

# Youth Suggests International Armed Force to Guard Americas

## Military School Student Visualizes Plan of Defense

He Has a Plan

An international legislative body with an army and navy at its disposal to govern foreign affairs of nations in the Western Hemisphere is suggested in an essay written by Young Bruni, student at Stannum Military Academy, here.

His plan, whether practical or not, shows considerable thought on a problem which is puzzling even the best of the military experts. Young Bruni, holder of Life Scout rank, is a member of the Baldwin Varsity Club, a member of the Cable Legion of Honor, his school's honor society, and has been awarded the St. John de Bosco medal from the Pope.

His essay, for a descriptive section, follows:

### A Plan for a Pan-American

With war clouds in Europe at their darkest, the American people wonder there isn't some possibility of a Pan-American Neutrality which could preserve peace in this hemisphere. In 1822, President Monroe issued the famous "warning to European nations not to plant new colonies in the western hemisphere; that any attempt on their part to recognize those colonies which had already declared their independence would be considered as an "unfriendly act" by the United States, which, however, would not interfere with any colonies now belonging to European nations and that the United States had no intention of interfering with the internal affairs of Europe, and that accordingly she would resent any attempt of European nations to interfere in American affairs. Today this doctrine is again being tested. It is to be decided whether or not it has any real significance. The only way in which we can defend our past and present stand on neutrality and isolation is by holding together an assembly of all the nations of this hemisphere and agreeing on an International Congress backed by a full armed navy, army, and air force.

Many Efforts Made  
When Bolivar freed some of the South American countries, he attempted to call together an assembly of all the American nations, but he failed. In 1889, we called a conference in Washington and in 1893 the same assembly in Buenos Aires. The last of these conferences was held in Lima, that also failed to hold a summit. None of these assemblies formulated any concrete plans assuring a real neutrality.

The only way in which we can really show our complete independence of Europe, Asia, and Africa, is to have

cause many of our neighbors have no means of defense.

### France and England

To accomplish our ends in the South and Central American republics, we would have to eliminate from the Congress two nations which have possessions in this hemisphere and which have a stronghold, France and England. They have the control of several nations in this hemisphere and we have had several quarrels with her over the Monroe doctrine. As for her possessions, they could not act as partners in this neutrality unless they became free and independent. Of course, the British and the French would be admitted to the Congress at all. As for the elimination of Germany, Japan, and Italy, there should be no absolute, we should see that their influence is removed by deporting and rebelling the officials. By doing this we would remove all chance of espionage.

To secure this plan we must first set up an International Congress, which would be representative of every nation in the world. This Congress would have proportional representation; and the other either one or two nations per nation, a system that is similar to that of the Congress. An international parliament, this Congress would be elected by the people of each nation, thus eliminating any effects due to population, this Congress in turn would select the heads of the Ministries of War, Education, Justice and Foreign Relations. Of course, it is understood that the Congress would be elected only as an international union similar to the League of Nations, but would have the backing of a strong armed force. Every nation that is independent at present would remain free to elect its own government, but would be bound to support the International Union.

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## BITS OF BIRMINGHAM

If the weather in Germany is anything like it has been here, it's no wonder that Hitler has delayed his march on the Rhine. War is cruel but this has been worse.

There are several Birmingham people "kicking themselves all over" for taking their vacations during that cold month of June.

Antique furniture and glassware recently purchased at an auction at Franklin will be used as part of the furnishings in the old farmhouse which the famous Mrs. Bette Davis is remodeling at Sugar Hill, N. H. The stuff was bought here by the actress' mother, Mrs. Barb Davis, while visiting with old friends, Mr. and Mrs. Karl E. Herrick, 572 Madison avenue. Miss Davis bought the old building in a spot accessible only by a mile-drive through the woods and is finding a breathtaking view of Mr. Washington. A crew of workmen is now busy to fix up the place. Mr. and Mrs. Herrick and their daughter, June, have just returned from a visit to the spot.

We saw Carole Bingham remembering a local law that refrigerated drink and soda vending machines are to be placed in the streets. In as much as this wanderer cares for honey much more than for bees, he is going to try with the help of the beekeepers to get rid of them.

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## Policy of Italy As A 'Jackal' Is Nothing New

ANN ARBOR—Neither Italy's position as a scavenger in European affairs nor Churchill's remarks concerning her "jackal" policy are innovations of 1940, according to Howard M. Ehrmann, associate professor of history at the University of Michigan, who writes on "Mussolini Enters the War" in the current issue of the University of Michigan Alumni Quarterly Review.

Italy's vulnerability to attack by sea and air, inability to wage a long war, and the desire of her people to remain at peace are cited by Professor Ehrmann as the factors behind Mussolini's policy of waiting until the issue had been decided before actively entering the conflict.

This is not the first time, however, that Italy has intervened in a war at the last moment so that she might reap the spoils of victory. In World War I, Italy entered the war and yet might be overtaken by the spoils of victory. Ever since the Italian invasion of Abyssinia, Italian statesmen have taken advantage of the great European powers' preoccupation with their own territorial aspirations, Professor Ehrmann continues, to have success been implemented, although never with too great success, by alliances and the barter of armed equipment for territorial concessions. The policy, he says, has at times even been carried to the point where Italy has had secret agreements with both sides in a crisis situation. A number of instances of the use of this type of policy in Italian history are described by Professor Ehrmann.

Just as the policy itself is not new, Professor Ehrmann says, further realization of it will come in the part of foreign statesmen is also not limited to the year 1940. "Churchill's denunciation of Italy's 'jackal' policy," he says, "is not new, but a repetition of the early efforts of Professor Ehrmann." The German statesman likened Italy to a jackal that allowed after a lion and devoured its victims.

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two-week vacation Saturday, intending to keep absolutely cool for the entire period. He will even refuse to catch any fish that exert themselves too much for their own good.

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Well, the boys from 267 got their Standard Camper badges and no one is more surprised than they. What their points are, or what the badges look like, no one dares say, as no one in Birmingham has seen them. Anyhow, they are the Standard Camper badges and form proof conclusive of those intrepid Scouts who came, saw, and conquered the camper. Good luck to them and the likes of them, and may there be more of the same next year!

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## Two Cars Crash

No one was hurt in a crash Sunday evening at Woodward avenue and Demareille when cars crashed driven by Russell B. Allen, 34 years old, of 5402 Second bid., Detroit, and Albert H. Johnson, of 674 Robinwood, Detroit.

## Son of Baldwin Grad Running for Circuit Commissioner

Willis D. Lefurgy, Pontiac attorney, son of a Baldwin High graduate, has announced his candidacy for Circuit Court Commissioner.

## Might Help Him

The New York lawyer who served in the military during the war was lately merely sent him on for a stretch.—The Altona Mirror.

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