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PLUDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Industry Has Met The Test

We are beginning to reap the sour fruit of our long refusal to recognize the obvious. Ever after we actually were in the war as allies of Great Britain, Russia and China, we insisted publicly and privately that we were not going to enter the war. Now we are paying for that ostrich-like absurdity.

Common Ground

"I speak the plain-word primer, I give the sign of democracy. By God! I will accept nothing which all cannot have their counterpart of on the same terms."

MITCHELL'S OPINION OF THE JAPS

I quoted in the last issue from William B. Ziff's great book, "The Coming Battle of Germany." I want to quote what he inserted as to General Mitchell's testimony as to the Japs' ability.

"At a time when almost everyone sadly misjudged the Japanese as foemen to be respected, treating them as if they were only a peg or two above the painted spearman of Somaliland, 'Billy' Mitchell made what turned out to be an exact and proper estimate of their abilities. The following is an abstract of testimony given on June 1, 1933, before a joint Congressional committee to investigate dirigible disasters:

"Gen. Mitchell: 'They know the value of air power and they are working as hard on it as anybody else.' "Rep. Delaney: 'They have not been successful in their experiments with lighter than air and heavier than air.'

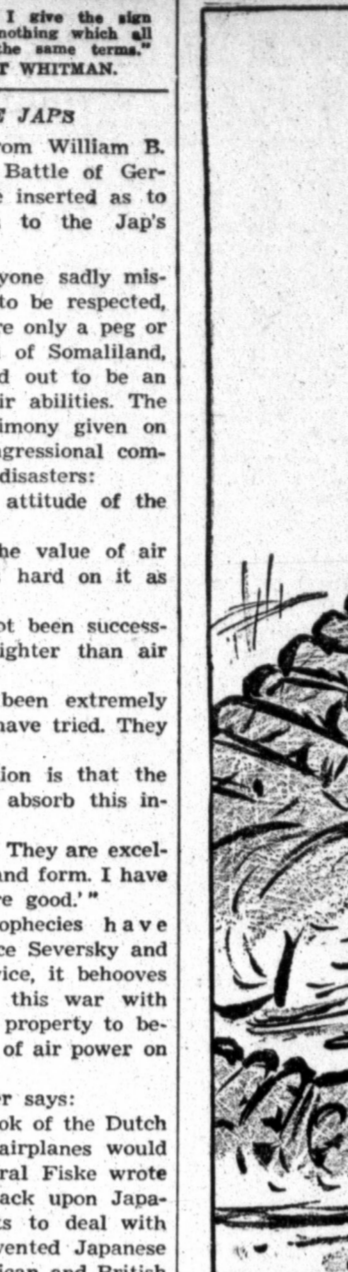
"In Manila the clear-sighted MacArthur was vainly demanding airplanes. He had read the auguries of the times and was ill at ease. In Hawaii the heads of the military and naval establishments, secure in the great power of American might, patiently awaited the political decisions by which their actions were regulated."

"A more intelligible view was taken by de Seversky, who complained to the writer: 'Here I go to a lot of trouble to write a whole chapter to prove exactly how airplanes could sink battleships and then the Japanese go and sink the Reupise and Prince of Wales and I have to throw the chapter out.'

"Does this leave the ordinary citizen with nothing to do but open a second front? No. What the political and military high commands must wish to know is whether the public opinion of the United States and Britain is prepared for great risks and great sacrifices now in the expectation that these risks will be well taken and these sacrifices wisely made because they will shorten the war."

There are certain material factors which lay at the base of the present situation. The fact of long casualty lists, deprivations such as we have scarcely contemplated, are the facts we must certainly face if a bold stroke is now attempted. These facts are the facts of total war, which this country, at least, has not faced. Let us face them now. They are the Second Front.

TEARS



People You Know

Mark Vantine of the White Way is an old railroad from this one part of the country. For several years Mark used to be the baggage man and part-time brakeman on the "Q."

"I had decided that when I left the tobacco company I would live in Pampa. It was my pick of the Panhandle. I just knew I was going to come here to live, and I did. He came in 1936 and opened the White Way which was then a small frame building."

James Barclay is now in boot camp at the U. S. Marine naval training station at San Diego. James left Oklahoma City Tuesday after passing the physical exams and taking the oath. He was as tickled as a boy with his first dog to get in. "I've been waiting for six months for this day," James wrote. "I guess you will know by the time you get this but it sounds too good not to say it every chance I get."

News Behind The News

The National Whirligig

DISGUST: Now that the manner in which our leaders have flunked the raw materials program has been ruthlessly exposed, the Administration is snapping the whip and yelling for faster output. But it will take more than lashing the old gray mare to win the race. Mr. Roosevelt should turn some of his spavined cayuses out to pasture and harness the thoroughbreds which he is keeping in the stables. This candid advice is the opinion of some of the most important figures in the nation.

SMITH: One reason that Washington even now has not hit its full war stride is politics—not merely the sordid boodle side of the game but also its highest form. Bestowing favors as the result of pressure from special groups is the customary practice of officeholders. Wasteful materials, inflation, crumpling price ceilings, blind self-interest of capital, farm and labor blocs all have their roots in this habit of log-rolling. Until a production czar has the power to say no, back-seat drivers will pester him."

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JAWS: Prices of raw tobacco in Georgia, the first of the belts to open, have gone haywire because the big domestic companies anticipate a phenomenal rise in cigarette smoking and are building up reserves. The Santa Claus with the striped trousers also is tossing money around that southern market. The Commodities Credit Corporation is to buy forty per cent of the bright leaf crop by means of international trading provisions and

Over Cologne we weren't worried about the defenses as much as bumping into other aircraft. —FLIGHT SERGT. MICHAEL JACOBS, RAF. My crew calls our ship a spook and the sure was a spook to the Japs. —MAJ. GEORGE B. GLOBE, commander of U. S. flying fortress.

News Clearing House

"It is for each to utter that which he sincerely believes to be true, and advice unit of influence to all other units of influence, and in the words 'work themselves out'—Spencer. Contributors are urged to confine their articles to 300 words." Editor: A few of us women with boys on the battle line have formed an organization to put before this nation the necessity of everybody voting in every election for the duration of the war. Ballots will not beat Hitler, you must have bullets to beat Hitler.

War --- Between The Lines (Editor's Note: This is one of a series of articles by Stella Hault who recently toured the Middle East and Southwest to learn the temper of the people.)

"We had a fellow said he knew how to run the tractor," explained the farmer's wife, "but he didn't know as much as Dora Ann and so dad said she could run it. This fellow wanted to quit work at 4 o'clock, imagine. Well dad just let him go. Fellow cried because he wanted to stay. But he just wasn't any good. Haven't any help at all. Can't get any. All the men have gone off to the army or defense jobs. Don't know what we'll do when the cotton comes on. Daddy has appealed to the county agent for help. Can't get help that knows anything. All you can get is ignorant people who're lazy, too. That tenant house has been empty all year. Can't find anybody wants to do farm work."

"Dora Ann works just like a man. She's better than two hired men with the grain and plowing but it's the cotton we're worried about. The county agent told us we had the best cotton in the county. We don't know how we're going to get it picked."

The lowly sidewalk job was an empires of China, opened the interior of Asia to the outside world, and brought the Far East into contact with the West.

"Yes, I've written another poem, and if you'll give me a word that rhymes with Sevastopol I'm sure you'll love it and want to print it!"

Today's War Analysis

By DEWITT MACKENZIE

Wide World: War Analysis The outstanding development among the big events which are boiling up in all parts of our war-torn globe is Uncle Sam's acquisition finally of the strength to assume the offensive in widely separated theaters.

Further indication of Uncle Sam's increasing power comes from the disclosure that the United States fighter planes are for the first time operating on a large scale against the Hun in western Europe. Our forces are striking from bases in Britain.

Meantime American marines, backed by our own and Allied warships and aircraft, are in the midst of a daring offensive against the Japs in the Solomon Islands, and at latest reports were getting ahead with the job of wresting highly important strategic points from the enemy in the Tagabi zone. Big U. S. bombers, handled by our own men, are making fierce war against the Axis in the Mediterranean area, and far afield in China are hammering the Japs. Up among the fog-cloaked Aleutians a task force has been busy against enemy units which managed to get a foothold on isolated islands.

Now this doesn't mean that Uncle Sam has come into full strength or anything like it. In the contrary he is just beginning to feel the swell of his muscles. But it does mean that we finally have the ball rolling.

The diversity of America's operations, which literally circle the world, emphasize the fact that this is a global war in the full meaning of the term. It shows us how impossible it is to dissociate any one theater from the rest. It makes it plain that for literally scores of years, the battle of the Mediterranean, the battle for Egypt, the Chino-Jap conflict, the battle of the southwest Pacific, the battle for the Aleutians, WQhat happens in any one of these zones affects all the others.

When we look at the position from this standpoint it becomes clear how foolish it is for the general public in the Allied countries to take upon themselves the prerogatives of the Allied high command and insist that a "second front" be established in western Europe or any other theater. The establishment of a "second front" must depend on the pressure of the moment and on Allied ability to meet the emergency.

However, the growing strength of America and Britain will make it increasingly possible to meet the demands of "second fronts" in the many places where they will be needed. So far as concerns such a front in western Europe, over which there has been so much heart-burning, the entrance of our air force into the arena in considerable strength encourages us to believe that the front can be established in time to be most useful.

PROVE THEMSELVES In the Bena-Bena tribes of New Guinea, warriors show their self-mastery and worthiness of belonging to the tribe by swallowing long, flexible canes.

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Views And Reviews Of Capital Scene

By PETER EDSON

One of the toughest production problems in fighting a modern war is to keep equipment ultra modern, streamlined, two jumps ahead of the enemy's. An army going into action with weapons that were the latest thing in the last world war wouldn't stand a chance in this war. Many weapons that were considered "advanced" in 1940 and 1941 are now obsolete or obsolescent.

Since Pearl Harbor, the U. S. army ordnance department has standardized on nearly 150 new models of weapons and pieces of equipment, including new aircraft armament, artillery, tanks and combat vehicles, small arms and types of bombs, ammunition and accessories.

That word "standardized" is probably a bad one. Nothing in modern war is ever standardized. In peacetimes, the manufacturers of automobiles, stoves, refrigerators, typewriters, adding machines, washing machines, machines of all kinds can standardize for a year or so.

When these same manufacturers are converted to war production, they may get a contract for say 10,000 tanks of a standard design. But before the first thousand are manufactured, there may be a better tank designed and before the first thousand of the second model are completed, a still better design will be forthcoming.

Adoption of the new round-head helmet is another case in point. For six years the army experimented with various designs intended to improve the old flat British-designed tin hat that was standard in the last war.

WASHINGTON WELTS WEP has suspended operations of 22 steel warehouses out of the 1500 in business, for black market operations. . . . Petroleum products now move from mid-continent oil fields to eastern seaboard over 66 rail routes. . . . Army, Navy and Maritime Commission have guaranteed nearly 500 loans of under \$100,000 each to help small manufacturers finance war production contracts.

SERIAL STORY LUCKY PENNY

BY GLORIA KAYE

THE STORY: Wealthy Penny Kirk has returned from Paris to Kirktown to learn something about the great steel mills she owns and the people who work in them. Under the name of Penny Kellogg she takes a job on the newspaper run by Jim Vickers, whom she had met in Paris but who doesn't recognize her. One day a bridge at the mill is blown up, and she had been stolen by a crooked city government dominated by the Gastros, a gang of gamblers.

PENNY KIRK AGAIN CHAPTER VII SUNLIGHT had a way of softening Penny's resolutions. She had determined to be angry, and to raise the roof when she visited the Kirk offices. Now with the sun's rays streaming across her head, she couldn't find a frown in herself.

From her repertoire, Penny selected a bored look. She managed to tilt her nose a couple of notches. "Tell Mr. Stimson that Penelope Kirk is here to see him. And please hurry," she said.

PENNY examined the elaborate and expensively decorated reception room. Its rich carpeting and mahogany-leathered easy chairs were luxurious.

rivet job, is unquestionably the fastest, the best armored and the heaviest hitting medium tank on any front today.

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Even the bigger guns had to be brought up to date. Eight-inch howitzers and 155-mm. field guns were modernized to hurl a 200-pound shell 11 miles and they were made more mobile by mounting on a new high speed carriage that would take either weapon, interchangeably. And a new 90-mm. anti-aircraft and anti-tank weapon had to be developed to beat both the German 88-mm. and the U. S. old model 3-inch anti-aircraft gun.

There are six to 10 young in each litter of rats, and rat has four or five litters a year.

office?" Deferentially, he led the way. "You might give me a cigarette, old dear." Stimson was obviously flattered by her intimate salutation. He felt more at ease. He smiled as he offered her his cigarette case.

"Well, now that I am here, I suppose I should make the best of it." Then, reflectively, she said: "There is something you can do for me, if you will."

HE bowed low, regretted her refusal to have dinner with him, and promised to care for her every whim. She knew he would breathe a sigh of relief the moment the elevator door separated them.

Penny had learned what the executives of the Kirk mills. Even this short visit revealed how little they knew or cared about Kirktown.

DETROIT, Aug. 14 (AP)—A fifth child was born Thursday to Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh, informed circles said today.

LI'L ABNER Young Yancey Rides Again!!

DETROIT, Aug. 14 (AP)—Hailstones big enough to beat watermelons to bits were reported during a violent local thunderstorm at Edgewood, west of here.

BERLIN (From German broadcasts) Aug. 14 (AP)—The German high command announced today that Squadron Leader Osterman, whom it described as one of Germany's most successful pursuit flyers, was lost in action.

RED RYDER

RYDER: WE NEVER EXPECTED TO SEE YOU AGAIN! "THESE FOLKS WHO I AM AND WHO BIGBOY IS, SHERIFF?" RYDER'S A DEPUTY FROM HAVERICK, AND BIGBOY... WELL, THERE AN'T MUCH HE ISN'T WANTED FOR!

ALLEY OOP COMES TRUCKLE! MANY SMOKES! BANQUICK! NO DOUBT OF IT, THEY'RE STAYING AWAY FROM THIS BASEBALL PLACE! YOU WILL PROBABLY GET BLOWN TO KINGDON COME WITHOUT A CHANCE TO STRIKE BACK!

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS A Date With The Doll I'M THE LAUGHING STOCK OF THE WHOLE CAMP, JEAN, AND YOU'RE PARTLY TO BLAME! IN WHAT WAY? I'VE LOST MY GAIL—AND IF YOU HADN'T BEEN SO DOGGONED PRETTY, I NEVER WOULD'VE WRITTEN THAT NOTE!

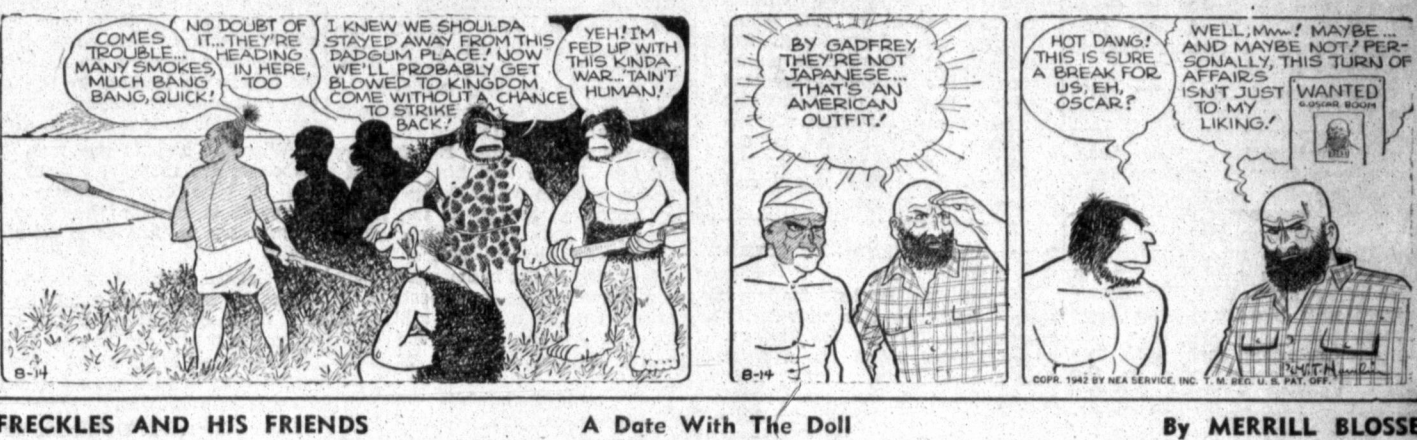
WASH TUBBS WHERE? WHERE? IN THE TUBBS? HOUSE! BURGLES! THEY BROKE A WINDOW! I CAN SEE A LIGHT ON IN THE KITCHEN! LISTEN, PET! YOU CALL THE POLICE! I'LL WAIT OUTSIDE, AND IF THEY COME OUT—

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES GA-ARR, THAT WAS SOME RAIN LAST NIGHT! M-M-M-M, DOESN'T EVERYTHING SMELL FRESH AND SWEET? LET'S TAKE A DIP BEFORE BREAKFAST! SWEET! I'VE GOT ONE IN'S A YOU-KNOW!

LI'L ABNER AH IS YOUNG YANCEY!! 50 YARS AGO, WHEN THIS CLOCK STRUCK 12—MAH BOOTIFUL BRIDE WAS RAN OFF WIF TH' BEST MAN!! SINCE THEN HOUR, AH HAS MADE IT MAH CAREER. T'KILL ANY BOOTIFUL GAL WHO HAPPENS T'BE NEAR T' CLOCK AT 12! WHUT TIME IS IT, SON?

OUT OUR WAY EEK! LET US BE GROUND UP IN MACHINES, BUT DON'T LET A MOUSE BITE US! HA-HA, TH' LOOKS! IT'S SOME KINDA PROPAGANDA, BUT I CAN'T TELL IF IT'S TO GET RID OF TH' MICE ER TH' WOMEN THEY'RE BRINGIN' TO WORK IN TH' SHOPS!

OUR BOARDING HOUSE EGAD, JAKE! HOW CAN YOU LOLL IN BED SO LATE? I'VE BEEN BUZZING ABOUT FOR HOURS HAR-RUMPH! BY THE WAY, YOU SUGGESTED TO ME LAST NIGHT YOU HAD A SCHEME TO AID THE WAR EFFORT AND EARN A NICE PROFIT—OR WERE YOU SPOOFING? YOU MUST BE WALKIN' IN YOUR SLEEP, BECAUSE THIS IS THE FIRST TIME YOU EVER BEAT ME OUTA TH' HAY! POP USED TO SAY YOU WERE SO LAZY YOU WERE NINE YEARS OLD BEFORE YOU GOT UP ENOUGH STEAM TO PLAY PATTY-CAKE! ANYWAY, I'M NOT SPILLIN' MY IDEA TILL I GET OUTSIDE OF SOME HAM 'N' EGGS!



Forgive And Forget By FRED HARMAN

Come To Think Of It By V. T. HAMLIN

A Date With The Doll By MERRILL BLOSSER

Careful, J. P. By ROY CRANE

Robinson Crusoe Stuff By EDGAR MARTIN

Young Yancey Rides Again!! By AL CAPP

Our Boarding House with MAJOR HOOPLI

It's Working His Idea 100 Per Cent!

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14, 1942 Face day... EARLY... Sports Writer... subject to an author... 's away at... for the acid... Brooklyn on Braves color which opens... meeting since... day afternoon... 's high inside... that is good... if it isn't... in Boston... sweep the... first-place... President... principal re... "bean balls"... "nagers" hats... throw at our... President... "I'll give them... 'I care whether... 10,"... an open date... bargain bill... made necessary... apart last... stoday... ment was one... major league... completed con... The National... Cubs ended a... ak by wallp... rdnals, 13-5... nd-place Red... if games be... league, the... e from behind... edge out the... or their first... eight starts... a tie... d the Indians... nd two-thirds... ad the bases... d frame and... d them with... on Jim Bag... ball for the... his 13th win... s crushed the... 8-3, largely... Harland Cliff... double and... in four runs... HONDS...

