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Today's picture of Winston Churchill is the same as ever, only more so - the picture of a British Prime Minister relentlessly determined to fight the war to a finish, ~~xxx~~ without any weakness of will, without any questioning of mind. Today he gave the House of Commons a report on the war, and he said: - ~~"Death and ruin become small things compared with the shame of defeat or the failure of our duty. We will face what is coming to us."~~

*here is* ~~here is~~ one question that he answered:

Has the Nazi air assault day after day weakened the British defense? Churchill replied: "Great Britain is stronger than ever at the end of the first period of aerial attack. We hope," ~~xxx~~ he added, "and believe, that we shall be able to continue the air struggle indefinitely." <sup>Then</sup> He made a statement, which may sound rather surprising, that British plane production, as he expressed it - "already has largely exceeded Germany's." He held that it would not be long before the Royal Air Force had a decided supremacy in the sky.

Churchill thereupon proceeded to predict what in his mind would be the probably course of the war during the months to come. He said the Germans ~~xxx~~ have lowered the technical

standards of their science, and in this connection he referred to the ~~xxxxix~~ expulsion of the Jews - as ~~an~~ injury to German science. He said that in technical methods the British are now definitely ahead of the Nazia. Moreover, Britain is enabled by her geographical position to draw on the resources of the world. Speaking of resources, Churchill mentioned the United States - and that got a cheer from the House of Commons. He compared the present technological war of science and resources with the clash of man-power in the ~~xxxxix~~ World War, and said that Great Britain is better suited to carry on today's kind of conflict. "There seems to be every reason to believe," ~~ixix~~ said Winston Churchill, "that this new kind of war is well suited to the genius and resources of the British nation."

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He pointed out that Britain already was striking heavily at Germany's war industries, and indicated that this increasingly would be Britain's way of winning. Yet there might be other ways. Churchill was cryptic as he said:- "We may be able to show the enemy quite a lot of things they have not thought of yet."

How soon would the victory come? Here Churchill was

cautious, and gave warning: "The road to victory," said he,

"~~must~~ not be as long as we expect - but we have no right to

count upon this." "Britain will take the offensive," he

specified, "in Nineteen Forty-one and Nineteen Forty-two"

long months, even years, of war ahead ~~xxx~~ - according to

Winston Churchill.

During the immediate present, he warned, heavier and more furious German attacks may be expected. Churchill said that Hitler cannot tamely let the war sink into sluggish inaction. "We may be sure, therefore," said he, "that Hitler will continue so long as he has the strength to do so, and so long," he added, "as any preoccupation he may have with respect to the Russian Air Force may permit him to do ~~xxx~~ so." That was another cryptic element in the Prime Minister's speech - his reference to Hitler's possible preoccupation with the Russian Air Force. Indicating, no doubt - a continued British hope of aid from the Soviets.

Churchill listed British casualties to date as ninety-two thousand killed, wounded, missing, prisoners - military casualties and civilian casualties combined. He

compared that with the British loss in the first year of the  
Xxx World War - three hundred and sixty-five <sup>thousand men.</sup> ~~men~~. The German

losses in the present struggle are listed as a total of more  
than two hundred and six thousand, killed, wounded and missing.

The French say they lost a million and a half, *which seems impossible.*

Today's proceedings in the Commons brought a Churchill  
declaration on one point that holds worldwide attention - the  
possibility of a famine on the continent of Europe and the  
relation of the British Blockade to this. Will the British  
permit food ships to pass through and feed the hungry in the  
conquered ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ countries like Denmark, Norway, Holland,  
Belgium, France? The British Prime Minister gave a decisive  
answer - No; he rejected proposals such as those made by our  
own American ex-president, Herbert Hoover. Churchill used these  
words:- "There have been many proposals founded on the  
highest motives that food should be allowed to pass the  
blockade. I regret," he stated, "that we must refuse these  
requests." Whereupon Churchill made a statement which suggests  
a policy of using food and famine in the overthrow of Nazi  
Germany. Churchill said that Britain will be prepared to throw

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vast stores of foodstuffs into the countries of the continent as soon as the war is over. He held that as a sort of promise, an inducement. "We shall do our best," said he, "to encourage the building up of reserves of food all over the world, so that there will be always held out before the eyes of the people of Europe, including the German and Austrian people, the certainty that the overthrow of ~~the~~ Nazi power will bring them immediately food, freedom and peace."

The question of American destroyers for Great Britain was raised in the Prime Minister's address. Winston Churchill asked the United States to release American destroyers to the aid of Britain. He said the ocean was open for them to cross.

There certainly was world-importance to those Churchill statements today. [The British Prime Minister stated that Great Britain is ready to let the United States establish naval bases in British-American possessions - such as Newfoundland and the West Indies. This would involve no transfer of British sovereignty, ~~xxx~~ but is offered on a lease basis. Churchill specified - leases of ninety-nine years.

Along this line even more specific statements were

agreement concerning American bases to be established on British possessions, He said that formal discussions have not yet begun. Informally, the thing is as good as settled. "We have agreed in principle," declared the foreign Secretary, "and I am satisfied that no great difficulty will arise in the discussion of the details."

This British American arrangement opened wide horizons in the Winston Churchill address. He said:- "Undoubtedly this process means that these two great organizations of English speaking democracies, the British Empire and the United States, will have to be somewhat mixed up together."

*TP* The British Empire and the United States - somewhat mixed up together; does this suggest some kind of British American union? Well, Churchill said it was inevitable. "I could not stop it if I wished," said he. "No one can stop it. Like the Mississippi, it just keeps rolling along. ~~xx~~ Let it ~~xxx~~ roll," he exclaimed; and he added this bit of Churchillian eloquence:- "Let it roll on full flood, inexorable,

irristible, roll on to broader lands and better days." Mixing  
the British Empire and the United States. Something to think about.

PETAINE

Today Marshal Petain, the ruler of France, gave an interview to an American newspaper man, and delivered himself of important political opinions. The Marshal, for example, ~~xxx~~ expressed high approval of the United States defense program.

Then he indulged himself in a bit of reminiscence and recalled how some years ago he was in the United States -- the famous Marshal of France, attending the Yorktown Celebration. ~~xxx~~ He was in New York and was ~~xxx~~ entertained by the Mayor. The Mayor then was the glamorous Jimmy Walker. Jimmy took the Marshal around for a tour of New York hot spots, where many drinks were served. The Marshal of France tried to buy a round. But no. Today he explained: "Mayor Walker banged the table, saying 'It's a glory to New York to have you here. I buy all the drinks.'" 3

A couple of years later when political trouble was on ~~xxxx~~ and Jimmy Walker's accounts were being examined, Marshal Petain got a letter, and in it were enclosed the night club bills for that evening of hospitality in New York -- when he couldn't buy a drink. The Marshal of France was asked to pay -- and he did. *So he tells us today.*



WILLKIE

Wendell Willkie is running for President on the Republican ticket. But, is he a member of Tammany? <sup>Willkie</sup> ~~That's~~.

~~a profound question. Tammany, like most other big-town~~

~~democratic machines, is supporting the third term. So it-~~

~~might seem more logical to ask -- is F.D.R. a member of~~

~~Tammany? But, it's the other way round. Willkie says no.~~

~~He repels the charge. But~~ <sup>says no.</sup> ~~what does Tammany say? That would~~

be expert opinion. Today we have an answer. And it turns

out to be a matter of a definition of terms.

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There are really two Tammanys. One is the official organization known euphoniously as -- "The Society of St. Tammany or the Columbian Order." But there is another kind of ~~T~~ Tammany, which is composed of the local political clubs in Manhattan -- thirty-five of them. So who's a member of what, and what kind of member is he?

Willkie is not a member of -- "The Society of St. Tammany ~~or~~ or the Columbian Order." But today Tammany experts insisted that he is a ~~MEMBER~~ member of one of the local Manhattan

political clubs. The statement is made that in 1935 Wendell Willkie and Mrs Willkie were elected Democratic County Committeemen of the Fifteenth Assembly district. They took part in a primary contest. Willkie paid his dues for two years, the last time in 1936. Since then he hasn't paid -- not for four years. He hasn't resigned, and the non-payment of dues not not cancel his membership. So claim the Tammany experts.

It is all quite ~~paradoxical~~ paradoxical, the ~~contention~~ contention that the Republican ~~candidate~~ candidate is a member of Tammany, which is so enthusiastic for a third term <sup>for</sup> Roosevelt.

DEBATE

And, Here's an answer to that famous question, if it needs an answer, The question: "Will there be a Roosevelt-Willkie *a la Lincoln-Douglas* debate, face to face?" The challenge was a highspot in the

Willkie acceptance address. Will ~~xxxxxxx~~ President Roosevelt accept it? Will the two candidates appear together on platforms throughout the country and argue it out? It would make a great show. But you and I *can guess* know the answer.

President Roosevelt today officially gave the answer - *and*

*it is:*  
no!

He reverted to his previous statements that the international situation is such that he won't have a chance to do any

extensive campaigning. He'll have to ~~xxxxx~~ stick close to the *job*. So F. D. R. will not debate his rival Wendell *job*. ~~So he won't debate~~ Willkie face to face.

The White House reply drew a quick retort from Willkie tonight. The Republican candidate takes a fling at the way the President has been going around inspecting National defenses. He suggests that F. D. R. let military experts do that. That would give the President plenty of time to debate issues of the campaign - *says Willkie*.

CRIME

In Chicago, there has been a series of gangland murders, reminiscent of the old days of prohibition and bootleg.

And with it comes that same ugly word - bootleg. But with a

*This time it has*  
difference. <sup>^</sup>Nothing to do with liquor.- ~~It's~~ a case of bootleg horse race information.

*And that*  
~~This~~ <sup>^</sup>takes us to the celebrated Annenberg Case in Philadelphia, the one in which the authorities convicted the millionaire publisher who for years ran a service of information about the races. That kind of tipster business was outlawed, and no~~x~~ the inevitable has happened. Since the Annenberg Case, the game of purveying horse race information has been going on

secretly, under ~~XXXXXX~~ cover. Being illegal, *it has now gravitated* ~~it's in the hands~~  
*into the hands*  
<sup>^</sup>of underworld practitioners.

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Last night Carroll Corcoran, a Chicago bookmaker, was found shot to death. It was the fourth similar murder in the last few weeks. ~~Today~~ Today, the police connected the outbreak of crime with the business of bootleg information, and ordered the arrest of a one-time lieutenant of Scarface Al Capone. They say that remnants of the old Chicago liquor mob have taken over the new kind of horse race bootleg - and a gang war has broken out among them.

DARE

Here's news that Virginia Dare's mother married an Indian chief. We all know about Virginia Dare. ~~or at least we did. It's taught in every school~~ the story of the first child born in America of British parents. Remember the ill-fated Roanoke Colony which vanished, disappeared into an historical mystery? From time to time there are indications that some at least of those first British colonists may have survived, ~~lost in the wilderness among the Indians.~~ Today we are told of a series of stones found in a cave on the bank of the Chattahoochee River in Georgia. Stones with writings on them, <sup>telling</sup> ~~writings that tell~~ how seven of the Roanoke colonists found refuge <sup>with</sup> ~~among~~ a friendly tribe, ~~of Indians.~~ Among them was Eleanore Dare - mother of the famous Virginia. Professor ~~xxxx~~ H. F. Pearce of Brenan College states that on one of these stones Eleanor Dare speaks of a daughter that could not have been Virginia Dare. Because that ill-fated child is known to have died by that time. So it must have been another daughter, a later one.

The Professor assumes that the mother of Virginia <sup>Deer</sup> Dare <sup>Indian</sup> married an Indian chief. ~~Married?~~ of course. It wouldn't have been respectable otherwise. And an Indian chief, certainly. It

DEER FOLLOW DARE

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In Maine, they are fighting a battle with mothballs.

The enemy? No, not moths. It's a battle to protect Maine's

famous potato crop, ~~xxx~~ forty-five million bushels. ~~of spuds.~~

~~And you never heard of moths eating potatoes, either fried,~~

~~baked or hashed brown.)~~ The potato robbers are the deer - the

fellows with the big antlers. Buck, doe and fawn - they're

attacking the Maine potato crop. So - get out the mothballs.

But don't load your guns with <sup>them,</sup> mothballs and shoot the deer.

It's this way. The deer don't like the smell of those white

marbles you put in your clothes when you stow them away. Well,

I don't like the smell either, though I'm xxx no dear. ~~at least~~

~~not to anybody but my wife, and not even to her sometimes. But~~

<sup>Yes sir,</sup> ~~never mind the sentiment.~~ The game warden of the State of

Maine has ordered a big consignment of mothballs, to sprinkle

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these around the potato fields. So that the deer on approaching

for a potato or two, will smell and sniff and say - so long

until tomorrow, just as I'll say it after

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Hugh has his say.