

Now, through worldwide nuclear superiority in defense and offense, the Soviets are exporting this fear to the rest of us. Fear of this power is causing American capitulation in many important areas around the world. Other excuses are given, but the root cause is fear.

There are two responses to fear. In some people this emotion is entirely debilitating. They become paralyzed by fear and are incapable of positive action against its cause. Other people rise to this emotion. It motivates them to strong and effective action against the threat. It is upon this kind of people that America has always depended for her survival.

Last week one Senate staff member who expressed to me full support for our civil defense efforts put it this way. "The real problem in the Senate is that these guys are afraid to think about nuclear war. They are so scared, that they refuse to really think about it." This denial reaction is very dangerous.

Now we did not find that all of the Senators with whom we spoke conform to this staff member's analysis. Certainly the ones who are introducing and sponsoring our resolution do not fit his analysis.

This is, however, a real problem. This is the reason that America's enemies concoct lies like "nuclear winter" and "legions of radiated mutant children". This is the reason that we hear baloney about radiated soil that won't grow crops and a lifeless planet. Fear is the stock and trade of America's enemies both inside and outside of her borders.

The only antidote to this fear is truth. The threat of nuclear weapons is fearsome. We know, however, how to protect ourselves from these weapons. That knowledge can turn fear from a debilitating emotion into a motivating emotion in many of our people and our politicians.

This is the reason that we will begin in November our Capitol Hill seminars on civil defense. There are courageous people in Washington now. The more their co-workers know of civil defense, the more courageous they will become too.

I was surprised at how well our civil defense resolution has been received. I was also surprised at how little is really known about civil defense in the Senate offices. We shall do as much as our resources permit to correct that situation.

What of greed, the companion emotion to fear? Of the two, greed is even more debilitating. Greed is a blinding emotion. In pursuit of more money, more power, more