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#### Blan Lassanns

People Must Now Learn To Accept Victory and Defeat

In light of the swiftly changing tide of battle in North Africa, the people of the United States must find themselves a formula for reaction to future action involving large numbers of American troops. It now becomes obvious that success or failure in local engagements, though a matter of concern to those back home, should not cause national glee and despair, day by day. Erwin Rommel, in breaking through our thin lines for a long advance and falling back under heavy counter-attack from the air, has shown us that occasional

defeats are to be expected and that they will not prevent our certain victory. Now it is known that the Desert Fox came out of his hole swittly with small armored groups, breaking through and rolling up our apparently extended po-stitions, and advancing at his pleasure through the network of our lines of sup-nity and communication. However, as

sition, and actipating of the pleasure through the network of an initial companies of the property of the prop

not for ions. The decision is to be won with manpower and firepower, and of British and Americans will soon have Supremacy to guarantee African victory. After that, is the Southern shash at the Continent, and in that history-dwarfing operation, both our troops, and the civilians back home will have need for the lessons. Rearned from the battle for Tunisia.

See where they plan to put vitamins back into South Carolina arits and hominy. These newfancied fellers had don't know how many rough-and read penerations, have been weared on such rations—and never pave a thought to a vitamin.

#### Tanna annacha.

Charlotte Has Good Chance To Make Post-War Comeback

Dr. Phillip M. Hauser of the Census Bureau, having substituted sugar ration figures for tea leaves, and set himself up as an extrapolator, rather than a fortune-teller, is brinning the future of American cities up to the present. If that seems complicated, Seer Hauser is not to blame. He has put his statements simply: 137 metropolitan counties in the U.S. have been examined on the basis of two census reports, and then checked by the number of sugar ration registrations. That save him a pattern, and later checks save him a factor of the same seems of two counties. The same seem of war and its industry the promise of war and its industry the ratios of setter days to come. Che is promise of war and its industry that are renormal columbia, for example, are renormal and superior chances of retention of population!.

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and superior manners of recention of populations.

For Charlotte, Asheville and Winston-Salem, Dr. Hauser sees good chances of a comeback—though all have suffered losses of population, or are barely holding the 1940 level. Durham is rated just behind that time. It is significant that, though the South has received only a ways population of the way the property and the property and the property and the proposed of the property and the property a amail portion of the war industry spoils, its cities are in the lead in this Cities of The Future report. Southern and Southwestern cities lead in population gains, and seem most likely to hold their grins. Eastern and Midwestern Cities

are to be found frequently toward the end of the list.

Charlotte, apparently destined to continue as the key distribution center of a buge area, may play an even larger part in the life of the Carolinas in the years after the war. With an excellent chance, to rebound quickly and resume normal peacetime business, it should soon be ready for steady, increasing growth.

The Treasury Department passes out praise to the "small investors" who are buying almost a million Series 'E' War Bonds every day. Whadda they mean small investors? By the third Monday in Márch a cuizen with \$18.75 to spare is going to be a big operator.

#### An Energy

Police Union No Answer To Department's Ills

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This week's cruptions in the Police
Department, coming in the form of
disciplinary action by Chief Walter
Anderson and in consequent charges
that the newly-formed union is battling
for power over the force, are particularly unfortunate at this time. Trouble
in the long-troubled Department has
doubliess been reduced by Chief Anderson's drive for efficiency, and that it
bobbled up again just as his campaign
was getting under way is reminiscent
of the old-time political frictions which
once held sway.

As to the disciplinary action of two
officers, we believe the Chief is not
to be questioned. Further evidence, if
any is forthcoming, may be heard at
a Civil Service Board hearing—if requested by the suspended officers. What
oncerns us more than any phase of
the Department's problem is the very
existence of the union the Chief is alleged to be engaged in fishting.
We recognize the right of any group
to organize; but we do not believe the
people of Charlotte will approve the
prople of Charlotte will approve the
formation of a union within their
Police-Department's whose members are
charged with public responsibilities
which must be approached with an unprejudiced outlook. The presence of an
uniside influence in the Police Department at this time, we feel, is daingerous.
And that seems to us the Jesson of the
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#### Bich One The Mandli

Rescued Hero Spoke Truth, But It Didn't Sound So Good

That blessed tribe, the writers of leters-to-editors, has as its favorite topic these days (at least in war-plant centers the reduction to naught of Captain Eddie Rickenbacker, who is alleged to have smeared the fair name of American Labor as it has never before been have snieared the fair name of American Labor as it has never before been succared. The working people of this mation, one would suspect from the deluge of letters, are about to take the final step against Rickenbackerism: if he doesn't apologize, they won't admire him any more.

Surely, the man's a hero; he went through a hell of suffering on the Paciouters. (In man's a nero), he wents through a hell of suffering on the Pacific wastes. His rescue called forth a sort of national celebration. But when he got home and was able to talk, he said the things American weeking men say they don't want to hear. They don't want to hear they be a south of the Linde States Chamber of Commerce and the States Chamber of Commerce and the States Chamber of Commerce and the America First Committee" spouting that E. S. Jaboring men aren't doing their part. It's all a badd-face lie, and a piece of old Liberty League propaganda. No, Rick hed. The American worker is done his part.

Some of the fiercest of the letters have burned in the columns of the repeated Baltimore Evening Sun—and an efficier a note to one of Jiben is esperially.

venerated Baltimore Evening Sum-and an editor a note to me of Jpm is especially receasing. In answer to such charges by Labor's outraged friends, the editors due up these little facts; in Baltimore's four leading war industries. 10 per cent of the employees are about every day. In six months last year, the U. S. Employment Service had to hire 127,000 workers to achieve a net gain of 31,000 in Baltimore plants. Rickembacher may not be the sweet-taiking hero we want to hear; but every bit of evidence indicates that he speaks the truth. One letter-writer even went so far as to nav the Capitain was

member the Maine, To Hell With Spain",

Perhaps it was not a proper slovan to repeat in politic society, but it is listory, so let us keep history straight. And how we need a like slogan in this war!

End Of A War Cry

TODAY'S BIBLE THOUGHT

Mountains of difficulty have been moved by people who have a mind to the task. Your mental attitude is the determining factor after all: So we built the wall for the people had a mind taylor.

From the Scouts

Chapper reaction against the "bureaucrats" and against Presidential power. The Annimistration has invited this kind of retailation be several years of middlerence to Congress, and by numerous positived appointments which Congress results as having been made strictly which Congress results as having been made strictly bright to the strictly of the s

noor of a Senator's office.

The undestrability of the measure is indicated by the fact that even the Republican Leader of the Senate, Charles MeNary, oppose it as an unwise assumption of power by the Senate, the assy that If the Senate assumes to approve these thousands of administrative employees, then it will be assuming responsibility for the conduct of the apericks in which they work, and that the Senate is in a position to assume such responsibility to the transport of the prevent the Senate from John and the transport of the prevent the Senate from John a football thing.

persent the Senate from doing a foolish thing. The Honge recordly valded consumels in the Independent-officer appropriations bill. But some of the economies were extremely questionable. The Budgets Bureau, which is the big common agency of the executive harnch, was whittled down. The HOLG Report that the action would rause 200,000 to 300,000 home awares to lose their homes. The National Resources Planning Board was abolished at a time when planning for the end of the war is essential, opposition to the Administration, and in restoring some of the balance in the Government, are naturally alarmed at such hasts and extreme actions as as Congress is tempered to take in its present mond. That governments for the caution being sounded by some of them.

From the Scouls
Editors, Tur News;
On behalf of the cultre membership of the Meckenburg Council, Inc., Boy Seouls of America, we wish to lake this opportunity to express our sincere appropriate of the Charlotte News in conjunction with the celebration of Boy Scoul Week, Peb. 6-12, 1943.

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Listone Concessullas

STALIN'S Order of the Day is of great importance, both for what it reveals politically and militarily. The Allies are mentioned only once, and that in not too friendly manner. Stalin says that in the absence of a second front in Europe the Rod Army is bearing the whole weight of the war. By this he affirms the superiority of the Red Army, but immediately stresses that the Red Army is 'not an army for conquest'.

"It was not created for conquest," of criefic contribution of created for conquest of foreign countries, but to defend the frontiers of Soviet land. The Bred Army has always respected the rights and independence of all peoples." This is repeated several times, in various phrasendogs, and does not parallel the Casabhana demand for "unconditional surrender." Stalin then defines the Soviet Cinon. It is less than that Rossia which was divided by the the Treaty of Brest-Litovsk, dictated by the Germans after the last was rest-Litovsk, dictated by

after the last war, consistences, memory after the last war, rather the last war, rather the last war, rather the last war, rather last war, r

Destructive Jon

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Senator Alken of Vermont are publicly warning their collections of the descrimination and not to run with. The defect of the most slaring proposals, and one with the state of the most slaring proposals, and one with the state of the slaring proposals. And one with the state of the slaring slar

e necessary to obtain the approval of Sonators, to bother to use this new power. Those who wished to use this new power. Those who wished to, however, could use this power to strengthen fences back home, as many Senators have always done with numerous jobs such as internal-revenue apply the rule of Senate ronfirmation to 30,000 government employers would give Senators a good many more pipeliums into executive offices and more leverage on the executive accurate, whereas any more presented to the continued to their particular of the property of the prope

The McKellar bill is an example of the extreme Plantforms Of The People

GET UP AND GET TO WORK!

Congress Goes Mad

By Raymond Clapper

# Stalin Gives The Orders Of The Day

By Dorothy Thompson

The guarantee for Czechoslovakia is a denial that the Russians want to expand into Central Europe. It is Stalin's answer to the Goebbel's campaign rousing feats of the Bolshevization of Europe.

Actually what Stalln claims is exactly what Ritler conceind him at the time of the Russo-German pact. It is a consistent Russian plan. It is what the Russians tried to recover of their historic territory after the German defeat in the last war-and were prevented from getting by Western interecution. It is what they again tried to reason the result of the result of

mans in 1929.

This statement of political aims occurs in an account of the military, situation. Stalin, as always, is cautious, He makes, however, three claims: First, that the Russlans will drive the Germans out of Russla aione, and regardless of any action taken by the Allies. Second, that the Russian and German armies have reached equality—both as to numbers of

German armice have reached equality—both as to numbers of trained men, and material, and that the trailing and strategy of the Russians is superior. Third, that the Germans will not Russians is superior. Third, that the Germans will not Stalin does not say it will be easy. He says the enemy has suffered defeat, but is not yet conquered. "They can recover if we allow then time to recover." But he repeats that Russians will not give the Germans time to build new man-power and replace material.

Now, what is the meaning of this Order of the Day to us Stalin defines what Russian victory means. He says, "The Red Army is an army of avengers." But the avenge outlined is on Russian soil—killing German invaders, chop-

Russia does not want to make an isolationist policy. That can be categorically stated. Russia wants a friendly Europe in a friendly world, with a system of collective security. But as this column has often sald, "Great nations (especially victorius ones) always have aiternatives." The frontiers demanded by Russia have never been accepted by the United States—and indeed cannot be, under our constitutional system, unless the President makes a secret treaty, which he positively will not do. Russia does not want to make an isolationist notice. That

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There are signs both in Europe and America of such an hostility to Russia, that it gives Russian leadership some concern for suspicion. As things look at present it are as the summer of the superior of the summer of th

### Listening for Victory Bells

-Bu Herblock

## Next More?

# Hitler's West

By Samuel Grafton

HITLER may be engaged in the gigantic operation of shifting his war to the West again. Is that impossible? He struck at our force in Tunisia, and at once the whisper tent up that our troubles there might postpone the second front for weeks or months. If Rommel's mail-scale actions in Tunisia have had anything like that effect, then they have been brilliantly successful. Hitter much prefers to fight the better of Europe in Tunisia than in Europe.

In this struggle, Hitler seeks alternately to unsell the West on Russia, and Russia on the West. In September, when his hits flooded through the Caucasus, he twigged Russia on the West'a failure to open a second front. In January, when the Russian bilti-grinder made a mess of the blitt, he turned his attention to the West, and tried to sturn us with a vision of Russia over-running Europe. If now he halts second-front plans, he can turn his preparanda back toward Russia again, and tell the Russians that there will be no second front.

will be no second front.

That is the "festime Europe," or "European fetress" policy in action. There are possibilities present of long delay in cracking the "fortress." The longer the "European fetress" lives, the better its claim to permanent lite. Each year that passes innochaively gives it another leg on the cup. Hitler may have abandoned already, the unlimited oblicities of defenting Russia, and of deferance us, for the limited, but still triumphant-enough objective of maintaining the "fortress."

"fortress" and diding operation in the East, a shift of the war to the West, might do that. Hitlers policy, in the large must be considered surcessful unless and until a second front is established, to blast down a wall of the "fortress."

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It would be fully to believe that the Germans have no plan in the Tast. Undoubtedly their schedules of retreat have been the Tast. Undoubtedly their schedules of retreat have been the state of the transfer of the transfer

# Visitim' Around

in in Set in neddine (Foster Creek item, Marshall News-Record) Mr. and Mrs. Cas Fender are the proud owners of a new radio set. The scarcity of hatteries in this community have put most of the radio acts out of commission.

## Side Glances



"Well, our boy has put one over on us he's seen the President, even if he did have to go

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