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I have not yet begun to fight!
—John Paul Jones on Bonhomme Richard, Sept. 23, 1779.

First Thought
These Soldiers Take Time For Re-Assurances

"Am okay. Don't worry."
A thousand times over, that message or one approximating it has come over the cables...

"Am okay. Don't worry."
They're young, too, mostly these fighting men under fire. A great many of their fellows were killed in the attack on Pearl Harbor...

"Am okay. Don't worry."
Sometimes we think that the American soldier is eminently well preserving.

Bottle-neck
It's the Same Old Maudering Senate

Any optimistic suggestions that have changed the U. S. Senate? World's greatest deliberative body? From an unending bundle of red tape into an intelligent and co-operative team...

Was there objection to Senator Maloney's request to have a House of Representatives hearing held? Some prominent observations were made:

Mr. MALONEY: There is no doubt in the mind of anyone that as a result of the difference between Chief (Housing) Administration and the Senate...

Mr. BARKLEY: I am not concerned particularly about the controversy with respect to the jurisdiction of confirmation...

So the afternoon wore on and at last the matter came to a vote. Two resolutions were introduced...

New Supermen
Praise From The Enemy

For the first time since he came to power, Hitler has tasted military defeat. It has not agreed with him. In Switzerland it is reported that he came home from the front with a complete nervous breakdown...

Meanwhile, an article by a Nazi military expert, printed in his own Voelkisch Beobachter, declares that Russian soldiers are better than German soldiers and even better. Officially, the Red Army may be considered to have been elevated en masse to the rank of supermen...

Why? Certainly the admission to evidence that hostile forces alone is respected by Nazism. Yet only a few months ago Hitler's newspaper called the Russians "inhuman beasts"...

But wait. Stalin already has received peace feelers from Hitler. Hitler has said several times that he would make peace with those nations which Germany could not conquer. Russia seems to be one of those nations.

It is apparent that Hitler would welcome peace with Russia on the most favorable terms to Stalin. But will Stalin make peace at any point short of total victory over Germany?

All we know about Stalin is that he will do whatever seems most advantageous to him. He signed a pact with Hitler once. He would do it again, but not while the Russians were making a rout of the Nazis' invasion.

Exit Langer
Senate Committee Invokes The Qualification Clause

It has been fourteen years since the Senate refused to take an elected brother into the club. The last instance was the long-drawn-out affair which finally saw Pennsylvania's William H. Verelsteyn's seat because of unholily campaign expenditures.

Langer was elected to the Senate in the 1940 campaign, lost his seat in January of 1941. Charges were filed against him by a group of North Dakota farmers...

Nazi Plot Hatchers
The Baltimore Sun

ARGENTINE'S recent action in declaring a state of siege of a preventive character, which corresponds roughly to martial law in this country, comes after a long series of unexplained incidents...

"I can conscientiously tell the chamber that the penetration of foreign ideologies is a very important fact, of national significance, because they have penetrated into all parts and areas because, unfortunately, they are so easily cultivated. It is not known exactly what their aim is...

ARGENTINE NEWSPAPERS FIGURE ON NAZI PRESS
Even before the outbreak of recognition that the Nazi were boring deep into the Argentine apple, leading newspapers of Buenos Aires and other cities were crusading against totalitarian activities.

THE ASIATIC JAPANESE JUNKERS CHOSE CONQUEST
The history of Japanese imperialism is inseparable from the social and class structure of Japan as the history of German imperialism is inseparable from the Prussian Junker class...

NAZI PARTY BRANCH IN LATIN AMERICA
Much of the Argentine Minister of Foreign Affairs' speech at the recent expansion program of the Nazi-sponsored Austro-fascist movement, which is active in Latin America...

GENERAL CAMPAIGN FOR PROTECTION
The development of a general campaign by Latin American nations to protect themselves was described by a correspondent of the London Times as follows:

HERE I AM AGAIN
A scientist thinks he can improve the life span in 200. Then we'd be our own posterity, and it would save us right.

BUY DEFENSE BONDS HERE
The greatest victory in military history, as proclaimed by Hitler before Moscow, turns out to be something less. If things get tough, Adolf may have to capture France again.

Visitin' Around
And the Little Rat Laughed
To See Rich Sport
(Rosie Ridge Bird)
(Morgan News-Herald)
Lee Weatherman spent Saturday night with Harland Clark and while there had a very bad accident. While trying to hit him, the Clark boy accidentally hit Lee instead of the rat. He was unconscious for awhile.

What No Berghum?
Henry Dale Item.
Winnebago News-Herald:
When W. R. Dely and D. V. Walker were in business, Mr. Dely took the Turkey to dinner. Turkey said afterwards that Mr. Dely had corn bread on his table just Sunday just like other people.

The Unseen Imminent Peril Achieving Union Now
By Dorothy Thompson

I HOPE that the President's address to Congress on the origins of the war will be taken up by the public schools, after the Christmas vacation, and discussed and re-discussed in the history classes.

FACTS WERE KNOWN TO ALL NEWSPAPER READERS
The roots of today's Japanese aggression are to be sought not ten but fifty years ago, although the President is right in showing that the acute danger for which we are now fighting was hidden in the past.

JAPS ARE STRIKINGLY SIMILAR TO GERMANS
The analogies between Germany in the West and Japan in the East are striking. Nations with a concept of the super-race is exactly duplicated in the Japanese Sumurai mind. Nations which is a return to German feudalism in the twentieth century form a feudalistic society dominated by a head symbol of the race, a Prussian Junker and industrialist, and a Samurai philosophy.

Letters To The Editors
Liquor, War And Prohibition
Editors, The News:
I read with interest the editorial on liquor and war. It is pointed out that the local press depicting international events are contributed to the local press depicting international events...

There is, however, no "Germany" on the Asiatic continent, China with enormous manpower, never has been centrally controlled and militaristic nation, and Chinese Confucianism had made them the civilized philosophers of the East ruled by magisterial well-educated gentry, and bureaucrats.

Such a dream was once that of the British. But they gave it up after the war with France. Their policy of security became, like ours, no demilitarized protection of Europe, and the world—from domination by any one of two great powers.

These embracing the opportunity to observe the modus operandi of the present, we are convinced there was no resultant situation in the consumption of liquor discovered that either soldier or politician did not abstain during the solemn period when it became illegal to establish a bar within five miles of a church.

AGREEMENT NOW WOULD BE A STEP FORWARD
Every step in that direction is worth taking without waiting for a more complete plan to be developed. If a compact can be made now, and I suspect that it not only can but will be made, the nations on our side will have the nucleus of the combined force and resources to manage the armistice transition through the twilight period to peace.

Such a step now will give added purpose to our cause. It will give hope beyond victory. Unless we rise up, victory will only mark the rise of an apprehension that the cause of the war, if the sacrifices of this war are to be fully vindicated, victory must mean not the end of united effort but only the beginning, because the aim of victory is to have our kind of world—security from without, order from freedom within. To have security from without, we must work with our friends across all oceans to retain management control and to share it only as other nations will fit themselves into a peaceful scheme of things.

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DISCUSSION OF PLANS NEITHER HURT WAR EFFORT
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What would have happened to us, if he had, and the Japanese had timed their attack on Pearl Harbor to coincide with the attack on the Union Now plan, the way may be found.

PUBLIC SUPPORT NEEDED FOR BROADER CO-OPERATION
I know that responsible persons in Washington are interested in the Union Now plan. They need public support now so it will be possible for them to go ahead in whatever ways seem the most practical. Some preliminary scaffolding is being worked on now. The Interrelated War Council now being organized is the beginning. With it must come broader measures of co-operation among the Allies, and a binding compact that will carry them over into the armistice, which will be nothing less than a period of reciprocity as the victors restore the wreckage of the war.

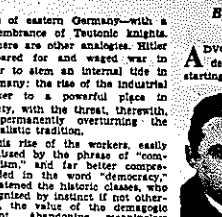
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We know now that this cannot be done by inducing nations merely to sign peace treaties. Almost every nation, and even the Axis nations, signed the Kellogg-Briand Pact thereby pledging themselves to abstain from war as an instrument of national policy. But it remained a scrap of paper. Organization, with military and economic power behind it, must be used from here on.

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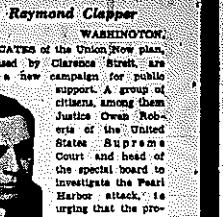
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