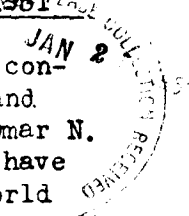


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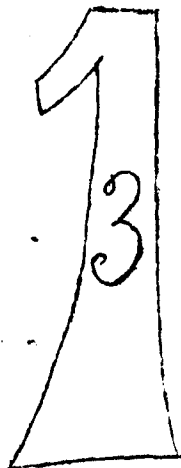
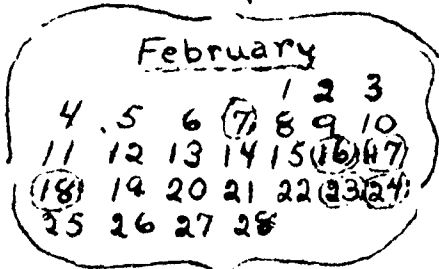
As the Syracuse Peace Council concludes its fifteenth year of "a continuing program of peace education and action in the community" and enters the second half of the Century of Violence, we are reminded of General Omar N. Bradley's judgment: "We have too many men of science, too few men of God. We have grasped the mystery of the atom and rejected the Sermon on the Mount. . . The world has achieved brilliance without wisdom, power without conscience. Ours is a world of nuclear giants and ethical infants. We know more about war than we know about peace, more about killing than we know about living."

But we also believe with David Richie, Chairman of the Social Order Committee of the Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of Friends, that "While the old order is destroying itself a new order of men and of nations is already beginning its slow but sure evolution: - Its name is Brotherhood, its method is Co-operation, its spirit is Love."

"WE AFFIRM THIS NEW ORDER OF MEN. We affirm the possibility and the rightness of each and every one of us recognizing and practicing our citizenship in this new order, regardless of our present or future circumstances, or the demands of others upon us. The Kingdom of God comes on earth when we individually accept God's Rule. No man can stop us from doing so if we but choose to do so in our hearts."

THREE IN ONE! February is going to be a Big Month in our 1951 Calendar and we want to tell you about it now so that you can arrange your schedule accordingly.

Peace Emphasis month



1. Our FIFTEENTH ANNIVERSARY Dinner and Birthday Party-- Wednesday, February 7, First Presbyterian Church House. HENRY HITT CRANE Guest of Honor and Speaker.

2. The 11th Annual INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS for New York State under auspices of the American Friends Service Committee. Onondaga Hotel, February 16-18. Program and registration form enclosed.
3. At the MIDTOWN THEATRE, February 23-24, a special showing of the film THE WORLD IS RICH under S.P.C. sponsorship.

The Birthday Party is postponed from the usual January date in order to make Henry Crane's presence possible. We sincerely hope that your response will justify our confidence that you would want to hear this dynamic speaker. A 15th anniversary is a significant event in the life of a local peace program. Let's express our appreciation and share our determination by making this a Big Event in the history of the Peace Council. MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW with Lena Gray, 2-5316.

The AFSC Institute has become one of the most important opportunities for understanding international relations in this state. The topics this year are especially timely and the faculty announced is highly competent. If you feel the urgent importance of maintaining a free platform for the informed discussion of controversial issues, in an atmosphere of friendly good will, at this time, you will support this conference in every possible way. SEND IN YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY.

The Midtown Theatre project is a new departure in our program and will launch a series of conferences on "American Surpluses in a Hungry World." More, next month.

STOP, LOOK LISTEN Did you see the proposals of President Conant of Harvard University for Universal Military Service in LOOK magazine, December 19? According to December news reports, President Truman plans to press for such legislation when Congress convenes this month. He may have done so before you read this.

The militarization of America is proceeding rapidly. The military budget has been doubled from 15 to 30 billions since Korea. There is talk of adding 20 billion more before the end of the fiscal year. This concentration of wealth at the disposal of the military makes it possible for them to make tremendous decisions affecting the economic life of whole communities, whole industries and whole states as well as the political life of congressional candidates and the intimate day to day conditions of living for private citizens. They have the power on an unprecedented scale to move, to commit, to make contracts, to employ, to spend, to manage and to propagandize.

Universal military service now looms as a likely substitute for universal military training. The background is this: to support America's world-circling military commitments, Truman has ordered a three-million-man military establishment, one million of these to be career people. That leaves two million conscripts serving, say, enlistments of two years each. The military would need two million fresh bodies every two years; or, as it would work out, one million a year. This number roughly corresponds to the million boys a year reaching age 19 in the United States. The conclusion is that, as long as the present scale of foreign military commitments is maintained, conscription is a militarily logical concomitant.

IF YOU ARE CONCERNED AND WANT ADDITIONAL UP TO DATE MATERIAL ON THIS ISSUE, ASK US.

INCIDENTAL INTELLIGENCE According to Senator Ferguson's information the military propaganda bureau now employs a staff of 2,705 persons.

reader of PNL of distinguished professional training and position plus a varied background of governmental and overseas experience, has sent us the following:

THOUGHTS ON WAGING PEACE

I. Appeal to the President to

A. Follow in the footsteps of President John Adams. In that turbulent time when Napoleon was on the march war with France seemed inevitable. We were on the verge of war--preparing for it. We thought war inevitable and it was considered unpatriotic to even want to avoid war. Yet in the midst of this and against the wishes of most of his advisers and large segments of the public, he sent John Jay to Paris to seek peace and Jay brought back peace.

President Truman I think is sympathetic to this. He wanted to send Vinson to Moscow before the last election. But his advisers and much public opinion were against it. Can we rally public opinion behind him?

B. Set up a commission of scientists and scholars--sociologists, psychologists, historians, anthropologists, ministers, natural scientists and others to seek ways to peace-- just as we have groups studying how to win a war. Would it be too much to ask for a few thousand dollars for this while we are spending thousands of millions to wage a war?

II. That we

A. Appeal to other men and groups of good will and unquestioned patriotism to support this appeal to the President. Besides our individual friends and acquaintances I suggest that we include such men as Albert Einstein, A. E. Kroeber, anthropologist, ex-Secretary of the Interior Ickes, Senator McMahon and John Dewey; groups such as the National Associations of Anthropology, Sociology, Psychology, Social Workers, Political Science, and the American Association for the Advancement of Science and of the various Christian and Jewish Churches.

B. Ask that there be set aside each day a few moments by all groups, churches, families, etc., and all organizations, for silent meditation on peace and how we can attain it; what we are willing to sacrifice for it to save the children of the world.

All this could not be considered weakness; rather it is strength, strength of the kind that Jesus had and that mothers have to protect their children all over the world.

Peace will be costly--perhaps in some ways more costly than war, but let us total up both the debit and credit side. Perhaps it will not seem too costly when we know the balance.

Ed. Note: Our correspondent wishes to make his proposals without the color of personality and so, for the time being at least, to remain anonymous. But he is deeply concerned and eager to share your thinking. Comments of criticism and suggestion will be most welcome and may be addressed to PNL. We shall all be encouraged by your response.

TO THE PEACE COUNCIL:

"Through your kind management I have come into possession of a very fine collection of clothing. We cannot really express our great joy and thanks for this. Since I lost everything, and with low wages along with the high cost of living it is hard to provide a livelihood, it is a great help to me when I am aided so generously by people of good will.

"Since October 25 there has been much snow and cold weather here. The spruce mountains are very bleak, and therefore it is so worthwhile for me to have such a piece of good fortune, since I have no position. Dear friends, please accept my deep thanks for your gift. Truly it is greater than I can put into words. May God give you all the good we wish in our hearts for you. God send you all a happy Christmas and a healthful New Year. Truly we pray that the New Year brings the long-desired Peace and more trust in God for all humanity.

"Gratefully,

Kate and Bruno Dombrowsky "

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