

'Solid Man' To Lead Democrats

PRESIDENT TRUMAN'S "middle of the road" course is more clearly defined in his designation of Senator J. Howard McGrath of Rhode Island as chairman of the Democratic National Committee to succeed Postmaster General Robert E. Hannegan.

Mr. Truman's sentimental ties with the Senate doubts inclined him favorably toward McGrath's selection but it was the Rhode Island Senator's record which marked him as an exceptionally well qualified to carry out the Truman leadership in party affairs.

Churchill Recalls Fulton

WINSTON CHURCHILL'S expressions of gratification over the bold way in which the United States is carrying out its drive to smite the Russians brought no more to this corner than the usual advice to splendid performance in acclaiming "America's great confrontation" of Communism when he spoke three nights ago in Snaresburg, England, but somehow his eloquent eloquence has been his conviction it did two years ago when he started us on this crusade at Fulton, Mo.

and even they are better off than the Italians. Half of the battle for Winston Churchill's world, and our world, will be lost if we can't fight with food instead of with bullets.

So, Bull Halsey Took Some Nips

THE Methodist Board of Temperance has filled six columns of its propaganda journal, "The Cippicurean," with vitriol directed at Adm. Bull Halsey. The Board seems indifferently announced in "The Saturday Evening Post" that he doesn't start fighting men who don't drink or smoke and that he ordered 100 gallons of whiskey to be served before discovering O. R. A. N., without official approval.

totalers as Robert E. Lee, J. E. B. Stuart, and Stonewall Jackson, all of whom fought on the losing side in the late disturbance known as the Civil War.

Labor Pail On Taft-Hartley Act

IN ONE of the most interesting public opinion polls yet taken, Claude Robinson of the Opinion Research Corporation set out to discover just what labor does think of the Taft-Hartley Law. His findings, published in Look Magazine, are remarkable.

vital industries 70
To permit employers to discuss unionism with employees, providing no threat to their jobs 61
To allow the check-off only if workers agree in writing 74
The lowest percentage of 50, in the matter of political contributions, was still a majority of 68 per cent of respondents who thought had no opinion.



People's Platform ABC's of Enforcement Problem

Editor, The News: YOUR recent editorial addressed to the Sims-Morris combination, officially known as the Liquor Control Board, making an appeal for the enforcement of the prohibition law, is very interesting because during your campaign in behalf of liquor stores you stated that the law could not be enforced because we might as well have "legal" liquor. Now, since you have "legal" liquor, you are asking for the enforcement of that same law. It has not been changed.

The law will not be enforced, it is a law designed by a stupid Legislature for the benefit of the liquor interests, influenced and controlled by them. The enforcement of which was never intended. The idea was to sell liquor through whatever means they saw fit. On the eve of the recent election the Charlotte Chief of Police stated in the press that he could not enforce the liquor law in its present form. The lawyers, according to the press, cannot interpret that formidable gallon provision of the law, if the boot-licker and not to law enforcement.

Critic With A Pea-Shooter

Editor, The News: WHO is making an ass of himself now? Mr. P. C. Burkholder, the recent Republican candidate for Congress in the Tenth District, is making an ass of himself in his communication in 1948 written from his home town in Pennsylvania to the People's Platform of the News. He has seen the article, the call of this to say: "I knew very well that Herbert Hoover was making an ass out of himself by allowing the Tenth District to be a republic of the United States of Junior attacking the elephant with his pea-shooter."

Mr. Hoover was requested by President Truman to make a survey of the European food needs because of the deficit of wheat. He has seen the article, the call of this to say: "I knew very well that Herbert Hoover was making an ass out of himself by allowing the Tenth District to be a republic of the United States of Junior attacking the elephant with his pea-shooter."

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round : Morgenthau's Articles Blister Wallace

HAWK-EYED Henry Morgenthau casually meandered into the office of his ex-Cabinet colleague, Henry Wallace, the other day for an informal chat which may have been his last for a long time.

Predictions That Failed
HERE are more statements which certain statement-makers would like to forget—this time from some of the barons of business who descended upon Washington to demand that Arthur Bruce, president, National Lumber Manufacturers Association.

EN ROUTE, ROME TO PARIS THROUGH the train windows the sun-warmed, always various Italian countryside is made of gold and silver olive with the crops and vines in the very best of form. Within the car, a large Italian family is seated. The father, a stout, broad, a little cheap wine and a slab of cheese—a luxury meal for him but not very rich for the traveler, moving outward from one center of world crisis to another.

to a member of the Italian Cabinet, was that the de Gasperi Government had borrowed money from the New York banks. ANDERSON'S MISTAKE His policy, indeed, Representative Taber at least has the excuse of never having quite learned the lesson of the century. Secretary of Agriculture Clinton Anderson has no such excuse. You may remember, he has placed in a world hungry for eight years and now the world is still recovering from the approaching general famine, that the rich and well fed United States will have to reduce food exports in this time of greatest need.

At the State Department, Tarcher says that he is sympathetic and the suggestion that Secretary of the Treasury John H. Woodin would certainly have an effect until his resignation is frozen into the voidable but obstinate immobility which is customary of the Treasury.

of Secretary Anderson could be called in. Before we do so, everyone in the country should realize that the lowest price would be the hideous catastrophe of other war; and that quite possibly the worst of something of the world will be included in our little bill of fate.

Samuel Grafton Republican Strategy

I KNOW a Republican woodpecker who lives two from the right in a row. He is a Republican and who, when I talk him by whistling "Dixie," sometimes comes down to discuss public affairs with me. The other day we kicked around the subject of the coming Presidential election.

before me. The old one-two hit me, and then his ten again. We're going to insist on keeping you veto power in the Security Council. We're going to recommend forming a new United Nations without Russia if she insists on keeping it and using her. "But you'll get all tangled up if you try an approach like that," I said.