

An Astute Decision

By Hugh S. Johnson

WASHINGTON—The policy of the President to permit the Allies to buy our most advanced type of military and naval planes is 100 per cent correct.

This means the arrangement of buildings and machine tools to provide a continuous flow from one operation to another without back-tracking or lost motion.

This requires the highest mechanical skill that is demanded by the modern scientific production of the modern machine.

Everybody who is old enough will remember that preparation to build the radically different successor to the old model T Tin Lizzie, paralyzed the production of even the great Ford plants for the better part of two years.

KILLING TWO BIRDS WITH ONE STONE

To put the American airplane industry on this kind of mass production basis would give us something that hasn't existed and over conservative plans for our own equipment, might never have been completely attained.

For undoubted reasons, our military production has been right in a slightly different class but, in standard plant and engine types, we would be shorthanded not to give the Allies the best we have for quantity production.

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366 Days Since Last March 26 No Fatal Accident On Airlines

Here's a statistic that, in recognition of the accomplishment behind it, truly deserves a hand:

Commercial airlines in the United States completed yesterday a whole year without a fatal accident or serious injury to passengers or crew.

Good luck must be given a share of the credit for this achievement, but the other factors responsible for it are tangible as well as altogether praiseworthy.

Hamlet Some Remarks On An Odd Case In Police Court

The kindest view of the matter seems to be that Deputy Sheriff Martin is down with a Hamlet complex—can't make up his mind. Nobody, however, can well suspect Judge Howard, County Recorder, of that.

Saturday evening at 6:45 o'clock, Deputy Sheriff Martin arrested a certain Christian driver who had been seen to turn him drive into a ditch eight miles out on a belt road—according to his testimony in court.

Obviously, it adds up to one of two things: (1) Deputy Martin was exceedingly careless of the public safety, or (2) the arrested man was not drunk at all.

Urry It's A Hard Word But A Profitable Business

South Carolina law fixes the legal rate of interest at not more than 7 1/2 per annum (8% on contracts). Charges beyond these rates constitute usury, which is a hard word.

But after awhile, less scrupulous persons, finding the enforcement of the law man is to divorce. And women weep, as women should, because they're so misunderstood.

Jimmy Blunts It

By Raymond Clapper

WASHINGTON—The trouble with the speech for which James H. R. Cromwell, new young millionaire minister to Canada,

The Allied peoples are not to expect that we are about to go sailing across the Atlantic with another army.

It is startling the case to say that the Allies are fighting for the perpetuation of individual liberty and freedom. The Allies are fighting for their lives.

WE KNOW WE CAN GET ALONG WITH ENGLAND

But is ignoring the realities and the statement of the case there. One must think of the kind of civilization and the kind of life that Great Britain and France.

Which kind of Europe would we rather see? Which kind of Europe would be better for us to live in? In that sense it is fair to say that this is a war between old-established civilization and a rising power that constitutes a dangerous challenge.

Mr. Billopp: Umbrella-Bearer

You tell him please not to bother you're getting a lot of right. Let him keep the umbrella over himself. But he says, "Oh, no!" he wouldn't think of doing that.

He's the most wonderful person in the world," says actress Doris Dudley of the man she is to divorce. And women weep, as women should, because they're so misunderstood.

Comes Summer Welles Back From Europe

—By Herb Cook



Letters to the Editor: Warning To Republicans

Dear Sir: If the Republican Party thinks that they can persuade voters from voting for Franklin D. Roosevelt this Fall by using washed up radio commentators to tour the country and tell the populace that a third term would mean war, they are making up the wrong tree.

For Want Of Letters, Democracy Perishes. Everybody talking about Democracy but nobody writing us letters about it. Here it is Wednesday, with the deadline of noon Saturday only three days off, and letters have been as scarce as hens teeth on high school boys.

Dear Sir: In the spirit moves them. Meantime, letters on any subject, prize contest or not, are doubly welcome, but the more we hear to go on for awhile. And they're pretty good fun, too, aren't they?—Editors, The News.

AAA Evidently The Worst About Democracy To Him. Dear Sir: The proposal to Congress by Inverness Lester P. Barlow to test his new airplane by flying it in the midst of a number of goals staked out in a field is revolting that one wonders how it has been given any serious consideration.

Dear Sir: I should like to voice my strenuous objection to your present policy of clustering up your editorial page with letters of the most weekly type which is ordinarily so devoid of general significance.

It's A Record. Miller, Lumberman Robersons. Henry Fountain Ashurst, Democrat, Arizona, is the only member of the U. S. Senate without a record. He has never continuously since Arizona attained statehood in 1912.

Dear Sir: We want to do here at The News is to make our editorial page a place for free public discussion of the issues of the day. But we're going to have to build up to that by degrees and get people in the habit of writing

Side Glances. Seven Score And Two (Marshall Home) John W. Wells of Indian Trail and John J. H. Davidson of Morrisville are the 142 men who are entitled to the United States Army through the recruiting headquarters at Charlotte last week.

Inform the tradesmen they need not call for three days. I am going on a liquid diet and prescribe the same for the household.

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A Lady's Got To Sit Down Some (Hamilton's X-Roads, Monroe Journal)

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