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Ration Books

Mailing Them a Huge Teek Done Proudly

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Ration Book No. 3 new is a part of severy North Carolina household taking its proud place in the bureau drawer with ma's handbag and the Sunday Rohool coin box. Those books have been flowing out of Charlotte, nearly three and a half million of them, since June 10, and they represent the biggest single job of civilian war-time effort in Charlotte since the war started. Because it was a huge task, because it was well done, the community cannot but extend to Aubrey Elilott and his great company of fathrul helpers, who day and night mailed the books to their owners, a full measure of commendation and gratibude.

Joy In Poland Crashes in Reich

Make Music in Warsaw

It is easy—aye, and delightful in a flendish sort of way—these days to see the German war from the viewpoint of those heggard Poles who still huddle end hide from the Gestape and who wait day by day for deliverance. Sur-regunded by enemies, shorn of all friends, they still live and, one may finagine, have thrills of pleasure when the Ger-man ground shakes with block-busting

man ground shakes with block-busting bombs.

That would be a ghastly pleasure, but what in Poland is not ghastly? It is easy to imagine them whispering to sach other the stray news that leaks through, the devastation of Hamburg, the migration of Germans from Berlin in the face of even greater have, the distorted reports of triumphantly marching Allied armies, always coming nearer. For nearly as long as the United States, itself, the Poles have struggled for freedom. They are prostrate now and their struggles are weak. Gill it is met hard to think of them taking a shartler of the them to think of them taking a shartler of the weak of the states of the s

American League baseball becomes more and more remindful of conditions east of Bucz as described by the late Kipling, "—where the best is like the worst."

Points Of Power

Our Cibralters Fade Before Great Air Bases

So rapidly has the world, and its thinking, changed that in two years we no longer think of the occans as the smoate about our fortresses and our Singapores and Pearl Harbora as our chief beatlons against the aggressors. No gapores and Pearl Harbors as our chlef bastlons against the aggressors. No American brain today is considered so smail as that which stubbenily boasts of our insulation from the rest of the world. The world, whether we wish it or not, is abundantly with us, and could be upon us—with bombs—before we could build an airfield, were it not that we have deserted the old safeguards for ew... This development is the subject of an

This development is the subject of an Interesting study by the notice decorge T. Renner, professor of geography of Columbia University. in the current American Magazine. Now thinking in terms of airpower, he insists that the four great nations, America, England. Russia and China must control and police the world through twenty strategic airport locations. For your interest, his conclusions tend to reduce in importance thritteen world strong police, ocean gateways, which until now have represented the essence of what the world knew as power. These are: Scapa Flow, Gibraltar, Sucz. Aden, Blagapore, Batavia, Surabaya, Sydney, Darwin, Aukland, Port Stanley, Cape Town and Panama.

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Superceding these in strategic importance will be the following airport sites: Natai, Dakar, Tangler, Odo, Istanbui, Bagdad, Karachi, Bangkot, Darwin, Amoy, Pusa, Diege, Noraya Zymbya, Mortifeast Cape, Frederiktdal, New Foundland, Miami and Trinidad.

Control of these points by the four Allies, Dr. Renner insists, will give the same world control by air as has been ealonged by sea through the gateways.

Whether his selection of sites in strategically sound, or whether the airsessigned by sea through hoportant noned as strategists have a different system easier of the same world control of the same for the same strategists have a different system easier of a not so lamportant noned.

the United States, Russia, China and Great Britain to maintain a peace for a long while to come. To carry out that obligation then certainly, in the light of what even now is happening, the peace must be enforced in the air.

Balkane Paidern

Always This Question At the End of Wars

Orel has collapsed and the Russians and the Western Allies thus complète another full turn of the vise which each day, harder and harder, grips Germany and the Balkans. One early result of this should be an increasing note of urgency in the peace feelers which already the Balkan nations are extending to the United Nations.

United Nations.
This is true to the pattern, also true to the flopping characteristics of the Balkans back through history. The Balkans habitually stake their national lives in desperate gambles to be on the winning side of the alignment of powers. No great group of nations has ever known with certainty that the Balkans would be allies through any conflict. The present is no exception.

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Nor is there any reason why it should be. The end of the last war found the Balkans standed unmercifully by the triumphant Allies. The loss or gain of Balkan territory punished foce and rewarded friends. Granting they thought they had a gambler's chance of winning, it is clear why Rumania, Bulgaria and Hungary flung themselves on the Axis side in the present war.

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Now it is no less clear that as day by day they become convinced that they engaged in a bad gample they soon dentitled will be out for the soon dentitled will be out for the soon dentitled will be out for the soon that is not contained to the soon that is the soon of the soon that is not contained to the soon of things the Balkan question is again to rike a grisly head at the peace table. Hungary will demand the provinces she has lost to Rumania, and to Czechoslovakia. Bulgaria will demand the territories which the Ailles gave to Greece. Bulgaria will demand the territories which the Ailles gave to Greece. Bulgaria will demand the foreces she lost to Yugoslavia.

If the Ailles this time are able to make

If the Allies this time are able to make in equitable distribution of Balkan territory, to compose the ancient hates and quarrels which has made that region the continuing hot spot of the world, then the other, larger peace dispositions should be very easy indeed.

Churchill called Tunisla the end of the beginning; FDR calls Stelly the be-ginning of the end. Tear up your rain check Duce—four and one-half innings have been played.

Neggera Mäggeranneds

This War's Race Clashes Not From Stable Groups

dle West.

There has been, and no doubt will continue to be, a atendy exodus of Southern Negroes to Northern and Western industrial centers. Their orientation produces its pains, as is shown clearly in recent disturbances, but it is a good thing for the Negroes to estitle throughbaut the country, and it is even a better thing for the South. The emigration tends to produce a balance which must come before what is called settled.

No Gire!

Italy's Trail Ends

ALLIED HEADQUARTERIS, NORTH AFRICA
AS THE new government of Italy failed to respond
to the opportunity afforded by our full in bombing to seek an armistice, valued to the opportunity afforded by our full in bombing to seek an armistice, with the first case of a major
nation forced to capitulate by allpower.

The fact list hat Italy is already defeated. She is
now exposed to our air apperfortly. We gave advance
warning of the first rate of communic formations of
planes went over Rome in daylight with only token
resistance, From Sicily we are now able to do an even
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Having seen several ports after the North African
Force had finished with them, I do not see how
ty can last under a real bombing attack. It would
most salutary event if we did set about to knock

Italy sut from the sir, and especially if we went ahead and did it while the ground armies were delayed in Sight.

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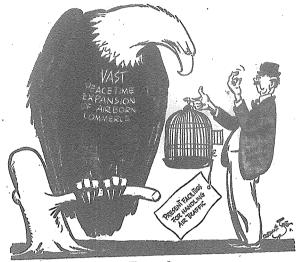
danger its neighbors. As or stalling to get terms it is necless. As the United Nations took the Itelatus it is necless. As the United Nations took the Itelatus it. Certainly there is no reason why we athus make concessions. The defeat of Italy appears inevitable. Badogilo can only delay the capitulation a short time.

envision. Description of the captures of the short time.

16 is possible that our phrase "unconditional aurender" is causing some in Rome to bell at asking for an armistice. Therefore we have used that asking for an armistice. Therefore we have used the table in the capture of the fight. The Badoglio government has the job of getting laly out of the war. All information coming out of Italy Indicates the people are impatient for the end of war, which impatience is likely to increase sharply from now on a Allied bombing makes its even harder than Musselini made it.

A Peek Into the Future

-By Dorman Smith



Budaglio, Puppet Premier

The Merry-Co-Round

By Drew Pearson

DIFIRO BADOGLIO, the man who tried to pick up the broken pieces of Italy where Mussahit dropped them, will go down in history for his billud devotion to his King and for his hability to make up his mind when the fate of his country-hung in the balance.

p his mind when the fate of his country-num in the balance.

Twice in two decades, Badecalic canled have harged the cultire course of his country and perhaps he world. But each time he healisted and falled.

The first was when he was chief of staff in 1822 and Mussolini staged his march on Rome. Weeks before that march, Binsolinis, Commenta-tation, Army states and the state of the state had here getting arms are march on the state of the Raha, Army should it, unless he was asicep, and he does not alrep soundly.

Even retired army officers, still answerable to Badoglio, were enliating in the Fascist cause, He could have check-reined them easily.

March On Rome

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When the march on Rome finally was consummated, and Bentlo Mussolini atepped out of his aperal sleeping are rafter his limitedative had made it safe for him to enter the capital) indeplie sent word to the King that be could easily drive them out of But the King had been such grant and with him. A few days later it was too late.

Badoglio's second traffe moment of hestaton came has week. He and the King at least, had the course of the second traffe moment of Least and the course of the second traffe moment of Least and the course of the second traffe moment of Least and the course of the second traffe moment of Least and the course of the second traffe moment of Least and the course of the second traffe moment of Least and the course of the least and the course of the second traffe moment of the second traffe moment of Least and the course of the second traffe moment of Least and the course of the second traffe moment of Least and the course of the second traffe moment of Least and the course of the second traffe moment of Least and Lea

me use station people to destruction.

But having taken that one hold step, the
new Breinter of Italy walted. True, he faced a
tragically complicated situation, German irrops
in the north could make a battleground of
Italian soil. But also he knew that the Invincible
might of Ailled air power could make miner
and of Italian cities and that the Ailled armoe
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already in their stride, were sure to overrun
Italy.

Italy.

That moment of hesitation may mean Italy will be an evon bloodier battleground and that the surgo of Allited victory may be slowed.

But Badoglio has spent his life as a professional soldier and caution is his watchword, even when empires are at stake.

Human "Bombs"

Human "Boniba"

Just as "Mussolini was enlways atteking out his
chin, Badoglio has always apulled his fin. As Governor
(Lbya in 1929, he sidod by while Marshal Graziani,
the rabid Paccial, subdued Arab natives by taking
robel chieftains up in an airpane and tossing them
out on the desert below.

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of field marshal of the Islain Army.

Inside the Italian Army there has always been
relatively between the political Blackshirts and the
root-Paccial regulers. So when Muscolini launched
the armado of lanks and airpiness against defensethe Bono, in command.

De Bono, in command.

De Bono was a complete flop and Badoglio, from the regular army, was called to the recurs. In the field of battle, Badoglio does not healiate. He is an A1 technical soldier. He cleaned up the Ethiopian war in short order—and he did not healiate to use gas to do it.

Afterward Badopilo was quite willing to receive from the hands of I Duce the title of Duke of Addisha with the Link satery hat went with it Badopilo also awallowed his pride and his anti-Pacalet leanings sufficiently to become chief of all the armice.

Army Unprepared

As such he was supposed to prepare for war, which any one could see from the rentings of Italys and the such any one could see from the rentings of Italys and the Italian Army lapsed into such a state of un-preparedness and poor morale that when Mussolin limitly did decide to state Parace in the back, Italian troops made only minor gains against an already defeated Prench Army.

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A Timid Statesman

What transpired between these two close triends during the three years that followed may never be known unless some palace chronicler writes the story, But it leaked out and was published in this column into Badogilo seethed with stared against Mussolini, even hoped to lead the regular Italian Army egainst him.

Two weeks ago, the time finally came. Ba-doglio and the King, to whom he had always heen so loyal, struck their first independent, courageous abow for Hall, But Badeglio, a good soldler, but a timid statesman, struck.out.

O's and A's

Q-How long is an original copyright effective?

A-The original term of a copyright under existing law runs for 28 years. Within one year prior to the expiration of the original term the author, or next of kin, may accure a renewal for a further term of 28 years.

Q—Is a will, or a codicil to a will, valid if signed on a Sunday?

A—A will or codicil may be signed any day including Sundays and legal holidays.

Q.—What is libel? Slander?
A—Libel is injuring by means of publication; slander is injury by word of mouth.

Q—Where is the Olikey Prinfiled Forest?

A—In the diste of Washington, U. S. A. The
gint of the Corest is named, is oriental, a silver apricot, growing until the last century
only in the sarced gardens of Olihan. The only known
specimens of petrified gintgo are found in this
forest.

Q-Who is considered an illiterate person?
A-One who is ten years of age or older, and cannot write in any language.



"I'm a grandfather, boys, pinch-hitting for my son Africa—but waiting for the baby is still quite a thrill, just the same!"

Everyday Counselor

Back To God

By Rev. Herbert Spaugh

WE have all heard shout the man who saved off the limb on which we have a sitting, but we never knew who he was. The Associated Press has discovered him in Athens, Tenn, under date of July 24. He is "Piner Woods" White, and says that he got his nickname as a young man when he climbed a pine tree to trim it before felling. He sat on a limb—the wrong end—and sawed it off! Both legs and both erms were broken in the fail. He never forgot the experience.

We smile at such foolishness now that it is discovered to be truth. Ye it is a rather common experience amount along the which our hapman and the such as the such

appreciation, common decency to be dropped out of our lives. In the and we are the ones who are dropped, and dropped and the lives. In the send we are the conse a rather stripe of the honely virtues, the moral standards and spiritual ideals upon which out Republic and Christian democracy reats. We are now down on the ground, fighting among the snarling dogs of war.

Those familiar with the history of this courty know that the stripe of the sound of the sou

Let Freedom Ring

Day Of Miracles

By Samuel Grafton

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NEW YORK

I am withing to admit that we all have to become less opinion-proud
as we listen to that cracking noise in Europe.

We cannot outguess this thing, we can only try to keep up with
it. Who would have dreamed, als months ago, that by this time
Italian soldiers would be fighting on the side of the guerrillan is the
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Office.

A Paciett Hely stabbed democracy: a free Italy may yet stab French faschim. We may, only three years after the first Italian match into France, Indio ourselves cheering a second Italian match into France. Just to make it more complicated, I suggest the possibility that Germany, too, may rise before France, leaving that desolute panful of Isackim as the colidest leftower in the history of the world.

We have all been telling the world, but new it is telling usin a remarkable story, and one which nobody has ever heard. Sirchibase literaling in the hypotic et the day.

Quote, Unquote

-- President Roopevelt.
iween the Americans in Sicily
and the Americans of three
months age. They are at least
100 per cont better.
-- British Gen. Sir Mareld E.
L. G. Alexander.
There is no comparison be-

As long as wer output is short

THE length of the war will deT pend upon the uninterrupted continuance of all-out-effort on the diphting fronts and here at home. The effort is all one.

—Prendent Roosevelt, tween the Americans in Sicily with the second control of the seco

Wilson.

America is facing a dangerous emergency on the home front. The entire stabilisation program is threatened. Once the flood waters of inflation are let loses, our domestic economy will be wyecked.

AFL President William Green.