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America Girds for Still Greater Effort As Pearl Harbor Anniversary Nears

A Review of Outstanding Engagements of Our Country's First Year at War.

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With the approach of December 7-the "date of infamy" -Americans everywhere will reaffirm their determination to work, fight and sacrifice to win the war, and spend a little time in retrospect. No attempt will be made here to give an overall picture of what has happened during this fateful year, but rather a review of some of the great battles in which American forces have been engaged.

Without difficulty we recall that fateful Sunday afternoon when, over a radio suddenly gone wild, the shocking and bewildering reports came in. Pearl Harbor had been attacked! People could hardly believe it. But it was true. The next day the United States declared war on Japan, and on December 16 war was declared on Japan's partners in crime, Germany and Italy.

Since then many thousands of brave American boys have been wrapped in the flag they loved, or have found a last resting place beneath the ocean's swell. These men have illuminated the pages of American history with deeds as bright as the orange flash of a cruiser's guns.

Fall of Wake Island. All will remember with reverence the epic of Wake island, when a handful of U. S. marines, marooned on a tiny atoll in the Southwest Pacific, made history in Courage. On this occasion a heroic garrison of less than 400 marines defended Wake island against a powerful Japanese attacking force, from December 2 to 22, until they were overwhelmed by sheer numbers. With a few out-dated planes and a gun or two our boys sank seven Jap warships, one cruiser, four destroyers, one submarine and one gunboat.

Fall of Bataan.

The next staggering shock of the war was the fall of Manila and the U. S. naval base of Cavite, in the Philippines. America took heart, though, when it learned of the magnificent defense which was put up by U. S. and Filipino troops in the rugged terrain of Bataan peninsula, under the leadership of Gen. Douglas MacArthur. As it was impossible to get reinforcements through the Japanese naval blockade of the Philippines, Bataan appeared doomed. We recall that in Bataan's darkest hour MacArthur was spirited out of the islands in a remarkable under-cover dash to Australia by the "mosquito boat" hero of Subic Bay, Lieut. John D. Bulkeley. Lieut. Gen. Jonathan Wainwright took over on Bataan-Wainwright, the stony-faced general whom the boys loved as much as MacArthur. Lacking food, heavy guns, planes and tanks, and facing an over-

whelming superiority in enemy to complete rout. The carrier Yorktown was lost in

Allies lost all five cruisers which participated in the action.

These losses were hard to take, but America began to smile againin fact it howled with delight-when the big news broke that Brig. Gen. James ("Jimmy") Doolittle, famous speed flier and World War I ace, had dropped plenty of "eggs" over Tokyo with a squadron of North American B-25s. That "mission" was fulfilled on April 18, and it went over big, both here in America and in Tokyo.

First Real Victory of War.

In the battle of that island-studded ocean known as the Coral sea, which

is near the Solomon islands and about 1,000 miles northeast of Australia, America's first real victory of the war with Japan was scored. The action occurred on May 4 and called forth deeds of valor as thrilling as any in all American history. The Coral Sea battle was the first great naval defeat ever dealt the imperial Japanese fleets. And yet this great battle was fought entirely in the air, by the planes of opposing aircraft carriers. The ships engaged in this battle

never got sight of each other. They slugged it out without firing a single gun at another ship-the first engagement of its kind in history. In

this first great victory for the U.S. in this global war the Japs lost more than 15 ships sunk and at least 20 others severely damaged. The action perhaps saved Australia from invasion.

However, America paid a price for her victory in the sultry Coral sea. In this engagement the 880-foot aircraft carrier Lexington, famed ship that laid the foundation for our modern navy's aircraft carrier operations, went to the bottom. This happened on May 7.

The destruction of a Japanese armada some hundreds of miles off Midway island, on June 4 and 5, was another action of the same kind. In this engagement U.S. army bombers roared off from their bases on Midway island-just another dot on the Pacific-to meet the most formidable array of warships that imperial Japan ever sent steaming against a foe. The armada was put

the Battle of Midway. It went to

the bottom on June 7 in the final

When Major General Wainwright, hero of Corregidor, saw that defeat was inevitable he said, "I'll stay with my men." And he did. Gen- strip along the Atlantic to a nation eral Wainwright (shown above) is now a prisoner of the Japs.

the very guns of the invaders and hurled 400 tons of TNT and steel into Jap shipping and shore installations in Kiska harbor. In the battle of Kiska only one observation plane was lost. Not as much as machine gun bullet hit the fleet.

Since that time the Japs have pulled out of the Aleutians, with the exception of Kiska, their main stronghold, and the United States has strengthened its position against them by occupation of the Andreanof group of the Aleutiansmuch closer to Jap-held Kiska.

Old Glory Hoisted in Solomons. On the very day when the Japs in Kiska took such a pounding from U. S. forces-exactly eight months to the day after Pearl Harbor-Old Glory was hoisted by U.S. marines over the first territory taken back from the Japs. This glorious event took place on the mountainous island of Guadalcanal, key to the Solomon Islands in the Southwest Pacific. This 100-mile long island lies athwart the strategic route to Australia.

The Japs had labored long in hacking an airfield out of the tropical wilderness of Guadalcanal. The marines took it away from them. and there has been a continuing day and night battle for possession of the airfield ever since. In their efforts to recover this vital airfield (Henderson Field) and the key island, the Japs have risked placing the main force of their navy within range of MacArthur's deadly Flying Fortresses and the "Forts" that

roar up off of Henderson Field. We have lost some fine ships in the region of Guadalcanal, but losses on the island have been light compared to what the Japs have lost-according to navy reports their losses run four or five times as heavy as ours. However, there has been a running battle for continued possession of the island on the part of the U.S., and for re-possession



AMERICA AS A MODEL FOR POST-WAR WORLD

TO THE POST-WAR WORLD will come many changes. Ideological forces will provide, if possible, those conditions out of which another world holocaust cannot be produced, but out of which will come a betterment of conditions of the people.

It would seem to most of us Americans that no better foundation on which to build a new world could be found that the government and system upon which has been erected the greatest, most prosperous and freest nation in the world. Within but little more than 150 years since establishing our independence, we have expanded from a narrow that covers the width of the conti-

nent. Under the system provided by the American Constitution, we, as a people, have conquered a wilderness, have built great cities, provided millions of comfortable homes. We have built more miles of highways and railroads than are to be found in all of Europe. For each one thousand persons, we own more than six times as many automobiles as the same number of Europeans own. In radios, telephones, washing machines, in everything which adds to the comfort and pleasure of living, America stands pre-eminent throughout the world. We, as individuals, have greater opportunity to achieve. Among us there is a much more equitable distribution of wealth than in any other land. Our workers receive a much greater share of what is produced than do those of any nation of

Europe. Yes, America has prospered under our American system and form of government. Let us hope it may serve as a model for the rebuilding of a war-torn world, rather than that we adopt any one of the "isms" of Europe, which have nothing to offer us as compensation for what we have.

A REAL HERO

-THE FIGHTING MARINE "JOHN IS IN defense work," said

the fond mother, with a tone of pride in her voice.

The "John" in that case is a young man, less than 20 years old. He is out there is right, too working 40 hours a week in an airplane plant, for which he is paid better than \$60 each week. I do not see anything especially heroic about "John in defense work" under such conditions.

a picture could take ruined Warsaw Another "John" I know is a Unitas the setting for a piece of low ed States marine, fighting Japs 168 hours each week in the South Pacific comedy. This is the third flicker that has earned rebukes for the and receiving less each month than movie makers. They will soon have the "John in defense work" receives each week. To me the marine views with smoked glasses. They're "John" is a hero.

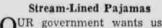


Reading the Papers Out Loud: This is not the first time that American battle flags have been carried to the Mediterranean. They were there over a century ago-for the same purpose-the extermination of pirates . . . At that time we fought for the freedom of the seas. Now we fight for the freedom of America . . . If you said that a little while ago, you were called a warmonger, an interventionist or a soandso . . . But no one today doubts that America is safer because men from Montana and Georgia, Vermont and Nevada are throwing plrates out of Tunis and Algeria . This AEF is more than a lesson in geography. It is a milestone in national responsibility.

Rome and Berlin now know that Tripoli and Libya are our next military objectives. But their chief worry is that world freedom is our war aim . . . They know that while one concentration camp existswhile one Nazi propaganda cell functions-and while one squad of Axis troops resists-our arms will remain in the field . . . America has liberated North Africa because a free America can only exist in a free world . . . The full strength of America will continue to march . . Because the road to Berlin is the only way back to Main St.

The whispering that went on against the British is now being directed against the French Maybe it's wrong to keep Darlan on the job, but Gen. Eisenhower got that far by ignoring the clamor clique, so why should he listen to them now? You can get a rap against Giraud, too, if you turn your

ear in a certain direction DeGaulle has an enemy section over here, and so have most of the French military leaders our forces are dealing with . . . It's the same old line you heard against Churchill, Wavell, Ritchie, etc. You'll hear it again if we happen to line up with the Arabs or the Hottentots. Because it's easier to say something than to know something.



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forces, Wainwright's men were finally overwhelmed by Jap forces estimated at 200,000 on April 9.

dor (Wainwright's Rock) kept fir- down she catapulted from her flight

Long after the guns on Bataan phases of the great sea-air battle. ceased firing, the guns of Corregi- But before the grand old "Y" went

Official U. S. navy photo showing wreckage of the battleship Arizona fter the Japanese raid on Pearl Harbor.

nen had, fortunately enough, suceeded in getting on the Rock beore Bataan fell. Completely cut off from reinforcements, and heavily utnumbered. Corregidor surrenlered to the Japs on May 6. Wainwright and his gallant band are now presumed to be prisoners of the Japs.

Battle of Java Sea.

The battle of the Java sea began February 27, when the Allied fleet attacked the superior Japanese fleet, if the Netherlands East Indies. In his engagement 13 United Nations varships totaling 47,708 tons were ost in a series of engagements lastng from February 27 to March 1. ncluded in the U.S. losses was he 1,193 ton destroyer "Pope." The through the Aleutian fogs almost to

Hero Ship Sails Into Enemy Fleet, All Guns Blazing

torpedoes.

In the second round of the battle | velt told the story. All guns were for Guadalcanal, in mid-November, when the Japs threw in all they had to recapture the island with its strategic airfield, the navy did a magnificent job. In this engagement, despite their great numerical superiority in ships, enemy losses were about three to our one.

cisco in command of the spearhead At the height of the action the of the attacking force, gave his life cruiser San Francisco sailed right for his country in this battle. The North Africa was launched, unde: San Francisco, although hit many into the enemy fleet-right through the enemy fleet-as President Roose- times, was brought back to port.

ng. Wainwright and some of his | deck the dive bombers, fighters and torpedo planes that swung the tide of battle in favor of Old Glory. A heavy toll of Jap ships was taken.

Japs Invade Aleutians.

Early in June, after bombing Dutch Harbor in Alaska, Jap forces invaded several of the Aleutian islands, in the North Pacific. They made their main stronghold Kiska,

and evidently believed that the everlasting fogs that shroud these islands would be their protection. But Uncle Sam was up there, too, and soon the fleet's heavy guns, Catalina Flying Boats, B-17s and B-24s (Flying Fortresses and Liberators) began bombing and blasting them out. On August 8, a U. S. navy task force, consisting of a great concentration he 9.050-ton cruiser "Houston," and of cruisers and destroyers, glided

blazing. At point blank range she

engaged a Japanese battleship and

disabled her so she could be sunk by

Rear Admiral Daniel J. Callaghan,

a close friend of President Roose-

velt, who was aboard the San Fran-

on part of the Japs. Day and night the pounding goes on, from sea and sky, but the marines, backed by the army and navy, have hung on and

have made some gains. A real show-down between U. S. and Jap forces in the Solomons came about in mid-November when the greatest naval battle since Jutland in 1916 was fought. Supported by MacArthur's big bombers the navy. in a three-day running battle, smashed a tremendous enemy armada, lifting the immediate threat to U. S. positions on Guadalcanal. As we pause to remember Pearl Harbor, we must, to get the overall have in mind the heroic picture, work of U. S. air pilots over China, and U. S. air pilots co-operating with the Royal Air Force in al-

most daily or nightly operations over Hitler's Reich, and over what was known as Occupied France. We must remember the fine work done by American troops in co-operation with Australians, who have pushed back the Japs in New Guinea, turning the tide of battle in the Owen

Stanley mountains, saving Port Moresby, and helping to remove the Press." threat from Australia. Day by day through all the months this has been going on-brave men dying-while

we take time out to read about it. Opening of the Second Front. Things came to a head in the Afri-

can desert early in November. Thou- said: sands of American boys, tank men and aviators participated in the great push of the British Eighth army against Gen. Erwin Rommel's Afrika Korps, which at one time was dangerously close to the Suez canal - one of Britain's darkest hours. Swiftly on the heels of this battle, which became a rout as British forces broke through the El Alamein line, America got the worldshaking news of the opening of the long expected Second Front at an unexpected spot in North Africa, on Saturday, November 7.

Ah, we've forgotten for the moment that raid on Dieppe, in Occupied France-that dangerous, costly

hearsal for the second front, but

also a red herring drawn across the bloody Nazi trail. The Dieppe raid was the foundation of the magnificent success with which the AEF in the brilliant leader, Gen. Dwigh Eisenhower.

GLORY OF CRIPPLE CREEK WILL LIVE IN U. S. HISTORY

AN ACQUAINTANCE of many years, E. V. Jones, who died some two years ago, was editor of the first newspaper published at Cripple Creek, Colo. It was a real pleasure to listen to his tales of experiences in that wild, and then practically lawless, place. The early Cripple Creek was a model for other western mining towns, but no other ever equaled it. Running a newspaper in such a town in its early days was a hazardous occupation. Now Cripple Creek is to become but another of the numerous western ghost A government edict has towns. closed its mines, as gold is not a war necessity. The glory of the Cripple Creek of old will live long in the annals of the West.

. . . FREEDOM OF PRESS VITAL IN DEMOCRACY

Patterson, editor of the Toledo more could you ask of a war song? (Ohio) Blade, delivered a remarkable address on "Freedom of the

Justus Craemer, former president of the National Editorial association, in a letter complimenting Mr. Patterson on that address, put into a concise statement just what and too many others, he died too a free press means to America. He BOOD.

"Advertising, in a profitable sense, cannot exist in a totalitarian state and free enterprise cannot exist without advertising. All our freedom, our enterprise, our civil and religious liberties, stand or fall together.

The newspaper is particularly the medium of expression for any minority not in power, because the newspaper is not under the control of a bureaucratic government and per shacks and peddled apples on a newspaper has the privilege of taking sides in a political contro- dust storms shooed okies all over

. . . JAZZ ORCHESTRAS

Recently I listened for an hour to an orchestra playing jazz music. All of the players looked healthy and physically capable of doing a real man's job. In age they probably ranged from 20 to 35. I wondered if using such manpower on a saxophone and fiddle was more important than gathering corn or firing a rifle. I will not believe we are short of manpower for the armed forces, the farms or the fac tories so long as jazz orchestra: continue to operate.

too blinding for the naked eye.

There's no group as superstitious as show people. They fear more jinxes than a voodoo tribe One of their pet superstitions is that their colleagues always die in threes. It's just happened again, with May Robson, Edna Mae Oliver and Laura Hope Crews passing away. Earlier in the year a Hollywood trio died within a short time of each other-John Barrymore and two producers, J. Walter Ruben and the penguin? 2. What is the binnacle on a Bernie Hyman.

Brooks Atkinson gave a tender column to George M. Cohan. Best "Seward's Folly"? of all was his discussion of "Over There," which was the "theme Rushmore memorial in South Dasong" of the last war. Mr. Atkinkota? son tells you why. "Although 'Over There' has the strangest and most the Magna Carta in 1215? unlikely tune," said Mr. A., "it is one of the songs almost any American can sing on the spur of the moment. It is a perfect expression IN CALIFORNIA recently, Grove of a popular emotion" . . . What pass. So far there have been good ditties for the service branches-Air Corps, Lincoln and Theodore Roosevelt. Marines, etc .- but nothing for the

civilians to get hot about . . . Mr. a foundation for English political Cohan knew how to stir up people. He might have spun out another and personal liberty. "Over There." For that reason,

Two lasses were schmoosing over their daiquiris, wishing the war would end and things get back to normal. What's normal?

That's when the Stock Market fell on its kisser and bankrupted everybody who's anybody . That's when Bundists strutted in Madison Square Garden and challenged the law to make something of it . . That's when people lived in tar pathe corner . . . That's when the the nation.

Things I Never Knew 'Til Now: That you shouldn't applaud at the end of "The Star Spangled Banner." (It would be just as correct to applaud a minister's prayer.)

That when your doctor writes on the prescription: "Gossypium purifactum" don't get panicky. (It only means absorbent cotton.)

That Miles Standish was one of the few warriors correctly christened. Miles, in Latin, means soldier. (Oh, I read it somewhere!)

waistline makes it extra flattering!

ANOTHER

The Questions

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5. What king of England signed

The Answers

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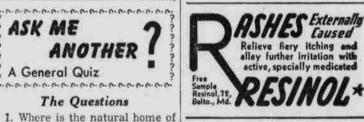
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3. Alaska

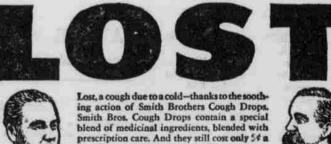
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cheapest luxury man enjoys .- William Matthews.

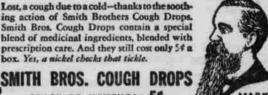


Lacking in Feeling He who has felt nothing does not know how to learn anything .--Rousseau.





box. Yes, a nickel checks that tickle.



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