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Peace Plan

Public opinion, backed by strong men behind a conference table and not merely idealists and dreamers, will mold the peace after this war, Dr. Henry J. Bruman, assistant professor of geology at Pennsylvania State College, declares in outlining a four-point peace plan.

Dr. Bruman believes we must start now to think about terms on which peace can be maintained, and he lists the following four steps for a lasting peace:

1. A program of re-education and indoctrination for democracy in the conquered countries. To do this will probably take a lifetime, gradually placing into position of power youth who have been taught the principles of freedom and democracy.

2. Military occupation of Germany, Italy, and possibly Hungary with maintenance of an army of occupation in those countries for at least 8 to 10 years, and perhaps a whole generation during the re-education process.

3. Compulsory military training in the United States for every male citizen to provide a large standing army.

4. Generous boundary allotments to Germany and Japan, and equally generous allotments of sources of adequate raw materials. Germany should be given Austria and the Sudeten Germans.

"I fervently hope the powers in Russia and the English-speaking peoples will be able to arrive at a mutually satisfactory agreement regarding the nature of the peace," Dr. Bruman concludes. "If such harmony does not come about, we shall have lost the peace."—ACP.

Blessed be agriculture! if one does not have too much of it.—Charles Dudley Warner.

This Collegiate World

Brunets who dance well and are good conversationalists are the ideal date, according to applications received by the Independent Women's association dating bureau at Pennsylvania State College.

Girls should not pay too much attention to advice to be a good listener, it was disclosed. The men defined a good conversationalist as one between a constant chatterer and an undulated listener.

Of 79 male applicants, 21 rated conversational ability as essential, 17 demanded good dancers, 17 requested brunet dates, 16 voted for slenderness, 14 asked for a talkative date, 13 said to date should not be too quiet, 12 objected to too much makeup, and 10 condemned snobbishness.

Only seven votes each were given to beauty, a sense of humor and intelligence; five favored good figures and five "a reasonable amount of reserve;" four ruled out smoking and two vetoed wearing glasses. Three voted for blonds and two for red-heads.

Co-ed applicants rated high as a virtue, with 26 of the 64 specifying it. Ten objected to conceit, three to drinking, one to cigars, and one to glasses.

Seventeen army medical officers are being given a special course in laboratory training and methods in the medical school at the University of Michigan. The officers are the first of three groups the army is sending to the university for 12-week instruction periods.

The extensive course provides the army physicians with latest developments in laboratory methods and is designed to develop the officers into "one-man laboratories" so they can perform any ordinary type of procedure if they are established at isolated posts.

Research in educational problems has been woefully neglected and is in need of more attention, says Dr. Frank N. Freeman, dean of the school of education of the university of California.

Dr. Freeman said there are two general fields in which educational research is needed. In one are problems of organization and administration of school; in another category are problems of psychology, economics, political science, sociology and even in biology, physics and chemistry.

From Capital to Campus

ACP's Jay Richter Reports from Washington

AFTER ITS OVER
As colleges and universities lose their young men to the services at an ever-increasing rate, more and more attention is being directed at post-war educational opportunities for those who will be veterans of World War II.

After the last war, the government financed the education and vocational training of only those veterans who suffered injury during the war. This time the government's intentions appear to be much broader.

When he recently appointed a committee to study the problem, the president said nothing about wound-stripe pre-requisites for the post-war education of veterans-to-be. He also referred to the educational policy of the last post-war period as "provisional, thus indicating he thought it quite inadequate.

He said that the plan this time should "enable the young men whose education has been interrupted to resume their schooling and afford equal opportunity for the training and education of other young men of ability."

That approach gives many enlightened educators reason to hope that the war's aftermath will bring a revitalized educational system, with selection of students based on ability rather than economic privilege. At any rate, it gives college students going into the army some hope that there will be a concrete freedom waiting them at the end of "the road back."

Already, the "President's Committee on Post-War Education of students," as it is officially called, is wrangling about details of the program—which is a good sign. It indicates that there is something in the wind worth arguing about, and that the committee is active.

Points at issue appear to be the question of how the plan shall be financed, how long it shall be under the jurisdiction of the army, and then whether its administration should be under the Veterans Administration, the Office of Education, or some new government agency set up for the purpose.

Details of how college credits earned in pre-war days shall be applied to a student-veteran's record when he returns to school, have been worked out by the American Council of Education here in Washington.

EDUCATION ELSEWHERE

The Italians are evacuating schools in zones exposed to bombing.

Italy has ruled out new registrations in certain university courses for the duration of the war.

All pro-axis professors at the University of Buenos Aires have been ordered to quit their jobs, according to a short wave radio from Chile.

JOBS

An examination for "Junior Pharmacists" jobs has been announced by the Civil Service Commission. Those who have finished courses in pharmacy, or who are seniors, may apply. Jobs paying \$2,000, \$1,800, \$1,620 and \$1,440 are open to those who pass the test.

Quotable Quotes

We are engaged in the dirty business of war. You did not start the conflict, but you will have to carry it on. Yours will be the major sacrifices, and you are preparing to make them. All that I am saying is that, even in such a time and under such conditions, it is not your sole mission in life to learn to fight, no matter what you are told. Your preparation should be much broader. You should get clearly in mind the kind of world you want after the war and then prepare yourself to bring about and to administer this world. As you fight this war, insist that your generation take responsibility for shaping the peace and equip itself to do so effectively. Your country needs you in its armed forces; it also needs you as able citizens, since a democracy can use to advantage all of the knowledge that can be acquired by its citizens."—President Alexander G. Ruthven, University of Michigan, urges students to get an education for life, not for death.—ACP

"Education is the backbone of an army. The job of the schools in this total war is to educate the nation's manpower for war and for the peace that follows."—The army's Lt. Gen. Brehon Somervell recommends that schools and colleges become pre-induction training centers for the armed forces, leaving the army and navy free to concentrate on combat training.—ACP

Aggie Cryptogram

(The following cryptogram was enciphered by taking a plain-text quotation dealing with Aggie and dividing it into groups of five letters, then arranging each of these groups alphabetically.)

Today's Aggie Cryptogram

ENOPS EIQRT ALSTU AFHOT AEGHT
EGIS—W. E. Scott, D. SC.

Thursday's Solution:

FIFTEEN FOR CHUCK AND WIFE
AND HAPPY LANDINGS.

Dr. H. P. Thielman, member of the mathematics faculty at St. Thomas College, has been named assistant professor of mathematics at Iowa State College.

PRIVATE BUCK By Clyde Lewis



"I ran out of ammunition, Sir, but I've been sniping' em with coconuts!"

BACKWASH

By Jack Hood

"Backwash: An agitation resulting from some action or occurrence"—Webster

By Nelson Karbach

Army Intelligence . . .

According to the latest psychological information, the average intelligence of the typical selectee of World War II is slightly higher than that of the typical draftee of World War I . . . but we are beginning to have a few doubts.

A company of selectees were being moved out of a city up north for points unknown. All of the sad selectees were standing around kissing their mothers and sweethearts a fond good-bye—that is, all except one forlorn boy who had no one to kiss. Finally the atmosphere of tender oscillation got the best of him. Picking out a good-looking blonde, he charged up and began kissing her passionately, claiming that he had no mother to see him off. The girl promptly took pity on the poor soldier and cooperated in the most desirable manner. So he kissed her again and ran to catch the train as it pulled out of the station.

Now the girl is trying to find out who the boy is—no doubt wanting to give him a bit more mothering. The chump didn't even take the trouble to find out her name and address. If this is an indication of the intelligence of the average buck private, we feel sorry for the army.

Save Those Tires . . .

The special train was drawing near Houston last December 19 when it suddenly came to a stop right out in the middle of the prairie. Anxious, holiday-seeking Aggies set up an awful howl because they had already been delayed an hour waiting for two freight trains. Bleeding redoubled when the train began to back up.

Then we found out what had happened. The train had been chugging along at about 65 m.p.h when it plowed into an ice truck making a perfect V for Victory out of the chassis. Ice (shaved into convenient drink-mixing size) had been scattered along the track for 300 yards and the truck had been reduced to kindling wood. Many Aggies were disappointed because the driver had already been removed to the hospital and there was no blood splattered around.

Several Aggies with cameras took a few pictures and the train moved on. Even if it did look pretty bad it turned out that it wasn't much of an accident. The driver of the unfortunate icetruck had escaped with a minor cut on the leg and all tires escaped without a single scratch.

Drape Shapes . . .

We were slightly amazed by the numerous zoot - suits running around over the holidays. At the recent freshman dance of the University of Houston poor old Backwash didn't get a chance all evening to indulge in his favorite pastime (which is looking at the women) because of his amazement at the zoot suits and drape shapes.

Over on one corner of the dance floor a group of rejectees were standing around fondly admiring a "classy set of threads" which they thought was "all reef". It seemed that he had to grease his feet to get his pants on. We wandered over to take a look at him. Old Army, you wouldn't believe it but his coat was a bright



Guion Hall offers an old one "Nothing But the Truth" as its feature presentation today and tomorrow. Bob Hope and Paulette Goddard hold down the leading roles, with Edward Arnold, Leif Erikson and Glenn Anders supporting.

The story is even older than the picture, being of the 1916 vintage. But in spite of the bewhiskered story, Hope brings to the picture his usual brand of fun and humor, making it a laugh-provoker. According to the plot, Bob bets \$10,000 of Paulette Goddard's money that he can tell the truth for twenty-four hours. Maybe you think Edward Arnold, Leif Erikson and Glenn Anders, who took the bet, don't crown our hero into one tight corner after another.

Paulette is as good as ever in her role and improves with each film, but it's Hope's picture and, brother, he makes the best of it. The Lowdown—nothing but comedy.

Billed with "Nothing but the Truth" is "AFFAIRS OF JIMMY VALENTINE," with Dennis O'Keefe, Ruth Terry and Gloria Dickson. The cast is good, but the plot is mediocre. The telling skips from one place of thought to another and spectators are thrown for a loss as to correct assumption of the various segments.

The plot has Jimmy Valentine, after his release from jail, becoming a country editor, raising a family and, with a quartet of reformed buddies, living the straight and narrow way. Into a peaceful village comes a radio wizard, seeking Valentine so he can do a radio script and keep peace with his sponsor. With him he brings a cheap gangster who claims Valentine framed his father. Two murders are done by said gangster. When Valentine is unveiled he tries to kill him, but dies himself.

U S Textbooks Aid Chinese Medical School Students

American medical and surgical textbooks sent to the Soviet Union by hundreds of American medical students through Russian War Relief, are helping to prepare new doctors for work with the Red Army and among Russia's 40,000,000 evacuees from invaded territory, it was revealed in letters sent to Russian War Relief by students in the First Kharkov Medical Institute.

The Kharkov Institute, one of the largest medical schools in the world, was moved to Chkalov when the Nazis occupied Kharkov. Classes were in full swing within a week after the faculty and student body left Kharkov.

A letter written in painstaking English and signed by six first year students said that "our Institute, in spite of war conditions, is preparing many new physicians for the front and the rear and we work hard at it."

It also reported that "on Sundays we work at the plants and so help the front."

"We students thank you for the books which you have sent for us," the note concluded.

Another letter, signed by a girl student, Lida Kalinina, 19 years old, invited correspondence with American students.

"My father is at the front," she wrote, after expressing thanks for the text books sent by Russian War Relief. "I study at the Medical Institute. At school I studied German, at the Institute I study English. It is a very interesting language."

"I shall be happy to receive an answer from you." Vello Stanbach, another student who wrote in English, also expressed a hope that he might hear from American students or physicians.

"I am sure that after the war we shall be able to extend and strengthen our relations," she said. Both Miss Kalinina and Stanbach may be addressed in care of the Public Relations Department of Russian War Relief, 11 E 35th St., New York City, which will forward letters.

Russian War Relief is seeking all kinds of up-to-date medical textbooks for Soviet medical students and for the Central Medical Library, in Moscow, which is used by both military and civilian doctors.

WHAT'S SHOWING

At the Campus
Tuesday, Wednesday —
"Suicide Squadron" with Anton Walbrook. Also "Sherlock Holmes and the Voice of Terror" starring Basil Rathbone, Nigel Bruce, and Evelyn Ankers.

At Guion Hall
Tuesday, Wednesday —
"Nothing But the Truth" with Bob Hope and Paulette Goddard. Also "Affairs of Jimmy Valentine," with Dennis O'Keefe and Ruth Terry.

Guion Hall

Box Office Opens 2 P.M.
Closes 10 P. M.

DOUBLE FEATURE
TODAY - WEDNESDAY

BOB HOPE
PAULETTE GODDARD
IN
"NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH"

Shows at
2:10 - 5:13 - 8:26 - 11:12

AFFAIRS OF
JIMMY VALENTINE

Starring
Dennis O'Keefe
Gloria Dickson

Shows at
3:42 - 6:48 - 9:56

Donald Duck
News

Campus

Telephone 4-1181
Box Office Opens 2 p.m.

TODAY - TOMORROW
DOUBLE FEATURE
"SHERLOCK HOLMES AND THE VOICE OF TERROR"

with
Nigel Bruce
Basil Rathbone
3:35 - 6:15 - 8:59

"Suicide Squadron" with Sally Gray Anton Walbrook
2:10 - 4:52 - 7:34

Also
Pluto Cartoon
"T-BONE FOR TWO"
SPECIAL NEW YEAR'S EVE PREVIEW
11:30 p.m. Thursday

"Eagle Squadron"