Hardship has steeled us

—SAYS THE QUEEN

By HILDE MARCHANT

THE Queen spoke to the women of America last night—and to every woman free enough to listen. She ended her broadcast with these words:—

"I look to the day when we shall go forward hand in hand to build a better, a kinder, and a happier world for our children."

"Our children" — yours America, and the children of Europe. Yours, Russia, and the children of Britain.

We love peace

For the earth will not be worth inheriting unless.

". . . however great the cost and however long the struggle, justice and freedom, human dignity and kindness shall not perish from the earth."

The Queen spoke in a simple style, intimate and conversational. There was sincerity in what she said, not overladen or stressed, but quietly and warmly spoken.

She began: "We, like yourselves, love peace, and have not devoted the years behind us to the planning of death and destruction."

They were easy, pleasant years—they taught us how to be brave.

"As yet, save in the valour of our people, we have not matched our enemies, and it is only now that we are beginning to marshal around us in their full strength the devotion and resources of our great British family of nations, which will in the end, please God, assuredly prevail."

Then the Queen told the women of America of the people she had seen in the towns of Britain.

Hearts steeled

"I marvel at their unshakable constancy. In many cities their homes lie in ruins, as do many of those ancient buildings which you know and love hardly less than we do ourselves.

"Women and children have been killed, and even the sufferers in hospitals have not been spared; yet hardship has only steeled our hearts and strengthened our resolution."

Those women who suffered the noise and blast of the night, those women who watched their homes dissolve into the earth, needed more than sympathy, they needed warmth and comfort, food and clothes.

They came into their own broken streets from the towns and villages of America.

The Queen thanked America for that comfort—she had seen it.

"Unless you have seen, as I have seen, just how your gifts have been put to use, you cannot know, perhaps, the solace which the Piccadilly flower-sellers, you have brought to the men and women of Britain, who are suffering and toiling in the cause of freedom."

So the Queen revived for those women in America, who knit and sew, collect and save on our behalf, the cause and result of their simple good-natured work.

She told of the work which the women of Britain are doing. . .

"Here in Britain our women are working in factory and field, turning the lathe, and gathering the harvest, for we must have food as well as munitions.

"Many are on the land, our precious soil, driving the plough and making a grand job of it."

Our precious soil, which has been defended by men and women and children, through the terrors of the night bombings.

The Queen said a sincere thank you to the women of America for their constant and warm-hearted help. In the small towns, the small streets, the small homes of America they heard her say . . .

"We like to picture you knitting on your porches, serving in your committee rooms, and helping in a hundred ways to bring relief to our civilian garrison here."

Women's thanks

Shiploads of clothing, medical supplies, food wagons and ambulances have come from those small American towns to aid the battered cities in which we live.

And, the women of Britain thanked them for their aid, as the Queen ended. . . .

". . . to us, in the moment of our tribulation, you have surely shown that compassion which has been for two thousand years the mark of the Good Neighbour.

"Believe me—and I am speaking for millions of us, who know the bitter, but also proud, sorrow of war—we are grateful. We shall not forget your sacrifice."

Her voice—the best woman's radio voice in the country—ended quietly and deeply:—

"May God bless you all."

U-boats missed these U.S. gifts

When Mrs. Dwight Davis, leader of America's Aid for Britain Women Volunteers, visited a W.V.S. distributing centre in Tunbridge Wells, Kent, yesterday, she was told that of £659,000 worth of clothing sent from America, only £2,500 worth was lost in shipment.

She also visited a hostel for bombed-out families at Hamsell Manor, Sussex, where she was given a bouquet by Mrs. Penny, oldest of these Piccadilly flower-sellers.

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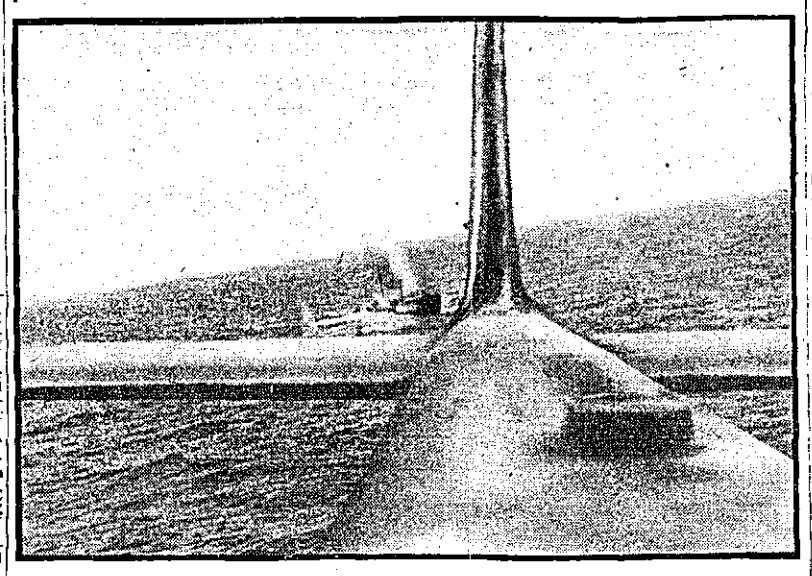


WHATEVER sea they may be sneaking through, these enemy supply ships, the R.A.F. is nosing them out and sending them down. By day and by night. . . . This one, of 2,000 tons, was steaming off the west coast of Holland in daylight when aircraft of the Bomber Command swooped. There were two hits on her stern—and she was left on fire and sinking.

TIME: 4 a.m. Place: A fiord in south-west Norway. A heavy bomb has struck the foredeck of a German tanker. The blaze is reflected in the still waters. The ship turns from her course and makes for the beach. . . . A Beaufort of the Coastal Command notched this victory. The tanker's crew eventually put off in a lifeboat.

Dog costs M.P. 8 coupons

Tears his trousers

Sir Herbert Williams, M.P. (Con.) for South Croydon, yesterday went by bicycle instead of by car to see his evacuated children.

He *saved* petrol.

He *lost* eight clothing coupons.

A stray dog flew at his bicycle, bit his leg and tore his trousers.

Minesweepers get night raider down

A Heinkel 111 was shot down at sea by fire from British minesweepers on Saturday night.

Six people were killed by a night raider at an east coast town—two families, each of father, mother and son. Five people were killed at a coast town in north-east Scotland.

Refugee ship sails

LISBON, Sunday.—The Spanish steamer Navemar sailed from Lisbon today for South America with 1,200 passengers, mostly refugees from Central Europe.—Reuter.

Big battle 120 miles from Leningrad

FROM PAGE ONE

Soviet High Command, "continues in the direction of Byelaya Tserkov (50 miles south of Kiev)."

Here is the picture of the battle zones this morning:—

Ukraine front—Russian and German air fleets are clashing in a large-scale action over the armies joined in battle in the plains.

The Germans are throwing in all their forces in an attempt to cut up the Soviet defenders and open the road to Odessa.

Hour-long dogfights go on between the Soviet fighters and the Messerschmitt-escorted formations of bombers and Stuka dive-bombers.

The Red Air Force, steadily strengthened of late, is at the same time smashing at the panzer columns and the infantry massed behind.

FIGHTING BACK

Russia's southern army under Marshal Budenny is fighting back strongly as it manœuvres for position.

Anti-aircraft and machine guns keep up incessant fire against the German raiders, long-range guns pour their shells into the enemy lines.

The Germans are repeating their Smolensk tactics. First the air force attempts to smash the Russian lines of communication, then the panzer columns race forward to find a weak spot.

Leningrad front.—Finns and Germans are attempting from north, south and west to make a clean break through the Soviet defence lines.

They have not yet succeeded although the Russians are in places giving ground slowly.

Moscow announces the annihilation of the 307th Regiment of the 63rd German Division, "which the Fascists advertised as one of the finest of their formations."

A Russian unit drove the enemy to the shores of a lake—presumably Ladoga.

Faced with attacks from three sides, many Germans jumped into the lake to swim to the opposite shore. Almost all were drowned or shot by Soviet snipers.

The Finnish Command claims the launching of "the second great offensive, the first result of which has been the annihilation of several Russian divisions."

It did not say where the victory was won, or how many enemy divisions were cut up.

West of Leningrad the Germans are pushing hard towards the coast in Estonia.

BACKS TO SEA

The Russians are fighting a stubborn backs-to-the-sea action.

Even in the interior isolated garrisons are battling on.

Fighting among the smoking ruins of what was once Dorpat, one of north-eastern Europe's most picturesque towns, the Russians are still holding buildings around the university and are shelling the Germans on the opposite bank of the Embach river.

Street-fights, raids, attacks and counter-attacks are directed from headquarters from which the adversaries can see each other.

In Estonia the Russians are now numerically far inferior to the Germans.

The reason is that Soviet troops have been evacuated in mass to the islands of Dagoe and Oesel, naval and air bases off Estonia, from which the Red Air Force made its attacks on Berlin.

Apparently the Soviet High Command intends to fight to the end from these islands, so important for Russia's Baltic fleet.

SECOND FRONT

Not only in Estonia, but behind the German lines everywhere, Stalin's "second front" of guerilla fighters is upsetting the German machine so violently that a Berlin official made these savage threats:—

"The German Army will not tolerate any disturbances. An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.

"Without any sentimentality we shall impose our will in a manner that every man, woman *and child* will understand.

"Merciless punishment will be dealt out to Bolsheviks who destroy crops."

The Nazi official went on to declare that guerilla fighting was "against all the international laws of warfare."

POLES' REVENGE

How strongly the campaign of scorching fields, ruining wells, blocking roads and raiding airfields has developed may be measured by the fact that more than 1,000 guerillas have been decorated in the last few days, among them several women.

Behind the lines in Poland.—At Lwow revenge is being taken for the recent massacre of 6,000 Poles. Units organised by a factory manager have, Moscow reports, killed more than 200 German soldiers and destroyed 85 lorries, 12 guns and other equipment.

In Rumania.—Men led by Comrade X, acting on information sent by spies ambushed a car being driven in the Tergovishty region and killed three German staff officers. Important documents found in the car were handed over to the Red Army.

In Finland.—A detachment under Comrade Larsen annihilated German-Finnish garrisons at three frontier posts and destroyed two Finnish ammunition trains. Finnish and Norwegian peasants have joined the guerillas.

STALIN: I CAN INVADE

FROM PAGE ONE

rushed to Teheran to strengthen Hitler's military colony there—would, if true, complete the Soviet case against Iran.

The 1921 Treaty was negotiated by Lenin for the infant Soviet State at a time when Iran was still called Persia and Riza Khan was its Minister of War. It is still valid today. And Clause 6 specifically declares that:—

"If any nation should try to turn Persia into a base for military action against Russia. . . [*This attempt is clearly being made: it is proved by the existence of a Nazi-inspired revolutionary committee in Iran which is tomenting revolts over the border of the Soviet Caucasus*]:

"And if danger should threaten the frontiers of Russia or of any Power allied to Russia. . . [*Both Russia and Britain have had to divert strong forces in case of a Nazi coup in Iran*]:

"And if the Persian Government, after warning by Russia, shall prove itself not strong enough to prevent this danger. . . . [*To protest against German activities in Iran the Shah has replied that mass expulsions of Nazis would incur Hitler's anger*]:

"Then the Government of Russia shall have the right to take its troops into Persian territory in the interests of self-defence."

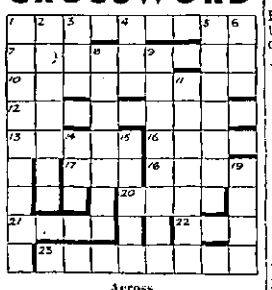
NEW ARRIVALS

There is no loophole in this treaty, no provision for consultation or arbitration. My information, however, is that Stalin will not invoke Clause Six except after consulting with the British Government, and that if it is necessary to despatch troops the occupation may be a joint one by the Allies concerned.

Latest reports from Istanbul say that among the new arrivals there from Germany en route for Iran are a Nazi general and a Gestapo chief. They travelled by special plane with false passports, and were followed by two more planes carrying German intelligence officers.

If these reports are correct Britain can join Russia in applying the penalty to Iran without need of special treaties.

CROSSWORD



Across

1. Favourite word of Hollywood publicity agents. (9)
7. Unlit crab. (Anag.) (9)
10. Subservient. (9)
12. You must repeat dew to get this. (Two words, 4, 5)
13. You need lots backwards to include nothing. (5)
16. Possibly a product of the arts. (4)
17. A valuable ally. (3)
18. Soap and water. (4)
20. It is usually the giant of the company who is so called. (4)
21. What you get when you break neon. (4)
22. Age. (3)
23. Vary eyed. (Anag.) (8)

Down

1. Which statesman carried this bag? (9)
2. Arched aperture for light. (7)
3. Upset the cab. (3)
4. Ted laboured round this. (3)
5. As we were in 1938. (7)
6. Hone this for uprightness. (3)
8. Pies rot. (Anag.) (7)
9. Catalogue. (8)
11. In harmony. (7)
14. Exit. (3)
15. Afterwards. (5)
19. A sly remains. (4)

Solution of Saturday's puzzle—Across: 2, Sumpost; 8, Initial; 11, Mug; 12, Attic; 15, Gun; 14, Ant; 15, Mat; 16, Elder; 17, Zero; 18, Art; 20, Outlr; 23, Torn; 24, Eerie; 25, All; 26, Edd; 27, Emblem. Down: 1, Vengeance; 2, Simulate; 3, Inundated; 4, Gap; 5, Pit; 6, Oatmeal; 7, Tact; 9, Tan; 10, Liar; 14, Aero; 17, Zone; 19, Trim; 21, Tale; 22, Helm.

SPORTS SECTION

More clubs to leave League

MORE headaches for those League officials who are trying to arrange new season fixtures.

With the 15 southern "rebel" clubs definitely out of the League, fresh plans were made for the League's southern section.

No sooner is the first list of matches ready than Portsmouth, who are supposed to open the season on August 30 at Southampton, are credited with the intention of withdrawing and applying for the sixteenth place in the London War League. *If they apply they'll* get it all right.

That is not all. Report has it that all is not settled on the West Bromwich, Birmingham and Southampton fronts. There is talk of withdrawals.

One thing certain is that only one more club will be accepted in the London League, and Portsmouth, the Cup-holders, are favourites.

Here is the Football League's fixture list for August 30—now subject to revision:—

Birmingham v Swansea, Bristol City v Wolves, Leicester v Norwich, Luton v Nottingham Forest, Northampton v Walsall, Southampton v Portsmouth, Southend v Bournemouth, West Bromwich v Cardiff.

Return games are scheduled for September 6.

Yesterday's Cricket.—Hastings Priory 95 (J. Lee 3 for 30, A. Watt 3 for 24). London Counties 228—Epsom 56 (Ingram 4 for 19, Clarke 3 for 13). British Empire 181 for 4.

OWEN TUDOR'S 'LEGER' CHANCE

By THE SCOUT

NEWBURY angles are notoriously deceptive, but there was general surprise when the favourite, Mah Iran, was judged to have been beaten a head by Trouble in Saturday's Highclere Nursery. They raced on opposite sides, and D. Smith thought Mah Iran had won by three-quarters of a length.

Make a note of Beckhampton winners Fettes and Reversion. I think Reversion may prove a good un and show again how lucky it was he was not shot.

★

Trainer Fred Darling has certainly "intrigued" the classic situation during past 20 years and 1941 is no exception after success of stable outsider Owen Tudor in the Derby.

Little has happened since to affect Owen's St. Leger claims at Manchester on September 6, and he would now be 5 to 2 or less in a good-class year, but there was obvious opposition to him at Newbury. Price extended from fours to 5 to 1—even 6 to 1 at one time.

Principal of Park-lane firm who has been making big ante-post book on the course now prices the Beckhampton colts: 5 Owen Tudor, 14 Thoroughfare and Bakhtawar, 20 Fettes.

BERLIN FACES 24-HOUR BLITZ

Express Air Reporter

THE Red Air Fleet's two successive night attacks on Berlin now open up the possibility of Berlin being bombed all round the clock.

Our heavy semi-stratosphere bombers could attack Berlin in daylight with a minimum risk of interception. Russia has shown she can attack at night.

The two air forces may be able to work a shuttle service so that the Berliner will have more cause to hear alerts than Londoners had even at the height of the blitz.

Many experts realise that our Wellingtons and Whitleys may be better employed at night blasting the German factories and ports nearer Britain than Berlin.

But Berlin, from the morale point of view, is a vital military target, so the Russians would be well employed throwing the great weight of their four and six engined bombers against it.

Fighters silence flak ships' guns

Supply boat blazes

Blenheim bombers with a fighter escort swooped on a German supply ship off the French coast yesterday.

The fighters dived on flak ships protecting the German vessel, raked them with bullets, and silenced their guns. The supply ship was left ablaze.

Two bombers and a fighter are missing, and one enemy fighter was shot down, making total fighter losses for Saturday and Sunday 19 German to 11 British.

FLASHBACK

August 11, 1916

BRITISH planes bombed Zeppelin sheds at Brussels. The Russians captured Stanislau, junction on the railway connecting Lwow with the Bukovina and Hungary.

1940

GREECE was startled by a threatening attack by Italy in which Italy accused the Greek Government of "robbery, massacre and deportation" against the Albanian minority in Greece.

Nazis test Norway coast defence line

STOCKHOLM, Sunday. — Germany's "Falkenhorst Line" in Norway—a chain of powerful fortifications along the coast from Mandal to Agdenaes, has been completed, according to reports reaching Stockholm.

Invasion exercises to test its strength are to begin tomorrow and last nine days. German troops have *already taken over practically* all public buildings and schools in the coast zone for billets.—B.U.P.

HITLER PLANNING LIBYA THRUST

Express Special Correspondent

MOSCOW, Sunday.

HITLER, with his vision of a swift march through southern Russia to the Persian Gulf threatened by the approach of winter, is believed in Moscow to be preparing a thrust in North Africa.

The plan, it is said, is to leave in Russia forces adequate to consolidate a line from which a fresh start can be made if necessary in the spring, while his striking forces are transferred to Libya, where the "campaigning season" is approaching.

Gestapo hunt Berlin V-men

MOSCOW officially reported last night that every morning in a Berlin suburb slogans appear on the walls, saying, "Long live Free Germany," "Long live Moscow," and "Down with Nazism."

Adds Moscow: "Himmler has roused the whole of Berlin's Gestapo to hunt down the culprits. Day and night, the storm troopers are vainly searching.

"Special guards have been posted in places where the inscriptions have appeared. But, in spite of all these precautions, the inscriptions continue to appear."

Mr. F. W. Memory

Mr. F. W. Memory, former foreign editor of the Daily Mail, died yesterday at his home in Pinner, Middlesex, at the age of 58.

He joined the staff nearly 30 years ago, and as special correspondent carried out many assignments abroad.

Learning Afrikaans

Many British children evacuated to South Africa are learning Afrikaans. One child has urged his parents to settle in South Africa as he prefers living there.

WAR SAVINGS CAMPAIGN

"... she's putting 'paid' to Hitler!"

Yes. I suppose this war will be won by ordinary people just carrying on with their jobs.

It certainly will *not*. If our boys are to bring home the bacon, people have got to understand what we are up against and *do something extra about it.*

You're right there — but where does she come in?

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