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Of Truk

With Its Assault
The Pacific Trembles
The great Navy assault on Truk, whether it develops into a grand offensive thrust, or just a punishing raid on the great Jap bastion, holds a solemn meaning for Japan.

Yes, we are still far from Japan. But the blow at Truk cuts the distance virtually in half. A few short months ago we struggled up through the Solomons, painfully at a high cost.

The Philippines, with Truk in danger, now loom large before us. There are many, many Jap bases between, that they cannot be long maintained without Truk; the enemy must fall back.

"Cooking with infra-red rays. A roast of beef may be done in six seconds." Now to find a cook who will stay that long.

Mitosis

New York Wants Us
To Split Up and Vote
We've been subjected to more lawing back and forth on States Rights in our times than in any period since The Confederacy was moving impetuously toward Secession.

Here's a new high for busy dreamers. Who supposes that the President is not going to speak for New York and her 47 states, anyway? If it's going to take all 48 votes to get American aims across at the peace table, hadn't we better give up our hope now?

How do you suppose the Mid-Western stater, for example, smarting under injections from The Chicago Tribune, would vote on a proposal to give Russia control of East Prussia? Do you not suppose the Southern states would, soon or late, advocate the plowing under of Egyptian and Indian cotton?

Who is so naive as to believe that North, South and West could stick together, even as Americans against the world? If that kind of unity is possible, it has not been yet accomplished.

The Merry-Go-Round

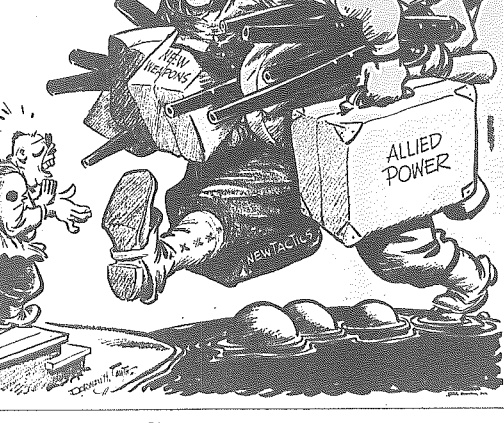
By Drew Pearson
WASHINGTON
mities meeting, charming fellow. — The President's close friends do not expect him to do anything one way or the other about a fourth term after the Republican National Convention.

WPP's Rayon Woes
A hot row has been smoldering inside the War Production Board over high-tenacity rayon, which Rubber Director Bradley Desev says is holding up production of synthetic tires. The rayon being produced under the WPP program is inadequate both in quality and quantity.

William Garrison is nominal head of the branch but, as a former Rutgers University administrative officer, he is less versed in the technical problems of rayon production. There is no question that these two companies lead the field in production of synthetic textiles, and no question that the men they have lent to the Government are high-class experts.

Surprise! Surprise!

I DECIDED NOT TO WAIT FOR THE HITLER FALLS BUS!
ALLIED POWER
The first answer to this is, "All the other boys and girls meet and join the crowd." It is altogether possible that the majority of the crowd with which Hitler is associated, if he is in these practices, is taken to see that the child is not enough to simply say, 'don't run with that crowd; we have to devise ways and means to provide more wholesome as societies. That takes time, prayer and effort.



Toward A German Democracy

By Samuel Crafton
unknown future that gaps before them. If we set up a complicated plan for the Germans, complete down to democratic individualism in the kindergarten, then we give the Germans a chance to find it. We give them, in effect, a rallying point; we give them slogans, "The Germans are not revolting. If these men have plans of their own; it will be enough to be agitated before. For this and other reasons, we would give the Germans no plan at all, beyond the mere motto: "Revolution."

Our attitude toward the German people, in that they have no constitution, nor to mumble respectfully of our frowning forefathers. We are simply morbidly curious about what is happening to men with whitening hair, to men who have been many of them, in the class we are scanning; just enough to prove a little point. There is no vital message here; we do not hope to upset our present form of government, to call up the ghost of the Constitution, nor to mumble respectfully of our frowning forefathers.

Let us say frankly that we are not in the business of up-lose-ends business; we are in the smash-fascism business. Let us say frankly that we are not in the business of up-lose-ends business; we are in the smash-fascism business. Let us say frankly that we are not in the business of up-lose-ends business; we are in the smash-fascism business.

Reporter Notebook

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have thought I had great stuff. But all my eyes were on the scene. That cannot be the meanest looking thing I ever saw.

"I had a touchy bit of timing. Just as I was sure we were going to get the shot, I was about to cut loose on me. I made an abrupt turn that got me out of his line of sight. I was that fast and stepped on it without even getting a shot at me."

"That left the second German. He was on me so close then that all we could do was yell and hope. He opened fire, but missed and cut across about twenty feet behind me like a rocket."

"I got away. Our little set-to had got very German and American anti-aircraft gunner in the center of a shell right after he made a pass at my plane. He was caught in a tree and went down. "We had our own troubles. One burst of flak put 150 holes in my plane, but we got home all right. We patched up 78 holes, but nothing about the others; they were so small, and that plane was ready to go."

"Later I was coming around a mountain in that same ship when the engine quit. I had to crash in a tree. "Sure it is a funny plane, that one's got only one engine and it's been hit by flak, landed in a tree, blown down a gully during a high wind and still flying. Matter of fact, it's wearing its third set of wings, right in that plane, though it's an awful good one. Just that it's seen a lot of action."

Everyday Counselor

By Rev. Herbert Spough
MANY parents today confront a new and difficult problem. Their boys and girls, who are being subjected to temptations to engage in practices of which the parents disapprove. Yet they are finding it increasingly difficult to answer children who say, "The parents did not engage in when they were coming up."

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Another way in which parents can meet this problem is to appeal to and try to develop leadership in their children. In adult life there are few leaders, but many followers. The same thing is true in the case of children. I once heard a man of keen mind comment upon the fact that most people will follow a leader much like sheep. He said that the best description of the masses he had ever heard was made inadvertently by a newspaper industry operator who made a habit of writing on the board, "The masses" and wrote instead "them."

Leaders and followers are started on their way as children, developed by the parents. If they are going to follow what everybody else does, as adults, they will do it, as children. If they are going to follow what everybody they will do it, as children. If they are going to follow what everybody they will do it, as children.

Russian "Enigma"

By Dorothy Thompson
WASHINGTON
THERE is now a plethora of news and articles on "What To Do With a Defeated Germany." These and their critics divide themselves into advocates of a "tough" or a "soft" peace, and under these categories the entire literature is sorted.

But the writers start from the wrong point—which is not Germany. They start from the wrong point—which is not Germany. They start from the wrong point—which is not Germany. They start from the wrong point—which is not Germany.

With this in mind it is no exaggeration to say that the way the Anglo-American powers act in other countries, and the way the American election turn will determine to an immeasurable extent the Soviet attitude toward us. It is the course that the year the Soviets will have also military superiority in Europe will determine that they will allow themselves to be maneuvered out of this superiority in order to give the Anglo-American powers complete freedom of political action. The Soviets, I think, are willing to let the Anglo-American powers limit their operations in Europe, but only for compensation. A Europe that is not by the nature of its social structure, hostile to us.

As far as I know the Soviets have confidence in Mr. Roosevelt—and also wants permanent peace. But there is reason to believe that they have no complete confidence in the War Department, the State Department or the parallel institutions in Britain, in which there are certainly no traditional anti-Soviet tendencies. Contemporary policies must include their concern with the new agreement which included a special statement, pending the opening of the United States Government to the six anti-Fascist parties, we have apparently turned over the entire administration in southern Italy to the King and Badoglio. The only structure we have put on them is that they must remain "non-Ally." But if "non-Ally" includes the Western Government, the King and Badoglio will be the first to go for they have always been anti-Soviet.

And if a defeated Germany were to be divided, and the parts under Anglo-American occupation, German equivalents of Badoglio Governments were set up, the Soviet Union would certainly not feel secure. If the Soviet should become convinced that something of the sort were in the offing, it would probably take its own measures to prevent it. This is the essence of the German question. The Russian "enigma" is that they will not allow themselves to be maneuvered out of this superiority in order to give the Anglo-American powers complete freedom of political action.

Quote, Unquote

IT has been there for centuries, but that was three weeks too long, because we've had lots of trouble since the last 21 days. —Pat Vincent Zavada, a Catholic, after Benedictine monasteries bombing. The strongest military element of Japan is the Army, which must be defeated before we can get any sense out of it. It can only be done by the use of atomic death rate during any one of the last ten years of peace. —H.R. Gen. James S. Simmons, surgeon general's office. After the war the policy pursued by the United States will have a crucial influence on world reconstruction and peace. American policy both during and after the war is made to the President's personality and outlook. The great advantage we will have when this war ends, is compared with the war, is that we have won the war. (Concluded Monday)