

This Week IN WASHINGTON

Washington, Jan. 8—Both the business of the shadow of war hangs over the whole atmosphere of official Washington, the sincerity of the Administration's efforts to do everything consistent with its neutrality program to bring about peace between the warring powers of Europe, are attested by the appointment of the first United States

Breath Betrays!

Bad breath, biliousness, headaches! These are symptoms which often point to constipation. Don't neglect these signs. It may lead to a state of constipation's discomforts: your stomach, no appetite or energy. Just take some spicy all vegetable BLACK-DRAUGHT by simple directions tonight and it will cleanse your bowels gently, thoroughly. Tone is imparted to lazy bowel muscles by BLACK-DRAUGHT. Try it.

Ambassador to the Vatican in 72 years. From 1848 to 1867 this country, like all other nations, maintained a diplomatic representative to the Holy See, entirely apart from the minister to the Kingdom of Italy. But the temporal domain of the Pope was ended in 1868, the Papal States were absorbed into the Kingdom of Italy, and the head of the Roman Catholic Church became the "prisoner of the Vatican" until the differences between the State and the Church were smoothed out by Premier Mussolini and the independent nation of Vatican City, with the Pope as its temporal ruler, was set up in 1929. By the appointment of Myron C. Taylor as "Peace Ambassador" to Vatican City the President has joined the 25 other heads of nations whose influence is being united with that of the Catholic Church in the effort to bring about a settlement of the European situation by the moral pressure of the forces of organized Christianity, of which the most powerful in the nations of Central Europe is unquestionably the Pope and his following. Able As a Negotiator By picking Mr. Taylor for this new post, the President has chosen an Ambassador of whose qualifications little can be said in criticism. Mr. Taylor was formerly chairman of the United States Steel Corporation, and is

recognized in the world of business as a man of high standards of honor and fair dealing, and especially able as a negotiator. Born and bred a Quaker, and so imbued with the peace-loving tenets of that sect, Mr. Taylor is now a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church. He is, however, a personal friend of the present Pope who, as Cardinal Pacelli, visited the United States several times and was a guest at Mr. Taylor's New York home, and has also been his guest at the villa which the new Ambassador maintains in Italy. The efforts of the Pope and of the heads of the other Christian sects to discover a formula whereby "peace with honor" can be negotiated between the warring powers, are beginning to be regarded in Washington official circles as offering almost the only hope of ending the war without terrific losses, human and economic, and consequences in which the United States could not escape involvement. Revival of Spiritual Interests That serious men of affairs, in public and private life, should turn to the ideals of religion in time of crisis with serious hope that this approach may be effective, is an interesting commentary upon the widespread revival of interest in spiritual things which is being manifested in America and the rest of the world. There is no doubt that more and more men in high places have become convinced that no lasting peace can ever be made except on the basis of the elemental principles common to all religions. In announcing the appointment of Ambassador Taylor the President called upon the churches of all creeds to join in the effort for peace in which he is cooperating with the Vatican, and especially asked the Rev. Dr. George A. Buttrick, president of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, and Rabbi Cyrus Adler, president of the Jewish Theological Seminary, to join their efforts with his and to lead their people into cooperation. In Washington official circles this latest move of the Administration is regarded as conclusive proof that there is no lingering thought or intent in the Presidential mind of letting this country be dragged into the European war if that can possibly be averted. The effectiveness of that determination is backed up by the amazing spirit of cooperation being displayed by the 20 other American republics in joining with the United States in protest against bringing the war within shooting distance of this continent. Fought Near Coast. The naval battle between the Admiral Graf Spee and a British cruiser squadron was fought almost in sight of the capital of Uruguay. A British cruiser chased a German cargo ship to the very entrance of the harbor of Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Another British cruiser was lying in wait for the German luxury liner Columbus less than 250 miles east of New York, when the liner's captain decided to sink her rather than run the risk of being sunk. Instances of naval operations by both sides within the three-hundred-mile "safety zone" which the recent Pan-American conference marked out as the limit within which war-like activities would not be tolerated have stirred the nations of Central and South America as they have never been stirred before to cooperate with the United States. The protest sent by Washington to London and Berlin is being supplemented by individual protests from the other American nations, and a general conference of Pan-America is expected to discuss ways and means of making such protests more forceful. Nobody in Washington objects to Britannia ruling the waves; indeed, the hope is unanimous that she can keep on doing so. But the warning is clear that we don't want any fighting in our own back yard.

Eastern North Carolina, moved to the farm of Mrs. Viola Wilkins the past week. We are sorry to note Mr. Richard Hall and family have been shut in the past week with flu. We are glad to state little Miss Doris Proctor, Miss Nancy Shore and Mr. Zeno Tucker, who have suffered recent attacks of flu, are out again.

HAMPTONVILLE

Mrs. C. F. Mullis has returned to her home here from the Baptist hospital in Winston-Salem, and is getting along nicely, her many friends will be glad to know. We are sorry to note that Mrs. J. J. Whitlock is confined to her bed. Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Ashburn spent Monday in Winston-Salem, attending to business matters. Mrs. A. M. Johnson has returned to her home here from a Statesville hospital, her friends will be glad to learn. The Christian Endeavor Society

of the Hunting Creek Friends church has been well attended during the winter, but due to much illness in the community and the extreme weather, the meetings will not be held for the next two weeks. Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Thomasson spent Sunday in Elkin. Most of the homes in the Hunting Creek community have been wired for electricity and expect to have the lights connected within two or three weeks. We are sorry to know that the condition of S. H. Mason is not so favorable. Mr. Mason is ill at his home here.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture has estimated the 1939 commercial apple crop at 100,284,000 bushels, almost 18,000,000 bushels above the 1938 crop. WHY suffer from Colds? For quick relief from cold symptoms take 666 Liquid - Tablets - Salve Nose Drops

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For Cartoon - News — Admission 10c-25c

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Admission 10c-25c

Wednesday—Matinee and Night—
"SKY RACKET"
With Herman (Dare Devil) Brix
Key Mouse Cartoon - Serial — Admission 10c to All

MOUNTAIN VIEW

Mountain View Sunday school is holding up fine, considering the sickness and bad weather. Mrs. Harrison Tucker remains in Winston-Salem where she was called to the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Ted Swalm, the past week. We hope for Mrs. Swalm, who has been ill for several weeks, a speedy recovery. Mr. and Mrs. Wint Shore moved into their new home on their farm south of Mountain View church the past week. The many friends of Mrs. Valie Shore will be sorry to learn that she is confined to her bed with flu. Mr. and Mrs. Gurlie Nicks, of Winston-Salem, are remodeling their home on their farm here where they are expected to move soon. Mr. and Mrs. David Pardue, of

TAX LISTING

Important Notice To Tax-Payers

The Legislature of 1939 passed an act changing the month for tax-listing from April to January.

Listing in this county began on Tuesday, January 2, and will continue for the entire month. List takers have already been appointed, and notices will be put up in every section giving the dates upon which listers will be in your community.

LIST YOUR PROPERTY GIVE IN YOUR POLL IN JANUARY

All Property Owners and Taxpayers in all townships are required to return to the list taker for taxation for the year 1939 all the Real Estate, Personal Property, etc., which each one shall be required to give in then.

All Male persons between the ages of 21 and 50 years are to list their polls during the same time.

All persons who own property and fail to list it and all who are liable for a poll tax and fail to give themselves in will be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction be fined or imprisoned.

Each farmer or tenant should go before the list taker prepared to furnish all information and farm data called for by the North Carolina Farm Survey.

RESIDENTS OF ELKIN TOWNSHIP WILL LIST AT THE OFFICE OF W. J. SNOW, TAX COLLECTOR, OVER ELKIN BARBER SHOP, ELKIN, N. C.
B. F. FOLGER, TAX SUPERVISOR SURRY COUNTY