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### Santa Claus Peace

Rest Citta Will Go In Well-Heeled Stockings

Well-Heeled Stockings.

In almost every big business organisation or association there is, in the saids of war, a quiet, detached office develong itself to planning the chape of things to come with peace. Their screecing, in the piecemeal glumpses afforded the public, 4s so startlingly pleasing that already the reward of a free peace—which, in itself, ought to be enough—is merging in our minds with a regular Santa Claus peace.

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swogen—is merging in our minds with a regular Senta Claus peace.
Servrone is promising. If it isn't a saget it is a principle. If it isn't a glowing new machine it is some new ruffle on social security. The mails are still of these tinseled new presents on our Christmas tree. The newspapers and magasines are full of them. Speakers go through the country showing them in assoving pictures. This Bright New World, when it happens, is going to be a humdinger. Personally we can hardly waituil we move into our snappy new plastic house, where you don't have to only work at all except press buttons.

P. S.—Of course you realize that you

P. S.—Of course you realize that you haven't had anything yet without paying the price. Some sort of price. You'll not then, either, A big batch of War Bonds will look good in those days.

### See Your M. C.

Here's Where You Run Your Country

Run Your Country

Your Congressman is at home, and he needs you more than he realizes. A virus spreads through the Washington air in these long sessing of national crists and Congresses. The constitution of the control of the contr

The skeptics at the next meeting will bring in a dozen characters named Alex, picked at random, to see what proportion is too smart.

### People, As Ever

Post-War Plans Look Pretty, Now

Look Pretty, Now

Cur own feeling about this post-war business is one of almost pop-eyed adsuration for all these profound persons who are going to fix it up so nicely. They are doing it with brackets and units and patterns and graphs, it is the only way it can be done, obviously, for all of them are doing it that way—business and labor and government and the independent experts—and nothing said here is a detraction, goodness knows.

This may be interested to the description of the result of the results of the description of the results of the results of the results of the description of the results of the results

adamant sort of way he finally will get around to making up his mind, and the mut of his collective thought will be collective thought will be collective thought will be consumed than his individual randitures. In those days, if the pattern-making his consideration—and, perhaps, if they do—there will be a crashing of brackets you can hear from here to where Hitler will have gone to.

#### Wider Cities

Boundaries To Spread, Taxes Will Follow

This newspaper for a long time has advocated the consolidation of local governments to the end that duplication of cifort and expense might be climitated. It begins to seem now that after-the-war developments indeed, may force the expansion of communities and their governmental controls.

expansion of communities and their governmental controls.

The community to come—and this is straight from the meil of planning now in progress—will be less centralized. The houses will be on more land. Distance from the center will not be nearly so much of an element as in the past. What with new type transportation, better roads, better cars, better gas, and don't forget the family aleplane, conditions to live more and number of the community, using its services, and the fact that they hapen to live beding the family sing its services, and the fact that they hapen to live beding number of the community expense. It will follow, as a purple in the property of the control o

### Now For Hitler

Musso's Liquidation Only Repeats History

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Ancient Rome, while still republican, often provided for temporary dictatorships to meet temporary crises. When the crisis ended, the dictator always had to resign, and republicans everywhere have drawn inspiration from the story of Cincinnatus returning to his plow after he had defeated the Acquians. Between 500 and 200 B. C., Rome had almost 100 of these temporary dictatorships. Most of them lasted only a few days; none more than alx months.
But since that haleyon period, History records no example of a really outstanding political dictator who gave up his power without compulsion.
Take 15 of the most notable dictators:

his power without computation.
Take 15 of the meas notable dictators:
From ancient days—Alexander the
Great, Julius Geara, Augustus Geaari,
well, Augustus Geara, Geara, Geara,
Well, Napuelo, Marchael,
Well, Napuelo, Marchael,
Well, Napuelo, Marchael,
War-Lenin, Adaturk (Musta Kemai), Primo de Rivera, Pilaudski, Machado; from the ranks of the
Wing—Muscolini, Stalin, Hitler, Not one

tafa Kemali, Primo de Rivera, Pilaudaki, Machado; from the ranks of thiving—Mussolini, Stalin, Hiller. Not one of the fifteen showed any inclination to depart voluntarity.

Of the 12 among these 15 dictators in the past, exactly one-half managed to hold on and die natural deaths in office:—Alexander. Augustia, Cromvalli, Leinin (a would-be assassin's builten histened the end.), Plaudaki, deaths in exile:—Napote of these, only the Napoleons over the end of the state of the 12, Cacsar, was the dictator assassinated at home.

Nor do these 15 dictators, dead and living, follow any definite pattern in the eliength of time they managed to hold on. Six of the fifteen reigned, if the word may be used, for less than ten years. Four were in power for about 15 years—Alexander, Napoleons I and III, and Ataturk. But Diaz ruled in Mexico 735 years before he was driven out, and Augustus was dictator for over 40 years before he was driven out, and Augustus was dictator for over 40 years before he was driven out, and Augustus was dictator for over 40 years before he was driven out, and Augustus was dictator for over 40 years before he died.

Stalin has been on top for 19 1-2 years, Hiller for 10 1-2 years, and Musolini caved in only after 20 3-4 years. The average length of these 15 dictatorships was slightly over 16 years. Hiller announced at the outbreak of this war that, "If anything happens and Goeral Intellection of the modern-day dictators we have been considering, only one picked of Poland, who seems to have chosen four apples are any indication (and often they would apple are any indication (and often they would a poly woll would apple and to the substanting.

amples are any indication (and often they aren't). Hitler will not resign voluntarily.

Exit The Csar

# The Merry-Go-Round

By Drew Peerson

WASHINGTON WABHINGTON

Wabling and interest in legislation broadening the
power of the War Food Administration that minute
Judge Martin Jones, their ex-colleague, was mamed
to the job.

Tarm blocars in both Houses were clamoring action on legislation giving the food administrative supervisory authority over prices as well as the oduction and distribution of farm commodities was while Chester Davis, secretly in legislation is was while Chester Davis, secretly in legislation and legislation and the secret of the property of the prop

conary levels, still held the job.

Representative Hampton F. Fulmer of South
Carolina, chalitans of the Agriculture Committoe, had the stee all set of the control of the stee all set of the stee and committee of the stee and committee of the stee and demand a "rule" to bring his measure to the House Sport of the Stee and demand a "rule" to bring his measure to the House Sport of the Stee and Stee and a "rule" to bring his measure to the House Sport of the Stee and Stee and

tee and demand a "stud" to bring his measure to the House floor.

Events at the other end of Pennsylvania Avenue, however, caused Pulmer to drop his bill like a hot potato. The President abruptly fired Davis and replaced him with Jones.

House was Pulmers prodecessor as chairman of the contract of the product of the product of the contract of the product of the president's and the property of the president's anti-infration policies, to have the powers which had been tailor-made for Jones President's anti-infration policies, to have the powers which had been tailor-made for Lago durer may have been a personal motive in Pulmer's case. Friends asy he never has quite forgiven Jones for holding on to the Agriculture Committee challmanship for its months after his appointment to the Court of Claims in 194.

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War Liberty League

Officials here are crediting Alfred P. Slean, chairman of General Motora, with reviving the old Liberty League under anneher name. Its has Just sent a round-robin letter to a large number of benfires measurements of the control of the contro

A. W. Barne, Prendent of the California Packing continue and James S. Adams, president of Stanford Brands. They operate under the new name of "National Industrial Information Committee." After attacking "the truly depicable performance of Government bursaueracy" and performance of Government bursaueracy" and performance of Government bursaueracy and the performance of Government bursaueracy and performance of Government bursaueracy and performance of Government bursaueracy depicts and the performance of the performance of the performance of industry.

ndustry.

"We must not be too general," Blean castions. "We must not be too specific. But we must get acress as effectively as can our story...! I do hope you lose fit to send me a subscription representing your company's proportionate hare of our 1943 goal of \$1,309,000."

Ambassadorial Suppression

Merry-Go-Round

Merry-Go-Round

Out in Leo Crowley's home town, his neighbor Bill Eylue, editor of the Madison, Wis. Capitel Times is saying: "Leo Crowley has led a charmed life in politice, and the control of the con

Four Little Blackbirds Sittin' on a Fence

\_By Dorman Swith



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# Glostly Palermo

By Raymond Clapper

PALERMO

N A couple of hours of wandering around the ghostlike ruins of Palermo's harbor one gathers riber convincing evidence of the irresistible force airpower when thrown in with determination and lume.

volume.

Tor throughout the entire semicircle of the harbor throughout the entire semicircle of the harbor throughout charge are sentered everywhere. Several ships
were blown out of the water and left lying on the
docks. In two places, at least, fairly large ships are
lying thus in pairs, flat on their sides up on the
plers, as if some glant hand had scooped them up
out of the water and dropped them there to dry, like
dead flish.

and the water into thospect that, most and shashafter, not are of sphich is now habitable, and are of sphich is now habitable, and the same of sphich is now habitable, of the same of these or four blocks back, will need to completely rebuilt, because although the walls are still standing they have been wrenched and cracked beyond repair. The City Hall, an impressive structure where a licutemat colonel of the AMGOT has taken over an administration of children and the same of the sam

construction before it is sound again.

One important point shout this is that all the damage was done in the face of the most effective multi-afrant defenne in Sielly. The Germans had excellent fink defense. We lost planes, but they put the place out of business.

Three of us wandered over the empty docks. Not a soul was there except a couple of American military guards at the gates, and two old men after the place of the place the place of the place to place the place the place to place the place the place to place the pla

lence.

The Italians had left the place apparently less than 24 hours before we got there. We found the sleeping rolls of Italian guards at one point on give

docks, as if they had been left in a hurry during the night. Several army blouses were piled carelessly beside the fillity mattresses, as though the colders had fled without taking time to dress. There was no accumulation of dust on them, so obviously they had been left there only a few hours before.

had been left there only a few hours before.

Several canteens and bottles were lying around, a dozen or so hand grenades, and a few clips of builties, but most pathetle of all was a small machine run protected by a little stack of wood piled up out of eight-by-eight limber scraps. The run was pointed out to sea at I like the companies of the c

aithough that little peashooter would have stopped nothing larger than a rowboat.

We walked through empty shippards with partly built ships on two of the ways. I say empty yards, but the yards were empty only of workmen. There were tools, stacked of plates and plate of steel shapes in place as if for the research and plate of steel shapes in place as if for the research and plate of steel shapes in the yard. The whole place appeared as if the workmen had suddenly dropped their tools and left. But there was heavy rust over everything, so it the workmen had suddenly dropped their tools and left. But there was heavy rust over everything, so it the workmen had suddenly dropped their tools and left. But there was heavy rust over everything, so the workmen had suddenly dropped from the work of the hardow workers' union, and the other a night was the work of the hardow workers' union, and the other a night was the work of the hardow workers' union, and the other a night was the place of the hardow workers' union, and the other a night was the place of the hardow hours of the hardow had been too the chief of the hardow proped working last March because the men-refused to stay under the bombing. The hardow had been a heard to worker, and the worker, they said.

has been inten used as since the minute of search, they No wonder. At least 150,500 people have fled from Palermo, which has a normal population of 60,000. No wonder the Italians selconed the American Company of the Palermon of the Palerm



Side Glassess

"Boss, what'll we use to replace the plastic we substituted for the zinc we put in when we couldn't get any aluminum?"

### Everyday Counselor

## Temperance

By Rev. Herbert Spaugh

Dy Nev. Merbert Spaught

C FORGE W. FITNER, dean of Southern Ratlway engineers, digd

C recently in Columbia, S. C. at the age of 37. During his lifetime he
traveled at the throttle of a locomotive 3,200,000 miles, the equivalent
of 128 trips around the world. When he entered the employ of the
Southern as an errand boy at the age of digities, the employ of the
table has been a second of the contract of the employ of the
has been an errand boy at the age of digities, he would have
he did it traveling one mile at a time.

ed it it traveling one mile at a time.

What an illustration of faithful, regular, persistent effort. The fact that he lived to such an advanced age is indication that his came, the such an advanced age is indication that his came. What a blessing it is when a man can learn that. Almighty God starts us out in life on that program—ene metal at a time, and day at a time, one night at a time. An animal will cat and drink until he has enought then he sieps. A baby will de the same. But as he grows up he learns bad habits from assectating with his olders.

with his elders.

One of the chief reasons for the early death of men and women is intemperance—in eating, drinking, work, play. The best exercise yet devised for men and women who are novewight is placing the hands better the property of the stable and pushing away when escond better than the property of the stable and pushing away when escond life was reintemperate with food, we are even more so with drink. There is much truth in the old Chinese proverb. The man takes a drink. Than the drink takes a drink Thanly the drink takes the man."

irink. Then the drink takes a drink. Finally the drink takes the man. We are inclined to be equally intemperate with work and with play. Many a man is cut off at the helph of his career with a heart attack. He compressed all of his "miteage" into a relatively brief span of life. He could have spread it out and been more useful. Another man resis in a paper's grave because he mover a support of the property of t

didn't do it at one sitting.

Little things done regularly, moderately, lead to real achievement.
When are you going to start your savings account? When are
you going to start reading your Bible?

### Dee Weipping Bog

# Ideal Collapse

By Samuel Grafton

THE collapse of a one-party Rate is a fearful and wonderful sight. There is an little confusion about it, really. The people know have the confusion should be recommended to the party in charge. Under the circumstances, it is almost impossible for revolutionaries to make a mistake.

And it is quite impossible for demagogues or special pleaders to divert such an uptisling, against, any, fews, or international bankers, or released bicycle riders, or Preemasons, or whatever, the first demagogy has less chance in Italy teday than anywhere else. For this is a revolt against demagogy itself, the public of the commencery. This are should not demagogy the first him the public of the commencery. The first diversity popular discontent into blind allows. The nasty men of this world are silent in Italy, and fresh out of

the masty men of this world are allent in Italy, and fresh out of Meta They can't say the Jews done it, or the Masona done it, or the Intellectuals done it, or the movie industry done it, or that anybody but they themselves done it.

This is the end of that road of which such men as Gerald L. K. Smith in America are testing out the beginnings. This is a preview for Mr. Smith of what would happen should be relied to the world in executing here. The such was such as the s

oint here.

I am I linking of the average, not-very-political American whe would offer in punch you on the nee if you called hereitan whe would offer in punch you on the nee if you called hereitan when we have a constant of the called the cal

They did everything you could have asked for, kid, in your wild-dreams, and they did it for twenty-one years.

est dreams and they did it for twenty-one years.

I think we, who have littened patiently while the collapse of idealism after the last war has been rubbed in, ought to rub it in, in
our turn, on the collapse of demmaony.

One might say that Pascism is an even bigger failure than the
League of Nations.

Peor Woodrow Wilson (after all the Jokes) is more of a live man in Italy today than the Italian realists who left the League and broke it.

broke it.

And I have heard those sardonic jests about how funny it is to try to give milk to every Hatchento, but it turns out to have been even more comical to try to put chains on every Italian.

Love may not have worked so far, but hate has really collapsed. Look at it. It lies in ruins. The deliberate policy of no idealism, comestic or foreign, ends up as an impress policy of no idealism, connected on the control of t

eyed.

It has been a had twenty years for human progress, but it isn't idealists that they're throwing off the roof-tops in Milan.

Come, all you lather-mouths; how much of the rest of the century do you really think belongs to you?

## Quote, Unquote

HERETOPORE: the Nazis made their offensive in the Summer, while the Red Army, would sittempt to retrieve Summer loses through a Winter offensive. Now for the trust time we see the Summer oftensive pass from the hands of tensive pass from the hands of the Nazis Os. Doos of the Rais Red Res Res Repealsh Cel.