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Our Chief Aim

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

TOP O' THE MORNING I enter a most earnest plea, in our rather hurried and busting life of today, that we do not lose hold on the Bible. No educated man and no uneducated man can afford to be ignorant of the Bible. THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

Road To Berlin

(By the Associated Press)

2.—Russian front: 304 miles (from Vistula north of Warsaw). Rologna).

In High Gear

is a rank understatement. The Yankee genius a field, and Des Moines levied a one-mill for mechanization has amazed the most imag- emergency tax for next year to build an adinstive production experts. Even yet, wonderment is expressed as to how it has been possible to maintain supply lines to the far-flung for airports in the last six months and amounts ailied armies on the European continent.

troleum News, after a visit to the combat \$20,000; Claron, \$29,000; Harlan, \$25,000; Jefareas of France, gives at least a partial an- ferson, \$35,000; Oelwein, \$4,000; Rock Raptrip. . . For most of the 500 miles covered \$45,000; Sibley, \$25,000. in those two days we had to fight our way alongside of truck convoys moving at speeds of 46 and 45 miles per hour and sometimes even 50 miles per hour. These were not just the lighter trucks, but the regular 2 1-2-ton and heavier trailer type truck and even trucks with extra full trailers hooked on behind. All handled just three classes of freight, ammunition, gasoline and 100d. These convoys filled the highways for miles on end.

"The trains, with the aid of additional cars and engines from England, are being used to their maximum. Engineers are rebuilding bridges on railroads and highways as fast as the railroads and trucks can bring the pipe

"To this mighty drive of the greatest fighting power in all history, the oil industry is contributing more than 2,000,000 gallons of aviation and motor fuel every day."

How that fuel is produced is another story. Yankee ingenuity has truly put Armageddon m high gear.

What About Spain?

There is an uneasy feeling of "this is where we came in" about the news from Spain these days. The news has been soft - pedaled by censorship and by some leaders of both factions. Nevertheless it appears that long-threatening trouble may flare again into full scale civil war

The situation is cloudy, with each side claiming early successes. But at least it seems certain that Spanish Republican troops, which escaped to France after the Civil War and have fought with the Maquis against the Germans, have recrossed the border and clashed with Franco's forces, and that an underground Madrid paper has called on regular Spanish Army officers to take up arms against the Falange.

There are also rumors which, if true, are significant. One is that 40,000 German troops escaped from France into Spain and have been regrouped to fight for Franco. The other is that French Maquis were ordered to withdraw from the border and leave their Spanish comrades to fight alone.

This would be a repetition of history. Germany, of course, was at Franco's side in the conflict of 1936-39. So was Italy, and the two conducted a dress rehearsal of history's greatest and bloodiest war. France maintained a hands-off attitude. The rest of the world. with the exception of Russia, looked on.

How much farther will history repeat itself? Eight years ago the American and British governments took a short-sighted "rlague o' both your houses" view. And most citizens of both countries shared this view, despite the handful of volunteers with the Spanish

The threat of a new Spanish civil war raises

and Britain continue friendly recognition of the Franco government? Would they recognize substitute dictator which the powerful conservative group of double - crossed Franco followers might install, Or would they support culosis would be virtually eradicated. A maresurgent forces of the legally elected Spanish jor tragedy of the present conflict has been republic which Franco and his German and the defeat of this prediction The incidence Italian allies defeated?

mains to be seen now whether the great powers will profit by past lessons and use their strong influence to foster representative goveinment, or whether they will support the status quo of whatever poltical complexion, just so long as it seems to be top dog.

Airport Network

Iowa cities are creating an air network for the state with building, financing or planning out of hospitals and accept jobs." When remitting by mail please use check or U. S. P. O. money order. The Star News cannot be responsible for currency sent through authorized generally for acquisition of municipal airport sites have passed the \$1,500,000

> Airports with a total estimated cost of more than \$6,000,000 are under construction. Federal aid has been granted for many of these projects. Funds were allocated under the direction of CAA for airports with direct bearing on the war effort.

Cedar Rapids' airport on a 500-acre site is expected to cost approximately \$1,500,000. The city passed a \$325,000 bond issue, part of which was used to buy the land. The federal government is furnishing additional funds. Dubuque's airport also will cost \$1,500,000, and the Waterloo airport, being built on a 1,704 acre site, is expected to cost more than \$1,- will spread our available coal over a smaller 500.000. The city voted a \$450,000 bond issue area and probably banish those days of real and has spent \$144,000 for land. Federal aid totals \$700,000

Davenport voted a \$160,000 bond issue to buy land and authorized the appointment of Ickes is better informed on the abundance of 1.—Western front: 301 miles (from west of a commisson to supervise and control the oil for recoverted furnances than he seems to airport. Paving of all runways and taxi strips at Mason City's airport will be completed soon. .-Italian front: 558 miles (from south of The city voted \$160,000 in bonds as its share there would be plenty of coal for everybody. in construction costs.

Sioux City and Ottumwa probably will have class IV airports, and class III airports are in prospect at Clinton and Fort Dodge. Clinton The remark that Hitler, in inventing mech-will purchase \$155,000 in airport tax anticipaarized warfare, "came right down our alley," tion warrants as needed for development of ministration building at the city's airport

Other towns which have voted bond issues include Algona, \$42,000; Boone, \$69,000; Car- in these robot bombs, these rocket bombs, Warren G. Platt, editor of the National Pe- roll, \$55,000; Centerville, \$20,000; Charton, swer: "I have just returned from a two-day ids \$30,000; Sac City, \$29,00; Shenandoah,

Homes For K-9 Veterans

Dogs attached to our armed forces have performed a real and valuable service in this the film—with appropriate sound effects—that resist them," said Major Robert war. If they hadn't, the notoriously unsentimental Army and Navy would not have used mental Army and Navy would not have used the first time either in Britain or the United combat surgeons.

Tests them, said Major Robert ing, and Capt. Homer J. Martin, Mansfield, who heads a team of Jr., Limbert's anesthetist from 379 Lewis, Clearfield, Pa., is Limbert's south China sea covers too much combat surgeons. them. Now many of these war dogs are being saw these bombs hurtling through Britain's saw through Britain's saw these bombs hurtling through Britain's saw through Brit

Most of them will be returned to their owners, but some will be sold.

It probably will not be necessary to urge on a dog-loving nation the need for a "veteran rehabilitation" program for these K-9 veterans which Congress can't provide. Undoubtedly there will be more bidders than can be satisfied for these war dogs which, after a tour of strenuous duty, are now deserving of affection, cat-chasing, a warm corner, and other comforts of a well-regulated canine ex-

But it might be well if communities where these dogs are brought should welcome them as graciously as have the city fathers of Jacksonville, Fla., who have waived license fees for K-9 heroes honorably discharged from serv-

After Years Of Darkness

A news item from Manchester, England, dated September 12, stated: "The lights came on in this industrial center of 800,000 population Tuesday night after five years of darknessthe first big city in Britain to have its black-

"The switch was turned at 9 p.m. Some people just stood and gazed down the main thoroughfare, smiling. Others strolled along waving to passersby. Some even ran from lamp post to lamp post, kissing them."

The behavior of the Britishers may seem a little theatrical to modern Americans who have never known what it is to be without plenty of electricity. Our lights have blazed throughout the three million square miles of the United States during practically the whole five years that most of the rest of the world has lived in darkness. Neither enemy action nor demands of war industry have caused any noticeable sacrifice in our "electrical" stand-

This fact alone is remarkable. The load was tremendous and electric generating facilities kept ahead of demand.

The English, after five years of darkness, really appreciate electric light. Can we say as much? Hardly.

Another Postwar Problem

Some of London's top tailors are talking Loyalists. Since then the western Allies have about postwar lounge suits which would button dealt almost deferentially with Madrid, in spite at the throat like the present British battle of Franco's open sympathy and aid for the dress, thus eliminating the need of collars, cravats, and probably shirts.

And what, one wonders, is to become of the

some important questions. Would this country Old School Tie?

Health A Personal Matter

Before the war, medical authorities predicted that in a comparatively few years tuberof tuberculosis has gone up sharply. It has Military expediency no longer is a valid always been so in time of great stress, and excuse for condoning fascism in Spain. It re- in spite of the best efforts of enlightened medical men, the present emergency has been no exception. However, worse than the increase of tuberculosis is the reluctance of the infected individuals to take proper action.

James G. Stone, of the National Tuberculosis Association, declares that: "More cases of tuberculosis are being found today than ever before and fewer patients are in tuberculosis hospitals The temptation of high wages in war industries is causing many to stay

He emphasized that the proper program for control of tuberculosis consists of three parts: finding the cases, hospitalization, and education of the patient and public to the seriousness of the disease.

It may surprise some to learn that persuading the public to use readily available facilities, even where the question of financial ability is not involved, is one of the most difficult problems of the medical profession.

Back To Oil

Americans haven't suffered much physical hardship during this war, but it still will be good news to many that oil furnaces converted to - coal can be reconverted. This obviously discomfort that some householders experienced in the past two winters.

It may be hoped, however, that Secretary have been on the coal supply when he first asked for conversion with the implication that

Must Be Last War

BY NEAL STANFORD

Five times, one day, this week, Washingon correspondents lived through buzzbomb rads. Vcarously, to be sure, and the rads were only nine minutes each.

But that was more than enough for most. It was more than enough to persuade all that rumors of atomic bombs, the world had something which, if not controlled, would destroy

it Truly the world has a bear by the tail and can't let go. Its only choce s to tame t. Buzz-bombs have such tremendous destructve potentialities that despite Briain's suffering from this menace that has killed over ,000, injured 16,000 more, destroyed 23,000 and infection. homes, churches, hospitals, stores, schools in but after operating on hundreds been attached to 13 different fight-London, and damaged 1,000,000 more, we have I'm convinced that Germans of ing outfits ranging from paratrooponly begun to feel its power of devastation.

skies, morning, noon, and night. We heard them zooming overhead as rescue crews dug out hapless victims of V-1. We watched them is at 2218 Portland Ave., white bread appeared at mess, we out hapless victims of V-1. We watched them Louisville, Ky., "But they just These surgical teams are part of the property of the proper in fascination plummet to earth and explode don't have the stamina that our the fourth auxiliary surgical group in a blast of smoke. And we goried in Britan's boys have." defenses, ack-ack gun crews. Spitfires, barrage balloons hat cought over half of the 8,000 mechanical buzzards in flight. But thousands outsped defenses. We realized only too well why buszz-bombs were not a pecularly British problem-why they were our problem as well.

This nine-minute capsule of buzz-bomb terror, it is expected, will shortly be shown widespread over the United States. Its purpose is to educate, to awaken, to arouse-not to enterisin or cause fear. For while 50,000,000 Britons know that the buzz-bomb, the rocket bomb, the automic bomb have made this war civilization's last hope, there is no similar assurance that 135,000 Americans are irrevocably committed to working to make this the last war. It may be their aim, but is it their determination?

The V-1, or bu-bomb, is still hitting England from time to time. Capture of the Calais coast has not ended the danger. Launching platforms with shortened German lines can still speed robots over England. Planes also car, launch these robots, and have. So for Britain, the Battle of the Robomb is still not

Theoretically, America is not immune from the possibility of robot bombings. German Uboats still prowl up and down the Atlantic coast. If a plane can be launched from a has come out of this war why, of the Rev. A. R. Parsley, former-that I once cuddled in my arms; submarine, why not robot bombs? They might from purely selfish reasons, this ly rector of the Episcopal church and I long still to protect him. have to be modified versions, since submarines aren't long enough for serving as launching platforms for the present bozz-bomb. They could certainly not come over any American Monitor. seacoast area one a minute as they have over London. They might be able to launch two, or three or four.

But they would only be vengeance shots involving all the inaccuracies of such bombings. The whole thing, to use a favorité word of President Roosevelt, is very "iffy." If the Nazis have adapted buzz-bombs to U-boat use. and if they are persuaded even the weakest token bombing of America would have psychological benefits, they might spend valuable having a Great Lakes cycle, inasing scenario for empire that the pray that I, too, may be a good manpower and resources that way. But the much as one publisher is issuing old style robber baron passed out soldier at home. Amen.—W.T.E. chances seem slight. Some authoritative a volume on each of the lakes, and with the last of the great pineries. sources here believe it impossible.

bombs of larger and deadlier variety. A Stockholm report that the Nazis have some superrocket bomb is common gossip here. Sometimes it's a 40-foot robot with "atomic explosive features." Other times it's 40-ton projectile that can, theoretically at least, be hurliget guides, the one on Ohio. He empire declined, and the mad and Wallace building office of H. G. ed 3,000 miles. It is rumored to be as large as was, of course, not the author of ruthless exploitation of the forests Carney, chairman of the county a Sherman tank and the destructive possi- the guide, but the editor. a Sherman tank and the desired explosives In any case, Mr. Hatcher has the exploiters themselves. crash in your backyard after a 3,000-mile rock- tried successfully to take his readet ride through space is best left to your er through one of the most dra-told with Mr. Hatcher's skill, it is soldier ballots have been issued, imagination. If V-2 comes up to certain rumatic pageants of settlement and bound to make a sweeping sort of and about 700 returned, this means of similarity and of cleavage because improvement the world has ever improvement to make a sweeping sort of and about 700 returned, this means of similarity and of cleavage because the control of similar mors, it is possible that some day one or two might come hurtling across the Atlantic. Of course, they might fall 500 to 1.000 miles of settlement and bound to make a sweeping sort of impression. But the actual test is something else—it lies in the cormon have voted, Carney said.

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As an Army Air Forces officer confidence water and forest. The cots of the was drawn from years of independence of the armed forces over was drawn from years of independence or seas, and all must be returned "Most things are possible technically, on the course, but there do seem to be immense technical difficulties involved." Germany, he quest, and the hope of broadening a mass of purely American malexplained. was no doubt working to develop the religious bases of the Old terial, some legend, mostly fact.

Was drawn from years of independence of seem to be immense to pageant are in exploration, condent research. But the result is a mass of purely American malexplained. Was no doubt working to develop the religious bases of the Old terial, some legend, mostly fact.

Sub-Super Supermen

only Germans we've seen who assistant, an anesthetist, one nurse strategy cannot yet be reckoned don't respect Red Cross markings." and two enlisted men. Shock teams however. It may have made po

BY LEWIS HAWKINS (Substituting for Kenneth L. Dixon)

WITH THE AEF

WITH AN AMERICAN FIELD -(Delayed) -(P- At least two surgical personnel, so it need not combatting shock, are made up of volve. In the light of destruct Hitler's "Supermen" not only are pitals when skill is badly needed listed men. great cowards under pain, but also elsewhere. are physically weaker than Americans and die more easily of wounds ample, moving 26 times since it deo, former wrestler from Natick, in any direction.

landed in France June 26. Once it Mass., also is a qualified surgeon Even granted time to conce

"It was a great surprise to me, That lesson was shouted from every foot of

diciency in diet seems the likeliest as we quit eating "P" rations and guess," continued the major, whose white bread appeared at mess, we Sgts. Alvin J. Voorhies, Orchard, that Tokyo, behind its screen

Concurs

Huntington Ave., Council Bluffs, Most of the operating teams are Ia., who heads another operating made up of an operating chief, an team, concurred and added:

"It's definitely true that nazis often break down and cry in fear and pain when they come to our operating tents, but our boys almost never do. They're wonderful patients, and I only wish civilians were half as courageous and uncomplaining.'

Asked if this weakness extended to the traditionally tough SS (Elite Guard) units, he laughed and rethey're stronger.

footballer from Manchester, N. H., ton, C. M. Faircoth of Clinton, C.

they didn't, he added.

These buzz-bombs or rocket

These combat surgical teams are which prepare wounded for opera- sible even bolder early moves the

"Jap-O-Lantern"

FAKE VICTORY

CLAIMS

crganized with the idea of giving tions by administering blood or the seizing of landing bases HOSPITAL IN FRANCE, Oct. 25 flexibility and mobility to trained plasm transfusions, and generally central eastern China would be tied to field or evacuation hos- one officer, one rurse and two en- or serious damage to up to Limbert's team is a splendid ex- his anesthetist, Capt. Arthur Tad- cope with American power raid

moved twice in one day. It has and alternates with Mansfield and trate and repair its damaged ma Now the units are living under Webster, Wis., and Jack Law- Japanese land based planes

These surgical teams are part of Irving Ave. Livingston, N. J.

built around 132 officers and 76 nurses, who organized four neuro-Major Edward M. Limbert, 431 surgical teams and 12 shock teams.

25 Years Ago Today (FROM THE FILES

OF THE STAR-NEWS)

OCTOBER 31, 1919 RALEIGH, - The next state conplied: "SS men are different-they vention of the American Legion will sob louder than the others because be held in Wilmington. Delegates to the National convention to be "That's right," said Capt. Stan- held in Minneapolis named today ley Yudicky, former Dartmouth were Cyrus D. Hogue of Wilming-"And those same SS men are the A. Gosney of Raleigh, Wade Phillips, Lexington; alternates: R. G. short-that I have spent in trainrocket bombs with atomic explo-Cherry, S. C. Brown, V. W. Wiching and serving him have been Sr., wife of the chairman of the sive features. They'd be foolish if ard, Jr., and Richard Longhorn.

Friends here will be interested in how dear this son is to me. In missioners. bombs are the best argument that the announcement of the marriage this strong man I still see the baby 22nd AKA combat cargo vessel country, any country, must con- at Southport, and Miss Ruth James But I can only write and pray; secrete itself to preventing anoth- of Clinton. Mr. Parsley is now rec- and leave him in Thy Father care. at the yard. er world war.—Christian Science tor of the Episcopal church at Clin- Do Thou protect him from hurt. There is be

The Literary Guidepost

lan Hatcher (Oxford; \$3.50).

There is no doubt, though, that Germany different publisher is doing the nor warfare is handsomely told, sexperimenting with new types of rocket whole job in one volume. It is a but for me the least interesting remarkably good volume.

> er, who has done many books be- when steam and immigrants pesides this one, including one of the gan working over the face of the ian absentee ballots is 6 p. m. finest of the Federal Writers' Pro-ject guides, the one on Ohio Ho

motive until very recently; per- thank Thee that I have been per Books seem to appear frequent- haps to this moment. But it is mitted to give of my best to a ly in cycles. Apparently we are evident from Mr. Fatcher's sweep- Cause that is surely Thine; and I at the same time another and very The era of exploration and mi-

part of the story. The better part It is written by Harlan Hatch- begins a little over a century past When a story such as this is

of brave men fanning out through this came out of the Guide series of ballots issued have been to was held during the evening serventer than the series of ballots issued have been to was held during the evening serventer than the series of ballots issued have been to was held during the evening serventer than the series of ballots issued have been to was held during the evening serventer than the series of ballots issued have been to was held during the evening serventer than the ser As an Army Air Forces officer commented, the magnificent, virgin expanses of mentioned above and much more members of the armed forces ovice in the Kenan chapel.

taminated soul. In action may he By JOHN SELBY | World. Conquest, in a direct com- be valorous and chivalrous, a fit mercial sense, continued to be the representative of our Country. I

hour or two.

Saturday Is Last Day

have been operating as a "proco"

Prayer

The deadline for obtaining civilalmost ruined everybody, including board of elections, it was an of the men who were at the center the exploitence the center than the exploitence the center than the exploitence that the center than the exploitence that the center than the center than the center than the country of the men who were at the center than the country of the men who were at the center than the country of the men who were at the center than the country of the men who were at the center than the country of the men who were at the center than the country of the men who were at the center than the country of the men who were at the center than the country of the men who were at the center than the country of the men who were at the center than the country of the men who were at the center than the Approximately 1,200 absentee

Interpreting The War

BY KIRKE L. SIMPSON Associated Press War Analyst Recall by Washington of Four Star General Joseph Stilwell from his many-sided and important tasks in China is not likely ease tension in Tokyo as to what it implies. Regardless of other explanation there may be for the move, it hints strongly at stepping-up campaign againg

Stilwell, by official say-so, is to have an "undisclosed" new command. That his new post be no less concerned with the war in the Orient than those of which he has been relieved seems to so without saying. His whole experience and much of his peace time preparation has been closely linked with the other sie of the Pacific to assume an assignment in Europe awars him. His four star rank also tends to preclude that.

It follows naturally, then, that the staggering blow to the Japanese fleet has created unexpected American and Allied opportun ties to quicken the pace of the attack on Japan. Until it is of erwise accounted for Stilvel's transfer must in Japanese mil tary eyes look like the start for a new and powerful expeditionary force to exploit that naval victory to the full as soon as possible. Since Stilwell was raised to his four-star rank it has been more or less taken for granted that the American advance beyond the Philippines would be under his command once the men and mate. rials for that had been assembled and naval operations had cleared the way for it. American official forecasting has pointed to the Chinese east coast as the next anticipated lodgement area beyond the Philippines on Pacific strategy

It still may be. There is a vast section of eastern China still in complete Chinese control excent for a few Japanese held ports and river mouths. Chinese official ports say there are up to half a million Chinese troops in the area west of the Kweilin gap Japanese lines and the Hankon Canton railroad,

The full effect of the Japanese naval disaster on trans-Pacific In the case of Mansfield's team, ers, that fleet could not hope

jor units, its significance as Lieut. Helen Grimsic of Wauke- striking force is virtually nil. gan, Ill., and Sgts. Chester Hills, a defensive weapon backed roofs for the first time since land-rence, New York City, complete could prove formidable but to

Nev., and Harry C. Wingerter, 25 "victory" propaganda, is busy n vamping its whole war conce For the past six weeks these two converting it into a strictly the surgical teams, plus shock teams fensive deployment just as Hitle headed by Capt. Augustus J. Go- has been compelled to abandon forth of Nashville, Ark., and Capt. his grandiose conquest dream Carl H. Hildebrand, Omaha, Neb., for a last-ditch defense of central Europe.

unit. A proco unit-short for provisional continental operational NEW HANOVER SHIP packs operating room and equipment into three trucks and can set up or tear down a neat, compact and complete surgery in an

The U. S. S. New Hanover be lieved to be the first Naval vessel to be named in honor of this county, will be launched at the yard d the North Carolina Shipbuilding company this morning at o'clock under the sponsorship From under my heart came this Mrs. Oliver M. Creekmore, of Will son who now wears his Country's mington, daughter of Sheriff and uniform. The best of my life has Mrs. C. David Jones.

gone into him. The years-all too Her matrons of honor will be her mother and Mrs. Addison Hewlett a Father heart, canst understand New Hanover county boa of commy career. Thou, O God, who hast The U. S. S. New Hanover is the

near completion here and will be the 184th ship to go down the war! There is but one other craft

of body and stain of soul. May named New Hanover in the United none of the noble instincts that I States today, according to record have implanted in him grow less in the office of the Collector d in this time of testing and service. Customs. It is a 99-ton river ver Grant him the boon of an uncon- sel, built in 1924, with Louisville Ky., as its home port.

Anniversary Celebrated At Presbyterian Church

The anniversary of the Prote ant Reformation was celebrated the First Presbyterian church Subday with Dr. William Crowe, pas tor, speaking on the influence For Absentee Ballots this great time of re-valuation husman affairs upon all that we know as modern civilization.

Although the Reformation sprea into the Renaissance, with tremer dous economic and political It sults, yet according to the writing of the awakening, it was essential ly a spiritual movement. Crowe said. He discussed points

A Forum on the Apostle's Creed