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Conquest

Good News Can't Keep Pace In France

We cannot know the full story of the savage fighting in France for some time yet, for the front is so serrated and moves so rapidly that it is impossible for it, even in this war of fluid movement. But there is a grim, bloody and brutal picture in the reports from correspondents.

Stories of the fighting make the most gruesome reading, though they bring the prospect of victory very near. In the wooded country and on the plains there is no quarter for the enemy. Fighting fiercely, his resistance is marvellous and hourly by the fearful slaughter. Isolated elements are being herded into trap after trap, and that army is being ground up in Montgomery's irresistible machine. There is preparation for the final assault on the remnants of the German Seventh Army against the banks of the Rhine, and beyond, nearer Paris, are other arms, destined to swing shut in other traps.

All over France, villages and towns fall to French patriots. In the South, where early operations cost our forces only 300 casualties (fighting against just two Nazi divisions), the prospect that our forces will soon overrun the entire sector, and join the warriors of the North, Vichy, already dominates the men of color who are fleeing. The Nazi hold on France is slipping rapidly—and it may be a matter of mere days until the enemy has been beaten back into the extreme Northern coast. There is a last stand on his own borders.

Hitler must soon become reconciled to the complete loss of France (if he has not already done so) and his dramatic orders to the top echelon of the staff to the death are already outmoded. The increasing flood of prisoners, most of them voluntarily accepting that status, sends the Wehrmacht's secret such as cautious news cannot keep pace with events, but that which comes back is uniformly good, and it obviously cannot be long until it becomes gloriously so.

The Madmen

Fanatics At St. Malo Weren't Original

Our Dorothy Thompson, pointing out an object lesson in tyranny in the stand of the madmen of St. Malo, pictures the German enemy in his most puzzling—and provocative—mood. The little band which stood in the St. Malo fortress, completely surrounded and without hope, and fought on to a certain death, is typical of the fervent Nazis in Hitler's service.

And yet the lesson can't be stretched too far. For there are other considerations than simple, brutal tyranny at stake. The state of the German mind at St. Malo, where the mad Colonel von Aulock refused to permit his men to surrender, might be compared, indeed, to that of American fighting men under similar circumstances.

To assume that Hitler's army ever there was so great as to compel these Germans to fight to the bitter end is to overlook the fact that they might also have been sincerely won to the current German ideal. To forget that, it seems to us, is to misread the enemy and his maddest resources, if any.

For in the history of fighting men the little stand at St. Malo will look a good deal like the heroic stand of the ambushed "Redneck" of the Texans at the slano, of a Carter, without hope, of the Marines on Wake Island, or of the U. S. officer, surrounded, who scooped at a peace offer saying: "I will surrender when my gun or my bullets have been fired and every one of our

The Plaintiff

Hatch's Case Against GOP Isn't Complete

The plaintive cry of Senator Hatch still rings in the ear, and after a period of deliberation we still don't know just what to make of it. The New Mexico Democrat proclaimed, after acceptance of the "States Rights" reversion bill, that the Senate was controlled by Republicans—and had been for two years.

It is obvious that Senator Hatch regards this situation as something less than ideal, and we'd be inclined to agree. But we can't persuade ourselves that the fact is correctly stated. A check of votes on important measures doesn't indicate Republican control, nor does it reveal many instances in which Democrats have joined hands to defeat the Administration's policy.

The Senator has the basis for his theory in that a few important and controversial measures have seen such a coalition, but by and large the legislative output of the past two years bears the marks of Democratic control. The Senate is put down as a credit to its responsibility of the Party. And the inference that in every instance opposition to Administration plans is willful and selfish is a little too playful a hope of Americans in the days ahead. In the complete cooperation of both parties in Congress, to the end that the peace shall be made good and the nation can return to a normal economy in the best non-partisan manner.

Two Tales

New Deal Battered Anew On Negro Question

The Roosevelt Administration, in its two and a half years, is caught in a political pincers movement on the battlefield of Negro relations. It is a familiar enough Southern plaint that the New Deal has not been realistic to its Negro friends and enemies—and a good deal of the South's resentment toward Mr. Roosevelt has stemmed from this grievance.

Now there comes a hook from another quarter. Herbert Brownell, Jr., Tom Dewey's national chairman, has jumped into the fight in Georgia with threats to beat through every court in the land, if necessary, to force acceptance of Negro Republicanism in that state. And, in firing a blast at Georgia's Secretary of State, Mr. Brownell caught the Administration from quite another angle:

"This is one more evidence that New Deal leaders who stepped down the legitimate claims of the Negroes of this country at the very hour of their conception are maintaining the same attitude at the present time."

And there it is. Southern Democrats in rebellion shout that the New Deal has dangerously attempted to raise the Negro's status in jumping into the fight in Georgia with threats. And Republican leaders shout that the New Deal has pushed the Negroes down.

Assuming that Mr. Brownell's blast is not just a campaign maneuver, one of these stories is pretty obviously in error.

G. I. Humor

By "Low Tenant II" In Camp Davis Barrage

EVER since Iban became Thailand, I've been playing around with the idea of writing an anthem for the G. I. The name would be Victor Herbert's "Yo!land" and it would start something like: Thailand, Thailand, Little girl and beautiful...

And with Mesopotamia manquering as Iraq, how about "Wanna Go Back to My Little Grass Shack in Iraq?"

The Merry-Go-Round

By Drew Pearson

WASHINGTON—The world today is from the Middle Eastern war theater. Actually, it can no longer be called a "war theater" for the war has passed by Egypt, Syria, Lebanon, the Near East. This censorship now applies to the Middle East. Winston Churchill is carrying out his promise to liquidate the British Empire in the Middle East.

Greeks, Syrians and American newsmen returning from the Near East strongly suspect that Churchill is plotting to liquidate the British Empire in the Middle East. He is to keep the Dodecanese Islands, the Greek island of Crete, and the Italian islands of Dodecanese and Pantelleria as British bases to guard the regular vein of the British Empire through Suez. American newsmen, trying to tell the real story of what is happening in the Near East, run up against not only British censorship but, not long ago, they were called in by King George VI, who is now Commander in Chief, to give them a lecture.

Result is there are two Greek Governments—the Greek Government-in-exile headed by the King, and the Greek Government-in-charge headed by the King's son, King George II. The Greek Government-in-charge includes all Greek people in the Near East, and the King's officials can enter by ship, lying up at the docks in broad daylight.

Some U. S. experts estimate that with one Allied division and adequate arms for the Greek Government-in-charge, the Greeks could be chased completely out of the country.

Premier Duped

Instead, however, the British attempted to get the Greek Government-in-charge to compromise with the Greek Government-in-exile, and to that end, arranged a conference.

More of the Same Thing—Only Different.

3 YEARS AGO AND TODAY

Wonder where they're going to strike next?



The Failure Of Polish Hopes

By Marquis Childs

WHEN he was in Washington in the summer, Premier Stanislaw Mikolajczyk pronounced the Polish Government-in-exile in London, made for deep impression on every one he met.

He was quite outside the pattern of Poland, was a representative of the upper class. He came to the United States to see the President and to see the Secretary of State. It could be said truly that Mikolajczyk was a man of the people, a leading figure, a man of the people, a leading figure, a man of the people.

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By Hal Boyle



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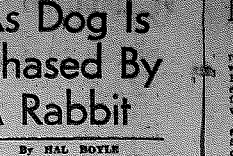
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