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With confidence in our armed forces-with the unbounding determination of our people-we will gain the inevitable triumph - so -Boosevelt's War Message

Star-News Program

To aid in every way the prosecution of the war to complete victory.

Public Port Terminals. Perfected Truck and Berry Preserving

and Marketing Facilities. Seaside Highway from Wrightsville

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Unified Industrial and Resort Promotional Agency, supported by one countywide tax.

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Development of native grape growing throughout Southeastern North Carolina. Modern Tuberculosis Sanatorium.

TOP O' THE MORNING

The words of Christ to his sorrowing men come to us to-day as freshly and as truly as on the night they were spoken. If they were adequate for need of disciples they can prove adequate for us. "Let not your hearts be troubled: ye believe in God." But do we? In many of our undertak-

ings, nationally and individually, we have left God out altogether. There is perhaps little value now in recalling our indifference to the claims of God, the neglect of public worship, the slackness with which we have regarded His holy day, the careless treatment of the religious education of children, the hatred of all self-discipline and the selfish love of pleasure and entertainment . . . the weak longing for the things which peace brings, but an indifference to the only things which bring

-Leslie D. Weatherhead in "This is the Victory."-Written amid the crash of bombs in London.

Another Second Front

In addition to the bombing raids of the Royal Air Force, a second front is rapidly developing in Europe against Hitler. It has been taking form and gaining strength since the Fuehrer's first conquests. In recent months it has reached large proportion, and is becoming so powerful hat Hitler has rushed large ges tapo and storm-troop forces into occupied countries. Still only furtively organized, still other Nazi, destroyed? We believe not. lacking leadership, it is levying a heavy toll on

This second front is manned by millions forced to work in virtual slavery in Nazi-controlled war industries. Five million of them are in France. They have no sympathy with the Vichy regime or the Laval sell-out. Other millions are in Holland, in Norway, in Belgium, Poland, Czecho-Slovakia-wherever Hitler's slimy heel has descended in his bloody march through Europe. They let no opportunity pass for sabotaging the tools of war nary demands and their sale must be curthey are forced to produce for Hitler.

And so effective has their campaign become that Hitler is sending reinforcements for his slaughter crews. Death by execution seems This, we have good reason to believe, will be only to bring more recruits. Hitler has still done to prevent hoarding, as good a way as to learn that he cannot stamp out the love any to create shortages. And when this beof freedom by slaying free men.

recommends itself for closest consideration is and department heads will no longer be perthat when the day arrives for a continental mitted to enjoy their present favorite pastime counter-offensive against the Axis, wherever it of figuring what might be rationed next in is launched, the millions now under Hitler's the hope of getting a white mark for their lash will spring to its aid and demand a effort. chance to contribute their lives if need be to

Mustn't Fool Ourselves

With Hitler's U-boats operating in the St. Lawrence and off the mouth of the Mississippi, it is obvious that the enemy will balk istrations. at no task for the destruction of shipping in

No greater folly could be conceived than to assume that the submarine attack along the Eastern seaboard is being brought under control because sinkings have declined. Sinkings are fewer chiefly because sailings have been

ice is having some beneficial effect, but it is may be expected to break down if required to veloped a very interesting difference presence of submersibles in the Gulf of Mexico and the St. Lawrence river. These boots co and the St. Lawrence river. These boats time. still travel very much where they wish.

Their increasing daring is not to be overlooked or discounted in Wilmington.

There is more reason to consider their acfort upon preparation for attack and be ready for it if, when and as it comes.

in their defense effort. But it must be re- modate more than 40 per cent of the populastories appearing in The Sunday Star-News. membered that speed in this is as essential as in the production of war tools by industry. There is no possible means of knowing when the enemy may strike.

body the vital necessity of being prepared in effects of the raid. time to render aid to all who may need it property if an attack comes.

or another still have to complete their trainplete its preparedness in time.

they are best fitted to serve.

The other is to speed the training of all by after its explosion. . intensive study, even though it require the

End the Smugness

The investment of \$2,000 idle money in war savings bonds was reported a few days ago when the investor's attention was called to the fact that if the Axis wins this war the money would certainly be confiscated.

It is surprising that this view should have escaped anyone's attention. Certainly it has been emphasized by the government, by newsthe radio and from the pulpit.

If this particular case means anything, it is that, despite all the publicity given to what would be the fate of Americans in event of defeat, the awful truth of their subsequent fate has not yet sunk in, that the same smug complacency that prevailed while we were watching the war from the sidelines still exists tacked. among too many citizens. Notwithstanding France's fate and what has happened in every land Hitler's forces have overrun, there are still many among us who honestly believe "it can't happen here.'

There never was a greater fallacy.

The slow pace of war bond sales during the earlier months of their promotion clearly indicated the reluctance of the American people to realize the possibility of losing the war. Sales have increased since Pearl Harbor, since Corregidor, but are still far below what they should be. And there is no logical reason for it except that many persons imagine we could not by the wildest stretch of the imagination

One way to dispel it is for every idle dollar to be invested in war bonds, and for larger percentages of the people's earnings to be set aside on payday for the same purpose. Is it fantastic to imagine every quarter or dollar, even every dime, invested in a war savings stamp is the equivalent of another Jap, an-

More Rationing Foreseen

If present signs are a correct index to the uture, the nation's rationing program has only started. Where it will end nobody knows.

Thus far commodities in which shortages exist have been effected, with the single exception of gasoline, the supply of which is practically exhaustless but means of transporting it inadequate. The other items, sugar and rubber, are actually insufficient for orditailed in the war emergency.

Rationing of other commodities is bound to come, even where no actual shortage exists. comes necessary, we also may believe, sanity The aspect of this second-front battle that will have come into its own at Washington

Because it appears certain that rationing orders will be promulgated from time to time hang on to the bitter end for the supremacy sure and complete victory.

and the people at large have already answered about all the questions that could be asked them, it would save time if the information already in hand were applied to all future reg-

Persons having ration cards, for example, ought to be required only to present them in order to obtain a card for the newly rationed commodity. To go through a new inquisition from me to stir up mischief between every time a rationing order is put into effect would be a needless waste of effort, time along beautifully for years and and patience for registrants and the registrars, years, but I find that Mrs. Frances in the latter case the teachers who have Perkins, our cherished Secretary of borne up well under previous registrations but Labor, and Mrs. Roosevelt have derepeat their labors at frequent intervals and of opinion and wonder if they would

If worse comes to worst and the Nazis retivities a definite peril than to suppose our- sort to poison gas, the prevailing opinion in selves exempt from any danger of attack. We London is that the British are in a much "anxious" to do so for the benefit should concentrate our united community ef- better position to withstand gas attacks than the Germans. The view is based on the fact, gathered by agents of the British Economic immediately of certain of their It is a hopeful sign that in recent weeks the Warfare Ministry, that Germany would be weaknesses." people of Wilmington have roused from their compelled to depend on gas shelters instead of earlier indifference and are making progress masks, and that these shelters cannot accomtion of the larger cities.

Were a gas attack alarm sounded there would be a rush for the shelters, they contend. escapes in this connection. Mrs. The first to come would get in. When the Roosevelt does not undertake to say This is not said with intent to alarm any- shelters were filled all other persons would be one. It is intended only to impress upon every- left outside to bear the brunt and suffer the is done by most unions that she

It is understood that Germany has pracand to minimize loss of life and damage to tically enough masks to go around but has done nothing about distributing them on a It is my impression that she knows No single unit set up by the defense council large scale, and instead of giving them free very little about unions and she may is fully manned. Many persons serving in one to the people collects money for all disposed of. dozen of them. Nor do we know In contrast with this, the British have made whether she is speaking of locals ing. This presents two tasks that must be free distribution of masks throughout the counperformed quickly if Wilmington is to com- try and are reputed to have enough for everybody.

One is to completely recruit every staff still Because Germany is so poorly prepared to lacking workers. This can be done only by withstand or weather gas attack, London is Electricians of the AFL. If we grant the volunteer method. If any men or women quite convinced that Hitler will not introduce we still know that one of its biggest are not now enrolled for home safety, and chemical warfare on the Eastern front. There and richest locals, the one in Chicamany are not, it is their duty to register nad is general disbelief in the reports that have go, is governed by one of the foul and receive assignment to the unit in which been spread that the Nazis are already using lery of predatory unioneers, namely a new type of bomb which generates gas Umbrella Mike Boyle, who has been

The situation may be as the British believe cancellation of many engagements and pleas- and their position may be sound, but it would but never was removed from office ures. Heads of units are under heavy obliga- be highly dangerous to assume that what they tion to see that their aides are fully qualified know of German plans for combatting gas atfor their exacting tasks whenever emergency tacks is the sum total of Nazi provisions for safety. If one lesson has been taught in this war, it is not to take anything for granted off of a thousand millions plus, per where Hitler is concerned.

Editorial Comment

A CRITICAL WEEK Charlotte Observer

This is likely to be one of the most critical and decisive weeks of the war in the world

While the best informed advice splits as to the boys with the usual political what the Japs had in mind in sending a maharkey, told them as follows: fighting planes and ships into the Coral sea where they were repulsed by American and Australian naval and air forces, the public audits of all moneys, includbest suggestion would seem to be that they ing insurance funds, dues, assesswere at least making a new adventure against ments and so forth, should be done will prove the beginning of the

As long as Australia remains in the hands of pulsion. With the trade union basic will be made clear before winter of "Little Switzerland" to the souththe United Nations, Japan will continue to live right protected by statute, surely that the Axis war lords are being under contsant menace of being counter at- no moneys need be expended except herded into the pit of destruction

The occupation of that country, however, and for purposes which can be stated would greatly solidify and secure the phe- in a public accounting without em nomenal gains already made in the far Pacific. And if this were the strategy of movement which brought the clash in the exotic Coral again. Mrs. Perkins calls on the dragged unwillingly into the vast pectancy. There are no extremes of men and women have been sea, it may be taken for certain that the unions to give regular, independent, enemy will be back as quickly as it can bring reinforcements into action.

The circumstance that this first contest has that their strength, not their weak clearly and decisively gone to American and ness, can be stated publicly without Australian forces in no sense is to be construed as intimating that the victory is final or conclusive.

Japan has enormous reserves upon which it can draw in order to return to the action and when its possible resources in both planes and fighting ships are thrown into the engagements, the Allied defenders will be strained to their utmost to match blow for blow with the enemy.

It would be well for the American people We could be. The chance that we will be is to be guarding themselves, therefore, against knows, of course, that she might as decreasing daily, but the danger of defeat is the seductive and bewitching suggestions of a false optimism.

Japan is proving itself to be an enemy of convincing shrewdness as well as of military from her an admission that the ready given as well as taken hard might and powerful resources. At the moment this enemy has only been

bruised, and for the moment The test of decision as to the respective capacities of the two forces in the teamwork of planes and ships on those faraway seas may be within the time-compass of mere \$ * * *

A NEW SOURCE OF CONFIDENCE Charlotte Observer

It would be a mistake to assert that Churchill's Sunday address was the only worldmessage he has delivered since becoming Prime Minister in which he voiced his utter confidence in the outcome of the war.

He has never indicated that he held to any other view than that his country and its associated democracies would eventually be returned the victors

But this spirit of assurance and optimism which he had previously uttered rested upon his understanding of the spiritual qualities of Nazi Family must be Rudolph Hess his people, and those of the whole world who no longer compelled to shout have a deep devotion to the imponderable values.

It was inconceivable to him that the principles for which these peoples stood would of their ideals, but now he is able suffer repudiation and defeat in arms.

Faith, therefore-his faith in the faith of his fellow countrymen and those of America— and force with which the Allied Nacreated within him the sure foundations of conviction that, in the long haul, no matter at what fearful disadvantage these have had to contest with superior might of the longprepared enemy, theirs would be the crown of the conqueror in the end. But on this last Sunday occasion, his ad-

dress rang with this old confidence plus. He can re-assert as of old his consistent faith in the survival of right over wrong, of virtue over venality, of light over darkness. resources of material armaments of the good over the bad, and in the spiritual come to be factors upon which the essences of the people of the democracies to democratic peoples can rely for

Fair Enough

NEW YORK, May 16.-Far be it two ladies who have been getting

to the sum of human wisdom, Mrs. Roosevelt took the position that unions, with their rakeoff of more than one thousand million dollars a year, should not be compelled to publish audited financial statements and said the reason they are not of the general public is that "when they are not well established, this information would inform employers

Mrs. Roosevelt said further that most of the unions that I know publish a report of their financial status to their members and do so in more accurate and simple form than most business corporations."

I would like to point out the publish such reports, but says this knows. That is a vague term.

Important Difference

important difference. For the inter national may be reasonably straight and the locals crooked.

notorious as a grafter for many years and was denounced by the federal court as a betrayer of labor by the international,

velt does not say unions are weak now, but attempts to suggest that they are weak even with their rake

She says "when they are not well established" and so forth, and the whole effect of her answer to a

question is a political stall. Mrs. Perkin's Views

Well, what does Mrs. Perkins say on the same subject? Addressing the national conven

tion of the AFL in Seattle last September, Mrs. Perkins, after salving depths of the sea. "The scrupulous account

as authorized by the membership barrassment

public audits and says the unions are now in such a strong position embarrassment.

Of course, we all know that they power in the country and the greatest single financial power as well curtain raiser for what is to come, and it has been shown that they are infested with low rascals and vicious adventurers and here, nevertheless, we have Mrs. Perkins, plead ing with them to be nice voluntarily of his promised summer campaign as an alternative to compulsion. She to annihilate Russia. well request a skunk to smell pretty. that Red armies are fulfilling the contrary to the nature of the brute, pledge of their leaders to strike but at least we have here wrung back effectively. They have alunions are not weak and could not and telling blows. It is Nazi leendanger themselves by revealing gions, not the Russians, which are their riches.

"Whatever secrecy or veil may days when the unions were strug- lips. gling to survive is certainly no

longer effective," Mrs. Perkins said. Reading these expressions side by side I feel a suspicion that one or accounting was passed by the house, gantic racket in American history.

HAPPY RUDOLF

The happiest man in that Happy "Heils" with the others .- Louisville (Ky.) Courier-Journal.

sea, on the land.

to add thereto a new hope born of the tangible resources of might tions can adequately match the resources of the enemy. In a word, CHURCHILL has the

confidence born both of the resources of faith and the resources The Russian winter offensiveof arms competent to give the Axis blow for blow in the air, on the And only now have these latter

prompted Russian official hopes of essential goodness and kindliness, if we will avail ourselves of a 1942 victory.

UNCORKING IT



The War

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON Wide World War Analyst

Mid-way of this crucial year of 1942 has been ushered in by a deepening new crescendo of battle and sudden death. No continent or sea is untouch-

ed by a war that has no limits. Mankind everywhere has no certain refuge from the hardships of war or the horrors of destruction that falls unheralded from the sky or leaps unannounced from the blue seas. It lies 1200 miles south- crates end to end down the

Yet in the midst of the evermounting conflict of conquest loosed upon the globe by the Axis Cook strait, it stretches 1,000 m money, regular independent and blossoms one hope in the hearts of from the northern tip of North Ismen who love freedom more than land-with its semi-tropical climate. life. It is that this final tumult voluntarily rather than under com- end, that somehow, somewhere it they have dug for themselves.

Basis of Reality?

Is that hope just another fond delusion in the minds of peoples tality rate, and the longest life exstruggle? Or has it some basis of wealth or poverty. One out of every lized. One out of every four n reality, of possibility, to help brace five inhabitants has a car. There is in the armed forces. Sixty Allied courage and resolution?

an expectation of 1942 victory been government-owned authoritatively voiced. And it is in Russia, now aflame with battle acare the greatest single political tion on a scale that staggers the lation of slightly more than 1,600. imagination yet is only a mere that the answer must be found. There now is little doubt that

> Hitler's week-old lunge eastward in the Crimea heralds the opening

The most hopeful indication is being hurled into this climaticclash now with the bitter taste of have been effective i., the early defeat for the first time on their

Loses Weapon

On the basis of meager and utterly conflicting Russian and Ger- est tragedy in the age-long his- religion is not a matter of the other of these ladies doesn't man disclosures as to the progress tory of religion. know what she is talking about, or of these first clashes of the 1942 that one or the other is trying to kid campaign it is impossible yet to of the Christ?, and Jesus asked it life to the God of love, the public. A bill to require such gauge the battle trends except in to confound those who were ob- acter and saving power but was killed in the senate by di- early intimation that Hitler has Him, challenging His right to teach Jesus made the conflict rection of the President. This provi- lost in Russia the weapon he used sion, of course, would have been the effectively to carve out his previous because He did not have the of- one hand, and the relief first encroachment on the most gi- stunningly swift victories on the ficial badge, or label, of their par- and goodness on the other

> Russian reaction to the Crimean drive is to attack simultaneously at many scattered points. The major purpose obviously is to pin Nazi reserves to defensive posi-Red leaders are taking full ad-

vantage of the limitless manpower reserves at their command. Their strategy also must be governed by winter wastage of German manpower in meeting endless and scattered Russian attacks.

substantial as was the aggregate than they did about essential fac- not in some dogmatic or d a battle of man-power attrition. Russian superiority in that re

4 This is the ultimate test of the power to save.

Interpreting New Zealand Digs Heels In For Major War Stroke

west Pacific grows, New Zealand- and the third, a teacher of juj the eastern island neighbor of Australia-digs her defense heels deep- en mutton, and lamb; it is the ic er into her homeland soil and braces largest wool exporter. Britain herself against invasion, says the pends heavily upon it for food National Geographic Society.

Before the days of long - range two years of war, British re combers, aircraft carriers, and sub- 254,000 tons of butter-enough marines, New Zealand, clinging like form a wall the height of a a barnacle to the under side of the and 400 miles in length. One to globe, was securely isolated from aggressor nations by miles of cool east across the Tassnan Sea from bined length of North and S

Australia. A land virtually cut in half by also traveled the 13,000 · mile volcanoes, hot springs, and modern try well, her own armed cities-down through the rugged, timbered, sky piercing Southern Alps countries for the tools of war ern tip of South island. It has more closer to her home shores, he variety of scenery for its size than any other country in the world. Its limate has everything but extremes.

The inhabitants have the lowest death rate, the lowest infant mor- lands and bustling cities. one telephone to every two homes. Nowhere except in Russia has The 3,300 miles of railroads are

The British Dominion is as large as the state of Colorado. Its popu- It is little more than a 000, mostly of British and Irish the Union Jack there. I descent, about equals Detroit's. A to the two main islands third of the inhabitants are concentrated in Auckland, Wellington, and Christchurch.

Last year New Zealand counted her Japanese population on the fingers of one hand with two fingers off the eastern coast are in to spare. One was a storekeeper, and this British possession

The Dominion still is a y years since the English for South-Stewart Island of lands approximately northeast of the capita Wellington, several small

Sunday School Lesson

Editor of Advance Text: Matthew 22:41-23:11

Our lesson presents what has beome the question of the ages, and of the Spirit which Paul enul at the same time tells of the deep ated with such delicate care

one crucial respect. There is every viously gathered together against fest in Jesus of Nazare the people, and to do good work hypocrisy and formalis continent, the trump ace of the ticular authority. The scribes and mistakably plain that marked deck with which the plays the Pharisees who confronted Je- that men should not have sus were probably no worse, and more fully from that tea no better, than those official relig- the spirit of the scribes ious leaders who from time to time sees of old continues have presumed to assume that manifest even in they had a monopoly of religious world, and those wh truth, or of the right to exercise greatest profession of religious functions. Among these chosen quite frequently scribes and Pharisees were the little evidence of having finest and most earnest people in God and made His love Israel, and this has been true of inant beauty and power what they know definitely of the religious leaders in every age. But lives. among them also, were those whose religion was formal, who long question that is in cared a great deal more about above all others-What think ye their own power and prerogatives the Christ? The answer is

of Russian territory released from tors of righteousness, truth, and formula, but it is manifested the grip of the foe,—primarily was fairness toward their fellowmen. heartfelt acceptance of the example of the foe,—primarily was fairness toward their fellowmen. This is the age-long tragedy of ple and way that Jesus exer religion—that so many who have fied. We cannot only think spect is probably the dominant ele- made high professions have not of Christ, but we can fin in the situation which had lives that were established in strength to follow in His foo

New Zealand is the world's est exporter of dairy products.

raw materials, taking over 9 cent of her exports. During the wool for every person in the inion, or 1,600,000 bales; 210.0

Islands; 598,000 tons of meatroute to wartime Britai But while New Zealand her exports, feeds her mothe

fense pace quickens. Almost man and woman of milita three and four hundred th soldiers serve in foreign

ty thousand women are in the

en's War Service Auxiliary.

By WILLIAM E. GILROY, D. D. | reality of a man's religion. essentially a good man, fair ward his fellowmen, gent

kindly, manifesting all those The question is, What think ye

Here, then, we come to