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Special! DEMOCRATIC MAJORITY HOUSE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE HAS VOTED ONLY TWO DAYS HEARINGS ON ARMED SHIP BILL EXPECTING TO RAILROAD PASSAGE THROUGH CONGRESS NEXT FRIDAY. WIRES LETTERS PERSON TO PERSON TELEPHONE CALLS SHOULD REACH CONGRESSMAN SOL BLOOM AS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN IMMEDIATELY PROTESTING THIS ABANDONMENT DEMOCRATIC PROCEDURE AND CONTINUE MONDAY TUESDAY. FREDERICK J LIBBY

Special! There is no question that the Neutrality Law has been the main deterrent to the administration in its step by step progress toward war. Emasculated by a subservient congress and flouted by the President, it is still an obstacle in the path to war. Hence the demand for its repeal by those who would take us into the war. An aroused and determined public can defeat this action. The case is not hopeless nor the people helpless! Congress can be made responsive to the public will, but the mood of helpless fatalism which has followed the President's "shoot first" order must give way to a mood of determination for peace! --- Mt. Vernon Peace Council Information Letter.

Neutrality Repeal Dangerous!

Special! "The neutrality law should not be repealed. The arguments against repealing it are stronger than those in favor. "If the neutrality law is repealed, it would lead to full arming of merchant ships of this country and sending these ships into combat areas. This is the chief purpose of the program for repeal. It would tremendously increase the danger of involvement of this nation."---Syracuse Post-Standard October 6, 1941.

Special! We may not win this time but the volume of opposition to further weakening of neutrality legislation will be closely watched and highly significant. It will greatly strengthen our hands in the coming fight against an A.S.F. We must give no basis of belief that our opposition is weakening. Act immediately. Enlist your friends. --- Executive Committee, Syracuse Peace Council.

Special! No well-informed person denies that the country is overwhelmingly opposed to our total involvement in this war. The steps now proposed by the President are bound to produce "incidents" -- shooting at the American flag, sinking of American ships, loss of American lives -- with the consequent inflaming of public opinion. The history of the past two years has proved conclusively the value of this (neutrality) law. Only one American ship under the American flag has been sunk -- it was carrying munitions to a belligerent -- though the war zones were infested with submarines and raiders. Only one year ago the President proudly characterized the law's provisions as "measures to keep us at peace." If you have grown tired of writing your Congressman and stopped, you will neither deserve nor win the victory over war. Watch the progress of this legislation and keep the letters going to Washington.

Post Scripts

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