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Take a Look at Dick and Dem

By Gene Tunney

Y EXPERIENCE in the prize ring played such an important part in my life that, when I'm thinking about a contest, I naturally regard it from a squared-circle point of view, and in boxing terms.

That holds true with the present conflict which has split so large a part of the world into two armed camps. Let's take a look at

the contestants. In one corner we have Dick Tatorship; in the other, Dem Ocracy. Both are big, strong fellows. Dick's the burlier of the two, with a bullying attitude and devastating power in his right hand. Dem is made of finer fiber, a more athletic type. I size him up as a clever boxer who knows how to step around. Apparently these two are about evenly matched in

physical prowess.

But the physical side isn't everything in boxing. How do these fight-

ers react mentally? Will their morale "take it"? What's their background and heritage? There's where I find a big difference between the two. Dick has fought his way up by brute force, and has become brutalized in the process. It's the only way he knows. Deep-seated fear lest a power more brutal than himself rise up to lay him low, drives

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him mercilessly to kill, rend, destroy all opposition, both real and imagined.

I've met that type in the prize ring. They're bad medicine if they can land their terrific punch on your jaw, but at heart they're afraid.

Dem, on the contrary, represents the highest grade of civilization that the world has known. He respects the rights and opinions of others

and wants others to respect him. A sportsman with a keen sense of honor, he possesses ideals that are dearer to him than life itself. I'll take Dem every time, in the ring or out, and I'm confident that you will, too. I choose him to win because I admire his character and because I know that he is driven, not by fear, but by courage,—the kind of courage that will never fail no matter how hard the battering he may

have to take.

Now you and I can do more than sit at the ringside and cheer Dem on. We can help our champion by living the kind of lives he advocates, by making ourselves physically strong, by watching for opportunities to become better, more valuable citizens. Dem needs our best. Let's give it to



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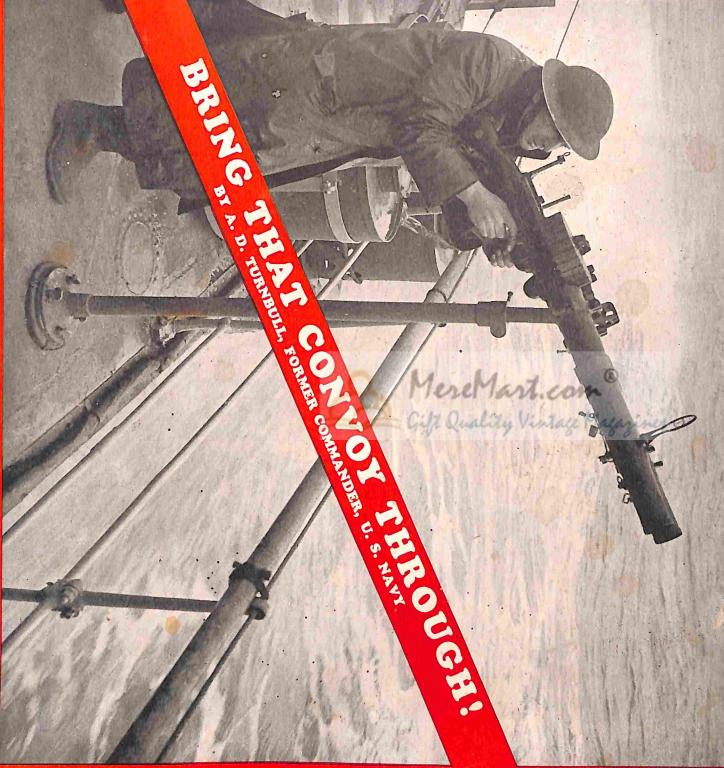
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