Dear Mrs. Roosevelt

If you think that the President will be interested in this article, will you please send it to him.

I wish the English people knew what some of us, especially Mr. Durant, think of Mr. Churchill. He deserves it.

Respectfully,

[Signature]

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GAIN, DR. DURANT DECLARES

By IRINE M. CLARK
The Union's Business Manager and author, at its meeting in the Joy Inn clubhouse.

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TICHEY NATIONS' BLAMED

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It is the "tichey nations," such as Germany, Japan, Italy, who cause wars, he observed. Once the "tichey" is assuaged, the war urge is consumed within its own borders in growth instead of destruction. "Dictators are merely the results of chaos," he said. "Disorder makes absolute surrender their only way to order, but once that is achieved the dictatorship crumbles. Dictators know this and seek to secure their power by keeping people in war.

STATESMANSHP LAUDED

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Looking ahead to the peace, Dr. Durant stated the airplane will aid the rule of the sea powers. Maritime nations will decline and land nations will rise to power. Europe, he pointed out, will face economic chaos worse than after the Thirty Years war but the technology now available will help to recover in much less time. "It will be worth our while to spend billions in making other nations rich," he observed.

SEES FUTURE CHANGES

He believes there will be a strong communist movement in all liberated and defeated nations of Europe, but this will be short-lived. "The communists depend upon how much food we can spare for Europe," he said. In Russia, he believes the socialism and central control to which people have voluntarily submitted for soil preservation will gradually diminish with security and there will be a demand from farmers to own the soil they till, and for individual enterprises.

In the United States, he predicted, we must expect depression and inflation, due to sudden release of high-wage-earning men from war jobs, the necessity of placing war veterans, etc.

"You will get your gardeners back again," he chuckled. The farmer also will pass through hard times once Europe's crops begin to thrive again, unless our growers realize they must curtail production. Some government control after the war is inevitable, he thinks it will be.

"But I am convinced our depression will be brief," he declared. "We will be a rubber ball, carried down by depression, but we will bounce right back up again. I think we are wise enough to control deflation.

POLITICAL EVENTS SEEN

In the political field, Dr. Durant believes among other things, Britain will recapture everything she has lost and more besides; that "Spain will lose Morocco, perhaps she will even lose Spain;" that Italy will lose her African possessions; that within 10 years of peace India will get dominion status but will still be allied with England; that Turkey may be driven from Europe and that China "will not in my lifetime" have a great power but will emerge exhausted and perhaps be the soil in which will grow the seeds of the next war.

Just now, he said, the victors will be intent on securing their victories. They have every excuse to see to it that the structure they build now will insure that this conflict will not happen again. "It will take greater statesmanship than we have seen to bind the three victor nations together," he declared.

Mrs. J. M. Sping, club president, presented Dr. Durant and Mrs. Harrison G. Sloan and Mrs. Johna E. Bailey jr., president of the urn for tea following the lecture.
PEACE SURE ONLY IF DEFEATED
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The Union's Club Editor

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