

DEBUNKING PARTY. January has been a busy month for the Syracuse Peace Council. Of course, the **BIG EVENT** was our annual Birthday Party at which Miss Jeannette Rankin, first Congresswoman in the United States, now Legislative Secretary of the National Council for Prevention of War, was our guest of honor and made a brilliant address on "Debunking War Propaganda". She not only did a thorough job of "debunking"; she made constructive recommendations, as well. She advised her hearers to "invest one dollar in peace" by buying 100 postal cards. "Don't write more than once a week," she said, "unless it is an emergency! And don't use them all yourself; get all your friends and neighbors to write. Ask questions until you get a reply. Then say "thank you; and ask another question!"

THE ONLY WAY. All this was to implement her contention: "The only thing that will keep us out of war is **EXPRESSED** public opinion." Challenged with the contrast between the limitless opportunities for war propoganda and the meagre resources of the peace movement, she countered stoutly: "We have one thing that they lack, **DEVOTION**. With it we can win."

QUESTIONS. Among the questions she suggested asking the President were:

- 1 - Which country do you expect will attack us first?
- 2 - Are you preparing for another foreign war?
- 3 - Will these new planes you want be for the Army or the Navy?
- 4 - Why fortify Guam?

Footnote: Remember, this is a democracy. Address your message simply: My dear Mr. President; Dear Senator Wagner; Dear Senator Mead; My dear Mr. Hancock.

100 POSTALS FOR PEACE ! 100

WHY NOT?

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Dear Peace Worker,
Why not act on Miss Rankin's suggestion this month? Buy 21 cards. Send one each week. Get 4 others to send one each week. Use the last card to tell us what you have done. Use the telephone to ask us for help.

Devotedly yours,
The Syracuse Peace Council

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FORUM. On Monday evening, January 23, Dr. Jesse Holmes launched our Public Forum with an address on the theme "Democracy in Crisis". There was a splendid audience and we are off to a good start. Remember, there are five more just as good to follow. Are these dates on your personal calendar?

RADIO. Do you ever listen to our weekly broadcast, WFBL, 4:45, Friday afternoons? Your comments on this program are needed at once if we are to continue to have free time. Address Mr. U. S. Paxman, WFBL, The Onondaga.

INVITATION. The Middle Atlantic Area of the Institute of International Relations invites you to Lafayette College, Easton, Pennsylvania, June 30 to July 9, 1939. Faculty: Dr. Charles G. Fenwick, Kirby Page, Major George Fielding Eliot, Dr. T. Z. Koo, R. H. Markham, Dorothy Detzer, Dr. Walter VanKirk, and Dr. Karl Scholz. Tuition, room, and board for full period, \$27.50. Spend one week of your vacation in constructive study and recreation combined.

WHAT A NOTED BRITISH AUTHOR THINKS OF THE LAST WAR
"After spending a million lives and eight billion pounds sterling,
what has one to show for it? Free gas masks! That is all."