

# Facts about Federal Union

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**FEDERAL UNION** stands for the creation of a union of free peoples under a common government which shall have power to make all laws concerning tariffs, migration, money, colonies, foreign policy and armed forces, so that national governments may be left free to manage all other affairs which are exclusively of national concern.

**ITS POLICY** is—

- (a) to build up a strong public opinion in favour of Federal Union, so that :
- (b) Britain declares for the formation of a Federal Union as its peace aim ;
- (c) To organise research into the methods of bringing a Federal Union most smoothly into being, economically, politically, psychologically.

**ITS HISTORY** : In September, 1938, three obscure young men decided that the idea of Federal Union must become a reality, and that they must begin to spread it. This led to the organisation of those who agreed with them.

**MEMBERSHIP** is increasing rapidly. At the outbreak of war the average weekly increase was approximately 40 ; it now averages 400. There were fewer than 50 groups in September, 1939 ; now there are 150, and these are being added to daily. New members can join by applying to Head Office or the local group secretary for a membership form on which they are asked to sign a brief statement of aims.

**ORGANISATION** is controlled by a provisional Council consisting of : Sir William Beveridge, Mr. Richard Law, M.P. \*, Mrs. Barbara Wootton \*, Professor Lancelot Hogben, Dr. C. E. M. Joad, Mr. Robert Byron, Dr. Hamilton Fyfe (Aberdeen Branch), Mr. H. C. Osborne (Birmingham Branch), Mr. M. Channing-Pearce (Oxford Branch), Mr. Derek Rawnsley \*, Mr. Patrick Ransome \*, and Mr. Charles Kimber \*, the three founders. Those marked \* are on the provisional Executive. The Council is provisional while a constitution is being drafted. There is a head office at 44, Gordon Square, W.C.1, which controls the activities of the Branches ; a research section is at work in Oxford ; an education committee, a churches committee and a foreign relations committee are being formed.

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