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Times Square on election night ! Nation-wide enthusiasm sprang from American pride that in returning Roosevelt the U.S. had dealt the most telling blow against tyranny, delivered by any neutral since the war began.

Back to Washington for four more years and for a third term the President came as the keen-brained champion of democracy, who has cleverly manoeuvred the whole United States round to pro-British sympathies.

Willkie supporters accept the verdict. All America lines up behind the twin policies, help for Britain and maximum defence. Witness the new motor-torpedo boats, anti-aircraft guns, torpedoes, are raced along at 70 miles an hour - the mosquito fleet of the projected two ocean Navy.

Guns and howitzers, silent since the last war, are brought out of store and conditioned for action, should the need arise.

Aboard the old training ship 'Illinois' 300 midshipmen graduated into the Navy, first batch of the 5,000 who, only last summer, began their training on the battleship 'Wyoming.'

College students less than a year ago, they have voted for Naval careers. Thousands more will soon leave civilian life, to officer the two-ocean Navy.

Latest bombers for Britain. Half the mounting output of America bears R.A.F. insignia when the planes leave the factories. The unsurpassed giant bombers of the United States mean that Britain will soon have more, as well as better, aircraft than Germany. The great planes have the new tricycle undercarriage for safer landing.

Up on their trial flights the new planes pass over the large encampments in which the new Army of America has begun training - a million men under arms by next June.

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With obvious disapproval Japan views the United States awakening. Latest Paramount pictures show Japan as the embattled champion of the Totalitarian idea in the Far East - partner with Germany and Italy in the Three-Power Pact. Emperor Hirohito, partly to reassure himself and his oppressively taxed people, partly to frighten the democracies, paraded his war-machine on almost Nazi scale.

Absent from parade, on active war service, were bombing squadrons detailed to bomb the newly re-opened Burma Road - only remaining route by which the Democracies can supply stricken China.

Conscious of her own vast power on land air and sea Japan now says that, if America declares war she herself will fight with the Axis.

To the Monaco meeting of Hitler and Mussolini Paramount now switches its comprehensive war survey. Early last summer the world was taught that Axis meetings are no tea-parties. One such foreshadowed the overthrow of France. Hitler and his now retreating partner planned here perhaps the attack on Greece, perhaps one on Egypt - this last destined by British Naval supremacy, and General Wavell's new offensive, to be still-born.

When these pictures were taken there was no thought of Axis defeat. The Dictators' only concern was their oil supply.

For to the army in Libya oil and all else must come overseas. Reaching England by devious routes traversing half the globe these pictures are the last ever taken of Marshal Balbo. In Italy they were shown to prove that the Marshal made frequent flights, the Government hoping to bolster up the story of his death in a crash. Balbo had two factors against him, he was popular and he disliked Germany. Naturally he was accidentally killed. Unlike Badoglio and other able Italian war leaders he did not even ask to be relieved of his command.

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These scenes of bombing do not seem genuine. Everything indicates that they were made over peace-time practice grounds. Otherwise the cameraman would have shot the bursting bombs, not an indefinable picture of smoke,

A crashed plane and a few British prisoners are cold comfort in Libya. Graziani's armies are isolated from Italy growing acutely aware of Napoleon's dictum that an army unable to reinforce itself must perish.

First pictures of the war against Greece! These also come from Italian sources and have served their term as propaganda in Rome movies. Expecting an easy march to Athens and Salonika the Duce's army had the shock of its life. Historians may well say that the Greek resistance was the turning point of the war.

Dispirited by the rough mountain country the Italians soon proved totally unable to emulate the military genius of Germany. It was so different from the parade ground struttings in which they'd been trained. Italy's sorry collapse infuses the Balkans with new hope.

Athens was wild with joy when news came that Argyrocastro was captured and that the Greeks had gained a footing on the Adriatic shore. Youths called to military service swarmed the trams bound for the recruiting office.

General Metaxas, indomitable leader of the country, is now its idol.

King George, cousin of the Duchess of Kent, was acclaimed.

So much do the Greeks appreciate our help that all the British in Athens are popular heroes; and in the eyes of all the world the Greeks are heroes themselves.

The first pictures of unoccupied France show that even there the spirit of liberty begins to raise its head. The new recruits are being put, not to military service, but to reconstruction, farming the lands neglected in the prolonged nightmare of last summer.

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Marshal Petain believes that he has served the younger generation well, that Hitler will respect him personally as a soldier, and that it will all come right in the end.

In Paris railway-stations Paramount cameramen exclusively filmed the ebb tide of refugees. The millions who fled from the German advance trickled steadily back - permitted by the conquerors to return to their native villages.

At Moulin, on the border between occupied and un-occupied France, German soldiers scrutinised the refugees' papers - surely a formality, for in effect Hitler is master of the whole of France.

But Hitler is not master of all French men. Awakening from the stupefaction of defeat the French are turning from the Vichy government and looking for inspiration to General de Gaulle.

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Interviewed by Paramount in London the General stated his war aims.

In a British naval port ships of the Free French Navy rode at anchor for the General's inspection. He is the acknowledged leader and commander-in-chief of all the Free French. Under him serves the Naval Chief, Admiral Muselier, here seen following de Gaulle.

Torpedoes have names of German battleships printed on them, the targets the French sailors hope to hit.

The General inspected submarines of the Surcouf class, largest in the world.

In the black hours of last June Winston Churchill said we would fight to the end, if necessary alone. We are not alone now. Millions of neutrals would join us if they could; millions in enemy countries pray for our victory; with supplies America backs us to the hilt. The Free French are with us; the shackled French are with us in the spirit.

And in our own strong right arm we put complete faith. The young men of the R.A.F. are on the march to triumph. Already supreme man-for-man, when they can fly the same number of machines as Germany they will be unchallengeable, as the Royal Navy on the seas. They are in the van of the fight that begins to promise victory for the just cause.

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OFF-STAGE VOICE---PARLMOUNT NEWS
ELECTION EXTRA!

ROOSEVELT RE-ELECTED!

1. TITLE.
2. America's first third term president! In a tense election, the American electorate pledges faith in F.D.R. and vice-president-elect Henry A. Wallace.
5. (Open 2 feet for super: 50,000,000 Voters!)
50 million voters! From coast to coast they listened to the candidates. With America, the world, in crisis; this free-voting nation weighed the issues, weighed the men.
9. The women's vote had added meaning, with 800,000 boys scheduled for military service.
12. The rural vote turns out in unprecedented numbers.
13. And in New York City, this rabbi is the total voting population of an entire election district.
16. What's this? Miami Beach, Florida--and an official voting place. How does one remember the candidates' names?
19. Yes, across the nation, you--and you--and you voted in guaranteed secrecy.
23. (Open for super: Ballot Headliners!)
Wendell L. Willkie votes. Unknown politically a year ago, he rolls up the greatest popular vote ever given a defeated candidate.
25. Mayor LaGuardia, finds the election really democratic--he stands in line!
27. At Hyde Park, the Roosevelt family votes. The president expresses early confidence in the election outcome.
32. (Open for super: The People Choose)
In 48 excited states, the votes pour in. The record 50 million ballots challenge the high speed tally system, but within two hours after the last polls close, the result is known. In Boston, in every city in the land, the people follow their votes. Coast to coast radio chains flash the news to 130 million Americans, and this year Europe watches our election---and listens in. Electric lights flash the word to New York's Times Square,--- crowds more serious, more intent than in former years, but still election noise-conscious!

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56. (Open for super: From Headquarters)

Through the evening early returns excite the Willkie headquarters....

68. (Open 2 feet for super: Post Mortem-American Style).

The morning after---and Americans put aside campaign differences with typical good humor and sportsmanship. Friends can be friends again---and the 50 million voters quickly rally to a new national unity.....

69. (Open 2 feet for super: President---U. S. A.)

The people's choice: President Roosevelt acknowledges the cheers of townspeople, as state after state gives him its vote. This nation, with heavy tasks ahead, looks to its President elect-----Franklin D. Roosevelt!

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OFF-STAGE VOICE---UNCLE SAM PRODUCES!

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3. Torpedo patrol boats!
4. New mosquito boats for America's two-ocean navy. These 80-foot speedsters carry torpedoes, anti-aircraft batteries, and depth-charges. Each costs about the same as a medium bomber. They cruise at 50 miles an hour and are said to hit 70---
10. Graduation on the training ship Illinois. 264 new ensigns hear Ass't Navy Secretary Compton in the first midshipmen's graduation ever held outside of Annapolis. Last summer today's new officers were college-trained civilians, boarding the battleship Wyoming for 25-days at sea. Then came three months of classroom work under naval officers. And now, commissions as the first of 5,000 volunteer officers to complete training. It's fleet choy, for active duty.
23. Land and sea craft. In the swampy Louisiana Bayous, marsh buggies demonstrate how to pull big guns through sloppy going. Bouyancy-tires, ten feet by 33 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches, do the trick at ten miles an hour in water, 25 miles an hour in marshes. Something new ah Army mules.
30. Big gun reserves. The army rushes reconditioning of forty million dollars worth of field pieces and big howitzers---all in storage since 1919. They're ready for duty in the training camps, and ordnance experts say, as good as Europe's newest.
38. Mufti men--the new civilian home guards. Tacoma drills a land unit of volunteers for emergency duty. This is one of the first in a nation-wide plan.
42. A cavalry unit learns to patrol power lines. The home guards furnish their own horses and equipment and have no connection with the national guard.
46. The civilian navy unit---yacht club members who drill in harbor patrol. Each home guardsman learns first aid, air raid precautions and how to police in emergencies. Volunteer citizens, making their loyalty practical.

(JAPAN LIFTS VEIL ON FLEET)

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Japan's Emperor Hirohito boards the re-armed battleship Hiei to inspect his growing fleet. These are the first pictures of Japan's fleet to be passed by Japanese censors in years--and are released at a time of crisis in the Pacific. On this six thousand six hundredth anniversary of the founding of Japan's empire, she is building more than a hundred new warships--and the United States rushes its own two ocean navy to keep ahead of any development in the Orient.

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1. FIRST GREEK PICTURES,.....Park

2. These are Italian-made pictures, sent out by Rome as the first scenes in Italy's conquest in Greece. But the Greek Army has changed the title. The pictures now are the first films of the blitzkrieg that failed to blitz.

7. Up in the Greek mountains--the Italians censor wouldn't say where--Italian guns blaze away. But now, hundreds of such batteries are pointed the other way, merrily chasing the Italians with their own shells.

15. The going has been tough for the Italians. The pictures make it clear why they had to abandon their equipment in their rapid retreat. Rome has not announced any release date for the next newsreel of their operations in the Greek campaign. However, Athens has promised interesting pictures.

1. GIRL GRID STAR

2. Scoop! Here's 18 year old Laverne Wise, a coed high school football star. And on a boy's team! Laverne is a full fledged member of the Atmore Alabama High School team and is the discovery of coach Andy Ellington. Today's game is with Bay Minette high school, but the girl star doesn't enter the game until there's a touchdown.

8. Laverne is a coed with a kick - point after touchdown or field goals. Attendance has jumped so since Laverne gave football glamor that she's literally kicked the mortgage off the stadium.