

THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON

Washington, October 5.—War in Europe may and probably will upset political and economic conditions in America in so many ways and with such important results, that practically nothing is being done or considered here by Administration officials without bringing up the question: "What will be the effect of this on America when Europe goes to war?"

Nobody here anticipates that this country will be drawn into the European conflict; certainly not in its early stages. For that matter, the Government and the people of America did not anticipate in 1914, when the last great European war began, that we would be taking part in it less than three years. But precisely that experience of twenty-odd years ago makes many high officials doubtful whether it will be possible for the United States to keep entirely out of a war involving Great Britain and France.

Last Lesson Being Applied It is not stretching the fact to say that everybody in the Administration, from the President and the Secretary of State down, is fervently praying at this moment that America can keep clear of the situation presented by the latest European imbroglio. At the same time, the lessons we learned from the last war are being applied to the national defense. If we are, by any failure of diplomacy or the pressure of public opinion, forced to take part in another great war, we will be immeasurably better equipped to take an effective part than in 1917.

Everybody here looks for the presentation to the next Congress of proposals for still greater increases in the national army, navy and military aviation equipment, so that if the nation should be called on to fight again it would not have to start from scratch with practically no weapons, no planes, no army and no transport service.

The personal sympathies of official Washington are almost unanimously anti-Hitler. That does not mean that the Administration is necessarily pro-British or pro-French. But that personal leaning will have a bearing upon official acts of the Government, although technical "neutrality" will be preserved until and unless a situation develops in which American public opinion is roused to demanding war.

There is no formal agreement between this Government and those of Great Britain and France by which we are obligated to go to their help. That will not be believed by many persons of pro-German or anti-English sentiment. They will read in the daily newspapers and hear over the radio from Washington so much news that is favorable to England and France and critical of Germany that the old outcry of "propaganda" will be raised again and many will remain unconvinced that Washington has not "sold out" to England by way of Wall Street. Already accusations on that note are reaching the ears of alert listeners in Washington.

Studying War Situation Economic experts are giving careful study to the war situation, not from the point of view of American participation, but on the question of how it will affect the interests of America if we don't take part in it.

A first symptom was the sharp rise in the price of wheat as soon as it began to seem that the expected war was due to break out at any minute. These experts believe that business generally will be hurt for two or three months after the war starts, but would recover from the shock, and various industries would be stimulated by orders for war materials. All important European nations have been shipping large quantities of gold to America in the past few months, and buying U. S.

Government bonds and other quickly-convertible securities, so that they have enough free capital already in America to enable them to pay cash for perhaps a year's supply of war commodities. The prohibition in the Johnson Act against credit to foreign countries which are in arrears in their debts to this country would not seriously affect their purchasing power, therefore, for a year or more. The British, French and Canadian governments, or their citizens, have an estimated 6 1/2 billion dollars of cash or convertible investments in the United States.

Progress Being Made There is much talk and some progress being made in the program for the mobilization for our part in war, if and when we get into it. The War and Navy departments have made a comprehensive survey of the production facilities of all American industries, and have in their secret files complete data as to what every manufacturing plant in the United States can produce, as well as the exact items it would be called upon to produce if we went to war. Many small orders have been placed for the kinds of goods the Government would need, as tests of the ability of certain industries to get into action promptly. The Treasury is considering various proposals for taxes to "take the profit out of war." Whether

the United States is a participant or not, it is probable that there will be strong pressure on the new Congress to enact laws placing extremely heavy taxes on profits made from the production or sale of war materials to any nation.

Naturally, if Washington's war jitters continue and are reflected by Congress, there is no likelihood of an early curtailment of Government spending, but rather precisely the opposite. There is no real fear here of a serious Government financial crisis. The available resources with which to finance a war are many times greater than they were when America last went to war in 1917.

And, as in 1917, war in Europe, whether America is involved or not, is likely to create a fictitious prosperity which will be pleasing while it lasts and hard to take when it comes to an end.

FROM INGLESIDE

As a rule it is hard to spring a surprise party that is a real surprise to the guest of honor, as such functions are usually preceded by a tip. This however, was not so with Mrs. I. M. Inscoc, when her husband gave her a surprise birthday dinner on Sunday. Barbecue, Brunswick stew and many other good things were enjoyed by the following company of invited guests: Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Collins and 3 children, of Littleton, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Collins and son, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Collins and niece, of Roanoke Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Parker and son, of Rocky Mount, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Young, of Louisburg, Mrs. Willis Day, of Durham, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hunt and sons, Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Wester and children, Mr. and Mrs. Royal Inscoc, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Inscoc and children, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Champion, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hunt and children, Mr. Tom Wilson, Mr. Willis May, Mr. Esse Tharrington, Mrs. Alice Inscoc, Mrs. Pattie Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Inscoc.

Francis E. Willard says: Only the Golden Rule will bring in the Age of Gold.

The Golden Rule as contained in the holy writings of each of the seven great religions of the world is given by the Missionary Review as follows:

The Hindu: "The true rule is to guard and do by the things of others as you do by your own."

The Buddhist: "One should seek for others the happiness one desires for oneself."

The Zoroastrian: "Do as you would be done by."

The Confucian: "What you do not wish done to yourself, do not to others."

The Mohammedan: "Let none of you treat your brother in a way he himself would dislike to be treated."

The Jew: "Whatsoever you do not wish your neighbor to do to you, do not unto him."

The Christian: "All things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them."

A Cincinnati dog chews tobacco. But the owner says he won't punish him until he begins to smoke cigarettes. The man should remember that men and women smoke cigarettes.

Here's a tip to the women: Women who smoke will all probably become bald, is the recent declaration of doctors and hairdressers in Melbourne, Australia.

In 1895 the total number of automobiles registered in the United States was four.

COTTON APPLICATIONS

Through the week ending September 17, more than 16,200 applications had been received from North Carolina farmers for cotton price adjustment payments on the 1937 crop, according to H. A. Patten, acting AAA executive officer at State College.

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MRS. WALTER W. COOKE GIVES BRIDGE PARTY

Franklinton Graded School Faculty Honored At "Children's Party."

Franklinton.—Mrs. Walter W. Cooke entertained at seven tables of contract bridge at her home Tuesday evening. Miss Leslie Chandler received a prize for highest score and Miss Flora Phillips was given cards for second high score.

The faculty of the Franklinton Graded School were entertained at a "children's party" Monday evening in the community room of the school building, the Parent-Teacher Association being hostess. Mrs. George Gilliam, dressed as a young high school student of the early 1900s, brought some of her school books and a tablet with algebra problems partly worked by her 40 years ago. Mrs. Marvin W. Hardy was a splendid impersonator of the schoolmistress of 30 to 40 years ago. Each member of the faculty was called to the "teachers' desk and presented with a "prize" for "Good behavior."

The first meeting of the Franklinton Garden Club for the fall, was held Thursday afternoon in the Community Room of the graded school building. The club was newly organized in the early summer by Mrs. Carl M. Watkins, who was made president. Mrs. Watkins moved from Franklinton later and Mrs. Marvin W. Hardy was made president in her place. Mrs. J. E. Brady, vice-president, Mrs. H. H. Utley secretary, and Mrs. Armistead E. Henderson treasurer.

The club project for the year is to beautify the cemetery. Wisteria was chosen for the club flower.

Mrs. Wilmore M. H. Jenkins was hostess to her bridge club and a few extra guests Wednesday evening at her home. Miss Claire Kearney scored highest for the club. Mrs. John Gouella scored second highest, and Miss Flora Phillips received the high score guest prize.

Guests other than club members were Miss Flora Phillips, Mrs. Vance Estes, Mrs. W. H. Green, Mrs. S. C. Ford, Miss Frances Smith, Mrs. Margaret Ray Lumpkin, Mrs. Ben Wilder, Miss Annie Wester, Miss Minnie Harris, Mrs. Robert Collins, Jr.

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Higher Prices Seen For Cotton

Mann Urges Growers To Take Government Loan and Hold Cotton

Raleigh, Oct. 4.—M. G. Mann, general manager of the North Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative Association, today termed the government's plan for converting surplus cotton into needed goods for distribution at reduced prices to low income families "the most hopeful step for increased cotton prices that has yet been suggested from any source."

"Such a program would give production control a strong ally in the form of increased consumption," Mr. Mann said. Mr. Mann advocated, however, that the government go a step further and provide without cost such items as bed sheets, mattresses, cloth for underwear, shirts and overalls to "the millions of tenant farmers and others

who with the present low prices and unemployment will not be able to buy even the bare necessities this winter."

"Such a program," Mr. Mann said, "would certainly not be different from giving away huge sums through Federal relief work and, in addition, it would be diminishing a huge surplus that must be used up before we can hope for fair cotton prices. It would also put to work many mill workers who are now on relief."

Expressing the idea that definite action will result from the plan now being considered, Mr. Mann urged all cotton growers to get the government loan and hold their cotton for a price rise.

Mr. Mann said that the Association is so confident that something will be done to raise the price of cotton before another crop year that it is holding all government loan notes where they will be easily accessible at any time. "This means," he said, "that the farmer who gets his government loan through the Cotton Association will be in position to take advantage of any rise in

the market and sell his cotton at a profit to himself."

NEW PLASTIC

Tobacco-growers of Columbus County are giving more thought to the problems of crop control as a result of this year's experience. They tell the county agent that control is needed yet they want some simplification of present regulations.

Four U. S. Department of Agriculture research workers have developed a method for converting sawdust, straw, wood waste, and waste sugar cane stalks into synthetic plastics. The new material has a high resistance to water and moisture, and may be used for electrical insulators, door knobs, auto steering wheels, radio panels, buttons, and other articles.

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By MAC ARTHUR