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AS BRITAIN'S
POWER WANES**

Tight Little Isle Is Losing
Influence for Peace, Due
to Dominions' Stand.

WORLD LOOKS TO U. S.

Europe Is Alive to Danger,
But Hands of Nations
Are Tied.

BY WILLIAM PHILIP SIMMS,
Scripps-Howard Foreign Editor

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—Can—and will—the United States act to head off the new World war which H. G. Wells, who more than once has torn the veil from the future, predicts may come in the next two years?

Such is the situation, Wells told the National Council for the Prevention of War, that any little "accident" would be sufficient to plunge mankind into another terrible conflict because, he said, war prevention agencies are inefficient.

The war offices, he warned, are all ready, but peace organizations are not. In a crisis, they would not be effective. All they could do is sit and talk.

The tragedy of the thing, according to diplomats here, is that Europe is fully alive to the danger, but as one country is as much involved as another, none of them is in position to head off the peril.

Great Britain Slipping

Great Britain, whose might for more than a century has been the greatest factor for peace Europe has had, is slipping. Four years ago, at the imperial conference, and again this year, the dominions made it crystal clear that they are, in fact, as independent of the mother country as the United States.

Even the remaining silken thread of sentiment, all that now binds Britain and her dominions, may be cut whenever a dominion cares to do so. The right of secession is in the offing.

The little island of England, Scotland, and Wales, therefore, now is left alone in a seething section of the map, face to face with whatever the future may hold. The dominions may come to its aid and they may not. They will decide, each for itself, when the crisis comes.

The chancelleries of continental Europe are fully aware of this state of affairs and Britain's prestige suffers accordingly. Her voice still is respected when she lifts it at conferences, but it no longer has the power of veto it once had.

Has Troubles at Home

Furthermore, Britain's once titanic strength is being drained by troubles of her own. Unemployment and economic depression are a menace at home and difficulties with her overseas possessions are impeding her abroad.

Few sane Englishmen ever expect to see the pacification of India, where more than 300,000,000 natives are in revolt, and some are convinced that before the last word is said Soviet Russia and Britain will come to grips.

Alarmed by what they regard as the waning power of Britain, French statesmen are preaching the necessity of a stronger France. Reports from Paris say that former President Poincaré, fiercest nationalist of them all, is likely to become prime minister soon, replacing Premier Tardieu, himself a Poincaré disciple.

Will Stir Strife

This only can add to the general uneasiness, for certainly there will be repercussions in Germany, Italy, Poland, the Balkans and elsewhere.

As Europe glowers and Britain's power wanes, the strength of the United States seems to increase. Pitched, and potentially, the most powerful nation on earth, aloof from old world intrigues, which men like Wells say soon will end in war, will America step in and swing the balance in favor of peace? Or will she remain on the sidelines and let nature take its course?

**PLEDGES STEADY WAR
TO END COFFINISM**

We're Going to Purge Statehouse
Too,' Says Woman Speaker.

"We women are going forward with a firm determination to finish our job, not only by cleaning out the courthouse, but also the statehouse," Mrs. John Corwin asserted at a meeting of women in county Democratic headquarters Monday.

"The voters of Marion county began a drive against Coffinism two years ago with the unseating of Ralph Updike and the election of Louis Ludlow to congress," Mrs. Corwin said. "The next smashing blow was struck when Coffinism was driven from the city hall and the school city. And the women of Marion county deserve a great share of the credit for these two victories for clean government."

CHURCH GROUP TO MEET

Council of Religious Education in
Session Tonight.

Superintendents, pastors and church school workers will attend the annual meeting of the Marion County Council of Religious Education at 7 tonight in the Roberts Park Methodist church. Dr. A. H. Backus, new area leader, will speak. The meeting will be preceded by a supper at 6:15.

Arrest Follows Fire

HAMMOND, Ind., Oct. 21.—Vlad Georgovich, 38, is in custody following a fire at the Morris hotel, which he operated, and where a loss of \$5,000 resulted. Firemen said bedding and furniture in the place had been soaked with kerosene. The hotel is valued at \$40,000 and was insured for \$28,000.

**ILLEGAL LAUGHTER
Co-ed Jeers Fraternity Pin Ban**

"Who's afraid?"
This challenge was given law and order today by Miss Louise Wywick of Ft. Wayne, Butler university co-ed, when she was informed that an old Indiana law sets a \$50 fine for persons wearing pins of secret societies of which they are not members. Miss Wywick wears eight fraternity pins in the photo.

BY ARCH STEINEL

**Never Mind Indiana's Old
Law, Is Attitude of
Butler Girls.**

Co-eds at Butler university are not bothered by insomnia at the thought that they may be "pinched" and fined \$50 for wearing the boy friend's pledge of heart allegiance.

Although an old Indiana law holds them amenable to arrest for wearing fraternity pins, the beauties of Butler are "scofflaws."

In turn, fraternities of the school smile leniently on heart pledges made with their pins.

"It's okay with us," reported officers of the Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Chi, Sigma Nu, Lambda Chi and Delta Tau Delta fraternities, "if they want to wear them."

The Indiana statute holding the wearing of the pins an offense reads:

"It shall be unlawful for any persons not a member of a secret society or other organization incorporated under the laws of Indiana . . . to wear the badge or emblem of any secret society . . . person violating the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding \$50."

"It isn't the law that's bothering us. It's some of these pins with doofangie safety catches that don't always hold," exclaimed one Marion co-ed.

LUDLOW IS INDORSED.

Railroad Brothers Back Congress
man for Re-Election.

**Pinchot Claim, However, Is
Denied by Davis.**

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 21.—The name of President Hoover was brought into the bitter gubernatorial fight in Pennsylvania today.

Gifford Pinchot, Republican candidate, in a noonday speech, at Washington, Pa., told his audience that President Hoover, through James J. Davis, secretary of labor, sent word that he "stands for and desires election of the whole Republican ticket in Pennsylvania."

Davis, as G. O. P. candidate for the United States senate, is Pinchot's running mate on the ticket.

Other dispatches, however, quoted Davis as saying Mr. Hoover is neutral and taking no part in the campaign.

Estate Exceeds \$3,000,000

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Oct. 21.—An estate valued at more than \$3,000,000 was left by Leslie T. Igelhart, retired miller, who died recently.

Clark's Hill Youth Given One
Five-Year Reformatory Term.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., Oct. 21.—A one to five-year sentence in the state reformatory was given William O. Owens, 19, Clarks Hill, when he pleaded guilty to a charge of blackmail in Tippecanoe circuit court here.

The youth was arrested after the late J. A. Balf and J. A. Falke Sons, Lafayette grocers, had received nine letters demanding money and threatening violence upon failure to comply.

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Miss Cowl's "Twelfth Night" is different. It is staged, dressed and acted with a combination of the delicate and the lusty that surely must echo the old Shakespeare spirit.

It makes Shakespeare fine fun and it projects the fantastic unrealities. Through it all rooms, one of the loveliest Violas that the stage has ever seen—Miss Cowl, exquisite to look upon and exquisite in performance.

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Richard Bennett Shines as
Testy Old Confederate
Fire Eater.

BY GILBERT SWAN
NEA Service Writer

NEW YORK, Oct. 21.—Broadway is pepping up. Familiar names and familiar faces are again to be found in the incandescent lanes.

Within a week the theater has welcomed back Richard Bennett and Jane Cowl; has heard the trumpeting and cheered three smoking-hot musical revues; has gone slightly ga-ga over a new found blues singer and has heard the approaching footfalls of Lenore Ulric and a dozen other favorites.

Taking the various events one at a time—Bennett was first to arrive, with a character study that further assures him a place upon the heights.

The Bennett album of portraits has contained the most varied faces, ranging from the hard-boiled Jarnigan of the film studios to the present old southern colonel.

And by virtue of his continued excellence in portraying these diverse characters, Bennett finds himself hailed as the western successor of the late Arnold Daly.

Bennett's latest creation is a julep-drinking, Yankee-hating, testy old codger who can't forget the confederacy and is somewhat of a "professional southerner."

Jane Cowl Wins Converts
for Shakespeare With
Her Acting.

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**FRIGID WAVE
TO KEEP ITS
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Mercury Will Stay Below
Freezing Tonight, Says
Weather Man.

SNOW BLOCKADE LIFTED

Traffic Again Is Resumed
on Drifted Highways
of East.

Winter's advance guard still held undisputed sway over Indianapolis, and most of the midwest today with temperatures only slightly above the record low marks registered at many government weather observatories Monday.

It is improbable they will rise before Thursday, J. H. Armstrong, senior meteorologist at the United States weather bureau here, said. "The center of the cold wave is over central Iowa, and is moving eastward slowly.

Temperatures tonight will be slightly below freezing here, some what lower in northern Indiana, and on the freezing line along the Ohio river, the bureau's forecast predicted.

Lowest temperature in the state Monday night was 28 degrees, recorded at Ft. Wayne. At 6 a. m. here the mercury stood at 29 degrees.

Only the far south and the west coast in the United States escaped the cold wave that blew down from Canada last week. Having passed rapidly across the continent, the storm centered in New York state, where communications were disrupted by the heaviest October snowfall in years.

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Future Artists Study Life

A bit of expression here and a tilt to the eyebrow there, is life as it comes from the tip of paintbrushes in the art school of the John Herron Art Institute.

Upper Left—Lois Sherrill, secretary-treasurer of the school's junior class,