

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

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NEW MORAL ORDER MUST BE PROMOTED

WASHINGTON. — Excerpts from a recent talk of mine, "The Revolution in Values":

Ours is a capitalistic system which depends for its strength and power upon soundness — not only in finance, taxation, prices and such economic matters, but also political soundness built upon the confidence of its people.

In red ink, we must write on our books the burden of the greatest debt of history, eventually to be 300 billions of dollars. We must service and pay this debt, carry it as our war burden, for we financed this war, not only our part of it, but that of everyone else, including Russia to some extent. But Russia will have no such burden. She has for herself destroyed our concept of financial values.

At the heart core of this war is the revolution in values which started long before the war and will continue long after. I have spoken only of the corruption of financial values, or one phase of them which destroyed the morality of money.

This war indeed is only a superficial phase of the revolution in all values, the decline of morality in politics, international diplomacy, education and, indeed, the individual lives of men.

Consider politics. The promised word no longer has popular value. You seldom hear the word "honor" any more. It is considered Victorian to be honorable.

The people have come to accept the doctrine of immediacy, of doing what sounds best at a given moment. They scorn traditional values as restraints and inhibitions. They themselves are no more tied to soundness than the money of the world.

Reputations Are General.

Take international diplomacy. Reputations of treaties before ink is dry represents the same departure from soundness in values, as that of the political leader from the promised word, and that of money from the shadow of substance. The doctrine of immediacy is what guides nations. Their own desires of the moment rule their conduct and make the world.

In education there has been the same corruption of realistic values which we have noted in money, politics and international relations—the doctrine that children should be raised also according to their own desires. Education is to be a sight-seeing affair. They even taught the philosophy of following desire in sex, which hardly seemed to me a matter to require teaching.

There is no phase of existence which has not been touched by the revolution in values, the erection of ideals of immediacy.

In the end, all the world must come back to values. But is it to come back to the realization of soundness only after thoroughly exploring and suffering the collapse of the fabulous foolishness of immediate desire as a guide to life?

Will we have to go completely through the revolution to the bottom and let each man know the falsity of these indulgent fictions before all can grasp the solid fact and truth? Or will the resurgence of reason founded upon the experience of the war catch definite hold now and lead our people on to realism and common sense?

I do not know. My judgment is that revolutions generally run the course of extremity before they settle down into sense. First, there must arise a powerful leadership for good before there can be good.

Above all, no matter what the immediate future course, there must be no compromise of ideals. Those who know the true values of life also know that one day these will be restored to popular acceptance.

Stand Steadfast.

Therefore, it is the duty of those who believe in soundness to stand steadfast in this wandering, drifting condition. It is their duty to nurture the light in darkness for the future time when it will again lighten the fires in every home and bring warming comfort to future people.

Of the realization of simple substances must sound knowledge and sound value eventually come. Money will be worth only what circumstance or some future authority declares it to be worth. Our international safety will be only such as our ingenuity and constant alertness can prescribe.

There is no safety in numbers, even in modern weapons, because these become obsolete overnight. Planes in which we trusted at the outset of this war can hardly be used as trainers today. Time is fast. So is obsolescence.

By such considerations should values be truly measured, not in the high talk you hear so frequently today in the search for artifices, magic formulas, economic contrivances and devices to bring us all ease, luxury, heaven on earth, but which are only cheating our reason of the lesson of arithmetic.

The Washington MERRY-GO-ROUND

By DREW PEARSON

Washington, D. C.
GERMAN UNDERGROUND
SEETHES

According to uncensored dispatches now reaching Washington, active guerrilla warfare is flaring up on a mounting scale behind the German lines.

First real indication of an active Fifth column in Germany came recently with accurate reports of pitched battles inside Berlin, Breslau and Bremen. This new guerrilla warfare differs from that of partisan units inside France, Yugoslavia and Greece in that few of the guerrilla troops are Germans. The bulk are Frenchmen and Russians who were captured earlier in the war and have been used as slave labor in the reich.

All of these workers were carefully guarded by Himmler until recently. Most lived in big cities and worked in large industrial plants. In Berlin for example, hundreds of thousands of slave laborers have been housed in fenced off temporary barracks in the heart of the city.

But recent powerful allied air raids have created such chaos that thousands of foreign workers escaped from their enclosures and have hidden in the bomb ruins.

At night, the guerrillas prowled the streets, captured Nazi sentries, stole food and ammunition, commit extensive sabotage. They have been joined by some German army deserters, afraid to return to the front, advises say.

Once Berlin is taken it is expected that the several million slave laborers will flare into such revolt that Germany—except in the mountainous south—will cave like an egg-shell.

OVER-AGE SERVICEMEN

Greatest hardship on men in the army probably is with enlisted men over 38, now too old to become officers but who can't resign as officers can.

Typical case of how this hardship works is that of Cpl. Alexander C. Sioris, age 45, who has served in the army three years, most of the time overseas. Corporal Sioris is not only a college graduate, but holds a doctor's degree. Twice he was recommended for officers' training school, but each time his unit moved overseas and he had to sail with his unit. Now he is too old to be commissioned, too old for combat, yet under present army rules must be kept on—doing menial jobs. There are thousands of similar cases. What the army needs is a good overhauling of its manpower, especially older men who have been in the army a long time.

NEW MANPOWER PROGRAM

War Manpower Commission Director Paul McNutt may put a new program into effect very soon in all light labor areas. This would limit employers in non-essential or less essential industries to a certain percentage of the number of workers they employed last year. This ceiling-employee program has already been tried out in Chicago and proven successful.

Chicago employers in non-essential and less essential industries will be required to cut the number of employees on the payroll 10 per cent by March 15.

SECRET RED WEAPONS

The Russians are way ahead of both the United States and Great Britain in the use of rocket guns, have employed them with devastating effect in the lightning drive through Poland, and particularly in the offensive against the Nazis in East Prussia.

One new and very important weapon which Stalin unveiled in the new drive is the 100-ton tank named after himself. The Stalin tank is superior to the German royal tiger tank, and our own Sherman heavy tank. It carries a 4.8-inch gun as against the 3-inch gun carried on our Sherman. So long as the ground remains hard, the Stalin tank is capable of resisting any but the largest point-blank German shells. On the other hand, the mobile gun on the Stalin tank can pierce most of the German secondary fortifications so far encountered by the Russians, it is said.

WAR NOTES

German are already trying to escape from the threatened Nazi homeland. Reports from Lisbon, Madrid, Stockholm and Berne reveal hundreds of Germans trying to crash the frontier to get out of Germany before the Allies take over.

CFDR still hasn't decided who he will name as high commissioner of the Philippines. WMC Director Paul McNutt and Supreme Court Justice Frank Murphy both are ready to go. If Murphy takes it, Roosevelt will nominate Judge Sam Rosenman to the Supreme court.

A significant new Slav treaty is now being negotiated. It will bind together the Czechoslovak government and the Lublin-Polish government in the first step toward the creation of an eastern European Slav alliance — naturally with Moscow's blessing.

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2. When is cockcrow?
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4. What droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven?
5. What is the protagonist of a story?
6. At the foot of what statue did Julius Caesar die?
7. How many bananas are required to make a pint of banana oil?
8. What land is called the "Land of the Midnight Sun"?

The Answers

1. The stock exchange floor.
2. Early morning.
3. A tablet inscribed with the date of the Declaration of Independence.
4. The quality of mercy.
5. The one who takes the leading part.
6. The statue of Pompey.
7. Banana oil is not made from bananas.
8. Norway.

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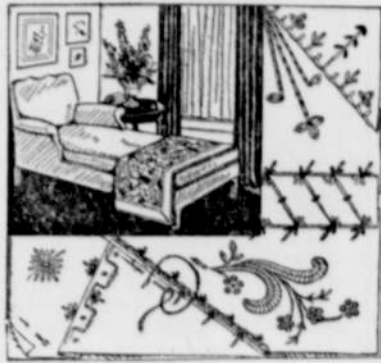
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