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THE ISOLATIONISTS

Not satisfied with the sorry mess that their doctrine and preaching has made of the world; not content that our every phase of life in the American way is threatened by deadly peril, because of their victory over common sense, the Isolationists in the United States Senate are about to launch an attack against the passage of the Conscription Bill, which is considered by many in high authority to be a necessary part of our urgent National Defense, if American ways are to survive the totalitarian revolution that is sweeping the world like a pestilence.

When Woodrow Wilson was giving his life to consolidate the peace that we had wrung from the World War, they knifed him in the back, defeated the aspirations of patriots for a peaceful world, in which truth and justice would rule instead of brute force. Their attitude and the attitude of the American people, inspired by them, encouraged and emboldened Japan to invade Manchuria and begin the unspeakable horrors of the rape of China, gave Italy encouragement to attack Ethiopia, and, last year, when President Roosevelt and Secretary Hull saw the gathering storm in Europe and wanted the Congress to guard against it, they were so blind that they could not see the storm clouds in the eastern skies, and brought about the adjournment of Congress, before the necessary measures to safeguard America in that conflict could be enacted. They laughed at the very thought of war in Europe.

Since that dreadful struggle began, they have kept rather silent as Administration measures, designed to insulate us from the terrible contagion were being enacted, but their hearts were not in it. They only gave consent because of the pressure of public opinion.

Now they have before the Congress a measure that may not be so popular with a lot of folks, and they are ready to attack it from all sides. This is conclusive proof that these men are so blinded by their own conceit that they cannot see the truth, even after it has been demonstrated by the invasion of helpless, neutral countries, and the overthrow by treachery and force of the French Republic. They can not or will not see what is actually happening in this world, even when there is imminent peril that the British domination of the Atlantic may be overthrown, and all America placed at the mercy of the Totalitarian horror. If there was not such a danger, the Havana conference would never have been called. No man in all the Americas had one moment's fear that the Monroe Doctrine would be violated or that aggression, either by force or sabotage would threaten any part of these continents or the islands surrounding them, so long as it appeared reasonably sure that Britannia would continue to rule the waves.

Now, the picture has changed, but an Isolationist can no more change his thinking, than a leopard can change his spots or an Ethiopie, his skin.

CONSCRIPTION LOOMS IN AMERICA

The bill pending in Congress for the conscription of the man power of this country, to be trained and prepared to defend the country by force, will probably be enacted within the next few days, though there will be strong opposition from the Isolationist senators, and from Senator George Norris, of Nebraska.

Under the bill, all the men in the United States, who are between the ages of 18 and 65 years of age, will register at their regular polling places. The first draft will be for 4000,000 unmarried men, between 21 and 31 years of age, be trained in military science. Following that, a number will be trained at intervals, until we have a nation of men who know how to defend themselves, their country, and its institutions.

The registration is expected to affect some 42 million men, and there are supposed to be approximately 24 million men between the ages of 21 and 31. It is stated that no married men will be called to take the training in time of peace.

Thus, despite the trend which our thoughts have been directed since the close of the World War, that it is none of our business what takes place across the oceans, we find that the events in Europe and Asia have necessarily affected our lives at every turn, and that we shall, perhaps, never again see the world as we have known it.

Heretofore, in time of peace, we have always depended upon volunteers to man our army. Now, with the storm raging all about us, we find that we are woefully weak in trained men. Hence, it is proposed to make a selective draft, of the men who have no dependents, and who can be best spared from civilian life, and give them military training, while we have in reserve the total man power of the country, that can be called at any time the need arises.

It is not that Americans are less patriotic than they always were. It is not that they are unwilling to defend their country. But, in this day of mechanical warfare, technically trained men, each a specialist in his field, are necessary for effective defense, should aggression come. It is also true that under the volunteer system, many of those who offer their services are men who can least be spared, are men of the highest type, and, when war comes, these men are the first to give their lives, leaving the less worthy to sire the next generation. Hence, it is argued, conscription is the most democratic way.

At any rate, the people of America are anxious that their country be prepared to defend itself and the

whole of the Western Hemisphere, and they are learning that to do so will bring both inconvenience and expense. That inconvenience and that expense are both augmented by the pacifist and isolationist propaganda that we have been swallowing, hook, line, and sinker, for the past twenty years.

THE FIRST FIFTY YEARS

Mr. Herbert Hoover, speaking at the Philadelphia convention gave utterance to the belief that America can live unto herself alone. He drew a beautiful picture of how, during the first 50 years of our national existence, we had done so, and asserted that what our ancestors did, we can do.

Of course that all sounded well; but was foolish. In the first place, America did not live unto herself alone during her first fifty years. As a matter of fact, the ships flying the American flag were plying the oceans of the world, carrying the commerce of the nations. And it was the drying up of that commerce, during the War of 1812, that caused so great a depression in this country, that New England was practically in open rebellion against the federal government, and the Hartford Convention was held, at which the States in New England threatened secession, unless they were given relief from the commercial stagnation and incident unemployment, brought about by the war driving their commerce from the seas.

On the other hand, it is well to remember that America, at that time, was largely an agricultural country. In many instances each farm was able to live practically by itself. Where that did not hold good, each community could have withstood almost any shock outside itself, for the reason that the carpenters, the lumber mills, the blacksmith shops, the looms, the fields and the forests at home supplied practically all the needs of the community.

Today we have become an industrial nation. Each community is dependent upon others for its clothing, its transportation, its fertilizers, its foods; and the large centers are dependent upon raw materials from the uttermost parts of the earth, to keep their highly industrialized plants running.

A few country districts, like those we have hereabouts, might be able to follow the lines of our forefathers, and become self-sustaining entities, though this would entail great hardship. But, the industrial centers of our country would be unable to do so, and, with hunger and want stalking the land, they would become cesspools of disease and revolution.

No, Mr. Hoover, what you said sounded pretty; but America can't live alone, as you say she did during the first 50 years of her life as a nation. Fact is, she did no such thing then.

When he applied triple superphosphate on his pasture at the rate of 200 pounds to the acre, B. M. Johnson, unit demonstration farmer of Henderson county, has doubled his grass yield.

The U. S. Agriculture Department has forecast a winter wheat crop of 488,859,000 bushels on the basis of June 1 conditions, and estimated spring wheat production of 239,000,000 bushels.

WOMEN IN "40s"
Read This Important Message!
Do you dread those "trying years" (35 to 50)? Are you getting moody, cranky and nervous? Do you lose hot flashes, weeping dirty spots? Are you feeling of attention of other women get? THEN LISTEN—
These symptoms often result from female functional disorders. So start today and take **LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND**. For over 60 years Pinkham's Compound has helped hundreds of thousands of women to get "trying years" off their backs. Pinkham's has helped calm nervous nerves and lessen annoying female functional "irregularities." One of the most effective "women's" tonics. Try it!

CICADAS

Billions of 17-year locusts, longest-lived of all insects, are emerging from the earth over the greatest part of the country between the Mississippi and the Atlantic Ocean.

Necessary arrangements have been made to have all breeding cattle in Watauga county tested for Bang's disease, reports H. M. Hamilton, farm agent of the N. C. State College Extension Service.

Approximately 450 low-income farm families of Union county have made application for mattresses under the Federal-State cotton surplus removal program, says Assistant Farm Agent T. M.

How One Woman Lost 20 Pounds of FAT

Lost Her Prominent Hips
Lost Her Double Chin
Lost Her Sluggishness
Gained a More Shapely Figure and the Increase in Physical Vigor and Vivaciousness Which So Often Comes With Excess Fat Reduction.
Thousands of women are getting fat and losing their appeal just because they do not know what to do. Why not be smart — do what thousands of women have done to get off pounds of unwanted fat. Take a half teaspoonful of Kruschen in a glass of hot water first thing every morning to gently activate liver, bowels and kidneys—cut down your caloric intake—eat wisely and satisfyingly—there need never be a hungry moment!
Keep this plan up for 80 days. Then weigh yourself and see if you haven't lost pounds of ugly fat. Just see if this doesn't prove to be the surprise of your life and make you feel like shouting the good news to other fat people. And best of all a jar of Kruschen that will last you for 4 weeks costs—but little. If not joyfully satisfied—money back.

KIDNEY STAGNATION IS WORSE THAN CONSTIPATION!

Because We Treat Constipation at the Onset, While We Neglect Our Kidneys Indefinitely
No other organ in your body is of more importance than your kidneys. For in your kidneys there are nine million tubes which must work day and night to filter the fluids and keep the system free from wastes, acids, poisons which, if permitted to remain, may cause serious kidney and bladder troubles.
It is no wonder then that Nature often calls for help to clean out the kidneys. So if you are troubled with Getting-Up-Nights, Leg Pains, Backache, Nervous Headache, Dizziness or Loss of Energy, due to functional kidney disorders, try KIDANS, the famous kidney remedy, which aids Nature to flush out the kidneys, to filter all wastes, to prevent kidney stagnation.
KIDANS is Safe and Reliable. Thousands report entire satisfaction. Taken according to directions, KIDANS will give splendid results. Try KIDANS. Buy it at our Special Price Offer on two boxes. Use one box. If not satisfied, return unopened one box. If not satisfied, return unopened one box and GET YOUR MONEY BACK.
If your local druggist cannot supply you, send \$1.00 to The Kidans Company, Atlanta, Ga., for two full-size boxes on a Money-Back Guarantee.

EDITORIAL

Whose fingers will get pinched when Japan slams shut the "Open Door?"

JETER SNYDER

The people of Sylva and the surrounding communities were profoundly shocked when they awoke yesterday morning, to learn of the passing of Jeter Snyder, one of Sylva's most prominent business men and citizens.

Mr. Snyder, the day before, had been at his place of business and on the streets, apparently enjoying his usual good health. He left Sylva in the afternoon, in company with a salesman, to visit his furniture business in Murphy, and became ill during the night. Death came early yesterday morning.

A native of this county, Mr. Snyder had spent his life here, and here he had been more than usually successful in business ventures. But, just as it seemed he had reached the place where his sphere of usefulness to his country and his people would become increasingly larger, he was unexpectedly taken.

He will be greatly missed in the town, in its activities, in its business life, and in the councils of his political party, and by his extraordinary large circle of friends in Sylva, Jackson County, and throughout this part of North Carolina.

"30"

The passing, at the age of 74, of Mrs. D. T. Knight, at Balsam, will be mourned by a great many people, many of whom have never seen her. This unusual woman, who was faithful to her church, faithful to her family, faithful in all things, was a faithful correspondent of The Journal over a period of thirty-four years. In all the ramifications of the publishing business, there is no more important personage than a good country correspondent. Not only is this personage important; but he is also rare. To find one who is willing to thus contribute to the life of the community, week by week, year in and year out, faithfully chronicling the homely events and the major happenings of a community, is rare indeed.

When this writer became editor of The Journal, 28 years ago, he found Mrs. D. T. Knight on the list of correspondents. She has been there ever since. She has been our friend and occasional advertiser during that long period of time. She was one of the rare people of this earth, to whom the simple things are great things, and who realize that simplicity and perfection are practically synonymous.

As a great newspaper woman, she is entitled to the greatest earthly reward of the newspaper guild, that of having "30" written above her obituary, and the paper to which she gave so much, says of her in its editorial column "well done."

In that connection we quote Joe Swerling's immortal poem about the reward of all good printers and newspaper folks:

When Earth's last form has been printed,
And the presses are rusted and stilled;
When the last slug is cast on the lino,
And there are no more forms to be killed
We shall rest, and faith, we shall need it,
Lay off for an eon or two,
Till the Super of all good workers
Shall hand us some copy anew.

And those who set right shall be happy,
And each by a great golden case,
Shall fashion wonderful settings
In types of spiritual face.
And the quads and the leads will be plenty;
We shall all work with bright Golden Rules,
And when time is called for the Recess,
We shall wash up in clear, limpid pools.

And the deadly wrong front will be absent,
Our first yellow proofs will be clean;
The types will be wondrous and varied,
The finest that ever were seen.
We shall print on diaphanous papers,
In colors that hold us in thrall;
We shall work for an age at a standing,
And the quit bell will not ring at all.

And no one shall work for praises,
And none will the Great Super blame,
And none shall work for raises,
And none shall work for fame.
But each, for the joy of the settings,
And the Great Super's final O. K.,
Shall work on his job as he sees it,
And finish it in his own way.

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JOHN A. HOOPER FARM.

J. M. RIGDON HOME, good house, and store. 7 acres, good orchard, vineyard. Cut in tracts to suit buyer or whole.

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