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Slow When Haste Is Desired

The return to their homes of thousands of men from the theatres of war will be slow compared to the haste desired by anxious families and friends. According to official statements made this week it is expected that about five million men will be released from the service during the next twelve months. For peace times it is hardly likely that more than a million, if that many will be retained.

It is understood that it is not the plans of the army and navy to release all who are to be released at once. Such a course would play havoc with the labor situation and create chaos, even if it were possible. The understanding is that there is still much work for the army and navy to do and releases from service will be gradual but as fast as conditions will warrant.

Many will have to stay in Europe and Japan for several years; many will also have to be kept on both the Atlantic and Pacific oceans. The men will come home but the coming of many will be with less haste than is desired.

Where Planning Is Needed

The State has a post-war planning board and some months ago it was promising that great things would be done after the war. So far as this section is concerned there have been no investigations of possibilities; the lower North Carolina coast is not included in the plans for post-war activities of the State Planning Board, it seems.

As we see it, the lower North Carolina coast offers the biggest possibility for real worthwhile post-war development. This is in developing the sport fishing along Frying Pan Shoals, off Southport. A little aid in securing better boat and hotel facilities would wind up with thousands of sportsmen from other states being attracted to the lower North Carolina coast. One of the best sport fishing authorities in the United States recently told us that Southport has the greatest possibility for sport fishing of any place along the coast east of Florida. He unqualifielly gave it as his opinion that Southport has the makings of becoming a great sport fishing center.

Lessening The Damage

This year's high prices for low grade tobacco has undoubtedly gone far to lessen the damage done by excessive rains during late June and July. One effect of those rains was that there was an enormous amount of damaged or low grade weed. Many growers harvested this low grade stuff only as a venture. During normal years the cost of harvesting this damaged stuff would hardly have been justified in view of prices obtained.

But very few things are normal now. This year the poor grade tobacco has brought a profit-making price when offered for sale. Its sale at a profit has lessened the damage done by the rains, so far as tobacco is concerned.

Back To The Country

Right now the minds of hundreds of thousands of American people are turning back to the country, away from crowded, densely populated cities. Many of these people will follow their lines of thought. The days of desire to build and live in densely populated areas are passing, along with the coming of swifter means of travel.

One argument in favor of big cities has been that they provide employment and, to some, much more desirable living and recreational facilities. With modern travel the people in the country can easily go to the cities when they desire, avail themselves of such work as it affords and such recreational advantages as they desire. They can do this and return to their homes in the country without appreciable loss of

Birth Of New Age

Within the past week the world has seen the birth of a new age, brought about by the creation of the most powerful weapon of destruction that the world has ever known. Along with its powers of destruction, the releasing of atomic energy may also result in developing untold power for the good of mankind. This still remains to be

One thing seems to be sure; long wars will never occur again. If future wars come they will be swift, death dealing affairs, leaving seared earth behind them.

Yesterday we had planes with a range of but a few thousand miles and a speed of five hundred miles per hour. Tomorrow, powered by atomic energy, they may go at better than a thousand miles per hour and range from pole to pole. If war ever again comes in the face of the destruction that can be wrought by the atomic bomb, the targets will be military camps and great cities. To build and live in great cities in the world of tomorrow will be to invite death and destruction. Future wars will be aimed at the task of killing the greatest number of human beings in the shortest possible time and so shocking and paralyzing countries that they will surrender without a blow in return.

For Future Reference

There have been three happenings in Washington in connection with veteran's affairs which ought to be looked at togeather. The result may be useful for future reference.

First, Congress passed certain revisions to the G. I. Bill of Rights, designed to improve the Act in the light of experience. Everybody knows what the G. I. Bill of Rights provides-discharge pay, re-employment rights, loan assistance for a home, a farm or a start in business, aid for schooling, and other things designed to help the veteran get going again in civilian life.

Second, General Bradley has been appointed head of the Veterans Bureau with the expectation that this vast organization will be overhauled and tuned up for the big job ahead. Almost everyone knows what the Veterans Bureau does. Over and above a host of minor facilities it administers aid to those who have been discharge from the armed forces handcapped by war, and to the dependents of those who have lost their lives.

duced a bill to pay a bonus to everyone who serves in the armed forces during this war. The bill was killed in committee, and it is doubtful if its author expected it would pass-now. But it would be worth while-now-to examine a few things a bonus can do.

In want of other aids to retlrning veterans it can be of some crude help in readjustments. But there are many and better aids, most of them already provided. Because a bonus is paid to everyone who wore a uniform it can reduce by much the money available for those who really require help. Because a veteran bonus is so sweeping and so costly it can lull the public into thinking the job is done and into forgetting the many who must depend on the Nation's care for a very long time. Because 13 million veterans mean 13 million votes the gorgeous plum of a bonus can tempt pressure groups to go after it, mislead even ablebodied veterans into thinking of themselves as a class apart, and can, in a sense, corrupt or cow every politician not endowed with moral courage be yond the ordinary who touches the question.

That is what a veterans' bonus can do.-The Christian Scince Monitor.

The War Department says mankind has successfully made the transition to "a new age, the Atomic Age." On the international scene, this could well be an important deterrent to future wars. On the domestic scene, it could become a factor in the debate over the purposed Missouri Valley Authority and other public power projects. First dispatches cautiously suggested that controlled atomic energy may come to "supplement" other sources of power. Determination of the extent to which atomic energy will come to be used in the next half century must await study of data not yet made public-on coasts, output capacity, etc.

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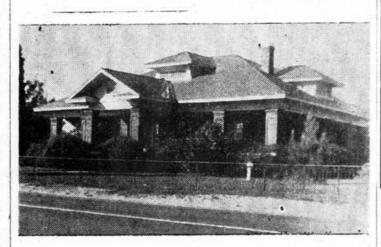
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