

BETTER A SHIELD THAN A SWORD

*“Providence, who watches over children, drunkards and fools
With silent miracles and other esoterica,
Continue to suspend the customary rules
And protect the United States of America.”*

This poem hung on the wall of Dr. Edward Teller’s office at Los Alamos where he made many of his essential contributions to the American nuclear defense program. Clearly this prayer and others must have worked.

America was given men like Dr. Teller to protect her for the last 40 years. We still have those kinds of people, but now they aren’t being allowed to do their job.

Better A Shield Than A Sword, Dr. Teller’s new autobiographical book, is a fascinating collection of historical vignettes mixed with personal philosophy and an appeal for America to deploy the homeland defenses which could still save her.

This book is available from Macmillan for \$19.95 and also from *Fighting Chance* for \$19.95 postage paid (a little less in combination with our other defense books). It should also be available from your local book store.

Any one of several chapters in the book, especially the latter half of the book, is alone worth the purchase price.

Dr. Teller has been one of the most patriotic, far-sighted, and outspoken members of the American scientific community for 40 years.

Sometimes many others stood with him — and he prevailed, as in the debate over production of the hydrogen bomb.

Sometimes he stood alone — and he failed, as in the debate over nuclear testing. That debate, the lies which defeated him, and the atmospheric nuclear test ban treaty which resulted were disastrous for American security. The atmospheric test ban treaty has helped to create a whole generation of Americans who are easily manipulated by fear and ignorance.