

# ENTERIAL PAGE THE CHARLOTTE NEWS

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delegates settle down at San ready to lay the foundations meld order, the nation looks stant father fundly but mericans is that true peace will from the conference, and though we is a vague conception of the comts the job to be done quickly and ely. He expects the American ion to be easy to deal with, that will pledge us to full co-operation

will piedge us to full co-operation. He does not realize, we suppose, that he bope of success is not in Frisco so much as it is in Washington, where our slegation will be armed or disarmed. We shay prate of peace in the West, but we must demonstrate our interest in peace fa the East. And not all Americans who you'ce a straight ticket for a peaceful tomorrow agree as to what inseruments we shall use.

At the moment the inner works of paces are being presented for approval as washington—and battle flares. There is the Bretton Woods agreement, with the world bank and currency stabilization fund, and our bankers are battering it from all sides, with the aid of Republicans in Congress. They're for peace, this enough, but they can't bear to see as pour billions into a fund to stabilization of the congress. They are to see as pour billions into a fund to stabilize world, currency. Nor is that all, there is a fight over the reciprocal trade program.

Cordell Hull, Will Clayton, Henry Wal-Cordell Hull, Will Clayton, Henry Wal-isse and President Truman have de-clared themselves in favor of further vatering the old Smoot-Hawley Act, whose high tariff levels have already sen cut 50 per cent, The new proposal empower the President to cut tariffs and the president to cut tariffs and the president of the president and the president of the president transport of the president of the president tariffs and the president of the president of the transport of the president of the president of the transport of the president of the president of the transport of the president of the president of the transport of the president of the president of the transport of the president of the president of the president of the transport of the president of the president of the president of the transport of the president of the president of the president of the transport of the president of the president of the president of the transport of the president of the president of the president of the transport of the president of the presiden and some Democrate) as an invitation to disaster for U. 8. Industry. The departer rages as to whether home industry could be protected from foreign competition, and at the same time show he world that we mean what we say, when we speak of building for a sound and prosperous world economy.

At San Francisco our emissaries can ares to nothing more than broad prin-iples. All the details, the ifs, ands and the will be written in Washington.

### After You, Ivani

We were not shocked by news of the withdrawal of American troops from Berlin's suburbs, where they were dis-sist in on April 13. Even Drew Pear-mis revelation that it was Marshal sets revelation that it was Marshal sialn's instance upon observance of a Salia agreement which forced our with-drawal was not dislikationing. We have as reason to doubt that plans had been made for Russla to occupy Berlin — nor do we have any objections. We share the prevailing fear that our own military may be inclined to deal decently with the Germans, perhaps too deemity. And may be inclined to deal decently with the Germans, perhaps too decently. And we relish the thought that the Russians, with their traditional disregar-ties, those who stand in opposition to them, might dish out a little quick jus-tice, with hangman and firing squad.

the with hangman and firing squad. It is not too surprising that American battle plans were revised, and our troops polled back to the line of the Eibe. We regard that as no scandal. The mere fact that it saves American lives, and gives our armics an opportunity to mop up behind the flowing front lines is solace enough for us. And we don't have that any particular glory is to be won by meeting our Red allies in the streets of Berlin, rather than on the Eibe.

The only danger attached, it seems, The only danger attached, it seems, is that our relations with Russia suffered during the days of disagreement. Mr. Pearson reports that, after the Oermans had switched a crack armored army from West to East, the Russians accused us of making a deal with the Nestis in order to advance more rapidly. Stalin himself is alleged to have made that charge in a message to Mr. Rossevelt, about four days before his

death. The U. S.-British answer was firm, and pointed out that the excel-lence of our armies in the West, had speeded up our advance beyond all ex-

speeded up our advance beyond all expectations.
General Eisenhower's decision to pull hack to the Eibe apparently healed the temporary breach, and all hands are now interested only in the quickest possible end to the war. We attach little political importance to the incident, beyond the fact that our allies in the East are mighty touchy and not a little suspicious. Outbreaks of this kind in the days of occupation might result in disaster.

### The Left-Overs

As Secretary of Agriculture Henry Vallace was forced to accept, and thus

As Secretary of Agriculture Henry Wallace was forced to accept, and thus condone, a policy of plowing under surplus goods to stimulate production, and stabilize the market. As Secretary of Commerce, he must now decide how war dispose of an estimated 15 billion dollars' worth of surplus war goods without ruining manufacturers and throwing their employees out of work. Some economists estimate that the goods he must spill on the market or hide away (Mayor LaGuardia suggests we dump them into the sea) will amount to as much as 30 billion dollars. In textiles, clothing and shoes alone, the armed forces will turn back an estimated four billions—more than the entire wholesale stock in the country. This, naturally, is a dangerous surplus to

mated four billions—more than the entre wholesale stock in the country. This, naturally, is a dangerous surplus to have hanging around, and if there is an adequate answer to its disposal, neither Mr. Wallace nor anyone close has advanced it.

If we dump our vast food supplies in Europe, for example, we will gint that market with seven and a half billion dollara' worth of food—and kill the hopes Mr. Wallace has for employing 3,000,000 Americans in foreign trade. If we open the doors to buyers at home, we will slow post-waf production to a walk, and hopelessly muddle our envisioned plan of creating 60,000,000 Johns, Mr. Wallace is in a curlous pilght. We've had no word from blin that he's we're had no word from blin that he's we're anxious to hear something. So much depends on his decision.

### A Useful Sojourn

The calling of Dr. John A. Redhead by the First Preshyterian Church of Greenshore to its pastorate in a com-pliment to the man, but at the same time is a plece of damaging news for Charlotte and his church here. Dr. Redhead, if we mistake not, was the first, certainly the first of citywide importance, of a new ministerial type to infiltrate into this community.

Young, friendly, uncloistered in manner and mind, he presented himself in
the manner of one used to earning a
place for himself instead of claiming
a place by right of calling. On that
basis and in the shortest order, not
only did he gain a ready acceptance;
he was the subject of so much favorable comment that the Second Presbyterians were immensely pleased with
themselves as well as with their new
minister, whose reception in the community, they felt, was an endorsement
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minister, whose an endorsement of their own perceptiveness. They enjoyed a good deal of vicarious satisfaction, and were, so far as we are concerned, entitled to it.

The ministry of Dr. Redhead, as in the case of others of his type, has been worth a good deal to Charlotte. They are about as far as: it is possible to imagine from the hell-and-brimstone, sawdust trail species of preacher, yet we think that there has been, under their influence, something of a revival in Charlotte, a least a revival of benignity, a new appreciation for the church.

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The church, we suppose, Is like a good many institutions in that a constant infusion of younger men and viewpoints is essential, to progress. Dr. Redhead would be the first to insist that he began no such trend in Charlotte, but, we have him so listed in our books, and at that the listing will stand.

# Statesmen At Work

(Serious, facetious and comic excerpts from the Congressional Record).

CEN, VANDENBERG, Mr. Fresident,
T. fise, from the minority side of the
Senate Committee on Foreign Relations,
is join in recommending the approval of
the pending bill, which would extend LendLesse for another year, or for such chorter,
period as Congress may direct by cursist presiduals.

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# The Merry-Go-Round

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procedure."

Again, shortly after Roservill's death President
Truman was heat to a delegation of eight Republican
Senators, who went to the White House to pledge
their co-operation to their former Senate colleague.
Spokesman for the group was conservative Senator
Tatt of Ohio, son of a former Republican President,
who entered the private affice of a United States
the White House in 1931.

President for the first time since Herbert Hoover left the White House in 1933. "We are here. Mr. President." said Taft, "to offer you our whole-hearted support, although there will be times in the future when we disagree over specific issues, you may be certain that we will be sincerely working along with you for the good of our country." The other Senators-Senatora White of Maine, Austin of Vermont, Bridges of New Hampshire. Wherry of Nebraska, Millikin of Colorado, Bushielded of South Dakota and Brooks of . Illinois—each offered their personal pledge. Some called him "Mr. President, some "Harry." The meeting was completely serious, with no wissecracks. wisecracks.

### Open White House Door

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'Tm very happy you men have come here." Truman said after each of the delegation had had his way. 'Tha a party man speed. I believe in the two clovernment. You men, as representatives of the minority party, are an integral part of our Government.

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and declared:
"It comes with ill grace two days after the burial of our great President to make a personal attack upon him and his bereaved widow."

of our great President to make a personal attack upon him and his beread widow. The room became hushed. Nearly everyone present, including Republicans, nodded sarcement with Ruber. "As a neophyte member of the Public Buildings and Grounds Committee," continued Ruber, "I don't claim to know all there is to know shout housing-public or private. But I've heard mention this evening of dreaming and of bathrooms in farmhouses.

"As I look about me, I see here many who recently opposed the confirmation of one of the ablest administrators we have ever had as head of the REA (abbrey Williams). I'd simply like to point that without the vision and the dreaming that created REA and a number of other Federia projects since 1927, you gentlemen wouldn't even have the home to build so that you can put bathrooms into them."

The housing-loan lobbyists will have a hard time staging another dinner in the future.

# "Well, Well! Imagine Meeting You Here!"



# The Voice That Lingers

By Marquis Childs

WASHINGTON

A LITTLE man with a powerful voice is dead. The meas that Ernie Prie has been killed in action will adden millions who regarded him as their friend even though they had never seen him.

He was a great reporter, a reporter with an unerring eye for human beings and for the kind of detail that makes human beings come alive on the printed page. What he was able to do in this was not always to the work was a like with its hire. With list horrors and terrors as well as the courage, and the noblity.

terrors as well as the courage and the mobility.

In the European theater and in the Mediterranean, a great many collision of the Mediterranean, a great many collision of the Mediterranean, a great many collision of the Mediterranean and the Mediterranean and the Mediterranean and the Fifth Army press camp in the Apennine Mognitatius in Haly they spoke of him with a kind of venication. He would go away for a week or ten days another and blung with the men.

He did it the hard way, with a bed roll which he flopped down wherever he stopped. One of the minor heards of covering this war is to be overwhelmed with kindness. You rarely saw Ernie at the Central's measurement of the minor hazards of covering this war is to be overwhelmed with kindness. You rarely saw Ernie at the Central's measurement of the minor was a season when the Class when "the brasa" was assembled. Extile was out where the action was and where the Gla were talking it out.

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His fame he wore like a hairabitri. It was a hapidicap he was acutely aware of. It made it harder for him to provid around, looking into what was going; on like any other reporter.

He was always a first-rate reporter, beginning in the days when he reamed this country setting down what he was of America with that same unerring seme

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of detail. But it was with the war that his reputation began to grow.

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"Regardless of the food shortage and everything, don't you dare repeat what you just said in front of the children—and those neighbors may count their chickens every evening anyhow!"

# Spirit Over Frisco

By Dorothy Thompson

LONDON

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globe. Was therefore argued that Recoeverlt, who, above all other world figures and in disregard of registre strength or preside the registre strength or preside the registre strength or preside the between the Western powers and the Soviets, could also do the most to recoive their difficulties as they might arise and recoive them in a manner acceptable to all.

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The burden upon his successor would be tremendous in any case, froud to be tremendous in any case, from the way for the control of the

depend. Nor, until recently, was there any widespread doubt that the heats upon witho compromise was reached would be meterically and the heats upon which compromise was reached would be meterically and the serious doubts. They have arisen out of numerous facts and incidents. Loyal determinant and incidents. Loyal determinant on its expressed in the vesticence of the press to publicise them as all, or if that is unavoidable, to its efforts to play down these doubt are a cause of concern more effect of the think of the concern of the concern

London but b the British and American representatives in Moscow.

The fact that they actually are in consultation with the Russians and the Russians with the Russians and the Russians Russians with the Russians and the Russians and the Russians Russians with the Russians Russians with the Russians and the Russians Russians with the Russians Ru

# **Our Threats**

By Samuel Grafton

NEW YORK

It has been suggested that we threaten reprisals sgainst the Germans for mistreatment of our prisoners; that we warn them we state hearst German town for each to mean done to death, and burn the town besides. These suggested of credit to the redinging of them, but they probably would not work. The signing State would not know to the deterred by threats. On the whole, these boys would ratter enjoy being put to death, as may be the state of t

way, relish that too; for that is kind of world in which they like kind of world in which they like the world way they they way they think the world goes anyhow; and it is the kind of the world goes anyhow; and it is the kind of the world goes anyhow; and it is the kind of the world goes anyhow; and it is the kind of the control of the world goes anyhow; and it is the world goes on the control of the world goes on the world goes on the world goes on the world goes of the worl

taking about when we sentenced them.

I am for execution of war eriminals, but let us not delude ournals, and the sentence any salutary effect on the main body of the German people; it will be as mysterious to them as if it were a preclamation in Chinese. The only punishment that is a to force them to from up, to grow out of their evil immaturity.

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But growth takes time, and self-examination; it involves forcing the Germans to face the facts of life, to begin to resiles that the cruel and childish "solutions" they have found for themselves do not answer.

have found for themselves do not answer.

In some way, to my mind, puniment of the Germans seems to many the most of the Germans seems to world more successful; to make the giggling Naal boys realise that they are failures; to feed the Francisco, while the pussied evil Nasi faces look on.

It involves setting Europe on its feet, industrations it, changing the economic balance forwer, while the control of the c