

LOOKING AT WASHINGTON

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WAR SHOCKS AMERICA SENTIMENT CHANGING HELP FOR THE ALLIES THE GUNS ON HAND OUR AIRPLANE STRENGTH HOW THE NAVY GROWS HOW ARMY SPENT FUNDS MONEY FOR CROP LOANS GREW ADVISES JAPANESE

The impact of events in Europe have shattered American complacency and awakened the people of this country to the desperate need for energetic action looking toward the defense of the United States.

Coincident with the startling success of Hitler's invasion, the confidence of Americans generally in the success of the Allied nations deteriorated. For the first time in many years, the people of this country began to visualize the world conditions which will result in the event of a German triumph. Along with this realization came a complete understanding of the reliance heretofore placed upon the navies of Great Britain and France in regard to protecting the Atlantic Ocean.

The President's fireside chat to the nation, calling attention to the serious state of world affairs and urging an immense appropriation for increased national defense, was met by an almost unanimous assent everywhere. In fact, the general comment was that the amount requested was not as large as expected, but the probability is that additional requests, to be made to Congress, will largely increase the expenditure for national defense in the coming fiscal year.

By non-partisan votes, the Senate and the House rushed legislation designed to put into effect immediately the bulk of the President's recommendations. The state of the public mind can be accurately seen when one observes that the Senate twice voted enormous appropriation bills for defense without a single dissenting vote and the House, in measures affecting the expansion of the Navy, recorded only one dissenter.

Throughout the United States there has developed a keen interest in the possible presence of "Fifth Columnists." Not only has the Federal Government devoted attention to the activities of spies and saboteurs, but state and municipal governments have taken action designed to prevent alien residents from interfering with the defense of the United States. Almost overnight sentiment in the country has shifted away from a policy of isolation and, while it is too early to say that the majority of our people are insisting upon prompt assistance to the Allies, "short of war," there is a definite trend in that direction. If the German Army in France, following amazing success in The Netherlands and Belgium, delivers a ferocious attack upon the French and there is anything like a kind of collapse of resistance on the part of Great Britain and France, there will probably arise renewed demands in this country for prompt action to give succor to the hard-pressed Allies.

It is practically impossible to give accurate and definite figures as to the state of the national defense. The citizens of the Republic have read of authorizations and appropriations bills, of plans for future air armadas and enlarged fighting forces, but considerable confusion exists in the popular mind. Without being able to guarantee the accuracy of the figures, we give below some idea of the existing strength of the United States in respect to the armed forces of the nation:

Anti-aircraft guns, 164 on hand; 900 ordered.

Anti-tank guns, 300-400 on hand; 1,000 ordered.

Scout cars, 500 on hand; unknown number ordered.

15-MM Howitzers, a handful on hand and 300-400 ordered.

Field Artillery, 5,000 war-time 75's, about 1,000 modernized and 1,200 to be modernized.

Field Artillery (heavy), a few experimental guns with an unknown but small quantity ordered.

Army aircraft, 2422 on hand, with 3,128 ordered. This includes 853 combat, several hundred modern, 656 training, 903 miscellaneous, such as cargo and photographic planes.

National Guard airplanes, 262 and 100 planes on hand for the organized reserves.

Navy airplanes, 1,765 on hand, and 1,127 ordered.

The Army has about 17,000 Guerand semi-automatic rifles on hand and they are being delivered at the rate of 200 daily. This rate will be increased to 400 daily soon.

The Navy has a total of 349 ships of 1,256,760 tons on hand and 76 ships of 1,256,760 tons on hand and 76 ships, 488,600 tons on order.

Battleships, 15 (three over age) on hand, and eight under construction.

Aircraft carriers, 5 on hand and one under construction.

Cruisers, 35 (two over-age) on hand and eight being built.

Destroyers, over 200 on hand and 40 under construction.

Submarines, 95 on hand and 19 under construction.

The above figures are taken from

a special tabulation published in The New York Times and do not include orders to be placed under new appropriation bills designed to augment the armament of the United States.

Replying to criticisms of the War Department, Secretary Woodring points out that the Army appropriations of \$6,159,300,000 in the period from 1924 to 1940 were largely used for pay, rations, clothing, repairs, research and development, planning, construction, training, operations, maneuvers, schools and similar items. Altogether, he says, 81 per cent of the amount went for "recurring" charges and improvement of plant. For increased defense facilities, there was left a bare \$854,556,000, says the War Secretary, and of this sum \$509,900,000 went to the Air Corps. In sixteen years, only \$344,656,000, or 6.6 per cent was available for increasing, modernizing and replacing arms and equipment of the ground element of the Army.

A \$500,000,000 increase in Government funds for crop loans, intended to protect American farmers from war-time price shocks, has been approved by the Senate Banking Committee and the measure is generally expected to pass Congress without serious opposition.

The Commodity Credit Corporation has almost reached its present lending limit of \$1,000,000,000. The new funds will be used as follows: \$150,000,000 to cover 3,300,000 bales of cotton; \$1,500,000 to cover 268,000,000 bushels of corn; \$90,000,000 for 140,000,000 bushels of wheat; \$40,000,000 for tobacco loans; and \$60,000,000 for loans on other crops.

Ambassador Joseph C. Grew recently gave an audience of Japanese an exposition of American ideals in international policy. Calling attention to the fact that modern science was obliterating frontiers, he said that a new Pacific era was opening and that different civilized races face to face, are developing, "experimenting and learning against the day when the natural frontiers no longer physically exist." The ambassador explained that a policy based on the community of interests among the Pacific powers would "dictate the utmost freedom and the flow of life's peaceful commodities." Meanwhile, it appears, that non-involvement in the European War and disposal of the "China affair" are two motives behind present Japanese foreign policy. Just exactly how they are connected and how they will be carried out is not clear.

Mrs. Harriet Parks Honored On Birthday

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Carson Davis, of near Gliden, was the scene of a happy gathering Sunday when a large number of relatives and friends gathered to enjoy a birthday dinner with Mrs. Harriet Parks. Mrs. Parks celebrated her 70th birthday recently. A large table was placed under the trees on the lawn, and when the guests were called to dinner the table was found to be overlaid with delectable food. Mrs. Parks, the honoree, gave thanks for the occasion and asked a blessing, after which everybody was urged to "help themselves."

Those present included Mr. and Mrs. John Parks, Mr. and Mrs. John Bright and son, John Robert, Mrs. Edna Barnes and children, Douglas, June, and Philip, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Parks and Mr. Parks, all of Suffolk, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wooten, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Wooten, of Norfolk, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. John Brown and daughter, Helen, of Weeksville; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Byrum and little daughter, of Center Hill; Sherman Parks, of Greenville; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jordan, of Bagleys Swamp; Mr. and Mrs. Willie Smith, of Elizabeth City; Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Smith, of Belvidere; Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Gaskins and little daughter, Fale, of New Bern; Mrs. Levi Parks, Luther and Alvin Parks, Mr. and Mrs. John Lee Spruill, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cuthrell, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sexton, Mr. and Mrs. Julian Ward and George Ward, all of Edenton; Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ward, Miss Avis Ward, Fernor, Elmer and Ed Ward, Mrs. Joseph Byrum and son, Forest, Mr. and Mrs. Vance Moore and son, Grady Vance, Mr. and Mrs. Joe White and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd White and three children, Mrs. Alphonso Parks, Mrs. John Hendron, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hendron, Mrs. H. N. Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Davis, Miss Lois Davis, Thomas Davis, Miss Gertrude Jackson, Raymond Ward, Thomas Jackson, Edward Bass, W. A. McCleeny, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Ward, William, Lehman and Lelia Faye Ward, Roy Parks, and West Parks.

The honoree received a number of nice gifts and a nice little sum of money.

UP-TO-DATE

Dallas, Texas.—Realizing that his listeners are more interested at the present time in the war in Europe than they are in local politics, Buck Frank, seeking reelection as county commissioner, is using war maps as campaign literature.

Auto Quiz No. 1



Travelers Safety Service

1. So you think you can stop on a dime? If that is true, your brakes are altogether too good; they'll toss you right through the windshield sometime, and how would you like that? Actually, your brakes should be adjusted so they will bring your car to a stop from a speed of 20 miles an hour in — (a) five to ten feet. (b) ten to twenty feet. (c) twenty to thirty feet. (d) thirty to forty feet.

2. You will help save other lives as well as your own if, when you hear the siren of a fire truck or an ambulance, you will always — (a) stop where you are. (b) speed up and get out of the way. (c) pull over to the curb on your right and stop. (d) hurry to the next corner and turn right.

3. A car following another at 45 miles an hour should leave more space between the cars than when the rate of speed is 35 miles an hour. True (—) or False (—).

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IN HUMANITY'S NAME

"When American Red Cross asked minimum war relief fund of ten million dollars no one could foresee that in two short weeks the greatest tragedy in all history would be unfolded. Impossible to describe the plight of millions of refugees in France. Sick, wounded, hungry and homeless, they cry out to us for help. Will need much more than ten million dollars, therefore quotas originally assigned should be regarded only as minimum immediate objectives. Chapters should then go on and where possible double their quotas. In fact, only limitation should be the maximum generosity of American people."

This is the sort of telegram that is reaching Red Cross Chapters all over the United States as an intensive drive is launched to aid the horror-stricken war-sufferers in Europe.

CROSS ROADS NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Forehand, Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Evans and sons spent Sunday with Mrs. W. H. Winborne.

Carl Baber, of Greensboro, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. D. Welch, Sr. He was accompanied home by his wife and children, who had spent the past three weeks with her parents.

Miss Kathleen Parker, who has been teaching in Morganton, is with her mother, Mrs. Belle W. Parker.

Mrs. Claude Futrell spent the week-end at her home at Rich Square.

Mrs. Lindsay Evans and Mrs. E. N. Elliott visited Mrs. W. D. Welch, Sr., Mrs. Drew Welch and Mrs. Carl Baber Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Elliott and Mrs. Lindsay Evans spent Wednesday in Norfolk, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Rector, of Newport News, Va., visited Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Elliott Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. A. S. Bush and Miss Louise Bush visited Mrs. Lula Rountree, at Hobbsville, Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Lena Asbell and family, Mrs. Tim Asbell, Mr. and Mrs. Edna Asbell and children, and Luke Hollowell, of Portsmouth, Va., visited Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Hollowell, Sr., Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hollowell and daughter, Anne, Mr. and Mrs. John F. White and daughter, Carolyn, of Edenton, spent Sunday with Mrs. W. W. Bunch.

Miss Beatrice Rountree and Elton Morris, of Hobbsville, were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Bush Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Burch and son have returned to their home in Baltimore, Md., after a visit with Mrs. Burch's mother, Mrs. W. W. Bunch.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Evans and sons visited Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Elliott Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Asbell, Mrs. Chas. Asbell, Mrs. T. L. Evans, Mrs. J. G. White, Miss Ether Evans and Miss Helen Evans attended the graduation of Miss Marguerite Asbell at

Whether Hertford or Perquimans County has received a quota allotment is not generally known, but it is believed that any number of people here are ready to make immediate contributions for relief of refugees in war-torn France.

The Call is in the name of common humanity, the appeal is to all people, the answer needed is in the form of monetary contributions.

If a quota has not been set for Perquimans County, the contributions can be sent direct to Red Cross Headquarters. If there is a quota—the limitation has been lifted.

If a canvass has been launched in Perquimans County, The Perquimans Weekly has not been notified, and its aid in giving the matter due publicity has not been requested.

E. C. T. C., Greenville, Monday. Mrs. Z. W. Evans and Mrs. L. R. Christie spent the week-end in Hertford as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Trim Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Privott attended the graduation of their daughter, Miss Annie Belle Privott, at E. C. T. C., Greenville, Monday.

Justin Tune has returned to Mantoo, after a visit in the home of Mrs. Z. W. Evans.

Miss Willietta Evans, who teaches at Gulf Park College, Gulfport, Miss., is expected to arrive this week to spend the summer with Mrs. Z. W. Evans.

Luke Hollowell, of Portsmouth, Va., spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hollowell.

Mrs. Ray Hollowell and daughter, Anne, visited Mrs. R. H. Hollowell Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Hollowell and son visited Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Leary, Sr., in Rocky Hook, Sunday afternoon.

John Ward Byrum, of Charlotte, spent the week-end with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Byrum.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Waff, of Norfolk, Va., spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Leary.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Hollowell and son visited Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hollowell Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hollowell and children, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Hollowell and children, Miss Pennie Hollowell, Luke and Carlyle Hollowell spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Hobbs, at Hobbsville.

Ruth Jordan underwent a tonsillectomy in Elizabeth City Wednesday.

FAMOUS ACTOR LOOKS UPON LIFE AND LOVE

Brilliant examples of the epigrammatic philosophy of a Frenchman, who, after four marriages, concludes that one woman can be adorable, but two, terrible. Don't miss this fascinating article in the June 18 issue of

The American Weekly the big magazine distributed with the Baltimore American On Sale at All Newsstands

How To Balance The Family Budget

Some fellow wrote in to "The Rambler," Roanoke Beacon columnist, and asked for a budget on a salary of \$15.00 a week.

This is the advice The Rambler helpfully offered:

Whiskey and beer	\$8.80
Wife's Beer	1.65
Meat, fish, groceries	on credit
Rent	next pay day
Mid-week whiskey	1.50
Hot tips, borrow from neighbor	
Life Insurance (on wife)	.50
Cigars	.20
Movies	.60
Pinochle Game	.50
Hot tips on horses	.50
Dog, food	.60
Miscellaneous	.40
Poker Game	1.40
Total	\$16.65

"This means going in debt," The Rambler added, "so cut out the wife's beer."

Timely Questions On Farm Answered

Question: How can I make up a lye solution for disinfecting poultry houses?

Answer: A most satisfactory solution is made by dissolving one pound of lye in five gallons of water. The lye, however, should be thoroughly dissolved and the solution well mixed before it is applied. Since lye is caustic and poisonous, it must be used with care. Two pounds of water-slacked lime added to the above solution will make a good white-wash and, at the same time,

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will make the solution more stable.

Question: What is the best ration for a fresh cow?

Answer: The feed for the first few days after freshening should be very limited with the first day's grain feed being restricted to bran mash. A mixture of wheat bran and ground oats, equal parts, should then be fed for the next four days. On or about the fifth day after freshening the cow may be started on the regular milking ration and gradually brought to full feed over a period of three weeks. A reasonable amount of legume hay and a small amount of silage may be fed at all times during the freshening period.

Question: What proportions of arsenate, water, and molasses are used for mopping cotton to control boll weevil?

Answer: One pound of calcium arsenate should be added to one gallon of water and thoroughly stirred. Then add one gallon of cheap molasses and stir until all ingredients are thoroughly mixed. This will make enough of the mixture for one application on one acre. Larger amounts may be made by using the same proportions. Only enough of the mixture should be made for each day's use. Frequent stirring while applying is necessary to keep the calcium arsenate in suspension.

Dangerous Subject "Dad, we learned at school today that the animals have a new fur coat every winter." "Be quiet! Your mother is in the next room."



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- Octagon Soap Sm. — 10 for 23c
- Octagon Powder, Lg. — 6 for 25c
- Octagon Powder Sm. — 10 for 23c
- Octagon Toilet — 6 for 25c
- Octagon Cleanser — 2 for 9c
- Octagon Flakes — 2 for 18c
- Octagon Granulated — 2 for 18c
- Crystal White Soap — 3 for 14c
- Hollywood Beauty — 3 for 14c
- Klex (Pumice) Soap — 3 for 14c
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