

Dear Friend of Peace:

"98% OF THE PEOPLE OF MY COUNTRY ARE ABSOLUTELY FRIENDLY TO AMERICA." Kagawa.

\*\*\* ANSWERS TO LAST MONTH'S QUESTIONS \*\*\*

ANNIVERSARY. Ques. Why, nineteen years after we entered the "War to end Wars", do we spend over ONE BILLION dollars for our Army and Navy? Ans. Because we still prefer profits to peace.

COSTS. Ques. Why do we spend \$11. per capita for "National Defense" and 12¢ per capita for the promotion of friendly international relations? Ans. Because we allow the "Merchants of Death", who profit from war preparations, to remain in power.

BOILEAU BILL. Ques. Why not save expense by combining Army, Navy and Air forces in one department of National Defense? Ans. Because the separate units want to perpetuate their own power and prestige.

INEVITABLE. Ques. Why will the United States become entangled in the next World War? Ans. Because no adequate laws exist to safeguard our neutrality.

REFERENDUM. Ques. Why don't we adopt the Ludlow Amendment for a popular vote before any war is declared? Ans. Because we put politics above peace.

BLOC. Ques. Why aren't YOU actively helping the S.P.C. to organize public opinion into an effective Peace Bloc? Ans. Because the average American citizen wants peace, but doesn't want it badly enough to DO anything about it.

\*\*\* IN SYRACUSE \*\*\*

The mockery of the 30,000 VETERANS OF FUTURE WARS in asking for pre-payment of a \$1,000 future war bonus is getting under the skin of the militarists. And yet, this is merely demanding that man power be paid for in advance, as we are now paying in advance for materials and preparations for war. There's a "post" in Syracuse!

The largest peace meeting ever held in Syracuse was the EMERGENCY PEACE CAMPAIGN on May 15. Over 1200 people attended one or more of the meetings. The splendid response to the appeal for more adequate financial support of peace during the last two months is very encouraging.

Next month we are to substitute for the P-N-L a sample copy of WORLD EVENTS, official organ of the E.P.C. Watch for it! Read it! Subscribe to it!

Recent additions to the PEACE LIBRARY include the anti-war play, "Bury the Dead", and three Headline Books: "War Tomorrow", "Dictatorship", "Made in U.S.A.". Remember: Free to borrowers, at the Y.M.C.A.

Thanks to the anonymous senders of STAMPS. Any way they come, they're welcome.

\*\*\* IN WASHINGTON \*\*\*

PREPARING. "Quietly, unobtrusively, without the fanfare that has accompanied its other acts, the Roosevelt Administration has been preparing for war.", from THE NATION, for April 8, 1936. Reprints of the complete article are available.

NYE COMMITTEE REPORTS. Peace efforts, and especially moves toward limiting armaments which would tend to reduce sales, have been "actively" obstructed and opposed by the munitions companies agents . . . Munitions companies "scare nations into continued frantic expenditure" on munitions by playing off one country against another and making each raise the other's ante, thus promoting a war spirit.

NAVAL SPEED. April 30 Naval Bill presented to House. May 1, Rushed thru House. May 4 Sent to Senate. May 5 Sub-committee ended hearings; refused to hear opposition. May 8 Bill rushed thru Senate. In Rome they call it Fascism; in Berlin, it's Naziism; in Washington, "it's just good politics". It is not too late for emphatic protest to the President against the methods used in passing this bill.

OPPORTUNITY. This campaign year offers an opportunity which must not be lost to make all party leaders, local as well as national, realize that the vital issue to the people is peace. A LETTER A DAY TO KEEP WAR AWAY!

Peace-News-Letter signing off 'till September.

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