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EDITORIAL

USE OF U. S. ARMY IN EUROPE UNLIKELY

The stubborn and heroic defense of the British Empire, which has aroused the admiration of military men throughout the world, has given the United States a full year in which to implement its defense program.

What we will have to confront, however, will remain uncertain until the war in Europe ends, and consequently, it continues to be necessary for the nation to subordinate every activity to complete preparation for full-scale warfare.

Army For Hemisphere Defense
The possible use of American soldiers against Nazi troops depends, in our opinion, upon two possibilities: (1) The complete defeat of the British Army with the occupation of the British Isles and the utter disintegration of the British Empire; and (2) the development of the war into a hopeless deadlock, with Germany unable to achieve victory over the British and the British unable to foresee, with any reasonable degree of expectancy, the prospects of defeating Germany and Italy.

Deadlock in Europe Possible
If the war in Europe should develop into a hopeless deadlock, without the direct participation of this country, it is probable that Great Britain, aided and assisted by the flow of supplies from the United States, would continue its naval blockade of Europe and attempt to wear down the Nazi organization through a long and desultory war of attrition, implemented by vicious aerial attacks designed to destroy the productive power of the industrial plants of the enemies.

This course, it is believed, could result in an eventual victory for the British Empire, but at a terrific cost to Europe and the world, as well as a deadlock occurs and a long war is in prospect, the

Louisa's Letter

Dear Louisa:
I have an only son who has recently married. I have a large enough house to accommodate all of us and had expected to have him and his wife live with me, but during the past week he has been offered a much better paying job in another city. His wife is anxious to go and he wants to go in a way, and yet he hates to leave me alone. He feels that it is his duty to stay with me. His wife has suggested that a nephew of mine stay with me, but this will only mean protection and not the companionship which you and I have enjoyed together.

MOTHER—Iowa.
ANSWER:
Yes, I think they owe you something, but not the ruination of their lives. From your letter, I think you are the selfish person in this instance, instead of your son. To begin with you are willing to keep him in an underpaid position and probably kill all of his ambition, and initiative, in order to keep him tied on to your apron strings. Instead of which you should be so happy over his promotion and be doing everything possible to make him do the best that he can.

Louisa.
You are apparently an absenteeed well woman. Why can't you rent out part of your house or get some congenial woman to come and live with you? There are so many things for you to be interested in that you must cease depending on your son for all of the companionship you have hitherto enjoyed. You must remember that he is married now and that his wife is supposed to come first. Unfortunately, while you will both be as dear to each other as ever, you cannot possibly see as much of one another as you have in the past, without causing dissatisfaction between him and his wife. A wife has her place and a mother hers, and it is well not to demand too much.
Good luck.
LOUISA.

Dear Louisa:
I am a boy of sixteen and I have the naggingest family in the world.

United States would continue to serve as the arsenal of democracy and, as the desperate Axis powers attacked our commerce, we would engage in naval warfare to protect it.

Navy and Aircraft May be Used
The use of American aircraft and aviators, along with naval forces, is reasonably certain under such conditions. This is unanswered at the present time, and subject to future decision, whether the Army of the United States will be used, if necessary, to secure the total defeat of Germany and her allies.

There is no way to know, at this time, what the decision of the American people would be. If in the negative, the war would continue for years. If in the affirmative, the extent of American participation would depend largely upon the decision of military experts which would be made in the light of the changed conditions of land warfare which has become a battle of machines rather than the stark struggle of man.

No New A. E. F. Visualized
At this stage of the war, however, it seems highly improbable, even under the worst possible contingency, that the United States will ever attempt to transport to Europe any army that will approach the size of the expeditionary forces of the first World War. At the most, we would contribute a mechanized contingent, armed and motored as no army has ever been in the history of the world. Air planes, tanks and guns would speak for the United States in overwhelming numbers and some of them would undoubtedly be flown, driven and fired by Americans.

This is the prospect, as we see it, twenty-four years after the first American soldiers reached France in 1917. It is based upon present conditions, taking into consideration future probabilities, and without "inside information" of any kind.

Russo-German Warfare
The war between Russia and Germany, if it lasts long enough, might remove the last possibility of any use of American soldiers across the Atlantic. Just so, it is important not to overestimate the favorable implications of the hostilities that broke out last week. If Nazi soldiers gain a quick, decisive victory over the Soviet, there is danger that Hitler will secure the supplies that he must have for a long war.

Moreover, a Hitler triumph might persuade the Japanese to take decisive action in the Far East, which might involve us. Even so, extensive use of naval and air forces, rather than soldiers, is indicated.

'BEAT HITLER' MAIN OBJECTIVE

Not long ago, the United States, like the British, regarded the Russians as almost equal enemies with Germany. Now that Hitler has attacked the Soviet, which is engaged in a desperate battle against Nazi armies, the two democracies find themselves on the same team with Russia. Naturally, there will be strains and stresses until the new condition adjusts itself.

So far as the United States is concerned, our policy has been announced by Sumner Welles, Acting Secretary of State, speaking for the President. Mr. Welles made it plain that between a Communist dictatorship and a Nazi dictatorship, the people of this country make no distinction and have no choice.

Communism and Nazism he condemned as "intolerable" but nevertheless emphasizing that the greatest task facing the world, including the United States, is the defeat of Hitler's attempt at world conquest. Mr. Welles asserted that the "treacherous attack upon Russia" disclosed the real purpose of Germany to acquire complete world domination.

Determined to resist the Nazi plan for "universal conquest, for the cruel and brutal enslavement of all peoples, and for the ultimate destruction of the remaining free democracies," which Hitler is desperately attempting to carry out, the United States takes a realistic position, accepting "any defense against Hitlerism, and rallying of the forces opposing Hitlerism, from whatever source these forces may spring," that will hasten the downfall of Germany and therefore "redound to the benefit of our own defense and security."

The attitudes of the British and American Governments are identical, it appears, in regarding Hitler as the main threat to world peace and security. Consequently, there will be cooperation with Russia in prosecuting the war.

Assistance rendered the Russians, however, will be based upon interest in keeping the Slavs fighting Germany. It will be given in spite of our inability to place much dependence upon the good faith of Stalin and his associates. Russia, it will be remembered, fights Germany, not through choice, but through necessity, and is a reluctant and somewhat unwilling ally.

HEALTH AND BEAUTY

TUBERCULOSIS

Tuberculosis usually starts in the lungs of a person who has become weak in health. At first a small grey lump forms which is called a tubercle. It is a tiny cheesy mass, which is composed of dead tissue that has been destroyed by the germs which it contains.

If you examine the tubercle under a microscope, you will discover that the body is trying to protect itself against the invading enemy and has placed a double layer of cells around the numerous germs. These germs throw off poisons which cause the destruction of lung tissue. If the body of the person who has tuberculosis is sufficiently strong, the tubercles and the germs cannot continue their work of destruction. Slowly the body cells will deposit layer after layer around the tubercles and shut the germs up in their strong prison from which they cannot get out to continue war on their victims.

If the patient builds his vitality by hygienic and biological living, the cells of his body will win the fight that has been going on in his lungs. Nature will deposit chalk in the tubercle and finally construct a strong wall of scar tissue about it. "Thus we see that the only treatment for tuberculosis is to build up the body and so strengthen it, that it will be enabled to fight the germs by walling them off and, gradually as time passes, ultimately to destroy them. This kind of scar tissue is often found in dead bodies at post-mortems. Many have had tubercles at some time in their lives but recovered spontaneously without knowing that they had it.

By living carefully, the scars or fortresses will remain strong and keep the germs walled up, but if something happens to weaken and deliberate the body the scar walls may grow weak and crumble. Some microbes are often left alive which will now come swarming from their prison and attack the lungs with greater freedom than before.

Many diseases, such as measles, typhoid fever and even pneumonia can be cured and leave no trace. Not so, tuberculosis, the man who has had it and gotten over it, carries the scars with him to his grave.

LOUISA.

COLLEGE SCIENTISTS TAKE PART IN STATE CONFERENCE

Eight members of the staff of the School of Agriculture were on the program of the Pennsylvania Fertilizer Conference, at the Pennsylvania State College last week. Those taking part were Dean S. W. Fletcher, Vice-Dean P. F. Linger, J. W. White, professor of soil technology; J. B. R. Diekey, in charge of agronomy extension; W. E. Mack, head of the department of horticulture; F. N. Fagan, professor of pomology; D. E. Haley, professor of soil and phytochemistry; and P. G. Merkle, professor of soil technology.

THE OFFICE CAT
"A Little Nonsense Now and Then, Is Relished by the Wisest Men"

Thith Ith Nonthenth
I with I were a little fith,
I with I were a fith;
I'd thrim and thrim in the deep blue thees,
I with I were a fith.

Further Outlook

A farmer, in reply to a request for payment of instalments due on his land, wrote:
"Dear Sir:—I got your letter about what I owe you. Now be patient. I ain't forgot you. Please wait. When I have the money, I pay you. If this was Judgment Day, and you was no more prepared to meet your Maker than I am to meet your account, you sure would have to go to hell. Trusting you will agree to do this, I am, yours truly."

Business Activity

Ractus—"How's business, Sambo?"
Sambo—"Lawdy, man, business am sure good. Ah's done bought a mule for \$10, swapped it fo' a bicycle, swapped dat fo' a mangle iron, swapped dat fo' a bedstead, and ah sold dat bed fo' \$10."

The Subtle Chinese

In a Shanghai bungalow shared by several young Englishmen, the Chinese houseboy had a perfectly round head which he kept shaved and polished like a billiard ball. The young men were always taking pot shots at this tempting target with paper pellets or giving it a pat as they passed by. One day they decided it was a shame to keep worrying the boy, so they called him in and told him they had decided to stop doing it. He replied: "Thank you, masters, I very pleased. Now I not make your coffee with dish water any more."

Plain Geometry of Motoring

The chances of getting around a truck are equal to one-half the width of the road, minus the width of the truck, minus the width of the machine coming in the opposite direction, or zero.

Coming Right Back

Two tourists met on a bridge too narrow for them to pass. One being very hot-tempered shouted to the other, "I never back up for any damn fool." The other driver calmly threw his car into reverse and backed out, saying, "O. K. pard, I always do."

Who's Looney?

"Everyone is crazy over me," said the inmate of the first floor of the insane asylum.

Straightened Out

Overheard recently on the Diamond:
Driver (to bus driver)—"When does the 7:30 bus leave?"
Stranger—"At half past seven."

An Agreeable Groom

Bill—"How did the wedding come off?"
Dick—"Fine, until the minister asked the bride if she would obey her husband."

Double-Crossed

A cross-eyed man went to a nearby road house dance the other evening. When the music of a fox-trot struck up, the man made a bow and said, "May I have this one with you, Sister?"

Effen He Did

Rastus was reading the paper and he remarked to his friend: "Say, Niggah, it says heah dat in Sumatra a man can buy a wife fuh three dollahs."

Ain't It the Truth?

The driver who is in such a hurry that he can't stop for stop signs, is often referred to as the "late" Mr. So-and-so.

A Trifle Late

Customer—"Waiter, I ordered an egg sandwich and you brought me a chicken sandwich."

His Idea

"Define appetite," requested the instructor in an English school. "When you're eating you're 'appy,'" announced the student; "and when you're through you're tight; that's 'appetite!'"

Our Proposition

A business leader says this country needs men with the courage to spend money. We hereby submit this 50-50 proposition: If anyone will put up the money, we'll put up the courage.

That's all, folks. A bachelor is a man who never makes the same mistake once. —SCAT—

FUTURE FARMERS WIN PENN STATE CONTESTS

Winners of the contests for state championships in the twelfth annual Future Farmers' Week are announced by Dr. W. A. Broyles, acting head of the department of rural education at the Pennsylvania State College.

Strike Ends At Airplane Factory

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46c; 1 year, 6 mos, 48c; 2 years, 56c; 3 years, 64c; 4 mos, 46c; 8 mos, 50c; 1 year, 56c; 2 mos, 46c; 4 mos, 48c; 1 year, 56c; 2nd Class: Start, 40c; 4 mos, 46c; 8 mos, 48c; 1 year, 50c; 1 year, 6 mos, 54c; 2 years, 66c.

Best poultry judge was Lloyd Gillette, of Linesville, Crawford county. In the feeds identification contest Andrew Schertel, of East Greenville, Montgomery county, took first place. In the farm mechanics contest the winner was Richard Sheeler, of Boyertown, Berks county. Harold Post, of the Huntington Township school, Luzerne county, won the horseshaming contest.

Query & Answer Column

So-That's the Law
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attend a theatre until she is sixteen. However she may marry at the age of fourteen.

Quiz Program—The story is told of the attorney who had cross-examined a woman at length during a trial. When he had finished, he asked "I hope I have not bothered you with all these questions?" The woman "Of course not, I have a seven year old son at home."

Small Fortune—Archduke Otto, claimant to the throne of the former Austro-Hungarian Empire now is being sued in the New York Supreme Court by Archduke Leopold of Austria, who at present lives in Connecticut. Leopold, a fifth cousin of Otto (who resides in New York City) seeks to compel Otto to pay him what he claims is a just share of the Hapsburg family fortune. This fortune, according to Leopold, includes the Hapsburg Fund (estimated in 1937 at \$120,000,000) which was set up in the eighteenth century by Empress Maria Theresa. The suit is still pending.

Matrimonial Troubles—The Home Owners Loan Corporation, the federal agency which lends money on real estate, is having matrimonial troubles. It seems that new marriages and divorces have a definite bearing of their loans. In case of a divorce, it is sometimes a problem to decide whether the husband or wife gets the property on which the HOLOC has a mortgage, and also who will continue to make the monthly payments.—If Madam No. 2 does not happen to care for Madam No. 1's choice of a home.

Blackjack—New Jersey seems to be having blackjack troubles. Its Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, Arthur E. Magee, has announced that a number of home-made black jacks had been confiscated by his agents from cars passing through inspection stations. The Commissioner warned that the carrying of such weapons is a misdemeanor unless a permit is secured first.

On the Legal Calendar—The following were actual legal cases: Haligan v. Westmore Lovings Service (a dissatisfied customer?); St. Peter & Sons v. St. Peter (both parties were funeral directors); Bologna v. Weiner (a "meaty" legal problem Mr. John Sapp applied to a Court to change his name, claiming that his cognomen was detrimental to his business. Who can blame him?)

Minimum Wage Law—A California law forbids a person to work for nothing.

AS I SEE IT

By HORACE SENTZ
So they're gonna ration gasoline, to help defense along. If we check up what this'll mean, we'll find lots good 'n' little wrong. There's some folks driver cars today, who kin never meet their bills. Now the dough fer gas they use pay, kin go into their creditor's till. There's some'd sooner ride than eat, the gas tank gits their vitamins, but if their stumicks they cant cheat, they'll eat on safer saner lines. N'then there's folks who skip the rent, n'spend their dough fer gas right snappy. Perhaps sich fellers will repent, n'make their landlords happy. There's lots kids gitt a break, many a hungry lad n'lax one again eat Sunday steak, since Pop cant squander dough fer gas. The Parson too'll see a change, in Church there'll be some faces new. To him at first it might seem strange, to see John Doe back in his pew. N'then fer many a house wife, there'll be a change that's pleasant. At home there'll be more family life, which in the car there ain't at present. Pa too'll gitt a lot more rest, He'll gitt chut of the usual fuss, which comes with Junior's nightly pest, to go girllin in the family bus. This ration'll save lotsa life, what's lost in manners gives, n'cut down accidents that's rife, caused by them Sunday drivers. This ration-in of gasoline, I'do more good than meets the eye, Beside them benefits we seen, gas ration gears Defense in high.

Defense production in the United States is developing to the point that if the British hold out a few more months this nation will be reasonably secure.

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B. D.—Where is DWIGHT L. MOODY buried?
Ans.—The evangelist is buried on the Northfield Seminary campus at Northfield, Mass. The inscription on the headstone is: "He that doeth the will of God abideth forever."

C. E. B.—Is the heart always the same size?
Ans.—When one is sitting or standing quietly, the heart is smaller than during periods of greater activity.

M. L.—What was the surname of Joan of Arc?
Ans.—Joan of Arc was known in the countryside of Domremy as Jeannette with the surname of Arc of Rome. Her father was Jacques d'Arc, a native of Ceffonds in Champagne, and her mother Isabelle de Voutin, called "la romnee," either because she made a pilgrimage to Rome or from a family name.

S. C.—What do the initials O. N. T. stand for on spools of thread?
Ans.—After the invention of the sewing machine a special thread was necessary for its use. Mr. George A. Clark made a six-cord thread which was softer than the thread used previously for hand sewing. He called it "Ous New Thread." The name was shortened to O. N. T.

A. K.—Can a man who has been drafted take his car to camp?
Ans.—The War Department says that selectees are not permitted to take their automobiles to camp.

R. P. S.—Where was the "Star-Spangled Banner" first sung?
Ans.—Francis Scott Key had the words of his song printed in handbill form in the office of the Baltimore American, and they were distributed a few days after the song was written. Before the British fleet had even left Chesapeake it was sung on the stage of the famous Holiday Street Theater and taken up throughout the Nation with intense eagerness.

E. R.—When did Corrigan make his flight?
Ans.—Douglas G. Corrigan made his famous "wrong way" flight to Ireland on July 17, 1938.

T. G. R.—What is the lowest body of water in the world?
Ans.—It is the Dead Sea in Palestine, which lies 1290 feet below sea level.

L. C.—What ingredients are used in lavender water?
Ans.—One simple formula consists of lavender oil, French bergamot oil, sandalwood oil, civet extract,orris resin, and alcohol.

R. W.—How is a storm glass made?
Ans.—This consists of a hermetically sealed glass tube containing an alcoholic solution of camphor, potassium nitrate, and ammonium chloride. Variations in temperature produce varying amounts of crystallization, the instrument in reality being a "change of temperature indicator."

E. T. A.—How many students were graduated from West Point this year?
Ans.—This year's graduation class at the United States Military Academy consisted of 425 members.

M. G.—Who is known as the Henry Ford of aviation?
Ans.—W. T. Piper, manufacturer of light airplanes, is so called.

T. J. D.—Where are the Bottomless Pools?
Ans.—They are Lake Lure, one mile east of Chimney Rock, and about twenty-six miles southeast of Asheville, N. C., on the Asheville-Charlotte highway, U. S. 74.

C. R. H.—What is meant by the crossroads of the Pacific?
Ans.—The Hawaiian Islands are so called.

T. L. J.—How many Indians come under the supervision of the Government?
Ans.—The Office of Indian Affairs has under its jurisdiction more than 361,000 Indians in the United States proper, and 32,000 Eskimos and Indians in Alaska.

C. T. A.—Where is the deepest mine in the United States?
Ans.—It is believed to be a copper mine on the Keweenaw Range in Michigan which has a vertical depth from the surface of over 6900 feet.

S. T. A.—What is the name of the bird that climbs trees?
Ans.—The hoatzin is a South American bird which lives in trees near water. The young birds have well-developed claws on their wings which which they can climb. Another peculiar feature is their eyelashes which are set in a bare space around the eye.

G. W.—How does the ratio of cars to persons in the United States compare with that in Germany, Italy, and Russia?
Ans.—In the United States there is approximately one motor vehicle for every four persons. Totalitarian Germany has only one to 41 persons. In Italy, the ratio is one to eighty-eight persons, and in Russia, one to 213.

A. M. H.—Please print Franklin K. Lane's tribute to the Washington Monument.
Ans.—At the unveiling of the Washington State Stone in the Washington Monument on October 1, 1914, Franklin K. Lane said: "This Monument is the Upraised Arm of the Nation, swearing an allegiance as lasting as stone itself to those principles, those ideals, those emotions, all those mysterious things which go to make up what we call democracy."

T. K. M.—What laws were said to have been written in blood?
Ans.—Draco, the Athenian lawgiver, established a code which prescribed death for nearly all offenses. The laws written "not in ink but in blood" were repealed by Solon, with the exception of the law on homicide.

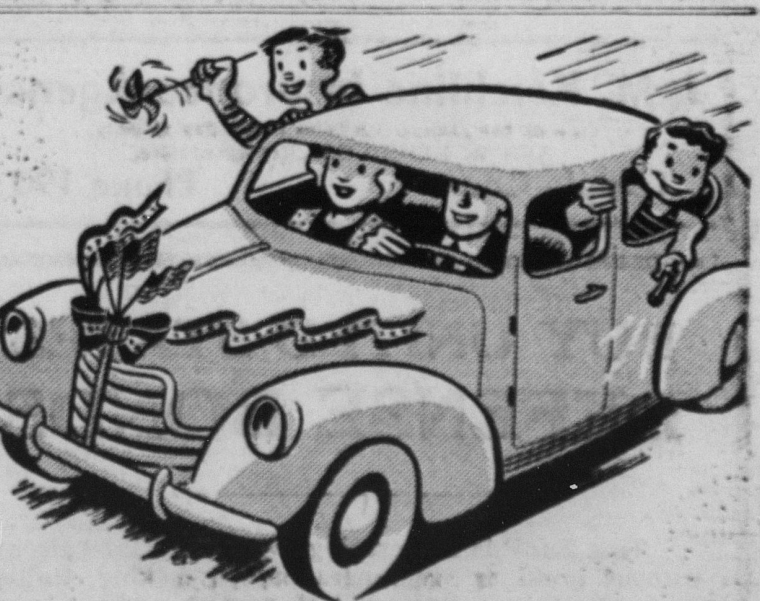
J. T. H.—Will a personal check be accepted in payment of Defense Savings Bonds?
Ans.—If the bonds are ordered by mail from a Federal Reserve Bank, or the Treasurer of the United States, a check will be accepted, subject to collection.

A. N.—What is the meaning of coloratura soprano?
Ans.—Coloratura refers to a high soprano voice of clearness in range and flexibility; also, the singer having such a voice.

A. K. G.—Of what kind of straws are Panama hats made?
Ans.—The Panama hat, though often classed as straw, is in reality made from the young leaves of a certain kind of pine.

H. S.—Please give a brief history of the hymn, "What a Friend We Have in Jesus."
Ans.—"What a Friend We Have in Jesus" was written by Joseph Scriven. He was at the time living in Dublin, where he was born in 1820. The death of his fiancée through a drowning accident led Scriven to discover what a Friend he had in Jesus. The music is by Charles C. Converse, born in Warren, Massachusetts, 1832.

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