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● W. C. Dowd, 1865-1927 ●

a strong-hearted Czech who now fears to lift a hand, because of the rats among his own kind. This, indeed, is a sharper tool than the noose or the rifie-of a fir-

And who knows which of one's neigh-bors may have been these traitors? Who knows, even, that there were traitors? Who knows that the Nazi treasury paid

out the blood money, or expunged the whole transaction with a fictional disbursement to non-existent Czechs? And who, not knowing, can be sure?

When the Roosevelt-Churchill round table went into cheerful session last week and ventured the prediction that Rommel would be stopped in Egypt, It seemed to most of us that our leaders were playing with a boomerang. To almost everyone else, the line 10 Sucz. appeared to be open to a heavy thrust.

appeared to be open to a heavy turnist. Whether or not the ventured opinion is destined to become an Ill-fated bit of propaganda is not all-important. What seems to be more to the point is that Rommel's tanks and guns are well within striking distance of Alexandria and the Nile, and pose the darkest threat of the war.

Loss of Egypt's key points would not knock the United Nations out of the war, but it would cost them most of the

Mediterranean area at one blow, stretch the war again. Losing Alexandria would offer freedom of that sea to the back-pedaling Italian fleet, allow freedom of Axis movement over the vast theater.

Axis movement over the vast theater. Through the Suzz canal, in normal times, Britain moves only eleven per cent of her imports. Even without that passage, the battered Empire could live. Importance of the 104-mile Eastern en-trance is, of course, that it affords op-portunity for movement of fleet units to the East, makes a simple atternate highway for bringing equipment to the front.

What we would suggest, as a sort of silver lining to this black cloud is that the loss of Egypt might be no killing blow to us at all; that it might, in the long run, prove to be an advantage. No sooner had Tobruk fallen, remember, than experts began to wall that second front hopes for 1942 were dead. Per-

haps, instead, they had just begun to

For if Britain loses in Egypt, what would there be to deter her from pour-ing all her strength into a second front in Europe? She would then be fighting

nowhere on a major scale, have both hands free for an offensive move. The

East seems to be in a fair way to pass to the Axis, and if chances of reinforcement are slim, why not retreat with a purpose for once?

The Axis, it seems fair to assume would not be able to hold even an Egypt given up by default—if a determined Allied drive opened in Europe and threatened the beginning of the end. For once, we have hopes of defensive warfare rejuctantly paying a dividend.

Merrily We Roll

The scrap rubber drive, after ten days

Highways to Scarcity Are

Pared With Irresolution

Indian Gift The Loss of Egypt Might Help to a Second Front

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Opening Gun

The New Deal Undertakes A Collateral Reform

A subject which white Southerners of the better class take up only with prayer and misgivings, and then reluctantly, is that of race relations. It is not our free er, for the issue is being agitated to seh an extent that it is impossible not

in face it.

Actively sponsoring equal rights, at least economically, for colored people is so less an agency than the Federal Government. Federal Security Administrator Paul McNutt, the manpower man, has been selected to direct the campaign, and it was in furtherance of his special satisfication. The property of the property committee and the National Conference of Negro Touths.

What he said was sensible enough—for tample, that employers who barred Ne-roses from jobs which they were compe-ment to fill were "protecting their prej-dices at the cost of production for vicers he should have addressed, not are associations, and a letter direct the trade would have accomplished that more than his broadcast speech.

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No. McNut was tailing to Negroes, for
the benefit of Negro listeners all over
the country. What's wrong with that?
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berties of all the people, to concern
berties who may be denied them. But
these what we have observed of the
setiousness of this Administration
ceauses which it takes up (a notable
simple is organized labor), it is a great
all better at setting powerful forces in
scion than in directing them for the
solic pood; and in any case there is a
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We don't blame the colored people or fir associations for using the war as means to gain ends which they have held highly desirable. There is se held highly desirable. There is exit to their argument that if they subject to being called to fight for eir country, their country owes them return the maintenance of their bits, the most important of which is e earning of their daily bread. And as right is in fact theirs except when secrosches upon customs of segrega-toring conditions which the predomin-prizing conditions which the predomintly white industry of this country has

stablished.

We think there is ample reason for inspecting the New Deal of intent to go further than simply to see that Regroes obtain better employment. We think that the New Deal has in mind not only jobs for Negroes at comparable wages but expressly without segregation. To the extent that our suspicion well-founded, it is not merely ecosmic but social equality that the Administration is working for, from which it follows—again, mind you, if it is true—that the New Deal is using the war as a pretext for its erforms.

etext for its reforms.

iybe not, Let us hope not, in any Maybe not. Let us hope not, in any game. At the same time, if any such undertaking is on foot, it is well to be giving thought to it in advance, for only by forethought and most earnest consideration could the South, of all sections of the country, hope to face any such innovation with the good will and slear head which would be essential.

Red Reward

Money for Murder Sharp Weapon for Germans

That we shall not forget the honest lebs we owe to the avengers of Rein-hard Heydrich, we chronicle the last salty in the books of the Czech murder sery. With an admonition. This case of second-breaking brutality is written off by the Germans with the payment of

The strap rubber dive, after ton days of intensive collection, has turned out to be a great disappointment. Despite the oil industry's herculean e-(forts, despite guesstimates of the scrap supply running up, into the millions of tons, the campaign has produced so far less than a quarter-million tons, only a party of which is reclaimable rubber. And nearly half of those quarter-million tons was garnered in the 'Hirst six days of the campaign which began on June 18.

The Persident has extended the drive, due to have ended with the month, for another ten days which takes in the week-end of the Fourth. Over that week-end automobiles put to purely pleasure purposes will use up more rubber by far than will be turned in by all the little salvagers. Many a motorist, reprieved by the doubling of the gas allowance from three gallons to six, will be having the latest in a series of last flings which commenced with gas-rationing.

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Gas For Tanks Only

By Paul Mallon



has been adopted by the University Price Administration.

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we up to filling stations and ask;

"I haven't my rationing card with me and I want three gallons of gasoline."

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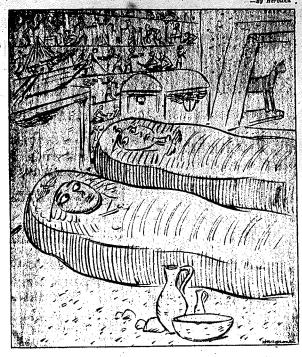
HOLD A SESSION
The private Churchill-Roosevelt meeting with Congressional leadrest was consider a bij y less than spectacular. After the Congressmen filled in Mr. Churchill delivered a discourse which lasted about 30 minutes. One friendly
Congressman later described it as
"artful."

ntiful."

Mr. Church III apparently anticipated a II Congressional questions, the President occasionally chimed in. Both took the optimistic view. Mr. Roosevelt pointing out that Jap planes were being destroyed faster than the Japa could make them.

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TODAY'S BIBLE THOUGHT



"You Hear Anything?"

The Cutting Room

Once Over, Light

Nation's Business
DAVIDE LULIENTHAL, general manager of the Tennessee Valley authority, has had a lot to a lot to the tente of t

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FROM Fort Bragg, North Carolina, Private
Eugene Saunders sent his mother, in Indiana,
a batch of cookles. He had joined the Army
Cookle and Bakera' School.

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Rep. A. J. Sabath (III).

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Industry's Appetite

By Raymond Clapper

WASHINGTON

INDUSTRY shows almost ise limits in

Ingenuity or in creation of production capacity. It can build the planta.

In fact industry has built the planta,
and the worry now is

getting enough raw material to feed their

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That's a job in which the Government carries the main burden, since it means over-all planning and control. We fell down the rubber shortage. There has been a good deal of buck passing among Government officials and to private Industry over this. The fact is that Germany has fought her war with rubber synthetics. If any private interests were bottling up patents over here as has been charged; the time any private interests were bottling up patents over here as has been charged; the time any particular efforts to break them loose. Now we are paying the price. The scrap rubber collection isn't soing too, save the situation and the chances are that as soon as the Government gets up enough nerve to go ahead, use of automobiles throughout the country will be rationed to save rubber. It doesn't make sense to go on burning the candle at both ends.

t both ends. A similar situation is developing with

time goes on. The war production program expands steadily but steel production, which is the basis of war output, is hitting its ceiling. We could produce 90,009,000 tons of steel this year. But we may fall 5,009,000 tons short for lack of scrap. How much is 5,009,000 tons of steel? It is more than enough to supply the whele carge shipshuffling program for this year and most of next.

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year and mest of next.

The main trouble now is a abortage of scrap. We could use some of that scrap we sent to Japan during the years when she was preparing war on us—a total of 7.400,000 metric tons in the five

years through 1940.
Under present processes you can't
make steel without using scrap. It is
fed into the furnace along with pig
iron to make steel. We are using
record-breaking quantities now. Nearly
5000000 tons of scrap was used in May.
In the first five months of this year
we used 23,000000 tons of scrap to
make steel. We are running short. Sort make are! We are running abort. Some furnaces have had to shut down for lack of scrap. The American Iron and Steel Institute is about to start nation-wide salvage campaign for old metal. In American with the largest deposits of Iron ore in the world and the largest steel manufacturing capacity of any nation—probably close to that of the rost of the sord combined—we are facing a dondown because we are running out.

a slowdown because we are summing of junk.

Senator O'Mahoney has been advocating the sponge-fron process because it can be used in place of scrap. The Senato Truman Committee it about to investigate it. perimented with the process and gave it up. Nenator O'Mahoney says it is practical and imperative because of the scrap shortager But plants would have to be built, and adoption of the sponge process would not bring relief for perhaps a year, if only a minimum of production problems were encountered.

Visitin' Around

Health, Disposition

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We are glad to say Mr. H. C. Bolick

To Every Boy With A Gun:

Nazi Victories Always Bring Nazi Orgies

WASHINGTON.

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Expert for a moment in consider how the Nasis celebrate their
successes. For this gives us some
likking of what a Nazi victory.

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mitikated as nations feet themselves strong. Here, in America,

cussin of how we can treat the
Germans decently after our victory.

were beaten up."

One German officer, a prisoner of war, said recently recalling those days. "Do you reinmember how lines people behaved when, they thought victory certain? Like wild beasts. It would have been hor-their in the beaten of the like wild beasts. It would have been hor-their final the according to the like wild beaten the like wild beaten with the like wild will be a Cod."

That is a German officer speaking, who still how their contemplating the excesses that would follow a Nazi wild the like wild be wild be

By Dorothy Thompson



pacification.
After the fall of France hope as strong in that country that a