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Super-Fortress

The B-29 Goes Germans A Dose of Terror—They Squaled

The U. S. Army has yet to disclose any of the secrets of the B-29, a super-colossal fighter of terrible fire power. But the Germans have broken out with the first publicity for the huge planes, and there can be no continued keeping of the secret.

This new ship, built out of American and British battle experience, has been quietly shuffled into the battle lines. It is the first such plant of its kind, a new departure, and a look into the future of air combat.

Over Schweinfurt, when 60 big American bombers went down in a horrible price, regardless of Army claims of destruction, this new weapon was born, the certain forerunner of the coming terrors of the sky which will simply bridle with powerful, long-range guns, automatically fired, and virtually invulnerable to known weapons.

And, perhaps most important of all, the new and secret fighters who have been appearing in ever-greater numbers will be destroyed faster and faster. This revolutionary fighter, with a range as long as any bombers, brings a new tactic to war in the air.

Out Of Business

Henry Hayman Closes A Store Under Strange Pressure

To a great many of the City's foremost partakers of good food, the closing of Henry Hayman's department grocery on Providence Road is sad, and somewhat shocking. For 40 years Mr. Hayman has served a wide clientele, and been known popularly as a successful businessman.

Uncle Sam

He Could Improve National Education By Moving In

In the Senate, the bill providing for Federal supervision and support of the national school system often strikes sparks in debate. Senator Taft, for one, bucks against the expansion of Federal power, especially over schools.

Mrs. Knight

She Did A Fine Public Service As Draft Clerk

The departure of Mrs. Edna Knight from Selective Service Board No. 4 brings to attention a public service well performed. In the time of her tenure of office as an active draft official, she has handled the cases of thousands of Mecklenburg's young men, headed for war.

His Chance

Wilkie Takes A Stand

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The Moscow Parley

The Merry-Go-Round

By Drew Pearson

WASHINGTON A collective security pact with the United States and Britain. This will be the argument.

Russia Wanted Pact It will be a good argument, but it will have definite drawbacks. It is reported that in 1922 Russia asked us for just such a military alliance and Roosevelt turned it down.

But if Great Britain, Russia and the United States—the three most powerful nations in the world—do not make a collective security pact, we are to protect each other and keep the peace, then there is good reason to believe this war may see the end of major wars for some time to come.

1. Russian territorial demands. 2. Russian suspicion, plus the fact that she has been given the run-around on a second front in Western Europe and many other diplomatic moves.

What Russia Wants Russian territorial demands were first expressed to Anthony Eden when he went to Moscow in February, 1942, shortly after Pearl Harbor.

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Counter-Proposal As a counter-proposal to Russian territorial claims, this correspondent expects President Roosevelt to propose a three-way treaty of alliance—Russia, Great Britain and the U. S. A.

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Already the Russians have played the cards cleverly to this end. They have a definite German policy; we have none. After capturing the top officers of the German Sixth Army at Stalingrad, the Russians proceeded to use them. With them, they have now organized an "Officers' Corps" inside Russia.

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Side Glances

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Everyday Counselor

Joined Faith

By Rev. Herbert Spaulgh

A NEW and unprecedented step forward has been taken in church co-operation in the United States. For the first time in the nation's history, three great faiths have spoken in an identical statement on peace aims.

This statement was issued jointly by the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, the Social Action Department of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, and the Synagogue Council of America.

This is a hearing indication of a new spirit of unity between the great religious forces of the nation. The declaration said that the three faiths might still differ on what "further factors might be required for an enduring peace, or in the theological approach to practical measures to be taken."

Time and again world leaders have said that enduring peace can come only with a spiritual understanding based upon religion.

It is high time that such a step be taken. Modern civilization has so annihilated space and distance, that the peoples of the world are now living in such close proximity that they must learn to live together peaceably or be destroyed.

Brutality and terrorism is spread over the world to an unprecedented degree. We cannot permit it to continue. The hearts and lives of men must be changed. This change must take place in the religious life of the peoples of the world.

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Toward What?

Italian Change

By Samuel Crafton

THE Italian situation is not static; it is changing rapidly. That is why I think it best for the moment to withhold the cry of "Darlism" against our packy dealings with Badoglio and the King.

Let us remember last August, when the isolationist press of America was telling us all about Italy, in its own curious terms. According to the Hearst-McCormack conception of that time, the Northern Italian cities, shouting anti-Hitler slogans (exactly the same as the slogans which we were offering to our own hand)

Now let us see how greatly the picture has changed in two months: The King of Italy has, in effect, recognized Russia, as well as been recognized by it. It is also reported that that time, the coalition of Allied Headquarters in Algiers, that "a highly important consideration" in the granting of a status of co-belligerence to Italy is the hope that the great laboring populations of Italy and Genoa would turn against the Germans.

They have won a temporary place for themselves, but at what cost? Is the cost of yielding to the demands of the religious fanatics and these demands were, specifically, for a break with Germany. For a policy of sweeping every German off Italian soil, for a policy of joining with all the United Nations, including Russia, for a policy of instituting democracy in Italy.

That popular movement may carry them on its surface for a while longer, but they can neither direct it nor halt it.

Quote, Unquote

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