

MacArthur Urged to Lead U.S. Peace Plan

WASHINGTON, March 6. — (INS)—Congress was urged today to call on Gen. Douglas MacArthur to take the lead in developing an American program "for the announced purpose of leading the world to peace through the abolition of war."

The appeal was contained in a letter sent to the Foreign Affairs and Armed Services Committees by Brig. Gen. Julius Klein (Ret.) of Chicago, who served under General MacArthur in the Pacific during World War II.

Klein said MacArthur's designation as head of an American move for world peace would carry special significance at a time when the new Russian leaders have announced a 20 per cent hike in military spending.

HITS RED POLICY.

He declared that "Soviet policy continues to be the touchstone by which the masses of the world try to fathom whether they will survive or perish," because the United States has failed so far to take advantage of the concept advanced by MacArthur late in January.

Utterance of the word

"peace," Klein added, "continues to attract closer attention when it emanates from Moscow than when it is pronounced in Washington."

Klein suggested that we "must throw away the book and devise bolder, more flexible tactical concepts that will enable us to wage the ideological war as successfully as we have been able to sustain our military undertakings in the past."

He added that the United States could regain the initiative in the cold war "if we avail ourselves in time of the concept advanced by General MacArthur in his Los Angeles address and if we call upon the author of that concept to lead in translating it into a practical international program."

TO HEAD GROUP.

He said designation of General MacArthur to "head a group of the best minds we can muster—in and out of government—for a campaign to abolish war" could open "a new path to peace and create simultaneously an opportunity to force the Russians to a choice between international outlawry and acceptance of a prohibition against international suicide."