In the MERCURY'S OPINION

By Russell Maguire

PRESIDENT EISENHOWER'S administration has committed, in its first two years, ten out of the eleven major offenses charged against the Truman Democrats by the Republican campaign platform of 1952.

Here are the charges, as made in the Preamble of the Republican Platform. See if these charges don't apply as much to the Republican administration of today as they did to the Democrats of two years ago.

- 1. The Administration has "arrogantly deprived our citizens of precious liberties by seizing powers."
- 2. The people in power "work unceasingly to achieve their goal of national socialism."
- 3. They have "disrupted internal tranquility by fostering class strife for venal political purposes."
- 4. They have "choked opportunity and hampered progress by unnecessary and crushing taxation."
- 5. They have "created an appearance of economic health" by "war expenditures, waste and extravagance, planned emergencies and war crises."
- 6. They have "debauched our money," cut "in half the purchasing power of the dollar."
- 7. They have "weakened local self-government."
 - 8. They have "shielded traitors..."

- 9. They have "violated our liberties by turning loose . . . a swarm of arrogant bureaucrats . . . who meddle intolerably in [our] lives and occupations."
- 10. They have tolerated "corruption in high places."

The eleventh charge — that the Truman Democrats plunged us into the Korean War — is the *only* one of which the Eisenhower Republicans, who were the authors of the indictment, are not themselves guilty today!

With this lone exception, the Eisenhower administration, which promised reform, has merely perpetuated the Big Government policies established by the New Deal of President Roosevelt and reinforced by the Fair Deal of President Truman. In many instances the same key officials who initiated the Roosevelt and Truman programs have been held over to manage the job for the Eisenhower administration. In other cases, new men appointed to key jobs have been known in advance as sympathizers of the New Deal and the Fair Deal.

Of course the Eisenhower administration continues to speak in the name of the Republican Party, but does not represent the Republicans. The fact is that the Republican

Party is now little more than a name. America's traditional two-party system has quietly been replaced by a virtual dictatorship of "an invisible government." The expected change of two years ago, from twenty years of New Deal and Fair Deal to a Republican administration that would restore the nation's traditional balance of power, did not materialize. Instead, we have had under President Eisenhower what amounts to nothing more than the consolidation of the New Deal and Fair Deal.

The Administration is taking us away from the old States' rights concept as the Federal Government gets more and more powerful. And not only has the so-called centralized government grown upon the American people; it has also grown away from their representatives. Even Congress is ignored by the little hand-picked group in the Executive branch who actually control the nation.

What the Government is moving toward is as plain as it is perilous. Our present destiny—a satellite state in the universal Soviet dictatorship—is nothing less than a centralized world government, and the shortcut we are taking toward it is through the United Nations.

The world government threat is seldom discussed in print. Even when the threat is discussed in the halls of Congress, the newspapers are strangely silent. Senator Jenner of Indiana made a major speech in the

Senate last August 13th on the dangerous trend toward world government, and he was all but ignored. His speech is reprinted, in condensed form, starting on page 39 of this magazine. One or two brief quotations from his address will illustrate the seriousness of the situation.

Senator Jenner declared that "it the internationalist-collectivist lawyers who have neutralized American military power and made our promises ridiculous before the world." He explained that we could have the very best military establishment in the world "and yet be reduced to impotence by the thin silken meshes of the law. . . . It was the left-wing collectivist elite in our government who learned how to manipulate the levers of government in the 'thirties . . . and which consolidated its power in a legal spiderweb of treaties, executive agreements, conferences, and directives, in preparation for permanent control of our postwar policies."

Republican voters — and millions of Democrats who sided with them — elected the Eisenhower administration two years ago in the belief that campaign promises would be kept, and that the leftward trend toward centralized government, world government, would be reversed. Two years later, control of the Government lies more than ever in a small Executive Department clique apparently determined to turn the United States over to the dangerous United Nations.

How the COMMUNISTS Won Manchuria

By WES BAILEY

One of the most malicious lies that the Communists have been able to sell is the canard that Chiang Kai-shek's troops surrendered Manchuria because his regime was "corrupt." Nothing could be further from the truth, but the mythology lingers on.

For geography, not politics, was the key.

If we remember just a little bit of United States geography, we can recognize the task that Chiang faced when World War II abruptly ended. And we can see how the Russians—who came into the war after the atomic bomb hit Hiroshima—had an entire continent handed to them.

Spin a world globe and you will

see that China lies largely between the 25th and 45th parallels, as does the United States. If we can visualize the Mississippi flowing east and west, rising near Denver and emptying out of New York harbor, we will have a rough approximation of how the Yangtze has its mouth at Shanghai, and its head back in the mountains near Chungking. Manchuria becomes our New England, containing all the coal of Pennsylvania and the iron of Michigan.

Now let us remember that in 1931, fourteen years before World War II ended, Japan had invaded China and driven Chiang and his armies back up the Yangtze—all the way to "Denver," which approximates Chungking. All of the eastern