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## EDITORIAL

#### THAT ROOSEVELT-CHURCHILL MEETING

That mid-ocean conference between the President of the United States and the Premier of Great Britain will be an historical channel buoy.

Through the duration of the war many things that may come to pass will be attributed to what transpired on the American cruiser Augusta and on the British battleship Prince of Wales, though none but the two principals in the momentous conversations will know just what was said—until that time in the probable far distant future when a White Book will attempt to recount the story. Even then there may be two versions-not necessarily contradictory-for there certainly can be no stenographic record of what passed between the two great figures when they sat alone and planned a future for the

They must have told each other, each from his own point of view-what should be done, what could be done and what steps were necessary to accomplish the first enterprise-the destruction of the bandit system that aims at world subjection to the will of a Nazi tyranny

Doubtless we will hear in the immediate future circumstantial reports of these intimate conversations, although nobody but the actual participants knows anything more than is revealed by the program signed by Franklin D. Roosevelt and Winston S. Churchill. That program is the simplest recital of the elements that insure a permanent peace. Its terms are almost axiomatic; disclaiming aggrandizement, territorial or otherwise; asserting the right of all countries to choose their own form of government; access on equal terms to the world raw material markets by all nations, victor or vanquished; freedom of the seas; disarmament of aggressor nations pending the establishment of a general system of international security, etc.

"Ha! another League of Nations," exclaim the isolationists. What difference does it make, what they call the expedient that is to bring and maintain peace that would definitely prevent the advent of another Hitler twenty years hence bent on world conquest and the imposition of the rule of force?

Presumably the conversations at sea roamed all over the field-convoys, Japan, Russia, ships, oil, Free France, Dakar, and Vichy; where we would be most efficient if we went into the war; where most useful if we staved out of the war: everything in fact from bomb-sights to butter fat that had anything to do with the situation that brought these two heads of nations together on the Atlantic, Else, why the presence of the military and economic experts of both countries?

Our President could have made no commitment on the subject for only Congress can declare war. If there ever is such a declaration it will not be because of Winston Churchill's arguments, any more than it was British propaganda that hypnotized us in 1917-fond as the isolationists are of making that charge. We went in then because the Kaiser's forces sank our ships, and tried to bribe Mexico, with an offer to give her our Western border states, to join her in war against us. So this time, even should we take the plunge ultimately, it will be only because we deem that necessary for our own safety.

This is not the first time that a British cabinet chief and an American President have conferred. Ramsay McDonald and Herbert Hoover sat on a log on the Rapidan and talked things over. We have forgotten, if we ever knew, what that was about, but the earth did not tremble as a result,

Doubtless, President Roosevelt now knows just what are the conditions of the British forces, and the depth of her resources, and whatever the British have been able to learn of Hitler's plans; probably he even knows the secret of Herr Hess' flying to Scotland, Perhaps Premier Churchill now has a clear idea of what he may expect from this country. All told, whatever developed at the dramatic sessions aboard ship is to the advantage of both na-

Presently we will have from England as well as from our domestic commentators recitals of the particulars of the agreements-if there were any, or controversies, if there were any. Some of the guesses may be pretty good; most of them, in all probability, will be awry, based as they must be on what somebody whispered to somebody else. The usual intimate of an unnamed member of the group that participated in the ship-board conferences will doubtless be invoked frequently to hang the story

The lesson of it all is that a grain of salt will add much to the digestibility of the secrets so dis-

#### FLYING FORTRESSES OVER GERMANY News from Europe emphasizes the tremendous psychological effect that is created in Germany by

the use of the "flying fortresses" which fly out of sight but land bombs where they will do the most

The Germans do not see the huge flying monsters and their ground planes, according to what we read, are unable to get into the air fast enough to interfere with the phantom bombing.

We are sorry that men, women and children must die behind the line of battle but the Nazi masters have set the example and there is no use to have undue regrets for what happens in Germany. In the interest of the peace of the world and the welfare of all people let us hope that, when this war is over, the lesson will be lasting.

ISOLATIONISTS, FRIENDS OF HITLER Can a nation, operating under democratic processes, adequately protect itself in competition with

totalitarian governments? Hitler says, "No!" His answer is backed by Italy, Japan and the pitiable regime in Vichy that claims to represent France.

The people of the United States, chock-full of individual initiative and personal freedom, say: "Yes" and they have before them the magnificent example of Great Britain, where all people are united for complete victory instead of an incomplete peace.

Unfortunately for the people of the United States and their overwhelming self-confidence the record thus far written in the wars that rage throughout the world tends to support Adolf Hitler and those who have signed up with his outfit.

#### "Impossible" Events Occur

When the war began in Europe, nearly two years ago, nobody supposed that Germany, in the midst of war with the British empire, would voluntarily pick a fight to the death with Soviet Russia but we have seen this happen.

When the war started in September, 1939, nobody dreamed that Hitler might occupy bases on the west coast of Africa, from which to send his submarines to plunder the South Atlantic and to serve as the jumping off place for a possible invasion of South America.

When the war started nobody in the United States believed that Japan would become so selfconfident as to risk possible warfare with the United States and Great Britain, much less a combination that may also include Soviet Russia.

With the war going on today, and conscious that these unexpected developments have occurred, who in the United States can aver that there is no danger that future, fast-moving events may not challenge the vital imports, the adjacent nations and the safety of this country?

#### Isolation and Balanced Power

This great nation, indoctrinated with the germ of isolationism, finds it difficult to adjust itself to new facts. Even granting that the theory of isolationism was safe, when there existed a balance of power in Europe and the world at large, how can we depend upon isolation when the nations of the earth threaten to gang-up for the common purpose of looting the undefeated areas of the globe?

Let us go further, for the sake of argument, and assert that the position in which the nation finds itself today is solely the result of the leadership of the President of the United States.

#### National Policy Declared

The isolation policy may have been the wisest course, as many Americans think, but it is not the policy of the United States government, as expressed by its Constitutional leadership in Congress and the White House.

Thus the isolationist is in the position of supporting a policy that has been repudiated by his government. Whether the action of the government has been wise, or foolish, is not the question involved. The only question before a loyal American today is whether he, or she, supports the declared policy of the government in relation to foreign, and hostile, governments.

#### Stubbornness Not Patriotism

Stubborn insistence upon isolation, after the nation has taken another policy, in the face of positive menace from foreign nations, can only mean the division of public opinion in this country, which lends aid and comfort to the potential enemies of the republic.

Assuming that the people of the United States have been divided between isolation and intervention, now in force through the lease-lend and the sea patrol, the only danger of disunity springs from those who favored isolation. They must decide whether to support their country or not.

To confine the effort to divide the nation, to hamper defense measures and thus create the impression abroad that the United States is incapable of concerted action, is to encourage aggression against us, invite disregard for our rights and contempt for our nation. This will hasten the war that most of us would like to avoid.

### Hitler Plans An "Inside Job"

comes to "take America" he will not need an invading army because it will be an "inside job." He counts on disunity in this country. In short, he banks upon the stubborn refusal of isolationists to sup-

port their own government's foreign policies. Because he relies upon this division of public opinion in the United States the German Fuehrer does not believe that millions of people, in a democratic government, will ever have sense enough to accept the defeat of their favored policy, even when they have lost their fight legally and constitution-

Hitler is confident that the United States will not unite upon any effective policy that will hamper his scheme for world control. He doubts that the people of this republic will face war until attacked and he knows that when he makes his attack the United States will be completely isolated from the entire world, because he will dominate that world.

## WHAT ADMIRAL BYRD THINKS

Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd. world famous explorer, recently broke a two year silence to discuss the international situation as it affects the United

The admiral said, "This is not a war between

people, but a world struggle between two ideasdemocracy and freedom on one hand, and tyranny and slavery on the other." He pointed out that "in a world half of which

has been driven back to a primitive state, where the weak and timid are quickly wiped out, we have got to make ourselves strong and to make ourselves strong, we have got to unite as Americans."

Admiral Byrd deplored "a great deal of apathy in the country" concerning our effort to build a strong defense and said that this attitude was holding back our defense program. Many people, he contended, "were still asleep as to the seriousness of the real world situation" and many were still "playing politics."

## THE FIRST PLASTIC AUTOMOBILE

Henry Ford's first plastic automobile has been exhibited to the public, representing the result of twelve years' research by a group of young scientists, ordered to find out about using "agricultural products in industry."

Mounted on a tubular-welded steel frame the car has a superstructure made of plastic, said to be superior to steel in everything but tensile strength. The plastic body, costing more than one of metal, weighs nearly 2,000 pounds while a steel unit of comparable size weighs about 3,000 pounds.

Mr. Ford is confident that plastic bodies can be produced by practical and economical means, with some savings as a result of fewer fabricating finishing operations.

The pliability of the plastic panel was tested by the auto maker who hit it with an axe. The plastic panel was unchanged after a blow but a similar experiment with a steel panel cut through the metal. Robert Boyer, young research chemist, who started the research which led to the plastic car, said that a million automobiles, with plastic bodies, would consume 100,000 bales of cotton, 500,00 bushels of wheat, 700,000 bushels of soybeans and 500,-000 bushels of corn.

It may be a long road from the production of this "first plastic car" and the use of vast quantities of agricultural products in industry and we would scarcely advise any farmer to increase acreage to provide the raw materials but, nevertheless, there is a possibility that the day will come when a new market will be opened to farmers.

Shortage of men has forced Benton Harbor. Mich., taxi company to hire women drivers. The back-seat driver moves up front.

If you have cold feet you have a right to expect the world to keep you in hot water.

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

### That's Right, Sam

Sam was on the back steps eating a sandwich, when a hen came earing by, followed by a rooster in high gear. Suddenly the rooster jammed on the brakes, skidded to a stop, trotted back and started picking up the crumbs at Sam's feet.

Speechless for a moment, Sam finally managed to say, "Gosh, I sure will be observed this year on Dehope I never get that hungry."

#### . . . . Right Through

Bill-"That gal's dress is so brief that it could be called the 'Soul of

Sam-"Haw. Haw. Haw.

Bill-"What's so funny?" Sam-"I can see through the joke."

. . . . A Crooked Joke Simple Susie wants to know whether a bow-legged girl could be said

be closed in parenthesis. A Strike We'd Welcome

#### We think it would be quite wonderful if the great Amalgamated Association of American Fender-Benders and Jalopy-Busters would vote to go on strike every weekend and on all holidays.

Very Slight Difference Taken by and large, there's not very much difference between a mar- were tithers. ried man and a bachelor. Both of them walk the floor with bables-one

. . . .

#### carries 'em and the other dances with 'em. . . . .

Help! Help! The following story was told by an elder in a church, which won first prize at the recent annual meeting of the Liars' Club:

"When I was a boy there was a tremendous corn crop in our county. The rice was so low we built a crib of old charred oak poards to store "Some children, playing under the crib and smoking corn silk stuck

some unused matches in the ground. They grew overnight. One grew right through a crack in the floor, hit the roof and set it afire. "Along came a big rain and put the fire out in both crib and corn.

For some time the damaged corn was let stand, until one day it began "The cat went over and took a lick. Then she walked over to the

horse and bobbed him one right on the snozzle "Paw, he tasted the stuff, and then we all bored holes in the crib, us and see all of the fine women who bottled the stuff and paw made enough to pay off the 22-year-old mort- do without things for themselves gage on the place." . . . .

### Then He Fainted

Salesman (wiping the perspiration from his brow)-"I'm afraid, Madam, we've shown you all our stock of linoleum, but we could get more from our factory.

Customer-"Well, perhaps you had better. You see, I want some- for their children are always the thing of a neater pattern and quite small-just a little square for my bird cage." . . . .

#### How'd He Know?

During a stag dinner the conversation turned to love. Suddenly the host exclaimed, "Well, gentlemen, I tell you this. I have kissed the South Sea Island maiden; I have kissed the dainty Japanese maiden; I have kissed the girls of England, of Spain, of France, and of America; but I tell you truthfully, to kiss my wife is best of all."

Then a young man across the table cried out, excitedly, "By George, you're right there."

## . . . .

Sarcastic In a crowded bus enroute to Lock Haven the other day, sat a very thin young lady greatly discomfitted by the pressure of an extremely fat

Turning to her neighbor, the thin lady remarked, "They really should charge by weight on these busses."

To which the fat lady replied: "But if they did, dearle, they couldn't afford to stop for some people."

Experienced A widower was getting married again, this time to a widow. As they took up their position before the altar he whispered to her: 'Don't be nervous, dear."

"I never am," replied the bride.

#### . . . . Weather Report

Wife (at breakfast)-"I want to do some shopping today, if the weather is favorable. What does the paper say?" Husband-"Rain, hall, thunder and lightning."

#### . . . . Lots of Meaning

A visitor called at the doctor's house. "Is your father at home, dear?" he asked the doctor's small daugh-

#### "No, he's out, giving an anaesthetic." "An anaesthetic. That's a big word. What does it mean?"

"Ten dollars," was the reply.

## Home Work

Teacher-"What is it that comes in like a lion and goes out like a

Johnnie-"Dad, when he brings home his wages."

## Handing It Out

Chairman-"What do you think should be done with the garbage on the east end?" Council Member-"I move we put it in the hands of a special com-

## No Fooling

The gaudy blonde ankled into an Allegheny street store last week and tossed a pair of newly purchased gloves on the counter. The size was wrong, the color was wrong, and besides, she didn't like the style. The salesgirl, assisted by the manager, pawed over the stock, but nothing seemed to suit the blonde. Finally, the manager sighed, Miss, I guess we'll just have to give you a refund."

"Oh, no you don't," replied the Tootsie, in a firm, grim voice. "I want my money back.'

## We've Noticed

The car salesman drives it 400 miles while demonstrating and it's still a new car. Then you buy it, drive it home and it's a used car, worth several hundred dollars less.

#### . . . . We'd Like to Know A college professor says a mosquito can fly 14 hours without settling

Then why doesn't the son-of-a-gun do it?

. . . .

you're worse,"

#### Maybe You're Dead Pat says "the flu is the only disease I know of that when you're well

Walker's Hack Scientists are seeking a substitute for gasoline. Only one we know of is a pair of shoes.

## Ringside Seats

Two drunks, potted to the ears, staggered into a gymnasium where In the center of the gym was a boxing ring-and inside the ring, a

single heavyweight was throwing punches at an imaginary opponent, He leaped rapidly about as he shadow boxed with himself. The two stews eyed the show. Finally, the first drunk turned to his

"What a fight " he enthused excitedly. "Those two fightersh shertainly have shome class!' The second stew bilnked a bleary orb. "Can't see," he biccoughed complainingly. "The referee keepsh gettin'

in the way." . . . . Thats all, folks. It doesn't do a girl much good to have a face that's pretty as a picture unless she also has a nice frame.

## World of Religion

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thought. Whether we choose it or not, a new world will issue from the current era of conflict. Its form will be determined by what responsible leaders of public opinion of every faith think and say and do together today."

Universal Bible Sunday, annually sponsored by the American Bible Society and observed by Protestant churches of all denominations throughout the United States and Europe and in many mission lands, cember 14. Professor Kenneth A. Latourette, professor of Missions and Oriental History at Yale University, is the author of a brochure, "The Light That Will Not Go Out," that is being issued by the Society for this occasion. "The Light Shines in the Darkness" is to be the theme of the sermons preached on this Sunday.

Members of Chang Shih Baptist church, Kaifeng, which was almost by Mr. Carnegie as a token of personal friendship. of the Honan area, have contributed twenty-six dollars for aid to Jewish refugees from Europe, now stranded in Shanghai. Two Chinese Christians in needy Haichow have sent \$140 for the same purpose, and the Tien K'on Baptist Chapel, also in the flood area, has given \$6.20. Most of the Chinese contributors

## LOUISA'S LETTER

In answer to "Disgusted's" letter from Oklahoma, I can appreciate how she must feel A mother who thinks only of berself and is so lazy that she pretends to be sick and uses the money needed for her children's food and dental care, to pay doctor bills for herself, is indeed a poor mother. When we look about and who work hard in order that their children may have well-nourished and healthy bodies it is almost unbelievable that there are other mothers so selfish and foolish.

And, strange as it may seem, these lazy mothers who have done so little ones who demand so much money and attention when the children grow up-

I'm for letting them get out of speech made at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York City, in Blaine's presbed and do a little work for them- ence. selves. LOUISA.

I have been reading your answers to letters and thought I would write

to see if you would help me with my problem. I am to be married in a few months but I have never met the boy's parents. Do you think that

would have anything to do with our marriage? I love him very much Would you tell him to wait until I see his parents before we get mar-M. R. B .-- Va.

ANSWER

his parents you should by all means meet them before you get married, and if you are planning to live in the same town with them it would be a

good idea. Of course, if he is a fine fellow and you love him, you will probably go erly of the British Isles, possibly the Shetlands, although some historians think it was the Faeroes, Iceland or Norway. At any rate, the Latin

on with the wedding even if you should happen to be disappointed in his family. However, it is a good idea to know as much as possible about the people we marry beforehand. It saves lots

of disillusionment and misunder-LOUISA.

standing later on.

To "Lonesome"-Va. Answer:-It is a pity your parents won't allow you to get out with young people more. There is really no reason why you should not go to the movies or nice parties with boys at vour age.

I dare say your young man does get tired of just sitting there with you night after night, and probably he does want a little more excitement. If he comes back treat him The burglars overlooked \$14 in nicely but continue to go with other cash in a box in the open cash regboys, too. He is not steady enough ister.

make them realize that there is no hands in removing the window. harm in going out with a nice boy Chief of Police Harry Dukeman and to church or to the movies. And if officers Donald Johnson and Jerry they allow you to go, be wise enough Galadia are investigating. to come in when they expect you and to merit their trust in you.

Good luck. LOUISA.

To "Leola"-Tex. Although you say you are thir- ter theft was solved and the money teen, I imagine you are older. Of returned, Manager Howard said, course, you know the answer to your Friday's robbery happened sometime

Facts, as they are called, are often

LOUISA.

peculiar things.

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# Query & Answer Column

P. S .- Please give a list of the words banned by William Cullen Bryant in the pages of the New York Evening Post. Ans.—Some of the words and phrases which William Cullen Bryant refused to allow in that paper are: artiste (for artist), authoress, casket (for coffin), bogus, cotemporary (for contemporary), debut, devouring element (for fire), graduate (for is graduated), gents (for gentlemen), in our midst, humbug, lady (for wife), partially (for partly), poeteas, raid (for attack), repudiate (for reject or disown), and Rev. (for the

C. M. S .- Do children who are geniuses in school always succeed in later life?

Ans.-In a study of 1300 gifted children by Dr. Lewis M. Herman, it has been found that their progress in professional life has been exceptional. The average earned income for the group at thirty years of age is \$3,000, while a dozen are earning between \$10,000 and \$15,000.

W. H .- When is the rainy season in Bermuda? Ans.—In Bermuda there is no pronounced wet or dry season. From August through November the monthly rainfall averages about five inches, and from December through July approximately four inches.

T. L. S .- How much money did Andrew Carnegie leave to Justice Taft? Ans .- An annuity of \$10,000 was left to the late Chief Justice Taft

L. M. H.—Is there any estimate of the number of criminal abortions performed in the United States? Ans.—There are 500,000 abortions performed annually, of which 70

per cent are criminal.

T. L. F.-What are wash sales? Ans.—They are fictitious sales made for the purpose of creating an artificial market price for a stock or commodity. Wash sales on nationexchanges are now forbidden under penalty of law

A. D.—How often has Earl Browder been a presidential candidate? Ans.—He ran for the presidency on the Communist ticket in 1936 and-

E. T .- What is the caloric value of buttermilk?

Ans .- A pint of buttermilk contains 170 calories. R. L. S.-Why are lightning rods always pointed?

Ans.—The tips of lightning rods are pointed because the charge on any electrical object, other things being equal, is inversely proportional to the curvature of the object. Hence very sharp points acquire heavy charges, and by brush discharge may establish a conducting path to the rod, thus decreasing the chance of the building itself being struck.

W. W. K .- How long has it been the custom to salute the President with twenty-one guns? Ans.-Prior to 1841, the President was accorded the National salute

upon the occasion of his visits to military posts. In the revision of Army regulations in 1841, the presidential salute was set at twenty-one guns. M. G. A .- What was the fastest train run ever recorded in the Unit-

Ans.-On June 12, 1905, the Pennsylvania Special, now the Broadway Limited of the Pennsylvania Railroad, ran three miles near Ada, Ohio, in eighty-five seconds, or at the rate of 127.2 miles per hour. R. P.-How long did it take Magellon to go around the world?

Ans.-His journey started in 1519 and took 1093 days. L. H. M.-How much aluminum does the United States require?

Ans.-The annual demand is estimated at 1,200,000,000 pounds. K. L.-Who originated the slogan "Rum, Romanism and Rebellion" which was used in the Presidential campaign of James G. Blaine? Ans.—The phrase was used by the Rev. Samuel D. Burchard in a

R. M .- How fast does bamboo grow?

Ans,-It has been known to increase as much as sixteen inches in a day and to attain a height of 120 feet.

C. L.—Has a preacher ever been President of the United States? Ans.-No ordained minister of the gospel has ever become President, but James A. Garfield was a lay preacher in the denomination known as Campbellites or the Disciples of Christ. He was successively a student, teacher and principal of the Western Reserve Electric Institute (later called Hiram College because it is at Hiram, Ohio), which was the chief Campbellite institution of higher learning.

R. W.-Why and how did the steamship Queen Mary dock at New York about three years ago without the aid of tugs? Ans.-Arriving Oct. 18, 1933, with 1,602 passengers, the vessel was ried? I know I won't meet them forced to dock without tugboat aid, due to a strike of 2,000 towboat work-

ers. The only craft that assisted in the docking was a small rowboat, used to carry forward lines to the pier. The operation, which required 34 minutes, was a matter of maneuvering with the engines, and required considerable skill on the part of the master, Commodore Robert B. Irving, If you are planning to live with who was aided by ideal weather conditions. B. M .- In a book I recently found the phrase "the Ultima Thule of

his ambition" and have looked in a dictionary and cannot find a satisfactory definition. Please tell me what it means. Ans.—The phrase is commonly used to describe the farthest limit possible. It derives from the Greek and Roman name for the most northerly known land in the Atlantic, described by Pytheas as the most north-

phrase Ultima Thule means literally the farthest Thule. C. E. B .- Do railroads require inspection of employes' watches? Ans,-On most railroads, watches must be submitted for inspection once a month and compared with designated standard clocks before the start of each day's work. The rule applies to officers and employes of the operating and mechanical departments, including superintendents, dispatchers, station agents, engineers, conductors and other trainmen, telegraphers, yard crews and foremen, signal workers, roundhouse foremen, hostlers, and maintenance of way employes. The standard rule is that

watches may not vary more than 30 seconds per week from perfect time,

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Haven churches announcing the

coming marriage of John Grubb, son

of Arthur H. Grubb of Flemington.

and Miks Cecilia Stover, daughter

of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stover of Mill

#### Hall. The wedding will be solemnized at St. Agnes church Monday morning, September 8.

Packer Family Holds Reunion The descendants of James M. and Wilmina Boyer Packer, who were pioneer family residents of the Marsh Creek Valley, held their 3rd broken and the station was robbed. annual reunion at Myers Grove About six months later a quantity along Beech Creek, last Sunday of cash was removed from the office during business hours. The lat- Ninety-three were present and par-

took of a picnic dinner.

Maybe if the war spreads to South question and I feel that you must, between the closing of the station American it will convince some undoubtedly, have asked it as a at 7 p. m. Friday and 7 a. m. Sat- Americans that we might become urday. The night light in the office involved.

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