

Prayers: Will. Horner died; University of Notre Dame Ill, brother of Frs. Tom &
also father of D. & B. Riley Religious Bulletin Bernard McAvoy. (Pray for the
also friend of Pete Palughi. April 24, 1951 the GREATER DEBATORS.)

Russia Has Us On The Horns Of A Dilemma.

Should we become more involved in Asia, the weaker our hand in Europe. But the more we become involved in Europe, the weaker our hand in Asia. "Don't scuttle the Pacific," the Koreans begged General MacArthur. "Don't scuttle the Atlantic," the frantic Europeans beg President Truman.

Russia has the ball. If our right end is weak, Asia is hers. If we concentrate our power for a run around our right end, Europe is hers for the taking. And if both our ends are strong, she can smash the ball right through center. . . Iraq.

It will make a whale of a difference to the Republicans or to the Democrats who is right in the "Greater Debate." However, the point at issue now and in the debating days to come is not who is right. . . but what is right. What world strategy will most effectively block the Soviet aim to dominate the world?

Atlantic-minded enthusiasts are rallying to the Truman Plan; Pacific-minded zealots are clamoring for the MacArthur Plan. Personalities are involved. But our world problem is not a problem of personalities. It is vitally important now not who is right but what is right.

If America is to survive, if the free nations of the world are to vindicate the greater freedoms, to the millions upon millions of slave men or free it will not matter a tinker's damn who shall wear the crown of victory or the wreath of death.

President Truman and General MacArthur both can't be right so long as their world strategies are contradictory. The facts, independently of the personality involved, will determine what course of action should be maintained. The truth will keep us free. Prejudices may make us disasterously wrong.

What We Must Do.

Ultimately God alone knows who is right and what plan ought to be followed. Only the divine Intelligence can reveal future free events with absolute certainty. The chances are He is more than likely to give us a lift out of this dilemma if we ask Him to, and if there are enough of us on our knees begging light and guidance.

The world is in a tough spot. The devil has us uncomfortably roosting on the horns of his dilemma. ". . . If we lose the war to Communism in Asia the fall of Europe is inevitable," proclaims General MacArthur. Lenin prophesied that as soon as Asia is won the world revolution would be in its last conquering phase.

However, in holding his position General MacArthur must necessarily disagree with present Western policy which represents the judgment of the President, the State Department, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the majority of the United Nations. Our grandchildren will know historically who was right and what plan should or should not have been adopted. . . If any grandchildren survive.

One fact we do know and that is this. The Mother of God told us at Fatima that if we do not pray and offer up sacrifices Russia will not be converted. And if Russia is not converted, she will spread her errors throughout the entire world and many nations will be destroyed.

The Key to Peace is God. Who's who in this "Greater Debate"? Not President Truman. Not General MacArthur. It is God. . . So let's shift the load to our knees and beg God with our whole heart and soul to guide the participants in this debate. This is no time for partisan politics. . . THIS IS THE TIME FOR PRAYER. Let's give God a break even if we break our backs and wear through the calluses on our knees.