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EDITORIAL

The Chinese and the Russians may not be too well civilized but they are carrying the ball for civ-Dization

The war in Europe may not be our affair, as some people assert, but if Hitler ever manages to control Europe we will know the difference.

The telephone companies require about 1,000,000 poles annually. Raise telephone poles, farmers.

GERMAN LOSSES IN RUSSIA

An interesting dispatch, published in the Chicago Daily News and other newspapers, from "Som

increased flow of munitions may serve the defense of this country better than the creation of a large army. By sending to Great Britain and Russia the equipment an army of one million men would use, it might be possible to obviate the necessity of using American soldiers at all. This would be to our advantage, of course.

AMERICA TRUSTS THE PRESIDENT

President Roosevelt is at the peak of popularity with the public. On top of that, the ratio of public support for his foreign policies, always high, is higher than it has been since the ontbreak of war in Europe. America trusts the President and is pretty well united in the belief that other things must wait until the menace of Hitlerism is crushed finally and forever.

That public sentiment is shifting more than ever to the President's support is beyond dispute. The signs are manifold. There was the action taken by the American Legion convention and the disaffection of Senator Capper, of Kansas, and Rep. Dirksen, of Illinois, both Republicans, from the ranks of the isolationists.

What accounts for this new swing in sentiment? First, of course, is the ever growing conviction that the President stands head and shoulders above his contemporaries in understanding world events. Every development in Europe and the Orient proves that he has been right, everlastingly right, since the beginning of the great conflict.

The second reason is equally important-the confusion, the muddy thinking, and the petty nonsense of the men who presumed to lead America along the path of isolation. The longer the war goes on, the smaller these men shrink in stature. They can't agree even among themselves.

Col. Lindbergh told his fellow countrymen that 'even if America entered the war," it is improbable that the Allied Powers could invade the continent and whip the Axis powers. In other words, England is done for, so stay out of it.

Mr. Herbert Hoover wants to keep hands off for another reason. He says "a cold survey" shows that Hitler is sure to be defeated even without an Axis rout on the continent. He thinks Hitler is done for. That certainly is a cold survey. He and Col, Lindbergh reached the same conclusion by methods of reasoning as far apart as the two poles.

Senator Gerald Nye turned a neat profit over the past several years by lecturing the public on the iniquity of war. The burden of his argument was that wicked Wall Street, anxious to protect its loans to the Allies, conspired to get the United States into the first World War. He brandished the Wall Street bogey, and incidentally Hollywood, for time in the present crisis. Then he recalled that Wall Street has no direct financial stake at this time because Uncle Sam is doing the lending. Wall Street, in fact, may lose a great deal through heavier taxes like the rest of us.

So Senator Nye detoured. He tossed in the hated racial issue in the hope of arousing public passions and prejudices. The sorry business backfired so he is now engaged in telling the public, at least those few who will listen, that his opponents dragged in the racial issue. Col. Lindbergh tried the racial stuff rather gingerly, but he also found it too hot to handle

Senator Vandenberg of Michigan, that wordy and voluble statesman, has retreated into a shell of silence, a trying circumstance for him. Two years ago he thought it was a "phony war" but now he knows differently. Rep. Ham Fish is still carrying the torch and the public greets him with customary indifference. Senator Burton K. Wheeler, the ablest of the isolationists, has reduced his efforts to petty sniping at Administration policies.

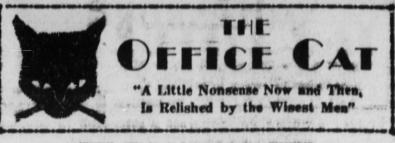
isolationists have been overwhelmed in the rushing torrent of history. Their silly antics have augmented public confidence in the wisdom and saf-ety of President Roosevelt's leadership.

CELEBRATING COLUMBUS DAY

About five hundred years ago in the busy harbor of Genoa, Italy, a small boy of great vision watched the ships come and go. At school he was studying Latin, mathematics, and astronomy and was becoming a skillful maker of maps and charts used by navigators.

Stirring tales of seamen persuaded him at an early age to enter on a searfaring career. In his first years as an experienced seaman, we find him living

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THIS WAR HAS GOT US DIZZY

The news we get by air and press Today is such a crazy mess That we can't figure where or what, Or when or why, or if or not,

The British sink eight German ships And bomb the channel ports and slips, The Japs take over Indo-China While riots rage in Asia Minor. 16762

Red Russians, long ago defeated. Are so damned dumb they've not retreated, And Nazi high command, annoyed. Fights on with armies claimed destroyed.

The Russian Air Force is no more, But still drops bombs at Berlin's door, Though Goering swore on iron cross He'd knock 'em for a total loss.

In Vichy, Petain joins the Axis And plans to sell Dakar for taxes. Claude Pepper shouts "I told you so. "We should have stepped in months ago."

Old Glory flies on Iceland's shore And guards the North Atlantic door, While grim U. S. destroyers roll In stormy seas that they patrol.

We've no more silks for socks and undles, And now they talk of gas-less Sundays; But next year when we pay our taxes Oh boy, how we will cuss the Axis!

Lindbergh, with his defeatist wheeze Is faced with world-wide letter "V's" That foretell victory to come. How can that poor guy be so dumb?

Down in Peru and Ecuador Gestapo agents foment war And send their sples across the border To sabotage and cause disorder.

The Burma Road will not be closed, Though we may tread on Nippon's toes, For Cordell Hull and Churchill, too, Both yow that they'll see China through

So goes the news-but we confess We can't dope out the screwy mess. To us each new communique Is just a lot of doggone hay!

. . . .

Daffy Definition

Friend-The fellow whose toes you step on when you're climbing, and whose shoulders you lean on when you're slipping

Smart Jimmie

Jimmie giggled when the teacher read the story of a man who swam river three times before breakfast.

"You do not doubt that a trained swimmer could do that, do you, Jimmie?" asked the teacher.

"No, ma'am, but I wonder why he didn't make it four, and get back to the side where his clothes were."

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We Are Not Amused

Stranger-"What time do you empty this box in the afternoon?" Rural Postman-"Now you have asked me something. I've been on this round for six months and never knowed there was a box there."

. . . . The Shades of Night

Medical Society of the State of pleted only to the top of the drum. The cap remained to be finished. It Pennsylvania, of which the Centre was constructed under the direction of Fontana and Giacomo della Porta In a Negro school there was one boy so black that even the other pupils called him "Midnight." This was all very well until a new pupil County Medical Society is a comonly a few shades lighter than he, entered the school. On being called ponent this nickname by the new pupil, "Midnight" got huffy. for Selective Service have been re-"Lissen heah. Don't you call me no midnight. Yo's about half-past jected by examining physicians of local draft boards. Let us take a

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leben you-self."

It's Sport

LOUISA'S LETTER

Dear Louisa:

New York.

ANSWER:

plans for building.

The boy I am engaged to is an meteor continues to fly through space until it is picked up by another only son. His parents adored him and have tried to grant his every wish. We are planning to be married this Fall and have the plans of our house already drawn. It was to have been built next to that of his parents. We both agreed

"PERPLEXED."

to me that it will be wiser for you

and your fiance to go on with your

and her son build next door.

protection for his mother.

be close enough to be company and

band will have more freedom to

course will pay you big dividends.

YOUR HEALTH

From the Educational Commit-

tee of the Board of Trustees of the

A large percentage of registrants

LOUISA

that it was better to start off by ourselves rather than to live in the house with his people, although they had ample room and would have

planet of the Solar System by gravitation. But those that are picked up by the earth are called meteorites. Their velocity is faster than a rifle shot and cannot be seen striking the earth, and where they are buried

Query & Answer Column

S. G .- Is there any difference between a meteor and a meteorite?

meteor flying through outer space and was picked up by the earth. A

Ans .- They are the same, with the exception that a meteorite is a

October 9, 1941.

D. V.-Can you answer in your valuable paper why old-time bridges were all covered?

Ans .- The Bureau of Public Roads says that bridges in the early days were built with a roof and sides to protect the floor of the bridge from inclement weather. It is erroneously believed that bridges were covered to offer shelter to slow-moving travelers in case of storms.

G. L .-- I would like to know why an Englishman is called "John Bull." But, his father died several weeks Can you answer me that?

ago and my flance has been wor-ried ever since about leaving his which was a satire on the Duke of Marlborough entitled "The History of mother in the big house. I know John Bull." The Duke of Marlborough was supposed to be John Bull, a that if I encourage him at all he good-natured, portly and bullheaded fellow. It made such a hit that it will postpone the building of our since has come to typify an individual Englishman or Great Britain as little home indefinitely. a nation.

Now, I am anxious to do the right thing and the thing that will make C. M .- Is there any other body in the universe outside of the earth that life exists?

for everybody's happiness, but just Ans.—As yet this theory has not been proved. Scientists claim there is, inasmuch as space is infinite. They claim the Milky Way alone has what is the right thing? I like his mother and she likes me, but will millions of suns that are larger than our own Bolar System, and that we continue to be friends at such close quarters and will I ever feel if that is not sufficiently possible, we can go still farther out among the known cosmic bodies where distances are measured by millions of light that I am the mistress of our home years and find it impossible to doubt but that somewhere earthly condiin another woman's house. tions for generating life have been matched. Please advise me.

W. T .- Will you please tell me who calls a newly-elected House of Representatives to order?

Ans .- The new House of Representatives is called to order by the old Clerk, who presides until such time as the Speaker and other officers No matter how nice your mothershall be elected and assume office. He then turns the duties over to the in-law is, she will always feel that new clerk and steps down. This is a rule governing the House of Represhe is mistress of the house she has sentatives clerk until his successor has been chosen.

H. T .-- When was Armistice Day made a legal holiday in the District kept all of the years-which is only natural-so, unless you are willing to accept that situation, it seems of Columbia?

Ans .- President Roosevelt signed the bill on May 12, 1938.

W. M .- In what state is the ratio of men to women the highest? Ans .-- Nevada has 124 men for every 100 women.

M. S. H .-- Who referred to James A. Farley as "Four-job Farley?"

While his mother is very lonesome right now, it will probably work out Ans .-- Col. Frank Knox in a speech at Burlington, Vt., on August 29, 1936, referred thus to Mr. Farley because until he took his leave of abbetter for some relative or friend to come and live with her, while you sence as Postmaster General on August 1, 1936, he held, in addition to his Government office, the positions of Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, Chairman of the New York State Democratic Committee, and In this way you will have your own home and at the same time you will National Committeeman from New York.

C. S .- Does the sun move in an orbit?

Ans .- The sun is a star and unlike the planets does not move in an She could probably rent a part of orbit. Like other stars, however, it does have motion. The sun, carrying her house, if it is very large, to with it the entire solar system, is moving in the direction of the consome congenial people. This will stellation Hercules with a velocity of about twelve miles per second. also mean that you and your hus-

P. W .- At what age does a person grow the fastest?

Ans .- The most rapid period of growth in the human being is in the come and go as you please. You first year of life.

will also be close enough to her to C. T. H .-- What is the temperature of the coldest area of water in the have the advantage of her experi-Atlantic Ocean? ence in housekeeping and raising of

babies. Believe it or not, a mother-in-law can be a blessing if she wants to and if you are not too eastern edge of the Grand Banks of Newfoundland. proud or sensitive to accept her ad-

A. H. M .- Please give the fraternal affiliations of Edgar Bergen.

Ans,-He is a member of Delta Upsilon Fraternity, the Society of So go on with your plans, but be American Magicians, the International Alliance of friendly and helpful to your fiance's Photographers, the Friars Club and the University Club. American Magicians, the International Alliance of Motion Picture

mother. You will find that such a J. G. A .- What percentage of World War veterans drawing service connected compensation were overseas? Ans .- Seventy-five per cent.

> J. W .-- How many passenger automobiles were manufactured in the United States last year?

Ans .- Michaelangelo died at the age of 89, leaving his dome com-

N. P .- How many gallons of paint does it take to paint the George

Ans .- About 18,000 gallons of one coat aluminum finish is required to

Ans .-- Approximately 3,700,000 were produced, G. C .- Did Michaelangelo finish the dome of Saint Peter's?

according to the original models and drawings.

Washington Bridge?

paint the bridge.

in Europe," reports that in seven days recently a Hamburg newspaper printed 82 death notices.

The population of Hamburg is more than a million, or about one-eightieth of the modern Reich. If the same percentage holds true elsewhere the notices imply a death rate of about 6,500 a week, or \$5,000 for the 13 weeks fighting against Russia.

This is close to the announced German losses but the correspondent points out that closer examination reveals greater losses. Death notices are usually published by families able to buy advertising space but, more significantly, 67 of the Hamburg notices related to commissioned or non-commissioned officers. Only 13 were soldiers.

Military experts guess that losses of officers aggregate around 15 per cent of the total casualties. Applying this ratio to the Hamburg notices, reveals that the Reich lost 86.000 a week for 13 weeks, or 1.100,000 during the three months of the eastern campaign.

"Bitterness was scarcely concealed in some notices," says the writer, calling attention to the phrase, in several, which told of the death of a son killed "as his father in 1916."

WHEN WILL THE BRITISH ATTACK?

There is some impatience in Great Britain, and in this country, over the failure of the British to take the offensive in the west while German soldiers are engaged in their stupendous struggle with the Red army.

Certain strategists declare that a golden opportunity is being lost to create the "two-front" war. They should add, however, that a "two-front" war requires two armies able to hold against an enemy offensive,

The question that confronts the British is not whether they can obtain a foothold on the continent but whether they can maintain it, after they land. To attack, with insufficient forces, would be to present Germany with an opportunity to smite another British army.

Recent speculation has been increased by an article in a London newspaper by War Minister David Margesson, seemingly discounting the likelihood of any immediate attack upon Germany upon the Western front, but holding out the promise that "the quicker we get the hammers, the harder we shall hit."

The Germans, it is believed, have at least 500,-000 men in the occupied areas of western Europe. To successfully attack this force would require numerical equality and heavy mechanical preponderance, on land and in the air. To make a half-hearted attack would be folly.

U. S. MAY REVISE ARMY PLAN

There are some indications that the United States will soon have to modify its defense plans if this country is to supply the necessary arms and equipment to the nations now engaged in the war against Nazi Germany.

Our original plans contemplated the creation of an Army of around two million men. Naturally, this will require a tremendous amount of equipment, supplies and material to properly equip such a force. This means that a vast amount of war material must be withheld from the nations which are engaged in actual warfare.

Facing the new situation, brought about by the attack upon Russia, the United States must now consider the possibility of curtailing its contemplated Army in order to speed delivery of tanks, planes, guns and equipment to Great Britain and Russia. Obviously, the fact that Russia is now fighting Hitler reduces the likelihood that this country will need, in the immediate future, an Army of two million men.

Inasmuch as the United States has little idea. at this time, of sending any huge army against Ger-many, it is wise to consider the possibility that the

at Lisbon, Portugal, which had become the center of geographical knowledge as a result of the explorations of Prince Henry, the Navigator, who was continually pushing further and further down the coast of Africa.

Realizing that the earth was round, Columbus became convinced that the shortest route to India would be to sail west, rather than go around the continent of Africa.

Unknown and without money, this middle-aged man began looking for a financial backer in order to make his dream a reality. In 1483 he presented bis plans to John II, the progressive young ruler of Portugal; John was interested, but not interested enough

The next nine years of his life he spent wandering from one court to another. In these different courts he was ridiculed, treated as a beggar, deluded by false promises, and betrayed.

But, finally, with the aid of a simple monk, this heartbroken man persuaded Ferdinand and Isabella of Spain to help him in fitting out an expedition. His crew was made up of criminals who agreed to make this dangerous voyage as an alternative to the Spanish dungeons.

Only a strong and courageous man could have kept his crew of cutthroats sailing toward what they believed to be certain death. But this man was strong, he was courageous, and the success of this voyage meant more to him than anything else.

Finally, with mutiny in the air, this great leader promised his crew to sail home if land was not sighted within three days.

Before the three days were up, however, land was sighted-it was San Salvador, in the Bahams. That day, October 12, 1492, became a historical landmark. Columbus had discovered America!

When Columbus died he considered himself a failure, for after four trips to the New World he had not succeeded in finding a western route to India. He did not realize that he had discovered a new world and that this was an infinitely greater discovery than a new route to India.

He had made the most memorable voyage in history; yet, he died broken in spirit and in health and without recognition.

Today, Columbus Day, takes a new meaning. The English, Russian and Chinese people, and the people in conquered territories, can celebrate October the 12th as the day that Columbus discovered "the arsenal" that is now dedicated to end totalitarian aggression.

FARMERS HAVE MEMORIES

"In the long run," says Henry Morgenthau, Jr., Secretary of the Treasury, "the worst sufferers from inflation are farmers themselves."

We are not expert upon the subject but we have some recollections as to what occurred in 1921 and it is our solemn opinion that Henry spoke a mouthful.

The plight of agriculture, in the United States, after 1921, was deplorable. Farmers of this country can still testify to the blighting scourge that bankrupted agriculture as an industry. They should be very careful before following the lure of excessive prices.

We think the farmers should concentrate their efforts upon the attainment of parity. They should resolutely oppose exorbitant price levels for other services and supplies. It is the only way to permanent prosperity on the farm. It is comforting to hear some leaders talking

about new high prices for agricultural commodities but farmers, before joining in the demand, should rely upon the sound advice of experts who have studied their problems. They should pause, just long enough to hear the voices of the past which will remind them of the hard road they traveled after

Did you ever stop to think how many ancestors you must have had since the days of Columbus?

First Friend-"It is being whispered around that you and your husband are not getting on well together."

Second Friend-"Nonsense. We did have some words and I shot him, but that's as far as it ever went."

. . . . Oh, Oh.

Shocked Old Lady-"And on the way up here we passed about twenty-Gve people in parked cars."

Young Hostess-"Oh. I'm sure you're mistaken. It must have been an even number."

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All Stationer Carles

Sups That Pass in The News (Carmen, Ariz., Times)

"After being bitten by a stray old dog Saturday afternoon, Miss Nellie Hanna was rushed to Doctor Smith's office and given a serum as a precautionary measure in case of babies" (rabies).

(Newman, Ia., Press)

"Miss Foldon and her astronomy class enjoyed an outdoor study per-iod Tuesday night and discussed the three constellations-the Great Bear, Little Bear, and the Big Diaper" (Dipper).

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Knew What to Do

Man (over the telephone)-"Doctor, come quick. My son has swallowed my fountain pen."

Doctor-"I'll come at once. What are you doing in the meantime?" Man-"Using a pencil."

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More Than She Could Bear

The head physician of a hospital caught the new nurse in the washoom enjoying a cigarette.

"Why, how's this, Miss Turner?" he wheezed angrily. "I thought that you nurses in the maternity ward were sorely needed every second, just

"Yes, sir," she replied in a panic of fear for her job. "We are terribly busy in there-and I am all in-felt that I was going to be sick-you see. sir, a Chinese woman had a little Chink; then an Indian woman had a little papoose; then an Italian woman had a little Wop; and then I couldn't stand it any longer-I had to come in here and have-a little smoke.

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What Do You Say?

My sweetle, for grammar, will never be noted, When she went to school she was never promoted. She gives the King's English a terrible shot When she whispers, "I seen it," or says, "I hain't got." She always says "was" when she ought to say "were" And she says "saw" for "seen" and pronounces "far" "fur." She always says "done" if the right word is "did" And she blows her infinitives clear off their lid. Oh, she don't care a hoot about gender or tense And most of her talk is plumb lacking in sense-

But I'll never stop loving my sweetle, I won't, For she's never been known to stay "STOP IT!" or "DON'T!"

. . . . Nature Study

A certain business executive employs a number of stenographers and, being a lover of flowers, his favors run to girls named after his favorite.

Not so long ago a new girl was given employment. Her name was Rose and she was the most beauteous flower in the office. But one morn- the College social register, they are ing, in her haste to get to work, Rose ripped a button off her dress and afraid of being late, she substituted a safety pin. During the course of the morning routine the pin became unfastened.

As usual, when Rose went into the private office to take dictation, terminology of shining up to a prothe boss gave her a friendly pat or two. This morning, with a cry of fessor for better marks. sudden pain, he drew back his hand, put a bleeding finger to his lips and ooked up at Rose ruefully.

"By George," he said, when the flow of blood had stopped, "I've often met a Dalsy with perfume, a Lily with red petals for lips—but I'll be d---ed if this isn't the first time I've ever bumped into a live Rose with a thorn." marine will go the states of

. . . . and an it with That's all, folks. A girl may be the goods without being a yard wide. word to the wide is sufficient. "SCAT." A word to the wide is sufficient.

Board No. 1 of Lehigh County had 3,100 registrants. The Board physicians by that date had examined 485 men. Of these, 243 were rejected outright by the local physician. Causes for rejection included 53 for dental requirements. 55 who lacked visual standards, 52 for heart disease, 22 mental cases, 13 for rupture, 10 for high blood

typical instance in Pennsylvania. Up to August 1, 1941, Local Coun-

The Allentown Bureau of Health issued, in July of this year, a bulletin analyzing the delects found on medical examination of that citys school children during the year 1940 and 1941. The same defects were found in almost exactly the same proportion in the school children as were found in the selectees.

The Secretary of the Lehigh County Medical Society pointed an secusing finger directly at the parents of these children and his remarks were agreed to by the 45 examiners for the county "draft' board.

"The greatest factor causing defects in any series such as this," the Secretary declared, "is parental neglect and carelessness."

The examiners, all county medical practitioners, knew these military registrants and these children and in many cases knew their par-

ents as well. The truth is plain. America's most vital first line of defense, its health, is impaired by the carelessness and the neglect of the people themselves. In spite of the immense efforts of the Ameriand the are the can Medical Association and its members to instruct, to warn, and to advise in every possible way, the people in many cases seek the luxuries, the cakes and beer of life, rather than the health of their chil-

dren. DO YOU KNOW

Since 1874 organized medicine in this country has repeatedly urged the establishment of a Federal department of health with a secretary who shall be a doctor of medicine and a member of the President's cabinet.

State's Trick Talk

New freshmen at the Pennsylvania State College must not only wear little green caps and black ties, they must learn the colloquialisms of the campus. For instance "a sandwich hour" at Penn State is not time for a snack, but a free hour between two classes. "Bluebooks" are not

ple polishing" is not shining ruddy fruit until it glows. It is the student

examination blankbooks. And "ap-To relieve

Ter "Rub-My-Tim" a Wonderful Liniment

6 . NOSE DROPS



COOK ELECTRICALLY Here's Now to Save Vitamin

The magazine Better

"The rules for preserv-

ing vitamins in the kitchen

are extremely simple.

Briefly, they are: Use a

minimum amount of cook-

ing water. Cook as briefly

as possible. When practi-

cable, use covered vessels

to exclude air. Avoid stir-

ring. Don't add baking

soda to preserve food col-

ors. Start vegetables in hot

Homes & Gardens says:

Switch to a modern electric range and keep those precious health-building in-gredients INSIDE THE FOODS YOU SERVE. Don't let important food vitamins and minerals be cooked away by wasteful, old-style cooking!

You really GET your vitamins when you cook electrically. There's no "overcooking"-no waste food values. The foods are cooked with controlled heat at high speed. Little or no water is used -covered vessels seal in the good flavors and nourishing qualities.

Switch to this thrifty way of cooking now and pack your meals with the best that Nature offers!





only 4 for venereal diseases.

96,500

pressure, 6 for lung conditions and

The population of Allentown county seat of Lehigh County, is