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Neophyte

Stalin Enters the Ranks Of Big Bombing Disciples

Of Big Bombing Disciples

Newest member of the We Believe in Bombing Club is Russia's Joe Stalin. man of steel. Until recently, the Allies tnew, Stalin was of the opinion that mass bombing of German industrial centers could inflict only minor damage on the enemy. It wasn't, he held, much of a help to his own hardpressed legions. He wanted land action, and still does.

But as RAF and American planes continued their pounding at the Continent, Russia's leader was forced into one of his rare changes of opinion. After he had seen evidence of the damage to Hitler's war machinery, the became so enthusiastic over the prosects of crippling the Nazis from the sare that he even diverted some of his own precious air power to help in the are campaign.

own precious air power to help in the sky campaights, hooked up with the British schoule to the west, Soviet bombers pounded in the eastern Ger-man territory. That Stalin directed that move at a time when training planes were serving as bombers against the driving armies in the Caucasus in-dicates the depth of his new-found be-ited.

To date, however, despite the recruit-To date, however, despite the recruit-ing of a strong new member, the mass bombing group has not dealt anything like a killing blow at Hitler. Key centers have suffered heavily, but the enemy still rolls along. Nevertheless the still rolls along. Nevertheless the presence of the new joiner, who must know something, indicates that assault from above is destined to grow in inthe west this Fall, foretell the continent that will precede in-vasion.

Energetic Man

The New Postmaster Will Keep Things Humming

Mr. Bulwinkle could have pushed all the papers off his desk and counted out a new postmaster for Charlotte by the eeny-meny-mon method, and still not have gone wrong. Three first-rate cittizens were certified for his consideration, and any one of them would have done. There was, we believe, a good deal of popular support for Fred Anderson, who had survived two eliminations, but the choice had to be made from among men of merit and standing.

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In naming George E. Wilson Jr., former mayor of the city, selon of an old-time Mecklenburg family, good fellow and man of principle, Mr. Bulwinkle probably was guided by the recommendations of the applicant's top Civil Ser vice grade and his comparative youth. Certainly Mr. Wilson will make a good Certainly Mr. Wilson will make a good postmaster. His one foray into polities was as the representative of a non-political group, so that as postmaster he will be beholden to no clique. His experience be usually be beholden to no clique. His experience he usually be business affairs has been wide, and what he lacks in organizational training he will make up in onergy and application.

In fact, energy is the typical quality of the new postmaster, and we may be sure that under his direction the U. S. Post Office in Charlotte will not languish for want of executive zip. Mr.

Post Office in Charlotte will not languish for want of executive zip. Mr. Wilson will not be content to put his feet on any desk, or let matters rock along. He will be in there, if need be, putting on special sales of stamps and getting the mail out on time.

Grand Jab

The Movie Industry Shows How To Sell Bonds

How To Sell Bonds

The moving picture industry has certainly showed Charlette, and the rest of the country, for that matter, a thing or two about selling War Bonds. Almost any day now we expect Mike Kincey or Tom Little or Heek Exerct to Them. Rosenwald or John Bachman or some of the boys to make a proposition that anybody who buys a million-dollar bond gets the bond pils a clinch with Marlene Dietrich pilus a swatch from the sarong of Dorothy Lamour pilus Will. H. Hayes' autograph pilus a month'a trip to Hollywood with all expenses paid and, provided he is eligible, a notebook full of bloode numbers.

21 was to have been expected that

the rousements. But the manner in which they have rone about it has been beyond the expectations which anybord could reasonably have entertained. For weeks ahead of the September campaign the industry ladd its plans, and

paign the industry laid its plans, and since September began it has done nothing else, literally, except sell bonds. It has been something to see.

The month is only two-thirds gone, but the success of the undertaking, after such efforts as have been and are yet to be made, is rully assured. If will be a grand job in the grand style; and the campaign in chariotte under the direction of Jack Austin will take anybody's cake; but there is one thing, which worries us. Whoever, after movie month, accepts sponsorship for another bond drive is going to have his work cut out. He may have to hold a fire sale.

Little Wind

The Sun Hit the Stretch, And a New Season Bloomed

And a New Season Bloomed

Despite the calendar, it was midsummer, and no one needed to be told. The breezes were only little breaths of hot wind, going nowhere. The sun gave the dry earth all it had. The berries were gone and the melons were only fugitives, but it was Summer in the air. Only a Talmadge man would be thirking of a felt hat. Only the lady of the house was wise to fall fashions.

Then, with that unheraided suddenness which is her trade mark, nature twisted the dial. Far down on the glober sun neared the equator in his endless precession of the equinoxes. (25-200 years per trip). Only two days away from the Autumnal Equinox, he was making night and day equal. He also nudged mankind with a new consciousess.

ness.

The little breezes no longer panted. The little breezes no longer panied. Something stirred in the North, and whipped down from the wide spaces. Of a sudden, though oaks, hickories and poplars still wore their verdure, there was a new season. By George, it was Autumn. For that reatlessness, only a log fire would do, or a groping for a blanket. In an hour the seasons had changed.

blanket. In an hour the seasons had changed.

This is only legend, this equinoctial gale "popularly supposed" to occur as Spring and Fall arrive. But this, if legend, was a legend one could feel, and almost see. Within a few days Acer rubrum, the red maple, would begin to meet its destiny. The chemical change was not alone one in aging Acer. It was in the new wind. The ferment that is Fall.

How'sat?

Bureaucrats and Pretty WAACs All Mixed Up in New Syntax

We've caught somebody. We don't know who, but we've got 'em. Our Cul-prit is one of these: The WAAC, Texas, The Atlanta Constitution or the Asso-

ress.

perusal of the papers, we ran

The Constitution. Two Items

nagged us. One: In Des Moines, where the WAACs are about to graduate, there is trembling.

Only half of the 440 women are going to be commissioned. The others will be plain non-coms. Every one of the girls was quoted as follows:

"I don't mind personally, but how can I ever face the folks back home if I don't earn a commission? The be happy with any job in this woman's arm; But I can't bare to have the home town think I'm a failure."

From what we've seen in the news-ceis, that kind of projected strip-tease could have a better than fair chance I success. The girls needn't worry about

The other:

In Austin, Texas, Governor Coke Stevenson ranted at Washington because of the threat of rationing in his state. His people, he said, resented anything like restrictions on gas, sugar or meat. Then he quoted a constituent, as

"The hair-brained swivel chair gentry in Washington will wreck the state's biggest industry—oil."

About all we've gathered up to now is that spelling, or grammar, in this coun-try, ain't what it used to be.

"Nazis, beset with grave food short-ages, plan communal meals." If they ages, plan communal meals.

We Feel A New Pinch

Where Is The Labor Coming From?

WHILE we are discussing the most effective parces—the problem was effective parces—the problem when a new executive order gives authority over 2300,000 Federal employees — we must not lose signit of the fact that the basic exployees of workers to totally new cadres of workers and the control of the contro

adres of workers.

The country is short of manpower. The war is foring us to gire up many old prejudices, amongst them the one that this country is overpopulated, Our enemies are reserved to workers. Hitler in the conquered countries in the habited by 20,000,000, plus Germany and Italy which together are another 124,000,000.

And Hitler has made the most (it. He has transferred 6,000,000 reign workers to Germany alone, s well as using the workers in the industries of the countries where they dwell.

where they dwell.

Our own population is about 132,000,000 and of these only 54.

000,000 are normally classified as working or wanting to work. There are only 80,000,000 people between the ages of fifteen and sixty-five, male and femnie. Probably the total of those over sixteen, who could be put to whole or partitions work, is not more than 53-00,000. Out of these also must be

It's On The Way

Mannower Control By Raymond Clapper WASHINGTON

LITTLE sound doubt can exist as to the necessity for Government
control over the nation's manpower when a man like Paul V.
McNutt, chairman of the War Manpower Commission, says it is essential

No. nelling bit grief can come to anyone who has anything to de with controlling manpower. So a man like Mr. McNutt must be credited with complete sincertly and devoting to duty then he parks his political ambition outside and knuckles down to the unpleasant task which he feels must be done for the safety of the country. He is certainly earning his distinguished service medal in standing up to un-welcome reality that he sees.

electione reality that he sees.

What shape the legislation will take is yet unclear. Much opposition and political wavering will be encountered before any national service act gets through Congress. One can only hope that the discussion of it will be kept strictly to the points of what the situation requires and the most practical method of meeting it.

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It deem! make any more sense, so far as I can see, to talk about
manpower control being Nazi linan to say that military conscription. To try,
on the other hand, to justify labor control as democratic is also to
will any conservation of the second of the s

Mr. McNutt cites labor shortages of 100,000 in Philadelphia, 86,000 in Detroit, 78,000 in the Seattle area, 55,000 or more in the Tacoma-Portland area, 55,000 in Baltimore, and 45,000 in Buffato, Talk to any manufacturer and you will discover how the draft is utility into his working force. Hundreds of thousands of men are being taken into the Army each month, A War Labor Board panel finds that twenty per cent of the working force in Idaho and Utah copper mines have left for higher-paid Jobs, resulting in a cut in production.

counting the hells, damns and darlings, and at the conclusion, of 300 pages, the score was:

Hell, 81.

Damn, 62.

Darling, 63.

Darting, 63.
Toward the conclusion, when Great Play, around which the slovy is constructed, is being cheered by the audience, one of the several heroides in the cast "was finness heroid" at me (the natural of the construction of the construction

"Hell, Peter, hell, hell, leil, Irm happy, the expressed her and Feer? How about him? "God. I'm so happy, Hell, I'm so happy,

Mot-dam' under Mot-dam' und Mot-dam'

TODAY'S BIBLE THOUGHT

We can listen to our con-science, it is God's voice. Don't go against it. I will hear what

Books Of The Dannered

1942 Reader

The Atlanta Journal
The bewildering tidal wave of so-called mystery stories, now preaching hit on a florid spume of procket, editions, seems to be ensembled to be a florid spume of procket, editions, seems to be ensembled to be a florid spume of procket, editions, seems to be ensembled to be a florid spume of the seems to be ensembled to be a florid spum of the seems to be ensembled to be a florid spum of the seems to be ensembled to be seen to be ensembled to be seen to be ensembled to be seen to be ensembled to be ense

pattern, he'll be known in Val-halls as Whirling Artic.

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no the War Manpower Commission, says it is essential and inevitable.

That is about as-painful a recommendation as a public official can make, particularly one who has political ambition. When Mr. McNuit textifies before a House committee that Government control of manifold of manifold of the committee that Government control of manifold of the committee that Government control of manifold of the control of the country. When you begin telling a man he must say on his fob and can't leave to take a better-paying job, you are bitting him only magnist, every more control is only an experiment of the control of the con

o 13,090,000.

Out of productive work also must be drawn Federal and State and other officials. We learn—that one in twenty of our normally employable persons is already on the Federal payroll. This bureaucracy is doo big. It is greatly to be hoped that Mr. McNutt will reduce it drastically.

hoped that Mr. McNutt will reduce it drastically. The question remains whether the creation of new caders of isobor can be done from above by decrees and by a naw bureautone what he has to do and where he has to go, or whether we, the people, have creative power in ourselves, assisted by the Government of the Company of

By Dorothy Thompson



but they go to school for eight to nine months, and the rest of the time are free to enjoy themselves, Can they be used, and where?

used, and where?
Yes, and in a way that will promote their health, strengthen their characters, add very much to their knowledge, and integrate them deeper into the riation.
Useful work can be part of their education, furnishing a complement to their book learning and an antidote to their largely urban life. They can be used for eseasonal labor on farms.

Their school year can be short-ened and adjusted to make it yes belief for them to work from sowing to harvest in those parts of the country where there are clear the country where there are clear trained as well no. lose by this provided they are integrated in farm life with its manifold skills. For the brain is developed indirectly the with the training the country of the training the country of the provided they are the provided they are the provided they are the provided to the provided the provided the provided the provided the provided the provided they are the provided the pro

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Yet 80 per cent of them were retained by their farmers on

wages, the simplest test of whether whe were expected to do.

But this never weald have been possible if it had been burnaueratically organized as a more labor-acchange matter, often pioneering mevement; it was supervised by its own county field agents; it towas supervised by the own county field agents; it towas supervised by the own county field agents; it towas such of Granço, and the Extension Service, as well af by bedies of farmers and local county field agents. It is not to the mind as well as the bedy! it created a well as the bedy! it created a press for the exchange of mutual experiences; which is the supervised by the super

without taking them off rem of the philothing by the part of the nation, and a self-creative part of the nation, and a self-creative part instead of a dead mechanism. What we need is not first to atomize the nation and then recliment it but the creative power and release it into the channels where it will refillise our great land. If the creative power and release it into the channels where it will refillise our great land. If the control the control of the control o

Observation Post



The Sleeping People

Democracy Isn't Voting

By Paul Mallon

WASHINGTON

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A VOTER'S alarm is being sounded by the Administration, as a result of ballot boredon evident during the primaries.

Donald Nelson has feet a later than the primaries of the property of the prop

thing."
Thus, Mr. Nelson's pure non-political note is being melodiously confused into a jingle-jangle-lingle of partisan campaigning.

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The truth the Administration expected the many control of the control of t

new low voiling records were established.

The explanation most common in Washington is that people are too busy to vote, that neither worker no farmer wants to read, think or talk politics after the heavy days of work they are putting in now.

Probably nearer the truth in the fact that no great political issue is flaming in the country today, and that people have not been exclude by the alternatives presented to them at the polis thus far. To be added to these reasons are:

Lack of interest generally favors the man in office. He has the organization and machine votes which always turn out, rain or shine. But this time, the Administration's confidence in this

Leon Wasn't Heard

Smolhered almost entirely in the Senate Banking Committee hearings on the price stabilization bill was Leon Henderson's comment that it was actually a farm price increase bill. Mr. Henderson could have gone further, liad he not occur under Administration wraps, and "embarrasced", as he said, by some of the guestions asked by the senators stretched in the original Brown Bill the farm or the said Courtees should fix the highest farm price on any recent date as the ceiling the wanted Aug. 15.

But Senator Bankhead of Alabama, who was in the conference of the leaders framing the legis-lation, knew that cotton had been much higher last Spring, than on Aug. 15. The Senate floor leader, Barkley (from Kratucky) knew that bur-ley tobacco had been higher too.

ley tobacco had been higher too.

So these two—with eyes on home products—proposed that the Brown Bill fits the ceiling at the highest price since had Jan. 1 on all products (not menlioning cotton or tobacco, of cointe.)

The farm bloc nearly got away with one just as
broad. Mr. Roosevelt mentioned tidy in his message
that labor wages should be considered in liking farm
parity price gools.

The farm bloc chose to interpret this causal phrases
a meaning the cost of farm labor should be
considered and moved upward. This would have had
the effect of booding parity—and prices—up to 125
per cent.

Mr. Beaustell had to leaf this michigants.

Mr. Roosevell had to stop this misinterprota-tion of what he said. By calling in the leaders and writing an open letter explaining he meant parity should be adjusted to labor wages, as, in fact, is being done now.

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