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ROOSEVELT AND CHURCHILL

The long awaited announcement from the secret meeting between President Franklin D. Roosevelt of the United States and Prime Minister Winston Churchill of Great Britain, was given to the world last Thursday.

It is one of the briefest and at the same time one of the most far reaching utterances ever deivered by two world-statesmen. It lays down, in broad outline, the POST WAR AIMS OF THE TWO STATESMEN..

They are: 1. No territorial enlargements as a result of the war.

- 2. No territorial changes imposed by force.
- 3. Restoration of sovereign rights to those forcibly deprived of them.
- 4. Equal enjoyment of world trade and raw materials by all nations
- 5. Improved labor standards, economic advancement and social security for all.
- 6. A peace securing safety and tranquility the world over.
- 7. Freedom of the seas to all.
 8. Abandonment by all nations of the use of force and disarmament of

What machinery will be necessary to carry out these lofty aims, was not stated. Presumably, details will be worked out and combinations of nations formed to ensure these ends.

Meanwhile, and precedent to the enforcement of the post war aims, these great leaders have the task of "THE FINAL DESTRUTION OF NAZI TYRANNY".

To the plan thus far disclosed, we give our hearty assent, provided all races and colors are embraced in the plan.

We have admired Winston Churchill since he first made the head lines in the very early 1900s, And we have long admired President Roosevelt. We know of no two men in the world of our time better fitted to perform this great new task than Roosevelt and Churchill.

DEFENSE BONDS

United States Defense Bonds are a good investment. It is a safe investment, just as safe as the money of the government.

Persons who are not able to buy bonds may buy U. S. Savings Stamps, All of us can buy them.

If each Negro in the United States purchased ONE DOLLARS WORTH of U. S. Savings Stamps, it would represent \$15,000,000.00. Multiply this by ten and you will reach a figure which the present National Administration will regard as worthy of notice.

This is our country; we helped to make it what it is, and its future, come what may.

Above all other races in the world, we must turn our faces against tyranny, both at home and abroad. And from this road we must not turn aside.

Buy bonds and stamps!

The Negro who selected 16th and Dodge Streets to stage the murder of his wife was suffering mental delusions. Not having been able to get a gallery while butchering hogs at the packing plant, he saw to it that when he butchered his wife he had a crowd; his last crowd, no doubt, for many years, if not for ever.

"I will prepare, and some day my chance will come"-LINCOLN.

Judge me not by the heights to which I have risen, but by the depths from whence I came".— Frederick Douglas.

THE FORT BRAGG N. C. KILLING

The killing of a Negro soldier and a white Military policeman must be nvestigated and the guilty persons brought to bay. It is the responsibility of the President and the Secretary of War to act vigorously, thoroughly and at once in the matter.

NEGRO SOLDIERS AND OFFICERS

Assistant Secretary of War, Robert Patterson, announced last week that there are now 80,000 Negro soldiers in the United States army. The present total of soldiers in the army is about 1,500,000. Officers in the white units are one to each thirteen soldiers. According to our population, we should have one tenth of the army strength, or 150,000. And if the Negro officers, as they should be, were one to each thirteen men, there would be 11,538 Negro officers in the armed forces. But there are but 265.

Negroes are being taxed to pay officers of other races and must listen to a lot of prattle about democracy in the United States and National Unity, while the Commander in Chief of the Army and Navy permits such glaring discrimination against the largest minority group in the United States.

There can be no unity while such practices are permitted by the leader of our fighting forces.

During the first world war, President Wilson did much better than that. Thus the present administration has a precedent to guide it.

But he should go far beyond anything the late President Woodrow Wilson did in military matters, because President Roosevelt professes to be the world's first disciple of freedom and opportunity for all. President Wilson did not include all in his profession of faith, but he did much; President Roosevelt should do infinitely more.

Mr. President, become realistic on the Negro question and National Unity. You have eighty thousand Negroes under your command at the present time, but you have but 265 Negro Officers, nearly all of them lieutenants. You should now have under your command Negro officers in all grades numbering 6153. But there are only 265, one twenty-third of the number the Negroes should have.

And we ask again for whose democracy are the Negroes working and fighting?

Let us have both war and peace of justice.

RUSSIA AND GERMANY

Each day the Russian-German war becomes more confusing. One day Germany will announce that she has destroyed the Russian Army and the whole Russian Air fleet; the next day, they speak of desperate resistance of the Russian army and the destruction of a large number of Russian planes.

Last Thursday, however, the Russion report was important. It announced the decimation of scores of div isions of the German army. This, if true, means the beginning of the end for Germany. If, for instance, Germany has lost 60 divisions, about 1,200,-000 men or more than twenty percent of German effectives in a military sense, she cannot continue the struggle in face of such tremendous losses. Moreover, the German task will grow more difficult as her lines of communication are lengthened. And very soon, the rains will begin to fall, followed by snow and bitter cold.

The forces, against which no military genius can provide a defense, beat Napoleon and they will beat Hitler, if they descend upon him. And they will come upon him, if he remains in Russia a short time longer.

Germany is racing for oil and unless she gets it, she will be undone. And each day the chances increase that she will not get the oil.

LET'S PULL TOGETHER

(by Ruth Taylor)

Have you ever watched a tug of war? If you have, then you know that it isn't always the side on which there is the greatest strength that wins. The winning team is the team that pulls together.

We need that kind of team work now in our haste to rearm in a world maddened by war. And it is the disruption of that team work on which the enemy, both without and within, is concentrating its attack.

True we are not physically at war. There are no hostile armies encamped on our territories. Within the three mile limit our ships are safe. We still watch with eye of interest rather than alarm, the swft flight of the graceful planes across the summer sky.

But there is a war on now and here. It is a Blitzkreig of words of ideas. As deadly as the poison gas it emulates and precedes, the attack is on our unity. Beware of all propaganda that seeks to divide this country into groups—whether the diversions be those of class, race, religion or color!

The development of "group" thinking is the forerunner of discord, making men look with suspicion upon their neighbors and unleashing forces of hatred that when fully grown would destroy the unity of purpose which is the backbone of our country.

For our unity is forged not as the unities of overcrowded Europe, of fear and hatred—but by a common purpose, a common ideal twards which we strive, however imperfectly we may at times express it. It is the unity of those who love America and its form of government and who would rather live here under democratic rule than any place else in the whole world. And how right they are—and how much better off.

We are too apt as a people to think first of what our government can do for us-rather than what we can do to help make our government better. Democracy is not a gift. It is the expression of free men and must be earned and paid for by each succeed ing generation. As Sergeant York, speaking at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, said: "Liberty and freedom and democracy are so very precious that you do not fight to win them once -and then stop. Liberty and freedom and democracy are prizes awarded only to those people who fight to win them and then keep fighting enternally to hold them."

This is a fight in which we must have team work, so let's all pull together—and we'll win.

WHEN LIBERTY MAKES US FREE (by Dr. Charles Stelzle)

"Brethern, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another. For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."

You can trust any man with all the liberty in the world if he'll base his actions on love toward his neighbor.

You may give him the key to your city and to your home—he'll honor the confidence you have placed in him, and he himself will become a better man because you trust him.

"Democracy" is the keyword that men are conjuring with. But to many of them it simply means "more and more"—for themselves. But true democracy actually means a restriction of liberty, for as democracy increases the greater the number of people there are whose interests must be considered and conserved.

But when the people themselves rule—and when everyone of us thinks that we're just as good as anyone else, if not a little better—then the question of personal liberty becomes very complicated.

How shall we meet the evils which must inevitably grow out of the democratic form of government?

Someone—I think it was Thomas Carlyle—once said that the cure for "democracy" is more democracy. It certainly isn't less democracy.

But to make democracy "safe", it's going to require something more than mere democracy—it means that we've got to introduce more of the element of love, and the apostle Paul put it into "one word" when he wrote the Galatians: "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."

The world's wisdom will never evolve a simpler and more easily workable plan than this.

ENCOURAGE THE GOOSE

Along with the Federal government's drive to sell United States Savings Bonds, it would be in order for the government to encourage the public to invest part of its savings in private enterprise. The prosperity of this country is based on the private enterprise system. Our government should be interested in promoting a system that is the life-blood of the nation and the source of all tax revenue that maintains government itself.

It should take good care of the

goose that lays the golden eggs.

While the government is demanding and receiving so much from industry during this national emergency, it should try to strengthen it in every possible manner.

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But strange as it may seem, there are many industries in this nation that are today being handcapped by lack of government cooperation, or by planned government policies which restrict or compete with them. Electricity, oil and coal are good examples—they are faced with the threat of socialization backed by the government itself.

Instead of such a destructive policy, government should help safeguard private enterprise which big and little investors own. Such investments make it possible for this nation to prosper and carry out its national defense program.

THE LOW DOWN FROM HICKORY GROVE

From the antics of Congress a person is liable to arrive at the conclusion that all of 'em down there are just there jumping through the hoop, etc., waiting for the day when they can be a Supreme Court Judge. Also, lots of 'em are there, some folks think, so as to get their son in law onto Uncle Sambo's payroll versus their own.

But they are not all that kind of a hairpin . There are some Democrats and a sprinkling of Republicans who still think maybe the Constitution is fairly good yet and that Congress has something to do except to nod yes sir, like as if you were a one dollar-a year man. This old fashioned group figures if a Dictator is undesirable and a pain in the neck in Germany or elsewhere, it would also not be so hot here.

The idea they been talking up down there amongst the Top Kicks is that a democracy is O. K. for fair weather but to overcome a dictator elsewhere we gotta have one too. Sounds kinda fishy to us folks down around Hickory.

Yours with the low down, JO SERRA

Evidences are multiplying that even Hitler has plenty war on his hands.

Dark Laughter BY OL HARRINGTON



The way I figgers it Bootsie, the members is gettin' a little older and more settled down. Why not a soul got throwed overboard on the whole excursion.