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Crisis Is Coming

The Second Loan For Victory

By Dorothy Thompson

BEFORE many moons have passed, the Anglo-American armies will be engaged in a deadly struggle on a scale unparalleled in human history.

The British didn't awaken until the Germans were at their doors and over their heads.

There is sufficient plant, equipment, resources, and man-power to spend it on that we can turn it into weapons of a most effective type.

Our "optimism" should not lead us to underestimate this undertaking. There are hints that the Germans will divert as much as possible of their strength from the Russian front to theaters of war.

This war enrolls money like an earthquake. We don't know its final extent at our standard of living.

The loan must be oversubscribed for other reasons than the financial possibility. One is the effect on our own morale.

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Ghost Towns

German Troops Rose Balkan Villages Unceasingly
The world has not forgotten Lidice, and for that black day in Bohemia, when payment was exacted for the death of Hanganan Heydrich.

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The same little story, resorting only to four short paragraphs, related that German troops and their satellites were burning and razing through both countries.

At the last was strange, it was no more than a few lines in the story line, repeated over and over again: Lidice, Palestina, Mlyokov, Drapacev, Guberose, Srac.

Picketed

John Lewis Caught By His Own Device, But Escapes
One of the troubles with life on this planet is that a body can't manage to be in more than one place at a time.

We can laugh at him, but would have preferred to King John to choose to face the picketers, rather than use another hotel exit.

The rebellion against the Lewis family grows in the ranks of unionism, and may soon reach the point of effectiveness.

Most of the early pioneer hardships, as related by grandfather, had to do with getting together enough to sustain life, the same as now.

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very far away from his fighting planes, Chennault took over in a game as pitched as there was no superior giving up 13 hits, striking out only two men.

It is very likely so all over the world, wherever fighting Americans go. We think it is well that it is so; it somehow augurs well for the future.

Neglect Of Duty

Introducing a Parolee And a Defendant's Record
We had begun to suspect that, through some obscure magic, conditions in Mecklenburg Courts had improved.

1. Howard Bell, a paroled convict, was convicted of slaying a soldier with a knife. He was out on parole after receiving a record of an court appearances between June, 1938, and April, 1941—when he was a defendant on two charges of attempted breaking and entering.

(Bell, sentenced to two-to-five years in April, 1941, was paroled in March, 1942. Governor Broughton ordered the parole revoked in March, 1943. This week Judge Burgwyn sentenced this remarkable parolee risk to twelve months).

2. As the trial of J. D. Jacobs, a Negro employee of the City Sanitary Department, neared its end, his court record was introduced—this time by Attorney Gus Carruth.

In the matter of the parole and in the matter of court procedure, some officials were guilty of negligence of duty.

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What ever else he may be, the American at war is not a changed man. He may toughen up, and see the enemy with a harder glint in his eye.

We are going to fight, in a short time, battles which will determine our future on this earth.

But Not This Time, Mister
By Dorman Smith



Not Many Kisses

Hate Rules The World
By Samuel Grafton

NEW YORK
SNAPSHOTS of a world at war: So the girls of Dix kissed the English Tommies when they arrived, and gave them wine to drink.

Germany, also without kisses, announces that 250,000 French prisoners of war are to be released in exchange for an equal number of conscript workers sent from France.

Walter Wichelich proclaims his displeasure because, he says, his radio sponsor won't let him praise Mr. Roosevelt sufficiently.

However, not all the news is dreary. Mr. G. H. Archambault (who also got the "captivity fur-rough" story, above) reports to the New York

Quote, Unquote

Leaders from all walks of life will be required to do this. They will be those who have applied practical common sense to this situation.

It is a terrific blunder to assume that war has its place and meaning within the direct line of Christian civilization, is in fact a continuation of the fight between barbarism and the forces of evil which the modern man had waged for 2,000 years.

"I never had better eyesight," says a former big-league umpire, "in my war work. We can only say again that the confessions magazine pay money for this stuff."

Seventy billions is the "normal" national income. Yet that is the nation must borrow this year, through the Victory Loan. It must be raised, for it has got to be spent—immediately. The best news is that we can spend it.

Times that the Vichy Government is being snickered at all over France because it compelled each community to store potatoes and other foodstuffs in a place of its own.

When the regime came there, too, Mr. Welles sort of mumbles, and one has to guess what he means. He will throw Peyrouton out, and kick Franco in the stomach.

Again, no kisses, and hate has called to hate another. There are no kisses in the world, while many people of the world will do, when nobody thinks to stop them.

Initiation of gasoline and tire rationing will be required to do this. They will be those who have applied practical common sense to this situation.

This is our darkest hour in six years of war. We must work hard to conquer all obstacles to eventual victory.

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Today's Bible Thought
If you have a strong friend with you, you need not fear the shadows. The path of the shadow of death is dark, but fear no evil. Psalm 137:7.

Citizen's Duty

Vote Or Else
By Dick Young

TODAY is the last day for registration in the approaching municipal primary and election. I sincerely hope that by the setting of the sun on this P. M. tonight all citizens who have not previously registered will have gotten their names on the books so they can cast a ballot in the election.

As citizens of Charlotte we face the selection of the men who will administer the City affairs (which you know are our affairs) for the next two years.

Next week, candidates will be pawing the air and will be filling the air with claims and counterclaims.

Conscientious and intelligent citizens will make the effort to get the real facts and base their selections of the contenders they will vote on merit and quality of leadership.

One who has watched the municipal scene from close range and who in 22 years of City Hall reporting has seen administrations, good and bad and indifferent, come and go, I can say without reservation that the municipal election is as important as any election that has ever held.

Wayward Ships

Confusion At Sea
By Raymond Clapper

WASHINGTON
WITH extremely heavy submarine losses the need for the most efficient utilization of war shipping is obvious.

One ship leaving an American port loaded with a locomotive, tanks and trucks began picking the first of the war at sea.

Some months ago a certain ship had been scheduled to leave an American port for the British Isles. Instead it was diverted to Central America, picked up a load of bananas, and took them to the West Coast.

A certain ship sailed from an American port in October, bound for a North African port. She carried aboard 60 tons of sand.

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