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Sicily!

An Island Stormed Spells The Doom of Italy

Up the beaches in the moonlight, and Up the beaches in the moonlight, and raising down from the skies by the biomand, the men of the United National Stronge. Even as the great air and as harrage opened anew on the already bettered isle of Sicily, the great dries was underway. At Itrat, there is likitie news of resistance, no news of the namber of men involved, and no news of essualities.

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But if must be assumed that the Axis will and give up fistly without the bit-serve of fighting, for with the loss of that island, Italy goes too. A narrow see-indle channel separates fistly from the toe of Mussolini's quaking Boot. And, as the German and Italian troops pour scross to the endangered land, there sertian to be some of the heaviest lighting of this war, concentrated in a small theater. The defending troops will solutions be the finest, best-trained vet-scans available. wans available

A great many British, Canadian and Assections soldiers will give their lives for this Sicily, but the fact that General Eschhower chose to atrike at the shand and not at the mainland of they isself indicates he is trying to put Italy seef of the war with the lowest possible self of manpower. It is evidently the pleas to seize Sicily, Sardinia and Corsica, pound Italian transport and communications out of existence, and neutralize the entire nation for the duration of the war. *

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The thrilling news that the step had some at last abould have been received with reserve, for the final blows are yet to be struck. Sicily's conquest is not yet done, and may prove to be expensive. Even after the island falls, there are a great many more fronts to be opened, more territory to split from the Axis holdings. Sicily is not by any means the ead of the drive, though its winning vill assure the elimination of Italy and make of the Mediterranean an Allied lake.

This, at any rate, is the fulfillment of Prime Minister Churchill's prophecy that action would soon flame in the Mediterranean theatre; it should be remembered that he predicted invasion "elsewhere" before the leaves begin to fall, licity is not the goal, but it is an important step. With Italy two miles away and Rome a mere 260, Allied air power will, within a few weeks, bring to the waiting world the new fall of the power will, within a few weeks, bring to the waiting world the new fall of the Roman Empire.

Whatever Rumania hoped to get out of the cataclysm, her plans, it now appears, have gone askew. Or escu, to preserve the local spelling.

A New Broom

Dr. Saunders Must Not Be Allowed To Stay at Morganton

During the investigation of condi-tions in the State Hospital at Morgan-ion, one prime target of witnesses and investigators alike was Dr. J. R. Saun-erz, then a member of the late Dr. Watkiha' staff. Tom Jimison, whose sarching pen first revealed the un-bearable bonditions in Morganions. searable conditions in Morganion's night, transied him as the Crown Prince. The testified that the attendants did sold like him, and that the patients hated said feared him.

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It became apparent to The Neiss and to a great many other newspapers those that did not hold to the timid those that did not hold to the timid size that the efficials were not to blame who conditions at Morganton that, when its new unlined board of control came is led of the mistrated and opposite the size and the first move should be to make a clean sweep of all executives the were connected with the Hospital facing the dark days when all norther than the season of a long while, an accepted that its many quarters that Dr. Baunnament was allowed. It has been, for a long while, an accepted that its many quarters that Dr. Baunnament was a selling Superintendent by the death of Dr. Walkins, would measured y dissiless.

of the Hospital, or on the staff, then we believe literally nothing will have been accomplished at Morganton, de-spite all the airing of the pitiable grievances of the condemned inmates. All the cruelty and ignorance and filth and hardened carelessness will not have ceased—but will probably continue. For all those conditions existed in the past, when Dr. Saunders was on hand to see for himself. He either did not know about the horrible conditions, in which case he was indigent; or he knew, and did nothing, in which case he was guilty of criminal neglect. The fact that Harry Riddle, politician

The fact that Harry Riddle, politician and branded as political boss of the Hospital in the inquiry, is on the new board, and the fact that Rep. Wayland Sprull, from Dr. Saunders' home county of Bertle, are on the board might serve to indicate that the Doctor had a good chance to retain his position. The News calls now upon every member of the new board to see that he or she does the heavy to be the state and to the thought of the things of the server of the s

tion of the Hospital.

Nothing less, we are convinced, can permanently improve conditions in Morganion and if Did Baunders is allowed morganion, then the pressure or manipulation, then the whole crusade for the betterment the lot of the helpless thousands will het alou of the helpless thousands will het a womanipulation will be a support to the less than the less thousands will het a womanipulation will be a support to the less than the less than

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Reynolds-Hoey Picture Isn't Enough for Some

In the Enough for Some

So Bob Reynolds has discovered, from an old friend in Winston-Salem, that the people of North Carolina are set agin him. It has been told that they want no part of a hide-bound isolationist, and that he will have a tough time holding his office unless he can "conscientiously" agree with the foreign policies of the President. And Bob wrote back to his friend, courtensity, explaining that he was still isolationist, that he still opposed the President's foreign policy. And he put the exchange of letters into The Congressional Record.

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Record.

In connection with the missives he cried out a speech, in which he "admitted" that he had done a complete about-face. Lest the ruse be accepted by the people of the State, let it be known that Bob's only about-face to date is that he has decided the plans for tomorrow's world should be made today, and not tomorrow. He has not abandoned the precepts of isolationism, nor his hatred of England and Russia, nor his belief that the United States can get along alone in the world.

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can get along alone in the world.

That, cilluen, is enough to whip him in next year's campaign, even if he has, of the control with the contr

Nanation was, at least, succinct:

"All right, I won't vote for Bob Reynolds again. But I don't wanta vote for Hoey, either, see. The had nough of that Shelby crowd, and so have thousands of others. They'll go to Hoey at the last moment, I guess, I nobody else turns up. But there's plenty of room for another man, and don't forget it. We need mand, and don't forget it. We need nomebody like Kerr Scott, the Commissioner of Apriculture—and, say, that's a pretty good idea. I'll go talk to that guy now."

we continue to hear from all aides that there is room for a third man, but there is no third man in sight. If he is to be, perhaps he had best lay low until fate in the game, then attempt to spurt past as the Reynolds-Hoey race unfolds. Perhaps, as the practical politicians tell us, that would be heat. But if there is a third man, we'd still like to see him. Having looked over the field, we're still impatient.

War's Tragedy

We Must Stand Together

- By Raymond Clapper

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NORTH AFRICA TI MAY seem strange that here in the midst of all kinds of warlike, activity anyone should be writ-ing about something else but the strongest impression jeed out of it is the shocking way in which civiliza-tion wastes the best it has because we have not been able to find a way to adjust differences without war.

to find a way to aquise differences without was Everybedy I have seen wants this ever with I wants to get back home. That is not likely to as easy or as soon as I wish it could be. The ct best thing is for all of us civilians to make that insofar as we can prevent it no more of se world blood baths are necessary.

these world blood baths are necessary.

All right. What specifically can one nation alone
do? I think one thing we can do as a start—make
aure that this time the British and ourselves and, I
hope, the Russians all stick together. Somebody has
got to be top dog in the world for a while and I
don't know anyone I'd rather trust it to than our own
alliance now bound together against the Axis aggrestors.

In this group of power's—and I think China also belongs in it — is massed such military strength and resources that no other combinations are not as the strength of the stren

We were in command of the world at the end of the last war. We are going to be in command of its again this time after many months more of bloody atruggle, after thousands of lives of the finest people in the world are sacrificed. Whoever says it is lim-

Africa.

I visited one unit where the British proposed as Fourth of July supprise for the Arnesicsate, present a Fourth of July supprise for the Arnesicsate, resulting up ye whichly outer for them and isending them in singing the Star-Spangled Benner. That was sometimes truly touching to me because it demanded a full mine of the proposed of the star of

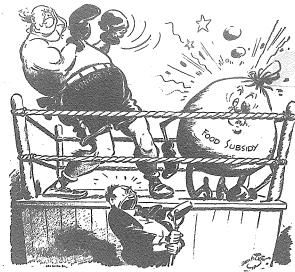
Notes.

It sught to be obvious now that for mutual neoutily America and Britain would be feedbar not to stick together. Without Britain beautile like home to stick together. Without Britain bases, Britain naval facilities and air facilities were forced by the standard and an arrange of the standard and the standard standard beautile would be equally difficult, for Printin to defend herealt, even the home island, without American industrial resources.

In those facts it seems to me lie the hope of a stable world for a long time after victory and I a think we would be missing our big chance if we did not believe that American commonsense will lead our country to do that.

He's Down! He's Up! He's Down! He's Up! Etc.

-By Dorman Smith



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GOP Frowns At The Future

By Samuel Grafton

As I understand it, the leading Republican candidate for President are reductantly willing to live in the brave new world. If we really insist on having the petulant about it, if it is going to cry it are yet for an international tile bath and a world court for an international tile bath and a world court for an international tile bath and a world court faultill, it is a superior of the present in the presen NEW YORK

solution to these improvements.

When I bear Mr. Harthon Spangler, chairman of one wing of the GOP, speak an occasionation, I have a feeling that the voice is shrill. The ione is that of a man telling his good wife observation, I have a feeling that the voice is shrill. The ione is that of a man telling his good wife object and buy that new plane, who's adopting heart and buy that new plane, who's adopting heart and buy that new plane, who's adopting heart and her allowed on the control of the co

treaty with England.

But they seem only to wear the expressions of men whose chairs are being multiclustly moved after 0 years. They are not building. They are watching, Once in a while the forefinger rises, it wags, and the mocking words come forth: "I don't think I'm going to like it!" At which point lumantily is supgoing to like it!" At which point, humanity is sup-posed to burst out crying, all this is not good for the morale of the buildren; it is definitely on the nega-tive side. When great things are to be built, we need men who will be up early in the morning, before the workmen arrive, looking, observing, checking, boast-ing, praising, even making magnificent mistakes on the future. It is not quite the same thing for Mr. Bricker to come strolling down the path once in a three-mouth, to murmur: "Cute! Think it'll work? Might move in, M it does, Yes, cir!"

move in, if it does, Yea, edit."

And there is no much to dot. The negative attitude of Mr., ipanufer's wing of the Republican Party leaves the cultic construction job up to the Administration, And, frankly, I do not because the Administration agale up to it, all by itself, it has some rather queer ideas, its current with the construction point of the administration is quite up to it, all by itself, it has some rather queer ideas, its current which is a some rather queer ideas, its current with the construction of the construction of the desired with the construction of the desired with the desired point of the party in the construction of the desired with the

uses to weating woolen atockings. The Administration can engage in these curious adventures in world-building, only because it faces no official Republican competition. It can build a Franco wing, and a Giraud "L," and a covered passage-way for Otto, only because there is no opposition of the compare its own can be a constant of the compare its own can be considered that the compare its own comparing the control of the compare of the control of the con

ome.

All of which leaves Mr. Wendell Willike in the distinguished position of being the only top Republican who is giving the Administration any competition. He really is in a sweat. He really respects to live in that house, lie has suggested, for example, that he doesn't want any damp little colonies down in the cellar.

There was an issue. The official side of Mr. Wilkies party looked at it, and let it lay, It would not pick it up. It does not intend to show any such interest in the future. That would amount to admitting there is going to be a future.

Platform Of The People

We Have Some Protests

Editors, THE NEWS:

When I came home this after-noon my son, who is nine years old, said: sald: addy, they used bad words in

the paper."

Bo I read the story of Action in the North Atlantic, the story of the

If they cannot, I suggest that it not be printed at all.

-W. G. HARGETT.

Protest From The Soldiers

Editors, The News: This is in reference to the ar-ticle by Sandy Grady on Page 1,

TODAY'S BIBLE THOUGHT

The account is squared, but you must not repeat and you may not retain what is not your own, you must do your best to right the wrong, and God will carry the balance: Christ died for our sine—I Cornthians 15:2.

Section 2 of the Tuesday, July 6 is-

ue of your paper.

We reacnt your calling sol-dlers' and sallors' farewells to their families and swetchearts a show-suggesting it as "en-terialment" to your readers. It is certainly poor taste to ridious' read drams" by term-ling it a "free show." Lt. John Jasch.

Lt. Carolyn R. Roland, ANC. Lt. Genevieve Dojretrek, ANC. Pfc. Harry A. Bowin, Pfo. Raymond F. Gruber,

Pic. George Chesar, Egt. John A Muccilli, Laurinburg-Maxton Air Esse

Side Glances



"The motion is, with so many young military strangers in our city, the club do something to entertain them!"

Little Nations

The Hungry Ones

By Pertinax

THE United States and British Governments are now agreed on the symbol to be set to work the day hostilities end to bring urgent self-states in the state of the symbol to be specified to the large-scale economic reconstruction; which representatives of the United Nations discussed in May at the Hol Springs, Val. conference.

ot Springs, Va. conference.

The American and British Governments are not yet cut of the phase of preliminary meetings with other, members of the United Nations, but the draft of a convention has been prepared. Once the approval of every country concerned has been rean—a-second conference of the United Nations will meet and plenipsientlary delegates will append their signatures. For former Governor Berbert H. Lehman of New York, director of the Administration for Post-War Eclicf and Echabilitation, this will be the mement to go ahead.

H. Lehman of New York, director of the Administration for Fost-War Relief and Rehabilitation, this will be the mement to ge absend.

For the time being, among secondary nations some reluctance to abide by the terms of the draft treaty as they have been committed to paper may be discerned. They take the view that they are considered to the secondary that the secondary and the secondary secondary and the secondary secondary and the secondary secondary

Second: Mr. Lehman will be simultaneously the general director of the system and the chairman of the executive committee. That arrangement also comes under criticism. It is claimed that the functions of chairman and director sught to be kept separate. The committee of the committee of the committee on the theory that Mr. Lehman, being an executive officer, must be placed in an independent position.

pendent position.

Third: According to the draft treaty, national governments are not supposed to supervise the distribution of relief on the spot or to have a voice in all local arrangements, the idea being that the whole responsibility must rest with the director general and his agenta. National governments are say to be say of such a disposition since supervised to the same of the political consequences. At least, three of them would be formed the political consequences. At least, three of them would be received from the United States and other producing countries. Thus, they would be entitled to state and the found of the consider that the acceptance of charitable help and the full enjoyment of sovereignty cannot go a very long way together.

together.

Fourth: The eventual admittance of enemy states into the system, at the bidding of the executive committee, is another most point, Obviewally, here is a dominant issue of international policy. And it might be solved without secondary sixtee being given the state of t

Fanny The Rip

The Washington News

OMEN having invaded every other field, why not a female Rip

Van Winkle?
And, lo and behold, we've found her.

Ana, to and behold, we've found her.

Her name is Frances Perkins and she is Secretary of Labor.

She stirred in her sleep slightly and said:

"American labor made a piedge to the President and that's that. I think they will keep their word,"

Her, reference was to the "no-strike piedge" and her Labor Department recently reported there, were more strikes in May than any other month since Pearl Harbor.

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Miss Perkins still has some time to go to equal Rip's record. He alept on a mountain for twenty years. She has slumbered in the Cabinet only half as long.

Visitin' Around

The Planner (North Wilkesboro Hustler) Mr. H. C. McNelli, well-known live-at-home farmer of Lawis Fork country, was in the city last Wednesday having his wagen repsided at the Bungarner blackmith shops—did his accord with what Wilson but it would be ready when needed—and he had an excellent animal to go with it.

Let's Call It All Off

An Start Over Agala (North Wilstebore Hustler) and Wednasday evening Agardener asked the question last Wednasday evening Lions' judging committee in the local victory gardens contest, cloding County Agent Sinjer made the round Wednasday, it was they would go around again once or more stater in the essent

day wound go around again ones or more later in the season?

Names Make News

(30 Years Ago, Lexington Diepatch)

The engagement of Miss Frank Robbins to Mr. William Parcake
was announced by Mrs. Jennés Adderson at a party lass Friday afternoon, the wedding to take place to June.