

LOOKING AT WASHINGTON

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16,500,000 TO REGISTER
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900,000 IN FIRST YEAR
DRAFT SIGNIFICANCE
FOREIGN NATIONS WARNED
WILLKIE PUSHES CAMPAIGN
ODDS FAVOR F. D. R.
NEED PACIFIC BASES
MAY USE SINGAPORE
U. S. ROLE WIDENS

No American should overlook the significance of Wednesday, October 16, when 16,500,000 men, between 21 and 35, register for a possible year's military training in 6,500 districts throughout the United States.

For the first time while at peace, the United States adopted conscription as a means of securing an adequate army. Thus the heavy hand of war is laid upon the young men of this country. At least 5,000,000 men of the first registration are expected to be available for service and 900,000 will be inducted into service during the next twelve months.

Local officials will register the men, classify them as immediately available or subject to deferment because of dependents or the essential nature of their jobs. The registration cards, shuffled and numbered haphazardly by the local draft boards, will go to Washington where they will be reshuffled and drawn by lot. The order in which card numbers are drawn will determine the order in which the men registered in each local board area are subject to examination for training.

When a registrant's number is in line for immediate service, a questionnaire will be filled out to provide basis for classification and if the registrant is called for examination, the initial physical examination will be given by a local medical examiner. Thus to prominent citizens in each local area will fall much responsibility. They must determine the status of registrants, define "essential" jobs and, at this time, they are urged to be liberal in their definitions. If a registrant is not satisfied with his status, as determined by the local board, an appeal may be carried to the President.

American citizens beyond the age limit of the Selective Service Act should not underestimate the sacrifice that will be made by thousands of the men called into training. These young citizens will often be required to give up their place in the economic life of their communities and to accept less pay from the Government they serve. Of course, the reverse is true and some of the trainees will improve their financial situation by the operation of the draft.

Every employer should attempt to protect the employee who sacrifices income for patriotic service and, if possible, re-employ the trainee at the conclusion of his year's service. This may involve some difficulties but the inconvenience is not to be compared with the complications that disturb the even-tenored existence of the man who is jerked out of civil life into military training.

The adoption of compulsory military training by the United States, while at peace, indicates a profound understanding on the part of the people of this country of the world situation. Despite our past antipathy to draft laws, because of the danger that militaristic sentiment may develop, there is widespread approval of the Selective Service Act even among the young men who will be called into service. They seem to realize that the existence and liberty of this country may depend upon immediate preparations for national defense.

There is increasing evidence from abroad, notably the guarded reactions in Japan, Germany and Italy that the significance of conscription of the United States is well understood. Plainly, the message carried across the ocean to other lands, declares that this country, despite its love of peace, understands the nature of the challenge that is being made to democratic institutions and is preparing itself, if necessary, to assert and maintain its way of life, by force of arms.

In its re-arming, the United States gives plain notice to totalitarian nations that it will not buy peace "at any price" and that the question of peace or war, in the future, depends largely upon their attitude to the rights, interests and liberties of our people.

Meanwhile, with about a month to go, the presidential campaign continues unabated, with Mr. Willkie busy in his energetic efforts to reach the people. The Republican nominee is conducting an extremely active campaign which will put him into contact with the voters of practically every region. Undoubtedly, his campaign is a gigantic effort to convince the voters that Mr. Willkie is best fitted to serve the needs of this country and to solve the problems at home and abroad.

The "top" in the Willkie campaign, reported several weeks ago, was reflected in the forecast of Fortune Magazine and the Gallup Poll. Both efforts to gauge public sentiment indicated that President Roosevelt maintained a substantial lead in public favor and that much depended upon the effectiveness of the Will-

kie campaign. Far from being discouraged by these "polls" the Republican nominee plans to redouble his efforts and there is indication that his supporters are being welded into a smoother-working combination. At the same time, in view of the spotlight around the President, in connection with defense problems and events abroad, there seems to be little doubt but that the odds, at this time, are strongly on the side of Mr. Roosevelt.

The acquisition of naval and air bases in the Atlantic Ocean, which came to this country as the result of the transfer of fifty over-aged destroyers to Great Britain, undoubtedly strengthened the defensive position of the United States in the Atlantic Ocean. When these bases are developed and instrumented by sufficient planes and surface ships, there is little reason to believe that the Eastern Coast of the United States will become liable to successful enemy attacks.

The situation around the Panama Canal, vital waterway that greatly facilitates defense problems, is likewise considerably improved by the bases made available in the Caribbean and on the coast of South America. From the Atlantic side, the Canal appears to be well taken care of. On the Pacific side, however, there is need for additional bases. The fleet, based on Hawaii, is too far away to guard against occasional raiding expeditions.

Consequently interest is being taken in the possibility that the United States may secure the right to use British bases in the South Pacific Ocean. In fact, before this column can be read, an announcement may be made in regard to the possible use of British bases as far away as Singapore.

Such an agreement will vastly enhance the efficiency of our Pacific fleet, make possible adequate defense of this country's interest in the Far East and, possibly, have a far-reaching effect upon the efforts of Japan to acquire supremacy over French Indo-China, the Dutch Indies and other areas in the Far East.

The extension of naval and air bases in the Atlantic and Pacific, taken together with the adoption of conscription, indicates that public opinion in the United States has violently shifted away from the isolation theory and that this nation is prepared to assume its responsibilities as the strongest power in the world.

Naturally, there are some risks involved, but, sooner or later, the peace of the world will have to be upheld by force and the only question now open is whether the dominance will be that of the totalitarian group or the democratic peoples, represented almost exclusively by Great Britain and the United States.

MEETING OF COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee of the Perquimans County Central Grammar School met at the school on Friday afternoon, September 20, and appointed the following members as committee chairmen:

Finance, Mr. Ainsley; Hospitality, Mrs. Joel Hollowell; Magazine, Mrs. A. R. Cooke; Membership, Mrs. John Symons; Program, Mrs. Ruth Barber; Publication, Mrs. C. P. Quincy; Library, Mrs. Lillie Jackson; Publicity, Mrs. Herman Winslow; Room Representative, Mrs. Linwood Winslow; Study Group, Miss Lucille Long; Safety, Mrs. Dewey Yates; Art, Mrs. W. G. Hollowell; Historian, Mrs. T. C. Perry; Summer Roundup, Mrs. J. P. White; Activity and Procedure, Miss Alma Leggett; Founder's Day, Mrs. C. C. White, Mrs. Cranford and Mrs. Jack Benton; Radio, D. L. Barber; Recreation, Mrs. Emmett Stallings.

Who Knows?

1. How many nations has Hitler overrun in the last year?
2. What is the population of Canada?
3. When will the two-ocean navy be ready for battle?
4. When did the U. S. acquire the Virgin Islands from Denmark?
5. How high are the chalk-white cliffs of Dover?
6. Why do radio stations go off the air during air attacks?
7. When did Leon Trotsky lose power in Russia?
8. Where is "Hell's Corner"?
9. What is the German "Luft-waffe"?

THE ANSWERS

1. Seven.
2. 10,000,000.
3. 1946.
4. 1917.
5. About 500 feet.
6. To prevent hostile pilots from tuning in and using the radio signals as a guide.
7. After the death of Lenin in 1924.
8. This is a British nickname for the southeast corner of England.
9. Air force; literally, air weapon.

Pupils Will Be Guests Of Fair

Dr. Clyde A. Erwin, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, today termed the North Carolina State Fair to be held at Raleigh, October 8-12 "an outstanding educational institution and one which ought to be attended by the school children of the State to the fullest extent possible."

His praise of the Fair came with the announcement that the State's 900,000 school children will be guests of the 1940 exposition on Friday, October 11. Tickets for pupils have been mailed to all county and city school superintendents.

"I know of no place in which the resources of our State are exhibited so completely or to such great advantage," Dr. Erwin said of the State Fair. "I am sure that any child attending the State Fair will go away with a finer spirit of State patriotism and with a better appreciation of the magnificent resources and possibilities of North Carolina."

Friday of Fair Week has been designated as "Young North Carolinians' Day;" Wake County School Day will be observed on Tuesday, October 8, in order to avoid congestion.

Pupils will see agricultural, educational and industrial displays occupying 92,000 square feet of exhibit space. Special events have been planned for 4-H Club members and Vocational Agriculture students.

Although extensive plans have been made by the educational departments of the 1940 exposition, school children will find ample entertainment including the World of Mirth Shows (42 rides and shows) on the mile-long midway; nine outstanding grandstand acts and a revue; harness, auto and motorcycle races; fireworks each night and Lucky Teter and His Hell Drivers.

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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Having qualified as Administratrix D. B. N., of the estate of T. R. Winslow, deceased, late of Perquimans County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Burgaw, N. C., on or before the 12th day of September, 1941, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 12th day of September, 1940.
 RUTH W. KORNEGAY,
 Administratrix D. B. N. of T. R. Winslow.

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North Carolina In The Perquimans County Superior Court Before The Clerk

Charles E. Johnson, Administrator of the estate of Abe Small, Deceased.

Vs.

Charlie Small and Wife, Martha A. Small; Hazel Small Lightfoot and Husband, Joe Lightfoot; Luther Small; Mary Small Lilly and Husband, Sidney Lilly; Herman Small; Clinton Small and Wife, Annie Small; Hattie Small Burke and Husband, George W. Burke; Rachel Small Bowman and Husband, Edgar Bowman; Lucy Small; Oris Small.

NOTICE OF SUMMONS
 You, and each of you, will take

notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Perquimans County, North Carolina, to sell the real estate formerly owned by Abe Small, deceased, to make assets to pay debts against his estate; and the said unknown heirs and distributees of Abe Small, deceased, will further take notice that they are required to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of said County in the Court House in Hertford, North Carolina, not later than the 28th day of October, 1940, and answer or demur to the petition in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This the 28th day of September 1940.

W. H. PITT,
 Clerk Superior Court, Perquimans County.

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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Having qualified as Administrators of the estate of Ray Morse, deceased, late of Perquimans County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Hertford, N. C., Route 3, on or before the 26th day of September, 1941, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate

will please make immediate payment. This 26th day of September, 1940.
 ERNEST EARL MORSE
 CARSON LEE STALLINGS,
 Administrators of Ray Morse

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of Clyde McCallum, deceased, late of Perquimans County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Hertford, N. C., on or before the 23rd day of September, 1941, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 23rd day of September, 1940.

ELLEN W. McCALLUM,
 Administrator of Clyde McCallum.

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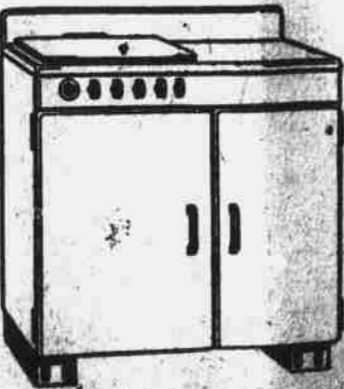
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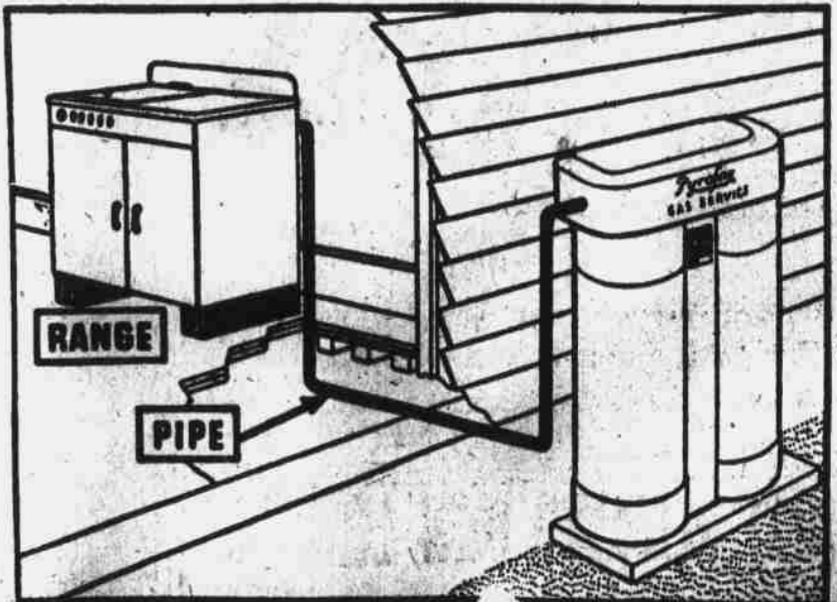


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