

\$100,000 PEACE PLAN PRIZE AWARDED

Advocates Entering World Court and Cooperation With League Without Full Membership at Present—Suggests League Membership Be Opened to All Nations and Provides for Development of International Law.

The American Peace Award brought forth 22,165 plans and many thousands of letters. Since many of the plans were the composite work of organizations, universities, etc., a single plan often represented the views of hundreds or thousands of individuals. The content of these plans is therefore an index of the true feeling and judgment of hundreds of thousands of American citizens.

These plans come from every group in American life. Some are obviously from lifelong students of history and international law. Some are from persons who have studied little, but who have themselves seen and felt the horror of war—or who are even now living out its tragedy.

But among them all are these dominant currents: that, if war is honestly to be prevented, there must be a face-about on the part of the nations in their attitude toward it; that by some progressive agreement the manufacture and purchase of the munitions of war must be limited or stopped; that while no political mechanism alone will insure cooperation among the nations, there must be some machinery of cooperation if the will to cooperate is to be made effective; that mutual counsel among the nations is the real hope for bringing about the disavowal of war by the open avowal of its real causes and open discussion of them; and finally that there must be some means of defining, recording, interpreting and developing the law of nations.

Statement of Jury of Award

The Jury of Award realizes that there is no one approach to world peace, and that it is necessary to recognize not merely political but also psychological and economic factors.

The only possible pathway to international agreement with reference to these complicated and difficult factors is through mutual counsel and cooperation which the plan selected contemplates. It is therefore the unanimous opinion of the Jury that of the 22,165 plans submitted, Plan Number 1469 is "the best practicable plan by which the United States may co-operate with other nations to achieve and preserve the peace of the world."

It is the unanimous hope of the Jury that the first fruit of the mutual counsel and cooperation among the nations which will result from the adoption of the plan selected will be a general prohibition of the manufacture and sale of all materials of war.

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The Question to Be Voted Upon

The substantial provisions which constitute the plan selected by the Jury of Award, and upon which the vote of the American people is asked, are hereby submitted by the Policy Committee as follows:

I. ENTER THE PERMANENT COURT

That the United States adhere to the Permanent Court of International Justice for the reasons and under the conditions stated by Secretary Hughes and President Harding in February, 1923.

II. COOPERATE WITH THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS, WITHOUT FULL MEMBERSHIP AT PRESENT

That without becoming a member of the League of Nations as at present constituted, the United States Government should extend its present cooperation with the League and propose participation in the work of its Assembly and Council under the following conditions and reservations:

Safeguarding of Monroe Doctrine

1. The United States accepts the League of Nations as an instrument of mutual counsel, but it will assume no obligation to interfere with political questions of policy or internal administration of any foreign state.

In uniting its efforts with those of other States for the preservation of peace and the promotion of the common welfare, the United States insists upon the safeguarding of the Monroe Doctrine and does not abandon its traditional attitude concerning American independence of the Old World and does not consent to submit its long established policy concerning questions regarded by it as purely American to the recommendation or decision of other Powers.

No Military or Economic Force

2. That the only kind of compulsion which nations can freely engage to apply to each other in the name of Peace is that which arises from conference, from moral judgment, from full publicity, and from the power of public opinion.

The United States would assume no obligations under Article X in its present form, or under Article XVI in its present form in the Covenant, or in its amended form as now proposed, unless in any particular case Congress has authorized such action.

The United States proposes that Articles X and XVI be either dropped altogether or so amended and changed as to eliminate any suggestion of a general agreement to use coercion for obtaining conformity to the pledges of the Covenant.

No Obligations Under Versailles Treaty

3. That the United States will accept no responsibilities under the Treaty of Versailles unless in any particular case Congress has authorized such action.

League Open to All Nations

4. The United States Government proposes that Article I of the Covenant be construed and applied, or, if necessary, re-drafted, so that admission to the League shall be assured to any self-governing State that wishes to join and that receives the favorable vote of two-thirds of the Assembly.

Development of International Law

5. As a condition of its participation in the work and councils of the League, the United States asks that the Assembly and Council consent—or obtain authority—to begin collaboration for the revision and development of international law, employing for this purpose the aid of a commission of jurists. This Commission would be directed to formulate anew existing rules of the law of nations, to reconcile divergent opinions, to consider points hitherto inadequately provided for but vital to the maintenance of international justice, and in general to define the social rights and duties of States. The recommendations of the Commission would be presented from time to time, in proper form for consideration, to the Assembly as to a recommending if not a law-making body.

Author's Name Not to Be Revealed Until After Referendum

In order that the vote may be taken solely upon the merits of the plan, the Policy Committee, with the acquiescence of Mr. Bok, has decided not to disclose the authorship of the plan until after the referendum. The identity is unknown to the members of the Jury of Award and the Policy Committee, except one delegated member.

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See Voting Coupon next column

DR. J. O. HOOPER, PROMINENT SALUDA PHYSICIAN, DIES

Dr. John Orville Hooper a very prominent physician of Saluda, died in Saluda Saturday night from the effects of pneumonia and other complications of diseases.

Dr. Hooper had resided in Saluda for the past 16 years, he came to Saluda to take up the practice of his profession in 1908, and during these many years here, he was prominent, and took an active part in Religious, Political, and Social affairs of his community, and at his death he was Supt. of the City Water works, and a City Commissioner, he had held various offices of the city since his coming to the city 16 years ago, and was one that had the good of the people of his community at heart, willing and ready to respond to all calls in order to help his fellow men. Dr. Hooper was an active member in several fraternal societies, namely, Masonic, W. O. W. Junior of United American Mechanics, F. L. T. and Redman.

Dr. Hooper was a widely known physician and has a host of friends throughout the State. He was born in the Mills River section of Henderson County, and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hooper, Henderson County, Dr. Hooper was born June 16th, 1881, and was 42 years old at his death. On September 7th, 1921, he married Miss Annie L. Hart, daughter of Mr. J. L. Hart, of Saluda, and unto this union was born a son John O. Hooper, Jr., who is only eight months of age. Dr. Hooper leaves a wife, one son, one adopted daughter Miss Elizabeth Hart Hooper, a mother, Mrs. Ruth Hooper, three sisters, Mrs. L. Mrs. Virgil Galloway, four brothers, Mrs. Scutter Johnson, Mrs. Virgil Galloway, four brothers Mack, Waltr, Dennis and Frank all of Henderson County.

The funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the family church French Creek Baptist Church. The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. M. C. Lunsford, pastor of Saluda Baptist Church.

TRYON SUBSCRIBES OVER \$700 TO W. N. C. INC., FUND

Approximately \$750 was subscribed by the business men of Tryon to fill the quota of \$1000 assigned to this county for Western North Carolina, Inc., at a dinner held Wednesday night at Oak Hall by the Chamber of Commerce.

Following a number of speeches on the subject of co-operation and advertising, J. N. Jackson of the firm of Jackson and Jackson "started the ball rolling" with a subscription of \$100. Within ten minutes the fund had been raised to \$700.

Columbus business men indicate that they will be able to obtain their portion of \$150 and Saluda will make an effort to reach a total of about \$250.

SOLICITOR JAS. CARSON DIES AT RUTHERFORDTON

Solicitor M. Carson, of the 18th judicial district, died Monday morning in a hospital at Rutherfordton, according to a message received at the office of the governor. Mr. Carson was operated on for tumor last Saturday. He appeared to be doing well and his recovery seemed probable, but a turn for the worse developed. He was elected to the office at the last election, succeeding G. D. Bailey. Mr. Carson was solicitor of the Eighteenth district one year and a member of the board of trustees of the university. The funeral was held Tuesday at the Presbyterian church. He leaves a widow and five children.

Mrs. David Currie of Fayetteville who has been the guest of Mrs. Nelson Jackson Jr., returned to her home last night.

DRAMA FORTNIGHTLY TO PRESENT PLAY ON JAN. 17.

The Drama Fortnightly under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Peattie will present Galsworthy's "Loyalties," a strong play of modern English life, next Thursday evening at the Parish House.

Guests are cordially welcomed and Tryon visitors are invited to share in this always popular diversion.

D. E. CONNER PASSES AWAY AT PACOLET VALLEY HOME

Funeral services for D. E. Conner who died Wednesday afternoon at his residence in Pacolet Valley were held Thursday afternoon from the residence, the Reverend J. F. Black officiating, assisted by the Reverend W. B. O'Neill.

Mr. Conner was an old and respected resident of Polk County coming here about 25 years ago. He was vice-president of the Bank of Tryon from the date of its organization and was a member of Skykula Lodge. Masonic services for Mr. Conner were held at the cemetery with the Reverend C. P. Burnett officiating.

Invitations were sent out this week to members of the Holy Cross Parish meeting on Monday evening, January 14 at 8 o'clock at the Parish House.

Mr. Darby Fulton, a missionary to Japan, on furlough, will address the Woman's Missionary Society of the Congregational Church next Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock. The public are cordially invited.

LYNN

Since our last letter many changes have taken place in and around our village.

Christmas day was celebrated in a very quiet stay at home kind of way—and their was quite a home coming and home going among the younger set.

Our people are out of water at this writing, main supply pipe having frozen up.

School opened Monday with about the usual attendance.

J. B. McKaige Manager Tryon Hosiery Manufacturing Co. made a business trip to Atlanta last week.

Dr. Justice stated to his congregation last Sunday that the payment for the seats in the church had been made.

Pot flowers, lettuce beds and other tender plants about the house and garden got a set back last Saturday night that will not recover from till spring.

Start the New Year right by subscribing for your own home paper.

PEA RIDGE

Mrs. James W. G. Voorhies and Mollie Taylor attended quarterly meeting at Gray's Chapel Saturday.

The cold weather Saturday and Sunday was unwelcome, for it killed flowers, bursted canned fruits, radiators on cars, and bit our toes.

Miss Lizzie Dalton has returned to Asheville, where she attending school.

Misses Lucy and T. Price visited their grandparents Sunday, Mr and Mrs. James Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Edwards were supper guests, New Year, at Mr. Arthur Thompson.

Mr. Grover Thompson, made a business trip to Rutherfordton Monday.

Miss T. Price returned to Spindale, Monday, after spending the week-end with her parents.

Mr. Calvin Phillips, and family will move this week near Inman, S. C. Mrs. Phillips will be missed at Pea Ridge Baptist church as she was a great help and worker there.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Thompson called to see Mr. James Thompson, Sunday, who is in very bad health. We do hope to see him out again in good health.

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA, Inc.

Nineteen Bureaus Will Carry Out Plans For Development of the Twenty-two Counties Comprizing Mountain Recreation Center.—Will Benefit Resorts, Industries and Agriculture Alike.

While there is no intention on the part of those interested in Western North Carolina, Incorporated, to separate in any way Western North Carolina from the balance of the State, the purposes and objects of Western North Carolina, Incorporated, are to assist in every way possible in the industrial, agricultural, educational and cultural development of Western North Carolina, to the end that it may be maintained as the most beautiful and desirable residential section of North Carolina; that it may have its agricultural and manufacturing industries developed to the highest degree of perfection; and that its educational and religious facilities may be of the highest type and for the use of all the people. The corporation will try to be the eyes, vision and imagination of that section of the state; and, while dealing with the present, will consider conditions a generation or more in the future and try to arrange for the present to build and develop in the future. It will assist in putting the land, the resources and people of Western North Carolina to their best use.

In order to carry out these purposes, Western North Carolina, Incorporated, will function through several bureaus or divisions, as indicated in the following sketch:

Western North Carolina, Inc.

- Executive Committee
- President
- Bureaus
 - Educational, Assembly Grounds, Farm Homes, Hotels and Inns, Boy and Girl Camps, Fishing and Hunting, Regional and Tourist Towns, Forests, Highways, Transportation
 - Agricultural Industries, Publications, Conventions, Exhibits and Expositions, Water Powers and Lakes, Legislation, Publicity

Twenty-Two Counties

There are 22 member counties of Western North Carolina, Incorporated as follows: Ashe, Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Caldwell, Catawba, Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Jackson, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, Swain, Transylvania, Watauga, and Yancey. While each one of these 22 counties has its own particular tourist attractions and natural resources, which Western North Carolina, Incorporated, will assist them to develop, they will all boost and work for the general development of Western North Carolina as a whole.

Nature has wonderfully endowed Western North Carolina with natural beauty of mountains and valley and scenery which is as attractive as any to be found in any section of the world. With the Blue Ridge on the East the Smoky Mountains on the West, with the foothills approaching the Ridge on the East, there is a region known far and wide for its beautiful scenery, healthful climate, pure water, and wonderful natural resources. Western North Carolina does not have the rugged bold scenery of the Rockies or the Alps; its mountains are softer in contour. Its wooded slopes to the very tops of the mountains and its plateaus and cultivated valleys are more restful to the eye. Yet there is to be found the rugged scenery, and one can find all the wild grandeur he may desire.

Develop Natural Resources

Western North Carolina, Incorporated, desires to retain this natural beauty while at the same time developing the natural resources and industries and providing homes for the thousands that will be attracted to that part of the State. In other words, Western North Carolina, Inc., desires to make a regional planning for Western North Carolina so that as manufacturing plants are built, agricultural land cultivated, hotels, inns, schools, and churches are erected, towns developed, and highways and railways constructed, these works of man will blend just as far as possible with the natural scenery and beauty of Western North Carolina.

The tourist industry is of course one of the largest and more important and will mean a very large number of visitors to Western North Carolina. At the present time the greater proportion of visitors come during the months of the summer season. It is the belief of Western North Carolina, Incorporated, that Western North Carolina can be made of interest to visitors throughout the entire year, so that the tourist industry will be in operation twelve months in the year. It is realized, however, that in order to accomplish this certain things must be done:

Accommodations

Adequate provision must be made to provide accommodations for the visitor who can afford to patronize the highest priced hotels and inns, but we also desire the same cordiality and provide accommodations for the visitor who must be satisfied with accommodations costing much less. Western North Carolina, Incorporated, will give suggestions and advice in regard to location of hotels and inns and architectural features of same; and will also arrange that farm homes may make such changes as are necessary to enable them to entertain from two to ten or more visitors during the season. It is believed that if such provision at farm homes can be made for the accommodation of visitors at reasonable rates, fifty to a hundred thousand additional visitors will be attracted to Western North Carolina.

It will also enable the farmer to obtain the benefit of some of the tourist trade, not only in being able to entertain visitors but giving him a home market for a great deal of garden produce, as he ought to be able to supply his table to a great extent from his own farm. Arrangements are being made for a meeting of the farm demonstration agents and others interested to discuss the requirements necessary to put these farm homes in such condition that they can be recommended by Western North Carolina, Incorporated, and the railways as ready to entertain guests.

Highway Program

No matter how good accommodations may be provided for visitors nor how excellent the table may be, visitors will not be satisfied unless provision has been made so that they can drive in automobiles any time during the year in and around Western North Carolina. Our main highways traversing Western North Carolina must become part of trunk system from which roads must be ways must be ways must be well laid out and maintained which extend into all parts of Western North Carolina. Thus the Central Highway from the East to Asheville should continue as a paved highway through Waynesville Bryson and Murphy, and connect with a highway to Atlanta. It should also connect at Asheville with a paved road to Burnsville and Spruce Pine, there continue as a part of the trunk line to Linville, Boone, Jefferson; and then to Abingdon, Virginia, where direct connection would be made to Roanoke and the Shenandoah Valley Highway to the North.

A through paved highway should also be maintained from Asheville to Hendersonville and then branch to Greenville and Spartanburg, South Carolina; another branch should be down the French Broad River to Marshall and Hot Springs to Knoxville, Tenn. Still another highway that should be paved would be the Hickory Nut Gap Highway from Asheville to Rutherfordton and Charlotte. From the Asheville Burnsville Highway there should be another paved highway extending via Linville Falls to Lake James to Marion, where it connects with the Central Highway. Another paved highway should be maintained from Blowing Rock to Hickory, where it connects with the Central Highway, and then continued to Rutherfordton, where it connects with the Hickory Nut Gap Highway.

As will be noted, these highways (Continued on page 4)

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