South Carolina's Democracy

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Still By The Back Door

To survive. President Truman pro-claimed, we must remain armed and powerful, and we must stand ever ready to use our power in the cause of jus-tice. But, already, with the smoke hard-

to use our power in the cause of Jostice, But, already, with the smoke hardly clear of our gun barrels, we made hardly clear of our gun barrels, we are displaying our old reluctance to take sides openly in the half-dozen little wars that are still running on as an aftermath of the major conflict.

There is a feeling in the air strangely reminiscent of the uncertain Fall days of 1940, when we were busy assuring each other that the fighting in Europe and Asia was none of our business. carefully ignoring our Navy as it engaged the German undersea fleet in the North Atlantic and pretending we didn't know the American fiyers who were dog-fighting all over the China Sales.

We are, of course, already embroiled right up to our eyebrows in China's current civil war, which has all sorts of international implications. American troops are actively assisting the Cen-

rent civil key, when has all soft in-ternational implications. American troops are actively assisting the Cen-tral Government, perhaps not by flight-ing, but by moving Chinese troops up to the line, which is the same thing. But officially we are lending Chiang nothing more than moral support.

The War Department learned how to get into a war by the back door back when Chiang was flighting Japs instead of Chinese Communists. And, in case you have been wondering why General Chennault, who headed the Flying Ti-gers in those dim days, retired so preci-pitously from the Air Forces the other day you can probably find your answer in the War Department's bland state-ment that it, of course, has no control in the war bepartment's bland state-ment that it, of course, has no control over the actions of any of its retired flying personel who might care to ex-ercise their talents in Asia. And it might even be that, one way or the other, such enterprising young men can lay their hands on some of the Army's old air-planes.

It is apparent that we are going to assist Chiang considerably, if he needs it, and there is nothing wrong with our decision to do so. But there are many decision to do 30. But there are many things wrong with our easing into the battle behind a great cloud of diplomate double-talk. Our moral indignation knew no bounds when German, Italian and Russian nationals went down, theoretically as private citizens, to fight in Spains city war. Nothing has happened in the intervening years

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We proudly beat our breast and inform the world that we will light for our interests, and those of our friends, wherever and whenever they may be threatened. But, before the echo has died away, we are using all the sty little tricks we picked up from our enemies.

Touch Of Tar

Possibly because of the heft of him and a sea-going habit he has of standing with feet spread, nobody has had a chance to examine the heels of U. S. Rubbers C. L. Fout: to see if they haven't tar on them. Despite his Ohio birth, the man has fallen into Carolina ways and manners as though to the red sod born. And he has taken Carolinians on masse and with their assistance turned out 20 - and 60-millimeter shells for the Navy by the train loads.

interest shells for the Navy by the train loads. Fout was a natural selection to head up this was undertaking by U.S. Rubber as contractor for the Navy. An Annapolis man bimself and a veteran of the first World War, he knew the Navy's requirements and how to meet them. As one of U.S. Rubber's production experts, he knew how to organize his operations. And as an agreeable individual, he knew how to make his way with people, from Senators, Governors, local dignitaries on down to the workers on his long production lines. He has been aided throughout by the Navy's own man on the job, Lt-Comfer. C. Crumley, who came early and stayed late on this immense undertaking. The two of them not only made a good team but along with it highly desirable additions to the community, which regrets exceedingly to see such pleasant persons depart for other fields.

With Russian influence prevailing throughout Southeastern Europe, the latest in that theater is the instrumental novelty, "The Beautiful Red Danube."

A sign of the new thrift is an inquiry to the answers editor: 'How shall I clean dirty diamonds?' So many, dur-ing the late interlude of heavy dough, ing the late interious of were throwing them away.

From The Washington Post:

Barking Up The Wrong Tree

With labor disputes slowing down reconversion and clouding the postwar economic outlook for the United States.

reconversion and clouding the postwar reconomic outlook for the United States, means of coping with those disputes ought to be engaging the most thought-ful attention in both executive and legislative circles. Few problems are more interested to the control of the control of

The Military Alfairs Committee's proposal to suspend a union from collective bargaining privileges for a year for violation of a no-strike agreement in its contract would mean only the climination of no-strike agreements from contracts. We cannot see that this has any vital relationship to the problem at hand. It merely rubs sait into labor's wounds and thus probably makes more difficult the enactment of a constructive measure to facilitate the settlement of disputes.

difficult the enactment of a constructive measure to facilitate the settlement of disputes.

Docald Richberg told an audience in Chicago on Wednesday that the first step toward effective solution of this problem is the enactment of a law that will impose on all parties the duty "to refrain from waging war at least until peaceful methods have been given a fair trial. We think he is right. If such a law were on the books, there would be hope for amicable adjustment of numerous disputes without interruption of the reconversion process. At present the Government is in the anomalous position of guaranteeing to labor the powerful weapon of collective action without requiring that it be appropriately used. The situation cries out for leadership from both Congress and the White House, and not much leadership is forthcoming, from either quarter.

The Merry-Go-Round

By Drew Pearson

THE joint Congressional committee investigating Fearl Harbor has a hushed-up War Department report on the disaster, which is going to be very hot to handle. It shows workly unexplainable or de-liberate neglect inside the Army-Navy in Washington.

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with the "winds," which would be broadcast on a news program from Tokyo.

This was to be the tip-off to Jap diplomats as to whether Japan would go to war against the United States. Great Britain, Russia—or all three. It was also to reveal whether war would be made against the Dutch. In addition, the approximate time of the breaking of the relations with these midnes was to be given.

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Russia Not Mentioned

Russia wasn't mentioned, indicating that Japan had indoned all notion of war against Russia, if she ever lously had any. About the same time, Tokyo instructed its embassy

in Washington to destroy all its code equipment, except the barest essentials necassary to receive one or two more messages, and then to destroy the remaining es-sentials once those messages had been received.

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The screen Pearl Harbor report reveals that the first information about the broadcast came to the War Department when Rear Adm. Leigh Noves, chief of the Navel Communications Section, phoned Co. Oth K. Sadrler of Army Intelligence at 9:09 A. M., Dec. 5, and report of the Navel Communications Section, phoned Co. Oth K. Sadrler of Army Intelligence at 9:09 A. M., Dec. 5, and report of the Navel Communication Section of the Navel Communication Section (Scatter, I. et al., 1997). Saddler, the message is in."

(EDITORS' NOTE—Another installment in Drew Pearson's revelations regarding Pearl Harbor will follow shortly.)

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Pessimistic as it may sound, the betting is ten to one that the long anticipated labor-management conference of the confere



The Terrible Lesson Of Nagasaki

By Marquis Childs

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Total Destruction

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For an are of three square miles, approximately, virtually everything was flattened. It wasn't razed as Berlin was, with its walls charred and having empty windows, for those, walls were still standing. This was flat. Here aid there you could see a battered barber chair, a bicycle frame bent double, a skull and some bones, a teapot, a steel helmet, rubbiath, wreckage, junk—all this ir a section at one time more densely populated and with narrower streets than F Streeg in Wash-ingles.

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"As we rode block after block, mile after mile, I

WASHINOTON found that all this was done by bomb, one homb weighting but a Congressional committee something of what the Gascovery means to mankind, suddenly pauced with a kind of humorous despair. It was so difficult, he said, no gair, a faither here in the destruction it had wrought.

The other day, a faither here in Washington received a letter from his twenty-vast-old son in the service with the confidence of the confidence with a service of the confidence with the confidence with a service of the confidence with a service with a service of the confidence with a service with a service with a service of the confidence with a service with a s

It Seems Impossible

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One Man's Reaction

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That is the reaction of an average young American.

Even as he saw it, he wanted to dubelieve. It was too

unreal, too terrible.

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"I say keep the atom bomb a secret! Else those rascally foreign companies, with their cheap labor, might produce it cheaper than we can!"

A Tart, Mixed Drink

By Samuel Grafton

THE relation between Mr. Truman and Congress has firmed
up remarkably since he attacked
two House committees in his
speech of last
Tuesday evening,
There are speeches about the Tuesday evening.
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Party discipline has been restored to a certain extent. When

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THE FIGHT BEGINS

There is now a fight between Congress and the President, and while fights are not to be adored while fights are not to be adored to be sort of relationship, and a sturdler one than the previous stand-off, which more of Congress admired Mr. Truman, and, with very few middle of the committee on which the previous admired Mr. Truman, and, with very few for the committee and of one of the committees on which the President put the funce, says that all chances of getting a full empty of the president put the funce; as the president put the funce which president put the funce put the put

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to see Mr. Truman, himself an
ex-Senator, a declared friend of
Congress, a man of conservative
mind, compelled, even though he

People's Platform We Face A Decision

By A SOLDIER

I am against conscription. I am against compulsory military training. I am against large armies. I am against the frace armies. I am against the frace which forces nations to seek its protection in armed might and the seek of the se

neither and what is worse do not Let us, instead, live all for war, r all for peace.

I am against conscription.
I am for the United Nations

Army.
What are you for? Speak out,
Americans, so that we may know
ourselves.

One Reader Agrees With Our Ediotatics By MRS. D. S. BEATTY

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