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Choice

City Can Clean Up Venereal Carriers—Or the Army Will

Between the command at Morris Field and Charlotte City officials there is as yet, no insubstantial difference of opinion on the issue of prostitution and venereal disease control. It is still possible for both to work out a co-ordinating plan that would be mutually satisfactory.

But hope that he was sent searching by the staff of a man who heard the same. All these incidents add up to a wave of crimes of a type which are not to be tolerated. So far the police, despite the difficulty of apprehending shadows in the dark, have worked persistently and effectively and they appear to be equal to the situation. Placement of the greatest severity undoubtedly is in store for the Negroes convicted after a fair trial. The institutions of an organized, civilized society, that is, are being allowed to exert the authority which has been delegated to them.

Subversion

Constructive Criticism Is Too Easily Corrupted

One of the shortcomings of public criticism in a democracy—and particularly in the United States—is that it lacks stamina. Constructive criticism has become a word, something to be used as a weapon, rather than as a means of reaching the truth.

Obsession

Despite Drought, Water Power Is a Federal Pet

To many North Carolinians who have watched a stream of Federal millions pour into South Carolina, the appropriation of the six proposed Broad River dams between the two states must seem quite in line with the prevailing ratio: five for South Carolina, one for North Carolina.

NO ONE IS BLAMELESS IN STRIPPING FOR WAR

There is nothing new or deeply original about any of these complaints. The latest slogan is "No one is blameless in stripping for war." The American people are being misled by the press.

Intolerable

A Word to Any Potential 'Cat' Who May Be Around

The 'Cat' has been castrated, and yams behind bars (1) another Negro and a Negro to a purse-snatching and (2) a Negro, just under sixteen, whom Jacksonville Court bound over to Superior Court on charges of purse-snatching and rape.

Senator Soaper Says

'Over' continues to be the universal slogan as the 'wings over Norway,' 'night over Norway,' etc. Not to forget head-ache over income tax.

While We Read History We Make History.—GEORGE CURTIS

Where We Are Right Now

—By Herblock

Urge To Correct

By Paul Mallon

WASHINGTON. THE recent column telling how Archibald MacLellan and the other Government public relations men were asked to lead the cause of public apathy through the many letters from readers—and gave as an answer...



Leaving out one gentleman who therefore needed 'an American Hitler' who letters seemed to represent earnest efforts to the Government way to make known their complaints as loyal Americans, thus to force corrections which would be a genuine honor to them that no one seemed to notice.

THEIR WRITERS SHOWED NO APATHY

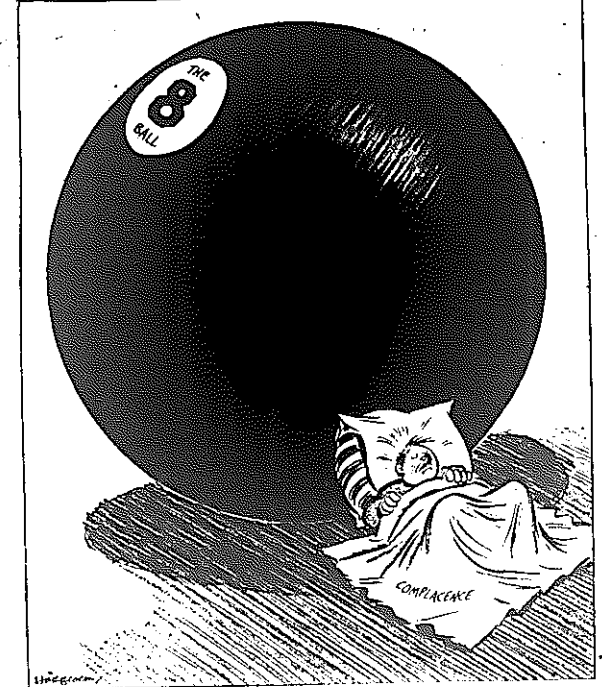
Applauding the word however, for one of these articles their sentiments ranged only from dissatisfaction to anger at the way things have been done. Regarding their tirades according to the number of times they were written, I found that one had the following matters on their minds:

1. How below all men branches of the Government except prohibition which was not one mentioned once—shows inefficiency of an important part of Government as well as Mr. Roosevelt's Navy Department as well as Congress. Mr. Roosevelt's Congress and Civilian Defense are mentioned in more than 75 per cent of the letters, the Navy in about 25 per cent.

Mr. Roosevelt was criticized mostly for his failure to cut down on the expenditure of money more sharply. But it was Congress, which really counted, which I noted in 10 per cent of the letters, more than any other body.

PUBLICITY POLICIES ARE CRITICIZED

1. The third major complaint, involving OGD, also concerns the way money is being spent. The editorialists in the 'Publicity and Publicity' section, a section entitled, although strictly within the domain of Mr. Roosevelt's Department, are particularly critical of the way money is being spent.



The Enemy Is Also Here

By Amy G. Bussell (Our Young Correspondent)

That carried all our countless thousands of soldiers in that other war-time. Now men may die on the other side of the world because we have lost this transport needed for the shipping of support and repair to that far East battle ground.

It is generally felt that our fair fight we would not feel as we know that she is lost because of 'carelessness.' Looking at her as she lay there helpless in the mid-I sea reminded of that other ship whose great decks I once knew as I knew my own from hope at home.

beginning, and its full record of other war-time, realizing that through those fatal years of danger men like ourselves had stood and wondered how it could be that we had not something to survive since so many had died that it should be. Their courage and their memory of those other leaders who like Roosevelt and Churchill today, had believed it beyond all doubt, driving themselves and those about them, straight toward the goal that can mean peace and hope for the human race.

ROOSEVELT HATERS GET SECOND WIND

Well, anyway, there it was across the map of Washington in this February, 1932, and there were heard the rumors of our erstwhile America-haters in pushing and compelling, as of yore, to march forward their resented peace plans, come hell or high water.

TALKING A 'TOM DILWY' FOR PRESIDENT

Down these in Washington signs were out that we were not even over our late attack of political measles. Men—and the women likewise—were talking up 'Tom Dilwy' for President—thinking of the coming Congressional elections, and just as sure as there is shooting stars, we are going to suffer again, before long, under the same old slogan, the same old name, the same old man, who by these who hope to climb to power regardless of our new status.

WE MUST OUTWIT GO-FORTH THE ENEMY

And now we have lost the Normandy as we lost the steps in Pearl Harbor. When the results are seen, we must not have learned, even yet, the meaning of any word, which are to out-guess, out-wit, and out-plan whatever evil the enemy is plotting. Paralyzing the enemy's every move keeps to no thinking of war-time save his own.

TODAY'S BIBLE THOUGHT

'This gives you balance, direction and guidance in life. Such a life cannot fail.' But seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.—Matt. 6:33.

Side Glances

Face in the depths and quiet halls of War and Navy offices, where the real battles are being fought, there is no room for the American who can see this war as a mere game of strategy, complexity, and confusion. Each day the actual, living danger rises on the horizon like the red-ball sun of a summer's day, and one may see the long years ahead before the tide of our American security could again be brought to a standstill.



I know you always said from the beginning the automobile would never replace the horse—but it's taken 40 years and a lot of Japs to make you a prophet!

GOP Warns Appeasers

By Raymond Clapper

WASHINGTON. SPEECHES by some Republican leaders during the last few days have done a good deal of shut the door on a sneak attack by defeatists and appeasers, and to bind the country together for a final fight until Japan and Germany are unshaken.



Some have been fearful that after the succession of defeats which is now going on and which probably will continue for some time until we are fully in action, certain groups would try to use the Republican Party as the vehicle for a 'what's-the-use-of-going-on-with-all-of-this' campaign.

THE FIFTH COLUMN DEFEATIST LINE

If you took virtually the line which some of our people were handing out before Pearl Harbor that would be logical. Some of them thought Germany was going to win the war and that we might as well adjust ourselves to it. They were for a negotiated peace. They thought we ought to get out of the Far East and let Japan have her own way.

Preparanda which come into the office indicates that some are saying now that the date of America's armed forces should be restricted to protecting Hawaii and the Philippines and nothing else. It is believed that this point of view evidently would be content to allow Japan and Germany to retain mastery over the Pacific Islands and Hawaii.

If advocates of such views had intended to fifth-column their way into the Republican Party and use it as their vehicle they can scarcely hope now to do that.

All along it has been clear that 'appeal' Whittaker would employ all his power to prevent any such use of the Republican Party.

Now Thomas E. Dewey, who is getting ready to run for Governor of New York, makes himself clear in the same effect. He says the issue of appeasement and compromise will surely rise. He says that anyone who attempts to sneak into the Republican Party and use it to achieve what he calls their cowardly and Deceit says every suggestion of compromise must be rejected. That there is no room for difference of opinion on this, and that the war must go on to a total victory.

A FORMER ISOLATIONIST DENIES SUPPORT

Another word now is heard to the same point Clarence Huntington Kellogg, executive director of the Republican National Committee, says if any man Republican or Democrat, raises the issue in support of or for support of a 'sneak' into the Republican Party will denounce him.

Kellogg was a isolationist before Pearl Harbor. There you have pretty good evidence, and the other an ambitious candidate running for governor of New York with an eye on the White House in 1934. Both have shut the door against anything except total victory.

These are significant weather-vanes of American sentiment.

But as Dewey warns us, appeasers and compromisers will appear. They won't wear the label. They will call themselves patriots. They will hide under some kind of slogan about being for America first so that the unwary will not suspect what they are up to. They will dress up their case in patriotic language and that you should try to keep our nose in Far East affairs and why should we go on fighting to sink the British Empire out of the soup.

Appeasers will desert the issue and be as blind to the real danger to the United States as they were before Pearl Harbor. All of us will have to be on guard against being innocently trapped into swallowing their sugar-coated propaganda. For we may be sure the appeasers will try to get it down by slight-of-hand, not by frankly labeling it poison.

Visitin' Around

Geo. Haw and Away They'll Go (Quebec Item, Transylvania Times).

Cerard and Denton Moore are enjoying over the fact that their calves have arrived at their home. They are expecting to have a fine time with this team of oxen when they and the calves get a little older.

Palmerite Item, Stanley News & Press. Several families here are busy cleaning up and putting up new fencing and wiring in their garden, and getting ready to plant early garden. The weather is beautiful and makes us long to get out and go to work.