

# The Oregon Statesman

"No Favor Sways Us; No Fear Shall Awe"  
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### Size of the Bite

Last month inflation, or the high cost of living if you prefer the president's vocabulary, was the immediate home front problem. This month it is manpower. Virtually every employer has found it an immediate and painful problem. Of course in some cases the cold, hard answer is that the jobs he seeks to fill are non-essential and when they no longer can be filled from any source they'll just remain vacant, even if that also means his business folds up. In a total war there are home front casualties that cannot be avoided.

But in the manpower pinch we "ain't seen nothin' yet." And somewhere—though living Americans have seen nothing even approaching it—there is an absolute bottom limit to production for civilian subsistence—certainly a limit below which a maximum war effort will be impossible.

Perhaps it proves only that statistics do lie, but statistically, it's hard to explain how the nation can be doing as much as it is doing right now. Civilian production was at a low ebb, for example, in 1933. It was then that the national income dropped to around 40 billion dollars—and no one actually starved. So civilian production could drop that low again without undue hardship—if the goods produced could be equitably distributed in view of a trebled purchasing power. But—in 1933 there were only about 13 million "statistically" unemployed.

Now we are rapidly approaching the point of producing for war alone, twice what we produced for all purposes including exports—which didn't amount to much—in 1933. Meanwhile we are producing more for civilian consumption than we did in 1938 when the national income had risen to 63 billion. Meanwhile also, while seeking to push war production still higher we are talking about increasing the number of men in the armed services to 13 million—about the number who were unemployed in 1933.

How, with a "statistical" labor force not much above that of 1933, can we be doing all we are now?

Well, there are a number of answers. Wages and prices have risen enormously since 1933 so that, producing no more in actual goods, a worker produces much more in dollar values. Then again, more of the workers are producing, fewer are engaged in non-productive services. A great many things are being left undone, such as road-building and, yes, leaf-raking. And many workers are employed more hours per week and more months per year, than in 1933.

Nevertheless there is a limit, after the sources of additional labor we mentioned a few days ago are all utilized.

And right now it is apparent that Uncle Sam is engaged in revising his judgment of the "bite" he has taken, to determine whether or not it can be chewed. Specifically, that thirteen million figure for the armed services. Can it be attained—without weakening the production structure behind our armed services to the point of reducing their potential effectiveness?

That figure may be revised downward—not with any view to reducing the United States' share in the actual fighting, but with a view to making this nation's contribution more effective because better balanced.

One reason for the adoption of those "big army" plans was the possibility that one or all of our allies might be knocked out and this nation forced to fight a defensive war. That looks much less likely now. And it will be even less likely if we fulfill to the utmost, even at the cost of a slower rate of induction and training of fighters, our original role—"arsenal of democracy."

### The Jordan Case

Ten years ago Theodore Jordan brutally attacked a dining car steward at Klamath Falls. The steward died, and Jordan, a negro, was convicted of first degree murder in the circuit court of this county. He was sentenced to death by Circuit Judge W. M. Duncan.

Then began a terrific campaign in Jordan's behalf, led by the American civil liberties union. Radical elements set up a cry that was obviously designed to create a disturbance, and Jordan as an individual was submerged in the propaganda campaign that was carried at last to Governor Julius L. Meier.

Over protests from law enforcement officers here, Governor Meier commuted the sentence to life imprisonment. It was generally felt here that this action was a compromise with the capital punishment law. When Governor Meier told District Attorney T. R. Gillenwaters of Klamath county that there were "two sides to the case" Gillenwaters retorted that the governor was right, "there are two sides and you haven't considered ours." In those depression ridden days, radicals were in the saddle and they had their way in the Jordan case, which they sought to blow up into a Tom Mooney affair.

The case of Theodore Jordan did not arouse as much interest in Salem as it did in Klamath county and the details both of his crime and of the appeal which led to commutation of sentence had been largely forgotten here.

Now Theodore Jordan is being held in solitary confinement, accused of having been the "brains," such as were necessary, of the incendiary plot which cost the state—and the war effort—a large share of Oregon's flax crop. It is indicated Jordan will not be tried for this alleged offense, since he already is in for life.

From the Salem angle, it might be said that the civil liberties union's role in the case was probably less significant than the Klamath editor indicates, since it is of record that Governor Meier extended clemency in every capital punishment case that occurred in his administration.

There are good arguments, in the abstract, against capital punishment but it's difficult to discover just how any of them applies in this case.

### Dimmer

Well ahead of the effective date so that all concerned may make the proper arrangements, the western defense command announces that the dimout must be dimmer. "Ours not to reason why"—though the reasons are obvious enough. The dimout to date has not reduced the glow visible at sea, to the extent deemed necessary. And though it's difficult to realize that Salem's normal overhead glow is visible at sea under any circumstances, most citizens have been a bit surprised heretofore that street lights, for example, were not shaded from above.

Having survived, at a time when weather was comparable to that now prevailing and anticipated for some months to come, the total blackouts of almost a year ago, western Oregon people will find the dimmer dimout no unbearable hardship.

Coincidentally, it goes into effect within a week of the anniversary of Salem's first practice blackout—remember with what a light-hearted spirit of make-believe we entered into that little Hallowe'en game?

It seems more than a year. Much has happened, and many things have changed.

On the theory that any fellow who's been under enemy fire has a right to his say, Wendell Willkie will still be entitled to a hearing when he gets back home. The Nips seem greatly interested in his welfare.

## News Behind the News

By PAUL MALLON

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 12—Watch next for a big Nazi drive on Leningrad.

Preparations for a renewed Nazi attack on Russia's second city have been noted. The Germans want to get there, before a heavy freeze enables the Russians to move reinforcements in across the ice.

If the Germans can break through and capture the city, they can join lines with the Finns. The city, therefore, has great strategic value.

Its loss also would put an end to the operations of a few small naval units which the reds have been able to maintain in the Baltic, and would close that sea to Stalin.

Hitler's suggestion that he will switch to artillery and dive bombing at Stalingrad is merely an admission that he went after the city the wrong way in the first place. He thought he could take it in a hurry by direct assault, but his losses were too heavy, probably not as great as the fantastic Russian claims, but too heavy to warrant continuation of that method.

Timoshenko has been hitting the Nazi left flank, north of the city, where the reds have been trying to get an offensive started for some weeks. This might possibly cause Hitler to relax his grip on the city. But there is every reason to expect the Nazis will swarm on southward and establish a Volga river defense line for the winter.

The government is none too sure of its case against James Petrillo, the musicians' labor czar, who tells the nation what music it can hear. The courts have not been encouraging Prosecutor Thurman Arnold much in his efforts to use the anti-trust laws to break up unionism.

Petrillo is really only a small potato in Arnold's fight. The powerful AFL building trades union group is much more important, and it practices the same controls Petrillo uses, restricting new devices for making building cheaper, etc. It is swinging its publicity and legal power behind Petrillo.

There is no question about Arnold's ability to prove these charges, but the supreme court has handed down rulings which put the unions beyond the pale of many laws, and these are binding the lower courts.

Latest such was the Justice Byrnes' opinion, abetting a New York local teamsters union from racketeering charges, on the ground that congress did not intend to bring unions within the scope of the racketeering statutes.

Some of the new dealers have been mildly grumbling at Donald Nelson and hinting that he may have to be replaced, but their talk has died down since the president took an optimistic view of the production deficiencies and Nelson announced he would hold his job until kicked out.

Most authorities around WPB expect the year-end figures to show displeasing deficits, and are already beginning to calculate the shortages of tanks, planes, etc. in terms of days, so they can be announced later in that blind way.

Instead of saying we are short so many planes, they will say we were short a certain number of plane production days.

It is wholly a job now of correcting maldistribution of raw materials and labor. No one in WPB, including Nelson, appear pleased with the way things are going.

If there is another blow-up and reorganization, it will probably come around the first of the year.

Justice Jimmy Byrnes' friends say he was not very reluctant to leave the supreme court, as he found it the unhappiest of all government agencies. There are others who would like to get off the lofty bench.

Justices Black and Douglas are constantly clashing over shades of new deal meanings. Some of the justices have frowned on Justice Frankfurter's extra-curricular activities in administering the new deal on the side. Justice Murphy is openly dissatisfied.

Unless Mr. Roosevelt promptly appoints a successor to Byrnes, there are going to be many 4 to 4 decisions from the remaining bickerers.

General MacArthur's Aussies have pushed up to the pass in the Owen Stanley mountain range of New Guinea, but probably will not go farther. The problem of supplies becomes difficult beyond that point, as the Japs found out when they advanced to our side of the pass.

The Australians had no great difficulty in forcing their way back to that divide.

That front is likely to remain quiet.



### German Morale Gets Another Lift!

## Radio Programs

KSLM—TUESDAY—1300 Kc.

- 6:45—Rise 'n' Shine.
- 7:30—News.
- 7:45—Your Gospel Program.
- 8:00—Bert Hirsch Novelty Band.
- 8:30—News Briefs.
- 8:45—Pastor's Call.
- 9:15—Music a La Carter.
- 9:30—Popular Music.
- 9:45—Henry King Orchestra.
- 10:00—World in Review.
- 10:15—Jimmy Cash, Tenor.
- 10:30—Women in the News.
- 10:45—Langworth Hillbillies.
- 11:00—Music to Remember.
- 11:30—Williamette Chapel.
- 12:00—Organist.
- 12:15—Hillbilly Serenade.
- 12:30—Williamette Valley Opinions.
- 1:00—Kum Abner.
- 1:15—Johnny Long Orchestra.
- 1:30—Mildred's Melodies.
- 1:45—Melody.
- 2:00—Isle of Paradise.
- 2:15—Salem Art & Recreation.
- 2:30—Sing Song Time.
- 2:45—Tune Tabloid.
- 3:00—Old Opera House.
- 3:15—Harry Owens Orchestra.
- 3:30—Tune Time.
- 3:45—Melodic Moods.
- 4:00—American Folk Singers.
- 4:15—Lark Reminiscence.
- 4:30—Golden Melodies.
- 4:45—Popular Music.
- 5:00—War Commentary.
- 5:30—Sunset Trio.
- 5:45—Amos 'n' Andy.
- 6:00—News in Brief.
- 6:15—Shirley Fields Orchestra.
- 6:30—Williamette Valley Opinions.
- 6:45—Alvin Karp, Ruddy Cole.
- 7:00—War Fronts in Review.
- 7:15—Sister.
- 7:30—You Can't Do Business With Hitler.
- 7:45—Tom Bondsh's Orchestra.
- 8:00—News.
- 8:15—Hoopie Hawaiians.
- 8:30—Man Your Battle Stations.
- 8:45—Carl Ledel and His Alpine Troubadours.
- 9:00—News.
- 9:15—Claude Thornhill Orchestra.
- 9:30—Symphonic Swing.
- 11:30—Last Minute News.

KOLN—CBS—TUESDAY—870 Kc.

- 6:30—Northwest Farm Reporter.
- 6:45—Consumer News.
- 7:00—Texas Rangers.
- 7:15—Koin Klock.
- 7:30—News, Dick Joy.
- 7:45—Nelson Pringle News.
- 8:00—Console Melodies.
- 8:15—Valiant Day.
- 8:30—Stardust America Loves.
- 8:45—Kate Smith Speaks.
- 9:15—Sister.
- 9:30—Romance of Teisen Trent.
- 9:45—Our Gal Sunday.
- 10:00—Life Can Be Beautiful.

### Today's Garden

By LILLIE L. MADSEN

P.T.P. is worrying about the lack of commercial fertilizer for her lawn next year. Reports that her garden has always been a pride, that she has always used a lot of commercial fertilizer and hears that she will be unable to get any next summer.

Answer: I don't know what the exact score on fertilizers is, but I am of the opinion that they will be able to obtain very little if any at all. But if this is the worst that happens to us during the war, we will fare rather well. Naturally our laws are going to suffer considerable.

Those who have been in the habit of hiring all their lawn work done, may have to arise somewhat earlier and do much of their work themselves. But we should try to make our lawn programs as simple as possible. Keep it as neat as we can. Lack of fertilization will naturally retard the growth somewhat so we may not have to mow as frequently. With even minimum care the lawn will pull through and come out of it again after the war is finished. We will have to make more use of our composts than we have been wont to do.

Cleaner gardening will also help in cutting down spraying—and some sprays will be very difficult to obtain. A little more use of the Biblical heel in the destruction of insects and the cultivation of birds in the garden may take their place of some of our pest sprays. Planting of the most disease resistant plants and great cleanliness in culture will assist the other spraying program to some extent. Do clean up your gardens this autumn.

These schedules are supplied by the respective stations. Any variations noted by listeners are due to changes made by the stations without notice to this newspaper.

All radio stations may be cut from the air at any time in the interests of national defense.

- 10:15—Ma Perkins.
- 10:30—Vic & Sade.
- 10:45—The Goldbergs.
- 11:00—Young Dr. Malone.
- 11:15—Aunt Jenny.
- 11:30—We Love & Learn.
- 11:45—News.
- 12:00—Carnation Bouquet.
- 12:15—Carnation Club.
- 12:30—Joyce Jordan.
- 12:45—Bachelor's Children.
- 1:00—Galen Hinkle.
- 1:15—Sam Hayes.
- 1:30—School of the Air.
- 2:00—News.
- 2:30—William Winter.
- 3:00—Melody Weavers.
- 3:15—News.
- 3:30—Frank Sinatra, Songs.
- 3:45—News.
- 4:00—Second Mrs. Burton.
- 4:30—American Melody Hour.
- 5:00—Organist.
- 5:30—Frank Flannery.
- 5:45—Cecil Brown.
- 6:00—Tommy Riggs, Betty Lou.
- 6:30—Cheers from the Camp.
- 7:00—Leon F. Drews, Organ.
- 7:15—Frazier Hunt.
- 7:30—News.
- 7:45—Harry James.
- 8:15—Lights Out.
- 8:30—Victory Harvest.
- 8:45—News.
- 9:00—Children in War Time.
- 9:15—Wartime.
- 9:30—Air-For.
- 10:00—World Today.
- 10:15—Children's Orchestra.
- 10:45—Spotlight on Victory.
- 11:00—Singing Strands Orchestra.
- 11:15—News.
- 12:00—6:30 a m.—Aunt & News.

KEX—NBC—TUESDAY—1100 Kc.

- 6:00—Moments of Melody.
- 6:15—National Farm and Home.
- 6:30—Western Agriculture.
- 7:00—Freedom on the Land.
- 7:15—Breakfast Club.
- 7:30—Remember.
- 8:30—Texas Jim Robertson.
- 8:45—Breakfast with Patty Jean.
- 9:00—Children in War Time.
- 9:15—Clark Dennis.
- 9:30—Benny Walker's Varieties.
- 10:00—News in the Country.
- 11:15—Geographical Travelogue.
- 11:30—Stardust America Loves.
- 11:45—Keep Fit With Patty Jean.
- 12:00—News Headlines and Highlights.
- 12:15—Livestock Reporter.
- 12:30—Golden Gate Quartet.
- 12:45—Market Reports.
- 1:00—Novelty.
- 12:45—News Headlines and Highlights.
- 1:00—Club Matinee.
- 1:15—The Quiet Hour.
- 1:30—Singing Strings.
- 2:00—Stars of Today.
- 2:15—Kneass With the News.
- 2:30—Wartime Periscope.
- 2:45—Krazy Accs.
- 3:15—Mr. Keene, Tracer.
- 3:30—News Headlines and Highlights.
- 3:45—Dr. H. H. Chang.
- 4:00—Don Winslow.
- 4:15—Sound.
- 4:30—Jack Armstrong.
- 4:45—Captain Midnight.
- 5:00—Dawn Patrol.
- 5:15—James Abbe Covers the News.
- 5:30—Spotlight Bands.
- 5:45—Melodians 'n' January.
- 6:00—Raymond Gram Swing.
- 6:15—Red Ryder.
- 6:30—Earl Gowlin, News.
- 6:45—Lum and Abner.
- 7:00—Information Please.
- 7:15—Duffy's Tenor.
- 7:30—News Headlines and Highlights.
- 7:45—Mary Bullock, "Artist."
- 8:00—This Nation at War.
- 8:15—Broadway Bandwagon.
- 8:30—Ambassador Hotel Orchestra.
- 8:45—This World.
- 9:00—Organ Concert.
- 9:15—War News Roundup.

KGW—Tuesday—820 Kc.

- 6:30—Show Without A Name.
- 6:45—Sheppard's Serenade.
- 7:00—News Headlines and Highlights.
- 7:15—Music of Vienna.
- 7:30—Sam Hayes.
- 7:45—Stars of Today.
- 8:00—James Abbe, News.
- 8:15—Symphonic Swing.
- 8:30—Lotta Lyster.
- 8:45—David Harum.
- 9:00—The O'Neil.
- 9:15—Words and Music.
- 9:30—Songs by Marcia.
- 9:45—Maggie Melody.
- 10:00—Earl Lee Taylor.
- 10:15—News.
- 10:30—Homekeeper's Calendar.
- 10:45—Earl Kinyon.
- 11:00—Light of the World.
- 11:15—Lonely Women.
- 11:30—This Nation at War.
- 11:45—Hymns of All Churches.
- 12:00—Story of Mary Marlen.
- 12:15—The Personality Hour.
- 12:30—Right to Happiness.
- 12:45—Stella Dallas.
- 1:00—Lorenzo Jones.
- 1:15—Tommy Winter Brown.
- 1:30—When a Girl Marries.
- 1:45—Fortia Paves Life.
- 2:00—Jack Flynn Bill.
- 2:15—Front Page O'Farrell.
- 2:30—Bond of Life.
- 2:45—Vic & Sade.
- 3:00—Against the Storm.
- 3:15—Judy and Jane.
- 3:30—News.
- 3:45—The Personality Hour.
- 4:00—E. V. Kallenborn.
- 4:15—Little Concert.
- 4:30—Navy Chat.
- 4:45—Don Young.
- 5:00—Bill Henry, News.

KALE—NBC—TUESDAY—1330 Kc.

- 6:30—Memory Tunekeeper.
- 7:00—News.
- 7:30—Haven of Rest.
- 8:00—News.
- 8:45—Old Songs.
- 9:00—Boake Carter.
- 9:15—Woman's Side of the News.
- 9:30—This and That.
- 10:00—News.
- 10:15—I'll Find My Way.
- 10:30—News.
- 10:45—Women Today.
- 11:00—Buyers Parade.
- 11:30—Cedric Foster, News.
- 11:45—Miss Meade's Children.
- 12:00—Concert in the Park.
- 12:15—Luncheon Concert.
- 12:30—News.
- 12:45—Shady Valley Folks.
- 1:00—Walter Compton.
- 1:15—Sweet and Sentimental.
- 1:30—New York Racing Season.
- 1:45—A Man With a Band.
- 2:00—Don Lee Newswell Theatre.
- 2:15—Karl Keyser-Gordon.
- 2:30—Hello Again.
- 2:45—Bill Hay Reads the Bible.
- 3:00—Nulton Lewis, Jr.
- 3:15—Johnson Family.
- 3:30—News.
- 3:45—Bernie Molino Orchestra.
- 4:00—Jerry Sears.
- 4:15—Federal Ace.
- 4:30—Treasury Star Parade.
- 4:45—Great Dance Bands.
- 5:00—Jimmy Allen, USA.
- 5:15—Movie Parade.
- 5:30—Griff Williams Orchestra.
- 5:45—JED.
- 6:00—Bernie Cummins Orchestra.
- 6:15—Tom Brown Orchestra.
- 6:30—News.
- 6:45—Tom Thumb Theatre.
- 7:00—Manhattan.
- 7:15—Nulton Lewis, Jr.
- 7:30—Herbie Holmes Orchestra.
- 7:45—Wilson Ames.
- 8:00—News.
- 8:15—King & Pannell Orchestra.
- 8:30—Johnny Richards Orchestra.
- 8:45—Ray McKinley Orchestra.
- 9:00—Bob Chester Orchestra.

KOAC—TUESDAY—330 Kc.

- 6:30—Great Songs.
- 6:45—Meet the American Composer.
- 7:00—Stories for Boys and Girls.
- 7:15—Private Pete Presents.
- 7:30—On the Campus.
- 7:45—Evening Vesper Service.
- 8:00—"It's Oregon's War."
- 8:15—News.
- 8:30—Farm Hour.
- 8:45—Learn Spanish.
- 9:00—Neighborhood News.
- 9:15—U. of O. School of Music.
- 9:30—Higher Education in Wartime.
- 9:45—OSU Cadet Band.
- 10:00—News.
- 10:15—News.

## Bits for Breakfast

By R. J. HENDRICKS

What is communism? 10-13-42  
Russia is in the family of nations, presumably to remain throughout the ages:

This is to be a series, under the above heading, perhaps lasting a week or two. It is to be opened by an article taken from the Los Angeles Sunday Times away back in the issue of July 2, 1939, written by California's poet laureate, John Steven Mcgroarty, who has been a regular employee of that greatest newspaper in the world in point of size for half a hundred years or so.

Will the regular reader of this column please note carefully the first parts of this series, for times in the world's long history have changed a good deal since July 2, 1939, especially with respect to how the family of nations as a whole look upon communism, and more especially about the brand of communism in Russia; and still more especially about the changes within Russia in their ideas of what is communism.

Following, in full, is the article of the poet laureate on the July day of 1939 in the Los Angeles Sunday Times, quoting: "When we learned of a devoted little family in an hour of dire need, we felt as though we had seen the light of a candle shining in the dark."

"The kindness was done by a man now grown old in years but not in heart. And it is not a common thing for men to grow unselfish with age. They fear to be left short to the winds of fate when the years have struck them helpless to battle for themselves. And so they guard against misfortune, becoming less generous than when they were in the full flush of youth and middle life."

"This man, who is no stranger himself to suffering, had learned to relieve the sufferings of others, and gave no thought to his

own personal comfort. He knows what it is to go hungry and to feel the cruel pinch of want. And that he had overcome these afflictions softened him and did not make him hard instead. He had himself been wounded, and so did not just at scars.

"We feel that if at last there shall come misfortune to him again as it came before, God will care for him. Ravens will feed him should he hunger, the rock shall be smitten if he shall thirst. He shall have about him God's care and mercy. Though he walk through the Valley of the Shadow he need not fear.

"Since it is true that Communism is being proposed for adoption by the American people it would seem to be a proper subject for consideration in our far-flung Synagogue, the rafters of which stretch over all the continents and the waters of the Seven Seas.

"At the same time, we have neither the wish nor the intention to enter into arguments on the subject. We are interested only in an effort to learn what changes Communism has, if any, to replace the present American form of government. The fact that Communism has been established in Russia does not mean that its advocates can succeed in establishing it in America. The people of Russia did not establish Communism among themselves. It was forced upon them. They were never consulted. In America, however, Communism can be established only by the will of the people.

"It seems wholly needless to say that Americans will have to change a lot to agree to surrender their rights to private property, and still a lot more to agree to surrender the control of their children from themselves to the control of the state. These are the fundamentals of Communism."

(Continued Tomorrow.)

## Random Harvest

By JAMES HILTON

Chapter 44 Continued

She talked and talked, bringing in everything she could think of till the table was crowded with tomatoes, lettuce, cheese, a huge loaf of bread, a pot of tea from the case they wanted it, and a jar of chutney, her own special make. At length there could not possibly be anything else to bring in, and she left them reluctantly, with a slow smile from the doorway.

He said: "Well?"  
"Well, Smitty?"  
"You look thoughtful, that's all."

"Darling, I was just wondering what he had against me."

But the door opened again—Mrs. Deventer bringing in a lighted lamp. "I thought you'd maybe want it. Longest day of the year, round about, but it still gets dark. . . . Maybe you'll be stayin' the night? You've missed the last train either way by now, I suppose you know that. Of course there's rooms at the Reindeer, but mine's as good, I always say, and cheaper too."

The yellow lamplight glowed between their faces after she had gone.

"Progressive woman," he remarked. "My cider, my girl, my chutney, my rooms."

"Beachings Over. . . I'll get us from that—forever. Remember the game you used to play with names?"

Later, in a room so consecrated to cyclism that even the pictures were of groups of pioneer free-wheelers, he asked her if—when he had fully recovered—if he did fully recover, of course—and if he found a job that could support them both—if and when all those things happened—would she marry him?

She said she would, of course, but without the delay. "I think it's only two weeks they make you wait."

"But—" He seemed bewildered by her having stolen, as usual, the initiative. Then he said, slowly and with difficulty: "I'm not right yet. I'm not even as near to it as I thought I was. For half an hour last night I felt the return of everything bad again—black—terrifying. I'm better now, but less confident."

She said she didn't mind, she would look after him, because she had just as much confidence as ever.

"And there's another thing—" "Another, Smitty?" She was trying to mock him out of his mood.

"Wouldn't they ask me a lot of questions at the registry office?" "You mean questions about yourself that you couldn't answer?" "Yes."

"They might ask you one question I never have—and that is if you've been married before."

"Of course I haven't."

"How can you be certain, old boy, with that awful memory of yours?"

He pondered to himself—yes, how could he be certain? He hadn't any logical answer, and yet he felt fairly certain. When people had visited him in those hospitals, relatives of missing men who hoped he might turn out to be someone belonging to them, he had similar hopes, but only of finding a home, parents—never a wife. Did that prove anything?

(To be continued)

### 'Stalingrad Will Not Fall to Nazis'