

## 1967's Legacy to 1968

The calendar has just informed us that we must now write "1968" instead of "1967" in dating our correspondence, our periodicals, etc. A new year is begun and a large part of humanity celebrates, in the hope that the new year will prove a better, a more peaceful and prosperous one than the year that has just passed.

Yet we are aware that the newly-born infant has inherited an awful lot of headaches from its predecessor. In fact, not since World War II has the world been beset with so many serious problems. Even though the danger of world nuclear warfare that threatens to destroy civilization has at this time been shoved quite far into the background, we are still beset with numerous lesser wars or threats of wars, both external and civil.

Foremost among these threats to a peaceful solution of international problems is, of course, the war in Vietnam, the end of which is not yet in sight. In Africa, the young nations that became free of colonial rule during the past decade or two don't seem as yet to know what to do with their independence, and so every now and then we read of military coups in those countries, of civil war in Nigeria, of perpetual unrest in the Congo, and so on. In Greece, the ancient cradle of democracy, a military junta has been holding the country by the throat during the past 9 months, and King Constantine's revolt against the junta in an effort to re-establish democracy there has not succeeded.

As to Israel and its Arab neighbors, our readers need hardly be told that a formula for establishing a permanent peace between Israelis and Arabs has not yet been found, that Israel's security is still threatened despite its victory in last June's six-day war. Can such a formula for peace be found? This new year 1968 may or may not find the answer. We can only trust that it will.



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