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## Lincoln Veterans Condemn "Lend-Lease" Present Views in Washington

VETS SUPPORT AMERICAN PEACE MOBILIZATION

### 5 Planks to Defend America Program of APM

1500 Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade who fought in the Spanish Republican Army have joined the American Peace Mobilization to further the ideals which carried them to Spain.

In the two years of the Spanish war close to 2000 Americans were killed in action and most of the 1500 now home were wounded at one time or another.

They feel that the knowledge and experience gained by them should be shared with the people of America. The statement of the Veterans' National Executive Committee follows:

**"The 'Lend-Lease' Bill should be numbered 1917 not 1776.**

"Roosevelt needs its dictatorial powers to further his aim of carving out of a warring world, the American Empire so long desired by the Wall Street money lords.

"To achieve this end, the suave Mr. Roosevelt has already committed America to undeclared belligerency in this 2nd World War. He has done this in spite of the oft-expressed demand of the American people and in spite of his own "sacred" pledges to keep our country neutral.

"We want no part of an American Empire. We remember how bitterly American Imperialism was condemned by our fellow International Brigadiers from Latin America. We remember how they spoke to us of the ruin and sorrow it had brought to their homes. We Veterans, who were greeted as members of a liberating army, know that Americans will not allow their flag to be viewed by the peoples of Latin-America with the same horror as Hitler's in Europe and Britain's in Ireland and India. That is why all of us must insist that our Government get out and stay out of this war for Empire.

"Imperialist war and repression at home are Siamese Twins. F.D.R. is revealing an even more open love for both. However, our tastes, like most American's are more normal. We don't want these irrevocably joined sisters to set up house-keeping here.

"To accomplish this aim, the Roosevelts, Knudsens and Hillmans, who team up with they greedy Lion, as well as the Lindberghs and Fords, who makes eyes at the Swastika, must be exposed and defeated.

"Both groups imply ever more openly that democracy must be limited if America is to be strong. Both are evident liars. The secret of Republican Spain's heroic 32 month resistance against upper-class treachery and foreign aggression. was her constantly growing democracy. Her temporary defeat was caused by the sell-out powders and starvation diet administered to her by those double-talking Masters of the Double-Cross, Lord Halifax and President Roosevelt.

"Let us point out to those who state that America needs Allies in a world at war, that, "Allies" who are dragging us further into the war are a menace not an aid. It is the duty of the American Government to seek co-operation abroad with the truly neutral Soviet Union, not the belligerent Great Britain.

"We who fought in Spain, know the validity of the Soviet Union's word. Her pledge of help to Spain was scrupulously kept just as her pledge to democratic China. Her statement of neutrality in this Imperialist war can be universally believed.

"It is also necessary for our Government to adopt a true good-neighbor policy toward the Latin-American countries. Such a change would cause them to look trustingly upon us as their Northern friend, not fearfully as the dreaded Colossus of the North.

"All Americans who want to stay out of this war abroad and to maintain and extend democracy at home should join with like men of good-will and good sense in the American Peace Mobilization. The Veterans of Abraham Lincoln Brigade is affiliated to the A.P.M. and support its program 100 per cent.

"The people of the United States supported us when we volunteered in the war for liberty in Spain because they knew this war affected democracy here. Today imperialist war and reaction threaten the lives and homes of America itself. Today no wide-awake American can sit on the sidelines.

"Fight for democracy at home. Be a Volunteer for Peace. JOIN THE APM."

### It's Different with Dukes

The Federal Court ordered the deportation on January 4th of five Spanish Loyalists who were on Ellis Island. The United American Spanish Aid Committee quickly obtained a court writ staying this order. Two are on their way to Mexico, and efforts are being made to secure visas for the others.

it back to the whole American people.  
4. Stop War Profiteering. Put lives ahead of profits. Put profits last on democracy's list. What helps democracy helps you.  
5. Guarantee a decent standard of living for all. Work for more social and labor legislation. End discrimination.  
**THIS PROGRAM IS SIMPLE JUSTICE, MAKE IT REAL AND AMERICA IS DEFENDED.**

1. **Get out and stay out of the European War.**
2. **Defeat Militarism and Regimentation.** Repeal Conscription. No M Day for the American people.
3. **Restore the Bill of Rights.** Restore free speech, freedom of assembly, freedom of thought. Take special privilege away from the top and give



### S.O.S. AMERICA

Physically broken by two years of horrible suffering in French concentration camps, 150,000 Spanish refugees and some 3000 International Volunteers look hopefully to this continent to escape the torture brigades or firing squads of Franco, Hitler and Mussolini.

The world knows that these were the people who proved their love of democracy by fighting for 32 months against both fascists and appeasers. Following Franco's military victory in 1939, these people fled for shelter to France. There, instead of comfort and aid, they were put into concentration camps by the Petains and Daladiers who betrayed France to the Nazis. They were brutally imprisoned for the crime of having fought for liberty, for their homeland.

The N.Y. Times of January 26, 1941 headlines a news story "MISERY AND

DEATH IN FRENCH CAMPS"; and the body of the story states that in ... camp, GURS, deaths are estimated "at .. 15 to 25 daily."

These heroic Germans, Italians, Yugoslavs; Greeks - men of all nationalities who fought in the famous International Brigades - and the Spanish refugees must be brought to a haven on this continent. They certainly deserve at least the consideration accorded the dukes and aristocrats who are fleeing from England. But Washington, which breaks every precedent to assist the royal refugees from Europe, will not lift a finger to aid ... fighters against fascism. It is to .. that we look for help.

\$300,000 is needed for the first AMERICAN RESCUE SHIP MISSION to ... the refugees to America. Do your ... send your contribution, no matter how ... to the VETERANS OF THE ABRAHAM LINCOLN BRIGADE, 66 Fifth ... New York City.