

Washington Notes

FOOD TO EUROPE

Just after the formation of a "National Committee on Food for the Five Small Democracies," with former President Herbert Hoover as honorary chairman, word came from London that the British Government, after due consideration, had determined to prevent the shipment of foodstuffs to the people in areas conquered by Germany.

ANTI-AIRCRAFT

The Navy will request \$300,000,000 for major defenses of its fighting ships, according to a letter sent to the House Naval Committee by Secretary Knox. Navy officers estimate that it will require from five to six years to complete the proposed alterations in ships already with the fleet.

SHIPS

The Shipping Board wound up the World War with 2,816 ships of which about 2,000 had been sold, scrapped, lost at sea or written off in one way or another. The Maritime Commission had about 107 cargo ships on hand last year. Fifty of these have been sold and the chances are that the rest will probably be disposed of to Great Britain.

CONSTRUCTION

Private construction in 1940 is estimated to be about \$9,925,000,000. This is the largest figure since 1930 and represents an increase of two and one-half per cent. over 1939. Of the total, \$2,050,000,000 represents residential building.

WATERWAY

Announcement by the President that he will seek early Senate approval of a treaty with Canada to complete the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Seaway and power project, as a means of speeding up defense production, indicates that this vexatious question will probably lead to another prolonged battle.

WARSHIPS

The Navy, it is pointed out, is receiving new fighting ships at the rate of one every twelve days. The National Defense Advisory Commission says that ship production is being stepped up and the forty-month building period for a cruiser has been cut by one-eighth, submarines are being produced in twenty-four instead of thirty months, and destroyers are being completed three months ahead of schedule. While a new ship every twelve days looks like fast work, it should be remembered that the Navy

COKE

Because of a shortage in the supply of coke in this country, the British have arranged to provide substantial quantities of coke for this country in order to keep the steel industry operating at capacity.

REPORT

While it is difficult to ascertain the extent of damage suffered in Great Britain as a result of German bombing attacks, authoritative United States sources in Britain are said to have not been seriously damaged by the German air force.

PLANES

In all likelihood the huge motor car industry will be geared to produce bombing planes along mass-production lines. Assembly plants will be erected and parts fabricated in automobile factories will be incorporated into bombing planes.

FOREIGN BROADCASTS

Thirty-one foreign languages are represented on the 3,721 current weekly radio programs which use 1,300 hours, according to the Federal Communications Commission. A total of 199 domestic radio stations schedule foreign-language broadcasts. Three-fourths of the time is for Polish, Spanish, Jewish and German broadcasts.

CANAL TRAFFIC

Ocean traffic traveling through the Panama Canal reflects war conditions. In the eleven months from January 1st to December 1st, 4,646 ocean-going vessels passed through the Canal as compared with 5,439 in the corresponding period of 1939.

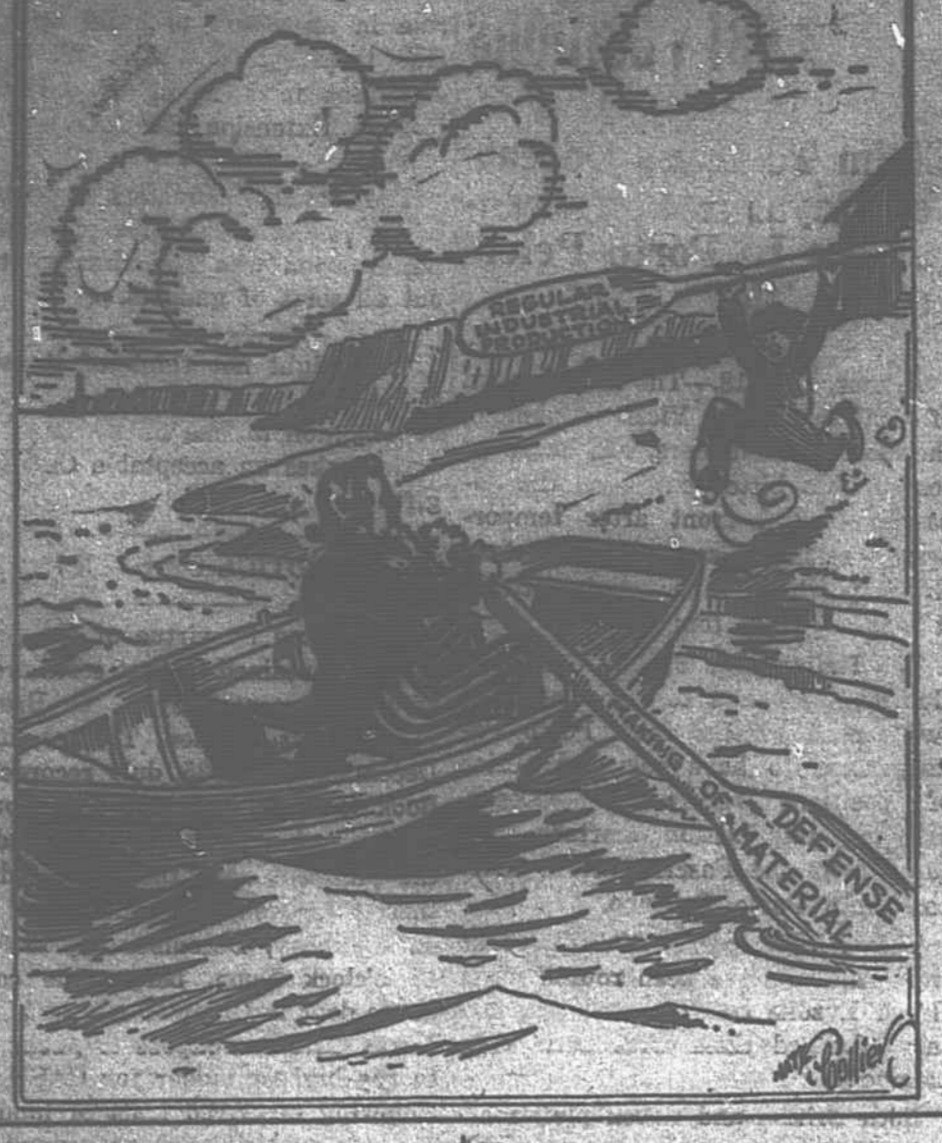
LOAN

A loan of \$50,000,000 to Argentina for the purpose of stabilizing her currency has been announced. The money will come from the gold stabilization fund. Secretary Hull describes the loan as a part of our collaboration to develop hemispheric economic defense.

DEFENSE FUND

Last Spring Congress placed a special defense fund of \$200,000,000 at the disposal of the President. Two-thirds of the fund has been spent, it is said, and the President plans to request an additional appropriation. Included in recent allocations were \$50,000,000 to the Navy and \$25,000,000 to the Army for developing the new Atlantic bases received from Great Britain in trade for fifty old Navy destroyers. Another allocation involves \$30,000,000 to the Army to build cantonments for the National Guard and Selective Service draftees.

HE NEEDS THEM BOTH



although Congress later appropriated regular funds for these purposes.

\$35,000,000,000
Economists of the Department of Agriculture estimate that the national defense program, now projected, will involve an expenditure of \$35,000,000,000 in the next five years. The peak outlay will be in 1942, when \$9,000,000,000 will be spent. The estimate is based upon the assumption that the United States will not become directly involved in war.

FOUNTAIN NEWS

By MRS. M. D. YELVERTON
Miss Ann Marie Jefferson is visiting relatives in Washington, D. C. Mrs. F. L. Eagles spent Wednesday in Raleigh with Mrs. R. L. Eagles.

James Lane Jefferson is spending the weekend in Morehead City with Jesse Staten a class mate of Campbell College.

Mrs. W. E. Leig and son, Truett Lang, of Walsenburg, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Eagles.

Students Home For Holidays
Students home for the Christmas holidays are, Misses Hazel, Eloise and Jean Owens, Mary Emma and Helen Brown Jefferson and Maude Emily Smith, of E.C.T.C., Miss Lina Mae Edwards, of Atlantic Christian College; James Lane Jefferson, of

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DEFENSE
Experts now believe that National defense orders awarded up to November 1 will result in the employment of 4,000,000 persons in this country by the middle of 1941.

REDUCED
Present indications are that hog slaughter will be reduced materially in the first quarter of 1941, according to the U. S. Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

SEQUOIA
J. Lyman Stewart of Norton, a Jackson County farmer, says the new Irish potato variety Sequoia is smoother, the vines stay green much longer, and yields are 40 to 50 per cent better than other varieties.

One law that hasn't worked: the Neutrality Act.

Debate: "Resolved, That the World Owe More to Guinea Pigs Than Guinea Pigs Owe the World."

Nobody knows what the next twelve months hold in store for the people of the United States, but it is safe to assume that there is sacrifice ahead for every loyal American.

The football coaches can now begin to work on the alumni and secure their jobs for the next season.

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