

LOOKING AT WASHINGTON

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REPUBLICAN PROSPECTS. PARTY IN TIGHT SPOT. U. S. IS NON-BELLIGERENT. RUSHING AID TO THE ALLIES. NEED TRAINED WORKERS. EDUCATIONAL DEFECTS. WAR DEMANDS DELAYED. NAZIS IN SOUTH AMERICA. ITALIANS ARE ACTIVE. URUGUAY A KEY POINT. U. S. FACES THE THREAT.

The Republican National Convention meets in Philadelphia next week to face one of the most difficult tasks which has confronted a political party in many years. Without knowing whether the President will run for a third term and beset with the difficulty of framing suitable planks on foreign affairs, the Republicans take the stage ahead of their rivals.

With the European War occupying the spotlight of public attention in this country, domestic issues are not as important as they were. Nevertheless, the Republicans must outline a program and do it in a manner that will avoid the appearance of creating a division in this country in the face of possible peril in international relation.

While the situation in Europe may change considerably between the present time and election day in November, there is no way to guess what will happen and the platform-makers will have to tread a cautious way to escape the possibility of a dilemma if events abroad take an unexpected turn.

Discussion as to the candidate to be named by the Republicans continues, with observers giving the edge to Dewey and Taft. The Willkie campaign is securing considerable favorable publicity and the ex-Democrat is being mentioned as a prominent "dark horse" prospect. Senator Vandenberg's prospects have not been improved by his recent statement in regard to aiding the Allies, short of war, which practically amounts to a retreat from the isolationist stand.

As the situation looks to this observer, there is a prospect that none of the candidates mentioned will receive the nomination and that in view of existing conditions, the party will turn to another man. Friends of former President Hoover are suggesting that he be considered and while Governor Landon has taken himself out of the running, there is no way to keep the delegates from thinking about his availability.

The President's speech at Charlottesville, Virginia, last week, following close on the heels of Italy's declaration of war on the Allies, stressed with greater firmness than ever before the determination of this Government to extend all possible material assistance to the Allied nations.

Nothing like neutrality is to be found in the President's remarks. He emphasized the clash between Democratic principles and the reign of the dictators. Public comment upon the President's utterances were overwhelmingly affirmative. In fact, many observers believe that public sentiment in the United States has advanced faster and further than the official utterances of the President himself.

Today, it is believed, the sentiment of the people of the United States is far more that of non-belligerency than neutrality.

Meanwhile every effort is being strained to rush planes, guns, materials and supplies to the Allies. Stores, equipment and weapons from the reserve stocks of the Army and Navy were made available in increasing numbers for delivery to the hard-pressed Allied Armies.

From the position of a bystander and onlooker, the United States has already accepted the task of providing immense supplies to the fighting forces of Great Britain and France. In time, if necessary, American ships will probably be used to carry vast quantities of material across the Atlantic. The question of cash or credit is not even being raised as the United States plunges wholeheartedly into the last of the steps "short of war."

As a nation, we have accepted the logic of the assertion that the Allied forces form our first line of defense and we are supplying strength unlimited to that line.

War demand for materials, the production of goods faster than ever, reveals a weakness in the economic organization of the United States which reflects a defect in the training system of the nation. With a vast demand for goods, production is less than capacity in many plants because of a shortage of trained workers. Mechanical experts are scarce and before our industrial production can reach its peak, it will be necessary to train thousands of workers.

For a number of years, the United States has stimulated vocational training under the Smith-Hughes Act, in cooperation with the states in providing a trade education for young men and women. Something like 5,000 teachers are conducting classes in public trade schools providing thousands of students with training along occupational lines. In

the present emergency, the trade schools will speed up their activities in order to strengthen the national defense by giving the nation expert workmen who know how to make tools do things.

While the emphasis in educational circles has been gradually moving toward vocational training for young people, the movement has encountered handicaps in the attitude of the young people themselves. Too many students in the past have prepared themselves for the professions, or white-collar jobs, because the rewards have been more alluring than those in prospect for mechanical experts.

There has been an over-crowding of certain professional lines, with a consequent lowering of the ethical standards and practices and a shortage of trained experts along mechanical lines. In the present emergency, prompt steps will be taken to increase the number of mechanical experts, but in the long run, the nation must consider the necessity of balancing its human resources in order that the economic machinery of the nation may function as a unit and at maximum efficiency.

The attention of American officials is focused upon Nazi activities in South America and particularly upon German organizations in Uruguay. John W. White, writing to The New York Times from Montevideo, says the city is headquarters of Nazi political intrigue in several countries. He points out that Uruguay is of tremendous strategic and naval value to any European power trying to establish itself on the South American continent.

Mr. White points out that Uruguay's Atlantic Coast is characterized by high headlands and capes, ideal for large calibre artillery. Several islands could be fortified very easily and a naval base in Uruguay would control the River Plate zone from which Great Britain secures vast supplies of wheat, meat and other food supplies. He points out that the products of Argentina, Uruguay, Paraguay and southern Brazil, as well as some products of eastern Bolivia and Western Brazil, are shipped out of the River Plate.

In this connection, it may be pointed out that there are 900,000 Germans in Brazil, 236,000 in Argentina, 200,000 in Chile, 20,000 in Paraguay, 10,000 in Uruguay and smaller numbers of Germans in Bolivia, Peru, Ecuador, Colombia, and Venezuela. The Nazis control important air lines which operate along the eastern coast of the Continent and across the Continent to important areas on the western coast. Nobody in Ecuador and Colombia, a Nazi-controlled air line is operating within dangerous proximity of the Panama Canal.

Officials consider that the German invasion of Latin America is political and possibly designated to produce revolutions in these nations. Consequently, there is no surprise in the dispatch of American warships to key harbors or in steps being taken by the Government to have armed forces available for use in an emergency.

In view of the assumption by this nation of an obligation to prevent any foreign power from dominating or controlling any nation in the Western Hemisphere, the development of intrigue or the instigation of revolutions in South American and Central American countries becomes a matter of grave importance to the United States.

Influential groups in various nations are in sympathy with the Fascist Governments of Europe. Moreover, one third of the population of Uruguay is Italian. 3,000,000 Italians are in Argentina and 2,000,000 in Brazil. Together with the Germans, the Italian groups dominate the industry, agriculture and finance of several nations. The activity of these groups will be aided by 200,000 Japanese in Brazil, but what they will do depends upon developments in Europe.

The probability is that the imminence of complete defeat for Great Britain and France will be the signal for increased activity, designed to pave the way for totalitarian acquisition of the economic, if not the political, life of South America. The menace of such a development is not being overlooked by the officials of this Government and while no official statement is possible as to the intentions of our Government, it may be assumed that prompt action will be taken to forestall any Nazi or Fascist group in a Latin American Republic.

CRESWELL

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Reynolds, of Ocean View, Va., spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Hatfield. Mrs. Kate Armstrong is spending some time with her son in Rocky Mount. Miss Mildred Davenport has returned to Baltimore, Md., after spending some time with relatives and friends here. Mrs. Irvin Smith and son, Irvin, Jr., of Robersonville, were guests of

Beer Industry Will Continue Clean Up Drive

The beer industry's "clean up" campaign in North Carolina entered upon its second year this month. Edgar H. Bain of Goldsboro, state director of the Brewers and N. C. Beer Distributors committee, is in charge of the campaign which has as its purpose the elimination of 12 law-violating beer retailers.



Organized one year ago, the committee has inspected 727 outlets in 72 counties, warned 113 dealers to correct certain unsatisfactory conditions and secured the revocation of the retail beer licenses of 78 dealers in 30 counties. In addition, four dealers were placed on probation by local authorities upon petition of the committee. Bain said today that the campaign against undesirable outlets will be pressed during the next 12 months.

Mrs. R. T. Hopkins a few days last week.

Mrs. W. L. Gregg, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Demaio and children, Dorothy and Angeline, of Norfolk, Va., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Gregg Sunday. They were accompanied home by Iris Jane Gregg, who will spend some time with them.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Willoughby and daughter, Cecelia, spent the week-end at Washington, D. C.

Mrs. R. T. Hopkins and daughter, Ada Virginia, and Mrs. Irvin Smith and son, Irvin, Jr., visited relatives in Norfolk, Va., Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Bateman have returned home after spending a few days in New York, where they attended the World's Fair.

Miss Julia Van Landingham, of Scotland Neck, was the guest of Miss Maude Battle Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Abe Sabre and children, Ronald and Janice, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Eisenhour and daughter, Frances, of Plymouth, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Hopkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Swain and children, of Plymouth, visited Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Swain Sunday. They were accompanied home by their daughter, Evelyn, who will spend the summer holidays with them.

Joe Rowlett and Lloyd Burton, of Edenton, and Ammon Smithson are camping at Lake Phelps this week.

Hazel White is attending summer school at E. C. T. C., Greenville.

Mrs. Zeno Radcliffe and daughter, Frances, of Terra Ceia, were guests of Mesdames Vida Davenport and W. D. Jordan Wednesday. They were accompanied home by little Anne Lassiter, who will be their guest for a few days.

Mrs. A. B. Elliott, of Chapanoke, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Jordan Thursday.

Betty Lou Brickhouse, of Aulander, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Starr.

Betty Joe Davenport is spending some time with her aunt at Efland.

Helen Alexander, of Plymouth, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Harry Pritchette.

FATHER'S DAY REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank White, Jr., entertained his father and family at a "Daddy's Day" dinner and family reunion Sunday, June 16th. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank White, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Fred F. White, of Norfolk, Va., Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Hand, of Cramerton; Fred Greer, of Belmont; Ned, William Allen, Alex, Sam and Mary Eliza White, Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank White, Jr., and son, Jimmie.

And Too Quickly "Gretel, will you marry mit me?" "Sure ting, Ole." A long dead silence; no word, no motion. "Why don't you say something, Ole?" "By golly, Aye tink I say 'too mooch already.'"

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Who Knows?

1. What is the population of the areas conquered by Germany since the war began?
2. In what year did the Prussian Army capture Paris?
3. How did the famous French 75's get their name?
4. What is the population of Italy?
5. When did President Monroe issue his famous Monroe declaration?
6. What prominent union rejoined the A. F. of L. after being associated with the C. I. O.?
7. What is the difference between a congressional recess and an adjournment?
8. What are "machine tools"?
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10. Is New York closer to France than to Brazil?

THE ANSWERS

1. About 45,000,000 non-Germans.
2. In 1871.
3. From the size of its projectile, 75mm. or 2.95 inches in diameter.
4. 45,000,000.
5. In 1823.
6. International Ladies Garment Workers Union, headed by David Dubinsky.
7. When Congress recesses, it sets a date for reconvening; upon adjournment, it does not meet again until the next regular session unless called by the President.
8. Machines operated by power for shaping, cutting, turning etc.
9. From New York to Rio de Janeiro is 5,446 miles, to La Havre, France, 3,676 miles.

GLIDEN

Miss Florence Ward is attending a house party at Onslow Beach. While away she will visit friends at

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Verona. Mr. and Mrs. J. Roy Winslow and Miss Lorinda Ward attended the show in Hertford Saturday evening. Miss Lorinda Ward and Miss Florence Ward spent Thursday afternoon in Edenton. They were accompanied by Miss Avis Ward and Miss Vera Newby Perry, of Sign Pine. Miss Dorothy Hobbs, of Hobbsville, spent last week with her grandmother, Mrs. Roxie White. Mrs. Gurney White visited Mrs. Moody Hollowell Friday evening. Mrs. Eliza Spivey spent Sunday with her brother, S. W. White, and Mrs. White. Mrs. Earl Parks and children, Mrs. W. V. White, Mrs. Joe White and children, Mrs. Vance Moore and son, Grady Vance, spent Thursday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. John White, at Gates. Mrs. Jacob Spivey and children spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Irvin Kelly, in Gates County. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Bunch, Mary Ellen Parks, Mr. and Mrs. Vance Moore and son, Grady Vance, attended the show in Hertford Saturday night. Mr. and Mrs. McCoy Spivey and children spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hoffer, at Sun-

bury. Mr. and Mrs. Joe White and three children, Mr. and Mrs. Vance Moore and son, Grady Vance, spent Sunday afternoon at Ocean View, Va. Mrs. W. V. White, Mrs. Joe White and baby, Mrs. Herbert Perry and Miss Alverta White spent Saturday afternoon with Mrs. S. W. White. Roy Parks, Miss Gertrude Jackson and Mrs. R. S. Ward, of Ryland, visited Mrs. Harriett Parks and Mr. and Mrs. Carson Davis Sunday afternoon.

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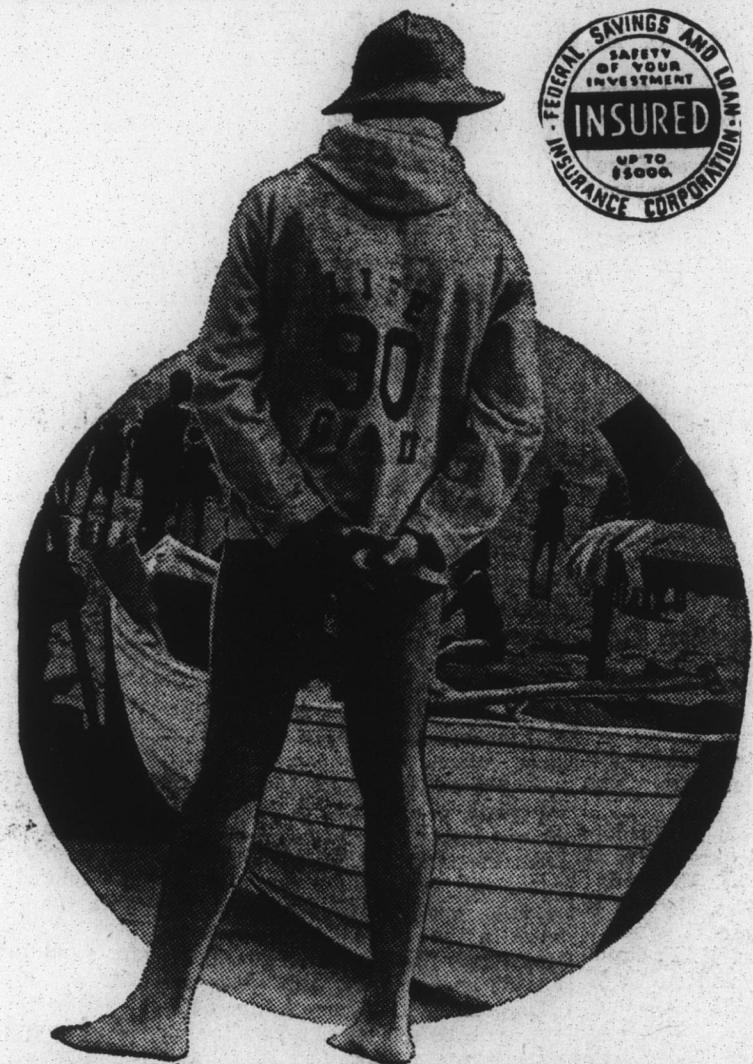
This program of industrial cooperation in law observance is continuing—without "fuss or feathers." Quietly, earnestly, the North Carolina Beer Industry is carrying out its "clean up or close up" pledge.

The dealers who will not be fair to their industry and their state are becoming fewer and fewer. We know, and so do they, that the job is being done.

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