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## Opportunity

If Only We Could Crush Japan Now—But We Can't

Japan Nove—Bitt I to Can't I to readily understood why the Chinese rather hitterly denounce the Allied conduct of the war in the Pacific. American grand strategy, at the beginning of the war with Japan was merely to try to hold in the Bacific and deal with Hitler Irst. The unexpected with Hitler Irst. The unexpected with the parties and early alight alterations in that plan. If we read correctly between the lines of Sectedary Know's latest speech. The altered strategy seems to be Rendiffe, but Pacific Set. retary Knox's latest speech. The tered strategy seems to be to make tensive sacrifices in the Pacific— still to give Germany priority as United States' Number One enemy.

United States' Number One enemy.
Indisputably the Chinese have earned,
during their valiant five-year warspannal Japan, the right to criticke. And
who 'can balle them for demanding
that the United States concentrate on
Span first? Was not Japanese aggression begun before Hitler came to
gower? Germany must seem remote
to the typical Chinese soldier who quite
possibly may have received his early
training under German sumy officers.

There is much in what the Chinese

realing under German strmy officers. There is much in what the Chinese my. Rever, it would seem, was a nation more open to land, sea and air states have been and of the state of span today. Her sinks, planes and men are scattered over hundreds of flousands of square milies. Japs are britising bases in Mindanao in the Philippines, their troops are atrung out in the Mallay states by the thousands, volumerable to a flank states from Burma. We may never have another such opportunity—and yet what does it avail us if we lack the means of turning it to our larantage?

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It is too late to repar the damage of
the decades of faltering and foolith
stery in the Pacific. Our lack of striktioner is the direct result of an atspied approachment. We are now
used to defeat Japan the hard way,
abould not be honest with either our
like or ourselves if we pretended other-

### Confidence

The Man Had It, and We **Bops** He Keeps It

Mose He Keeps It

MacArthur's giving them hell, lim's at? the man observed with evident soul cheer. "I heard over the radio fast every lime he fired one of his guns are bieve a Jap tank to amithereena." Oh, BacArthur's in a terribe spot. The serve guns and tanks his fire destroys, its more lap soldiers he kills, the more lap's bodiers held of the man out-fight 'em and watch held's held, and if he kills lent times 700 lap'll still keep coming on, and they've gal complete outroil of the air, and while MacArthur and his U. 8. and Fill-juse (roops have Jought beautifully beautifu has troops have fought beautifully, less we hemmed him up there on the batan peninsula with his back to the

The man grunted his disdain of such The men grunted his disdain of such wask and unpartitotic arguments and to show his contempt for any odds the Sapa might have. He knew better, wasn't one American sodier superior to a whole squad of the little brownies? Wasn't the American tradition of invincibility in war hovering over us like a good fairs? Humphi Japa beating asserteans? He'd hear to nothing of the ext.

That was the way he looked at it, and shife we think that the Philippines have a blow in store for him, whole to keep that such national conecit is not a size basis lime asset?

### Marching Songs

Our Ever-Cautious Army May Revive a Tradition

Seling duly respectful of the part mar-lal music plays in building military sorale (and much impressed by the em-leaded part of the the Maris we have the windered why our War Depart-sent didn't undertake to teach more music solidiers quarching songs. Therefore we were greatly encouraged the announcement, that Marshall Maris and the different of the

the announcement that Marshall falsoness, capable director of the finding file Club, has accepted an invitation to leach recreational singing at the first,. The cautious brass rate, as briggs, The cautious brass rate, as supplied to the morable branch of cases, were quick to label the profile of the company, were quick to label the profile of the company, were quick to label the profile of the company of the

choral directors may be asked to go to Army posts to supervise group singling. If Mr. Bartholomes gets half a chance, his success should be immediate and instructive. There's nothing like singling to shorten a march. But soldiers get tired of singling the few songs everybody knows. They like to sound good, but unless they have training, they can't do much more than sing in unissen, without harmony.

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Anyone who has ever heard Hitler's
strapping young men singing fullthroated as they march to Horst Wessel
will never forget it. Morale? They're
bubbling over with ft.

We don't have to ape the Wehrmacht.

American soldiers were marching and singing before Germany was a nation. There's nothing wrong with maintaining our own traditions.

### Double Standard

Government Adonts a New Code of Financial Ethics

Code of Financial Ethics

Asset nucleus of many an American bank, insurance company and investment firm is packet of U. S., state and municipal bonds from which springs a confortable yearly interest payment that is exempt from Federal taxation. The tax-exempt bond grew up as an American institution.

Begun as a means of making bonds more attractive to buyers, a sort of noblesse oblige restrained the Government from reneging, even after a ready market for its obligations was assured. Today the future of the tax-exempt bond hangs by a slender thread. Treasury Secretary Morgenthau has proposed that Federal levies be assessed against interest received from all bonds, regardless of past promises. And despite cries of "unfair" and "bad faith" in Congress, the necessity of raising at least nine bit-lions it axes may justify the broken-

of "unfair" and "bad faith" in Congress, the necessity of raising at least nine billions in taxes may justify the broken piedge, or at least, make it expedient.

In the early days of his first administration, President Roosevelt cut the Oordian knot of another langled monetary problem by lowering the gold content of the dollar and recalling all gold certificates from circulation. If a promise of refemption in actual gold was implied in lasuing these certificates, then that promise certainly was broken. At any rate, such drastic action in one emergency certainly provides piecedent for equally arbitrary procedure in time of an even greater cisias.

Whether the Government is morally and legally right or wong in so changing its mind is for the lawyers and philosophers to decide. It is safe to say

ing its mind is for the lawyers and phi-losophers to decide. It is safe to say that an individual couldn't get meay with altering his pledges. Thus is in-dicated a widening gap between the standards imposed by Covernment on private transactions and the code under which the Covernment itself operates. In every double-standard there is a dan-ger; in this one the danger is extreme-ly grave.

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At present the Government is selling more bonds to more people than at any other time in our history. These bond purchasers are, in effect, lending part of

purchasers are, in effect, lending part of their buying power to the Government. The assumption is that Defense bond-holders will be paid off in the same kind of dollars they are putting up. Suppose that the Government, acting under extraordinary powers, found it expedient to further cheapen the cur-rency Again this might be permissible under latter-day standards. But among the millions of little bondholders there might be a profound misunderstanding that could easily produce a violent re-action.

It is not too early for the Government to inform the people which promises it considers binding and which may be sub-ject to alteration.

The primary class in punning might work up something along the line of Hitler dropping his generals, von by von.

As long as he didn't get Moscow for Christmas, perhaps Adolf ought to take the whole Russian campaign back to the exchange deak.

What's become of the old-fash-loned party who asked, "is it a private fight or can anyone get in?"

The Fuchrer puls great reli-ance in his own intuitions. We're still betting, though, on the sixth sense of Rudolph Ress.

## Farm Bloc Scheming

By Paul Mallon

WASHINGTON



BANKHEAD WAS LEADER OF A VANISHED ARMY

OF A VANISHED ARMY What had thrown him further off their trail, was the fact that a farm leader, Senator Bankead, had made an agreement in the committee to oppose the OMahoney-Busself runaway amendment, 1700 per cent of parity and up. Dankhead kept his agreement. He voted against his agreement.

oted against it.

Rut it developed when the vale was taken, he was not leading the farm blee this time. When the tellers looked around for the farm army usually behind blm, it was discovered he was a general standing alone.

was a general standing such Hy the time Mr. Henderson and his busy boss, Mr. Roosevell, found they were faced with a farm price boosting bill. It was too late to stop the stamped. The bulk of the final voice against them were being contributed by their own leading Senators from Southern States.

Paging Schools and Schools and the school of the cloakrooms that coton and potators would fare better than other commodities under the bill. Trying to stop a South-Interest proved to be just like stopping an Axis tank with a ted light. They felt labor had been allowed to get away with wage increases, and saw tertbutton if wage in the creases, and saw tertbutton if the post-loss.

lons.

No one seemed very proud of the Senale afterward, however. The gebate had furnished no recognition that a war was on. Obviously many Senators had not raised their sights from the Navember, elections.

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Bo FDR decided to take hold, and work out some compromise in the clostered privacy of the flours and Senate conference committees which will fit in closer with his price limitation purposes. That will be done.

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PANAERS STILL INTACT
The Nash save exapped the Briltish trap in Libys with at least
two armored divisions intact. The
British can hold Breazel and use
tions when the authors align are
cleated from the harbor. But for
the present, hopes of pushing on
to Tripell and perhaps into Italy,
must be held in abeyance.

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Alexandric arts anotherms letthe Nasi remnants get away, but
reinforcements which General Remmel pushed in through Tripoli,
were certainly equally responsible.
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The secret of success in this war is no different from the Civil War or Revolution, at-though different weapons are used. Espectations of victor require superiority in numbers and equipment-used at home-with the enemy, Until we can bring superior forces to be supen the Japa and Nasis at points of our choosing, we cannot reasonably espect to much.

much.

Stories are around that American troops will serve under British officers—but that means only in kolated cases. A regiment or two in Australia, for example, a division would have its own commander (acting under Generaliasimo Wavell, of course).

An air force in British would have been observing in the Royal Air Force for some time. So would our tank force in Libys, where a number of our junior and senior under our junior and senior state of the course o

### TODAY'S BIBLE THOUGHT

Many mortals have thought themselves above God or independent of Him. He who leaves the state of the state of

# Welcome, New Taxpayers

By Dorothy Thompson



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Take comfort in the thought that you fit you had the money, you will find difficulty in spending it for many of the things you will find difficulty in spending it for many of the things you will be helping to share off inflation, and arm the country more quickly and more efficiently.

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ARE AHEAD OF US to Calving These are purely to be Calving the factor of the better. If the Government is spending money in the way is supported by the control of the better. If the Government is spending money in the way it must and you are, too, money will be and the false of the control of the c

## Opposes Sales Tax

Editors, This News:

There is one form of tax I gladity pay, and that is the graduated by pay, and that is the graduated by pay, and that is the graduated of t

fense program, a general sales fax would not only discriminate against insu-income swyters but it would also dollberately evade the obligation of the sales of th

WILLIAM EDGERTON, Guilford College,

"To the Boys In the News Room . . ."

In the News Room . . ."
Tottoer, The News:
Now that the Red Cross drive has been wapped up, sealed, and delivered . . I have a faw menta to consider the very worthy desired to the sealed of the seal



Senator Soaper Says:

A Russian dandellon is hatled as a prolific new source of needed nibber. When pulled, we understand, it snaps back into the lawn.

## They Don't Know the Half Of It

-Bu Herblock



## Our Job At Home

By Raymond Clapped

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## WE MUST WIN AIR

SUPERIORITY FIRST

'Fer our purpose we know all that is necessary. Our common sense will tell us the real. We know we have suffered a severe blow in the Pacific, We are told not to expect a full-scale naval assemble on Japanese forces in the near future. We know that Japan thus far fiture. We know that Japan thus farhas advanced rapidly through ses and
alr superiority. We know that until we
can throw large numbers of planes into
the Southwest Pacific, the Japaness onruish probably rannot be stopped. Since
we are not to expect a mari attack on
Japanese forces, we must look to the
air, and must put our effort there.
What else do we need to know here
at home? Nothing. The Job is plainly
marked out. It is to pump planes and
more planes and yet more into the
Southwest Pacific until the Japanese
are driven out of the air. That Job
slatts here at home.

# BESIDES THE PACIFIC THERE IS THE WHOLE WORLD It is that job and a whole lot more.

For there is also the battle of the For three is also the battle of the Atlantic, and the organization and dispatch of American forces to various parts of the world as suggrested in President Roosevelt's annual message. Winning this war is obing to be the hardest job this nation ever lackled. There lost an informed person here who doesn't realize it.

Because Mayer La Guardia and Mrs. Research are slubbernly silting tight at the Office of Civilian Defense, despits the appalling distantial content of the American State of the Civilian Defense, despits the appalling distantial content of the Civilian Defense, despits charter and the Civilian of the Civilian Mrs. Research and the Civilian Mrs. Research and the Civilian and State of Harrard. He is a brillian man in his field but he has had no notable to experience in such a nation-wide job of organization and handling large humbers at people active of the Civilian defense by requires. Membels, a men like Jim Fariry, who knows the people in every county of the country who can get things done, is left establish to sell self dirika. WART IS BIG ENOVGH TO Because Mayor La Guardia and

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who have long sgo demonstrated thrilloxity and capacity. Flenty of others could be used to great advantage in this total effort, as Mr. Roosevell is finally again using Bernard M. Baruch, after a term in the doghouse.

Some fresh faces around here would be a tonic relief from the feuding, from what Secretary Tekes thinks of Harry Hopkins and vice versa, and what Secretary Wickard and Leon Henderson think of each other, and all of the inside gouging around OPM and SFAB.

Total instrancy is a fulle dram, but the democalization here before the appointment of Donald Nelson had reached the point where it was interfering with the wholehearded, agreessive direction of the total was effort that must be head before the short time that has been left runs out.

### Visitin' Around

Why Dan't You Take L'p Flahing, Mr. Martin?

Up Things, Mr. Martin's (Mt. Morish Hem., Monros Journal)
Some time ago Mr. Heward Martin bought a bird dog, and while he was and thinding title dog ran against the gun barrel and the gun went off, wounding the dog so bedy it had to be killed. Mr. Martin bought another line dog and in a few days he ran over it with a truck and killed it. Somehow Mr. Martin is having bad luck with his dogs.

Life Goes On

(Kyles Greek Hem,

Bendethonville Times-News)

Mr. Coy Barnwell of Mount, Zion is
quitting and hauling in some wood for
Winter in His action. Pisto Patilio killed
a fine hog for Ohristman.

Oh, Yeah? Speak For

Neupatif, John
(Rt. 3 Item, Lonoir News-Topia)
Children around these parts are very cauxious for school to begin again.