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The Merry-Go-Round

By Drew Pearson

WASHINGTON DONT be too surprised if you find President Roosevelt playing out of the White House a few months or weeks before his term is up.

1. The President under no circumstances will run again if the way is open next year.

2. The President's greatest ambition now that he sees the war in fairly good shape, is to help create machinery which start the world on the way to permanent peace.

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Soldier Vote

It May Well Swing Elections Alone

The Senate is expected to pass soon the pending Green-Lucas Bill for voting by soldiers and sailors during the war.

The House Elections Committee amended the bill in the direction of State control over the balloting, and away from the Federal control visualized by the bill in its original form.

The House Elections Committee is on record for legislation along the line of the amendments voted by the Senate.

If the soldiers' and sailors' vote next November should favor one party predominantly, the election results might very well be determined thereby.

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No Deal With Wilkie

Highly important with winning the war, the President wants to win permanent peace after the war. Naturally, he would like to set up the foundations for that peace, and also help to guide it.

He has not achieved all three so far. Whether he would be both with old leadership, Roosevelt and Wainwright.

A group of Republican Senators were twitting loyal young Democrats' senator from Washington about the 1944 election.

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Eisenhower and Patton

DONT blame Gen. Eisenhower for the detail which his headquarters first issued on the story that Gen. Patton had struck a shell-armor soldier. He was just an embarrassed about it as the War Department.

This observer discussed the Patton story with War Department officials prior to publication. They knew it was coming and planned to issue no denial.

They have since informed this columnist that Gen. Eisenhower was about won Allies when the story first broke. Presumably, he was in Italy.

When Gen. Eisenhower returned, according to War Department officials, he and immediately ordered the facts to be made known.

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Capital Chiff

Sen. Van Nuys' friends are worried. He has written a bill for liquor distillers located at Lawrenceburg in his own state of Indiana.

One reason for the whisky shortage is the heavy buying before new Federal taxes are imposed. One State Department official who entertains prodigally

ought 50 cases just before the tax was upped from \$3 to \$6 per gallon. Another tax increase is just around the corner.

Two-listed Representative John Coffey of Washington has one of the most phenomenal memories in Congress, can reel off Latin quotations and historical dates at infinitum.

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Everyday Counselor

By Ros. Herbert Spough

Alley there seems to be one Scripture text which continually proves itself out. "There is nothing new under the sun."

Such jingles as these come and go, but the great music of the classic lives on. We new and surprising. The Christmas season, when these grand old carols followed by

Now Burns Bennett, United Press staff correspondent, pushes it back further and identifies as the venerable old ballad, played for years by bus bands and washboard musicians.

When one reads the comments of other old chestnuts which "Tin Pan Alley" will probably bring out, going over them and palming them

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News Break

Protested

WASHINGTON (AP)—American editors have protested to the White House over the Office of War Information over the British news agency, Reuters.

A protest also was made by the American Society of Newspaper Editors, in protest yesterday to the White House and OWI.

The whole episode hurts the war effort in the United States. It has too fine a record of devotion and sacrifice in this war to keep the public at home informed to be brushed off as they were.

Neither the White House nor the OWI had any immediate comment on Roberts' message.

OWI Chief Homer Davis complained to Reuters, that he called loopholes in British censorship. He also deplored the "pre-mature" Reuters release as "flagrant and possibly dangerous breach of the basic rules of security."

Bracken, as British Minister of Information, was urged by Davis to do something to make it clear that British censorship from now on keeps Reuters in line.

"Scram! You're Spoiling My Racket!"

By Dorman Smith



Doughton A Democrat?

By Raymond Clapper

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The Public Yawns

By Samuel Newforn

NEW YORK IT is customary for men in jobs like mine to cuss the public out every now and then for its inertia.

But maybe inertia is not so bad a quality at that. Like the other drunk that he is, he is a good Butler of Nebraska let out a holler to the effect that our Government is as long as he voted for.

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