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"Life and Death"

"We want Hitler defeated if that lies in the cards. But to assert in effect that we must bleed America to death in a struggle throughout the world, even if that struggle should prove obviously futile, does not follow. This is not a matter of heroics; it is a matter of life and death."—Portland Oregonian.

THUS the Oregonian sails between the Scylla of "extreme isolationism," and the Charybdis of "blind interventionism," in chiding the Saturday Evening Post for flip-flopping to the latter.

Very interesting. But just HOW are we to know WHEN Hitler's defeat does NOT lie in the cards. When can we KNOW when fighting world dictatorship is futile? Can either ever be known in fact unless we are willing to take the RISK of bleeding to death?

THE answer, it seems to this department, is contained in the Oregonian's own conclusion that this is not a matter of heroics, but of "life and death."

It is. And, that being true, the time has come for this country to get entirely into this life and death struggle, or get entirely out.

Trying to get in half-way, with an "out" in reserve as soon as the going gets tough certainly won't work. It is everything or nothing, as we see it.

A Guess on Hess

AGAIN Mr. Winston Churchill refuses to comment on the recent melodramatic flight of Rudolph Hess, declaring to Commons he may never comment on it.

Why? Does the British Prime Minister think it better tactics to keep Hitler guessing? Or is the truth about the Hess episode not so hot, from an allied standpoint?

OUR guess,—and it can only be a guess,—is there is truth in both hypotheses.

It is smart diplomacy to keep Berlin guessing, so what dynamite there may be in the incident can be exploded with maximum effect,—that is before Hitler can build up an alibi for protection.

It is also likely that Hess is not crazy,—any crazier at least than the rest of the Nazi paranoiacs,—that he has not betrayed or divulged secret war plans,—that the purpose of his flight was to stop the war and secure a negotiated peace before it is too late.

By "too late," we mean, before Hitler's delusions of grandeur lead him to the tragic fate that befell Napoleon and Alexander the Great, and the Red Giant crouching in the Kremlin springs forth to take control of all Europe.

WE repeat this is only a guess. But it is a guess based upon the probabilities as we see them,—that Hess is a fanatical devotee of the Nazi philosophy; that his fear and hatred of Russian communism is genuine; always inclined to see visions, his latest one is a vision of his Messiah's crucifixion on the cross of insatiable greed and ambition, so:

Here was the golden opportunity, as he remarked when he landed in Scotland, to "save humanity" . . . humanity meaning to Nazi No. 3 German control of western Europe and that only; the defeat of Russian communism, and the end of the war before the full force of American aid could come in.

FINALLY, our hunch is the clinching argument used on Churchill by Hess was that only by agreeing to peace now, can the British Empire be saved from destruction,—that not only has the Vichy government gone over to Hitler but Stalin has given a pledge to assist him, and the war in western Europe has been won.

Beware of Russia!

SPEAKING of Russia there is an interesting article in the June "Harper's" entitled the "Silent Russian Revolution."

We advise those who still retain their illusions about this alleged "democracy of the future" to read it.

For Russia is now, and has been since the Finland adventure, on a strict war economy.

Everything is subordinated to making Russia effective as a military power.

THE new democracy of Trotsky's "red army" has been entirely abandoned. There is no longer an army of workers, but an army of soldiers. Officers no longer fraternize with their men; they order them about, and have the right, granted by Stalin, to shoot as many of them as they wish, without trial or hearing.

Military orders and medals have been revived. Industry has been geared more and more to the manufacture of guns, planes, tanks and munitions. Railroads are being constructed and improved, in line with the demands of military operation. Universal and free education has been abandoned; radical social legislation modified; Russia is becoming more and more a highly disciplined and regimented military despotism.

IN short, regardless of the menace of communism as a revolutionary and destructive political conception; when this World War No. II does end Russia will be a force,—and we mean FORCE,—to be reckoned with.

In foreseeing the true menace of "the bear that walks like a man," perhaps Comrade Hess isn't so crazy after all!

Personal Health Service

By William Brady M. D.

Signed letters pertaining to personal health and hygiene, not to disease diagnosis or treatment, will be answered by Dr. Brady if a stamped self-addressed envelope is enclosed. Letters should be brief and written in ink. Owing to the large number of letters received only a few can be answered here. No reply can be made to queries not conforming to instructions. Address Dr. William Brady, 265 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Calif.

TATTOOING

To destroy each island of involved tissue. Sometimes a small tattoo mark may be shaved off and the defect filled with a skin graft.

Larger mutilations require more drastic treatment, such as the method of Variot—a concentrated solution of tannic acid is tattooed in, then silver nitrate stick used to rub the whole surface vigorously. This turns the surface black. In a few days an inflammatory reaction follows, and an adherent dark crust forms. In about two weeks the crust comes away, and the place becomes covered by a superficial pink scar which gradually becomes of normal color. A few months later the scar is only slightly noticeable. I repeat, all of this treatment is reasonably safe only in the hands of the physician or surgeon.

Argyria is a slate-colored bluish pigmentation of skin with silver, from prolonged internal medication with silver nitrate or prolonged external application of argyrol or other silver compounds. The discoloration is permanent, the injection into the skin of a solution of 1% of potassium ferricyanide and 6% sodium thiosulfate has proved fairly successful in removing the discoloration in some cases.

Tattooing with an escharotic is sometimes the best method of treating moles, port wine stains or xanthomas.

Criminal tattooing is the tattooing of designs on the skin to satisfy a primitive taste for personal decoration. It is not a statutory crime to so mutilate the human body, but it should be punishable—both the individual whose body is so mutilated and the individual who performs the mutilation should be punished.

Dangers of this operation by persons without surgical training are many. Many cases of syphilis have been transmitted by tattooing. Among the infections that may occur are lymphangitis, erysipelas, lockjaw, leprosy, tuberculosis, chancroid and syphilis.

Occasionally the skin becomes accidentally tattooed with whitish deposits of lead from the application of washes, lotions or solutions containing "sugar of lead" and the use of an eyewash containing lead subacetate has caused similar deposits of lead in the cornea, the window of the eye.

The sooner powder grains or other particles lodged in the skin through an accident are removed, the better the ultimate cosmetic result will be. Such grains or particles of pigment must be patiently picked out with a needle or knife point, under local anesthesia, or if there are too many of them, under general anesthesia.

The removal of old powder stains may be effected by electrolysis with sufficient current.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
Bad Habit
Please send literature on constipation.—M. E.
Answer—Postcard requests cannot be answered. Send a stamped envelope bearing your address for monograph on constipation. Enclose ten cents coin if you want the booklet "The Constipation Habit and Colon Hygiene" for Rheumatiz
I am sitting the vitamin D treatment for rheumatism. Can vitamin B complex be taken in tablets instead of wheat germ or yeast?—Mrs. N. Z.
Answer—Yes. For booklet "The Ills Called Rheumatism," send ten cents coin and stamped envelope bearing your address. For pamphlet "Arthritis" send stamped envelope bearing your address. Postcards and loose stamps will not do. The bowling greens are like billiard tables now.
Gaining Weight
Like many others, I suppose, I am anxious to put on a little flesh—in the right places—before the bathing season arrives. I am eighteen, 5 feet four and weigh only 115 pounds.—Miss B. J.
Answer—You should weigh 134 to 128 pounds. Send a stamped envelope bearing your address and ask for monograph "How to Gain Weight." (Protected by John F. Dille Co.)
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tons of munitions every day without the slightest accident.

From Columbia river the search has extended to Puget sound and a site meeting most of the requirements has been found between Bellingham and Everett, an area of logged-over land isolated and cheap, but where a short railroad would have to be constructed and a wharf built for the receiving vessels. War department is still scouting the landscape for an unhabited 40,000 to 50,000 acres not hedged by highways.

SPACE for 100 to 150 tons of alsike clover, Oregon rye grass and vetch seed has been engaged in Pacific northwest ships British bound, but along comes the office of foreign agriculture relations (branch of the department of agriculture) and says "No" in a loud voice. Oregon dealers have these seeds booked with English buyers who can not obtain import licenses and these buyers are swamping the Oregon dealers with cablegrams asking for help, although Oregon seeds are on the British priority list.

It is considered very important that these seeds flow in a steady stream to England and to Ireland (four large orders from Dublin are unfilled). Office of foreign agriculture relations announces that all contracts are cancelled, but when the British make a request through the government for seeds, the industry in the United States will be advised and given an opportunity to offer such supplies as are desired. This ruling does not please Oregon dealers, for it places them in competition with the mid-west which sells seeds (inferior to Oregon's) for less and deprives

In The Day's News

By Frank Jenkins

AS these words are written today (Thursday) the battle of Crete is still in doubt.

German parachute troops, drifting down in ever-increasing numbers from the sky, have gained two footholds on the 160-mile-long island.

The German job is to hold and REINFORCE these points. The British-Greek job is to wipe out the invaders before adequate reinforcements can arrive.

THERE is an ominous note in the London disclosure that RAF fighter planes were withdrawn from Crete Tuesday because of the "pronounced disadvantage of operating from the few airdromes on the island under incessant Stuka dive-bombing attacks."

It is the old story of German superiority in the air.

THE Germans are attacking by water as well as by air.

Churchill announces in London "A convoy of 30 vessels was discerned this morning by our naval forces and presumably attacked, although our information stops at that point."

The British navy is in full action around Crete, hotly attacked by the Germans from the air. The Germans claim to have damaged one battleship and six cruisers.

WE can't implicitly believe the German claims, of course, but it is beginning to look like the long-talked-of test between naval and air forces.

If the Germans are able to weaken the British navy by air attack, look for what remains of the Italian navy to come into the fight. Maybe also the French.

If the Italians STAY OUT, it will be safe to guess that the British navy hasn't been disastrously weakened by air assault.

THIS Mediterranean area is an ancient cockpit, where men have fought since time began. It is seeing something new. In all its countless centuries of fighting, it has never before witnessed an attempt to take an island from the air.

THERE is a significant note in the news. The British garrison on the island of Cyprus has been strongly reinforced by Australian and New Zealand troops.
Cyprus will be NEXT.

THE air today (Thursday) is full of rumors—as always when a great battle is on.

There is a disturbing one from Vichy to the effect that German war materials are moving steadily by rail THROUGH TURKEY.

That would indicate (if true) that the Turks have been bluffed.

FROM La Linea, in Spain, comes a report that the British are forcibly removing civilians and foreigners from Gibraltar. The implication is that the long-awaited German attack on the western gate of the Mediterranean is near.

AND reports from German occupied Paris say the French forces in the Caribbean island of Martinique have received orders from Vichy to prepare for an AMERICAN attack.

The Paris newspaper Le Matin (The Morning) says the defense of Martinique will be centered around the fortress containing the gold reserves of the Bank of France (sent there when the French gave up) and that the defenders will blow up the stronghold as a last resort. French warships at Martinique have been warming up for several days.

The war, you see, is getting steadily closer to us.

Radio Highlights

By Associated Press
(Time is Pacific standard)
Tonight: War schedule, 3:15 NBC-Red, 4 NBC-Blue, 4:55 CBS, 6 MBS, 7 CBS, 7:15 NBC-Red, 8 NBC, CBS, 8:30 MBS. Heavy fight: NBC-Blue 6:30, Joe Louis vs. Buddy Baer, Washington; MBS 8:35, fight summary.

MBS, 5:30, Chas. A. Lindbergh at America First Rally, N. Y.; NBC-Red, CBS 6:30, Sen. B. K. Wheeler, also from rally; NBC-Red 7:30, Mrs. J. L. Whitehurst new women's clubs president.

Saturday: War schedule, 4:00 NBC CBS, 4:55 NBC-Blue, 5:00 NBC-Red, 7:00 CBS MBS, 8:45 MBS, 9:45 NBC-Red, 11:55 CBS, 1 MBS, 2:25 NBC, 2:30 CBS.

NBC-Red, 12:05, Women's Press club radio awards; 1:30, Olivet college orchestra; CBS, 8:45 a. m., London Firemen; 8:45 p. m., H. L. Hayes to Campfire Girls.

most pressing task is to keep the Atlantic shipping lanes open. Certainly no program of preparedness can neglect the creation of an enormous tonnage of shipping. Perhaps that is the most vital thing of them all. And how can that tonnage be increased if ships are sunk as fast as they are replaced. It is highly important to save every ship for they are precious. The army would be useless for this task. What is needed is a navy, and we have one. It should be used.

I respect Hoover for his sincerity and because he is a great American, and there is reason in much that he says. But he is like anyone else—an ex-official and so critical of his successor. Men are like that, so we must make allowances for it. Lloyd George's criticism of Churchill is comparable. Hoover is like some other opponents of intervention. He assumes that naval action necessarily means troop action beyond our state of preparedness. But that can not be. Certainly we cannot send abroad armies greater than our power to equip or maintain. The shortage of shipping would see to that. When we have the ships to maintain armies abroad, we will have both armies and equipment.

If unpreparedness is justification for non belligerency, then what of England. She is not fully prepared either. No one is prepared and who will hold the enemy in check until we all get ready to fight. That might be worth thinking about.

There is only one honorable course to follow. We should employ every means at hand to check the military progress of Germany and employ it as extensively as possible. This means the use of our navy and as much of our army as is trained and we can equip and maintain. More than that we cannot do. Certainly we should do no less.

C. F. Davies,
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California's New Guayule Rubber is Displayed at Manx

Thousands of persons passing Hotel Manx in San Francisco are attracted to a very interesting window display featuring California's Guayule Rubber industry. Samples of this rubber and Guayule rubber plants supplied by Salinas Chamber of Commerce are on display together with window cards explaining various features of the display.

One window card states that Sacramento, San Joaquin and Coastal valleys in California have proven ideal for growing this rubber, and 5,000,000 acres, a million field workers, 400 mills with 50 men each, would make farmers independent and solve unemployment.

Another window card states that the first tire made in the United States exclusively of Guayule rubber 15 years ago ran 8,000 miles on an automobile owned by Dr. Elmer Bingham.

\$100,000,000 has been appropriated for synthetic rubber experiments but not one cent for

Flight O' Time

Medford and Jackson County History from the files of the Mail Tribune 10 and 20 years ago.

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY

May 23, 1931
(It was Tuesday)
Don Clark of Medford defeats Roy McDaniels in second flight of state golf meet at Eugene.

Leon B. Haskins returns from business trip to Woodburn, Ore.

Grants Pass puts up sign urging tourists to use Redwoods highway as there is a bad detour near Medford.

Chamber of Commerce to aid fight for better harbor at Crescent City.

Rogue River valley ministers to hold picnic June 16.

Crater Lake park staff goes to lake for summer duties.

St. Mary's Academy graduation exercises to be held Sunday.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

May 23, 1911
(It was Friday)
Evangelist Bulglin in sermon requests sheriff to resign and give his place to his chief deputy. Denies he called the sheriff "no-account."

M. D. Olds buys 87 million feet of timber in Crater national forest.

Eddie Rickenbacher in cross country mail flight, damages planes at Cheyenne and continues in mail plane.

E. H. Gary, head of U. S. Steel, declares "return of prosperity will be slow unless common principles of honesty and decency are applied."

More women than men in Oregon, census reports show.

IWW's in northwest plot to set forests fire, charged by department of justice.

Weather

Northern California: Fog or mostly overcast, with occasional light drizzle on the coast; scattered afternoon thunderstorms in the high Sierras; otherwise fair today, tonight and Saturday, and improving on the coast Saturday afternoon; slightly cooler in the great valley today; moderate northwest wind off the coast.

Ask Pay Boost

Portland, May 23.—(P)—The city council had a petition from city laborers today for a pay increase to meet advancing living costs. They asked \$130 monthly instead of the present \$5 per day, representing an increase of about \$20 a month.

Salem, May 23.—(P)—Hospital attaches said today that Harriet C. Long, state librarian, is "resting easily" and had a good night, although her condition is still serious. She is suffering from cancer.

American Guayule farmers, \$400,000, has been appropriated for South American experiments but none for home grown Guayule.

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