

THE WAR.

Each change of many coloured life he drew ;
Exhausted worlds, and then imagined new ;
Existence saw him spurn her bounded reign,
And panting Time toiled after him in vain.

Johnson.

When it became known that our great Prime Minister was ill the mass of people missed a heart beat, and awaited the medical bulletins with the utmost anxiety.

Pneumonia ! Anxiety deepened, and then it was noted that, in addition to the very eminent physicians in attendance, the bulletins were signed by a progressive bacteriologist, a pioneer in the use of "Sulpha" drugs, and that gradually the patient was recovering (no doubt with the aid of skilled nursing). We all realised that the

and, if you can persuade them to talk, can tell of deeds of heroism and acts of sacrifice and brotherhood which have helped to build up the almost legendary tales of Britain's Eighth Army.

These men are out of the fight now, but when they have been fitted with the very best of artificial limbs they hope to resume the fight in Britain's war industry. All our gratitude is theirs.

Keystone photo shows Corporal S. Raistrick, of the Tank Corps, who was a miner in Bentley, Yorks, and who won the D.C.M. at El Alamein, being assisted on crutches by nurses of a North Western Hospital.

American Nurses Fly Back with North African Wounded.

Casualties in North Africa are being brought back from the front lines in troop carrier airplanes, attended by American flying nurses, says Reuter.

Twenty-five of these nurses, mostly attractive girls who in peacetime were hostesses on the big American airlines, are helping to transport direct to distant base hospitals both stretcher and walking cases in two to three hours, instead of 24 hours or more.

This system has been in effect for some weeks, and has been working smoothly and efficiently.

Airplanes of Troop Carrier Command, which transport men and supplies to the front, bring back the wounded, each carrying 20 or more. So far not a single patient has been lost, although the airplanes are often forced to land on inadequate and poorly-equipped fields.

The pilots are mainly experienced airline transport men, who boast that they can "land an airplane on a postage stamp."

The nurses come from all parts of the U.S.A. They have completed six weeks' special training at Baldwin Field, Kentucky.

Hot food, transfusions, shock treatment, and emergency attention given while in flight have doubtless saved many lives.

Some nurses will be retained in the front lines, forming an emergency pool always ready for hospital flights.

You have become a leading nation. . . . In the great battle which is fought throughout the world between right and wrong, justice and arbitrary rule, equality and privilege, duty and egotism, republic and monarchy, truth and lies, God and idols, your part is marked. You must accept it.—MAZZINI (open letter addressed to the American Nation).



Photo.

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CORPORAL S. RAISTRICK, D.C.M., AND HIS NURSES.

one man in the world whose psychological force was designed to inspire victory and smash insatiable tyranny was destined to complete his work for the emancipation of humanity, and that what we minnows have to do is to work each in his circumscribed sphere to help lighten the burden of ordained and unchangeable purpose.

Eighth Army Wounded Home from Libya.

The first contingent of Eighth Army men who were wounded at El Alamein and other places in the Libyan Desert are home from the battlefield. Many men have served Overseas for more than three years, and a large number have lost their limbs, and others have to shake off the malaria that gripped them in deserts and jungles,

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