

## LOOKING AT WASHINGTON

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### About The "Four Bullies" Power Plus Responsibility

It is passing strange that some publicists in the United States are unable to distinguish between a world, dominated by Great Britain, China, Russia and the United States, and one that might be ruled by Germany, Italy and Japan.

This comes to mind as we read the comments that arise over the proposal that the four great United Nations form the bulwark of the international force to maintain peace after the present war.

Certainly, a world ordered by the United Nations will not resemble the world of Hitler's dreams and the people of a world ruled by the United Nations will have rights, liberties and freedoms that would be impossible in an Axis-exploited sphere.

David Lawrence, writing in The United States News, heads his discussion of the question, "Four Bullies?" Apparently, he is convinced that a world adjusted to the civilization of the four leading United Nations would usher in "four big regional systems, with a bully or policeman in each, ready to pounce on the smaller nations—presumably to be disarmed, anyway—if they don't keep the peace."

Certainly, it is small confidence in the United Nations to believe that this nation, which has set a notable example to the world in fair treatment to smaller nations, will likewise become a monster if given a superior voice in the organization and operation of a world system designated to maintain peace.

The goal of universal security can only be attained if there exists in the world great powers ready and willing to use their strength in the common interest of themselves and weaker nations.

No combination of small states, and no aggregation of the so-called lesser peoples, can possibly possess the power necessary to protect themselves from the aggressive designs of more powerful states.

We have a distinct impression that the United States, China and Russia, each of which is fighting a defensive war, after being attacked, are serving the interests of civilization by cooperating in the defeat of Axis barbarians.

The British nation, which alone entered upon the perilous path of war voluntarily, without being attacked, is doing its share.

The presumption is that these nations, after winning a victory at much cost, will continue the policies which have differentiated them from the aggressors.

In no sense of the word could they become "four bullies" if, upon occasion, they required smaller nations, without responsibility or power, to conform to regulations designed for the common good.

It is all very well to talk glowingly of a "democratic collaboration of all nations, large and small, strong and weak, black and white, yellow and brown." This is a dream of a future day when justice shall reign upon the earth, but meanwhile, justice must be upheld by nations strong enough to resist wrong-doers.

In the present development of warfare, it is readily apparent that the United States, Great Britain and Russia, on the side of the United Nations, and Germany and Japan, on the side of the aggressors, alone have the industrial production necessary to arm and equip fighting men and to wage modern warfare.

If the three industrial powers of the United Nations must assume responsibility for maintaining world peace and guarantee to smaller nations, existing civilization and freedom, it is nothing but proper that they should have a predominant voice in any arrangements made throughout the world.

After all, if a conflict follows, the burden of the fighting will rest upon them and not upon the conglomeration of small nations or the massed population of weaker peoples.

### Solve Refugee Problem By Winning The War

With representatives of the United States and Great Britain exploring the problems of war refugees in a meeting on the island of Bermuda, it is well for us to understand the magnitude of the problem.

There is a tendency to center attention on an estimated five million Jews still under the Nazi heel in Europe and to forget the not fewer than 20,000,000 persons in Europe, apart from members of the armed forces, who have been uprooted from their homes during the present war.

As a London dispatch points out, if China and the Soviet Union are included the number of refugees would come close to 100,000,000.

The refugees include several classes. There are people like the Chinese who left their homes voluntarily and scorched the earth behind them, deportees who were removed forcibly for political or racial reasons, some Germans who have settled in areas outside of Germany, prisoners of war and civilian workers in occupied countries who have been carried away from their homes under the total mobilization edicts of the Axis.

It will take more than good will to solve the problem. The location of

possible havens will not end the matter. There must be the question of transportation and support until the transferred people are able to make their own way.

The British, in this discussion of the general subject, express the opinion that the best way to help the refugees is to make their old homes safe for them to return to by winning the war as speedily as possible. This sounds sensible to us.

### Sinkings Exaggerated What Berlin Claimed U-Boats Losing Battle

The question of losses sustained by the Allies as a result of the German U-boat campaign comes back into the limelight with the report of the Truman Senate Committee that the Germans are sinking one million tons of shipping monthly, with the added information that more shipping is being sunk than is being built by the United States and Great Britain.

Subsequently, Secretary Knox declared that the statement of the Truman Committee was incorrect and that the statement of losses for 1942 was "very seriously off."

Secretary Knox assumed that Senator Truman "got his figure of one million tons from some uninformed newspaper writers, who, around the first of the year came out with very definite statements that the Germans were sinking one million tons of shipping a month."

In the month of January, in commenting on this speculative figure, we pointed out that the German High Command only claimed that U-boats sunk 7,586,000 tons of Allied shipping in 1942.

This was a far cry from the "one million tons a month" of the journalistic estimate which has been repeated by the Truman Committee, but Berlin also claimed that another million and a half tons of shipping were sunk by airplanes, surface vessels, mines and other means.

Certainly, it may be assumed that the figures given out by Berlin are, if anything, exaggerated in favor of the Axis. Thus, the German claim that 8,940,000 tons of shipping were destroyed in 1942, must represent a figure higher than the actual total.

Even if we admit the correctness of the German claim, or that one million tons of shipping were destroyed each month in 1942, there is every reason to believe that Allied ship construction more than replaced the losses.

Prime Minister Churchill and other British representatives have reported a relative improvement in the shipping status of the United Nations which have about substantially more tonnage than at the worst point of the submarine warfare. Officials in this country have also supported the idea that construction outstripped

losses. Of course, Americans understand that Washington and London are in agreement on a policy of not publishing shipping losses on the ground that to do so would give the enemy valuable information.

Prime Minister Churchill, supporting the policy in a recent speech in the House of Commons, said that the Germans would like to know "how far adrift they are from the truth, but nothing would induce me, while I am responsible to clarify enemy knowledge on this matter."

This is the real explanation for the lack of accurate information as to sinkings by U-boats. Certainly, because the Anglo-American Governments agree that it is best not to give out accurate information as to ships sunk by U-boats, because such information would assist the enemy, there is no reason for Americans to accept pot-shot journalistic estimates.

Moreover, the journalists in question and the Truman Committee should certainly hold down their estimates of losses to a figure that does not exceed the total claimed by the Nazi government itself.

### LATEST CROP OF ODD DIVORCE COMPLAINTS

Curious problems aired in divorce courts, including the case of a husband who had to share his bed with a pet monkey, the wife who was forced to salute her spouse and other equally strange complaints of marital life. Look for this unusual feature in the May 16th issue of THE AMERICAN WEEKLY

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## Special Mother's Day Services At St. Ann's

Sunday, May 9, at St. Ann's Catholic Church, Mother's Day will be observed at two Holy Masses that will be celebrated at 8:30 and 11:00 a. m., respectively, and include Holy Communion, Sermon on "Our Mothers," followed by Litany of the Mother of God.

Saturday, May 8, 15th anniversary of the Feast of "Mary, the Mother of Mankind," Mass will start at 8:00 a. m., and be followed by May devotions.

Confessions Saturday 7:30 to 7:55 a. m., 7 to 8 p. m., Sunday 8 to 8:25 and 10:30 to 10:55 a. m.

Everybody is invited to all the Services by the Reverend Father F. J. McCourt, pastor and chaplain to U. S. Marine Corps Air Station.

## FSA Families Aiding County Milk Problem

"Land that flows with milk and honey," has been a desire of people since the days of Moses. Whether this will ever happen is hard to say but if the Farm Security Administration families in Perquimans keep increasing their dairy cows at the present rate the milk will not be impossible.

Nowhere in eastern Carolina can one find a group of 148 small farm families who have made such progress in dairy cattle as those found in Perquimans County.

A review of the records at the County Farm Security Administration offices in Hertford shows that in

1941 these 148 families had 207 dairy cows. In 1942 they had increased their cows to 296 or an increase of 89 milk cows. These families now average 2 milk cows per farm.

Milk production was increased from 65,601 gallons to 126,540 gallons. Part of the increase in production was due to the additional cows but a good part of it was due to the better care, attention and feeding practices these families followed under the supervision and guidance of Houston Edwards and Marian Morrow, FSA Supervisors for Perquimans County. This production was enough milk for family needs and would also supply men all the milk they needed for 12 months.

From all indications the number of dairy cattle on these small farms will continue to increase. In 1941 they had 59 heifers. In 1942 they had 89 heifers that were being kept for future milkers. Fifteen of these heifers will start milking during 1943. If nothing happens there will be 200 heifers and 311 milk cows at the end of 1943.

Sale of male calves made up a part of the large livestock sales these 148 farmers had this past year.

Another indication of future increases is the fact that in 9 communities of the county, the borrowers

have jointly purchased purebred dairy sires with which to improve their present stock. By doing it jointly the cost is not excessive for any individual farm.

Dairy cows require pasture and this has not been overlooked. In 1941 these families had 278 acres for pasture. They increased it to 488 acres in 1942 and plan to increase their pasture to 622 acres in 1943. They used basic treatment on 907 acres of land last year.

This appears to be a step in the direction of better farming because surplus milk above farm family needs makes the best protein supplement for hogs and poultry that can be obtained.

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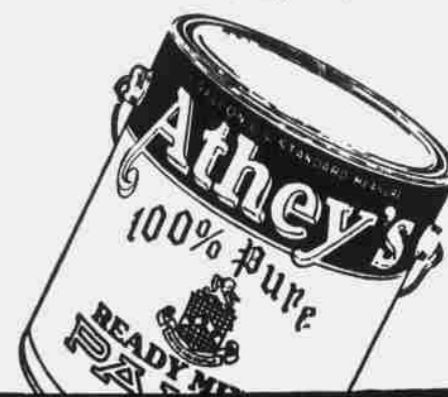
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