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# Did Not Know She Was Beaten - - -

Britain has been beaten more than once in this war defeat and humiliation of the en-key, it would have been long President Roosevelt and the but she did not know it and neither did her enemy. It is emy. Affairs in Libya during the months before Hitler could have message Mr. Willkie had brought. generally acknowledged now that, if Hitler had had his way and had invaded Great Britain about the time of the collapse of France, he would have been able to wipe out the British nation. That, of course, is only guess work for most people do not understand how those British people fight when they have their backs to the wall. If Germany at Sidi Baranni, the whole Italian position of Bulgaria in the last tools. We will finish the job." had been as strong as she was alleged to be, there would have been very little retreat from Dunkirk. She would have wiped out that three hundred thousand men instead and the men-British, Australian, of letting them get back home.

## The African Situation - - -

What is true of Dunkirk might possibly have been knocked and it had been opened doormats for Hitler. true in Egypt. The country was invaded by the Italian unto them. army and, if they had been willing to give an exhibition of courage by advancing on Suez, the history of the war men had been captured or destroy-the fight for the Central Meditermay possibly have been quite different. Italy had a strong ed, the Prime Minister said in ranean." army in Africa but they bogged down soon after cross- as England and Wales had been of the aircraft carrier Illustrious ing into Egypt and never moved until they were driven conquered. The Arabs had been by enemy dive bombers, the Prime out by the British. Today the British have had time to liberated from their Italian oppres- Minister revealed that the dive reinforce the Army of the Nile and have driven the Ital- sors. Egypt and the Suez Canal bombing attack had been met by ians out of eastern Libya.

## To Shorten The War - - -

The way Canadians can help shorten the war is by ter and their distinguished service destroy her, the Illustrious had using effort, not only in recruiting men for the air force but in keeping the British supplied with every possible ounce of food and clothing we can send and also by supplying our own government with money to make it possible to keep up a regular supply of foodstuffs and other sup-

We have heard several people say they will not buy Gray of the armored divisions had 'This war will be settled on the bonds because the government is not carrying on as they would like to see them. In a democracy we cannot hope to astounding movement. The suc-in this island," asserted Mr. agree as to methods but we can agree as to aims and the O'Connor and Cray, ably backed by that the United States had decided amount of help we give. If we pay our taxes and buy all wilson. Then there had been the to send all the aid Britain needed. the war bonds we possibly can, that is the best we can do. amazing feat of British tanks This aid was not required in the We can spend a little less and put the amount saved into which had beaten all records and way of United States armies "this war savings certificates or war savings stamps.

## Advance Advertising - - -

A newspaperman reminds us that the present spring- Force and the Navy which had like weather is probably just a little advance advertising chased the Italian-fleet into its of the real spring that will come, we hope, in April. Mid-harbors. February is much too early for spring and we must not Even this day there had been fool ourselves or be fooled by wishful thinking. Spring is not here and we must not expect it for two months yet. | ern Mediterranean fleet had en-The flowers that are blooming now will probably be frozen pretty soon.

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GIVE US TOOLS AND WE WILL FINISH JOB"-WINSTON CHURCHILL

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minded him of the men of Waterloo. Their spirit and glory was the same but, in the end, their that of Waterloo.

Mr. Churchill paid tribute to the civilian services which had helped in the greatest ordeal that any nation had ever been called upon to endure. He spoke especially of the police and quoted the words of a working woman who had written to him saying: "What gentlemen they are!"

Two-thirds of the winter had now Credit he gave to the medical and Mr. Churchill. the Health Ministry.

than in times of peace.

Mastery of Air

Turning to other phases of wartime conditions, Mr. Churchill good judgment of the President people to conquer and survive. pointed to the mastery of the air in Congress and the people of the It was not going to be easy for the daytime which had been estab- United States," said the Prime Hitler to invade Great Britain lished by the Royal Air Force. With Minister. increasing daylight, attacks might; be sharper but they would be short-

First, the repulse of the invasion had been accomplished. there had been the frustration of the bombing terror.

Turning his attention to Italy, Mr. Churchill recalled how in October the "crafty, cold-blooded and blackhearted" leader of Italy, Mussolini. after stabbing France in the we may be sure and that is that In order to win the war, Hitler Africa but had only got into trouble himself. The Italian forces had force in Africa was endangered.

to General Wavell, the other leaders New Zealand and Indian. reference to Scripture, Mr. Churchill said they had asked and it had been given them, they had sought and they had found, they had

scornful tones. A country as large Referring to the serious injuring

himself a fine tactician. Generals but Britain would be able to give O'Connor, Mackie of Australia and a good account of itself. credit to the factories at home and the workers within them. Nor could there have been such victories without the co-operation of the Airi

an example of this British mastery of the seas when the west-

tered and bombarded the great foresee "but what was needed was

Reparation Of Ethiopia victory would be far greater than on, the British were marching vent American supplies from reach steadily through Eritrea to isolate ing this country. all Italian troops in Abyssinia which had also been entered from "I have complete confidence," the west. The Ethiopians had risen said Mr. Churchill "in the Royal Channel near Milbank Sound has in arms, with their Emporor in Navy and in our air force," their midst, to fight for their free-their ability, one way or another

slowly but exceedingly small." "We can speak with sober con-genuity. gone, the Prime Minister continued, fidence of our power to discharge | Nor should the warning of an

upon "our fortress?" Of one thing attacks. 'era of violence."

What Of Bulgaria? been hurled back ignominiously by! With Rumania now under sub-jof Italy, he might reach far inte the great Greek army which had re- jection, Mr. Churchill said it must Europe and Asia but he would vived its ancient glory. While Mus- be supposed that Bulgaria was ac- still not avert his doom. The solini was still writhing and smart- quiescing to the movement of Ger- countries he had trodden beneath ing under the defeat by the Greeks man troops by the thousands his boot were coming to hate in Albania, General Wavell and through that country. Maybe the the German yoke. All these coun-General Wilson had moved with movement had already begun. Evi-tries, with the British Empire well equipped and concentrated dently Germany was establishing would yet bear sword against him forces in Africa to break irretriev- bases in Bulgaria. If all the Balably Italian power. Britons could kan peoples had stuck together. to that great man?" said Mr. not help but feel gratified at the aided by Great Britain and Tur- Churchill in closing, referring to past two months might be dwelt prepared an army for invasion. "My answer shall be: 'Put conupon with some satisfaction. The But, acceding one by one, they fidence in us. Under Providence secret had been well kept and the must meet the same fate as the preparation had been well made. It low countries. Were they so dense fail nor falter. We shall not had been a hazardous adventure that they could not see? The but, after the first decisive victory Prime Minister referred to the war and the action of the then The Prime Minister paid tribute King Ferdinand. For the third time in forty years Bulgaria was now being made to embark upon a war disastrous to itself.

Mr. Churchill referred to Mussolini as the Italian Quisling and Laval as the French Quisling—both trying to make their countries into

"I cannot tell you how matters (will go," said Mr. Churchill "but) An entire Italian army of 150,000 we will do our best as we did in

were now safe. In Bengazi had been the fleet air arm and the Royal Now it was time to speak of the dive bombers had been destroyed. leaders, went on the Prime Minis- In spite of continued efforts to to the King and Empire. General been able to make all necessary Wavell had proven himself to be a repairs and then steam to Alex-! "master of war, daring and tireless." andria at twenty-three knots per General Wilson inactual command hour. The danger in the Mediterof the Army of the Nile, had proven ranean was not to be dismissed

ably assisted in the execution of an ocean, in the air and. above all, stood up to all trials. They were a year, next year or any year I can

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Italian naval base of Genoa with immediate and steady supplies of a shattering attack. Possibly, the war materials and equipment. "We Prime Minister suggested, the will need in 1942 a great mass of

French might have been stirred shipping, far more than we can by these feats. build ourselves. This was well known to the enemy who could Two or three hundred miles to be expected to prey upon British the southward, Mr. Churchill went shipping and to endeavour to pre-

Complete Confidence dom and their throne. Thus had to meet every changing phase of against wrongdoing. True it was by the merchant marine and the "the mills of the Gods ground people they would outfight and manoeuvre, all the enemy's in-

and there had been no epidemic. our duty in the future," declared invasion as voiced by General Sh John Dill be disregarded, asserted sanitary services, the nurses and The Prime Minister then went the Prime Minister. Great Britain on to refer to the mighty wave of was far stronger than ever before In spite of all the new wartime goodwill and effective aid which simmeasurably stronger than she conditions, all the opportunity for had started to flow from America. had been in August. The Navy was looting, there had been less crime Mr. Hopkins, said Mr. Churchill, more powerful, the Air Force vastly this winter in Great Britain and had been his frequent companion stronger, the army was much more there were fewer people in prison for the last few weeks. Mr. Willkie numerous. mobile and better had also been here. "I am sure trained. He had full confidence they will both tell the truth of said Mr. Churchill, in the fighting what they have seen. The rest we forces and the greatest faith of can leave with confidence to the all in the determination of the

> without command of the air and There might be sound basis for the seas, to say nothing of what confidence and comfort for the his forces would have to face when future, but it was also necessary they got here. Nowever, Mr to face the more dangerous aspects Churchill warned against false Second, of the serious future. What had security and negligence to be pre-Hitler been preparing? What new pared. A German invasion now l deviltry might he be up to? What would be supported by much more new small country was he about thorough preparation and equipto tread down? What would be ment. Britons must be prepared the nature of his next assault to meet gas, parachute and glider

back, had sought a new Empire in the war is about to enter a new must destroy Great Britain. He might create havoc in the Balkans, tear provinces out of Russia, he might march to the gates

"And what answer shall I give all will be well. We shall not weaken or tire even under the greatest of trials. Give us the

The Prime Minister spoke more than half an hour. He seemed to have a cold and coughed several times. His tones were as usual firm, measured and decisive.

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# From The Waterfront

Salvaging of a good deal of heavy machinery and deck cargo including trucks from the United Statts Army transport steamer Kvichak, which wrecked a couple of weeks ago on Sisters Island in Finlayson been carried out. Later some further cargo may be removed from the wreck. There is still some quesbegun the protest for reparation the "mortal struggle." Sustained tion, however, as to the possibility est Sheppard, arrived in port of salvaging the hull which has 9:15 last night from the south and been pretty well battered although sailed a couple of hours later for it is still believed to be largely in- Stewart and other northern points tact despite the fact that the up- whence she will return here tomor.

> perworks has been carried away. On a regular voyage to Alaska, C.P.R. steamer Princess Norah, Quebec Catholic Capt. William Palmer, arrived in Quebec Catholic port at 9 o'clock yesterday morning from Vancouver and sailed at 10:30 Churches Beseech a.m. for Skagway and other northern points whence she will return God For Victory here Thursday afternoon southbound. The Princess Norah, which has been operating on a two weeks' schedule during the deep winter MONTREAL, Feb. 10: -In two months, is now going on a ten-day thousand Roman Catholic churches schedule for the spring. The vessel of Quebec yesterday special "Vic. brought 50 passengers here, eleven tory Mass" was celebrated. Car.

Union steamer Catala, Capt. Ern- nations.



row morning southbound.

disembarking at this port and three dinal Villeneuve, in Notre Dame going north from here. Church here, called for a victory at arms to restore peace to the

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