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of Italy, and the surrender of the Italian government. We have trust in the successfulness of the huge Armadas of allied planes which have pounded German industrial cities and towns. We are thankful for the powerful Russian Army which has fought with such courage and effectiveness the huge German forces of the east. We are proud of our Chinese Allies whose bravery has kept them fighting the Japanese even though they lack the proper arms and Material. We are encouraged by the speed with which our industries are producing almost incredible amounts of war implements, at a rate which our enemies scorned as being impossible. Yes, certainly, in 1943 we have seen the turning point of the war. In it, our armies have gained the initiative and are no longer fighting a defensive war. And now we welcome 1944. The road to Victory is clearly marked. May the new year, this year of 1944, bring us to our goal--the happiness which only peace can gain.

WELCOME TO 1944

A new year has never meant so much to Americans. We have left 1943 without regret and have begun the year of 1944 with faith that the war shall soon be over and hope that the peace to come will be a lasting one.

Yet 1943 has been a friend of ours. True, there have been many days and nights filled with discouragement and despair, and sometimes, the fear that all of us have experienced. We have felt the hate and bitterness that have filled the world and shown themselves by torturing, starving, killing the little people of the earth. Still, for us and our allies, it has been a victorious year. We recall with joy and thanksgiving our victories on Kiska, Bougainville, and in New Guinea. It is with pride that we remember the Nazi defeat in North Africa, the conquest of Sicily, the invasion

P.T.A. MAKES PLANS TO ENTERTAIN SOLDIERS

The regular meeting of the P.T.A. was held Tuesday afternoon, January 4, in the school lunch room. At this session, it was decided that several soldiers from Clemson should be invited for the week-end. Every family is urged to take two or more into their homes. A square dance, sight-seeing tours, etc., are to be offered as entertainment.

Miss Raines and Mrs. Jorgensen who were hostesses at the meeting served delicious refreshments.