? Haven't we done this six times without results? The U.S. continues to be vilified as the nation preventing peace in Viet Nam in spite of Hanoi's refusal to talk. We have made clear our intentions to negotiate. This government can not hold talks with its self whether the "peacenicks" think so or not.

It is time that the people of the world start to lay the blame where it belongs. Let the world ask Ho Chi Minh to seek peace. The U.S. did not stop bombing Berlin to ask for peace. Let the eyes of the world be focused on Ho.

THE PUEBLO

The inaction of the Johnson Administration directly after the seizure of the U.S.S. Pueblo was a sad commentary upon the ability of the administration to deal with the affairs of state. In dealing with the concrete bound Attila-like mentality of the North Korean dictators, Johnson's search for a "diplomatic settlement" was completely unsuited. The actions of the North Korean Communist state since its inception have always been governed by a lust for conquest and a complete inability to deal with any nation in a reasonable manner. The nature of the Korean state makes it impossible to deal with a crises such as this through diplomacy. They understand only brute force. It is easy to see that the Liberal intellectuals so long in prominence within the national government have morally disarmed themselves and in the process have seriously weakened the national will to survive.

It is clearly evident that a strong hand and firm actions were needed at the onset of this crisis. It is also evident that our President and his advisors are completely incapable of such actions. President Johnson has failed the test of crisis. Even if the Pueblo and its crew should be recovered, this incident has by now convinced our potential enemies of the values to be gained by attaching United States property. Since the North Koreans have not been punished for this act of piracy, they have no reason to stop such actions. Further, they have instead an incentive to continue on such a course since they have found themselves rewarded with a valuable prize.

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