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End Run

Ikens Spies a West Coast 'Oil Shortage' From Afar

With an abrupt reversal of field that would have done credit to Mr. Shad Bryant, Gallon Harold Ikens, that stellar triple-threatener of the Roosevelt Administration, has evaded tactics on the east end of the line and is now threatening the west flank.

Undaunted by the report of a Congressional committee accusing Mr. Ikens of spying "Wolf, West" when he proclaimed an oil shortage on the East Coast, Harold now announces an impending oil shortage on "other extremity." He had blamed the eastern shortage on the transfer of tankers to Britain; the West Coast situation is complicated by the diversion of ships to carry oil to Russia.

The Hard Way

Why Repeal the Neutrality Act When There's Panama?

It is becoming increasingly difficult for us to work up a lather of indignation about these sinkings of "U. S." ships. They make bold headlines, to be sure, but they make have been found guilty of so many more, vicious crimes that a mere torpedoing of an unarmed merchantman pales by comparison.

Day School

A Desirable Addition to the City's Educational Plan

In the new Charlotte Country Day School the city has a facility which is another sign of its continuing metamorphosis into a metropolitan community.

Don't Forget the Lost Colony

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Those North Carolinians will be particularly interested in the launching of the battleship North Carolina. It is the only one of its class in the fleet.

Siege

It Comes to All Cities That Only Stand and Wait

If it were Chicago, say, or New Orleans under Nazi siege instead of Leningrad, perhaps we Americans would know the full significance of the Soviet announcement that "hastily recruited civilians" were being sent to the outskirts of the beleaguered city in an attempt to hold it from the Germans.

Center Attack Falls to Stop Plans Dismissed

In times of unusual pressure against an attack at any particular point—the center, or on either flank—both sides are likely to make an attempt to strike at the center.

Supply Qualities

Russia's qualities as the highest order Russian is the most important factor in our selection of a peace partner.

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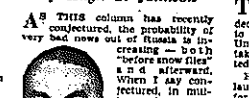
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Discussion in Tokyo

Hitler has not demanded the end of the Communist revolution in some part of Russia, and has left himself free to negotiate with Stalin. If cataphors overtake Stalin's attitude and the United States remains in a twilight zone of almost complete inaction, America will have to decide whether to stand by or to interfere.

Russia's Weakness

By Hugh S. Johnson



As this column has recently been published, the probability of Russia's success in the coming winter is increasing.

The fact is that Hitler is not only a military strategist but also a politician. He is not only a general but also a statesman.

Germany's Oil Can't Outlast a Long War

In an all-out blitzkrieg, Germany uses two or three million tons of oil per month. She can produce synthetically from three million tons per year.

Will the United States See the War Through?

The answer is political as well as military and depends on the United States. Just before the collapse of France, Paul Reynaud asked for a definite report on the American situation.

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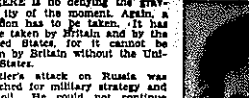
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"We Must Declare War"

By Dorothy Thompson



There is no denying the gravity of the moment. As a nation, we are in a very real sense in a state of emergency.

Hitler underestimated the resistance of Russia. He knew that it would be a huge costly war. He also knew, however, that if he failed again, the amazing feat of his armies would run out of gas.

Letters About 100,899

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Inflation Antidote

By Raymond Clapper



The last year's price of commodities rose 34 per cent; of farm products, 22 per cent; of food, 25 per cent.

It is in the most critical situation in the history of the United States that the Government is now finding itself.

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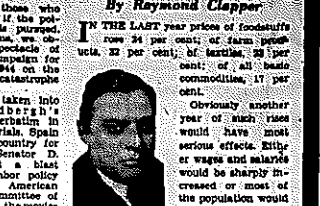
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By Herblock



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