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## THE LIGHT THAT WON'T FAIL



## Up To Us Now

President Roosevelt's report to Congress on the Crimea Conference acquires special significance because of the circumstances in which it was given.

Congress and more particularly, the Senate, was handed the responsibility for continuing or destroying the unity of the great powers attained so completely at Yalta.

Congress, specifically the Senate, was given charge of the hopes of America and the world for an enduring peace.

### NON-PARTISAN QUESTION

What the President said to Congress was, in effect, "I have brought home from the Crimea a friendship and a unity and a plan, whereby we, the American people, and all peoples, can not only win victory, but assure peace. Now it is up to the Senate of the United States, under the Constitution, to take over."

He declared himself "well aware" that the charter of world cooperation to insure peace that is to come out of the San Francisco Conference, must require Senate ratification. But not on a partisan basis.

World peace is not a party question" he said. "The structure of world peace cannot be the work of one man, or one party, or one nation. It cannot be a peace of large nations or small nations. It must rest upon the cooperative effort of the whole world."

### RESPONSIBILITY PLACED

And further emphasis of the responsibility now upon the Senate was the fact that he spoke, not only to the elected representatives of the people, but also to the people themselves.

This places upon the people the right and the duty to demand that American delegates to the San Francisco conference act in the spirit of Yalta and Dumbarton Oaks. It is the right and the duty of the people to demand that their representatives vote for the people's opinion upon the vital world security plan that will come out of San Francisco.

From now on, the people must as never before let their Senators know what they want.

## Special Session Action Imperative

The 17th regular session of the Arizona legislature has been weighed by the people of Arizona and found guilty of criminal neglect, irresponsibility and cynical indifference to the needs of our people at war and on the eve of post-war. Anti-labor and anti-veteran legislation was pushed through.

All that is water over the dam. What happens now? Will the special session accomplish anything worthwhile, when in the regular session those same legislators turned thumbs down on the people?

The answer is: Yes. It is possible. Why? Because many of the most reactionary of the legislators feel that they are being "threatened" by the rising indignation and unity among people's groups. There may be some willingness on their part to make some concessions because of fear of being "dumped" in the next election.

### Vital Legislation

Specifically we need such legislation as: a state housing agency; a youth administration, to combat delinquency causes; increased educational facilities and assurances of jobs

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## Support U. S.-Mexico Water Treaty

### ISOLATIONIST OPPOSE TREATY

Arizona's postwar future is at stake in whether the U. S. Senate ratifies or rejects the U. S.-Mexico Water Treaty now before it for action. Rejection could jeopardize the world security conference opening in San Francisco, April 25th.

The very principles upon which Dumbarton Oaks stands and upon which a durable peace depends are embodied in this Water Treaty. If the United States Senate cannot ratify this Treaty, based on recognizing the sovereignty, independence and mutuality of nations, then how can we expect it to ratify the world security plan that must come out of San Francisco?

Die-hard isolationists and reactionaries like Senator Johnson of California are in opposition to the Treaty not only to satisfy land speculators and private power companies (opposed to the Treaty because it proposes public power plants) but primarily because it offers a hope to sabotage effective world cooperation.

### LABOR STANDARDS PROTECTED

Concretely what does this Treaty mean to Arizonans in the form of postwar jobs, security and well-being? What does it mean to labor, the farmer, the tens of thousands of vets coming to Arizona, to small businessmen and large industrialists? It means helping Mexico industrialize and raise the living standards of its people so that they may have the money to purchase American products. We need Mexican, Asiatic, and Pacific markets. Without them we will choke to death on our "over-production." That will mean unemployment and chaotic conditions here at home.

### ASSURES US JOBS

It was surprising to those who are working for international cooperation as the only way to provide peace, jobs and high-living standards to American workers, to learn certain AFL unions are opposing the Treaty as a whole, others object to Section 20. This means labor cutting its own throat. It means going against the whole perspective and principles upon which President Roosevelt is working to build an effective world security organization.

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## Governors' Confab Hope of Western Development

The eyes of the west will be upon the coming conference of Western Governors scheduled at Reno, Nevada, April 20-21. Judging the conference by the agenda released to the press, westerners can have great hope that industrialization of the west and adequate markets for its products is a practical possibility in the postwar.

This session of western governors can implement the correct postwar perspective hammered out, under Gov. Osborn's leadership, at the last session held in Phoenix, last December. It is hoped that this session will be carried out in the same broad, non-partisan spirit as the last. The Phoenix conference saw industrialization and expanded reclamation tied up with international cooperation; and approved development of foreign markets and state-federal government collaboration.

### Reno Conference Can Stimulate International Cooperation

The Reno Conference, coming just a few days before the San Francisco World Security Conference, could act as a powerful stimulant to international cooperation by frank and unequivocal support of the Dumbarton Oaks plan and the Crimea Conference decisions. The peoples of Latin-America, the Pacific area and Asia would be greatly assured by such a stand. It is hoped that the Governors will rise to the statesmanship called for.

The opposition of California and Nevada to the U. S. Mexico Water Treaty does not jibe with the spirit and understanding of the Phoenix Conference. Other peoples of the world will judge us by concrete expressions of good neighborliness.

### State Planning and Development Board Needed

In our state, the 17th regular session of the Legislature failed, among other vital business, to set up an effective State Postwar Planning and Development Board. It is important that the special session act on this. Such a board, manned by competent personnel, will be needed to gear Arizona to plans for industrializing the west.

These are momentous times. Times which call for far-sighted, progressive and energetic public officials. These officials, as well as every individual and organization, is judged by history today on how they measure up to war and postwar responsibilities. Again, the eyes of the west and the nation are upon Reno.

### PHOENIX WELCOMES LABOR MANAGEMENT PLAN

Every citizen of Salt River Valley who looks to a postwar Phoenix of jobs, security and prosperity, wholeheartedly welcomes the proposals of the Phoenix Central Labor Council for postwar cooperation between labor and management.

Certain industrial leaders as Paul Hoffman, who spoke in Phoenix recently, realize a prosperous postwar is depending upon labor-management cooperation. They also realize that an expanding domestic market is dependent upon adequate wage standards.

We believe this is the path to the industrializa-

tion of Phoenix and our state and development of a great agricultural empire.

The support of the Phoenix Gazette has given to the Central Labor Council proposals is hailed by all concerned. It is hoped this means that the Gazette has withdrawn its support of the so-called "right-to-work" bills. These bills, introduced into the recent Arizona Legislature, and pushed by some employer groups, would make cooperation between labor and management impossible.

We believe a new era of labor-management relations is opened by the Council plan. All should pitch

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# U. S. NOTABLES LAUD ARMY ORDER

National unity will be immeasurably advanced by the Army's recent order that Communists and alleged Communists are eligible for officers' commissions, said several hundred nationally noted Americans in a public statement a few weeks ago.

The list of signers includes: religious leaders, educators, lawyers, businessmen and industrialists, Jewish and other leaders, authors, civic leaders, doctors, theatre people, labor leaders, artists, farm leaders, editors, and government officials.

Among the signers are Bishop Walter Mitchell, Protestant Episcopal Church, Phoenix; Bishop Henry W. Hobson, Southern Ohio Protestant Church; Joseph E. Davies; Bishop Lewis O. Hartman, Dr. Frank P. Graham, president, University of North Carolina; Rabbi Stephen S. Wise; Mayor Cornelius Scully of Pittsburg; Lloyd Garrison, National War Labor Board; Bishop David Henry Sims, African Methodist Episcopal Church, Philadelphia; Edward Flore, general president of the Hotel and Restaurant Employees, International Alliance and Bartenders, AFL; Frederic March; Thomas Mann, Raymond Massie; Reid Robinson, CIO vice-president; Theodore Dreiser.

## The Text Of The Statement

The full text of the statement supporting the Army's policy follows:

With regard to the question of rendering Communists and Communist sympathizers eligible for Army commissions, we support the War Department position as reported in the press, that in granting commissions and making various other Army assignments "the basic consideration is not the propriety of the individual's opinions; but his loyalty to the United States." Any position short of this would constitute a denial of constitutional rights, would fail to utilize all qualified soldiers and would undermine national unity. The question of what one thinks of Communist philosophy is not involved. The issue is one of full utilization on a democratic basis of all forces dedicated to winning the war. Using this sound democratic decision,

as a yardstick, the Army has apparently taken its position as a result of the excellent record of Communists and so-called Communists including a number who have been cited for gallantry and a number who have died in action. The War Department's order is common sense and the only sound policy for a democracy. It carries out our country's stated policies of unity of all forces seriously supporting the war effort. It is consistent with our close cooperation with the Soviet Union and with other United Nations members, whose governments include Communists, for winning the war and building durable peace. The virulent opposition of the Chicago Tribune, Congressman Rankin and other divisive forces must not be permitted to block the War Department's



U. S. EXPORTS to Asia before Pearl Harbor flowed mainly from East Coast ports. But the prospect for postwar trade focuses attention on West Coast shipping facilities.

# Communist Clubs Active In Municipal Affairs

Phoenix: — Recognizing the vital importance of an administration which can give leadership to a wartime community and preparing the way for a post-war period of jobs, security and prosperity, the Thomas Jefferson Communist Community Club of this city issued a statement to the public following the Phoenix municipal elections of February 27th.

The statement deplored the fact that "labor and the progressive leadership generally in Phoenix unfortunately did not take sufficient initiative in drawing up a program and finding candidates who could fully mobilize the city in an all-out effort for speedy victory in the war and planning post-war jobs."

### Civic Leaders Have Responsibility For Post-war Jobs

The statement went on to say, "Phoenix can become an important city only if its civic leaders accept the responsibility of making it grow. In this growth the role of the city commission is paramount, for it has the prime responsibility of planning the city to attract industry and labor. It is important that industry be guaranteed a stable labor market. This means, in turn, that labor must be guaranteed that the growth of the city is planned to give adequate transportation, good housing, health and recreational facilities."

"The Fleming administration will run city hall for another year. This will be a year in which the war can be brought to a victorious conclusion and plans should be made for the postwar. We believe that the great democratic majority of Phoenixians should get behind the Fleming administration if it pushes a program of increased housing, against high rents, for health and child care, better transportation, and civic unity by promoting better transportation, and cooperation between our racial minorities and the rest of the community."

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LOU KOROBKIN

Tucson, March 26. A leaflet put out by the Communist Club of Tucson called for the citizens of Tucson to "insist that candidates in the coming municipal elections, April 3, take a clear cut, bold stand on the burning issues facing wartime Tucson and its postwar period. Returning veterans already in Tucson (with many more hundreds to come) must be given not only a beneficial climate but also a job, housing and educational opportunities. Additional industry should be encouraged to come to Tucson to provide full job opportunities with a higher standard of living for all Tucsonans.

Housing steps must be taken to relieve the shortage now and to plan low cost housing projects. Eliminate slums. Transportation needs of our growing city require better planning, additional busses, free rides for servicemen. All discrimination must be wiped out if a democratic community is to survive. Equal opportunity for all. A city-sponsored COUNCIL FOR CIVIC UNITY is needed now."

### An Administration With Determination and Vision Needed

Lou Korobkin, President of the Tucson Club spoke over station KTUC, Sunday, March 25th, on the issues at stake in the municipal election. He stated in his talk that "This municipal election takes place in momentous times. Mankind's vilest enemy, the fascist Axis, is now being crushed to complete obliteration by the heroic fighting forces of the great United Nations. We wage this struggle that all men may live in peace and enjoy the fruits of their labor. Tucsonans must have a city administration with determination and vision to see, first of all, that Tucson makes its contribution, in every possible way, to the winning of the war, and that it can grow and expand and can really

fill the needs of all its citizens."

### PHOENIX WELCOMES MANAGEMENT PLAN

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in to put this plan on a concrete basis to finish the war, guarantee a stable peace, and full utilization of American economy after the war with a constantly rising standard of living for the entire population.

### Bonds Over America



SAKOKAWEA

Credit for the success of Lewis and Clark's great expedition across the Rockies to the Pacific has long been attributed to Sakokawea, wife of a French interpreter. The Shoshone Indian girl with a baby on her back acted as guide, cook and emissary to the Indian tribes that murderously roamed the dangerous trails from Stanton, North Dakota, to the West Coast. Her statue adorns the State House lawn at Bismarck, serving as a constant inspiration to North Dakotans fighting to defend the great lands she opened to white men. Japs might already have a foothold on that land but for the supplies furnished American service men through the purchase of War Bonds.

U. S. Treasury Department

### ST. LOUIS CATHEDRAL

When fire swept the city of New Orleans in 1788, Don Andrea Almonaster, a truly great philanthropist, saw to it that some of the city's finest buildings arose from the ashes of their historic predecessors — the Cabildo, the Presbytere and the St. Louis Cathedral. Liberty creates and encourages such men. It's the spirit that inspires Americans to buy War Bonds to equip their service men who fight all enemies of individual freedom. America will always have Almonasters to give their fellowmen a lift in dark hours if enough War Bonds are purchased and held to keep those service men in munitions.

U. S. Treasury Department

## Special Session Action Imperative

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and working conditions for returning veterans; state Fair Employment Practice and Civil Rights laws to protect minorities; increased old age assistance; a teachers tenure law. Supplementary legislation is needed to help OPA enforce rent and price control, and a state postwar planning and development board is imperative.

The special session agenda will be confined to whatever is submitted to the legislature by Gov. Osborn, but chances are the list will be inclusive enough to permit reopening of almost the entire battle for a genuine people's program for victory and peace. Now is the time for the people to let the legislators know what is expected of them during the special session. Representatives of various people's organizations should consult with Governor Osborn on the special session agenda.

### Vicky Says:



Hitler's filled with rage and chargin  
From his heels to his quivering chin  
By the blackened remains  
That scarcely retains  
A semblance of what was Berlin.

—Roy Hicks

## Support U. S. Treaty

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The AFL's contention that Section 20 of the Treaty discriminates against American labor standards does not stand up under close study. The A. F. L. mistakenly interprets Section 20. The part objected to does not pertain to actual job conditions, but refers only to "going to and from the place of location of the works."

Labor standards are protected under the Treaty in that part of Section 20 which states, "the Commission in the execution of such works (shall) observe the laws of the place where such works are located."

Every individual and organization which looks to a post-war Arizona of peace, security and prosperity needs to act immediately in support of this Treaty. Telegrams, letters and resolutions should pour onto the desks of Senators Hayden and MacFarland urging them to vote for ratification.

# FARMER vs: LABOR?

Quite recently we had a member of the Arizona State Legislature assert that, "the farmers are getting mighty tired of labor making gains at the expense of the farmers."

What farmers? That word 'farmer' is used to designate a group of people who in the extremes, have as little in common as a polar bear and a penguin. One "farmer" may farm as much as 20,000 acres and his neighbor farm 10 acres.

Are they both "farmers" in the same sense? Then obviously the answer to this is: Who goes to work for the other when "times" get tough? Let us take the obvious answer to this question and propose another. When the "little" farmer goes to work for the "big" farmer, does he cease to be a farmer and become "labor?" If he does become labor does that mean that his normal wants, needs and desires change? Would it mean that while he is a farmer he would want one type of law and when he becomes labor he wants a different set of laws altogether?

## FARMER — LABOR DEFINED

For fear that we are becoming incoherent, let us retreat for a moment and examine first, the accepted definition of the word "farmer". The dictionary says it is, "one that cultivates the soil." That would seem to settle the question proposed in the second paragraph of this article as to who the farmers are. If you till the soil for a living then you most certainly are a farmer, but if you exploit the tiller of the soil for gain, isn't it just as reasonable to say you are not a farmer?

Now, what is labor? Again we refer to the dictionary and find that it is, "toil or exertion." (I'm going to look that up again for the definition sounds almost exactly like farming.)

## INTERESTS MUTUAL

Aside from the physical likeness of the two, let's examine the economic relationship of the farmer and the laborer. The farmer produces food and fiber. Labor consumes it. For

the farmer to receive a fair price for his product labor must be able to pay a fair price. With strong labor unions able to demand and receive fair wages for their members the farmer is assured a fair market for his produce. That the farmer is not now receiving his just share of labor's spending is not due to the fact that labor is organized, but to the fact that the farmer is unorganized. Does the fact that one car of potatoes in the "boom" "20's" crossed the continent three times before they were unloaded or that a can of cherries sold in Santa Rosa, Sanoma County, California, bore a label stating they were Sanoma County cherries packed in Massachusetts have any significance?

If labor only gets twenty-five cents per hour can it pay fifty cents per dozen for eggs, fifty cents a pound for meat, or sixty cents a pound for butter?

The answer to these questions is obvious. But, the real \$64.00 question is:

How can we pay off a three hundred billion dollar national debt with a low national income.

## Postwar Food

Those interested — and certainly our farmers should be interested—in post war world markets for agricultural products, might be guided by the findings of the Rothamsted Experiment Station in England, whose director, after studying the damage caused by the present war, and comparing it to that of World War 1, concludes:

That it will take longer to restore European farms than after the last war. Then, it took four years for the potato crop to recover; cereals seven years; livestock, six years in battle areas as a result of special aid, and where there was no aid, 10 years.

The fundamental difficulty is to get back into the soil the necessary organic matter. More, until human needs are met, little land will be available for green pasture, hence the lack of return of organic matter by animals.

Of course, the possibility of marketing American farm products, even with the vast needs of the European peoples, will depend upon such basic international agreements as that of Bretton Woods.

Hence American farmers have a deep interest in preventing the killing of that agreement by a few greedy bankers. Neither can American farmers sell products abroad, if they bar imports by a high tariff wall.

## GREAT AMERICAN GAME



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## SIDE BY SIDE

Side by Side—  
Farmer vs: labor—  
Post War food— ? ? ?  
Communist club active—  
Special Session action—  
Its up to us—

When Lieutenant General John C. Lee lined up Negro units, whose job had been restricted to behind-the-lines supply work of the western front, and asked for volunteers, to be assigned without regard to color, to the front line fighting units, so many volunteered that hundreds had to be rejected because the quota was filled.

This is a magnificent breaking down of the odious Jim Crowing of colored Americans and the army is to be congratulated for it, and urged to extend it throughout the whole army. Those who try to oppose it by say-

ing that white soldiers "wouldn't like it," are reminded that General Lee said, "Comrades at the front are anxious to share the glory and victory with you."

Negro soldiers have a glorious record, and their rush to volunteer shows how wrong and disruptive is the statement of A. Philip Randolph that there is not one Negro soldier who does not hate the army, nor a Negro anywhere who believes this war will bring an extension of freedom and democracy.

This historical action on the western front also rebukes those who say that Negro soldiers are cowardly, do not want to fight, and who magnify the problems in morale created, artificially, by the Jim Crow system in the army.

# Shall the Promise of Crimea be Fulfilled?

- Who is for and who is against Crimea?
  - What is Senator Vandenberg's game?
  - Who is behind the anti-FDR conspiracy in Labor's ranks?
  - Is there a labor revolt against Roosevelt?
  - How far can Labor's economic advance proceed in wartime?
  - What are the next steps needed in labor-management cooperation?
  - Were "liberals" justified in opposing Stettinius and Clayton?
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