

PRESSURE FELT TO AID BRITAIN WITH WARSHIPS

Bullitt Address Is Latest Hint as Issue Appears Certain in Congress.

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Warships will soon be part of the American program of aid to Britain, a high-ranking member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee forecast today.

The University of North Carolina speech of William C. Bullitt, former Ambassador to France, was cited as a clear indication that the Administration will not stop short of warships if and when Britain says she must have them. And Lord Halifax, new British Ambassador to Washington, is expected to list them among Britain's requirements as soon as he arrives in this country.

Mr. Bullitt is one of the President's closest advisers in European affairs. His North Carolina speech of Tuesday night, followed closely the line laid down in the President's fireside chat and message to Congress.

Same View as President

We must give Britain and her allies what they need, he said, "not what we think they need. Merchant ships, war vessels, airplanes, guns, munitions, steel, wheat—all that we give will be used in defense of our own security."

The feeling here is that Mr. Bullitt was speaking the President's thoughts. He almost paraphrased much the President has already said. The chief difference was the addition of war vessels.

Yesterday's statement of Secretary of the Navy Knox also is quoted as indicative. The Secretary said that no more destroyers could be transferred to Britain without impairing the strength of the United States fleet. But, he added significantly, he spoke for himself alone, not for the Administration. The final decision was not up to him.

Congress to Face Issue

Congress will almost certainly have to face the issue of warships or no warships for Britain. Committed as the President is to giving all-out aid to Britain, Greece and China, the question of making delivery can not be ignored.

If, as Mr. Roosevelt said Monday, our national policy is "full support of all those resisted peoples everywhere, who are resisting aggression and are thereby keeping war away from our hemisphere" then the sea lanes, with which this aid must travel, must be kept open. And every British spokesman says these lanes are now in peril. To keep them open, they insist, they must have stronger controls.

The President swapped the first 50 destroyers for naval and air bases without asking Congress. He has indicated, however, that he will not dispose of further war vessels without consulting Capitol Hill as well as the Navy. If he does that, there will be considerable debate.

Many in Congress agree with Secretary Knox. Disposal of further warships, large or small, would still further weaken our already inadequate Navy. Others, however, agree with former Ambassador Bullitt.

KIWANIANS INSTALL DISTRICT GOVERNOR

More than 200 Kiwanians at their annual midwinter conference at the Columbia Club yesterday installed Roy S. Ruckman of Nappanee as their governor in the Indiana district.

Among the speakers were Charles Holman of St. Louis, Mo., international trustee and counselor for the Indiana district, and Marshal Bernard of Franklin, who discussed plans for the international convention to be held at Atlanta, Ga.

Other officers installed were Carly A. Mutchler of Nappanee, secretary, and lieutenant governors Frank Whitmore of East Chicago, Herb Espich of Warsaw, Charles Bailey of Huntington, Harold Gandy of Monticello, Art Fontaine of Anderson, Dr. Boyd Burkhardt of Tipton, Ben Wainwright of Connersville, Ted Klimsmeier of Huntingburg, Hilbert Eppen of Rockport, Dr. Joseph Decker of Brazil, Arville Keessling of Columbus and James Wright of Vevay.

DROP EVERYTHING AND ARM, WHITE PLEADS

EMPORIA, Kas., Jan. 9 (U.P.)—William Allen White, retiring chairman of the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies, today urged Gen. Robert E. Wood and the America First Committee to join him in a nationwide appeal to the people, to labor, to capital, to consumers, to let everything drop while this nation arms."

"I feel that so long as we are delivering any blow to Hitler it should not be a mushy blow but a knockout," Mr. White asserted. "A man is just as mad from a tap on the wrist as he is from a wallop on the chin."

GO TO CHURCH WITH ROOSEVELT, IS PLEA

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 (U.P.)—Chairman Joseph E. Davies of the third-term inaugural committee last night appealed to all Americans to "go to church" with President Roosevelt by participating in a three-minute radio broadcast next Sunday.

"One of these three minutes," he said in a radio address, "would be devoted by those participating throughout the length and breadth of our country and its territories to a silent prayer for Divine guidance for the nation and for our President as he begins another four years as the Chief Executive of these United States."

What Will War Expansion Bring in Wake? Key Man of '17 Fears Ghost Towns Will Rise

By RICHARD LEWIS

In the pages of "Who's Who in America," you will find the name of William Henry Insley of Indianapolis—Inventor, engineer and industrialist.

He is a slender, white-haired gentleman nearing 71 who has returned from business to his comfortable home at 445 N. Audubon Rd. There he devotes himself to the affairs of scientific organizations and the cultivation of a small garden.

From the privacy of his study, with its cheery wood fireplace, Mr. Insley is absorbed with the nation's defense preparations. In a way, he feels almost a part of it himself.

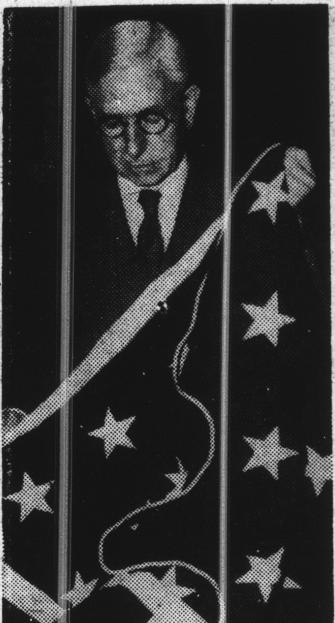
In World War I, William Henry Insley was a key man in the national war effort. He was chairman of the regional War Industries Board for Indianapolis, consulting engineer of the U. S. Fuel Administration and was active in recruiting an engineer battalion.

After nearly a quarter of a century, Mr. Insley again hears the pulsing of the nation's industrial life to meet a war emergency. Not far from the wooded plot at the rear of his house, a great Naval Ordnance plant for the manufacture of war equipment will rise.

The city round about him throbs with the manufacture of war supplies. These things do not pass by the man who fought on the industrial front of the first World War.

Outside, a crisp sheet of snow covered the garden, spreading into the woods beyond. In the warmth of his study, Mr. Insley recalled his duties as supervisor of war production in this region.

He sat with his back to the window



William H. Insley . . . the flag is from 1917.

down by the desk, a patch of sunlight falling across his shoulder.

"It's different now," he said. "Very much different. There wasn't the expansion then there is now.

Our plants made portable machine shops which were mounted on trucks.

"Then, there wasn't time for new industry or for expansion. I won-

der what all this will bring." He expressed his fear that the massing of industrial workers in new communities would bring ghost towns when the war boom dies down. He said he feared industrial expansion was taking too many men off the soil.

"When I was a boy," he said, "the men I respected a great deal were farmers—the men who lived by the soil. Farming by the small, independent farmer, is the backbone of our Democracy. Isn't it?"

The engineer spoke of the role of industry in defense with a quiet conviction. Industry, he said, can do the job the nation requires. But, he asked what will happen when enormous stocks of war supplies are accumulated? He shook his head.

From a drawer, he took a large and apparently new American flag. He displayed it carefully. It was the flag which the recruiting office he assisted in the last war presented him when the office closed and once flew atop the building where men were being recruited for the World War.

On patriotic holidays, during 20 years of peace, it has flown from

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BAR ORGANIZES NEW GROUP FOR FREE LEGAL AID

Corporation to Replace Committee; Will Offer Advice, Counsel.

With need for free legal aid far outrunning facilities of the Indianapolis Bar Association's 60-year-old legal aid committee, a new association-sponsored, full-time legal aid corporation will be opened soon by the Bar Association.

The corporation will employ a full-time attorney, a social worker and a stenographer. An office will be opened at 224 N. Meridian St. within two or three weeks.

Head of the committee appointed last spring by Samuel Dowden, 1940 Association president, to form the corporation is Jeremiah L. Cadick, local attorney.

Will Give Advice

The new corporation, to be known as the Indianapolis Legal Aid Society, will acquaint those unable to pay for legal aid with their legal rights. It will investigate cases, give advice and appoint attorneys to appear in court for those litigants, if necessary.

Offices and a library are to be furnished by the Bar Association. Salaries for the personnel will be furnished by the Indianapolis Foundation.

Hundreds of persons have been given free legal advice each year by the Bar Association's free legal aid committee. The new corporation will expand those activities and will work on cases which are expected to entail expenditure of several thousand dollars each year. Mr. Cadick said.

Committee Named

The committee which organized the corporation includes Mr. Cadick, Carl Wilde, Thomas D. Stevenson, Eugene C. Miller and Clarence F. Merrill.

The corporation directors are the committee members, together with Harold West, West Baking Co. president, and Robert Nelson, Family Welfare Society executive secretary.

Fred C. Gause was installed as the 1941 president of the Association at the Association's meeting last night.

Other Officers

Other new officers include John K. Ruckelshaus, first vice president; Mr. Cadick, second vice president; William H. Wemmer, treasurer; B. Howard Caughran and Ernest R. Baltzell, executive committee members; Charles D. Babcock, Charles C. Baker and Harry L. Gause, committee on arrangements.

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Schools Get Cash

The proceeds will go to the James Whitcomb Riley Hospital where there are more than 137 cases of infantile paralysis, the City Hospital, James Roberts School for Crippled Children, and School 26 today after they pleaded guilty in Monroe Circuit Court to violating the Indiana securities law.

Judgment was withheld by Judge Donald Rogers pending a check with the Securities and Exchange Commission and the FBI. Indiana Securities Commission officials said they understood the men were wanted in other states.

Sam Busby, head of the state commission's criminal division, said LaShar had a previous record in the state, having served a five-year sentence for using the mails to defraud. Affidavits charging the men with offering stock not registered with the commission and soliciting sales without registering as dealers were filed by Busby.

They were arrested after commission officials heard reports the men were urging quick sales to Bloomington residents and asking cash down payments. They reportedly sought to sell stock in the Boulder Flourspar and Radium Co., Denver, of which Hardy said he was vice president.

The strike is scheduled for Saturday.

ASK CONTRACT BAN FOR NLRB VIOLATORS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 (U.P.)—

The Congress of Industrial Organizations today renewed its demand that labor law violators be denied defense contracts.

C. I. O. President Philip Murray backed up the demand of the C. I. O. executive board with criticism of "inefficiency and mal-administration" which he said was hampering the defense program.

The board asked President Roosevelt to issue an executive order requiring "all Government agencies to incorporate provisions in Government contracts that would exact compliance with the labor laws of the land."

It complained that "in spite of the enunciation of labor policy by the National Defense Commission" Government contracts still were being issued to corporations "which openly and flagrantly violate the laws guaranteeing to labor its right to live."

The resolution specifically named

the Bethlehem Steel Corp. and the Ford Motor Co.

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