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Sights Unseen

The Tide of War Might Turn Without Us Even Suspecting

Having just emerged from a closed session with our military expert, we hear, with his official blessings, a new ray of hope. He has put us to thinking. Had you thought, he asked, that the tide of war might be turning now, today, without our recognition of the fact? The military might of the United States is beginning to tell definitely these days, not only on the battlefronts where it is beginning to be exerted, but also in the driving Britain greater liberty of action.

Air Power

It Got a Workout in Yesterday's Dispatches

Anyone to whom Severson's "Victory Through Air Power" is a first order of reading in THE NEWS these days would have not a kick out of yesterday's paper. Air power in action was all over the front page, and most of it was United Nations air power.

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Sweet and Lovely

Give Up Them Steaks

THE walter's query for the American has been eating too much anyhow. Too many have thought that the Constitution guaranteed them the right of the pursuit of tenderloins.

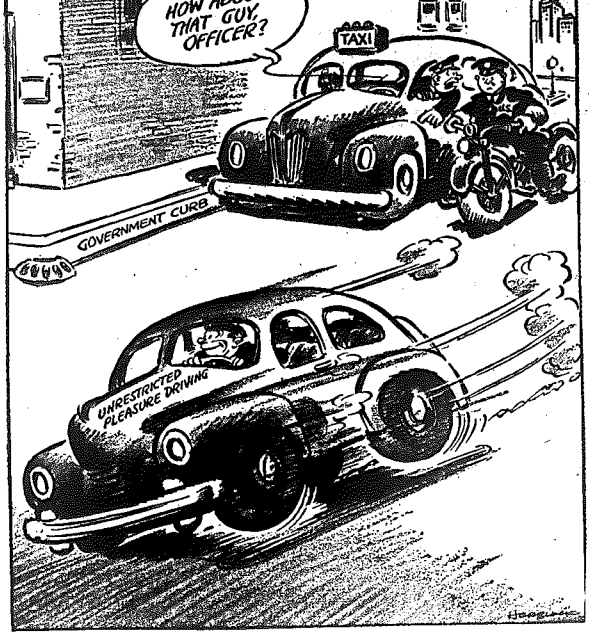
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Outside the Gas-Ration Area

By Herblock



Knockout Punch

Baruch's Model

By Raymond Clapper

FOR a brutally frank, hard-hitting report, the job just turned out by the Baruch Rubber Committee will stand as a model for a long time. There doesn't seem to be a punch-pulling line in it. In view of what the Baruch Committee reports, it is inconceivable that there can be any longer objection to the gasoline rationing.

Visitin' Around

Side Glances

Should We Wax Hopin' You'd Ask About His Sweet Potatoes (North Wilkesboro Hustler) R. R. Church of Wilkesboro, member of the County Board of Education, said several days ago when asked in reference to his farm near Ayley vicinity that he would probably have his field of soybeans harvested with a combine machine.

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City Hall Today

The Night Watch

By Dick Young

A police officer asked a question and then offered a worthwhile suggestion. He asked, with some emphasis, too: "Why is it that in Charlotte, a city of more than 100,000, the public transportation system shuts down at 11:30 P. M.?" He added that some arrangement ought to be made for all-night service by the Duke Power Co.'s bus system.

The police officer, whose duties keep him out at night, said there are many persons who work at night, but after 11:30 P. M. cost along the quiet streets, going to or from their places of employment, and he has often seen workmen, white and colored, trudging along the quiet streets, going to or from their places of employment. These night workers have to get to and from their work but with no buses running they are forced to walk. The situation has become more serious because of the drastic restrictions recently clamped on taxicabs.

Formerly, the so-called 10-cent cabs handled this business, but now the cabs are prohibited from cruising on scheduled routes only on call. Naturally they have had to increase their rates. The 15-cent fare has been increased to 40 cents. The other cab company has been charging 50 cents for some time. The average worker cannot afford these higher prices when they have to "fork out" every night.

In many larger cities "owl cabs" are operated on lengthened schedules after midnight and such a plan, with buses moving on scheduled routes only on call, would be a decided convenience to a large sector of our population. With use of private cars being more and more reduced and with still greater restrictions being placed upon the use of taxicabs, it is now more than ever urged that the city establish public utilities for their transportation. The War Transportation Committee might well investigate this possibility.

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