

A World of Nuclear Powers?

Alastair Buchan, ed. Prentice-Hall (for The American Assembly). 176 pp. \$3.95/1.95.

Eight authorities from as many countries offer a variety of approaches to the problems of nuclear proliferation in this volume prepared for the International Assembly on Nuclear Weapons held in June 1966. One writer has assessed the "Capabilities of Non-Nuclear Powers," another has advanced specific proposals for a role non-nuclear nations can play in inhibiting the spread of weapons, there are reports on "Four National Debates"—in Germany, India, Sweden and Japan—and essays on "Nuclear Proliferation and World Politics" and "Alternatives to Proliferation."

The Word in History

T. Patrick Burke, ed. Sheed & Ward. 180 pp. \$4.50.

Another set of conference papers to be published recently were those presented at a symposium entitled "The Theological Task Confronting the Church Today," sponsored last April by the inter-faith John XXIII Institute of St. Xavier College in Chicago. The contributors, prominent Catholic, Protestant, and Orthodox theologians, include: Karl Rahner, Henri de Lubac, Edward Schillebeeckx, Joseph Sittler, J. B. Metz, Jean Daniélou, George A. Lindbeck, Alexander Schmemmann, Yves Congar, Charles Davis.

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Homor A. Jack, ed. Bobbs-Merrill. 137 pp. \$4.95/1.80

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China, the United Nations and United States Policy

United Nations Association of the U.S.A. 64 pp. \$1.00 (paper)

A "National Policy Panel" established by the UNS-USA to consider the issue of China representation at the U.N., concluded, in part, that "the United States' position in world affairs would be strengthened . . . by acknowledging that the China originally contemplated in the Charter has now been succeeded by two states, and that both states should be Members of the United Nations." The policy alternatives which the panel considered and its estimate of the implications this recommendation has for the parties involved, form the body of this report.

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