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Post-Mortem On FEPC

The great filibuster has ended in a Southern victory: FEPC is dead, But, like most battles, this one cost the victors almost as much as the vanquished.

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A good many @Gouthern reputations
were seared in the course of turning
back the FERC bill. Statemen were
forced down to the level of the Bilbos
and the Bastlands, and each speaker
to reduce before the world. The Demoter of the before the world. The Demoter of the before the world. The Demoter output is certainly poorer for the
controversy; sath has been rubbed into
old sectional wounds and the cleavage
the poor works forced a little wider. old sectional wounds and the cleavage in Party ranks forced a little wider. Even the Republicans, who might have gained by defeat, demonstrated only their own lack of discipline, and of conviction; the Negro vote, we suspect, will remain in the Democratic column.

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Sometimes controversy itself can be a healthy thing, clearing the air and dragging obscure issues into the open where they may be examined. But, if the FFPC fillbuster proved anything at all, it demonstrated only what everyone knew all the time, and is a little sahamed of—that race prejudice in the South is too universal and too deep-South is too universal and too deep-rooted to yield to Federal regulation.

The Southern Senators, we are convinced, spoke for the great majority of their constituents. Perhaps, as the liberals charge, their attitude was defeatist, based on the blind acceptance of an illogical, out-moded philosophy. Nevertheless, that philosophy is the political reality in any discussion of the Negro, and nothing is gained by attempting to ignore it, as the FEPC would have done.

Reneath all the bombast of the filiouster, the attitude of thoughtful, re-sponsible Southerners prevailed. It has been best summed up by the Raleigh News & Observer:

The South put an end to lynching without Federal legislation.

The South must be free from un-fair discrimination without Federal legislation.

fair discrimination without Federal legislation.

Fair employment and fair compensation are essential to all people, all creeds, all nationalities and all needs. Except for the zeolots on the fringe, this was the platform of the Southerners who fought so bitterly against FEPC. It involves a public admission that the Negro is, in fact, a second-class citizen, and a promise to work out a solution to his problem within the framework of regional custom. There is little in the empty phrases hurled in the fill-buster to attest to the Senators' sincerity, but there is a great deal in the record of the Negro's recent progress. Good will does exist in the South, and it is growing: if the threat of outside it is growing; if the threat of outside interference embodied in the FEPC spurs interference embodied in the FEPC spurs us into speeding the gradual process of education in which we pin our faith then Senator Chavez's bill and the alarums and excursions it promoted will not have been in vain.

The Kuriles Deal

At Yalta one year ago Russia agreed to enter the war against Japan. For obvious military reasons she could not do so until the Germans surrendered in Europe, so the date of entry was left at "two or three months after the Ger-man armistice," thus allowing time to shift her forces across two continents. and Eritain a guarantee that she would have the strategically important Kurile Islands and certain other territorial con-

There were a great many reasons why this deal could not be revealed at the time, but we doubt if many Americans would have considered the Russian demands particularly unreasonable on the day it was signed. There would have been those who would have objected to the obvious power politics involved, but most of us would have been willing to swallow our scruples in return for a chance to shorten the war against Ja-pan by months, possibly by years.

But when the Russians declared war on Japan on August 8, a few days after our atomic bomb leveled Hiroshima, there was a great cry of protest from a goodly segment of the American press. Russia was charged with jump-ing into the war after it was over in order to grab glory and territory; it was not until September 4 that Secre-tary Byrnes even intimated that the Red Army had arrived under a schedule set up months before.

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The terms of the agreement, dragged out of the State Department a bit at a time over the ensuing months, are now revealed in full. Considered at this late date and out of context they are appailing—the United States and Britain were willing to barter Japanese territory in return for Russian support, and the cynicism of all three participants contrasts strangely with their current protestations before the UNO.

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But the worst aspect of the whole business is the unnecessary secrecy that surrounded the agreement even after the Russians actually declared war against Japan. Certainly the State Department's hush-hush contributed to the deterioration of our relations with Russia, and it has increased, rather than tempered the shock of the final, inevitable revelation.

Secretary Byrnes says the Kuriles Secretary Byrnes says the Kurlles agreement is the last war-born skeleton in the State Department's closet. That gits him a chance, then, to wipe the siste clean and keep American diplomacy in the open, where it should be and where it rarely has been. "Open covenants, openly arrived at," was an excellent alogan when Woodrow Wilson used it. It still is.

Welcome, Comrade

We remarked the other day that the highest function of a UNO Delegate may be to suffer public embarrassment from time to time, and the ink was hardly dry before Messrs. Bevin and Vishinsky were providing red faces to prove our point. Somehow, in discussing Indonesia, they swapped corners and came up sup-porting each other's pet thesis.

Spoke Mr. Bevin, like the ghost of Marx: "A newspaper has three functions.
One is to amuse, another is to entertain and the other is to mislead. . . . I was not impressed with newspaper cuttings."

Replied Comrade Vishinsky, like the thost of Voltaire: "I suggest that so ong as the press respects the dignity of the people it will be a school of truth for democracy."

Mr. Bevin made his remarkable pro-nouncement after he had been force far out on a limb trying to justify Britain's rampant imperialism in the Dutch colonies. Finding it difficult to lend moral tone to his defense, he had to resort to an attack on the validity of the press reports of the Indonesian fighting. And this, of course, placed him in the position of attacking the entire institution of the free press, which his nation has supported in the Russian-dominated Balkans.

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Comrade Vishinsky, in order to take advantage of Mr. Bevin's awkward position, had to assume one himself and publicly express his faith in the free press which his own nation has decried as an instrument of the capitalist conspiracy to enslave the worker.

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Well, we are delighted to have Comrade Vishinsky in our corner, even if he was shoved into it. He may not mean what he said, but it's in the record, and it will be remembered when the matter of free-flowing information in the Russell of the said of th sian zone comes up for discussion again.

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Progress, we are convinced, is made in
this strange, inverted fashion. The first
big task of UNO is to blast away the
international hypeerisy that is the product of secret diplomacy, and it can't be
blasted, of course, until it is in the open.
Every time one of the Big Three is
caught in public with its logic down we
have progressed another step toward
real understanding.

From The Louisville Courier-Journal:

A Lesson For Editors

Perhaps the most depressing assumption about the modern American news-paper has been that it is dependent on comile strips. Most editors, certainly, have let themselves become convinced that mobody much would bother to read the news about local and national and foreign events unless it were spleed with the day's developments in the Brunstead; the Yokum, the Tracy and the Palooka families. As strikes have closed various papers or crippled their distribution, this fallacy has been strengthened by such stunts as Mayor LaGuardia staged in New York by reading the funnies over the radio.

It is both wholesome and enlightening, therefore, to peruse the results of a poll as no ng mewapaper readers in Clereland by The Fress, after a 32-day strike had suspended all papers. Asked comic strips. Most editors, certainly, have

se had suspended all papers. Asked S they had missed most, 63 per cent

said "local news," 26 per cent "world news." and 21.75 per cent "comics."
This verdict is the more significant because a great deal of general news, both local and national, came in by radio, whereas, readers bereft of their newspapers had absolutely no access to annals of the comic world. Thus a newspaper famine now and then does serve a useful purpose. People discovered that while it was pleasant to see Blondie again, she was about the same as ever; and that a change in a few of the faces in the asga of Dick Tracy did not in the least change the stercotyped pattern of melodrama. It was a good lesson, both for readers and editors.

Someone proposes Concord (Mass.) for world headquarters of the UNO as the name suggests peace. That's not what it says in our history.

Leahy Says Our Russian Policy Leading To War

WASHINGTON
OW that General Marshall is
in China, the man President
Truman leans on most for militarynaval advice is
White House Chief
of Staff Adm.
Even on some
foreign affairs
problems, Truman
is inclined to take
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that of his Secrelary of State.
For that reason,

Received in 187 that the time to prevent war was then. If we didn't stop the Japa then, I said, we'd find ourselves fighting on two fronts later, with much greater loss of life and a war that would drag on for a long time.

"Mr. Roosevelt, who was a very great man group, and there were others around him who better the stop of the long of th

lieved in appeasing Japan and who held him back."

Note — Actually Admiral Leahy went much further than indicated above in trying to stop Japan (and the state of t Leahy. STOP RUSSIA NOW

against Leaby.

STOP RUSSIA NOW
"I am an old man," Leaby contined his advice to Truman. "I have been in this naval-diplomatic and the state of anyone else. And I warn you now, Mr. President, that if we will be state of anyone else. And I warn you now, Mr. President, that if we have been stated on the same situation we faced between 1937 and 1941, with eventual war.

I will come in five years. The Russians can be our friends, but not if they can get away with everything; not if they are now in the aggressor's seat, and only a firm but friendly hand can you then they will be stated to the state of the state of

Britain a poor third. We can't appears Russia. If we do we will appear the state of the state of

poison gas. With the invasion of Peinath, he escaped to Lonover to the Allies. It is not parented. It is not parented. It is not leave to the Allies. It is not leave to the Allies. It is not leave to the Allies. It is not leave to the Allies in the Allies of the All

DISCHARGING FATHERS
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of the United States Senate," he
said, "and I was astounded that
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On. Does this mean that If this
Committee does not agree endations
of its Sub-Committee, members of
the Sub-Committee will move to
Senate wor on their proposals?"

Since Revercomb was not present,
the question went unawwred.

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War Patterson said, cannot an owdischarged from the Army by July 1.

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What's That Boy Been Eating Lately?



Too Little And Too Late vast stretches of German territory in the west, which they have neither the proper Governmental authority, the people, or the tools to resettle to the evacuation from Eastern to the evacuation from Eastern to the evacuation from Eastern countries of the entire German-speaking population, numbering ten or twelve millions; deciding for the immediate collection of reparations in the form of industrial plant and spricultural machines and important of the form of the contral plant and spricultural machines and important of the form o

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The discussion attending the introduction of this resolution brought
out innumerable facts regarding
hunger and health conditions, especially in Germany, and revealed
that attempts to interest the administration, both by converses millions of the christian churches, and
Mrs. Dwight Morrows "food for freedom," had been coldly received
in the White House. The discussion
occupies eleven pages in the Congressional record.

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the story.

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NEW YORK

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Mass appeals, participated in by
housands of Americans, to open
Axis countries where conditions are
re-establish postal services for personal relief to relatives and friends,
have been ignored. The President
is not ahead of the people; he is
aged to learn what is going on.
The real troublg is that the terrible
disorganization caused by the war,
accompanied by political demoralization and breakdown in all the
condition in liberated allied countries, have been compounded by
the Potsdam program, which will
go down in history as the bilmest,
most stupid peace program ever

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Compounded of morgenthaulsm, revengism, economic moronity, and the suspicions of the victors of each other; made to compensate the Poles for their loss of territory in the east by jawarding them

DEATH SENTENCE
It meant a sentence of death on
millions of German, Hungarian,
and other European women and

and other European women and children.

Its results are reflected in an official report from the Russian official report from the Russian of the Russian of

The People's Platform

A Real Atomic...

CHARLOTTE
The Filibuster is a real atomic, and should be used in many, many ways in our present day. It's too bad that our forefathers could not here will be there would not have been any such thing as the FEPC, nor any such thing as the FEPC, nor any cause for a great man such as Senator CLYDE HOEY, to be criticated and insulted over such a feet of the senate of

thing.
Would it be fair to give us a

CHARLOTTE a real atomic, in the Square of Charlotte If we had not or did not apply one pendera could not it day. If so, way been any to the section of the FEPC. so way should we let a bill like this be passed?

why should we let a bill like this bet passed?

Now if Senator Boey is guilty of treason, we think every man in the Civil War South of the Mason-Dixon line was likewise guilty. Senator Hoey is cerrying on the hin, that they, fought and died for, trying to protect what their forefathers fought and died for them.

To guilt or them, the serimon on the mount, Senator Reey is olding just that. "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." If you were in his place would. The work of the senator has possible to the senator of the property of the senator would have them do unto you." If you were in his place would not you just six still until one day our off-springs would show up to be piccannines, or what have you?

entirely to the Poles, who are them-selves demoralized by the alleration of legitimate government and any army with disciplined morale; de-stroying, not only the political but also the economic unity of Ger-many, so that there is no inter-course between the Rhinelands and

course between the Rhinelands and Silesia or Leipsig and Munich—the Allies at Potsdam made what is now coming to pass with mounting horror, an inevitability.

DEATH SENTENCE

up to be piccaninnies, or what have your at and that this FEFC will bring about, I am, just as good as you are and "will now take your place, this I do demand as now I am your EQUAL don't like our-senator Hoey, then go back to the place from which you came. You can associate with the rest the kind that you like best. Then you can take into your home your early the weaking—you can even go as far as to athie their shoes may get them to do the same for YOU.

So keep up the good work, Senator a source of the same for You.

So keep up the good work, Senator, we are still with you 99 and 44/100 per cent.

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W. F. HELMS

(NOTE: Is J. F. W. Davis in the couse?—Eds., THE NEWS.)

Quote, Unquote

No one is going to build a house, or a group of houses, if he feels that within a few years their value will be about half of the inflated costs of today.

—Ashland, Ky., Independent.

Marquis Childs

The Pauley Nomination



Paley.

In some respects, this comes down to a question of his veracity or Pauley's. Their testimony is flatly contradictory. It is the word of a Cabinet member of long standing against the word of the oil man who wants to be in the Gabinet.

Now the President has thrown his weight on Pauley's side. He suggested that, like other human beings, Ickes could be mistaken.

ken.
This puts Ickes in an embarrassing posion, It is hard to see how he can stay on
the Truman Cabinet. The pictures of
kes and Pauley sitting in the same Cabinet
eeting is an impossible one, and Pauley has
it be known that the Underscreatership
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ONLY TWO SUBVIVORS

The only other New Deal survivor in the Truman Cabinet is Secretary of Commerce Henry A. Wallace. Wallace, while he was not called upon to testify because he had no connection with Pauley, is also known to disapprove of the appointment.

prove of the appointment. These two men, Wallace and Ickes, represent the labor and left-wing support which at least three out of four times, helped to put Roosevelt in the White House. If they go, then this important element of Democratic strength will be without representation in Whether Basics.

in the Cabinet.

Whether Pauley will be confirmed by the Senate is still a question. The probability is that he will. Chairman Robert Hannesan of the Democratic National Committee and his aids are putting all possible pressure on Democratic Senators.

Certain Democratic Senators are keeping very quiet about their views on the matters with the senators are keeping very quiet about their views on the matters withdrawn, so that they will not have to stand up and be counted. But if it does come to a vote, they will vote again confirmation.

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Quite apart from Pauley's oil connections, the most serious question in the minds of these doubters is the veracity of the man who has been named to so high an office.

Truth-telling would seem to be rudimentary. Icless produced a careful memorandum, setting out in detail the conversation in, which Pauley is alleged to have said he circumstance of the conversation o

Samuel Grafton

The Case Bill And Geography

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social problems of Afshanistan.

The bill was put through by the bi-partisan bloe: that is to say, 100 Democrate joined with 140 Republicans to vote for it, as a sepain tried. Duck it. To look at the list of 100 Democrate who voted for the bill is to be staggered; with the exception of two Californians, and three of four men from called the problems of the control of the Californians, and three of clour men from the list is Southern.

BLOC VOTING

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the bill come from industrial areas.

NO HASTY SOULTION

This is not a problem which can be solved by writing hasty bills. mall-order catalogues of miscellaneous prohibitions; that will merely raise the problem to a higher level, transform it change it, perhaps, mit a political light; but it will not solve med of finding an accommodation among conflicting interests, it must, in the end.



"We'd probably get a more positive reaction if we beamed some radio singing commercials at the moon!"