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WASHINGTON DAYBOOK BY JACK STINNETT

Washington—When is a cabinet not a cabinet? The answer is when this country is at war and the president is Mr. Roosevelt. With the office of war mobilization now functioning, it is becoming more apparent daily that President Roosevelt has bypassed most of his cabinet in delegating wartime powers. Only three of the ten members of the cabinet by right of office, have real authority at the council tables, and one of these—Secretary of State Hull—retains his importance by personal influence with the president, rather than by cooperative effort in the circle that now is running this war in all fields but that of military strategy. Oddly enough the only two cabinet members who still are powerful are Republican Secretaries—Stimson of War, and Knox of Navy. That is because both have done excellent jobs as spokesmen for the armed forces and because in their three-year tenures, the greatest army and navy the United States ever conceived has risen to such strength and efficiency.



Radars Is One of the Greatest Tactical Advances in Warfare

(Editor's Note: The basic principle of radar, the radio "eyes" of the armed forces, was discovered in 1922 by Dr. Albert Hoyt Taylor of the naval research laboratory. He noticed that radio waves were deflected by passing ships despite fog or darkness. The navy did nothing about his discovery, but with several loyal associates he persisted in research until in 1930 it was found that those same waves would detect airplanes—a revolutionary fact in warfare. John M. Hightower of the Associated Press takes up the story at that point in this third of six daily installments.)

Let Industrial Worker Know Importance of His War Job, Is Idea of Appley, of WMC

CONSTRUCTIVE suggestion for industry to conduct a campaign of education on the war production front, aimed at the war production worker, has been made by Lawrence A. Appley, war manpower commission executive director, following a manpower survey trip to war production centers throughout the country. Basis for the suggestion is the finding that the average worker in a war plant today still has no idea of what he's participating in—an industrial production revolution that cannot fail to have its effects on postwar life. "Industry made a mistake in the 20's," says Mr. Appley, "in not telling the country what it was doing. The result was that it caught hell in 30's."

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Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.—Romans 12:21. There is no evil in the world without a remedy.—Sannazaro.

JOHN L. NASH A long and an honorable life came to a close here Monday with the passing of John L. Nash, whose nearly 93 years made him one of this community's oldest residents.

There is something particularly touching in the loss of a pioneer such as Mr. Nash, for as death inexorably reduces the ranks of the community's early settlers it cuts our closest ties with the past—a past which provided the solid foundations upon which our fathers built the framework of what today is the modern, progressive city of Wisconsin Rapids.

Mr. Nash for many years had a very active part in the development not only of this particular community, but of the whole central and northern Wisconsin area. For half a century he was a railroad man, and to a great degree instrumental in stimulating the growth of this area and the development of its rich resources. Transportation, then as now, was an indispensable cog in the progress of mankind.

As a member of one of Wisconsin Rapids' distinguished families, and as a man of many admirable qualities, John L. Nash was highly respected by his fellow townspeople. The older generation regarded him as a dear friend; the younger generation looked up to him as one who merited their esteem by virtue of a worthy life spent in productive effort. He will be missed by all whose privilege it was to know him.

THE GREED OF WAR Over in the drug store the other night a group of men were arguing about the war, and the conversation brought out the fact that, in our eagerness to win, we are unaware of the terrific drain which war puts on our natural resources.

A man who knows the iron range, those hills of iron ore stretching along Lake Superior, said he had been told on good authority that the easily mined portions of the Mesaba range would be exhausted in seven years, at the rate at which ore is now being taken.

An America which half a dozen years ago was worried about food surpluses now rations most vital foods, foresees famines in several types of food. Conservation, education, culture and any sound plan of economies are all distorted, all drawn out of shape when reflected in the ugly mirror of war.

Truly, as one of the men in the drug store said that evening, war is an ugly creature, gobbling men and men's resources faster than any socially desirable impulse has ever done.

Twenty-five years ago we said that we would write a peace which would stand for years. Leaders in London and Washington agreed that the world could not again, in this century, stand for a world conflict comparable to that of 1914-18. World desolation, revolution and civil war in all lands were part of the price we were told we'd pay if we again allowed the dogs of war to slip their leash.

Well, we're given another chance—let's not miff it this time. War, unlike baseball, may not give us three strikes; and that wealth of natural resources is ever lessening.

FOUR LITTLE NEWS ITEMS Last week relatives were advised that Donald Gehl, Marshfield, had died June 11 in a Japanese prison camp on the Philippine islands.

A Wausau dispatch told of a Marathon county soldier who also was reported "dead" in a Japanese prison camp June 11, on the Philippine islands. A Lancaster story, differing only in name, tells of a Grant county youth who also died June 11, also in a Japanese prison camp in the Philippines.

From Potosi on Monday came a story of a youth from there who died that same day, same location, perhaps in the same prison camp.

Putting those dispatches together, one wonders about the horrors of that prison camp. What happened? Did mass starvation reach four Wisconsin men on the same day? Did an abortive attempt to escape end before machine gun fire?

Some day, years hence, we may know. More likely we won't. In the meantime those pitiful little news dispatches stand once again our resolve against any "negotiated peace," against any peace before the devastating weight of war proves to the people of Japan the utter foolishness of following the war mad, blood crazy leaders who promised they "would write the peace terms in the White House at Washington."

We don't know why it seemed so interesting to us, but a columnist reports that colored servants at John L. Lewis' country home are complaining about 70 hours work weekly with no overtime pay.

SO THEY SAY!

It is often supposed the defeat of Japan will take a long time. I believe that the interval between the defeat of Hitler and the defeat of Japan can be made short, if indeed there will be any interval at all.—Australian Foreign Minister Herbert Evatt.

We are not merely at war with the axis countries. We are at war with a terrible and brutal ideology. Our enemies insist that torture and the concentration camp are normal political weapons.—President Eduard Benes of Czechoslovakia.

A common goal, freedom of the individual, has linked our interests so closely that for 150 years we've demonstrated to the rest of the world that neighbor nations can live together in peace.—Fredrick C. Crawford, president National Association of Manufacturers, to Canadian manufacturers.

We are often told that among our soldiers, especially older ones, there are believers who wear crosses and recite prayers whom the younger people ridicule. We must remember that we do not persecute anyone for religion. We believe that religion is a misguided institution and struggle against it by education. We cannot combat it by ridicule.—President Mikhail I. Kalinin of the U. S. S. R.

Pressure groups are forcing inflation on the country today. If these groups are not checked, if inflation is not stopped, our system of living will be destroyed. They can be checked only by political activity.—Governor Edward Martin of Pennsylvania.

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VIEWS OF PRESS

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BARBS

People aren't as likely to notice your old clothes if you're wearing a smile.

A famous last line that follows the return from vacation—"How did we spend so much?"

The answer to over-stuffing on the good things that come from your own garden is home groan.

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Respecting Our Flag

Is it proper for policemen and firemen to salute the flag with the hand salute or should they uncover? A. The fire department regulations of many of our big cities prescribe that firemen in uniform shall salute the flag with the hand salute, and police department regulations prescribe that policemen in uniform shall salute with the hand, unless the baton is drawn, in which case the baton salute shall be rendered. In view of the fact that policemen and firemen are members of uniformed municipal forces which, as regards discipline and other matters, are quasi-military in nature, it is considered perfectly proper for them to salute the flag with the hand or baton. However, it would not be considered proper for street car conductors, Pullman porters, or telegraph messengers in uniform to salute the flag with the hand—they should salute by uncovering. Q. May unserviceable flags be destroyed? A. Yes. Unserviceable flags may be destroyed preferably by burning with appropriate public ceremony, or privately.

U. S. FIGHTER PLANE

Word puzzle grid with clues: HORIZONTAL 1 Depicted U.S. warplane, the Douglas A-24 8 It is a fighter 12 Bird 13 Three (prefix) 14 Address of dawn 15 You and I 17 Forbid 18 Medical suffix 20 Near 21 That thing 22 Jewel 24 Color 26 Lubricant 28 Area measure 29 Den 31 Us 32 South Dakota (abbr.) 33 Burn 34 Singing voices 35 Dish 37 Steamship (abbr.) 38 Therefore 39 Rhode Island (abbr.) 40 Editor (abbr.) 41 Conducted 42 Often 44 Steals 46 Ruthenium (symbol) 48 Obese (abbr.) 50 Provide food 53 Abstract being 54 Strike lightly 55 Dance step 57 Arrival (abbr.) 58 Exist (abbr.) 59 Virginia (abbr.) 60 Father 62 Beverage (abbr.) 64 International language 65 Be sick 66 Grsek letter 68 Part of circle 70 Smooth 71 Renew 11 It is made by 2 Note in Guido's scale 3 Point 5 And (Latin) 6 Standing room only (abbr.) 7 Farm buildings 8 Ring out 9 Fortune (abbr.) 10 Like 11 Came in 16 Locks up

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