

LOOKING AT WASHINGTON

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DEFENSE AND CONGRESS IMPLEMENTING A POLICY AN INDUSTRIAL STRUGGLE NO TROOPS TO EUROPE FLEET IN THE PACIFIC RIVAL GROUPS CLASH DANGER AHEAD FOR U. S.

The chief interest of Congress, and of the people of the United States, will be centered upon steps taken to implement the willingness of this country to become the "arsenal of the democracies." As a part of this goal the rearmament program will be speeded but the great gain that will accrue to the United States will be in the expansion of its capacity to produce the material necessary to modern warfare, whether for defense or offense.

The President's message on the State of the Union, coupled with his recent fireside chat, evidenced the change that has taken place in public opinion in the United States since the war in Europe began, more than a year ago. With the collapse of France, there has been a widespread appreciation of the dependence of this country, in past years, upon the stabilizing force of the British Fleet. Most Americans are now convinced that, without the British fleet in the Atlantic, the future peace of the United States is in jeopardy until the projected two-ocean navy can be constructed and take its place upon the high seas.

The leaders of the defense program in Washington have repeatedly stressed the urgency of the international situation. There is every prospect that red-tape and ordinary methods will be thrown aside in order that unlimited production can become the order of the day. The output of our industrial plants in the next six months will probably determine whether this country will have to face the probability of a great war. All that we can produce, in time for assisting the British against the expected German drive, will serve the interests of this nation, even though it does no more than give us time in which to perfect our defense plans and increase productive capacities.

The United States is facing two threatening situations, although both stem from the same world condition. The defeat of Great Britain by Germany would bring us face to face with Nazi methods in the Atlantic, with grave repercussions in South America, and the same disaster to the democracies would free the Japanese for widespread advances in the South Pacific which would seriously threaten the position of the United States in the Far East. The effect of such a joint threat would be to present this country with the most dire peril that it has seen since the early days of the Republic.

The President, it is said, and we can understand his attitude, is adamant against the use of American troops in Europe. He has repeatedly given the people of this country his assurance that he has no idea of using our young men abroad and, for much the same reason, there is doubt as to any present willingness on his part to use the naval or aerial forces of the country to deliver supplies to the British Isles. While almost any other plan would be acceptable, so far as we can judge the Chief Executive has not yet been convinced that actual participation in the struggle, even to the extent of asserting our rights as a neutral on the high seas, is advisable.

In his fireside talk to the people of the country, in the latter part of December, Mr. Roosevelt, without amplification, declared categorically that our fleet "is in the Pacific." This has been generally taken as a plain warning to the Japanese that the United States will not hesitate to act, if necessary to prevent the Tokyo branch of the plunder band from taking advantage of the situation in Europe to seize the possessions of the Dutch or the British. It is largely because the course of Japan is not yet clearly underway, we presume, that the President was not more specific in his reference to the Pacific, or Far Eastern question.

The nation is witnessing the intense efforts of two "committees" of private citizens to align public opinion. The well-known group seeking to Defend America by Aid to the

Allies has at last found a rival in the newly organized No Foreign Wars Committee, which is centering its efforts, apparently, in working up sentiment against depleting our own defense by deliveries to the British. Of course, no American that we know of desires to engage in a foreign war but the difference of opinion exemplified by these committees involves clashing ideas as to how far the interest of this country is identified with that of Great Britain.

The Aid-to-the-Allies group believes that, once the Germans win in Europe, this nation will face a combination of Japan, Italy and Germany and that it will become involved in a war that will dwarf previous combats. The other group evidently believes that, regardless of who wins in Europe, the United States is big enough to take care of itself and its interests in this hemisphere, no matter how many nations gang up on us. Whether a Nazi victory will inevitably produce a world-wide conflict, involving the United States, is a matter of opinion. The President plainly believes that our civilization cannot live in peace in a world dominated by Hitlerism. We, if anybody is interested, find ourselves in complete agreement with the Chief Executive.

Dr. Graham Named 'Man Of The Year'

For his leadership in furthering the agricultural research, teaching and Extension program of North Carolina State College, Dr. Frank Porter Graham, president of the Greater University of North Carolina, was selected by The Progressive Farmer magazine as the "Man of the Year" in service to North Carolina agriculture.

It was the fourth such annual award made by the magazine, and Dr. Graham was the second person connected with N. C. State College to be honored. Dr. I. O. Schaub, dean of the school of agriculture and director of the Extension Service, was named the "Man of the Year" in 1938.

In announcing the selection for 1940, Dr. Clarence Poe, editor of The Progressive Farmer, wrote: "By being made head of the Consolidated University of North Carolina . . . President Frank P. Graham had an opportunity either to greatly discourage and diminish or to greatly encourage and enlarge our own North Carolina agricultural college. Because he was big enough of brain and heart to choose the latter course . . . we honor him as 1940 'Man of the Year' in service to North Carolina agriculture."

The honor to Dr. Graham is being widely acclaimed on the State College campus. Dr. Graham secured funds in 1940 for greatly enlarging the agricultural research program of State College and for beginning the virtual equivalent of a "Kenan Fund" for getting and keeping the foremost leaders in agricultural research, teaching and Extension.

In citing the value of Dr. Graham's contribution, Dr. Poe said: "Towering above all other agencies in promoting American rural progress these last twenty years have been our agricultural colleges—the so-called 'land-grant colleges' with their ever-increasing efficient research, teaching and Extension staffs. Dr. Graham decided that State College must be made, if possible, the South's foremost agricultural and technical institution."

CENTER HILL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller, Sr., of Edenton, visited Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Furry Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Turner and two children, Robert and Peggy, visited Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hollowell, at Sunbury, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Byrum, of near Cannons Ferry, visited Mr. and Mrs. Edward Byrum Sunday evening.

Mrs. Oscar Boyce and daughter, Ruth, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Lane, Thursday.

Miss Lucy Myers White is visiting

Miss Ellnor Lane, in Elizabeth City. Mrs. T. E. Chappell visited Mrs. Theodore Boyce Monday evening. Mrs. J. S. Turner and daughter, Peggy, visited Mrs. J. P. Barnett on Friday afternoon.

Willie Monds, of Norfolk, Va., visited relatives here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Byrum and daughter, Shirley, visited Mr. and Mrs. Worth Layton Tuesday evening. Mrs. Carroll Byrum and son visited Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Furry Friday afternoon.

Mrs. J. S. Turner and daughter, Peggy, Mrs. Edward Byrum and her daughter, Doris Jean, called on Mrs. Herbert Dail Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Byrum and daughter, Doris Jean, Peggy Anne Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Silas White spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Byrum.

Rev. J. T. Stanford visited R. O. Furry Wednesday afternoon.

Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Stanford visited relatives in Northampton County a few days last week.

Mrs. A. M. Williams and son, Melvin, have returned to their home at Boykins, Va., after visiting her daughter, Mrs. Elton Jordan, and Mr. Jordan.

Mrs. J. S. Turner was the dinner guest of her sister, Mrs. Richard Copeland, of near Edenton, Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hunter and children, of Winston-Salem; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hunter and children, of near Hertford, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Asbell Sunday.

William Belch, of Newport News, Va., spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Belch.

Mrs. Edward Byrum and daughter, Doris Jean, were guests of Mrs. Byrum's aunt, Mrs. E. L. Hollowell, in Edenton, at dinner, Saturday evening.

Mrs. Nearest Jordan and children, Frances and James, spent Tuesday with her aunt, Mrs. Paul Bunch, of near Edenton.

Miss Camilla White, who is nursing in Park View Hospital, Rocky Mount, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. White.

Miss Katherine Hollowell dined with her sister, Mrs. Willie Byrum, and Mr. Byrum, on Sunday.

Carey McNider, of Newport News, Va., spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe P. McNider.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvah Gresham and Miss Ila Mae Dail, of Norfolk, Va., Va., spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Dail.

Peace League To Meet Sunday, January 19

The Perquimans County branch of the Woman's International League of Peace and Freedom will hold its next meeting Sunday evening, January 19, at 7 o'clock, at Up River Friends Church, after the meeting of the Christian Endeavor Society.

A short study course on Latin America is being given by the League this winter and Mrs. Roy Winslow is in charge of the lesson for this meeting.

The public is cordially invited to attend and all members are especially urged to be present.

CROSS ROADS NEWS

Mrs. Lena Asbell and family, Mr. and Mrs. Edna Asbell and children visited Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Hollowell, Sr., Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Epting and daughter have returned from Little Mountain, S. C., where they spent the holidays with relatives.

Miss Louise Holcombe spent the holidays at Spartanburg, S. C., but has returned to resume her teaching.

Mrs. R. H. Hollowell and Norman Hollowell have returned from Van Vleet, Miss., where they spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hollowell.

Miss Dorothy Bragg has returned to resume her teaching duties, after visiting her sister, Mrs. Meadows, at Oxford, and her parents at Stem, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Elliott spent Sunday in Rocky Mount with relatives.

B. W. Evans returned from General Hospital, Norfolk, Va., Thursday. His many friends will be delighted to learn that his condition is much improved.

Miss Lois Savage left Saturday for Knoxville, Tenn., after spending the holidays with her father, J. L. Savage. She is a member of the school faculty in Knoxville.

Miss Willietta Evans has returned to Gulf Park College, Gulfport, Miss., after spending the holidays with Mrs. Z. W. Evans.

Mr. and Mrs. Tyree Buck have returned to Winterville, after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Winslow.

Miss Margaret White Byrum has returned to Louisburg College, after spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. J. C. Byrum.

Miss Sarah Winborne left Sunday for Greensboro to resume her studies at W. C. U. N. C., after spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. W. H. Winborne.

Mrs. A. S. Bush is confined to her

bed with a severe cold.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelmer Copeland and son, of Norfolk, Va., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Copeland. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clay Sullivan, of Hertford, Mr. and Mrs. Kelmer Copeland and son, of Norfolk, Va., visited Mr. and Mrs. J. Henderson Dail Sunday afternoon.

Miss Helen Blanchard and a friend from Norfolk, Va., and Watson Blanchard, of Greenville, spent New Year's Day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Blanchard.

Miss Pencie Chappell, of Norfolk, Va., spent New Year's Day with Miss Louise Bush.

Mr. and Mrs. Melton Bateman have moved to Ryland to make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Forehand, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Evans and Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Elliott attended a party in Edenton Sunday evening at the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. I. Hart.

Mrs. A. S. Bush and Miss Louise Bush spent Friday with Mrs. Lula Rountree, at Hobbsville.

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

Mrs. E. N. Elliott visited Mrs. H. D. Epting Saturday evening.

Mrs. Lindsay Evans and Mrs. E. N. Elliott visited Mrs. J. Henderson Dail Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Byrum have moved into the house vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Melton Bateman.

Mrs. J. T. Byrum was the dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Evans on Sunday.

Miss Marian Fiske has returned from Moyock, after spending the holidays with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Forehand visited Mrs. W. H. Winborne Saturday evening.

Miss May Belle Edwards is back at school after spending the holidays at her home at Whaleyville, Va.

Miss Bonnie Rowe has returned from her home in Elizabeth City, where she spent the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Barnett have moved into the upstairs apartment of the Paul Bunch house on the Center Hill road.

Miss Louise Wilson has returned from her home at Chapanoke, where she spent the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. George Peele and children, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Peele and children, of Rocky Hock, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hollowell.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Hollowell and son, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Corprew and son, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Hollowell and children and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Leary visited Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hollowell Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Hollowell and son spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Leary, Sr., in Rocky Hock.

O. C. Ward, of Ryland, visited

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Hollowell Monday evening.

Mrs. Z. W. Evans, Mrs. B. W. Evans, Miss Mary La France and Miss Marguerite Etta Evans spent Monday in Norfolk, Va.

Miss Frances Evans, of Jackson, spent the week-end with Mrs. Z. W. Evans.

Mrs. W. A. Perry is confined to her home by illness.

Miss Helen Evans has returned to her school at Mantoo, and Miss

Eather Evans to Perquimans High in Hertford.

Mrs. B. W. Evans and family spent New Year's Day with Mrs. Z. W. Evans.

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NOTICE STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING

The annual meeting of Stockholders of the Hertford Banking Company, Hertford, N. C., for the election of the Directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting will be held Tuesday, January 21, 1941, at its Banking House, between the hours of 3 and 4 o'clock P. M.

R. M. RIDDICK, Cashier