

LOOKING AT WASHINGTON

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NEW JAP ENVOY NO CHANGE IN POLICY BRITISH ASK FOR SPEED LABOR LEADERS AGREE MORE AID TO BRITAIN WALLACE WOOS MEXICO

The appointment of Admiral Nomura as the next Japanese Ambassador to the United States is taken by some observers to indicate the desire of the Japanese Cabinet to prevent further unfortunate developments between the two countries. It is pointed out that the Admiral, as Foreign Minister of Japan in 1939, made an effort to diminish friction with the United States, even proposing to reopen the Yangtze River to foreign trade. This came to nothing because of the downfall of the Abe Cabinet, in part because of opposition to the Nomura position.

It is very difficult to pass judgment upon the motives of the Japanese Government or to believe that the appointment of Admiral Nomura means any change in the policies of Japan which have produced tension between the United States and Japan. Since the fall of the Abe Cabinet, Japan has plunged into a policy of totalitarianism at home and Axis alliance abroad. The Government has vigorously prosecuted its efforts to initiate a "New Order" in the Far East and there have occurred numerous incidents to illustrate the fundamental differences that divide the two governments.

For example, the recent withdrawal of thousands of Japanese soldiers from China is not yet thoroughly understood. The shortening of the Japanese lines in China, effecting the release of troops, is sound strategy if Japan plans no further advance against Chungking. It also releases soldiers for possible active service in other areas where responsible Tokyo officials believe the European War has presented a golden opportunity to Japan.

As we have pointed out many times in this column, the United States and Japan seem to be headed for an inevitable clash unless one, or both powers, alter its present policies. Japan's "New Order" cannot rise in the Pacific without trampling upon the rights of Western nations, secured by treaties, to which Japan is a party. If the United States insists upon adhering to its policies in the Far East, including the Open Door in China, the status quo in regards to territory in the Far East and the political independence of China there is no way to avoid hostilities unless Japan is prepared to give up some of the dreams which have fired her ambitious statesmen.

The return of the Marquis of Lothian, British Ambassador to the United States, from his recent trip to London, marked the beginning of what seems to be new British policy in respect to war news. The Ambassador, upon his arrival in this country, frankly intimated that Great Britain is reaching the end of her dollar resources, with the suggestion that this country may be called upon to extend credit if British war purchases are to be continued.

It is very difficult to ascertain the extent of British holdings available to finance war purchases, but in

view of the fact that contracts have to be protected in order to assure manufacturers that funds are available for the purchases, it is generally regarded as reasonable to suppose that British dollar credits will be seriously extended before the end of 1941.

While the Ambassador was talking with the President about the situation in Europe, stressing the need of his country for ships but with confidence as to the ultimate results of the war, Sir Walter Citrine, British labor leader, speaking to the American Federation of Labor at New Orleans, was admitting that "bombing is having an effect on our output" and urging the American Labor organization to speed up the production of "planes, planes and more planes." The General Secretary of the British Trade Union Congress declared that "American labor has it in its power to defeat Nazi Germany without firing a shot," by speeding the production of necessary war supplies.

Responding to the Citrine speech, William Green, President of the American Federation of Labor, declared that union labor would accept as its primary responsibility the sending of an ever-increasing number of planes to Great Britain and, in a subsequent interview, the labor leader stated that no strike "for any reason" could be permitted to interrupt the production of war materials for national defense or for aid to Great Britain. He suggested that tribunals could be set up to adjust differences that might result in the interruption of production.

Along the same line, the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies, of which William Allen White, Kansas editor, is National Chairman, warned the American people that active military involvement may be unavoidable and urged Congress to repeal statutes that might restrict American aid to Great Britain. The Committee has been actively engaged in developing public opinion to support "aid short of war," and has usually advocated in advance the steps taken by the United States to assist the British.

Accepting the thesis that the defeat of Great Britain will leave the United States alone with war inevitable sooner or later, the Committee insists that our only chance of avoiding war "is by giving all material assistance to Great Britain and her allies immediately." Just now, the Committee urges greatly increased arms production because the war "may be won or lost on the American assembly lines."

Calling the sea routes to the Western Hemisphere the "life lines," the Committee urges this country to supply Great Britain with merchant vessels to fly the British flag and to establish a shipping pool in the Indian and Pacific Oceans to relieve British shipping for use in the Atlantic Ocean. It also urges Congress to repeal restrictive statutes which prevent this nation from cooperating with nations "defending themselves from attack by nations at war in violation of treaties with the United States."

The Committee also recognizes that the Axis Alliance has united the Atlantic and the Pacific into a World

War and therefore recommends "all material and financial help to China that is possible without lessening our aid to Great Britain" and extension of embargoes upon war materials to Japan, the joint use of naval bases in the Pacific by Great Britain and the United States and a clear naval understanding with Great Britain to permit the fleets of the two nations to be placed in "the most advantageous position to protect the Atlantic for the democracies and to stop the spread of war in the Pacific."

The presence of Vice-President-elect Henry A. Wallace and a number of officials at the inauguration of President Avila Camacho, in Mexico City last week, represented a special gesture of friendship that will undoubtedly be the forerunner of more cordial relations between the United States and our sister republic to the south. The Mexicans apparently appreciate the special envoy from the United States, pointing out that only once before has Mexico been visited by a Vice-President of this country. Vice-President Garner went to Mexico in connection with the inauguration of the Pan-American highway.

The journey of the Vice-President-elect emphasizes the lack of cordial relations which has marred the history of the United States and Mexico. For various historical reasons, there has been distrust and suspicion of the motives of this country in Mexico and considerable fear of the might of the colossal neighbor able at almost any time to obliterate the Mexican Government and to conquer the Mexican people. Of course, Americans, as a rule, have no such antipathies toward the Mexican people, regardless of the ill-feelings provoked in certain quarters of this country by the policies of President Cardenas, including the seizure of American-owned oil wells.

In promoting the "Good Neighbor" policy in the Western Hemisphere, the United States is seeking to win the friendship of all nations by assurances which come from policies rather than words. It is high time that a special effort is made to cement a permanent friendship with the Mexican people. Certainly, the United States is able to take care of herself in any foreign complication, but just because this nation is strong, there is little excuse for us to ignore the susceptibilities of the populations of the smaller republics. No nation, however strong, can afford the ill-will, suspicion and distrust of millions of people, even though they are scattered in many republics.

Chevrolet Dealers Holding National Truck Week

Chevrolet dealers the nation over are holding their annual National Truck Week, December 2-7 inclusive, and have on display in their respective dealerships the broadest range of commercial equipment ever offered by the country's car and truck sales leader.

According to W. E. Fish, manager of the commercial car department, 1941 will be one of the greatest sales years in truck history, with gains as high as 20 per cent expected in many sections of the country. "The general business upturn is very clearly and very quickly reflected in the truck business," he said, "and truck sales mirror accurately the business picture. With increased activity, both in industry and in retail business, predicted as we enter the winter season, our forecast of truck sales gains seems reasonable.

"By virtue of the fact that approximately one-third of all trucks at work in America today are Chevrolets," Mr. Fish added, "our annual truck week becomes an event of interest to every truck user, whether he operates a fleet or a single unit. The advances made in truck transportation, as illustrated in Chevrolet's 1941 line, which includes 60 models on nine wheelbase lengths, are gains of vital importance to him. Among the features of our new line are two engines with increased power output, longer wheelbase, more comfortable cabs, easier steering of entirely new design, and new massive truck styling for the new year."

BETHEL NEWS

Mrs. W. H. Fleetwood has returned to her home in Norfolk, Va., after spending several days with her mother, Mrs. W. D. Curtis.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Goodwin spent Sunday at Deep Creek, Va., with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Spruill.

Mr. and Mrs. Ennis Phillips and little son spent Tuesday in Elizabeth City on business.

Miss Blanche Goodwin has returned home after spending a week with her sister, Mrs. Murray Perry, in Norfolk, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Fleetwood, of Norfolk, Va., spent Friday with his grandmother, Mrs. W. D. Curtis.

Mrs. John Broughton, Sr., of Hertford, spent Monday with her brother, Johnnie Phillips, and Mrs. Phillips.

Elmer Tarkenton, U. S. Navy, of Norfolk, Va., is visiting his mother, Mrs. Temple Tarkenton.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Phillips and little son, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Goodwin spent Wednesday afternoon in Elizabeth City.

Local Girl Member Of Elon College Festival Chorus

A group of seventy-seven voices, including that of Miss Lila Brdd Stephens of Hertford, will compose the Elon Festival Chorus, which will produce its annual presentation of Handel's Oratorio, the "Messiah" in Whitley Auditorium, Elon College, Sunday, December 8th, at 8 o'clock. The chorus is under the direction of Stuart Pratt, head of the music department of Elon College.

The soloists will be Mrs. H. D. Sidel, soprano of Raleigh; Mrs. Roy Dearstyne, contralto, also of Raleigh; Julian Gardner, tenor, head of the voice department at Elon College; Walter Vassar, bass, Greensboro College.

Fletcher Moore, of the Elon College music faculty, will be at the organ, and Helen Boone will be at the piano.

Feeds Unfortunate

Perquimans Training School sent out 45 baskets to the unfortunate on Thanksgiving Day.

The student body and members of the faculty contributed the following products that were made into baskets: White potatoes, sweet potatoes, collards, canned fruit and vegetables, rutabagas, peanuts, sugar, cornflakes, butter, milk, rice, beans, molasses, salmon, and two bushels of oranges and apples.

VISITS BARNSVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Morgan, their daughter, Eula Mae, and son, Shelton, of Route Two, Hertford, and their grandson, Thomas Edward Umphlett, of Winfall, spent the Thanksgiving holidays in Barnesville with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest W. Morgan and daughter, Joy Jane. Mr. Morgan is superintendent of the Barnesville Schools.

Civilization Is Like A Corporation: We Live On Dividends

"All men are stockholders in our civilization," writes Robert G. Sproul, president of the University of California, in the current issue of The Rotarian Magazine. "Whatever we have been able to learn of Nature's secrets comes to us as a dividend from Civilization, Inc. Whatever more we are able to bequeath will come from Civilization, Inc."

The assets of this mammoth corporation we call civilization, Dr. Sproul points out, are far more than tangible factories and buildings, than tangible factories and buildings.

schools. They are the faiths of our people. Thus it is more than ever necessary to husband them with the same care any other corporation lavishes on its assets, so that they are not wasted, nor paid out in unearned dividends.

Progress for our common venture is not inevitable, the educator says. There have been periods when the graph of "business" has descended. Today the assets on the balance sheet of Civilization are, perhaps, the highest yet offered to the stockholders—which are ourselves—but the very values which are our best possessions may be perverted, as some are being, to destroy the values themselves. Yet, quoting Thomas Mann:

"The essential man is not the creature who hurls down bombs on children, but the mind that devised the flying machine, the seeker and builder, not the destroyer."

That the faiths and beliefs that are the chief asset of Civilization, Inc., are in danger is the concern of all of us, as stockholders in the enterprise, Dr. Sproul reminds us. "Today there is in our world a powerful doctrine that such concepts are the spawn of a decaying liberalism. Thus we have the spectacle of governments not believing what other governments say," he writes. The great hope for the maintenance of our common values is the renewal of the ancient, deep-seated faiths, and a "dynamic faith in truth and in man." This is what has builded Civilization once; if need be, it can do so again.

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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION Having qualified as Executrix of the estate of J. L. Babb, 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 on or before the 23rd day of November, 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 November, 1940. ALICE L. BABB, Executrix of J. L. Babb. nov.29,dec.6,13,20,27,jan.3

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Having qualified as Administratrix of the estate of C. E. Horton, 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 Route 3, Hertford, N. C., on or before the 29th day of October, 1941, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 29th day of October, 1940. MAGGIE S. HORTON, Administratrix of C. E. Horton. nov.15,22,29,dec.5,13,20

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of an order made by Hon. W. H. Pitt, Clerk Superior Court of Perquimans County, in a certain special proceeding pending in said Court entitled, Charles E. Johnson, Administrator of the estate of Abe Small, deceased, vs. Charles Small and wife, Martha A. Small, Et Als, I shall on the 20th day of December, 1940, at 12 o'clock M. at the Courthouse door in Hertford, North Carolina, offer for sale at public auction for cash the following described property, described in the petition in said cause, to-wit:

Those certain lots of land situated in Belvidere Township, Perquimans County, N. C., formerly belonging to the Cyph Small Estate, being lots Nos. 1 and 3, as shown by plat recorded in Platt Book No. 1, No. 345, Register of Deeds Office, Perquimans County, N. C. Also all the said Abram Small's right title and interest in the other lots shown on Plat above set out, and by reference thereto made a part of this description.

ROBERT B. LOWRY, Commissioner of the Court. Five per cent deposit shall be required of bidder on the sale price at the time of sale. This the 19th day of November, 1940. nov.22,29,dec.6,13

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NOTICE

Beginning January 1, 1941, this Bank will close at 2 o'clock every day—including Saturdays.

We find this change necessary on account of wage and hour legislation.

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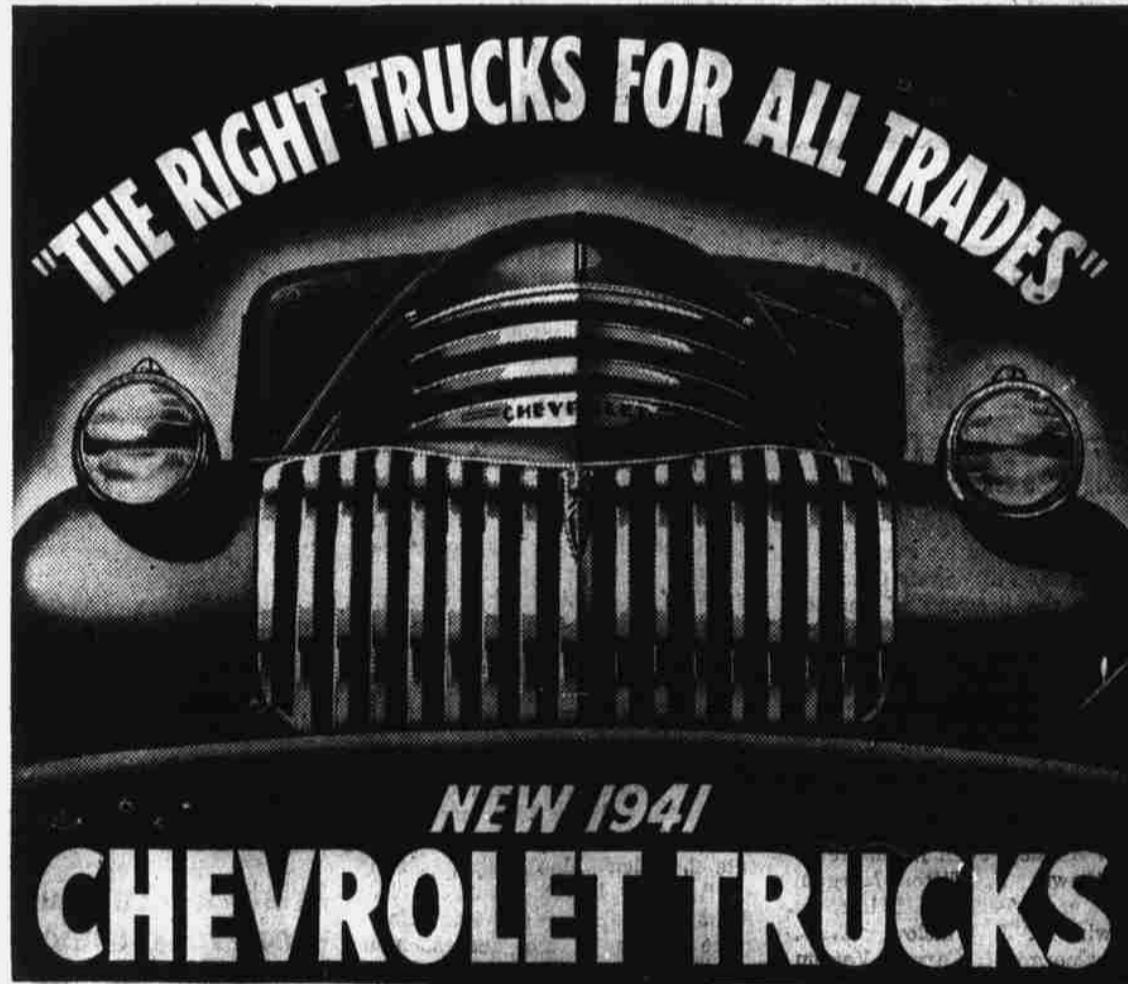
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