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THE Editors are keenly aware of the increased responsibility and opportunity for service which the conflict in the Pacific presents to the QUARTERLY. It will lead an increasing number of general readers, instructors and students to search for information analyzing historically the underlying issues which occasioned the outbreak of this phase of World War II. Further than that, they will want the light of objective discussion thrown upon the problems of reconstruction which must even now begin to be considered in an intelligent and sympathetic manner if an enduring peace is to follow. It is the policy of the QUARTERLY, therefore, to publish material bearing upon the vital issues of war and peace in the Pacific.

While editorial policy will emphasize during the national emergency the problems emerging out of the Pacific phase of World War II, the original aim of the QUARTERLY to publish articles discussing economic, political, and cultural developments arising out of the contact between Westerners and the peoples of the Far East in modern times will not be abandoned. In a very real sense a knowledge and understanding of this broad historical background is an essential prerequisite to an intelligent grasp of the issues of war and peace in the Pacific. The present conflict will, furthermore, inevitably lead to an increased consciousness in the West of the vital role which the Far East has and will play strategically, economically, politically, and culturally in the post-war world. The QUARTERLY plans to continue to publish articles dealing with these parallel and interacting phases of modern world history.

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