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TRUTH BE WAR'S FOE

But Truth is Too Often Hidden When Armament Is Issue

(Note: This is the fourth of a series of eight articles being written for The Eccentric by Mrs. Charles J. Shain, student of international affairs, on world peace.)

Again, I should like to return to some of the ways by which we are so frequently misled in this subject of war. My whole life has been built upon the premise that accurate knowledge should be held by the possessor. We certainly talk enough about it, but in an informed electorate being an asset to a democracy! Yet, generally speaking, people rarely receive only that kind of information they want to hear and turn a blind eye and closed ear to any other.

Church News

First Baptist Church
 Rev. L. Earl Jackson, M. A., Minister

"Droppers of Heaven" will be the Sunday morning sermon theme, the service at 10:30. Following the service, the children's program and activities.

Church school classes for all ages begin at 9:30 a. m. adjoins at 12:30. Containing the new evening school, the young people gather at 5 P. M., for their devotion with the evening vesper service and new classes provide instruction for youth and adults.

First Presbyterian Church
 W. Cleverly Wright, M. A., Pastor

Bible school convenes at 9:30 o'clock with worship service for three departments and new classes provide instruction for youth and adults.

Evening worship at 7:30 o'clock will be characterized by Scotch Night program; special songs; Scotch pipe band; hymns; and a brief sermon on the "Cradle of Presbyterianism."

First Methodist Episcopal Church
 1044 Avenue C, Birmingham, 1934

Men's Forum in the Community House, 11 Morning worship, sermon, "Finding the Way to the American Future." Singing and primary devotions, Junior League and Young Men's Club.

Christ Church Episcopal Church
 Chester and Willis Streets
 Church Avenue, Birmingham, 1934

Worship at 8:00 A. M. and 10:30 A. M. Sunday at 10:30 A. M. Morning prayer, 11 A. M. Morning prayer, 11 A. M. Morning prayer, 11 A. M.

Christ Church Cranbrook
 Rev. Dr. S. A. Marquie, rector
 Rev. W. H. Ashbach, assistant

Morning prayer, 11 A. M. Morning prayer, 11 A. M. Morning prayer, 11 A. M.

Holy Name Catholic Church
 Rev. James W. Cotter, Pastor
 Rev. Joseph J. O'Connell, Assistant

Sunday Masses, 7:30, 8 A. M., 9 A. M., 10:30 A. M., 11:30 A. M., 12:30 P. M.

United Presbyterian Church
 Mt. Lebanon, Birmingham, 1934

Morning worship, 11:30 A. M. Sunday School, 11 A. M. to 12:30 P. M.

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If this business of armaments is to be a competition in armaments, it is something entirely new. It began about 50 years ago when the British navy was in the last 20 years. Historians almost without exception attribute the rise of the British navy to the competition in armaments. At Waterloo in 1914, the British fleet was 19,000 tons, whereas in 1914 nearly 1,000,000 tons were used each year since the attack on the Hindenburg line.

If this \$1,523 million naval program, defensible on treaty grounds, the strongest naval armaments in American-Japanese and American-British relations is demonstrable. The arguments for reduction which appeal most to soldiers of loyalty may have been inspired by the workers from some armament industry.

"This brings me to the question of whose interests are being served by these huge naval programs. If you are one of those conscious of the importance and significance of reliable information, I shall try to be accurate in mine. We have been desperately busy since we were in 1916 and 1917. What we said and did then makes reading now. Many a man would like to forget how he exhorted his audience to a holy crusade. How many of us who were as Mary gave up Jesus to be crucified.

I remember conducting a class of senior boys and girls to hear the Rev. Lowell Dwight Hill speak at the Pacific High School in Los Angeles, Calif., in the fall of 1917. The full glory of California's roses adorned every tree and bush in the garden that night. We heard the great divine talk, as though he had been an eye witness of the events of the war. We rode home almost speechless. The next day a man was broached by some young people from the United States to someone to enlist them so they might go at once to average some business in their own country. These stories could go on endlessly with all of us.

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Many have found all its heronism and its great sacrifices—turn to ashes as their lips still champion it. Many have found it again to be a matter of the human mind that is almost sympathetic to the cause of the world. To all questions that I ask, there is a definite answer: "Your country wouldn't you?" If you wouldn't, then your country wouldn't either.

Perhaps two complex questions need searching: What is defense? and, whose interests are served in preparations for war? As to the first, the distinction between defense and offense in the technical mind is illusory. As one writer says, "it depends upon the finger on the trigger. The gun is the same."

But to the layman the distinction isn't so difficult. A machine gun with a long barrel would be an offensive weapon, a gas mask wouldn't be. At any rate, the whole question of the maintenance of peace is tied up with disarmament and elimination of aggressive weapons. The Covenant of the League and every other pact deliberately plans the destruction of such armaments.

Germany's Example
 We had the example of Germany firmly in mind in 1919. It is safe to say that most people considered German militarism to be the enemy. No other conception could have risen to the cry, "We were going into war to make the world safe for democracy." We look upon the regeneration of Nazi youth today and shudder. Why do we engage in this naval race within a treaty—the largest program of the United States ever engaged in peace times. These costly and elaborate peace planes, cruisers, guns have no purpose. They are inconsonant certainly with the Kellogg Pact, at which a notice people are so vitally interested in. It is a pity that we have not seen more than a glimpse of it.

been released. It is dedicated to those mothers whose sons are still alive. Zengler. It is literally a terrible book. "Not a word of bad writing or badly arranged. It is a masterpiece of taste. Nevertheless it is shocking. It is terrible because of the facts which it faithfully records," says its reviewer.

War Profits
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