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EDITORIAL

WAS HE RESPONSIBLE?

It is just possible that the late Senator Borah, who For sale-One double bed, two he began a campaign for the re- up in thin air unless it did some- that time which might have given ted to the bar in 1889, began pracdied at the week-end, was responsible for the present war. When the President of his country planned and carried through the formation of a league of nations for the purpose of insuring peace it was Senator Borah who led the; opposition which defeated it and destroyed its usefulness to the world.

Borah was a stubborn man of great ability but possibly little sense. He lacked vision but was consistent in FOR RENT - Room in private his attitude. Often he was right but on such subjects as home with board. Information posed the soldier bonus system. He didate for the house of representating. the support of the League of Nations and his opposition to at Daily News. tariff reciprocity and in being a stickler for constitutional practice he found himself out of touch with the spirit of the times. Had the League of Nations received the full support of the United States it seems most probable Japan would not have raided Manchuria, Italy would not have taken Ethiopia and Albania, the Spanish civil war would have been nipped in the bud, Czechoslovakia would not have been invaded and neither would Poland and today the world would have been at peace. If the present war is a bad thing for the world, Borah was one of the responsible parties in failing to prevent it. Most of the evil in the world is done by well-meaning and able people whose abilities have been misdirected.

TROTSKY'S VIEWS

Leon Trotsky, the father of Bolshevism, now an exile in Mexico, in an article in Liberty, declares that "on the wave of a new revolution in Russia a new international organization would inevitably arise which would wipe out the Comintern and deal a mortal blow to the authority of the Soviet bureaucracy in its national entrenchment in the U.S.S.R."

Speaking of the bureaucracy and its work the same authority says: "the tendency toward Socialist equality! proclaimed by the revolution has been stamped out and defamed. In the U.S.S.R. there are twelve to fifteen million privileged individuals who concentrate in their hands about one half of the national income and who call this regime 'socialism.' On the other hand there are approximately one hundred and sixty million people oppressed by the bureaucracy and caught in the grip of dire poverty."

Trotsky does not think Germany will triumph. He says "German imperialism arrived too late; its military fury will end in a tremendous catastrophe." He sees all sorts of changes in the meantime. He says that so long as Hitler remains strong Stalin will remain his statellite but he will break with Germany when it suits his purpose to do

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President Of Port Simpson Body For Year

PORT SIMPSON, Jan. 22:- The Young People's Educational Association of Port Simpson has elected officers for the ensuing

year as follows: President, William E. Kelley. First Vice-President, Alfred Wes-

Second Vice - President, Isaac Sankey. Third Vice - President, Robert

Sankey. Treasurer, Sam Hughes. Financial Secretary, Henry Kel-

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Lil) arian, Simon Auckland, Curator, Charles M. Ryan.

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ily Offutt.

TOE H DANCE Seal Cove Parish Hall was well frequently. filled for a dance by Toc H Friday many men in uniform.

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Borah Opposed League, Criticized Britain and Favored Russian Recognition

HIS VIEWS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 22: -In the Senate Chamber, with President Franklin D. Roosevelt and other leaders of the nation including senators, congressmen, judges and administrators, tribute was paid today to the memory of the late Senator William E. Borah. There was a state funeral service after which the body left for home at Boise, Idaho, where interment will be

In the international field the late break with Hoover came over farm Senator Borah was one of the "ir- relief and the fact that the reconcilables" in opposing Ameri- | Hawley-Smoot tariff act raised Assistant Curator, Andrew Mof- can membership in the League of rates on industrial as well as farm Nations and adherence to the schedules. Borah took no part in world court, a critic of Great Bri-the campaign against Franklin D. The new officers of the Ladies' tain on the subject of Irish free- Roosevelt. dom and an advocate of recogni- Unlike some other Republican intion of the Union of Socalistic dependents, who carried their bolt

Second Vice-President, Miss Em- cognition he provided many Am- and of advocacy of his 1933 emer ericans with letters of introduc-|gency recovery program, Boral Treasurer, Mrs. George Sankey, tion to Moscow officials and was went his uniquely independent Secretary, Mrs. Herbert Bryant, often referred to as "Russia's un- way. official passport bureau." Soviet Opposes 'N. R. A.' Movement officials, communicated with him He voted for several of Roose-

stic theory but I would have no to the chief executive.

Guards State Rights

He was a firm believer in maintaining the balance among the executive, legislative and judicial branches of the government as set up in the federal constitution and fought measures which he deemed in conflict with that principle or which threatened to invade state rights. Thus, although he favored votes for women, he opposed the federal suffrage amendment, holding it was a matter of state legisamendment.

general disarmament.

FOR RENT-Furnished Apartment or and initiated several senate in- to a normal level. in Besner Apts. Phone Red 197. vestigations of working conditions Satisfied To Be Senator. fought Canadian reciprocity.

> middle- breaking down of party lines, he the necessary 26 Idaho legislative through Southern Illinois Acad- full scope of his forensic powers. Apply nevertheless would have no part votes for that office. It was re- emy and studied law at the Uni-(21) in third party movements. Two lated that he refused a "trade" at versity of Kansas. He was admit- League of Nations, he attracted

parties, he held, was the ideal arrangement for the American sys-

· Clings To Party

Thus when Theodore Roosevelt bolted the 1912 Republican convention, indignation at the "steam roller" tactics which forced President Taft's renomination, Borah although a Roosevelt floor leader, idid not follow his leader into the "Bull Moose" ranks.

In 1924 he assailed many of the Follette the elder was gathering his forces for a third party presidential ticket.. But Borah refused to join the cause of the Wisconsin

Again in 1932 when the shaggylhaired Idahoan clashed with President Hoover, to whose election in 1928 he contributed materially, he exhibited the same re-WASHINGTON, Jan. 22: (AP)- juctance to desert the party. The

from Hoover to the point of public As a champion of Russian re-support of Roosevelt's campaign

velt's emergency measures but "I would establish normal rela- strongly opposed others on econnight. Among those present were tions with the Russian government omic and constitutional grounds. In doing so I would not indorse He also disliked the way in which that government or the commun-congress delegated broad powers

He was particularly bitter against the national industrial recovery act which suspended antitrust laws to permit competitors in an industry to agree on wages and hours of labor in the interest of increased employment and a consequent higher buying power that would raise prices. Borah classed this as "an advance step toward the ultra-concentration of wealth and the first step to end all anti-trust laws."

An inflationist and advocate of ation. On much the same ground rehabilitation of silver, Borah prene voted against the child labor dicted from the first that the world economic conference at Immediately after the world war London in June, 1933, would go He was know as a friend of lab- domestic drive had advanced prices 1918, 1924 and 1930.

was a fee of high tariffs and tives as a free silver republican Senator Borah was a lawyer by already had a reputation as an Bryanite. Then in 1903 he ran for profession. He was born at Fair- orator, but it was years later be-One of the first to sense the the senatorship, receiving 22 of field, Ill., on June 29, 1865, went fore the country was to see the

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> presidential nomination with Cool- Western Federation of Miners, ac-(18) in the coal and steel industries. After he became senator, Borah idge in 1924 and turned down cused of having caused the assas-Also he was an advocate of econo- never sought any other office. In earlier an opportunity to become sination of Frank Steunenberg, my and largely on that ground op- 1896 he was an unsuccessful can- republican leader of the senate former governor of Idaho.

trial of Haywood, Pettibone and He virtually declined the vice- Moyer. They were officials of the

> When he went to the senate he During the historic fight over the wide attention by the clarity of his arguments and the force of his delivery.

Shuns Society Affairs

In the national capital, he took little part in the social life, preferring to spend his leisure hours with a book or on solitary horseback rides in Rock Creek Park He was a total abstainer from alcoholic drinks, tobacco, coffee and

At 30 he married Miss Mamie was frequently in the society headlines, entertaining foreign dignatories who never missed seeing her husband on visits to Washington.

The senator was greatly moved by and grateful for the efforts of the public health service in 1932 in rushing serum to save the life of Mrs. Borah who became ill with parrot fever in Boise.

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