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Panacea

GOP Tries To Break A War Monopoly

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They are as good a time as any, we suppose, to call once more to public attention that Republicans are already in the war in a big way. Both Army and Navy Departments are headed by Republicans. The War Relocation Authority is headed by a Republican. The War Relocation Authority is headed by a Republican. The War Relocation Authority is headed by a Republican.

No, Congressman Hallack was not trying to clear things up at all. He was trying to confuse the issue. He was trying to confuse the issue. He was trying to confuse the issue. He was trying to confuse the issue. He was trying to confuse the issue.

It is understood that Germany's hard-pressed generals are eager to know more about the secret of the new weapons, and may send spies back to Berlin.

Mileposts

President's Messages Tell The War Story

The war messages of President Roosevelt will stand as a sort of guidepost series to the progress of war. In his third annual message this week, he pointed out a long trend. As has been suggested in the annual addresses might be summarized thus: 1942—Determination to defeat. 1943—The turn of the tide. 1944—Well on our way.

There are words from these messages to be remembered in view of present events. The words which lie only a short distance ahead. Declaring that only superior force would win the war, President Roosevelt in his 1942 annual message laid down a production program for 1943. The actual production was 43,000 in 1942 and 88,000 in 1943. However, the actual included more of the larger and heavier weapons than was visualized in the President's original schedule. For instance, the 1943 production was 80 per cent greater in quantity but 127 per cent greater in weight than the 1942 production. The output during December, 1943, was at the annual rate of 105,000.

And the President said: "Many people ask 'When will this war end?' 'What will it cost?' and (achieve) the end of militarism in Germany and Japan. Most certainly we shall not settle for less."

President Roosevelt opened his 1943 annual message by saying: "The past year was perhaps the most crucial for modern civilization; the coming year will be filled with violent struggles with high probabilities of better things."

The Merry-Go-Round

By Drew Pearson

WASHINGTON
A. H. Whitney, railroad brotherhood leader who stuck out his neck and was the first to accept Presidential arbitration of the railway dispute, has been getting it hot and heavy from the three brotherhoods which refused to arbitrate. But he came back at them with a poem which reads:

Three blind mice—how they hoot!
They all refuse to arbitrate—
They're gambling with their country's fate—
Though the hour is getting late.

For the three blind mice. This rhyme was sent by Railroad Trainman Whitney to all the secretaries, vice-presidents and subordinate leaders of his union with a confidential letter blaming the three hold-out brotherhoods. In the letter Whitney revealed that 60,000 copies of "Labor," the railroad brotherhood magazine, had been sent to the post office just before the President offered arbitration.

"Thousands of these copies were recalled and destroyed," Whitney wrote to his fellow-trainmen. "On the following day they were reprinted with out changing the words on a '4' or the dot of an 'i'. This hasy action, of course, did not help the paper shortage, and in all probability will never be explained. Whitney didn't mention it, but between 3,000 and 10,000 copies of "Labor" were burned in a furnace in the Labor hallways just across from the Capitol building.

Whitney then went on to exhort the three "non-arbitrating brotherhoods" whom Labor magazine had called "The Three Mice." "Were they afraid to trust the President?" he asked. "Had they overlooked the fact that the Commander-in-Chief could settle the dispute without their consent? Or is it possible that they were playing a game of hide-and-seek with the public? Or is it possible that they were playing a game of hide-and-seek with the public? Or is it possible that they were playing a game of hide-and-seek with the public?"

Whitney put it right on the line in one of the most forthright letters of American labor history. This, and the name-calling of the three non-arbitrating brotherhoods, probably means just as serious a split among railroad labor as that between the AFL and CIO.

Hull Reminiscences

Cordell Hull received an unexpected caller the other day. U. S. District Judge "Jelly" O'Connor of California, former Commissioner of the Currency and the man who really pioneered the Federal Deposit Insurance system after the big bank smash-up in 1922. Hull had known Jelly when Jelly was one of the top Democrats in North Dakota. They had fought many progressive battles together—usually on the losing side. And now, the Secretary of State mused:

"Someday when the war is over and I can retire from all this, yet I must sit down together and look back over the mistakes we have made and the things we could have done better." Judge O'Connor flew back to Los Angeles thinking for half an hour, happy and cheerful, quality comes next.

Be It Ever So Blasted—

—By Dorman Smith

THE HOME FIRE BURNING was a popular and beloved song of World War I days. There is urgent need for it to be revived, as the "home fires" are in greater danger today than they were in '14 and '18. Our homes are going through a time of great trial and testing.

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Our men and women in uniform are so desperately fighting in the life for the victory. It is just as necessary for us to preserve these freedoms at home for which they are fighting, as it is for us to keep them supplied with the implements of warfare.

From a well-informed military source I have learned that many men imprisoned in the guard house in our training camps are there for "going over the hill," to get back home and straighten out affairs in the home. More than in the last war, men are going into the service leaving wives and families. More than in the last war, men are going into the service leaving wives and families.

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MacArthur: A Caged Lion

By Raymond Clapper

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General MacArthur regulates there must in a democracy be free discussion of political matters, and that he will interpose no censorship, since nothing is more essential to the maintenance of security. General MacArthur has been a subject of political discussion for months, and therefore I feel that it is within the bounds of propriety to write here as I would write after a visit to any other prominent political figure who is being considered for a Presidential nomination.

One of the questions about MacArthur answers itself instantly when you see him. He will be 60 this month, but he gives the impression of being in his early 50s. He is vigorous, there are almost no lines of age on his face, only a few flecks of gray. On the physical side he seems thoroughly adequate, even though we have seldom elected to the Presidency a man beyond his 50s.

One serious handicap for General MacArthur, although perhaps not so serious as it had previously felt, is his long absence from the States. Inevitably there are many gaps in his knowledge of domestic events and problems of the last few years. Likewise, he has been away from the high diplomatic arena for a long time.

High Aluminum

Of all the lobbies operating in Washington, most effective of those which operate from right inside the Cabinet or the Democratic National Committee is the Aluminum Corporation of America. It has received kindly treatment from Uncle Joe, Joseph P. Kennedy, and had its chief Washington counsel, Oscar Ewing, sitting on the Democratic National Committee as vice-chairman.

Anyway, just last week Alcoa received another nice favor. Last summer this column exposed the fact that Jesse Jones had given a secret contract to Alcoa to build an aluminum plant at Shipshaw in Canada, which would not cost Alcoa a cent, but would be paid for out of aluminum purchases by the U. S. Government. This column predicted that after building this plant Alcoa would close down American plants, throwing U. S. workmen out of employment, but would continue operating in Canada.

Last week that was exactly what happened. Four aluminum pot lines were closed down in Burlington, N. J., and the plant at Shipshaw, N. J., was to be closed down soon. U. S. plants sell the Government aluminum at 15 cents a pound, while we have been paying 21 cents for Alcoa's Canadian aluminum from Shipshaw. The deal continues inside fact is that we are now overproducing on aluminum by 400,000,000 pounds per year. Shipshaw's shipment to the United States in 1944 is scheduled for just about this time—500,000,000 pounds. Yet it is continuing—despite its higher price.

Everyday Counselor

By Rev. Herbert Spaulding

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The Russian Border

By Dorothy Thompson

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It's all right to say what you think, John, but when we visit the Smiths we must not you always have so many unpleasant things on your mind?

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New Ribbon Will Be Awarded To Heroes

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A commendation ribbon of myrtle green with a white stripe, for Navy, Marine and Coast Guard personnel receiving individual letters of commendation has been authorized by Secretary of the Navy Knox, the Navy announced today.

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These sentimental movies of guys going off to war and getting killed hurt morale like hell," said a lieutenant. "They may be good for the folks back home, but guys over here want to forget about bloodshed and dying when they go to a movie. The kind of stuff just makes them feel sorry for themselves."

"The thing that burns a lot of us," said a second captain, "is that ad run about the pictures. It says 'Don't look back. Look forward.' But the motion picture industry is a fair godmother. We don't care whether the movies are free or not. We just want them to be good. We're willing to pay a dollar a picture. We're willing to pay a dollar a picture. We're willing to pay a dollar a picture."

WHAT GUY WANTS A second captain said the most complete slant on what the G.I.'s want in the way of film entertainment.

"We like something to make us forget the war. We like a good laugh. We like a good cry. I said a good one—with famous dance bands. We like newsreels, comedies, singing, short features, cartoons, and any type of picture with a happy ending. We like a lot of pretty girls in them are always welcome."

"The G.I. loves a comedy that you mind off the Army. We like good grade A serious news. We like a picture that is a good grade A serious news. We like a picture that is a good grade A serious news. We like a picture that is a good grade A serious news."

"We'd rather see releases of old popular movies like 'It Happened One Night' than see a cheap new movie full of ham acting and gaudy plattitudes. That sums up the case for the soldiers."

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