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Shigenori Togo, the foreign minister who helped plunge Japan into war, is talking as if he, and not Tolo, had had transfusions of American blood. The eminent war criminal, now in dock with his illustrious fellow conspirators, has developed a bugning love for us.

He can now think back and recall that it was he who fought to have the ward of the control of the contr

cluded, "He is a straightforward man, and has always worked for peace." Mrs Togo is German.

Well, we aren't surprised Not at all. We just knew there must be noble hearts among the war parties of Japan. We didn't bat an eye when it was explained that we must help retain the Empheror in power—on the ground that he was the power of the power—on the ground that he was help was so powerful that Japan would fall apart without him. We were not dismayed to discover that virtually all prominent Jap militarists had been opposed to Pearl Harbor, and that there were many of them pleading for peace. Somehow we just knew that Pearl Harbor was a mistake, a result of garbled orders. Down in our hearts we knew the Japa weren't serious on Batsan and Corregidor, and that they were being forced against their will to liberate the Indies and Singapore. We knew they were not really heading for Australia when they hit Port Moresby. And we were all convinced that the well-documented Jap atrocliese were evil propaganda, were we not zeuly heading for Australia when they her to the not-zeuse brother Togo. He another of the not-guilty. We must see to it that he and his numerous cohorts are not cruelly mistreaded. We must remember that only now is Togo free to speak the truth Until the occupation he could not speak an honest word.

Labor, Too

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It appears that the sons and daughters of isolation are not alone in their eampaign to allivands us from the Russ-Nederston, of Labor is also monitor. Nederston, of Labor is also monitors are not so that the second of ill will. The AFL's secretary-treasurer was so intent upon apeaking out for truth and freedom that he threw the seasing of the British Trades Union Congress into an uproar this week. He assailed the "besendo trade unions" of Russia as instruments of slavery, and insisted that so long as they remained under government domination, the AFL could not join the International labor. under government domination, the AFL could not join the international labor

under government domination, the AFL could not join the international labor movement.

British workmen boeed him vicorously, for their interest in the worldwide labor movement is so keen that they stop to draw no distinctions between free and sovernment-controlled labor unions. They, like the American ClO, are taken with the picture of the great mass of the workingmen of the world, marching to victory in unison. They would have no part of the conflict between AFL and ClO.

Mr. Meany had some harsh words for ClO, too. He charged that important ClO unions had tried to sabotage our deferise effort before Germany declared war on Russia—and that they had co-operated in an all-out production effort only when Russia's life was at stake. On the other hand, he said, AFL was ready and willing to produce supplies and weapons for Russia before the U. S. went to war.

Well, we don't suppose the conflict will be resolved soon. The same measuring sitek W. L. While took to Russia for his six-week tour of inspection is apparently being used by Mr. Meany as he looks at Russia's labor movement. If the Soviet's challarian state can

make political peace with capitalistic democracles, so that the United Nations can go forward as ailles, it would appear that Mr. Meany's free unions could find some means of compromise with the controlled trade movement of Russias. If not, unity between the two greatist powers will not be complete.

France & Friends

Leon Blum, the one-time Socialist Premier of France, finds himself and his country in a pickle, He says that France must join a bloc of Western Eu-ropean-nations, but that she must walk carefully down the middle. On the one hand, he says, the bloc must not be politically anti-Russian. On the other, it must not be economically anti-American.

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He leaves an obvious question. Is the bloc, then, to be permitted to be anti-Russian economically, and anti-American politically? M. Blum has seemed concerned lest Russia swallow, Europe politically, but he now asserts that France, even though she cling faither than the content of the state of the

bloe must, make its manners to Russia as the most powerful political influence in that part of the world—and that it cannot isolate itself from the seat of capitalisate power, the United States. We do not wish him ill, but must recall that this is not the first time France, as a member of a Western European bloe, has walked the tight rope. Indeed, it was M. Blum thimself who was in power in 1936, when France closed its eyes to the plight of Spain.

The Hermit

Henry Walknee, who has holed up in the Department of Commerce and retried from his former role as fighting prophet of liberalism in government, is being regarded as the sphinx of the Truman Administration. Investigating reporters, unable to get a risso out of him at a lone press conference, and noting his absence from the battlefield, are speculating over his unusual quiet.

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There are numbers of seers who attempt to explain his curious new role. There is the theory that he is avoiding controversies and making himself acceptable to business men in an attempt to groom himself for the Democratic nomination in 1948. The intimation is that he learned a lesson when he was spanked at the Chicago convention. Writers are suggesting that he has become a chamelion, and that his crusading spirit may have burned out — because he is no longer ready to fight a cause at the drop of a hat.

Perhaps there is not such a mystery after all. Perhaps he has decided that he could hold his liberal following though avoiding the spotlight of controversy, and has determined to establish a new kind of public relations. Such as the such as the

Statesmen At Work

(Sertous, facetious and comic excerpts from the Congressional Record)

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SEN, HOEY (N. C.). Mr. Precision, it is generally recognized that there is a serious shortage of doctors in this country. For the past few weeks I have breat the serious shortage of doctors in this country. For the past few weeks I have breat the past few weeks I have been added to the conditions there, and about the absolute lack of any men have been overeast, but most try, and are writing about the conditions there, and about the absolute lack of any men have been overeast, but most try, and are writing about the conditions there, and about the absolute lack of any men have been overeast, but most try, and are writing about the conditions there, and about the absolute lack of any have been awarded medals, but most try, and are writing the men have been overeast, but most try, and are writing the men have been overeast, but most try, and are writing the men have been overeast, but under the past try, and are writing to the past try and the manner of the signers, because I want this matter called to the attention of the Wern and the past try a

The Merry-Go-Round

By Drew Pearson

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paving the block would boost their taxes.

This Summer, however, things finally changed. What with visitors coming from all over the country to see where Harry Truman used to live, the city fathers of Independence got busy.

So by the time the President of the U. S., who incidentally believes in high taxes, came home on his second trip to Independence this week-rend the timpaved section of W. Van Norn Road had received a coat of lat.

Navy Censorship

Japan is not the only place subject to censorship. Though the war is over, a brass-knuckled case of censorship has just occurred at the U. S. Naval Air Station, Banana River, Fla.

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Suspected reason for the censorship is a policy put out by Navy chiefs in Washington to squelch all next stories critical of the Navy discharge system. Navy improvement of the Navy discharge system. One nat the Banana River Naval Air Station, young officers and Navy men last week published their weekly paper, "Bonana Peellags," containing an 'inquiring ready paper, "Bonana Peellags," containing an 'inquiring ready charge system. It contained such quotes as these. From G. P. Robinson, Graham, N. C., Age 371, "The Navy releases me too slow. I want them to get on the boil. My wife and two kids need me a lot worse than ine Navy does now that the war is over." ... From system affects me. I don't know, but if I don't set out soon I'm going to butt my head on some builshead. I

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served my country and now I'm ready to ga home?

From Emisipn Frank C. Murphy, Philadelphia, with
four years in the Nave: "Mo only regret is that I am not
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Shortly after "Banam Feelings" his the strests,
Commanding Officer W. J. Slattery, a regular Navy
capitain, cracked down. He ordered every copy of the
survived, one of which reached this office.

No criticism of the Navy discharge system is going
to be tolerated by Annapolis graduate Cept. Slattery. He
inlends to sky in the Navy for keeps.

GOP Conspiracy

Secretly but dilligently a group of Republican Senators and Representatives is working with researchers for the Republican National Committee to prepare amminimum for the result of the result of

ommy, it will be charged.

The charge against Mrs. Rossevelt will be that she became a member of the board of directors of the insurance firm-Rossevelt & Sargent-when her son went into the military service, in order to prevent disclosure of his deals.

Missouri Welcome

There is placed of exclusions to the dependence. Mo, whetever President Truman decides to visit his old home from During the July visit, scores of high State of in-clais and Midwest politicians telephoned and wired Roger T. Semon, mayor of Independence. A lot of them wanted their names included in the private reception the mayor gave for Truman.

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The Mayor, however, was both relentless, and exclusive. Outside the Presidential staff and ten former officers of the old 129th Fleid Artillery of World War I of which Truman was a captain), plus Independence registors, he said no. Several checked in at Kansas Mayor Sermon changed his mind.

But Sermon declaring from the start that it would be strictly an Independence affair, made his declaration sood. The homecoming was just that. Even Kansas City—referred to by rural Jackson County folks as the said of Independence again.

The Nonconformist



The British Are Shocked

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as Britain prepared to participate in the Pacific place.

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it on V-J Day so that goods still in the Lend-Lease pipe
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Sock list Government. President Truman has thrown this down emphatically, but it is hard to crase the effect of such influencions.

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It seemed that at this critical juncture we were deliberately telling off an ally. The war ended and we were through. That may have been unreasonable. You may be the property of the

SIDE GLANCES





"I know you're only being true to the Navy, dear, by wearing those things—but after all, I've seen nothing but sailors for fourteen months!"

The War Trials

By Dorothy Thompson

"Allied them. cannow agare and The pact, consisting of two brief paragraphs, says, "The High Contracting Powers solenning declare ... that they condemn recourse to war and renounce it respective policy towards each other;" and "the attelment of all disputes or conflicts, of whatever nature they may be, which may arke ... shall say be pacific mean."

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By MRS. J. D. BIGGERS