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Barry Goldwater, whose credentials as a political prophet hardly place him in the category of a Delphic oracle, cannot really expect a serious response to his suggestion that Mr. Fulbright resign as chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Indeed, his charge that the Senator is giving "aid and comfort to the enemy" because of his criticisms of the Vietnam war is considerably less than sporting. The 1964 Republican presidential candidate has not hesitated to avail himself of the right of criticism on this and practically every other subject, though whether he gives aid and comfort to anyone is a matter of some question. Nevertheless, the critical Mr. Fulbright ought not to be too sensitive about gratuitously proffered advice. In November, 1946, the Senator from Arkansas himself suggested that because of the Republican congressional victory President Truman ought to resign and allow a Republican Secretary of State to succeed him. It is a reasonable surmise that Mr. Fulbright's answer to the present advice will be about the same as Mr. Truman's eloquent silence nearly 20 years ago.