

MME. UNDSET HERE, WARNS ON HITLER

**Norwegian Novelist Says He
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FINDS US ON 'RIGHT TRACK'

**But Refuses to Predict That
Democracies Ultimately Will
Whip Totalitarian Foe**

Persistently refusing to be optimistic about the ultimate victory of the democratic forces in the world, Mme. Sigrid Undset, Norwegian novelist, who arrived in this country by way of Russia last week, warned the United States that Hitler would not cease warfare if he should conquer Britain. The very nature of Nazism, she asserted in an interview yesterday, insists that he continue.

"He will turn against either Russia or the United States," said Mme Undset, quoting the adage, "Who rides a tiger cannot jump off."

The Nobel Prize-winning writer, who reached New York from San Francisco yesterday morning and plans to start a lecture tour soon, indicated that isolationism and a complacent belief in neutrality were largely responsible for the fall of Norway and the other Scandinavian States. While discounting the role of Norwegian traitors in the conquest of the nation, she did blame the "hordes of German tourists."

In answer to a question on the lessons the United States might learn from Norway, Mme. Undset repeated her criticism of neutrality. "Our belief in neutrality should have been corrected," she said, "and we were too slow in arming ourselves."

She said she felt the United States was "on the right track" now.

Explaining her comments on the German tourists in Norway, Mme. Undset said she felt that "every German was a spy." She asserted that the same tactics were being used elsewhere, that Nazi agents all over the world were disguised as tourists. Reports of Norwegian treason, she said, were "greatly exaggerated."

Mme. Undset, who remained behind the Norwegian fighting lines as a government censor during the invasion, said that reports that her home had been bombed were untrue. She is at present wearing mourning for her eldest son, Anders, who was killed in battle. Hans Undset, 21 years old, accompanied his mother on her trip here.