

Above the Hullabaloo

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AMERICA INVINCIBLE

History shows us that as war progresses they change their character and finally lose all trace of their original causes. Already the origins of this war are becoming lost in a maze of vicissitudes. Its whole complexion is taking on new color and design. It is now rapidly acquiring a stronger ideological atmosphere: the type which smacks too greatly of Karl Marx in his more despotic moods.

The fundamental causes of this war were the same as those of the majority of wars — economic and imperialistic. Ger-

many wanted to become economic and physical master of Europe; the other interested nations objected. But today Hitler announces as his principal objective the destruction of what he calls socialism, among all the peoples of the world. The economic origins of the war are being submerged in a whirlpool of high-sounding and frightening philosophies.

A military machine such as that which Hitler controls, is a powerful weapon. But a military force can be overcome by a stronger military force, or by attrition, or by more brilliant strategy, or by starvation or lack of supplies, or by dispersion back of the lines. It requires even greater power to combat an ideology like Communism or Nazism once it approaches within threatening distance: a power based upon prosperity, mass content, human happiness and internal unity — and backed up by invincible physical strength.

It is reasonable to believe that a well trained modern army, of not necessarily huge proportions, with an up-to-the-minute air force and a two-ocean navy would discourage an attempted invasion of our shores by almost any military combination of nations. But an ideological enemy is a bird of another feather. Navies don't stop these enemies unless those navies are part of a national military machine, so powerful and united in all its principles that even uncompassionate philosophies crack up against its solid front.

The longer this war lasts the weaker the European nations will become. Their economic and financial structures will be "shot to pieces" regardless of which side wins. It is then that Communism and its first cousin Socialism will have their chance. They may be successful in those nations which are unable to get their people back to work so that they can buy food. If most of Europe should go Communist or Socialist, we will be face to face with an enemy far more dangerous and penetrating than any military organization.

But strangely enough, a military front so invincible that no one would dare assault it, has proven, and always will prove an impregnable wall to hostile aims. An unconquerable Democracy will remain a Democracy as long as it maintains its physical power. But if it allows itself to become weak and "sloppy," it is going to encounter dangers of every kind. The troubles in Europe today are sufficient proof of that.

At this moment too many of

our people are in an agony of indecision as to the best procedure which we should follow in building an impregnable defense. Some believe we should keep all our armaments output here at home. Others believe we should ship as much of it as possible to England. If we are in danger from either military or ideological enemies, there is risk in any step which we may take; but it would seem logical to assume that we will gain more time in which to construct the factories which would make possible a rapid output of arms. If in the meantime, as much material as we can safely spare is put to work against our potential foes.

Of course, if we shipped most of our present defense material, or ALL of our present armament, output, or both, we would be taking a foolish risk; and we will be "aking an almost certain road to war if we attempt to send ANY materials under the American flag through the submarine blockade.

But there are other means of

accomplishing our purposes without too greatly endangering our own defense, and without having away our trump card — our neutrality. The American people, for the most part, believe our President will find those ways.

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The Loyal Workers team met at the home of Billy Gambill Tuesday night, Jan. 21, at 7:00 o'clock. Doyle Newman presided over the meeting. The scripture lesson was John 3:16-20, read by Ben Oliver, after which prayer was led by Jack Powers. Bible stories were told by Tommy Parker and Charlie Hinson. Rev. Pincham, president, made a talk from a poster he made. His subject was "A Streamlined World." In this he pointed out that all progress is on the increase but that Christianity is on the decrease. Talks were made by Mr. and Mrs. Garfield Gambill. Rev. Pincham is now eating dots, and what do the dogs eat?

close of the meeting by Mrs. Gambill. Among our stak friends are Mr. Ather Newman, Mr. Walter Osborne, Mrs. Burch, Mrs. Swain, Mrs. Claude Hinson, Jimmie Chairman, Mrs. Tom Parker and John Barker. We hope for all of these a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Erolie Culler and family of Pinnacle, and Miss Estelle Inman, of Mount Airy were Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Newman and family.

Rev. Claude E. Pincham, president of the Young People's Loyal Movement of North Carolina, expects to start several classes soon for young men and women who are interested in being Christian leaders throughout the state. The lessons will be taught only from the Bible. All young men and women who want to take this special training for Christian work are urged to communicate with Rev. Pincham.

The Germans are now eating dots, and what do the dogs eat?

The Old Fool
He: "They tell me the Colonel is a seageneralian."
She: "The old fool! And at his age, too!"

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THE LONE RANGER BY FRAN STRIKER

SOMEONE HAS FOUND OUR OLD CAMP! **THAT'S RIGHT!** **NO USE TRYING GARRICES, TILL WE FIND OUT WHO IS IN THE WOODS WITH US!** **WE'VE NOT HEARD SOUND!** **SOMEONE HAS BUILT A HUGE FIRE, BUT THERE'S NO SIGN OF WHO IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN!** **WHAT?** **TONTTO GET UP!**

WHAT IS IT, TONTTO? **TONTTO GOT UP FELLER! FETCH UM TO LIGHT NOW!** **THIS GUY? NOT MORN!** **GREAT SCOTT, TONTTO! PUT HER DOWN AND WE'LL LOOSEN THOSE ROPES.** **ONLY TWO OF YOU! YOU'D BETTER RUN FOR IT! THE PLOTTERS WILL BE BACK! THEY'LL KILL US ALL!**

THEY WON'T KILL ME, 'CAUSE I WAS AND I'VE BEEN THE ONLY ONE WHO'S CERTAINLY GET YOU IF THEY FIND YOU HERE! **WHO ARE THESE "KILLERS"?** **I DON'T KNOW! NO ONE KNOWS, BUT YOU MUST LEAVE! IT WILL BE TRAGIC FOR THE LONE RANGER TO DIE!** **YOU KNOW YES THE KILLERS HAVEN'T FOUND ONE OF YOUR SILVER BULLETS HERE! BUT GO NOW! YOU HAVEN'T TIME TO WASTE!** **WE'LL TAKE YOU WITH US AND WE'LL HANG YOU OFF THE STORY OF THE HORSES! TONTTO! DON'T KNOW HOW TO HANG YOU! I MUST HANG YOU!**

YOU MUST STAY HERE! BUT I CAN'T TAKE YOU! YOU SPOKE OF LEFT SIMPLY LEAVE! YOU GAGGED AND TIED! **PLEASE DON'T! HOW CAN I GET YOU OUT OF HERE?** **WE GOT VISITORS IN THE CAMP!** **ANY OF ALL WHO MIGHT BE ABLE TO HIT HER, IT'S THE LONE RANGER! THIS IS SURE GOOD LUCK!** **I HEAR THEM COMING BACK! NOW IT'S TOO LATE FOR YOU TO GET AWAY!** **FIRE WHEN I GIVE THE WORD, WE'LL GET THE LONE RANGER OUT AND FOR ALL!**

WAIT TILL THE GIRLS TO ONE SIDE SO WE CAN HIT HER, I'LL SAY WHEN YOU'RE TO FIRE! **LOOK! THE GIRLS GOT A GUY!** **(YOU STOP)** **YES, YOUR CAMP! THEY FOUND ONE OF YOUR SILVER BULLETS HERE! BUT GO NOW! YOU HAVEN'T TIME TO WASTE!** **JUST REMEMBER, WE GOT YER SISTER CAPTURED, TOO. YOU TRY AN ESCAPE FROM US, AND IT WON'T BE HEALTHY FOR HER!** **THE MIDGE UP AGAIN, NOW THAT THE LONE RANGER IS DONE, FOR WE GOT NOTHING TO STAND IN THE WAY OF OUR PLAN!**

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