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Relief of Leningrad

Besieged Leningrad, virtually cut off from the rest of Russia and the world for more than 16 months, has finally been rescued from the ring of concrete and steel which the Germans have held around the city so long, and its deliverance marks one of the great military accomplishments of the war.

The population of Leningrad before the war was approximately three million, the largest city in the world ever to be so besieged. How many of its people have perished from battle casualties, starvation and disease during the siege cannot be known, but some estimate that one-half of them have died.

Some supplies reached the city by air and across Lake Ladoga at times, but these were meager in comparison with the city's needs, and the suffering of the inhabitants was indescribable, yet they refused to surrender.

The Germans frequently boasted that they could take the city by assault at any time they chose to do so, but they never did. The army and civilians alike fought the enemy with every means at their disposal, and killed many thousands of Germans in the long battle.

It is said that the Germans hurled 300,000 men against Leningrad in their attack when Hitler ordered the city taken by storm in August, 1941. The Russians held defenses outside the city proper for a considerable time and on several occasions pushed the Germans back temporarily.

Finally, the Russian communique announcing the recent victory said:

"During the many months of blockade of Leningrad the Germans converted their positions on the approaches to the city into a mighty fortified area with a network system of solidly constructed concrete and other erections, with large numbers of anti-tank and anti-infantry obstacles. After seven days of fighting, the troops of the Volkhov and Leningrad fronts united and so broke the blockade of Leningrad."

In this brilliant feat of arms the Russians claim to have routed four entire German divisions and three regiments of other divisions, killing 13,000 Nazis and capturing 1,260 prisoners and a vast amount of booty, including 222 cannon, 178 mortars, 512 machine guns, 5,020 rifles, 26 tanks, 17,300 grenades, 72 radio transmitting stations, 1,050 horses, 880 carts, 40 supply dumps, 36,000 mines, 22,000 shells and 2,200,000 cartridges."

The breakthrough was carried out by attacks from inside the city by forces under General Govorov, which finally formed a juncture with troops attacking from the outside under command of General Meretskov.

In the operation the Russian artillery, which they call their "god of war," demolished 470 enemy fortified centers and dug-outs, 25 strongly defended observation posts, and silenced 172 artillery and mortar batteries. To achieve their great victory the Red armies fought through more than eight miles of mine fields, barbed wire, and steel and concrete pillboxes in the bitter

cold of Russian mid-winter.

This may prove to be one of the most important strategic gains made by the Russians since their winter offensive began over two months ago.

Valiant Boy Scouts

Hardly anyone needs to be told of the fine record which has been made by Boy Scouts in important activities since the organization was established in the United States, but some mention of the part they are playing in war time seems appropriate as the 33rd birthday of the Boy Scouts of America on February 8 approaches.

The 33rd annual Boy Scout Week will be observed February 6 to 12, the slogan for this year's observance being "Toughen Up! Buckle Down! and Carry on to Victory." The Scouts have already illustrated that slogan magnificently.

Hundreds of thousands of former Scouts are now in the armed forces, and a recent report stated that 294 of them already have been decorated for bravery in action. At least one of them, Lieutenant Commander John D. Bulkeley of the Navy, has received the Congressional Medal of Honor, the highest military decoration of the United States. He was an active Scout for four years.

Sixty per cent of the cadets at West Point and Navy midshipmen at Annapolis, and 72 per cent of those at the Coast Guard Academy were former Scouts. Even more remarkable is the fact that 90 per cent of the G-men of the FBI received early training as Boy Scouts.

Present day Scouts also are performing exceptional service to the nation. They have collected more than 10 million pounds of scrap aluminum and 300 million pounds of waste paper. In a period of only two weeks they collected more than 30 million pounds of scrap rubber. These are only a few of the war-time activities in which they have engaged, the value of which can not be overestimated.

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Lincoln and Lee

February 12 marks the 133rd anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, a date which recalls anew the greatness of our first martyred President, whose memory is revered by North and South alike, as is that of the South's peerless leader, Robert E. Lee.

One can hardly think of one of these great Americans without being reminded of the other. Although fate decreed that they should be antagonists in a disastrous civil war, both were animated by a high sense of duty and honor, and each highly respected the other. As is well known, Lincoln offered Lee the post of commander-in-chief of the Union Armies at the outbreak of the war in 1861.

But Lee considered it to be his duty to resign from the United States Army, in which he held the rank of colonel, and cast his fortunes with his native Virginia and the South.

Neither Lincoln nor Lee wanted war, but they were swept into it by the irresistible current of events, for which neither was responsible. Lincoln's attitude throughout the war was summed up in a single phrase of his second inaugural address: "With malice toward none; with charity for all." With that expression Lee showed himself to be in entire agreement.

Lincoln's great aim was to preserve the Union intact. To him the issue of slavery was a secondary matter. He was opposed to slavery on principle, but his plan was to abolish it gradually by compensating the slave-owners as the slaves were set free. He proposed such a plan as early as 1849, when he was a member of congress, and renewed the proposal as President in 1862, after the war had been in progress about a year.

Now, after more than three-quarters of a century, there are few persons, even in the South, who would not concede that a united nation without slavery is best.

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Do You Know Illinois?

By Edward J. Hughes, Secretary of State

Q. When was the third Fort de Chartres built?

A. It was begun in 1753.

Q. When was Fort Ascension built?

A. 1757.

Q. Where was Fort Ascension?

A. On the Ohio River near present Metropolis.

Q. Who became the French commandant of Illinois in 1760?

A. Neyon de Villiers. He succeeded Commandant Makarty.

Q. When was the French and Indian War?

A. 1755-63.

Q. What was the result of the French and Indian War on Illinois?

A. It was ceded to the British by the Treaty of Paris.

Q. Were there any French commandants in Illinois after 1763?

A. St. Ange de Bellerive was commandant in 1764.

Q. Who was the first British commandant?

A. Captain Thomas Stirling. He arrived at Fort de Chartres in 1765.

Q. Who succeeded Stirling?

A. Major Robert Farmar.

Q. Who established the first civil court at Fort de Chartres?

A. Lt. Col. John Wilkins, British commandant in 1768.

Two Smith county farmers living near Alexandria, Tenn., were engaged in a lawsuit over the ownership of a white faced steer. The case was up before Judge R. W. Smartt for the second time and still there seemed to be no solution. Finally Judge Smartt made a suggestion that met with approval of both farmers—why not sell the animal and donate the proceeds to the Red Cross? It was agreed, the sale was made. The steer brought \$99.50. Some by-stander donated 50 cents to make the contribution \$100. All went away pleased.

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The Drifter By HELEN V. KERR McClure Syndicate - WNU Features.

'GEESE are all heading south. Time you went out, Pete, and saw the sights,' Joe Green advised with a supercilious grin. Pete thought of his friends, scattered up and down the river...

He drew the silver band from his pocket, and handing it to Pete, went on with his story. 'Out of curiosity I put an ad in all the coast papers, and a girl in San Francisco answered it, saying she'd given the ring to someone who'd proved unworthy...

'Not your usual sort, is she, Joe?' Pete commented in a slow drawl as he reached for his rifle from the wall and set to cleaning it. Joe leered at his host. 'They're all my sort, if I like 'em. Anyway, she can learn. I sent her my picture - told her I was working on my mine. Gee, I laughed at the things she wrote about that.'

Joe had known he was roiling Pete with his scornful recital of Harry's incompetence, but he had failed to observe how his host kept nervously fingering the hammer of his rifle, or to catch the bitterness in Pete's mild voice as he asked, 'Think she'll like your occupation?'

Interesting Notes Seventy-five passenger and freight trains are needed to move one U. S. armored division.

American soldiers in Africa have received newspapers from home as quickly as two days after publication.

Built in 1610, the Palace of the Governors, in Santa Fe, N. M., is the oldest public building in the United States.

Roy, Bob and Dick Housman, 18-year-old triplets of Kansas City, enlisted in the Army together and are now stationed at Fort Knox, Ky.

The Maritime Commission has announced that one of its Liberty ships will be named George Washington Carver in honor of the famed Negro scientist.

What's in a name? Peter Rabbit has gone to war. He is a private in Uncle Sam's armed forces and is now hopping around at Fort Sill, Okla.

While there is no nourishment in water, it is vital for at least five reasons: lubricating human joints, diluting blood and lymph to promote circulation, regulation of body temperature thru evaporation, and assisting in digestion and excretion.

A report came into police headquarters at Pocatello, Idaho, recently that the car of Gerald Elgas had been stolen. Officers soon located the machine and the occupants were ordered out. Twelve Indians, three of them women, unloaded. All 12 were escorted to the police station, all denied the theft.

THE FARMER'S WAR PROBLEM Referring to the concern expressed for the union worker who has to put in long hours, an Illinois farm wife, whose letter appeared in a recent issue of a metropolitan daily, made these observations:

'Has anyone ever worried over the hours a farmer works? . . . Never in my whole life have I known a farmer who worked less than 12 hours a day, at least six days a week, with at least five hours of chores and odd jobs on Sunday. And now, due to labor shortages, it is a poor man indeed who doesn't work 14 to 16 hours.'

'In our county a child drowned in the stock watering tank while the mother was helping with chores. In our state several children burned while the mother helped the father with morning milking. . . . Who ever heard of a union man taking his wife to work to help on his machine? If she works, it's for a good wage.'

'Rationing is also penalizing the farmer. As an example, we will get two pounds of coffee in our household to last five weeks. . . . Probably in the 35 days I will get at least 25 meals for extra men, neighbors, and men hired by the day to help in combining and corn picking. Where will I get the coffee for them?'

'Our car will get an 'A' card and no one is kicking, for we can cut our pleasure driving just as anyone else, but our truck is another thing. Our nearest town where any major replacement parts for our machinery must be bought is 20 miles away. . . . Our truck carries the gas, oil and water to the machines in the field. Can we get gas for that? . . . Use horses for the road work? Horses must be shod. . . . Most towns have no blacksmith nowadays and even if they have one he cannot get the shoes. . . . What is the answer to all this? Could it have been planned that way?'

Production In the free play of economic forces, the most efficient producer always profits most.

Rickenbacker Clubs are now being organized in industries throughout the nation. Hundreds of patriotic workers are banding themselves together with the purpose of proving to America's famed Ace of World war I, that production can be increased without calling the boys home to do it.

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