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NINE years ago today Japanese planes and submarines struck at Pearl Harbor and the United States found itself in a world war. The weeks that followed were filled with grim news of military and naval reverses throughout the Far East as the fast-moving Japs swept through the South Pacific and down the Asiatic continent.

How much clearer the signs are today! How much more overwhelming the evidences arrayed against us is an international emergency of hundreds of millions—an enemy well-equipped with modern implements of war, impelled by a fanatical zeal that must be expended to carry out the world program of conquest. And at our side are allies who, presently and potentially, are much weaker than they were in 1941—or rather than we thought they were. This time our factories have not had the benefit of orders from abroad to get their production schedules speeded up. And this time our geographical isolation is of less importance because of the improved airplane, guided missile, and submarine and the improved weapons of destruction they carry.

Korean Events Propel Dulles Into Top U.S. Policy Role

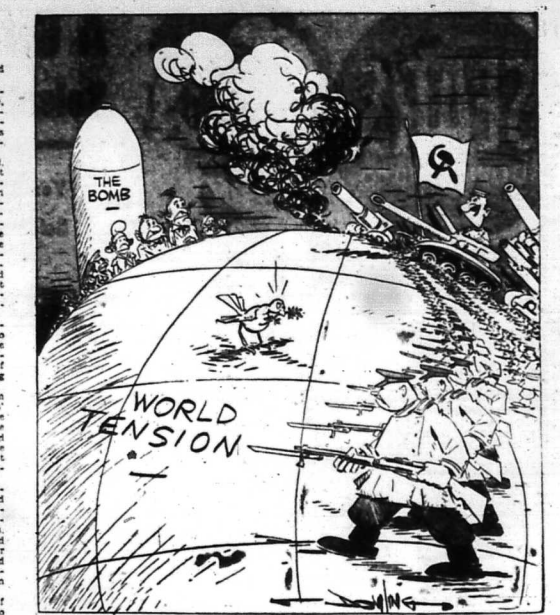
WASHINGTON (By MARQUIS CHILDS) THROUGHOUT ALL the ups and downs of the diplomatic struggle with Red China, one American official has kept a determined hold on fundamental realities. He is Dean Acheson, the State Department's chief adviser to Secretary of State Dean Acheson.

It is significant that before the present change Dulles conferred in Washington first with Acheson and then with Senators Taft and Millikin as the Capitol if they were convinced of the importance of Dulles' role in Asia. These two Republican leaders could hold the bulk of the conservative party in the Senate for co-operation on Asian policy.

Slug It Out With Reds Now, Says Ex-Tar & Toughie Ruark

NEW YORK (By ROBERT RUARK) THERE is a quiet but intense nation loom upon the streets at the suggestion that the United States should go to the aid of the East, present they never happened, and shed a short tear for the thought that they are already dead for an ideal that we have promoted all along.

You Can Hear A Pin Drop



Collected By Bill Sharpe TURPENTINE DRIPPINGS

World Still Moves (Montgomery Herald) We know why the Republicans in this country went to town last election day with their amazing vote, electing Woodrow Wilson. It is because they had heard the story about the young bride-to-be who went to her old friend, a matron who had been happily married for many years, wanting to know how to hold the love of her future husband. The older lady's reply was: "Feed the brute until he is starved."

Test Of Age (Darrington News & Press) How old are you? I don't mean the exact number of years, but tested by a formula I heard long ago. A kind of mine says that a man is young when a woman can make him both happy and unhappy; he is middle-aged when she can make him happy but not unhappy; and he is old when she can make him neither happy nor unhappy.

FAITH AND THE STOCKPILE

DO WE TRUST our allies in the war against Russian expansion? Are we confident that the British will stay by our side if war with Russia comes? Do we believe the French army will fight hard to stop the Russians, even if their cause appears hopeless? Can we trust the Chinese?

The average American citizen, we believe, is better informed than he was in 1941. He knows the danger in his pattern of existence, and indeed to his life. He is not panicky, but rather is calm and resolute in his determination to do what he can. He is still waiting to be told on this ninth anniversary of one of the gravest days in American history.

BOB RUARK DECLARES WAR

COLUMBIAN ROBERT RUARK, who has been cavorting in Miami, Haiti and Puerto Rico these last few tragic days, returns to the home front today with a grizzling echo of Chinese critics that the United States is a "yellow-bellied" lesson, by which we are to be taught.

to say about appeasement the other night. Appeasement, he said, is a much abused word. The appeasement of Hitler by sacrificing Czechoslovakia was a terrible thing, he admitted, but it did give the British and French extra time to shore up their defenses. The trouble was that the British and French failed to take advantage of this precious time, and even the British and French continued to talk about the "phony war" on the Western front. British and French leaders gave voice to brave words, but they did nothing to give them meaning. Not until Hitler clobbered through to Paris and declared the British finally gave up.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

(The brass ring, good for one free ride on the Washington Merry-Go-Round, today goes to Clement Attlee, Prime Minister of Great Britain.)

How To Escape

(Goldberg News-Argus) Have you heard the Formula For Escaping Responsibility? It is posted currently in the office of Crawford Norwood.

Soap Surplus

(San Francisco Mercury News-Herald) After Halloween is over, you can't help but wonder if it wouldn't have been better if some of that soap had found its way behind the ears of the kids instead of on the store windows.

Govt. Heads Have Similar Characters

Minister heard of Truman's atom-bomb statement, he called on Churchill. Though political opponents the two men had a long history of friendship.

Repairs Own Pipes

ATTLEE is married to Violet Helen Miller and for many years they lived with their four children in a modest house in a London suburb where Attlee did a little gardening and ran a small book and stationery shop.

READIN', WRITIN' AND TELEVISION

ONE of the most thankless tasks in Washington lies with the Federal Communications Commission. The FCC is struggling not only with color television and provisions for new television stations, but with the question of how to preserve some television rights for education.

Perhaps all three courses will eventually become part of the national television program. The only certain thing is that television could be a magical gift to mass education. The FCC owes it to the public to see that this possibility is at least preserved.

By-Passing Santo

(Petey Eye, Twin City Sentinel) A four-year-old Winston-Salem girl named a list of fourteen things she wanted Santa Claus to bring. She was asked to name additional items when her mother explained that Santa Claus not only has to bring things to all of the children in the neighborhood, but in other towns in North Carolina, too—such as the thousands and thousands of children in Utah, Texas, New York, California, France and Alabam.

Gossip

(Lask City News) Gossip is letting the chat out of the bag.

Exercise

(Kansas Herald) News-observer we overheard between two Sanford husbands.

Chautauque Days

(Laurinburg Exchange) "Laurinburg Exchange" has so many other towns called its annual "chautauque" as an indispensable in the good old-fashioned town. The President on the other hand, is at his best when speaking of the cuff in conferences. Attlee tries to win his point by charm and persuasion. The President sometimes gets impatient and petulant.