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Whether or not the United Nations can continue to function with Russia using the veto power all too frequently to aggrandize at the expense of its neighbors rather than to protect itself is becoming a very serious problem.

The original and sound conception of the veto was to protect the great powers against involvement of their interests by the action of smaller nations with less responsibilities in ways that public opinion would not support.

Most critics have agreed that 92 votes in the Senate for the Charter would not have been obtained without the veto clause.

The use or the threat of the veto, however, at every turn in the deliberations makes the veto an instrument not to protect but to paralyze. The resulting frustration is seriously threatening the early confidence in the United Nations as an agency to preserve peace.

To abolish the veto is certainly not practicable in the present condition of international affairs.

Increasing consideration must consequently be given to whether the United Nations can get along without Russia since it seems increasingly difficult to get along with the Soviet -- until the happy day when the Russian people shall make at least a peephole in the iron curtain.

Such a step can only be considered as a last resort but it is time public opinion should consider such a possibility.

Mobilizing world opinion behind a course calculated to preserve world order is obviously our objective.

Unilateral action by the United States offers very serious dangers of ultimate alienation of world confidence.

Every possible measure must be taken to keep in step with the opinions of the vast majority of mankind but this does not mean that the vast majority of mankind must submit indefinitely to an indiscriminate exercise of the veto for what is clearly not defense against a threat to vital interests.

So much for the black side of the picture. Now for the reverse.

World order can be immeasurably advanced and individual enterprise given a tremendous shot in the arm by more and more travel.

Selling sound ideas is the mission of women everywhere.

How to balance our budget in international trade is the problem today of every government in the world.

The \$64. question for every believer in protection for American labor in factory and farm is how are we going to sell abroad if we do not buy abroad.

Leaving the realm of diplomacy to the boys in the high hats and the spats, the common man and woman is privileged to consider the way in which each may help the arrival of "peace on earth."

Ten million Americans visiting foreign shores in the next ten years would do more than all the conferences in the world to promote international understanding and good will.

The airplane makes possible a new era of travel to formerly far lands.

Within five years we may confidently expect to go to London or Paris for \$100. in less than ten hours.

New possibilities dawn for middle class Americans to see the world within the limits of their time and purse.

Between the wars the automobile enabled millions of Americans to "See America First." Now millions of Americans want to see America last -- by that I mean outlast the systems that seek to supplant the ideas and the ideals under which America has grown great.

Overseas travel now comes within the reach of the common man. This means the dawn of a new day of understanding as the average American is able to see the ruins of the totalitarian civilizations of the last five thousand years that are scattered all over the face of Europe and Asia and around the Mediterranean.

Mr. Average American may also see the sinkholes and the cesspools in which world wide wars are bred, and come to a new understanding of what is going on in other lands.

Meanwhile other peoples will come to a new conception of Americans as they are privileged to see the real Americans rather than the glorified playboys out of Hollywood, who all too often have misrepresented America to the world.

Here is an idea to sell. As America starts teething in international affairs, thoughtful Americans may well start tithing with the high resolve that one-tenth of their time and energy will be devoted to world affairs in the interest of world peace.

The common people of all lands have much in common- particularly in the price of war.

Charles Lamb said "Do not introduce me to that man; I could no longer hate him."

Let the world get acquainted and our troubles will grow beautifully less.

Even our Russian neighbors will eventually get curious and want to find out about a system that is so much superior to theirs in the end product in happier lives.

All too many think American standards of living can come as a handout rather than as a result of the intensive labor and sacrifice of millions of Americans over hundreds of years in making America the productive marvel of the earth.

Global soup kitchens are not the solution of world problems.

To show the world how to save itself from its misery and degradation is our mission, but not to do it for them nor to relieve them from any of the toil or sacrifice by which alone America has grown great.

"And I, if I be lifted up, shall draw all men unto me."

We hear much of our imports of sugar, coffee, and rubber. We think of these items as the chief factors in balancing our trade.

Yet travel expenditures exceed all these items and are by far the largest single factor in balancing our international exchange and easily the one most susceptible of great expansion.

The second largest industry in New York City is the travel industry.

Many foreign countries recognize the significance of travel expenditures in securing American dollars and are planning to bend every energy to welcome American travelers.