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#### ricket At Sea The "Nice" Germans Have A Laugh at the Italians

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The British ship was a big 'un with be persons aboard, including 50 wives children of British servicemen and 6 Italian prisoners, all hauled around Cape of Good Hope from Suzz. Six seren aubmarines, with one Italian the crowd, spotted her a couple of their miles at eas off Casabianca, let her have a couple of torpedoes, yield the work.

After, a German sub commander told awound engineer that he had not will women and children were aboard.

assumption is that the Italian sub not known, either, that two-hirds of souls aboard were Caesar's ex-wara.

not known, either, that two-thirds of south aboard were Caesar's ex-war-a, and the south were Caesar's ex-war-a, and the south was described as exemplary, but Tailam prisoners went into a full-god panic. And from then on, with its and liferatts dotting the water and lachool of U-boats cruising about like-their ducks on a pond, a by-stander aid have thought that the Germans is the British had gone to the easne old, and that, the Italian was the self-their ducks on a pond, a by-stander aid have thought that the Germans is the British had gone to the same old, and that, the Italian was the self-their ducks on the German sub commander told the deel little boy of the neighborhood one verybody picked on. The German sub commander told the deel little box of the neighborhood one verybody picked on. The German sub commander told the deel little box of the them the provided the rescue vessel would make not to shoot. He also picked up survivors from rafts and kept them ille, but later had to put them off boats and liferafts because they athed too much of the precious unwater air. Another U-boat stopped is lifeboats and handed out food. I another took on board women and diren, saying that they would be wer, and in their stead handed over it Italians, their vanuted alles, whom y had picked up from the water. Try, old chap," the sub commander to the other their properties. The one solde from the edotine itself, was oulled by an Italians election itself, was oulled by an Italians.

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Be one snide trick, aside from the decloring itself, was pulled by an Itasubmarine, probably the Jackal that 
bunting with the German pack. 
Boatloads of survivors were sailing 
land and had made some 120 miles 
in the Italian surfaced. "You damned 
tahers." he swore. "are so determare awhere the ship had gone down. 
oebbels, we say, would never have 
wed to be published a story making 
the enemy to be composed of polite 
considerate humanitarians, and in 
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case we string along part way with considerate humanitarians, and in case we string slong part way with little doctor. It is had propaganda. If Germans, this once, were decent, it of have been merely the mood of a range, Let no one forget that for the parbarity and organized cruely on lobal scale, the race is surpassed only ill. Eastern comrade-in-arms, the Juli many a field of grinning poest, utterly beyond the amenities sub capitalism and German gentlemen, it cently to that as fact. I testify to that as fact.

#### **Leb**ellion

Burke County's Troubles Spring From Prohibitions

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whree County's turnedl, generated by
strial of former law enforcement ofvia allegedly involved in crimes of
ruces, bribery and general corruption,
nigs us once more to consider the
is spawned by prohibition. In the
of beleaguered Burke, it has been
subtition of laquor and prohibition of
the gambling. And that kind of legistive approach in any community ineaby invites wholesale violation of the

further, it sets up a new class of sinals who are not necessarily vicabolic period of the set of th

J. E. Dowd, Vice-Pro and Editor • W. C. Dowd, 1865-1927 •

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# charges brought the case into focus charges brought the case into focus, though murder was not charged. The charges of malfeasance of office showed Burke's tribulations to be glaring examples of the ills growing from hard and fast control. Evidence from investigating agents and other witnesses painted a dark picture of life in the county, of corruption, of war between red and white illquor interests, of payoffs and hush money, of guards set against guards. How much more terrible is such corruption and its attendant violence than

How much more terrible is such cor-ruption and its attendant violence than conditions which would have existed in the county under legalized liquor con-trol? How long will it be before State and local governments discover that the way to control is not through prohibi-tions which don't prohibit, not through outlawing minor vices? Burke County, for one, would be more happly state-ed today, and have lived through years of peace rather than undeclared liquor war, had license reigned.

#### The Trap

Japs Pay Dearly For Bait In The Solomons

The Japs, like some pestilence, fall again and again upon the Solomons and New Guinea, making their own risks, taking their own chances, and sacrificing sea power almost recklessly in the face-saying attempt to wipe out the first American offensive. And, though we have paid a great price ourselves, that is a toll of battle. The enemy has suffered terrible losses, and has been forced to place in combat valuable units which . might have been kept intact for better

Thus the campaign in the Southwest Pacific, though it has not yet produced the great forward momentum at first optimistically expected, serves as a bait-

optimistically expected, serves as a baited trap for Japan. Committed to regain their lost footholds, the enemy commanders have sent force after force to its doom, so that a great fleet now lies in ruin, and a veritable army of battle-trained troops has been wiped out.

For this reason, the almost static conditions of battle in the area (static in the sense that we are holding and slowly consolidating, and not sweeping forward) may be of far greater military value in the end than a full-scale action to storm the next ring of Japstrongholds. So long as the ever-smaller forces of destroyers and crulsers come teaming in, are found and damaged or sunk by our planes and our ships, then our investment is paying great dividends.

#### Photo Flood

Soldiers Send Pictures Home In Unprecedented Numbers

We've discovered a new era in the story We've discovered a new era in the story of man, to be known to posterily as the Age of Likenesses, a sub-division of The Machine Age, People bent-upon having their pictures made, we are told, are turning the world of photographers up-side down. One businessman with a camera gave us a conservative estimate that more portraits are being made these days than ever before in history. We guessed it must be the war.

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The war it was, he sald. Seems like every soldier in the area is in the photograph market, and not for one. Most of them buy fail a dozen or so. There is a pressing demand for pictures to be sent home to parents and relatives, sweethearts and friends. During the last week of the month, they flock in, pose, and claim pictures on pay day,

week of the month, they flock in, pose, and claim pictures on pay day.

And the flood of new business has generated another rush. The folks back home, in turn, are sending their own pictures into the camps. All told, there's a bank-run on studios month after month. It's reached such proportions that photographers, rationed to half of last year's film consumption, can't take care of the demand. At least that's one case, and we take it to be typical of the industry as a whole.

From the wave of huying has come a studio philosophy; that the average solider is wallowing in prosperity, with more money to spend as he likes now than he ever hab before, and from that aprings the picture panic. We've given the phenomenon considerable thought, but can utter yet no deathless comment, except that, in wartime, what a fellow looks like becomes more important than ever.

"Blame the Americans-They Took Your Colonies!"



Out Of Confusion

# The Greatest War Machine

By Samuel Graiton

NEW YORK WHILE a number of flapjaws have been telling us how muddled and confused we are, we have quietly become the strongest military power on earth. high places are unscientific minds, and their attention is therefore arrested by exceptions, by the blazer, by the amusing, by the silly, but not by the customary, or the big.

ne customary, or the big.

Thus, while many a Congressman has been helding some unimportant Government questionnaire to his nose, with an expression saying that nebedy knows how and it is to be a mother, we have somehow come to outproduce the entire Azia in the field of munitions. By the end of the control of the contro

we man have use at this write field of the have been taking about something clear. He was a strong the we don't know where the inadequate.

Every public Issue must be discussed in the light of the knowledge that this is an entirely different country from the one of two years ago. Is it a world to stability after the war? If you are still lying, mentally, in 1939, we cannot do so, because them we produced about \$10,000,000 of machine tools, But if you are living, mentally, in 1939, we cannot do so, because them we produced about \$100,000,000 of machine tools, But if you are living, mentally, in 1934, we have a branches of the stable of the

he same problems, as he did in 1997

Well, then, he is a foot: the America of 1978
Is to far behind us that he might almost as
the behind us that he might almost as
the same of normal industrial expansion into two years, and that knowledge ought to shine out of everything that is said on all these matters, or else the speaker ought to sprinke some lavendar on himself, like a proper sattlute, and put himself away in a drawer.

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To capture this sense of the moment becomes the lighest duty of the average man. He is not helped this duty by the publicit who jumps up and the property of the property o

beans in a sack of coffee. We have a whole new language to learn. Do you realize you are living in a country which has solved the aluminum shortage? Oh, you didn't know that. Well, we are wallowing in the stuff.

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problems without conveying this sense of America's
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for example, without adding that we have public debt,
for example, without adding that we have grown
twenty years in two years, contributes precisely
as much to public, enlightenment as if he were
drunkenly singing Sweek Adeline under a lamppost. Every relationship throughout the world
has been changed by our progress in the last
two years.

Precisely because of our enlarged production and increased weight, the least remark of one of our diplomats has an explosive emphasis it did not have before. (Sometimes I feel that our State Department has been caught short, like most of us, by these great changes; it still hasn't lost its hat-in hand manner in dealing with the scum of the earth, the lesser Fascists of Europe).

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An American promise of assistance to another cauntry is now consequential, as it never was before. American indifference to proper plansform, and the property of the property

There is almost no plan for the world rehabilita-tion that we don't have the power to carry out. The big adventure ahead will be for each of us, from President to bus-boy, to try to grow as big as his country has grown.

## Water, Water...

A CONVOY entered a Puerto Rican harbor, laden with doughboys and 2,000 tons of sugar. Puerto Rican business men protested in these words:

cuan business men protested in these words:
"Over in the stakes, you are enjoying what has been described as a sugar shortage. Here in Puerto Rico, we have so much sugar we cannot lind warchouser for it—and another crop is coming in. What's the idea of dumping more on us?"

The commanding officer—so goes the story—drew himself up. "Don't you realize," he barked, "that this is war?"

# Poor Timing

# Labor Trouble

By Raymond Clapper

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WASHINGTON

GOME labor people have picked a very poor time to make troubs.

The new Congress, which comes in just after New Years, is certain secure in the present Congress, which comes in just after New Years, is certain secure in the present Congress but labor is going to be far less secure from new consensus the present Congress but labor is going to be far less secure from new consensus the present Congress but labor is going to be far less secure from new consensus the present consensus have new allest in the Republican who have come back in droves from the Middle west farm section, which is now a bitter anti-labor section.

Not suly that, but this is not IRIZ. New there is plenty education, which is now a bitter anti-labor section.

Not suly that, but this is not IRIZ. New there is plenty edward a destraint from what it is today. Then a 60-hour west was a destraint from what it is lookay. Then a 60-hour west was a destraint from what it is lookay. Then a 60-hour west made and there is less patience. The west halfs everybedy and subsedy cares to make an exception for labor. The whole climate here, but the constant of the co

es smart to note what the seasoned stipper does.

I think reactionary Republicans are reading tee much into the last elections. I don't believe people in this country are ready to go back to Harding. But they don't see that labor needs so much featherbedding as it did when times were hard. Labor legislation won't be repeated because of speeches by the efficers of the National Association of Manufacturers nearly as quickly as it will be through public disgust with labor's conduct.

public disgust with labor's conduct.

'This is a time, too, when labor, like all consumers, will be gouged by inflation unless the Federal Government can hold stable the whole structure of prices and wages.

Mr. Roosevelt has just barely been able to hold Congress from giving in to the farm bloc and tipping the lid to permit jacking up prices, and the price of the price behave. Roosever, and charge what the traffic would bear in these times of shortage.

# Visitin' Around

Herman, We Warned You About Those Joints

Reeds item, Lexington Dispatch)

J. Herman Myers had the misfortune of knocking his knee out of place last week. He is suffering a great deal and doesn't seem to be getting along as well as he should.

Did Gus Buy That Policy?

Oakland item, Transylvania Times)
Mr. and Mrs. W. F. McCall made a business trip to Cashlers and called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Passmore one evening last week.

#### Side Glances



"Just think-all that's between us and furnishing a new home is your winning the war!"

Nore Than A Shake-Up

# Hitler And His Rebellious Army

By Dorothy Thompson

WASHINGTON.

It is impossible in a single column to throw aufficient light upon what has happened in Germany with the alakeup of the German General Staff. Shakeup is hardly the word. To put it it is largest aspects, Hiller has destroyed that combination of tradition, morals in the stage of the continuity which military science, code and continuity which military science, code and continuity which the stage of the stag

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tine into the Reichswehr of Natl 'cells.'

This was resided by the Reichswehr, which

required loyalty to its own code, and its

own code alone. Back in 1931, two years

before Billier, the Reichswehr threw out

three lieutenants-Lieutenant-Scheringer

was the most famous of them, because

cell—because they were discovered to be

Nadl agents in Army Ranks,

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From the outset the 'relations between
the Reichswehr and National Socialism were
complicated by a moral differms. The Reichswehr, traditionalists included, had assisted
National Socialism, as a political movement,
because of its rampent nationalism, its antibecause of its rampent nationalism, its antiblod on the masses—a hold which the conservative nationalists had completely lost.

At the same time, however, the Army tried to keep its own organization intact, and "pure," Out of this situation came an internal struggle for mastery — not mastery of the State, but mastery of the Law of the

duplicating the army organization, into the still armal Relchawchr.

The Reichawchr resisted, Rochm instated, and Hiller cut the Gordina knot by killing Rochm and his chief licutenants.

It seemed at the time to be a complete victory for the Reichawchr, but it was connected with Gording's murder of two "Polices" constant of the Nazl persuasian, von Schielchwent, but it was connected with Gording's murder of two "Polices" constant of the Nazl persuasian, von Schielchwent and to the Nazl persuasian, von Schielchwent and to the Nazl persuasian, von Schielchwent and to the Nazl persuasian, von Schielchwent and ton Reich, Occasionally the struggle brought mannal fleatations to the surface. The Army defination of the Third Reich, Occasionally the struggle brought mannal fleatations to the surface. The Army defination of the Third Reich, Occasionally the struggle brought mannal fleatations to the surface. The Army defination of the Third Reich, Occasionally the struggle brought mannal fleatations to the surface. The Army defination of the Third Reich, Occasionally the struggle brought mannal fleatations to the surface. The Army defination of the Third Reich, Occasionally the struggle brought mannal fleatations to the surface. The Army defination of the Third Reich, Cocasionally the struggle brought mannal fleatations to the surface. The Army defination of the Third Reich, Occasionally the struggle brought mannal fleatations to the surface. The Army defination of the Third Reich, Occasionally the struggle brought mannal fleatations to the surface. The Army defination of the Third Reich occasion of his marriage to a light civilian conservatives. That Pastor Niemedia are the structure of the protect persecuted civilian conservatives. That is doubtless due to persistent and structure of the protect persecuted civilian conservatives. That is doubtless due to persistent and structure of the protect persecuted civilian conservatives. That is doubtless due to the protect persecuted civilian conservatives. That is doubtless du

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Furthermore, though the Officere Corps unanimously mand the end of the Corps unanimously mand the end of the Corps unanimously mand the end of the Corps unanimously mand the theory of the Corps and the building of an array equal to that of any European power many of them did not want war, but only a strong array for building the same of the Corps warned Hiller in anticipation of every radical step. Having collen and the Corps warned Hiller in anticipation of every radical step. Having collen and the corps warned the word of the collection of the Corps warned the word of the property of the Corps warned the word of the Rhineland, and it is known that the army only undertook to march into the Rhinelands with instructions to retreat if encountering opposition.

in the case of Blomberg, and also sgainst having Gooring as his successor, Hiller dismissed the leaders of the opposition against his politic owar plans. Chief of these was General the leaders of the opposition against his politic owar plans. Chief of these was General the leaders of the le