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EDITORIAL

That man Doolittle certainly doesn't live up to his name.

Every soldier will get a Bible from the War Department, upon request; if every soldier reads the Bible, the Army will be greater than ever.

We have no idea when the Germans will be convinced that they cannot win the war, but when they reach this conclusion, the war will be over in a hurry.

The Red Cross has sent more than \$2,500,000 worth of drugs, medical supplies and clothing to Soviet Russia in recent months and it is announced that shipments will be doubled within a short time.

The armed forces are the only group excluded from sugar rationing. Even the Red Cross and the USO are without extra allotments. Army officers declare that great care will be exercised by the Army in the use of sugar.

Warning of necessary sacrifices, Leon Henderson, Price Administrator, says that the war will take "every available machine, every possible ounce of raw materials and of manpower" and adds that "we can afford a war economy, Germany and Japan cannot."

Congressmen have been the object of considerable criticism throughout the country because of the wholesale allotment of X-cards entitling them to unlimited quantities of gasoline. Criticism was so strong that some congressmen called it a part of a campaign to destroy and discredit representative government.

The bitterest opponent of President Roosevelt's domestic policies should be gratified to hear of the esteem with which he is regarded in foreign countries. It is hardly too much to say that our President is the recognized leader of the free peoples of the world. With this nation engaged in a decisive war, fighting two militaristic enemies, this fact is of incalculable value.

Our people should never lose sight of the fact that the United States is in danger of air attacks and should make every effort to learn what to do if an attack comes. From a military standpoint probably little could be accomplished by an enemy air fleet, but that is no assurance that great loss of life and much damage could not be inflicted. Air attacks of an invasion effort, would represent, in the opinion of officials, the last desperate measures of an enemy coalition, facing defeat and determined to inflict as much damage as possible. Such attacks might be devised for the purpose of "persuading" the United States not to send its men and materials to vital battlefronts of Europe and the Far East, where the outcome of the war will be decided.

For the information of those who have wondered what has happened to Senator Burton K. Wheeler of Montana, we chronicle the fact that last week, in a speech in the Senate, he charged the Department of Agriculture with being "asleep at the switch for years." Mr. Wheeler has been a noisy somnambulist for years. As a sleeping switchman, he ought to be an expert at identification. His constant reiteration, before Pearl Harbor, that "nobody" would attack the United States represents the all-time high for sleeping statesmen. Among other remarks, Mr. Wheeler says, he has it "on good authority" that the sugar warehouses of Cuba are overflowing "while we go without in this country." Apparently, the Montana Senator is dreaming again, oblivious to the shipping shortage and perhaps reveling in the fantasy of sugar-cubes flying from Cuba to the United States under their own power.

HITLER AND THE KAISER'S GHOST MEET

The position of Germany, as Summer approaches, has been likened to her position in the early part of 1918. With some reservations, this is true. Certainly, now as then, doubt exists in German minds as to the possibility of winning a war of long duration. The stupendous effort of the United States engenders fear of what may happen when our full strength is exerted on the battle line.

ern front had collapsed. Russia was out and the war was a one-front affair.

Ludendorff Chose to Fight
In 1918, Ludendorff faced the same choice now before Hitler. He had to attack or take the defensive behind strong entrenchment. He adopted the offensive in order: (1) to keep German prestige alive in Austria, Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey; (2) because he believed that the Allies would break through if a defensive policy was assumed; and (3) because he realized that he had to win a decision before the Americans arrived in force.

The present German situation differs only in that the Eastern front takes the place of the Western front in France and Belgium. The next few months probably offer Germany her last opportunity to fight a one-front war. The same reasons that led Ludendorff to seek a decision in the West in 1918 seem sufficient to compel Hitler to seek a decision in the East in 1942.

World Quivered March 21, 1918
Those who were living in 1918, or who have studied the history of the first World War, will never forget the German offensive that began on March 21, 1918, when massed German divisions broke through the British under General Gough and threatened to wipe out another army under General Bingham. Nearly eighty German divisions were thrown against thirty-six British divisions. The stupendous attack from Arras to the Oise almost accomplished a complete break-through at the junction of the British and French armies.

For days, the fate of the Allies was in doubt. Under hard pressure, General Foch was given complete command. He parried additional German offensives for nearly four months, then counter-attacked. American soldiers insured his supply of men. The tired Germans reeled backward under successive blows. Less than four months later the war was over.

The End of Hitler in Sight
As we await Germany's worst, let us learn the lesson of 1918. When Gough's British army was pounded to pieces the Allied prospect was very dark. So when Hitler's legions struck this year, as they will, there will come discouraging reports of losses suffered. Undisclosed by the communists, however, will be grinding of German reserves, which cannot be replaced.

Just as in 1918 the German army will come to the end of its might. It will begin to retreat and, when this process gets underway, the Nazi regime will not last long. If the Russians withstand Germany's assault, repulse his last lunge and launch another campaign, like that of the past winter, there will be no rest for the Germans. Action will begin on the Western front and Hitlerism will fall to earth, never to recover.

RUSSIAN KHARKOV ATTACK IS 1942 SURPRISE

The first surprise of the 1942 military campaign in Russia was the Red Army's strong attack in the region of Kharkov, key German base in the Ukraine. Whether the offensive was designed to ease the pressure of the Nazi assault in the Crimea or for the purpose of preventing Hitler from seizing the initiative is unknown but the fact that the Russians were able to launch such a forceful drive sheds new light on the situation in Russia.

When Germany's advance into the Soviet Union halted in December, the Red Army had been "annihilated" several times. Berlin explained German reverses during the winter by the weather, with the confident prediction that when the snow disappeared the Russians would again feel the Nazi sword.

Russians Hold the Initiative
However, it is late Spring and, instead of the German parade resuming its march through Russia, the Soviet delivers a powerful attack. This indicates not only that the Red Army is unbeaten but that its leaders are confident of its power and capable of intelligent strategy.

Reports from Russia are scant. Even British and American military observers know little of what is going on as the two great armies clash but, apparently, the Russians have the answer to Hitler's mechanized challenge.

Whether it is equality of shipment, thanks to aid from Great Britain and the United States, or newly developed weapons, such as the anti-tank rifle, and tactics learned in combat, the fact remains that, for the first time, the German Army is opposed by a foe of equal cunning and courage.

China and Australia Uneasy
The Far East has been relatively quiet since the battle of the Coral Sea but both China and Australia expect the full force of Japanese might to be turned in their direction. Both may be right because the Japs have ample men and material for both offensives. The drive to knock China out of the war would involve only land forces, thus permitting a concentration of naval forces against the island continent.

It is probably too early to guess what Japan's intentions may be. Surely, the Japanese will press their advantage and seek decisive results as soon as possible. That an important naval engagement will precede the invasion of Australia is certain and Allied naval strength in the Far East is almost exclusively American.

Tokyo explains the Coral Sea battle as a brilliant achievement against the "combined Anglo-American fleet" which escaped total annihilation because "bad weather and nothing else" prevented the Japanese fleet from completing its work of destruction. In view of Tokyo's admission that the commander-in-chief of the Japanese fleet commanded units in the battle, it seems clear that it will be renewed when heavier forces are assembled.

Unexpected Developments Possible
The reader should not assume that the pattern of this war is already cut. There are many possible developments that might exercise considerable weight on the battlefronts. With the present line-up, the eventual defeat of the Axis seems to be a question of time but there is always the chance that the unexpected might change the nature of the struggle.

Without pessimism, or expressing the view that several things will happen, we call attention to the course of Laval, in France, evidently determined to put his country "into the war on Hitler's side." There is, likewise, the possibility that China may be hopelessly defeated, that Indian Hindus will "go Japanese" and that Russia, despite all efforts, may be conquered by a joint German and Japanese attack.

Viewing Further With Alarm

The U-boat menace may increase, hampering vital transportation, and heavy naval losses in the Pacific may enable Japan to attack the United States, or South America. There is always the menace of an air-borne invasion of the British Isles, to say nothing about a sea-borne attack. Shortages of raw materials, now an Axis worry, may, if the war continues long enough, become, under adversity, an Allied trouble. This serious situation may result from a lack of transportation facilities, without any striking enemy success on the high seas.

While the prospects "look good" for the United Nations, when compared to the past outlook, and the reverse is true of German chances, the war has not yet been won. When depends upon what happens in the next few months.

MERCHANT SEAMEN HEROES

Hundreds of residents of a small east coast community recently watched in horror as an enemy submarine torpedored and shelled a medium sized American merchantship, killing nineteen members of her crew of forty-eight and sending the ship to the bottom.

The attack occurred at night and flashes of gun-fire were plainly visible from the shore. Meanwhile, the news spread to a nearby city and there was a rush of sightseers to the coast. The Americans who witnessed this assault should have a better understanding of the dangers which confront the men who man our merchant shipping.

The recent wave of submarine attacks along the East coast have caused the death of many sailors. These men have given up their lives in the service of their country. They deserve the same recognition that the nation gives to its fighting services.

THE OFFICE CAT
A Little Nonsense Now and Then, Is Relished by the Wisest Men
Yes, She Did
There was a young lady from Kent
Who said that she knew what it meant,
When men asked her to dine,
Gave her cocktails and wine,
She knew what it meant—but she went.

Too Late
Two salesmen met in a Pullman after not seeing each other for three years. "Jim," said one of them, "the defense program is speeding everything up but you still talk just as slow as ever."

They Auto Be High
There was a young lady from Rye
Whom a Pontiac struck in the thigh.
The judge in the case
Looked the scar in the face.
And the damages came rather high.

Misquoted
Emperor of Japan—"When we win this war I'm going to rule the world."
Mussolini—"No, you're not—I am, because the Lord said, 'The meek shall inherit the earth.'"

Bedtime Story
The three bears were taking a walk on the desert, so Goldilocks could eat the little bear's porridge.
Papa Bear sat on a cactus and said "Ouch."
Mama Bear sat on a cactus and said "Oouch."
The little bear sat on a cactus and didn't say anything—just sat.

Could Have Been
Judge—"This man says that after he fired a shot he saw you run from his chicken coop."
Rastus—"He could easy be mistaken, Judge, fast as Ah was runnin' it might have been someone else that faintly resembles me."

Much Prettier
Lady Customer—"I don't like the looks of that codfish."
Fish Dealer—"Lady, if it's looks you're after, why don't you buy a goldfish?"

Misplaced Confidence
The greatest case of misplaced confidence we've so far heard of is that of one of Wallace Bros. Circus dogs who buried a big fat juicy bone at the main entrance of the big tent when the circus played in Lock Haven and then wore his paws half off trying to dig it up when the circus played in Williamsport.

Knew Her Scriptures
The old Negro mammy viewed with misgiving the large amount of sugar cane being eaten by her six-year-old grandson.
Eventually she warned the boy: "Chile, chile, ain't I tol' you time and a'gain, that you'se eatin' too much cane? Don't you know chile, cane killed Abel?"

A Little Bird Told Us
A young man regarded the venerable parrot with an appraising eye. "You have had that bird for a long time, Miss Ethel?" he ventured. "Yes," was the reply, "several years."

And So On Into the Night
(From the Lucerne, La., Journal)
"The days of the homestead woman were crowded. There were chickens to be tended. Calves were born. The sow had a litter of pigs. The evenings were spent in study and reading. Then a daughter, Alice, was born."

All Good Friends, You Betcha
(From the Brookline, Okla., Clarion)
"The big Sunday school picnic which was held Tuesday at the park was a hug (huge) success."

Height of Something or Other
Says She—"I think you are a pain in the neck."
Says He—"Well, thanks for moving the up."

Right in the Kiss
Math Prof—"If I start at a given point on a given figure and travel the entire distance around it, what will I get?"
She—"Snapped, sir."

Earned the Candy
Little Betty returned from her first visit to Sunday school, eating candy.
"Who gave you the candy?" asked her mother.
"I bought them with the penny you gave me," said Betty. "I met the preacher at the door, so I got in for nothing."

Nothing Wrong About That
"Now, lady," instructed the young lawyer, "tell the jury just where the prisoner was milking the cow."
The young lady smiled sweetly and replied: "Why, I think it was just a little back of the center, sir."

It Pays to Advertise
Item in a Florida newspaper:
"Last Thursday I lost a gold watch valued very highly. Immediately I inserted an ad in your lost column, and waited. Yesterday I went home and found the watch in the pocket of another suit. God bless your paper."

She Knew a Gorilla
The mistress was giving the new maid, fresh from the country, a list of the household requirements.
"There you are, Alice," she said, and then suddenly remembered an item she had almost forgotten. "Oh—er—don't forget we shall want a new griller for the kitchen, too."

Rare Discovery
Two small boys were walking in the woods, seeking for adventure and what they might find. One picked up a chestnut burr.
"Tommy," he called excitedly, "come here quick. I've found a porcupine egg."

Hard on the Head
The blacksmith was instructing a helper in the way to fashion a horseshoe.
"I'll bring the shoe from the fire," he said, and lay it on the anvil. When I nod my head you hit with this hammer."

Tokyo Radiogram:
"One of the American boys in Australia was court-martialed for picking a kangaroo's pouch."

That's all, folks. When a man wants his handkerchief he reaches around and yanks it out of his pocket. When a girl wants hers, she rises, shakes herself, and picks it off the floor.

LOUISA'S LETTER
Dear Louisa:
My trouble is this: I am dating a boy I've never dated before a few times. Each time he comes to see me he brings another boy with him. I don't like this boy I am dating so much. The toy he brings with him doesn't have a regular girl friend. We just pick up one anywhere. This is the point: he seems to like me but he never asks me for a date. I guess he thinks he would be interfering with the boy who is dating me. How shall I go about letting him know I want to date him?

Worried—Ala.
Answer:
This is one of the most irritating features of being a girl or woman. We can rarely take the initiative and directly choose our own men. For if we do we sometimes scare them off for good or, at best, make a bad impression.

But, as the old saying goes, "There are more ways of killing a cat than by choking him on butter." So you will have to convey the idea to this boy that you like him in a more subtle way than by just telling him so.

I can see where he would feel a delicacy in dating what he considers his "friend's girl," but if you were to have a date with some other boy and let the world know that you did not consider No. 1 your steady, perhaps No. 2 would also get the idea. If he saw other people dating you, he would then feel free to ask you for a date himself.

And sometimes when you are all together you can let him know that while you like No. 1, you are not seriously interested in him. But, after all, are you sure that the latter would like to date you? Sometimes we imagine things as we would like them to be rather than as they really are.

LOUISA.
To Rachel—Penn.:
I have just read your letter and as it has been written so long ago, I wish you would write again and tell me the situation as it is today. I shall do my best to answer right away.

Random Items
(Continued from page one)
cigarettes, or pipes since joining, and a lemon to those members who, like this department, quit and started in again.

ANNOUNCEMENT:
"Bill Ulerich, State College newspaperman, used a unique method of announcing the birth of his first child, week before last. To friends Bill mailed a linotype slug carrying the following message: 'FLASH! It's an 8-lb daughter at the Bill Ulerich's. Born May 14. Name: Constance. Whoopee!'"

JIMMY HUGHES:
An Academy alumnus attending the third annual reunion here Saturday night commented: "You know, there wouldn't be any reunions if it weren't for Jimmy Hughes. We come here to pay our respects to him." In speaking of the former Headmaster, the alumnus mentioned his phenomenal memory. "No matter what student's name you mention," he said, "Mr. James can immediately tell you where he came from, what years he was in the Academy, his achievements and 'development' while in school, where he went after leaving the Academy, and in most instances, where he is today."

The student is right. Mr. Hughes also can recount almost play-by-play many of the football games in which his teams participated. He can tell you the dates of the games, who played in them, who was coach, and what feats many of the individual players performed.

TIP TO ANGLERS:
Angler Thomas Caldwell, of Bellefonte, is authority for the statement that genuine polaroid sun-glasses are a big help to fishermen, especially fly fishermen. Caldwell reports that the glasses enable the angler to see fish cruising about under water. He points out that a fly fisherman's chances of hooking a trout are greatly increased when he can see the fish rising to the fly. Could be.

Every American should strive to prevent waste during the war emergency; the outcome of the struggle may depend upon the scrap material that becomes available.

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A. G. Luebter, F.D., Coatesville, Pa.

Query & Answer Column

B. T. G.—Who was the noted explorer who was attacked by a leopard in Africa?
Ans.—On Carl Akeley's first trip to Africa he was attacked by a leopard and only succeeded in killing the animal after a desperate fight.

H. W. L.—How long is a generation?
Ans.—A generation is usually taken to be thirty-three years.

M. L.—Please give Clarence Day's tribute to books.
Ans.—It is as follows: "The world of books is the most remarkable creation of man. Nothing else that he builds ever lasts. Monuments fall, nations perish, civilizations grow old and die out, and, after an era of darkness, new races build others. But in the world of books are volumes that have seen this happen again and again and yet live on, still young, still as fresh as the day they were written, still telling men's hearts of the hearts of men centuries dead."

A. M. H.—In what order are the disciples seated in Da Vinci's "Last Supper"?
Ans.—In Da Vinci's painting "Last Supper," the disciples are seated from left to right as follows: Bartholomew, James the Less, Andrew, Judas, Peter, John, The Christ, Thomas, James the Greater, Philip, Matthew, Thaddeus, and Simon.

L. D.—Theodore Roosevelt was sued at one time and awarded nominal damages of a few cents. When did this occur?
Ans.—In October, 1912, the Iron Ore, a trade paper edited by George A. Newett, charged Theodore Roosevelt with lying, drinking and cursing. Roosevelt brought suit against Newett for \$10,000. After a hearing, which lasted about a week, Newett withdrew his charges and apologized. Roosevelt then addressed the court and asked for only nominal damages. He was awarded a verdict of six cents. The trial took place at Marquette, Mich.

A. V. D.—What were the draft ages in the first World War?
Ans.—The first registration, June 5, 1917, covered the ages from 21 to 31. The second registration, a year later, included those who had become 21 years old since the first registration. The third, on September 12, 1918, extended the age limit from 18 to 45.

L. M. Q.—Should eggs be washed?
Ans.—The washing of eggs removes the slight natural protective covering and increases the tendency to absorb flavors.

P. F.—Does an ostrich hide its head in the sand?
Ans.—The statement that an ostrich hides its head in the sand when pursued is entirely without foundation. The ostrich is not a particularly intelligent bird, having a very small brain capacity in comparison with its size, but it depends upon its fleetness of foot to escape from its enemies and never resorts to the method in question.

H. M. I.—Is it possible to wash pillows without removing the feathers?
Ans.—Dip them in lukewarm suds in a tub or a washing machine, if it is large enough. After rinsing several times in water of the same temperature as the suds, hang them to dry in the sun.

K. K.—How many pieces of glass are there in the Faith Window in St. Patrick's Church in Chicago?
Ans.—The Faith Window consists of more than 250,000 single pieces of glass and has over 2000 color tints.

D. M. L.—Upon what occasion did Sir William Osler, Canadian physician, refer to the comparative uselessness of a man over forty?
Ans.—In a famous valedictory address delivered at Johns Hopkins in 1905, Sir William Osler said: "Take the sum of human achievement in action, in science, in art, in literature—subtract the work of the men above 40, and while we should miss great treasures, even priceless treasures, we would practically be where we are today. . . . The effective, moving, vitalizing work of the world is done between the ages of 25 and 40, those fifteen golden years of plenty, the anabolic or constructive period, in which there is always a balance in the mental bank and the credit is still good."

E. F. F.—Why is it considered unlucky to walk underneath a ladder?
Ans.—This ancient superstition is explained by the Trinity, the wall, the ground and the ladder making a triangle, which it is a sacrilege to pass through.

R. L.—What is the maiden name of Ambassador Litvinoff's wife?
Ans.—Madame Litvinoff is the former Ivy Low of a distinguished English family. She is a niece of the late journalist, Sir Maurice Low.

A. A. B.—When were the Indians given the right to vote?
Ans.—The American Indians received the right of suffrage by a special act of Congress, June 2, 1924.

A. C. D.—How many steps does the average mother take a day?
Ans.—It has been estimated that a woman in her combined capacity of mother and housekeeper takes 12,000 steps a day.

M. W.—Has the giraffe any way of defending itself?
Ans.—The animal's only weapon is its heels. With them he may deal a very powerful kick.

C. S.—Who was the first President who was a native-born citizen of the United States?
Ans.—Since the United States Government went into effect March 4, 1789, John Tyler, the first President born after that date, was the first President to be born in the United States.

X. B.—Why is radium regarded as a perfect timekeeper?
Ans.—The radio-active disintegration of radium goes on at a fixed rate which is completely independent of anything that man or nature can do.

C. R. W.—If a batted ball rolls slowly down the third base line, touches the base and rolls outside the foul line, is it foul?
Ans.—The hit was fair. A batted ball that touches either first or third base is called fair no matter where the ball may go afterward.

H. B.—What is the annual rate of federal expenditures at the present time?
Ans.—In excess of one hundred million dollars a day, or at an annual rate of about thirty-six billion dollars. The President has stated that this rate will increase to two hundred million by the close of the year.

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