## **Some Memories For Army Day**

THIS is Army Day, 24 hours set aside for the honor and glory of the soldiers who fought by land and by air, a time of parades and bugle calls and proud regimental colors flapping in the breeze. That is, there will be parades this Army Day if the War Department can manage to muster a corporal's guard from the scattered forces now left to it.

The ten million American soldiers who were sealing their great victory over Germany, and mounting their final assaults against Japan only a year ago have disappeared. Few combat veterans, except career men, still wear the olive drab uniform; the soldiers who represent the United States Army on four continents today are partially converted etvilians frittering away their days in what seems to them the pointless occupation of countries conquered by Americans they never met. The ten million American soldiers who

And even on this day set aside for hom-ge the critical voices sound louder than ver. Caste-ridden, fascist, anti-democratic. reactionary, incompetent — these are the reactionary, incompetent — these are the adjectives so freely applied to the infantry, the artillery, the air forces, the cavalry, the armored forces, the services of supply in these first, uncertain days of peace. Perhaps there is some justice in the first four charges. But incompetent?

Remember 1941? Remember the skele-ton army that drilled with broomsticks. the frightening division of American opin-ion, the one-vote Congressional majority that continued the draft? Remember the eamps that had to be bullt, the guns and tanks and planes that had to be designed.

the factories that had to be converted, the raw civilians who had to be transformed into fighting men capable of defeating the finest professional armies in the world? Remember the terrible urgency of the task after Japanese bombs fell on Pearl Harbor? atter apanese bombs fell on Pearl Harbor? Remember the vast distances that had to be conquered before the battle could ever be joined? Remember the prodigious feats performed by American armies all around the world, the courage, the daring and the military skill with brought victory years ahead of the most optimistic schedule?

ahead of the most optimistic schedule?

Remember, this Army Day, that there are two pictures of the United States Army, the big and the little. Forget, for this day at least, the little picture—the tropical equipment issued in the snows of Austria, the civilian mechanic who became an army cook, the plaint of the corporal who didn't get as big a liquor ration as the colonel, the doughboy whose shoes never fit. And think instead of the primary objective of the army—the destruction of America's cenemies—and how it was achieved Think of the overwhelming, overall efficiency of the Army of World War II, the miracles of supply and transportation that always managed, somehow, to get whatever was needed wherever it had to be, and in time.

Remember these things on Army Day,

Remember these things on Army Day, and it will seem a simple and natural act of gratitude to make your manners to Marshall and Elsenhower and MacArthur and Bradley and Arnold and Somethur and Bradley and Arnold and Somethur and it the nameless millions who labored, and occasionally died, to preserve your freedom to criticise them.

# Is The GOP Looking South?

WE note that a good many patriotic
Southerners are reading into the
selection of a Tennessean as Chairma of
the Republican Party an intimation that
the Go.P. plans to come roaring into
thick and bust the Democratic monopoly
wide open in '48. We would that it were
so, but we fear that the election of E.
Carrol Reece proves only that the standpatters are still in control of the Party.

Harold Stassen's outspoken opposition to Representative Reece's election is indi-sative of the prevailing state of Republican thinking. Mr. Stassen wants the G.O.P. can thinking. Mr. Stassen wants the G.O.P. Presidential nomination, and, at this early reading, he looks like the man most likely to carry the Republicans to victory. But Mr. Stassen is also mildly liberal on the domestic side and a rather advanced in-iternationalist, so he is as welcome as a eleper to Senator Taft, Minority Leader Martin, and the other members of the old guard.

It may be that Mr. Stassen, who, unlike the late Wendell Wilkle, is boring from within the Party organization instead of assaulting it from without, can bring about a miracle before 1948. But it is clear tha he has a difficult task ahead of him, for Mr. Reece's election stands as evidence that G.O.P. leaders still place their greatest faith in Democratic unpopularity.

Four times the Republicans have violated oldest rule in politics by trying to something with anothing. We would be surprised, in view of Mr. Truman's biling, to see the negative approach lily carry them to power in '48, but the question always arises, then what? If the New Deal is dismantled, what sort of structure would the Republicans erect?

The school of thought represented by Mr. Reece holds that there's nothing wrong with the country that a good strong dose of laissez faire won't cure. We'd like to share that simple faith, but it seems to share that simple faith, but it seems to us it begs several items of recent history—the depression which most economists believe grew out of a permanent maladjustment of the national economy: World War II, which ran the comparative molehill of New Deal public debt into a respectable mountain; the vast discolations of the world's economy which are certain to affect our own.

affect our own.

Mr. Stassen is of the opinion that the way out of our present difficulties is forward, not backward. This represents a basic disagreement within the Republican Party of proportions comparable to that within the disintegrating Democratic Party, but there is always a chance that a party out of power, naturally more concerned with the need for unity, will pull itself together.

together.

We see little hope of the Democrats uniting behind anything like a positive national program in 1948, and the only chance of the Republicans doing so seems to rest directly with Mr. Slassen. If he succeeds in wresting the nomination from the reluctant hands of Senator Taft and John Bricker, the Ohio cipher, the G.O.P. may be a very real chance of splitting the Solid South If the subit connex, however, It will South. If the split comes, however, it will come despite Carroll Reece, not because

# **Editorial Problem In Semantics**

a good many of those journals which considered the annual election of of-floers of the United Auto Workers a matter worthy of their editorial attendors repressed profound disconfirst when Walter Reuther became the union's president Red Reuther, they mound, has taken over, displacing that sterlins, conservative gen-fleman, R. J. Thomas, and bringing the zevolution one notch nearer.

It should, but it probably won't be a little disturbing to these excitable gentle-men to discover that The Daily Worker, organ of the Communist Party, vigorously supported Thomas and roundly condemned Reuther. The Communist Party, in fact, considers Reuther's election the worst blow it has had in quite a spell. In his youth Walter Reuther was a Socialist, but when it has had in quite a spen, in the swaller Reuther was a Socialist, but when he went off to Russia to work in an automobile factory and study the Communist trade union system he was quickly dis-fillusioned. He came home in a huff, and he is therefore anathematic the Comrades, who regard him as a distance table.

It's all a matter of semantics. A good many editors have come to use Communist as the most violent epithet in their arsenal, and they hurl it at any citizen of radical tendencies who happens to disagree with them. Men who oppose to disagree with and they hurl it at any citizen of radical fendencies who happens to disagree with them. Men who oppose trade unions naturally oppose Walter Reuther, for, whater else he may be, he is an able, intelligent and aggressive union leader. But you call and aggressive union leader. But you calligence and aggressive union leader. But you calligence and aggressiveness, for these recharacteristics highly regarded in even the most conservative circles. So out comes the old red paint brush.

John L. Lewis poses a similar problem.

By all rights John L. who is cordially lated by every conservative editor in the land, should be a roaring Communist. But, inconsiderate fellow that he is, he keep the constrainting that he is, in fact, a howing seatlonery. Embarrassingly, he turns up as the ede of the National Association of

Manufacturers, condemning price controls Manuacturers, condemning price controls, subsidites. Federal spending, and all the works of the New Deal. Why he even outded Tom Girdler in denouncing the lated President Roosevelt, and, let it be remembered, he marched straight into the Republican camp where, we presume, he still is.

lican camp where, we presume, he still is.

These are the terrors of the Ivory Tower. Radicals, blast their eyes, simply won't be consistent. We have Democratic radicals and Republican radicals; radicals who are devout churchmen and radicals who are devout churchmen and radicals who are adhests; radicals who feet the tradicals who are the satisfies of the satis

One gathers that if Europeans can just go 120 days without eating, all will be well. It is not mentioned whether they ought to breathe.

A very old gentleman of our acquaint-ance thinks he remembers when The Sat-urday Evening Post came out on Saturday.

If present proposals go through, Dade County, Florida, will build an ape-breed-ing center on Virginia Key, thus meeting the demand for a more refined type of bouncer in the night spots.

Less and less is said, as time goes on, of routine peacetime jobs for atomic power. Another case, it seems, of being too heavy for light work.

By OPA order, a Chillicothe, Ohio, res-taurant may not hereafter post its prices in Greek. It was perfectly intelligible to Federal directive writers, but the public didn't may be a superior of the public of the

500 Million Facing This Tidal Wave



People's Platform

# German Industry's Crimes

ARE the German industrialist—guilty war criminalist—self on the way to escape the consequence of their misdeeds?

Justice Rober H. Jackson's recently expressed in the real properties of the chief causes of the war—would never be tried for their crimes." Justice Jackson stated that the three other prosecutors at Nuremberg had differed with him on questions of procedure.

Justice Jackson is reported to have said: "They the three other prosecutors believed we could not and suggested a later trial for the industrialists. It believe we could hande a larger number even if it took somewhat longer, and doubted whether we could go through a second trial repeting much of the same evidence against this new group of defendants." an againficent bob. The thorough, efficient way in which the prosecution is being handled will go down in history as an outstanding example of international co-operation in one of the most critical trials of history.

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aggression.

Why is there jostponement of the trials of the German industrialists? What are the intentions for bringing them to trial? What will be the procedure? Will be current tribunal at Nuremberg handle the trial of the control of the contro

It is up to every American to add his weight to this demand for justice and security.

—MIRIAM STUART Executive Secretary.

The Society for the Prevention of World War III, Inc.

#### Greedy Monsters?

GAFFNEY. S. C.

If is very interesting to note the fight going on between Joseph Stalin on one side the Shell Oil company and the Standard Oil company on the other. The zeredy monsters may plunge us into another war. I hope not and in fact I am not much afraid or we are all ito near broke to stand another war. I

NEW YORK, N. Y. would like to see Iran take over and develop its seguilty war crimiollas Mexico did a few years back. There is not the Shell and Standard will not do to get Iran'

#### Excellent Article

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WASHINGTON, D. C.
THE article by Burke Davis in your March 21 Issue,
dealing with the Fee Dee Electric Membership
order of the State of the St

#### Careful Reader

PINEHURST WOULD like to see Mauldin's cartoon continu

-SAMUEL G. KAIL Major, USA.

#### Boll Weevils?

WITH reference to having ABC Stores in Char-lotte — I notice in your Platform these South Carolina boll weevils are certainly doing some loud squeaking.

-SIGNATURE WITHHELD

#### A Correlation?

CHARLOTTE

About Mecklenburg being Wet or Dry. Here in
wy contribution to the cause.

In Florida, from 1900 to 1920, there was a posttive, near perfect, correlation between the also of
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both bevernees. A correlation shows a relationship,
waship one directly implies the other. Statistics
prove that I leave to you the significance or the
correlation.

As for scripture, Ecclesiastes 8:15, "Then I commended mirth, because a man hath no better thing under the sam, than to cet, and to drink, and to be merry: for that shall abide with him of his labor for the days of his life, which God giveth him under the sun." And also Ecclesiastes 9.7, "Go thy way, eat thy bread with Jio; and drink thy wine with a merry heart; for God now accepteth.

when worth and the New Testament, we have Matthew 11, 18-19, "For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, He halt a devil. The Son of Man came cating and drinking and they say, Behald a man gluttonous, and a winebliber, a friend of publicans and sinners. But wisdom is justified of her children."

-FRANK LEA JOHNSON

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and the U. S. on the other.

It was the milifortume of the
United Nations to inherit that
quarrell as the outset. But that
could hardly have been averted if
any reality.

The ground on which Secretary
Byrnes stood was sound. If small
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however, after the basic principles
under which the Iranian case was
valeed.

Marquis Childs

raised.

Recently, in another part of the world, the same kind of issue area.

Toward the end of the conquest of Germany, Soviet forces moved onto the island of Bornholm in the Baltic. Bornholm is a Danish island commanding the approaches to both Denmark and Sweden.

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How long did the Russians mean
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dinavia. If the Russians were to
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But the important fact is that
the British have clearly signalted
their desires. This may have been
intended to put the initiative up
to us. If it is to have any chance
of succeeding, it must come quickly. Some-such move should have
been made months ago. If only as
aim and America to try to remove
one of the chief sources of trouble
in the Middle East.
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the British Provisin Offlice have
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cabin is a good chart of action.

### Samuel Grafton

# What Is Truth?

NEW YORK

A. H. truth, truth, what is truth?

Truth, according to Mr. Herbert Brownell: recently retired chairman of the Republican National Communists. It and Mr. Truman's reconversion program is a failure. At this, truth, who are trieder girl, with a good agent, thick being shall be a shall be AH. truth, truth, what is truth?

NEW YORK confusing a time since Galileo was

confusing a time since Galileo was on trial, and sometimes she tip-toes down the hall to the washroom and looks into the mirror and wonders who she is.

What is truth? Truth, says the National Association of Manufacturers, in a series of advertisement, is that we are not producing, and we are not producing, and we are not producing, and we are not producing his measage out with a slender pink finger, made a quick lour of the factorics, where she lour of the factorics, where she

# Drew Pearson's U.S. Packers Taboo Horse Meat For Europe Merry-Go-Round

An important debate has been taking place among food experts, inside the Administration regarding the use of horse meat for feeding Europe.

Horse meat is a type of food which Americans know tittle about. Within Europe it is standard diet and certain countries, especially France and Beigium, have repeatedly horse meat here. If two and a half billion pounds of horse meat here. If two and a half billion pounds of horse meat such a hard billion pounds of horse meat could be sold to Europe—which is the amount available in the USA—It would take care of most of Europeiable in the USA—It would take care of most of Europeiable in the USA—It would take care of most of Europeiable in the USA—It would have a most official and also by some experts in the Army and Nay. However, the plan has run up against several snags, chiefly that of U. S. meat packers.

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The big packers don't want the American public to get the idea that horse meet to processed in their plants. They fear that the assiption would linger in the consumers' mind regarder that the assiption would linger in the consumers' mind the processes of the consumers' mind the processes of the consumers' mind the processes of the particular that been buying small amounts of horse meat from smaller meet packers, many of them state-licensed, ment for UNRA in the Department of Agriculture leans toward the big meet packers and they never have wanted small state packers to get into the inter-state business.

Horse Meat Feeds Zoos

A NOTHER source of opposition is expected to come from the many horse lovers throughout the country who prob-

ably would claim that the United States was being de-nuded of horses.

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leather.

NOTE—While prices of almost everything tended upward during the war, the price of horses did not. Government buyers purchasing draft ainmais for Useria Development of the price of horses which have never been harnessed. Farmers haven't had time to break them in, would like to sell them if prices were right.

Congressman's Pay

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Liber Stateman Josephus Daniels points out that in addiLiber Stateman Josephus Daniels points out that in addiLiber Stateman Josephus Daniels points out that in addivarious additional perquisities, such as 316,20 annually for
each Senator to pay his office help, \$45,00 for each Represensenator to pay his office help, \$45,00 for each Represendiditional circler expenses.

The ex-Secretary of the Navy also observes that Senator
McKellar of Tennessee has a total of \$83,40 to spend for
office assistants. However, Mr. Daniels, more courteous than
this columniat, did not mention the McKellar relatives on

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