

The Weather

Today—Windy, warm; chance of scattered showers; high 70. Maryland and Virginia—Chance of showers; windy, warm; high 70. Yesterday—High, 69 at 2:45 p. m.; low, 50 at 7:09 a. m.

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FIVE CENTS

800 Pupils Stay Home; 'Strike' May Go On Today

Corning Warns Parents of Webb, Payne Students Of Law Violation

By Martha J. Hall Post Reporter Nearly 800 children, scheduled to attend Payne and Webb elementary schools, failed to show up for classes yesterday as a result of a strike against a school board decision.

At Payne School, 15th and C sts. se., none of the 493 students enrolled appeared in their classrooms.

At Webb School, 15th and Rosedale ne., 16 were present in the morning, but by afternoon the number dwindled to nine. The school's enrollment is 307.

Leaders of the strike said they planned to continue today. The strike was called Wednesday night by a group of parents in protest against Board of Education approval of transfer of Madison elementary school, 10th and G sts. ne., from white to Negro use to relieve part-time classes at Payne, where 273 Negro children are on double shifts.

The parent group wants transfer of the larger Bryan elementary school, 13th and B sts. se., instead of Madison. They also contend Madison is too distant from Payne.

In the afternoon Dr. Hobart M. Corning, superintendent of schools, warned that the parents who keep their children out of school are in violation of the law.

Opposition to a school policy, he wrote the parents, "does not relieve any parent of the responsibility to send his child to school each day."

The District Code, title 31, section 207, provides that parents or guardians or others having charge or control of a child 7-16 years of age "unlawfully absent from school shall be guilty of a misdemeanor."

Conviction of the misdemeanor provides for a fine of \$10 or a jail sentence of 5 days or both. Each two days the child is away from school unlawfully constitutes a separate offense.

Boy, 14, Killed When Dry Ice in Jar Explodes

A 14-year-old boy apparently died yesterday afternoon when a glass jar containing dry ice exploded and sent a three-inch sliver of glass into his neck.

The youth was Robert Francis Fisher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ural S. Fisher, of 3612 Austin st. se.

The accident happened about 5 p. m. in the basement of the home of a friend, Robert A. Hatos, 13, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Hatos, of 3637 Austin st. se.

Young Hatos told police he and the Fisher boy found some dry ice in the yard of a home on Bignor st. se. He told police they took the ice to the Hatos basement, where they broke it with a hammer and placed the pieces in a half-gallon glass jar.

He said the Fisher boy held the jar in his hand when they replaced the dry ice. The Hatos youth started to leave the basement he told police, when the jar exploded. The Fisher boy stumbled up the steps to the dining room, where he crumpled on the floor.

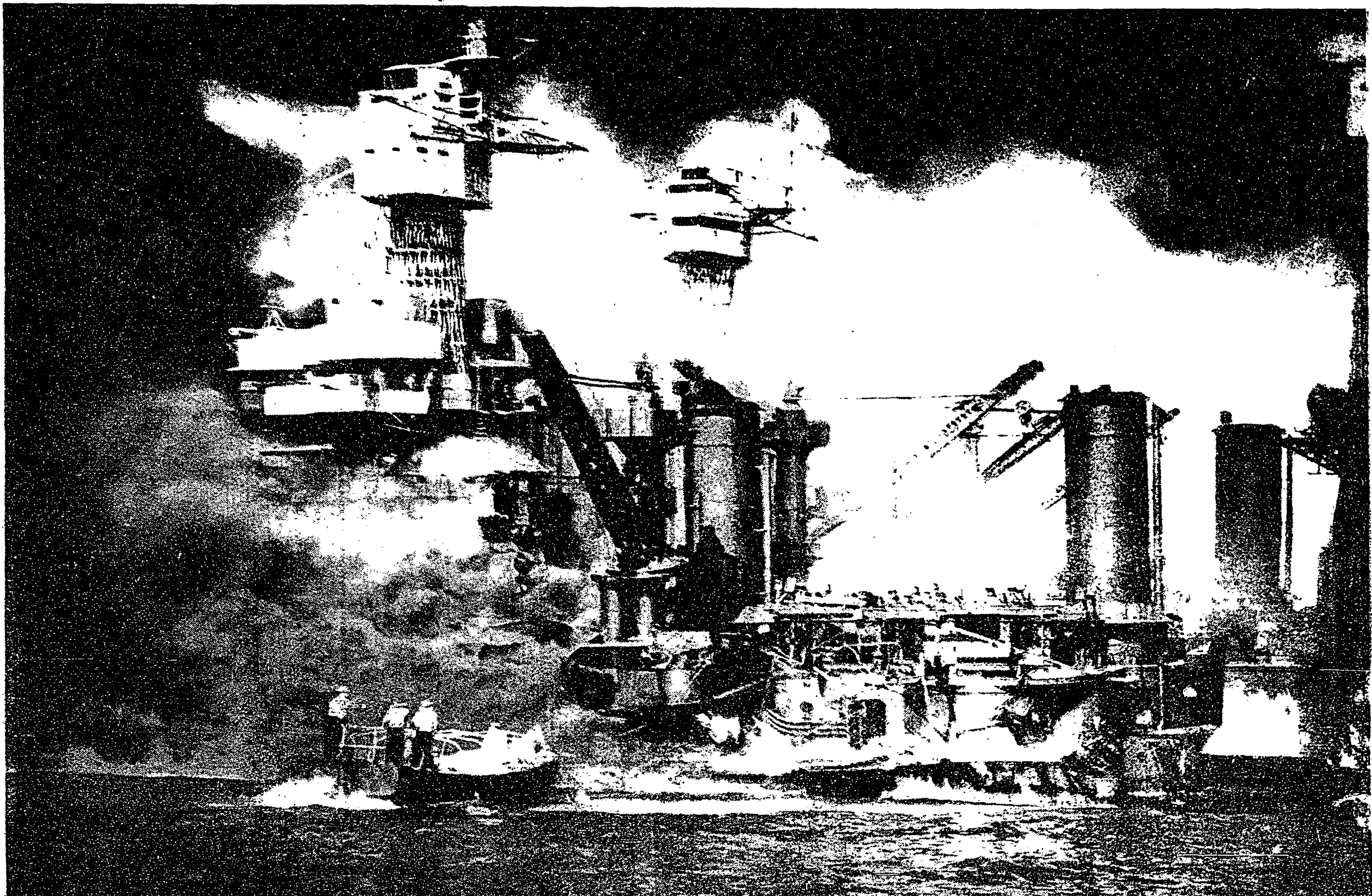
The sirens were part of a "paper bombing" of Washington which will last from noon today until noon Saturday on a 24-hour basis. The raid will include mock attacks by atom bombs and high explosives. The military district of Washington is sponsoring the test.

Here's How Same Day Action Works

Mrs. M. Marchant ordered a classified ad placed in the Tuesday Post, offering a little-used high chair for sale.

On Tuesday morning a Post reader called Mrs. Marchant and took it away. Mrs. Marchant has the money, a Post reader's baby has a high chair—all in one day.

If you have something to sell, put Post Same Day Action to work for you. Place your Washington Post want ad by calling National 4200. Ask for Classified.



5000 Red-Led Iranians Battle Troops, Civilians for 5 Hours

TEHRAN, Iran, Dec. 6 (AP)—Five thousand Communist-led youths, shouting death threats against Premier Mohammad Mossadegh, fought a wild five-hour battle in the streets today with police, troops and anti-Red civilians who totaled 10,000.

Five persons were reported killed and more than 200 injured.

The Communists started it with a defiant march on government buildings against orders forbidding demonstrations. The Communist Tudeh Party itself is outlawed, but has flourished underground.

Five thousand altered police and troops, with swinging clubs, thrusting bayonets, and Nationalist civilian backing, beat down the Communists in fighting that lasted from daylight until noon.

Nationalist extremist squads ranged through the capital city, smashing at least 10 newspaper offices and some properties of non-Red political factions opposed to Mossadegh's government.

Hundreds of Communists were arrested. A Red-front peace partisan headquarters, pro-Communist newspapers and a theater were wrecked by the furious Nationalists. The Nationalists scuttled mounds of Red propaganda publications.

They were believed to be taking advantage of the Communist move to destroy the known underground quarters of the Tudeh Party.

In a fury after the battle, however, Nationalist mobs also wrecked the offices of four newspapers that are non-Communist.

Pearl Harbor Day Mock Air Raid at Noon Today To Launch Test of D. C. Defense

Greater Washington today will mark the tenth anniversary of the Pearl Harbor attack by testing its air raid defenses.

Sirens will be blown at undisclosed times at Bolling Air Force Base, Andrews Air Force Base, the south post of Fort Myer and military installations at National Airport.

The sirens are part of a "paper bombing" of Washington which will last from noon today until noon Saturday on a 24-hour basis. The raid will include mock attacks by atom bombs and high explosives. The military district of Washington is sponsoring the test.

No troop movements will be undertaken but employees of some Army installations in the area will be evacuated to nearby shelters.

Apart from the sirens, the public will be unaware that Washington is under "attack." However, emergency radio facilities will be operating and the Army urges everyone to disregard any messages made public by amateur radio operators warning of impending danger.

An MDW spokesman said the exercise is primarily a test of communications signals. Its purpose is to probe possible weak spots in the Army's defense plans, according to Col. W. C. Roberts, maneuver director.

Air Blitz Silences 35 Red Guns; Allied Jets Bag Another MIG

SEOUL, Korea, (Friday) Dec. 7 (AP)—The United States Fifth Air Force announced it destroyed 35 Communist field guns—enough to outfit an artillery regiment—in a special frontline attack Thursday, and battled Red jets over North Korea for the eleventh straight day.

One Red MIG-15 was listed as destroyed, one probably destroyed and another damaged in the day's air battles.

The ground war was quiet for the ninth straight day since armistice negotiators agreed on a provisional cease-fire line. The infantry had little to do except beat off an occasional Communist probe and duck Chinese shells.

It was to stop some of this continual harassing fire that the United States Fifth Air Force made 107 ground-support flights in a special attack.

Preparations for assault began several days ago with a thorough photo reconnaissance of the whole western front.

At dawn Thursday the fighter-bombers went to work with rockets, napalm jellied gasoline and 500 and 1000-pound bombs, some time-fused.

"There is every indication that our close support should substantially reduce the mortar and artillery fire being received by U. N. forces in this sector," said an Air Force briefing officer.

In its record-breaking 11 consecutive days of fighting through Thursday, the Fifth Air Force shot down 33 Red planes, plus two probables and 32 damaged. Of the kills, 22 were MIG jets.

Yet, a new American ace, Maj. Winton W. Marshall of Raleigh, N. C., declared, "More MIGs than we've ever seen before keep coming down every day, and they're better than ever before."

The only ground action of any size was a three-hour fight southeast of Kumsong on the central front. Two Chinese platoons (possibly 80 men) drove a U. N. force from an advanced position, but the Allies retook the ground three hours later.

Red Stand on Prisoners 'Blackmail,' U. N. Says MUNSAN, Korea (Friday), Dec. 7 (AP)—Communist truce negotiators held out for a "price" Thursday in discussing exchange of Allied prisoners of war in Korea. A United Nations

Command spokesman called it "blackmail."

The Reds said Allied acceptance of a Communist plan for supervising an armistice must come before they would talk about prisoners.

They made this evident after Allied delegates presented an eight-point revised plan for supervision of a truce which offered some concessions to the Reds.

The Communists were expected to answer the revised U. N. plan or submit a new one at a fourth subcommittee meeting today at Panmunjom.

McCrath Backs U. S. Lawyers; 'Not One Derelict to His Duty'

Attorney General J. Howard McGrath predicted yesterday that not a single Government lawyer will be proved derelict in his duty in the tax scandal hearings on Capitol Hill.

This ringing endorsement was made at a luncheon of the Federal Bar Association at the Willard Hotel.

At no time did McGrath mention his former assistant, Theron Lamar Caudle. It was clear, however, that McGrath was speaking in relation to Caudle as well as other Justice Department and Internal Revenue Bureau lawyers implicated in charges of favor-grabbing.

"Not One Derelict" "I believe," McGrath said, "that when all the storms and the winds have passed, not one lawyer working for the United States will be found to be derelict in his duty or in his oath of office."

He acknowledged, however, that some Government officials had been "weak." Others, he said, acted from the "heart," and still others may have been "indiscreet."

But he stuck to his thesis that none of this proved a lack of "honesty or integrity."

McGrath accepted a pin of the Federal Bar Association, and said it should be a symbol that Government lawyers were "unapproachable."

Filing at Witnesses He then referred to the charges and denials made by Abraham Teitelbaum, Mrs. Shyrl Menkin, Frank Nathan, and Bert K. Naster at the Congressional hearings.

"Let this button on the lapels of the Government's attorneys be a symbol to all the Teitelbaums, the Nathans, the Nasters and the Menkins that we are unapproachable by persons of their low and filthy position in society," declared McGrath with feeling.

"As far as the Justice Department is concerned," he added, "you may be sure that we intend to leave no stone unturned. We will determine where guilt lies and where innocence remains undisturbed."

"Loves' Justice Department McGrath also had a word to say against "oracles" who predicted he was anxious to leave the Justice Department, perhaps for a Supreme Court vacancy in the future.

"I love the Department of Justice," he said. "I want to stay there as long as feasible. I have given up some of the greatest jobs in public life to be back in the family of the Justice Department."

His speech was greeted with standing applause.

British Doctors Want That Medicine Taken LONDON, Dec. 6 (AP)—British doctors enrolled in the national health plan urged today that patients who refused to follow their orders be fined.

The doctors said they favored reinstatement of a health service provision that a patient be fined 10 shillings (\$1.40) for the first offense and one pound (\$2.80) for the second. They asked the British Medical Association to bring a bill into Parliament to reinstate the original fine system, which was rescinded some time ago.

'Soft Touch' Prosecution Set Afoot By McGrath

Attorney General Asks Grand Jury Probe Into Tax Shakedown Story

By George T. Draper Post Reporter Attorney General J. Howard McGrath yesterday called for a Federal grand jury investigation of the charges and counter-charges made at the so-called "soft touch" shakedown hearings before the King subcommittee.

This was the first Government reaction to the scandal-laden story dumped in the committee's lap Tuesday by Abraham Teitelbaum, Chicago attorney who sprang gangster Al Capone from prison.

Teitelbaum, who was under investigation for tax fraud, said two men who tried to shake him down for \$500,000 to fix the case indicated they were connected with a "comb" of high Federal officials looking for "soft touches."

Denials were forthcoming immediately from the officials named by Teitelbaum, and two persons he said had knowledge of the shakedown attempt have branded his words as "lies."

McGrath's action yesterday followed an announcement by Rep. Cecil R. King, chairman of the House subcommittee, that apparently "one or more persons have perjured themselves before this committee."

"I have issued instructions this morning," McGrath said, "that all the testimony, reports and investigate materials of the King subcommittee relating to the Teitelbaum-Menkin-Nathan-Naster allegations to be obtained immediately."

Grand Jury Action Asked "We have also been in communication with United States Attorney Charles Irelan, and have requested that this matter be presented to a grand jury within the next ten days."

Irelan conceded he had been asked to start a grand jury investigation, but said that as of last night he had not received the necessary records.

The District grand jury would have jurisdiction over any act of perjury before the King subcommittee, he said, but it would not necessarily have jurisdiction over any illegal transactions which the investigation might disclose.

The three persons named with Teitelbaum by McGrath are Mrs. Shyrl B. Menkin, a chic Chicago divorcee who backed up the shakedown story, Frank Nathan, a Pittsburgh promoter, and Bert Naster, a businessman from Hollywood, Fla.

Nathan and Naster were accused of making the shakedown pitch by the fast-talking Chicago attorney, who yesterday offered See REVENUE Page 3 Col 1

D. C. Couple Found Shot to Death in Brentwood Home A Washington woman and a man, believed to have come here only last Sunday from Atlanta, Ga., were found shot to death last night in a North Brentwood, Md., home.

Police identified them as Ruby Stewart, 41, a Capital Transit Co. streetcar cleaner, of 2264 8th st. n.w., and James E. J. Waller, 55, retired Gallinger Hospital ambulance driver, who was staying at the home of Orlando C. Hobbs, at 4509 Church st., North Brentwood, where the shooting occurred.

Hobbs, who told police he had left the house to get some food, returned about 6:30 p. m. to find the couple shot, police said. Waller was lying on the bed with a .38 caliber gun nearby. The woman was lying at the foot of the bed.

Police said both had been shot in the chest. They were pronounced dead at the scene by Dr. John T. Maloney, Prince Georges County medical examiner.

Police said four bullets had been fired from the gun. Detective Sgt. Richard A. Pearson said the couple apparently had had an argument.

Correct, Full Returns Revenue Bureau Letter Asks Taxpayers' Aid in Doing Job

The Bureau of Internal Revenue is asking taxpayers to correctly and completely make out their 1951 income tax returns so the Government will have more time "to push more vigorously its drive against racketeers and other tax evaders to insure full tax collection from them."

A letter signed by Commissioner John B. Dunlap is being sent out with millions of tax blanks now going into the mails. Addressed to "dear fellow taxpayer," the letter says the biggest item in Internal Revenue's budget is the cost of "correcting errors" in tax returns. He said that 14 million of the 52 million

returns last year "contained errors." Pointers offered taxpayers included advice to "be certain you have left nothing out" in recording income. Dunlap also said deductions, if itemized, must be "fully explained so we will not have to ask you questions about them later." Dunlap added: "Remember, you must be able to substantiate them by your records."

Dunlap said defense costs placed "a responsibility on both you and me" and he concluded by declaring that "our goal is to see that everyone pays his correct taxes to his Government, and we know we can depend on you to help us attain that goal."

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