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LUDWIG ON WAR'S END

Emil Ludwig, noted German author, gives his opinion as to the length of the war in Europe by declaring that the Axis forces will be defeated within a year because they lack the nerve to carry on in the face of adversity.

Mr. Ludwig says that he "saw Germany lose its nerve in 1918 when forsaken by its allies," and that "there would be any difference now." He predicts that the Nazis "will capitulate before any battles are fought on German soil."

The noted German historian forecasts that Italy will be defeated in three months but gives Germany nine months to yield to the Allied offensive.

WOMEN IN THE POST-WAR ARMY

Congresswoman Edith Nourse Rogers, of Massachusetts, comes up with the suggestion that women be kept in the armed services after the war.

We see no objection to the idea. As Mrs. Rogers says there are certain jobs to do well, which men do not like. She mentions telephone operators, interpreters, clerks and weather bureau workers as fields especially suitable for women.

We think Mrs Rogers' idea is sound and that it should be adopted by the government. There is no reason to bar women from permanent places in the armed forces along the lines suggested.

A BOY IN A MAN'S JOB

In the early days of our war with Japan, an American naval officer said that the Japanese did not send a boy to do a man's job.

Recent events in the South Pacific indicate that the Japanese are doing this very thing, using insufficient task forces and suffering losses that are crippling air power, navy and merchant marine.

The mystery could be explained on the basis of a miscalculation of our forces if it happened once but it has occurred repeatedly, at Guadalcanal and in the recent battles around New Georgia. What is the answer? Are the Japanese running short of aircraft, warships and merchant vessels?

TWO IDEAS AS TO JAPAN

Our former Ambassador to Japan, Joseph C. Grew, has stated repeatedly that the Japanese will fight to the last man and that there is no way to defeat them except in a last-itch fight.

Another idea is expressed by J. B. Powell, Shanghai newspaper editor, writing in Liberty Magazine, Mr Powell says: "Let the Japs think they are losing and they will quit trying."

The editor points out that the Japanese people do not know yet

that they have suffered any defeats. Once they do, he adds, and if the defeats are multiplied, it is likely that they will crumble and turn upon the leaders that they thought were invincible.

Of course, both Mr. Powell and Mr. Grew are entitled to their opinions. There is no way to tell which one is correct, but, as the war develops in the Pacific, the answer will come.

HITLER WANTS A PREMATURE INVASION

The cause of Adolf Hitler looks rather sick and we may well assume that the smartest Nazis know, by this time, that Germany cannot win the war through military force and that the only hope for them is a negotiated peace.

How does Germany expect to get this? By the simple expedient, proclaimed by Hitler himself, of making it so costly to inflict a military defeat that the United Nations will give up the job. This is the present Nazi strategy and it might be worth while to discover the best way to avoid such a disaster.

Obviously, if the Anglo-American armies undertake a premature invasion of Europe, under pressure from Russia, or anyone else, they will present Hitler with an opportunity to overwhelm the invasion force, with bloody losses, thus strengthening his argument that such an invasion is impossible.

There is no present sign that the Allied high command has any idea of falling into such a trap. The military proceedings in Tunisia and Sicily demonstrate that our generals take time to make adequate preparation for attack, which probably explains why they have had such outstanding success.

It is not for civilians to tell Gen. Eisenhower, or any other commander, when, where or how to attack the enemy. Neither is it our task to decide when preparations are adequate for the task. Let us have faith in the intelligence of our leaders. It will help win the war.

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FALL OF DUCE HARD BLOW TO HITLER

COLLAPSE OF ITALIAN RESISTANCE HITS GERMANY HARD AND JARS HER SATELITE ALLIES

By Hugo S. Sims

The retirement of Mussolini in Italy, after about two decades of arrogant dictatorship, coupled with the relegation of the Fascists to secondary position, means the end of Italian aggression and the ultimate withdrawal of the "empire" from the war.

This sudden development, following closely upon Allied successes in Sicily and Tunisia, gives new evidence of the wisdom of the war plans of the United Nations. If Italy is forced out of the struggle the achievement will be more important than the opening of a second front in northern France some months ago.

Few people realize the vast results that have from the epochal decision to invade North Africa. The Axis have been expelled from that continent, the Mediterranean has been opened to our shipping and the way has been cleared for an actual invasion of Southern Europe.

This is not all. The Axis lost some 300,000 men in North Africa, is about to lose an equal number in Sicily and the withdrawal of Italy, which may occur any day, will mean that all Italian soldiers are out of action, this will seriously affect the situation in the Balkans.

The fruits of our invasion of North Africa include the seizure of important bases on that continent, the acquisition of needed facilities in Sicily and the promise of early occupation of the Italian mainland which will offer advanced bases for renewed and heavier assaults upon vital, and hitherto somewhat inaccessible, industrial areas of Germany.

Consider the problem of Hitler, as German manpower dwindles under the crushing impact of the Russian campaign and the mounting threat of the Anglo-Americans. When Tunisia fell the Axis had to find new soldiers to meet our men, as Sicily disappears the drain will be renewed and, as Italy gets out of the war, the Germans must assume the entire burden.

This means that several hundred thousand German soldiers must be rushed to the Balkan area. In addition, German troops must be arranged to meet the new threat that arises in Italy itself. While the role of the Italian armies in the present war has not been glorious they have eased the load of German manpower, releasing soldiers for other fields.

It is not very wise to look too far ahead of events but the implications of the present development increases the optimism of the people of the United Nations. We may figure with reasonable expectancy, that Italy is through as an Axis asset. Her surrender will be almost as serious to Hitler's cause as the surrender of France was to Great Britain.

Italy's withdrawal, coming after Nazi Germany has endured nearly four years of war, is relatively more important than if it had occurred in the flush of German successes.

Nobody knows where the armies of the United States and Great Britain will strike, after the Sicilian campaign ends. Certainly, if Italy is definitely out of the war the occupation of that country will not engage our full force, unless Hitler decides to fight on the soil of Italy rather than await an offensive directed against Germany itself.

If however, Hitler abandons the Italians, permitting the Allies to occupy that nation, he will find his entire right flank seriously endangered. Fighting desperate-

ly in Russia the Nazis have looked to the Balkan anchor as a measure of security for forces used against Russia.

A successful attack in the Balkans would unhinge the entire German line in Russia and would probably compel the Nazis to make extensive withdrawals, either to the Dnieper river line or, possibly, further west. This would be a delicate and dangerous operation in view of the vigor of Russian attacks and might become a rout.

We are speculating somewhat upon the assumption that Italy will soon get out of the war. This is likely but not certain. The possibility exists that the King and Marshal Badoglio may rally Italian support and that the Italians, fighting for their own lands will make a better and longer defense. Even so, with Sicily lost, the result of any campaign against Italy is only a matter of weeks.

When we acquire airfields our bombers will multiply the attacks upon Germany. They will also menace the Balkans, including Rumanian oil fields. Where they will be used depends upon the decision of the high command as to the next attack.

The collapse of Italian resistance will have important political repercussions in the satellite nations that support the Axis regime. Bulgaria, Rumania and Hungary will understand the full implications of Italy's surrender. They know Germany.

The fighting, on other fronts continues with the Russians making slow, but steady, gains against the Germans. In the South Pacific the general situation remains unchanged. In the Atlantic the U-boat has been scotched.

In Germany exploding bombs continue to cause great damage.

Back of the favorable military picture is the avalanche of war production that is rapidly reaching the battlefronts to overwhelm Axis manpower and guarantee our victory with a minimum loss of our fighting men.

FAISON NEWS

FELLOW POETS MEET

The Fellow Poets met at the home of Mrs. C. Beems on Friday evening. Mrs. H. T. Ray, the president presided and Miss Sallie Hill, the newly elected secretary, called the roll and read the minutes of the last meeting.

The study for the evening, the life and works of Robert Browning was most ably discussed by Mrs. Ray. She gave a number of Browning's poems to illustrate his different kinds of writing. A poem, "My Oriental Heaven," written by Miss Bertha Outlaw, a sixteen year old girl of Mt Olive, R. 2, was read by Mrs. Ray and discussed by the club. This young writer gives promise of a real future in the writing of poetry. Original poems read were: "To Aunt Lucinda," Mrs. C. Beems; "To a Bird," Mrs. J. M. Bowden; "My Son's Pockets," Mrs. H. T. Ray. At the conclusion of the meeting the hostess served whipped cream cake and an iced drink.

PERSONALS

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after an appendectomy. Mrs. J. X. Morton entered the Goldsboro hospital on Saturday for a slight operation.

Mrs. May Oates Malloy is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Isham Faison.

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