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Feel You Could Go a Couple of Quick Rounds



TURKEY'S NON-AGGRESSION
News of the signing of a non-aggression pact between Bulgaria and Turkey a few days ago shocked the English speaking world into new realization that the dangers besetting it are not those of armed attack alone, that there is equal menace in peaceful negotiation.

Since the agreement story was told, public relations men of warring powers have been doing their utmost to convince newspaper readers and radio listeners that:

1. Germany has scored a major diplomatic victory which will at least minimize the significance of British and Greek victories up to now in the Mediterranean.

2. The treaty hasn't changed the situation a particle and if it had it wouldn't make any difference anyway.

These two viewpoints have been expanded into columns. Either may be the correct one, depending on the nature of understandings, unpublished, which may exist between the nations affected.

From the German angle there is, of course, every desire to induce Greece to cease firing. Unless this can be done, elimination of Italy as a war factor is virtually certain and middle Europe becomes vulnerable to British attack from the Mediterranean. If Greece is induced to cease firing, there is only a possibility that Italy may be eliminated. The Turkish-Bulgarian agreement, on the face of it, gives German armies the opportunity to reach the Greek border through Bulgaria. It may be expected that such an invasion, coordinated with another through Jugo-Slavia, would force Greece to declare a peace. There would be little else that that valiant little nation could do.

From the British angle, we reach the conclusion that the major aspects remain the same as before, that Turkey has merely acceded to Bulgaria's wish to avoid war in Bulgaria. For this reason Bulgaria has given Germany a military right of way. Hitherto, Turkey had announced that it would oppose German advance through Bulgaria. The new agreement voids this announcement, but does not say that Turkey will not oppose German entrance to Greece. Turkey's relations with Britain, ostensibly, are not affected.

Whatever demand Germany may have made of Greece has so far produced no reaction. Greece has taken "in stride" the announcement of the Turkish-Bulgarian agreement and has gone on fighting just as if nothing worth worrying about had occurred. British plane reinforcements are arriving in Greece, and in Africa the British drive on toward Tripoli continues.

So far, the treaty has failed to abate in any way the squeeze on Italy. It may be that the dangers of diplomatic attack will be ignored. Perhaps they have to be. After all, is not this a total war?

Partial defeat or partial victory, this is to say, is hardly a possibility. If it had been, the major combatants would have negotiated a peace long since. The victory, and the defeat, will be conclusive.

SERIAL STORY
DRAFTED FOR LOVE
BY RUTH AYERS

Yesterday: Luckily, Kent's aunt and Ann have never met, so April's worries were groundless. But the old lady hardly believes April the type for outdoor amusements. Finally, she asks April to sing. April rushes away saying: "I hate singing."

FIND THE SOLUTION
CHAPTER XI
All the way down the hill to Elm street, April remembered the last sight of Kent's face.

He had gone white and following her to the gate, had reached out an imploring hand. "Then I to blame if you never sing again. I thought you understood I loved your voice, Ann, that I wanted you to sing for your people, your friends and me. You even said you'd forgotten the stupid quarrel."

The walk was slippery. April crunched the hailstones under her heel. "Please, Kent," she had said. "I don't want to talk about it."

When she hurried the car away from his door, she found the storm-washed air like a cold draught in her feverish brain. Yes, that had been her downfall, going into Kent's house. He was suspicious already, hurt, bewildered, and there was nothing she could do.

Then something struck her. What was it Kent had said in those last words? "I thought you understood I loved your voice, Ann, that I wanted you to sing for your people, your friends and me."

Her mind seized a second thought. When she had talked to Ann on long distance last night, Ann had said, "As a matter of fact, if Kent only knew it, he was the one who spurred me on to take this New York venture."

So that was it! Kent hadn't wanted Ann to have a career. He'd opposed the idea of her going on her own to New York. So they had quarreled and in the end, Ann had started off in hurt defiance.

Octavia was waiting for April, as usual. "Been pacing here," she dramatized, "not knowing what sort of wreck or trouble you was in."

"Well, it wasn't a wreck." "The Lawd be praised, You's safe. And a bad storm it is, Miss April. Your father done send word he and your mother won't be back for another day. Snowed in, ah reckon."

And April had been counting on Mother and Dad. "Oh," she said. "Nip wagged back to the kitchen, barking for food and drink. 'Jes' soon's Ah gives this hound something to quiet his bark down, you can tell me about this here outing,'" Octavia said.

"There isn't much to tell." Octavia, sure that April was sound in neck and limb, was breathing easier. "From the looks of you," she said, "seems like you wasn't 'nactly cut out to be a Campfire Girl."

"Or a Girl Scout either," April snapped as she started for her room upstairs.

A hot bath, a hair-brush, a bottle of cologne drenched over her aching forehead and then the comfort of her white terry robe. That's what she needed, and sleep, plenty of it when she wouldn't have to think about today or tomorrow or any days to come.

An hour afterwards, April was sitting before her mirror. The yellow curls were brushed upward in the rown way, the white robe,

Others Say
THE PROPOSED CVA
(Astoria Budget)

The Columbia river valley authority bill, introduced by Washington congressman, would vest in the secretary of interior, currently Mr. Harold Ickes, full rights of administering the power developments at Bonneville and Grand Coulee. It would take away from the states of Oregon, Washington and Idaho any share of control.

The power generated at these two huge governmental projects is and will be one of the great industrial assets of the northwest. To the people of this large area will go the benefits and from the same people must come the money with which to reimburse the federal treasury for its outlay. Then, why should they surrender all voice and vote in the administration?

It is reported that Senator Bone of Washington desires an amendment which would provide for setting up an advisory board from the three states but this would amount to little more than a gesture to placate those who oppose centralizing authority in a political office holder in Washington. An advisory board would be without any real power.

If Secretary Ickes succeeds in getting full control of the Columbia power administration, it will mean that such administration will practically control the north-west industrially and politically.

Ann were looking at her with a wistful pout.

Octavia brought orange juice, coffee and toast, quite a concession on her part but which she explained by saying she'd had to postpone the family wash on account of the storm.

"What sort of plans you got for the day, Miss April?"

"This is my day to sit by the fire and knit."

"You sure talking strange talk, Miss April."

"It's the weather, it's got me down. By the way, any cables, radiograms, telegrams, money orders or telephone calls for me?"

She held her breath as Octavia answered. "No, ma'am, seems like we're kinda snowed in under."

Kent would be leaving on the 7 o'clock evening train. Well, let him leave. The young conscript would see that he got on the train and be his eyes for him on the trip back to the base hospital.

Nothing she could do at this eleventh hour would help.

It was near the dinner hour when a postman brought an airmail, special delivery letter. April fastened her wavering eyes on it - saw that it was from her sister, Ann, in New York.

(To Be Continued)

Advertisement for Brandis Thrift-Wise Drug. Features a large banner: 'CUT DOWN YOUR BUDGET with these LOW PRICES'. Below are various product offers: 'The Customer's Bouquet SOAP 4 bars 26c', 'Model Airplane KITS 10c to \$14.95', '\$1.00 Vacuum Bottle 63c', '\$1.20 Carton Nut Hersheys 69c', '\$1.00 Carton GUM 59c'. A large table lists 'WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY SALE' items like Boraxo, Quart Liquid Floor Wax, DeWitt's Kidney Pills, etc. with prices. Another table lists 'CUT-RATE TOBACCO'S' like Lucky Strikes, Old Golds, etc. with prices. The ad concludes with 'BRANDIS THRIFT-WISE DRUG'.

Advertisement for 'THIS CURIOUS WORLD' by William Ferguson. Features an illustration of an elephant and a 'SUCTION PUMP' that can lift water up to 35 feet. Text includes: 'ELEPHANTS MOVE ONLY ONE FOOT AT A TIME WHEN WALKING! BECAUSE OF THIS FACT, AFRICAN GAME HUNTERS SAY THAT A CORNED ELEPHANT CANNOT WALK.' and 'Kwik-Korler SUCTION PUMP CAN LIFT WATER ONLY 35 FEET... BUT ANOTHER NATURE CAN PUMP IT TO THE TOP OF TREES 350 FEET OR MORE IN HEIGHT.' The ad is signed 'ANSWER: In peacetime it operates under the Treasury Department. In war, it automatically becomes a part of the navy.'

Advertisement for 'Shevlin Quality PONDEROSA PINE'. Features a logo of a pine tree and the text 'Lumber and Box Shooks'.

Comic strip titled 'FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS'. Panel 1: 'YOU'RE TOO MUCH ON THE DEFENSIVE, FRECKLES! YOU SHOULD LAUNCH AN OFFENSIVE FOR A CHANGE!' Panel 2: 'THAT CALLS FOR VECTOR! -HE'S AS OFFENSIVE AS ANYTHING I CAN THINK OF!' Panel 3: 'I MEAN FOR FRECKLES TO GET SOME OTHER GUY, AND TAKE HER TO THAT DANCE - AND LET JUNZ WORRY!' Panel 4: 'PUT I HAVE TO WORK AT THE GEM!' Panel 5: 'GO TO THE DANCE AFTER WORK! BY COMING IN LATE, YOU'LL ATTRACT MORE ATTENTION!' Panel 6: 'BY THAT TIME, THE DANCE WOULD BE OVER! I CAN'T GET A DATE TO WAIT ALL NIGHT!' Panel 7: 'WHAT'S THE NEXT MOVE?' Panel 8: 'WE OUGHTA LOOK FOR VECTOR! HE WON'T BELIEVE HIS SERVICES ARE NO LONGER REQUIRED - AND IT'S HARD TO FIRE A GUY WHO REFUSES TO QUIT!' The comic is signed 'BY MERRILL BLOSSER'.

Advertisement for 'Edson's Washington Column'. Text includes: 'Washington - News you read about the United States navy is now practically under a censorship, but it's nothing to be alarmed about. The navy doesn't want it called a censorship and since the country isn't at war, doesn't like the idea of having to hold out on any legitimate news. But national defense has to be considered and there's no particular point in the spreading before the world at large where the navy is strengthening its bases or moving its ships and men.' The ad also mentions 'EDITORS COOPERATE' and 'STILL PLENTY OF NEWS'.