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EDITORIAL

TIME TO ACT

It is about time for the people of the United States to make an intelligent appraisal of Hitler's attack upon Russia and consider the problem confronting the United States.

It may help us to understand the situation if we divert to 1939 and remember that Hitler, after years of bitter denunciation of the Soviet Union. surprised the world by suddenly embracing Joseph Stalin. Hitler had one purpose in this about-face. He was about to hurl his army against Great Britain and France and the Soviet non-aggression pact avoided the possibility of a two-front war.

Nazis Fear Two-Front War

After the collapse of France, the German army was largely unoccupied. Now, in the summer of 1941, Hitler faces the supreme task of his gigantic enterprise, the invasion and subjugation of Great Brit-

Despite the non-aggression pact and his victories in the Balkan area, Hitler was afraid of Russia fearing that Stalin would take advantage of his attack upon England and force concessions from

In order to avoid the possibility of a two-front war now Hitler attacked Russia with the aim of destroying the offensive powers of the Red Army. Hitler and his generals know that the British are not yet ready to launch an invasion into Europe. Consequently, the Nazi leaders have decided to remove the Russian threat by battering the Red Army into

Beaten Russia Endangers British

Once the danger of an attack from Russia is oved Hitler will be in position to tratremendous military might and throw the full force of his army, navy and air force into the decisive attack upon the British.

Hitler's scheme is sound. It will work if the Red Army can be sufficiently pummeled in time for the all-out invasion of the British Isles in the late summer or early fall. Certainly, a quick victory over Russia within the next six or eight weeks will remove every threat to Germany and free all Nazi fighting men for service against England.

British Army Cannot Attack

The British Army, as it stands today, is no match for the German military machine and if it advances too quickly into Europe, will become the prey of the Nazis who have sufficient men in the West to take on a British expeditionary force of more than half a million men.

A better suggestion, from the British point of view, involves daring raids on the Continent with the possible use of "hit-and-run" tanks to smash airfields, factories, transportation facilities and communication lines. Such a campaign would force Hitler to keep strong forces in all the occupied terri-

Better than these suggestions, however, is the actual course being followed by the British, who are pounding German centers with long-range bombing planes

Our Interest in Russian Army

The reaction of the United States to the invasion of Russia has been stated officially by Under-Secretary of State Welles and confirmed by the President. The Government accepts the British conclusion that the great enemy of civilization today is Hitler and that the first purpose of free peoples is his complete defeat.

Regardless of our antipathy to Communism, as proclaimed in Russia, we will assist the Russian Government as long as the resistance of the Red Army contributes to the supreme end in view, the

defeat of Hitler and the destruction of the Nazi

regime It is not surprising that some elements of our population, long averse to Communism, should be reluctant to aid the Russians or to cooperate with the Reds in any way. These people, we suppose, believe that Communism is a graver danger to this country than Hitler and his despotical power. They would let Hitler and Stalin fight it out, without compunctions as to the slaughter and without concern as to the outcome of the struggle.

Act Now to Thwart Hitler

This attitude, according to our view, does not reflect appreciation of the purpose behind the Nazi attack on Russia. It involves the danger that our national peril may be greatly increased by the success of the German attack, which is what most competent military experts in this country predict.

Should Hitler whip the Russians decisively, remove the menace of Russia from his rear and acquire the reserves and raw materials he needs, the way will be open for an all-out and dangerous assault upon Great Britain.

Already the United States is committed to the defeat of Hitler. Our position would be gravely imperiled by the defeat of the British people. The German attack upon Russia gives us and the British a short respite and may provide the time necessary to assure the eventual defeat of Germany.

RUSSIANS FIGHT COURAGEOUSLY

Reports from Berlin and Moscow conflict, as one would expect and it is virtually impossible to diagnose the trend of the warfare, much less determine the condition of the retreating Russian soldiers. Certainly, the first great clashes have given evidence of the willingness of the Russians to fight and, regardless of initial defeats, the Red army has not been disgraced by its performance.

The German purpose involves the complete disruption of the Russian Army in order to remove any threat in the east when the great assault is launched upon the British Isles. Prolonged retreat by the Russians will foil German strategy, regardless of the territory yielded, and Stalin's recent address to the Russians indicates that, if necessary, Russia will emulate the "scorched earth" defense of the Chinese,

If this policy is adopted, the Russians will burn or destroy everything of value to the advancing Germans and retire to the Urals where they will refit the army for a future campaign. The existence of a powerful Russian army will force Germany to maintain a large army in the occupied area and, in time, suffer the same disappointments that have all but nullified the Japanese victories in China.

It may be dangerous to venture an opinion, but extensive German advances are likely and to be expected. The Russians should avoid decisive battles, inflict heavy losses and always retreat in time to prevent utter disaster. These tactics offer great promise for the future even if they entail terrific losses today.

As this is written it is impossible to discern the full import of the warfare, as yet only incompletely reported. It may be two or three weeks before the strategy takes shape and during this period the Germans will probably occupy many important Russian cities. However, the key to the outcome is what happens to the bulk of the Russian army. If it escapes destruction, the Germans will continue to face serious difficulties.

BALLOON BARRAGES ACCEPTED

Not many years ago, when stories reached this country about the British balloon barrage there was some skepticism about the usefulness of the cumpersome gas bags as a defense against airplanes.

When the war began the British put their barrages into service. Not long after the combat began there were reports of balloons on ships in convoy and, finally, came news that Germany had adopted the balloon barrage as a defense measure against

The United States, busily engaged in an allout defense effort, has not overlooked the balloons. The War Department is getting ready to secure 3,000 balloons, which will soon make a protecting web around the Panama Canal, Hawaii and vital

The balloons, trailing thousands of feet of wire cables, keep attacking bombers at a high level, adversely affecting their bombing accuracy. Dive bombers can hardly operate in areas protected by the barrages and a successful dive bombing attack must be preceded by fighter planes to shoot the balloons to the ground.

FOOD FAMINE NEARS?

With German armies invading Russia and the prospect of a long war looming on the horizon, there is the possibility that the world may face a food shortage that might assume famine proportions.

Already certain areas in western Europe, occupied by Nazi armies, are in need of food to take care of their populations. If destruction in the Ukraine means the loss of the wheat of that area it may come to pass, as suggested by Secretary of Agriculture Wickard, that food reserves will be more important than munitions. The issue may resolve itself into "who can feed the people, the democracies or the dictatorship?"

American farmers, acting under their programs, have attempted to adjust supply to reasonably expected demand. The restrictions have been used to reduce burdensome surpluses but it should not be forgotten that the same machinery will assist our agriculturists to increase production when, and if, it becomes necessary.

The United States has some individuals who are dangerously near the traitor line.

Hitler's best bet; division and disunity in the United States.

After the wreck it is too late to resolve to drive slower.

AS I SEE IT By HORACE SENTZ

Well well the time has came at to them that's playin loose n' fast, with selfishness that makes us weak. Each faction in this Defense game, wants some one else to pay the blame, they're cuttin theirselves a bor, wants to give in to the other, neither plays the game of neighbor, er cooperatin brother. Now Uncle Sam is getting sick, of all this dilly selfish interests clings, we'll never win this race, so Sam is taking hold of things, so's to show each side their place. Now if Uncle Sam should need your place, to fit into a defense site, jist give it with unselfish grace, you kin be sure he'll treat you right. This thing called while others keep, Demockracy is ust 23. gonna fall. To them what chizzel let me say, if now you play, there'll be a real dictator. Unlimited emergency, right now is Freedom's and they crowd under the hover guarantee, let's meet the present when there is insufficient heat. urgency, fer future liberty.

FARM CALENDAR Timely Reminders From The Pennsylvania State College School of Agriculture

Control Chicken Pests-Lice and last, fer Uncle Sam to up n' speak. mites, which make chickens uncomfortable and reduce their efficiency, can be controlled easily, say poultry specialists of the Penn- above those partly filled. sylvania State College. For red price, while on the other they lay mites paint commercial preparations or wood-preserving cresote on the big slice. Neither Capital er La- roosts, and for body lice apply nicotine sulfate preparations perches a short time before the

lowls go to roost. Sow Ryegrass Seed-Ryegrass has dally, he's gonna tell each side right largely taken the place of rye for quick, jist how to find his alley, sowing in or after truck crops up Some folks'll raise a hue n' cry, n' to the middle of September, and say this aint Demockracy, but them fruit growers are finding ryegrass folks wouldn't like to fry, in Hit- sown in June or July excellent to ler's Pan Autockracy. If each to prevent erosion and to add organic matter in orchards, according to agronomists of the Pennsylvania State College.

district camps for Pennsylvania 4-H Club members are being held this the unit to relieve the congested latest reports, just about that many per square meal. summer. This number is three more than last year, report 4-H Club leaders of the Pennsylvania State Freedom aint dirt cheap, it's gotta College. The first camp opened June be paid fer by all, if some folks give 16 and the last one will close Aug-

Stop Turkeys Crowding-Turkey poults crowd into cool corners when

vania State College say that these needs to be remedied to stop the Keep Bees Busy-The Pennsyl-

vania State College bee specialists stress the need of removing supers of honey as soon as the sections are full and sealed. Also, empty section supers should be placed

Plant More Vegetables-There is still time to plant some more vegetables. Ask your county agricultural agent about it.

Collision at College
H. M. Teitz and G. R. Smith, both of State College, escaped without injury when their cars collided at the corner of Hamilton and Pugh streets, State College, about 1 p. m. last Wednesday. Damage to each apology? machine amounted to about \$60,

Laurelton Village Enlarged Long-needed living quarters at Laurelton State Village creased last week, when the first of Hold 4-H Club Camps-Eighteen the two new cottages, No. 11, was opened. Fifty girls were assigned to conditions in the institution, and to allow additional enrollments

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THE OFFICE CAT

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

Sambo's Prayer

Who say it ain't no good to pray? It's coz you doan pray right. Jes' pray de way yo' oughter pray An' pray with all yo' might Doan ask de Lawd to give yer things, But ask him to he'p yo' Help yo' yo'self, to git de things.

An' he will pull yo' free.

Jes' ask him in humbleness of spi't An' yo'll git wat yo' ask to git. I prayed myse'f fo' free long weeks Wif mos' tremendous viggah: "Lawd, sen' a chicken, oh good Lawd.

To dis mos' hungrey niggah. Oh, sen' a chicken, Lawd be quick." But de good Lawd didn' quicken, An' though I wrastled long in prayer nevah seen no chicken. I didn' pray right, I wasted bref.

An' so I almost starved to def. "Oh, sen' a chicken, Lawd, to me," I prayed wif tears and pleadin'; "Oh, sen' a chicken, Lawd, and heah Thy servant's interced'n.

But when no chicken come I prayed,

My heart wif sorrow strick'n,

"Sen' me, oh, sen' dis niggah, Lawd Oh, sen' him to a chicken. Yo' say it ain' no good to pray? We'el-we had chicken-pie nex' day,

Is Th-th-tha S-s-s-so? The young man was evidently confused for as he walked slowly across the street he would stop from time to time and gaze long and thoughtfully at each building. Finally he reached the curb and attracted the attention of the man nearest him.

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"S-s-say," he stuttered, "c-c-c-can y--y-you t-tell me wh-wh-whwhere the F-F-First National B-B-Bank 15?" The man showed no sign of having heard the question, so the stut-

tering young fellow repeated his query-but with the same success. A third man, standing close by, overheard the request and at once stepped up and directed the stutterer to the bank. He then turned to the with you at all if you had been silent gentleman and said sharply, "Why in the deuce didn't you answer

that poor fellow? It wouldn't cost you anything to be courteous: "Th-th-the h-h-hell it wo-wo-wouldn't," the other fellow said. "D-d-d-do y-you th-th-think I w-w-want to get m-my b-block knocked for you to take is to let her down

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Strange Interlude The traveling salesman was checking out of the hotel in a small ountry town. Reaching the office downstairs he discovered that his straw | could get rid of your wife. That hat was missing. He dashed back to the room to find the chambermaid in possession. The salesman ignored her and began a frantic search of the room. He opened dresser drawers, closet drawers and finally got down on his knees and looked under the bed. The buxom maid watched his antics for a few moments and then asked: "Is something wrong, Mis-

"Yeah," replied the perspiring salesman, "I can't find that darned

"Oh," blushed the girl, "Ay put dat back on when Ay come in."

Might Join the Team

A patient in an asylum was observed winding up and making imaginary pitches although he didn't have a baseball in his hand. An inquiring visitor was told that the man was a farmer and bad times had unsettled his mind.

Said the visitor: "I'm a farmer, too, and If I don't get a good crop this year I'll be catching for that chap." Signs of Improvement

Two old maids were in an insane asylum for years, always knitting and knitting.

"Gee," sighed Mayme one day, "I wish some tall, handsome man would wind his arms around me and squeeze me until I gasped." "Now you're talking sense," retorted Hattie, "You'll be out of here in a few days."

Scared Stiff

Rastus-"Say, Sambo, what time in yoah life does yo' think yo' wuz skeered de worst?"

Sambo-"Once when Ah wuz callin' on a married girl an' her husburn come in an' caught me. Boy, wuz Ah skeered.' Rastus-"How are yo' suah dat wuz de worstest yo' evah been

Sambo-"Cause her husbum turned to dat wife of his an' he say 'Mandy, whut's dis white man doin' heah'?'

Slips That Pass in the News

(Salusky, Me., Defender) "The storm (stork) visited Mr. and Mrs. Gale Delianie recently and left a little baby girl."

(Alexandria, Ga., News)

"For Sale-Washing machine in good condition, by woman in poor health, except for slight warp in the bottom." (Schofield, Ore., News)

"In chronicling the arrival of a nine-pound boy at the Bill Davitts" place, the writer inadvertently forgot to mention Mr. Davitta."

(DuBois, La., Pricss) "Wanted-White woman for cook and waitress, Quarters in garage.

Can have child, Call Dellafield 0077.

. . . . (Dumbee, Nev., Times)

"Miss Hawes is easily the most accomplished actress we have seen in town for several seasons. When she step onto the stage it is easy to see indications show what condition that she has her heart and soul in her pants (parts).

Question and Answer Column

Juno Mee writes: "Dear Office Cat, can you tell me how many Mormons there are in Salt Lake City?"

Ans.-Well, Juno, we'll bet a dollar to a doughnut there are more Mormons right here in Bellefonte than there are in Salt Lake City-but their wives don't know it,

Ask Mrs. Dolphin

The teacher was talking about the dolphin and its habits. 'And children," she said, "just think, A single dolphin will have 2,-000 baby dolphins. "Goodness!" exclaimed the little girl at the foot of the class, "and how many do the married ones have?

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We'd Like to Know Hitler says he made Germany what it is today. Is that a boast or an

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Our Observation A tourist is a person who thinks a farmer wouldn't care if somebody took a dozen ears of corn.

In Hitler's Realm Germany has approximately 400 people per square mile and, from the

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A Keen Observer A class in natural history was reciting. The teacher asked: "Where is the home of the swallow?

A long silence, and then a hand waved.

"You may answer, Robert." "The home of the swallow," declared Robert, "is in the stomach."

. . . . That's all, folks. As a rule, the fellow who thinks he's the whole ese generally smells like it.

LOUISA'S LETTER

Dear Louisa:

Can a man crash your column? I am fairly young and good looking and have a very attractive wife and one lively little girl. My work requires that I travel a good bit and as I am lonesome, I have been amusing myself by dating with single girls on these trips. Of course, I neglected to tell the girls that I was married and also neglected to tell the wife about the

girls Now, one of these girls I have been seeing has fallen desperately in love with me .She's a cute kidand she is under the impression that want to marry her. Since things have been getting too complicated to be comfortable, I have tried to put myself out of her life but it seems she has other ideas. I feel like I am sitting on TNT all of the over the telephone or come in person, since she has discovered my

home town, What am I to do? If she discovers that I am married she is likely to commit suicide and if I don't tell her and my wife finds out about her my wife is likely to leave me, which United States Military Academy? believe it or not, would break my

Am I in a jam or am I? HUSBAND-Ala,

ANSWER: You certainly are in a jam and you have no one to blame for it but yourself. Why will a man who admits he is crazy about his wife and child endanger the whole pattern present war? of his life for a little foolish amusement? And you have done worse than that. You have not only deceived your wife who imagines, no doubt, that you are fine and loyal, but you have fooled a young girl who would never have fallen in love truthful about your married state. I trust that she is not as infatuated as you think but the only course as easily and as quickly as possible her the impression that you are a misunderstood husband and that you would fly to her arms if you will only complicate things more and might end in real tragedy Act like a man at long last and keep on acting like one.

Yours. LOUISA. proper time

Six Injured In Auto Collision

(Continued from page one) that the steering columns of both were bent frontward, the wheels smashing through the glass wind-

shields. The injured were taken to the hospital by Allen Root, a bakery a garment? truck driver; Robert Bilger, Tyrone, of whom were following in their vehicles behind the Smith car.

The Morrison children's mother, lost three children in a fire that significant. swept their home in One Mile Run January 19, 1939.

Query & Answer Column

PROBLEM-In what sport does a winning team go backward, while osing team goes forward? (Answer elsewhere in this department.)

J. R. R.-When did Steve Brodie make his spectacular leap from the

Ans,-Steve Brodie jumped from the Brooklyn Bridge, July 23, 1886 He undertook this feat as a result of a bet,

F. K .- Who took the first photograph in the United States? Ans.-Discovery of a crude camera made by Prof. J. W. Draper, of New York University Medical College, indicates that he may have taken the first photograph of a living person in 1839. It was in this year that he photographed his sister, Miss Dorothy Catherine Draper, who, the records state, had to sit rigid for ten minutes.

L. L.-When it is 2 p. m. in New York City, what time is it in Rome? Ans.-When it is 2 p. m. in New York City, Eastern Standard Time, it is 8 p. m. in Rome, Italy,

W. B .- What proportion of the entire population of the British Empire consists of the inhabitants of India?

Ans.-The population of India is more than 400,000,000, or four-fifths of the Empire's population. E. R .- Is the seat of Government in India changed in the summer?

Ans,-The seat of government in India is moved from the capital time for fear that she will call me at New Delhi, to Simla, in the summer, W. D. S .-- Who originated musical water glasses?

Ans.-Gluck is said to have been the first to discover the musical pos-

sibilities of glasses filled with water. An advertisement published in London in 1746 announced that the composer would play a concerto for twenty-six glasses tuned with water, with orchestra accompaniment.

F. B. S .- Have any Japanese or Chinese students ever attended the

Ans,-No Japanese student has ever attended West Point, Five Chinese students have been graduated from the Academy,

M. J. H.-What branch of business invested the most money in advertising last year? Ans.-The largest expenditures in newspaper, magazine, farm journal and radio advertising were made by the grocery business, which invested

\$97,751,448 in the four media combined. A. A. C .- Had Germany more U-boats in the 1914-18 war than in the

Ans.-At her greatest World War submarine strength Germany had very few more than the 130 U-boats with which she is credited today. C. D. R .- What is a laughing jackass? Ans.-This is the name of a large inland kingfisher in Australia, It

is about seventeen inches long and does not catch fish but lives on in-

sects and small reptiles. It is so called because of its loud hoarse cry. J. S .- Is it true that the only double-barreled cannon in the world Ans.-The only weapon of its kind in the world, a Confederate

double-barreled cannon, stands in the City Hall Square at Athens, Ga. N. Y .- How long is the Amazon River?

Ans.—The Amazon River is approximately 4000 miles in length-But for goodness sake, don't give longer than the distance between Boston and San Francisco, B. S .- What happened to Count Felix von Luckner, the Sea Devil? Ans,-A traveler recently returned from Germany reports that he is living on his farm in Saxony.

R. R. L.-What is the origin of the expression "fifth column"? Ans,-Gen. Emilio Mola originated the phrase in a broadcast after the fall of Toledo when he said: "We have four columns advancing upon Madrid. The fifth column (sympathizers within the city) will rise at the

M. B. A .- What is the name of the all-Negro town that has no

Ans,-Mound Bayou, Miss., with an entire Negro population, has no jail and has had no major crime for many years. C. R .- When did Calvin Coolidge say "I do not choose to run?"

Ans,-On August 2, 1927, at his summer White House in the Black Hills of South Dakota, President Coolidge said, "I do not choose to run for President in 1928.

P. R. T .- How much should one tip a hat check girl? Ans.—Ten cents is the minimum. In a fashionable place the usual tip is twenty-five cents.

R. T .- I wonder if you could tell me how to remove ink stains from Ans.-Try ammonia, alcohol or weak oxalic acid. Lay the garment and Morgan Beneman, DuBois, all over a blotter and apply the solution gently with a clean white rag or

sponge. Usually this does the trick

A. N .- What is a "picayune"? Ans.-This is a word derived from the language of the Caribs and Mrs. Kathleen Morrison, died De- applied to a small Spanish coin which was current in the United States cember 16, 1938. The Smith couple until the Civil War. It is now applied to something small, paltry or in-

Answer to Problem-Tug-'o-War, (Rope-pulling contest.)



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