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Iowa City and the Post-War

It would be well for Iowa City to begin planning now for post-war changes and projects as a swimming pool (plans to build one in City park had to be abandoned because of lack of materials), more playground terraces in the community. Such recreation space and indoor facilities, could be worked out on paper now and brought into being immediately after the war.

In a recent national survey covering 92 cities, it was found that all but 10 are attempting through post-war planning agencies of one type or another to estimate or predict probable post-war conditions with respect to population, employment, public works and conversion of war industries.

Most of the cities, also, already have established or are in the process of setting up post-war reserve funds to finance reconstruction and development activities when the war is over, the survey showed.

Post-war planning is directed by official planning agencies in larger cities, by the city engineer's office usually in medium-sized communities, and by the city manager or mayor in smaller cities.

Eleven cities over 75,000 reporting to the association have taken definite steps to estimate post-war conditions, with non-governmental groups cooperating in eight of the cities.

In Cincinnati, engineering services and the plan commission are developing broad post-war projects which are being coordinated by a bond improvement committee. There, as in other cities, various local housing and real estate groups, the chamber of commerce and other organizations are cooperating.

Dallas has employed a planning consultant, and staff members of the public works department are developing specifications for street, water and sewer projects, park improvements, a public market and airports.

Of the 19 cities of 25,000 to 75,000 reporting, 10 have official planning agencies, while one, Roanoke, Va., has an "advisory committee"; four have neither a planning agency nor an individual assigned to the work.

Of the 62 cities of less than 25,000 population surveyed, all but six are preparing now for the post-war era.

Working in Silence

No headlines herald the progress of the medical profession in its efforts to distribute adequate medical care to every section of the country. As usual it serves in silence.

The American medical journal points out that there are two objectives which the doctors seek: First, the best distribution of available resources of medical personnel and the health protection of the largest number of people; second, the doing of this in such a way as to preserve the rights and advantages that inhere in local self government.

Moves are afoot to ease medical licensing restrictions between states. This has been a stumbling block in the way of physicians moving from state to state in accordance with the needs of areas critically short of doctors.

News Behind the News
The Government Is as Much To Blame as Lewis

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON—Popular conceptions hold John L. Lewis a traitor for his mine stoppages, and seem to suggest also that Mr. Roosevelt was lax in dealing with him, presumably for fear of the effect on '44 politics.

It did not get out at the time, but twice the war labor board marched down to the White House and threatened to resign in a body if Mr. Roosevelt did not shut up Fuel Administrator Ickes entirely and completely.

Mr. Ickes thereupon shut up, for a moment at least, a very big moment. Neither he nor the W.L.B. nor anyone else, in the government, asked Lewis to try to stop the miners from resuming their leisure at the expiration of their truce, although the strike naturally was to follow automatically.

The fundamental government difficulty was that Mr. Ickes wanted one solution and the war labor board another, or at least, the W.L.B. wanted to make whatever solution was to be adopted. Its jealousy over its authority certainly did as much to promote the second walk-out as did Mr. Lewis or the operators.

The politically-minded Mr. Ickes had a virtual solution as far back as May, 1941, when he recommended a 10-cent day increase for the miners. Lewis was contending for \$2, but finally agreed to accept the \$1.50.

Again, there was only five minutes difference in a settlement between the operators and miners. The operators were willing to grant Lewis portal-to-portal pay for 85 minutes, but Lewis held out for 90 minutes.

The issue might have been concluded over the last weekend after Lewis had ordered the miners back to work. But the war labor board would not let the operators resume negotiations until the miners were actually in the pits Monday morning, thus losing two days of negotiations.

The whole silly contest was conducted in the public eye, in actual competition for headlines, with all labor anxiously watching to see what Lewis would get out of the government, hoping and planning to get the same or more for themselves later.

No one will emerge from such a man-made maize with any glory, least of all the war labor board.

No doubt the administration would have liked to do something drastic about Mr. Lewis. It's wrath was higher than his actions.

Justice department lawyers went into the matter thoroughly, but later passed the word to interested senators that they could find nothing bearing sufficient legal glue to stick on the coal disruptor.

As a result, Democratic Senator Eastman (Miss.) is working with justice lawyers on a bill to change the treason law to punish, with penalties short of death, such actions against the good of the state.

As statutes stand now, Lewis could have been indicted for treason only in event violence developed around the mines traceable to his orders. Some sort of destruction of government property or impediment to government operation by violence would have to be involved.

The doctors are striving, irrespective of thinning ranks, to maintain one physician to 1,500 people. In some cases the average may be less, but even so Americans will still be the best cared for people in the world.

In Germany doctors are practically non-existent for civilians. Russia is no better. This fact should be noted carefully. Both the Russian and German medical systems were prepared for war under "planned" dictatorial economies, yet the test of global war found them both wanting as compared to the progressive American medical system, built on the foundation of initiative, service and sacrifice of our independent medical profession.

The Fiddler's Bill

Anti-inflation palliatives are doomed to failure unless quickly followed by effective measures to control the cause of inflation. The cause of inflation is directly traceable in a large measure to federal financing policies.

Interpreting THE WAR NEWS by Glenn Babb

Allied Command Set For Pantelleria Attack

If ever an individual and a people were compelled to drink the bitter tea of memory that is the lot of Benito Mussolini and his compatriots today, the anniversary of one of history's most memorable wrong turnings.

It was three years ago today that Il Duce made the most fateful of all his hundreds of appearances on the famous balcony overlooking the Piazza Venezia. With his blue jaw thrust and his clenched fists alternately resting on his hips and beating the balustrade, he announced the declarations of war on France and Britain which he thought would enable Italy to share the spoils of a conflict already won.

Never has a gamble that looked so promising turned so sour. As a Rome broadcaster expressed it in a masterpiece of understatement: "Three years of war have not given great or immediately evident results for Italy's arms."

It is even possible that history may achieve one of her choicest ironies by having this anniversary coincide with the first landings of the conqueror on Italian soil. It does not seem possible that invasion day for Pantelleria can be postponed much longer. That would not



place the adversary on the mainland but it would mean the beginning of the process of reducing the Mediterranean island outposts which may prove stepping stones for the victors of north Africa rather than protective outposts for Italy herself.

ish fleet and the allied air squadrons, more prolonged and severe than any such combined bombardment yet seen in the war in the Mediterranean. The announcement said that the "bombing, bombardment and blockade" would continue.

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TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS, NAVY TIME, UNCLE SAM, CONFERENCE OF PHYSICAL FITNESS, ONE MAN'S OPINION, RUSSIA IN THE WAR. Includes program details and NBC/ABC/WGN listings.

The Network Highlights. Includes WGN (720), Blue KSO (1460); WENR (890), Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Presents, NBC-Red, WHO (1040); WMAQ (670).



FOUR OF COLUMBIA network's ace correspondents are shown outside the CBS broadcasting studio in London's West End. They are (l. to r.) Edward R. Murrow, Paul Manning, John Daly and Bob Trout.

OFFICIAL DAILY BULLETIN

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UNIVERSITY CALENDAR

- Thursday, June 10: Physical education conference, Old Capitol. 8 p. m. University play: 'Ladies in Retirement.'
Friday, June 11: Physical education conference, Old Capitol. 8 p. m. University play: 'Ladies in Retirement.'
Saturday, June 12: 9 a. m. Panel forum, led by Sydney R. Montague, house chamber, Old Capitol.
Tuesday, June 15: Conference on child development and parent education, senate chamber, Old Capitol.

- MUSIC ROOM SCHEDULE: Wednesday, June 9-11 a. m. to 1 p. m., and 4 to 6:30 p. m.
SCHEDULE OF LIBRARY HOURS: Monday to Thursday, 7:50 a. m. to 12 M., 1 to 6 p. m. and 7 to 10 p. m.

Hollywood Sights and Sounds
David Bruce Is Wearing His Face Green and His Hair Cave-Man Style for 'Light Comedy'

HOLLYWOOD—"I prefer light comedy roles," said David Bruce. The first role he drew in Hollywood was that of an innocent man electrocuted in 'The Man Who Talked Too Much.' Today he was a pleasant sight, continuing on his career of "light comedy."

Antidotes for Over-Optimism
By JACK STINNETT

WASHINGTON—The Shadow of Things to Come: Mr. and Mrs. America on the home front are headed for trouble that will make their present difficulties seem like kindergarten stuff. The trouble is partially of their own making, but we won't go into that.

(1). Invasion. It's bound to come and soon, but the chances are that the proper word is "invasions." The European continent is in a dither of anticipation—the







