

# 83% ARE OPPOSED TO ENTERING WAR

Peace Vote Dips Slightly Since July 19, Gallup Finds; Warning of Rome-Berlin-Tokyo Axis Fails to Sway Result Toward Staying Out.

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PRINCETON, N. J., Oct. 14.—In recent weeks, as the American people have faced new challenges to their safety in the Pacific as well as in the Atlantic, the nationwide surveys of the American Institute of Public Opinion show that there has not only been a sharp increase in the number of Americans who favor aid to England "even at the risk of war," but also that there has been an increase in the number of American voters who would be willing to have this country take the initiative in declaring war on Germany and Italy.

If the question of "peace or war" were put to the voters of the United States in a national referendum today, the final count would likely show about seven million voters in favor of entering the European war, and about 35 million opposed at this time, the survey shows.

The figures are based on the number of voters who cast their ballots in the Presidential election four years ago.

Significantly, interviewing in the Institute survey began immediately following the announcement of a Tokyo-Rome-Berlin alliance, which has been interpreted in Axis countries as a "warning" to the American people regarding military intervention in the Atlantic or the Pacific.

Voters in the survey were asked: "If you were asked to vote today on the question of the United States entering the war against Germany and Italy, how would you vote—to go into the war, or to stay out of the war?" Approximately one person in 12—or the equivalent of three and one-half million voters—said he was undecided or without an opinion, but among those with opinions the vote was:

Would vote to go in . . . 17%  
Would vote to stay out . . . 83%

This does not mean that the majority of Americans would stand idly by if one of the Axis powers took the initiative in attacking the United States, however. Recent Institute surveys have shown the voters more than 3 to 1 in favor of fighting if an attack was made on Canada or on territories in the Caribbean. In June an Institute test found 86 per cent of men under 45 years of age saying they would volunteer to fight if this country itself were attacked.

Three weeks ago the Institute found a majority (52%) saying it was more important to aid England—even at the risk of getting into the war—than to concentrate entirely on "keeping out."

WHAT is indicative is that despite the blunt warning of the Axis powers that America would face the combined forces of Germany, Italy and Japan, the number of Americans favoring an entry into the war is greater today than in a similar Institute survey last July.

At that time—shortly after the fall of France—the Institute asked:

"If the question of the United States going to war against Germany and Italy came up for a national vote within the next two weeks, would you vote to go into the war or to stay out of the war?" As reported July 19 in The Times, the vote was:

Would vote to go in . . . 15%  
Would vote to stay out . . . 85%

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Democrats . . . 85

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The vote of those with opinions in each section is:

New England . . . 18%  
Mid-Atlantic . . . 20  
East Central . . . 12  
West Central . . . 14  
South . . . 24  
West . . . 20

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### COURT TO CHECK ON BETHLEHEM

Agrees to Review Dispute Over World War Profits; Browder to Be Heard.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14 (U. P.).—The Supreme Court today agreed to review the Government's controversy with the Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corp. in which the Justice Department accused the firm of reaping "unconscionable" profits on World War ship construction.

The Court's decision may carry important rulings affecting current defense contracts aggregating billions of dollars.

The Supreme Court agreed to review another important case—that of Earl Browder, the Communist Party's Presidential candidate, who seeks to have a conviction on passport fraud charges set aside.

Other actions included: Agreed to decide the legality of final awards of the German-American Mixed Claims Commission arising from the Black Tom and Kingsland, N. J., munitions explosions just prior to the United States entry into the World War.

### Tables for the Leisured, Counter for Those in Hurry

The new downstairs restaurant at L. S. Ayres' store, offering both counter and table services, now is in full operation.

Streamlined for speed and comfort, it is open from 10:30 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. for noon luncheon, morning and afternoon tea and fountain service.

Table service is offered for those wishing to lunch leisurely with companions, while for business people or shoppers, quick service is offered at the table-height counter. Selections at the counter are more limited than at the tables in order to permit speedy service.

A feature of the new restaurant is the kitchen, all of which is visible through clear glass panels. It is laid out in two sections, with the counter section so arranged that waitresses need not enter the kitchen to obtain their orders. The most modern cooking, food preparation and preservation, and dishwashing equipment has been installed.

The decorative scheme is modified or modernized American. The motif is natural oak with accents of copper and red quarry line. The wall background in the table service area is fruit and flower paper on which are spaced Audubon prints in natural oak frames. Red and white striped wallpaper, accented with convex mirrors, feature the counter area.

The counter section has a copper hood, reminiscent of early taverns; the light, soundproof ceiling is dotted with symmetrically arranged copper lighting fixtures and recessed lighting units, and the restaurant is completely air-conditioned.

Entrance to the new restaurant is at the foot of the stairs just inside the Pearl St. entrance in Ayres' south building. Architects and decorative consultants were Skidmore, Owings & Merrill of Chicago. Albert Pick & Co., also of Chicago, had charge of the kitchen equipment and planning, while the general contract was held by Brandt Brothers, Indianapolis.

### 1 DEAD, 5 INJURED IN BRAZIL TRUCK CRASH

BRAZIL, Ind., Oct. 14 (U. P.).—Lee Wetnight, 30, a county highway worker, was killed instantly and five other persons were injured today in a collision of two trucks on Road 59 south of here.

Dennis Cabbach, driver of the highway truck, and two workers, Charles Jackson, Negro, and Jack Purcell were injured seriously.

## DRIVE PRESSED FOR HOME RULE

Civic and Political Groups Map Strategy Before 1941 Assembly.

Plans for an intensive home rule amendment campaign were being mapped throughout the State today following a conference of leaders among the amendment supporters yesterday at the Indianapolis Athletic Club.

Representatives of civic and political organizations in 24 Indiana cities attended the conference to work out details of a concerted campaign for publicity seeking passage of the proposed amendment in the 1941 General Assembly.

The group carefully studied the report submitted to the Governor recently by the Senate City Manager Study Commission.

### Amendment Urged

The commission, created by the 1939 Senate to recommend the best method of making city manager government possible, urged a Constitutional amendment rather than an enabling act by the Legislature, since the latter could be "killed" at any subsequent session.

The committee also recommended that the amendment not be limited to city manager government, but also include all forms of home rule.

The amendment would have to be passed by two sessions of the Legislature before it could go on the ballot for approval of the voters. This done, home rule charter elections could be called in cities.

At yesterday's meeting, Frank J. Murray, South Bend, declared there is no such thing as home rule in Indiana. The Constitution now permits only the mayor-council form of government.

### Cities Indianapolis

He cited the fact that Indianapolis is barred, by legislative action, from deciding for itself whether it should have daylight saving time.

John T. Roca, chairman of the Indiana Junior Chamber of Commerce's home rule committee, presided. Among those present were representatives of Junior chambers, members of the City Manager Study Commission, representatives of the political science departments of Butler, Indiana, DePauw and Purdue Universities and Evansville College; the State Chamber of Commerce, the League of Women Voters and others.

**RAILROADER RETIRES** estimates he traveled more than ST. PAUL, Minn., Oct. 14 (U. P.). 4,224,000 miles during his 40 years—J. A. LeDuc, retired baggage man of service on a run between here for the Northern Pacific railroad, and Forsyth, Mont.

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