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# Three Forgotten Americans

event on Boston Common

A man by the name of Peter Salem was at Bunker Hill (properly Breed's Hill) and the day the redecess finally man the day the redecess finally man the Bunker Hill (below) was the redecess finally man to the Hill (below) was the man to the properly was to make the probably was it in uniform But the was on hand when the British had cleared the field, and head Maior Pitcarn boasting of the triumph of His Maiesty's forces. Peter Salem saw red. rusked forward and shot the Maior He paid with his life.

shot the Major He paid with his life.

A man by the name of Samuel Poor fought through lone Revolutionary compaigns, and he has faded into obscuity now by the very bravery which first brought him fame. His officers in writing of him in formal report, said. "His brave deeds are so numerous that to set forth particulars would be tedinus."

A man by the name of Crispus Attucks are the first American to fall in the war for independence. He was on hand on March 5, 1770 when a Boston mob revked Stiths nodlers. He was the first to die under their murderous fire. His name is listed first on the statue commemorating the event on Boston Common and undisturbed.

and undsturbed. We prefer to hope that these three American Negro revolutionaries and their heirs would simily shring off the present squables of the DAR, which seem to center about maintainine white supremacy in Constitution Hall. We prefer to hope that men and women of cood will can let this independs undient mass with making of it a course celebre, without actitating it to the harm of improving race relations in the South and America at large.

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And we prefer to hope that the spirit of Attruks, Salem, Poor and their loue-flead continuous arrangements will sometally, somehow, be reconsisted as a part of the true spirit of the Brestation, and that this recognition will finally make such univars within the DAR lamassible. When that Impuess the furer will subside and any such debate hetwen Georgias Mrs. Talmades and Conjectical's Mrs. Luce will no longer rage.

# A Criminal Waste Of Money

THE plaint against bureaucracy is as old THE plaint against bureaurrary is as old, as Government and organized society. The curse of this inevitable evil house above governments of richt, left and center, above earnest gepithleg, benjewiert it is not merely a disease of Government. It blights without years at the control of the co

ed with it in various forms.

There is, for example, a vast heirarchy of public welfare organizations among us, supported by public funds by a generous and cheerful kind of taxation. It sprawls across the national life, reaching into almost every field. And it constantly grows, and seeks out new fields. Its own attempts at standardization, mergers and voluntary control have scarcely aftered the picture. Its central control officers and information centers have eliminated some overlapping, and combined some conflicting appeals, but not nearly enough.

Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, State Health Officer, put his finger on that evil this week. He limited himself to the field of health, where the disadvantages of this ill-as-sembled and disorganized congress of or-

He might have gone into a long discussion of the waste of this system. In this field there is duplication of effort and appeal. Each organization must lean heavily on high-powered multi-lasts in promotion campaigns, and beat the country for funds. These drives come separately, one hard on the heels of another, until the calcular is the brels of another, until the calendar is crowded. Each appeal is strong and each cause liberally screams for public support. The causes are worthy, but more and more of the money intended for relief of suffer-ing, for treatment, prevention and er-search, must go to maintain large forces of weekers, to pay hig hills run up by prop-aganda campaigns.

There are still great health needs to be met, and volunteer workers, as they have hefore, must meet them. But until most of these groups pool their resources and their funds, with money elegate earnanched for separate nurposes, we will be wasting a good need of the mores, centributed separate purposes, we will be wasti-good part of the money contributed.

# That Strange Season Again

THE time of madness is upon us again, the time of madness is upon us again, the time when the cosmos kicks up its heels and the frailiy of human kind becomes so painfully apparent. The spell touches men everywhere, without warning, and they become the foolish, pitiful and tragic pawns of Earth, that monstrous practical joker. They go daff with the pull of the tides, under the weird signs of the moon, in the sheer zany abandon of the vernal season. It is the time of Pan.

Man falls in with the elements all too easily, for the mood is sedative, anesthesia and narcotic rolled into one. He carries the spell world-around and year-around; it is his downfall. But it is now, when the fiendish lauphter of the goatherd echoes in the land, that the tract-comedy is at its best—and it is not always pure comedy by any means.

It came this week to Kenton, Ohio, and towched Charlie Broyin, a Negro truck driver. It came in the form of a bolt of lightning, and it taught Charlie he should not be reading books. He stood in a public library, reaching out for his book, when the bolt atruck him. It was not his first time.

This human mannet passed the wild current to the ground for the tenth time, and survived unharmed. The book lady, two feet away, was not a part of the jest, and was unfouched.

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It came to a sweating young fireman aboard a mine sweeper in San Diego harbor. At home in Dunkirk, N. Y., a check for him, an income tax refund. For a randury that tub, perhaps. A long life of luxurious moment he was Crosesus. He would buy that tub, perhaps. A long life of luxurious ease stretched before him. But it was surely an error. His refund should have been \$20. The bureaucrats had wounded him cruelly. Bireffy, Pan had been at the checkwilting machine.

writing machine.

It came to old William Royce in Pontiac, Mich., in tracedy, to a man who had seen the log disapnear from 15t. The author of the flowing Missouri Waltz threw himself beneath the wheels of a train, beset by some unknown and cell uree. He had lived to see his song mean something else than Mark Twain and the ancient river, the sleek mule and the forsaken Ozarks. It had become Pendergast, Truman, Hannegau, a Washington macIstrom.

#### Another Voice

# The Mint Question Flares Again

An ancient question that often has been debated in the Loxcountry with Uncountry without and interlogers, and that probably never will be settled, is whether or not the mint of the mountains, that which grows on the banks of the spring branches in the Blue Ridne, is superfor to the mint that grows along the crike.

It has bobbed up gain and sometimes it It has bobbed up rain and sometimes it leads in the direction of disorderly conduct. The Neus and Courier often has been called upon to arbitrate in the discussion, but considerations of a prodential nature have caused it to plead engacements. It would nevertheless venture opinion that, with proper methods of fertilization and cultivation, mint of an excellence not surpassed in any part of the world, not excepting Bermida, can be raised in the vicinity of Charleston.

An acquaintance of The News and Cour-ier, who lived in Columbia had a variety of mint, the roots of which had been brought from Bermosthes by a triend in New York, and it was in sharp and strenuous demand.

By the way, the celebrated duke, Pros pero, was informed of the beauties and treasures of the Bermoothes, which was his name for Bermuda. The duke was a man of much learning, and it was of a useful kind. He was probably a better informed

gentleman than is any living statesman of Spartanburg or other locality in South Carolina.

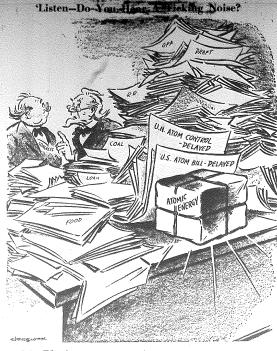
Mint has many uses, and they are all valuable, Besides, it is, in a mild and subdued way, ornamental too. Its cultivation is a worthy pursuit,

The mint of Virginia is good, but is too boasted, or "publicized".—Charleston News and Courier.

Women begin rather early in life to be misunderstood, as in getting a bicycle for a birthday when they wanted Van John-

You can tell that "Information Please" is unrehearsed. Anothing as impronouncable as "Workstooth's Worst Poem" would never have been left in a script by Fadiman.

About the original bearer of the name, Quonset, now associated with the familiar hut, we wouldn't know. Could it have been an Indian—a round-shouldered Indian!



#### People's Platform

# A Veteran Protests John Lewis

CHARLOTTE

Fedinius, Thir News:

WHAT is the downfull of the U. S. foday? Til fell
word wint it is: John L. Lewis. Have the people
our mation frogother that we ere a circlibrate
this John L. Lewis is doing to us? At the speed
he is going now, the whole mation will be one big
union, taking orders from thin.

It is getting to the place now that an honest man
earth make an holiest liking. Do you know that
John L. Lewis is practically running our nation into
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They are not thinking about? Morey. It fell you sometime fine not thinking about? Morey. It fell you sometime fine to the fight fight.

They are not thinking about? Morey. It fell you sometime fine they free people to gooph, money is everything. It's mining everything. It's making criminals. Why? Because fix getting to the place that they won't give a good honest man a chance, and they won't give a good honest man a chance that they won't give a good honest man a chance that they won't give a good honest man a chance that they won't give a good think it's agint fine fine fight.

The fight good think good but we earn't finik about two, we have to brink about our future world which we are going to have to live in, not John L. Lewis.

I pleige allegiance to the fits of the United States and to the republic for which it stands, one nation indivisible, will believe and Mutter for all.

—SIGNATURE WITHHELD.

#### One Digit Off

GREENSBORO

Editors The News:

In your paper, the edition of May 16, the inclosed advertisement was printed. The advertisement of the air show to be held at Mortis Pield.

I regret to inform you that there has been a

slight mistake. The encircled item is numbered wrong. I served with the Ninth Air Force in England and France using this aircraft. It is known as the A25 Invader, not, A21 Invader and the A25 Invader, not, A21 Invader I am sort of proud of the plane and I wouldn't want people to get the wrong numbers on it. They might never know how very good the A25 actually was, due to the fact that it was specified as A37.

—PPC, WILLIAM CONDES.

#### Plug For Revolution

Editors, The News'
Comes the revolush! No kiddin!, It won't be a revolution of the right and it won't be a revolution of the left. It'll be smark down the middle.

Do you listen to the radio? If you do then you are a potential revolutionary. For, If you have the intelligence to appreciate the programs I amore you turn purple in the fare and start chessing on your pleasance—or whatever—when most of the commercials come on. I think it is only possible.

ting wit suits pinestern—or whatever—when most of the commercials come on.

What are we, morons? I think its quite possible because they traist that the kind of bullyhout they put out is what sells their stuff. Is there any children they are the sell of the

The People's Platform is available to any reader who cares to mount it. Communications should be tess than 380 words, typeuritien if possible, and on only one side of the paper. Libet and obscently tall be deleted—otherwise anything poes. Each letter must be signed, although, in exceptional cases and upon request, we will wakhold the writer's name.—Editors, Tan News.

#### Quote, Unquote

Russia and the United States are today the most werful nations in the world, so unless we can get mg together, there is no hope for peace—Dr. E. U. ndon, National Bureau of Standards director.

#### Marquis Childs

### The Strike Pattern

arellef food contain nothing else but rellef.

OTHER SHIPMENTS

The fact is, however, that UNRRA is shipping only a fraction of the food leaving American porise. That we had been been supported by the same soing to countries that need the food desperately and have the forcies exchange to pay for the forcies exchange to pay for the forcies exchange to pay for the maritime unions. If they are stopped, hunger, famine will spread in Europe and Suns beatering the forcies are the forcies of the maritime unions. Communist influence is greater there than in any other union in the country.

in the world? Will community pollers to be back of some phases of this spreading cancer.

A strike is, scheduled for June 18. That is the strike of the sevent in the strike of the sevent they are far from controlling the waterfronts on the East and West coasts, since there is active AFL competition, they can go a long salipping out of Utilitied States ports.

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the railroad unions. They have tak-en a middle-of-the-road political line. The read of the road in the fact remains that if in the interests of international power politics, the sain had been to crip-ple and impair this country, it could not have been done more effectively. You do not have to look far to see what this means.

# Samuel Grafton

# Our Food Failure

NEW YORK

ONE BOTCH leads to another; and it is the indictionary tendency in American life which we must blame, in part, for our difficulties in sending food abread, we are perfectly willing to appropriate money to pay for a food and the indictionary jumps, and the indictionary jum

The farmer, expecting sharp price rises (as everybody does dur-ing an inflationary time) would rather keep his grain on his farm

# Drew Pearson's: Hoover Holds Ground Against Questioner Merry-Go-Round:

A DISTINCUISHED group of Government officials, publishers, and businessmen, who sit on President Transact Famine Energency Committee was listening to Herbert However give his off-the-record report on his world imperion trip. It was not an encouraging picture. Millions of people to the state of the property of the state of the transaction of people to the way to be a few first the state of the

country? What are we going to get in the way of corn and wheat?"

The question came from Clarence Francis, president, of the giant General Poods Corp.

"On I don't think anyone is going to starve over here" other members of the Famine Committee sat silent and amazed as Francis pursued his queries, tried to pin the expendent down. Hoover, however, did not yield. He felt that American manufacturers could take care of themselves.

Mr. Francis happens of the start of themselves.

Mr. Francis happens of it is not executive of Bear Poods, Walter Baker, Diamond Grystal Salt, Calumet Baking Co., 1910. Maxwell House Coffee, Pottum, Muniter Tapleon, La France Manufacturing Co. His company also has the distinction of having been investigated by the Agriculture 19-partment of the property of the stockholder of his company, Mrs. Joseph E. Davies, and to Barbara Hutton, serves more.

"at her swank parties than almost any other Washington locates."

#### Synthetic A-Bomb Hero

country. Overright and out of the unknown, they become great men.

Sometimes, of course, it happens that the real herces get no accisint. This, noverer, is inevitable and not particularly dangerous unless the synthetic here attempts to say on the zero and use the silmout of his evernight build up to thehere under the silmout of his evernight build up to thehere under the silmout of his evernight build up to thehere under the silmout of his evernight build up to thehere under the silmout of his evernight build up to thehere under the silmout of the reads frequency to the silmout of the reads frequency to prove the silmout of the read being the silmout of the read the silmout of the read being the silmout of th

bomb was dropped over Hirochims. Overnight, the man who through pure luck was assigned to the construction of preduction facilities for the atomic bomb became a hero. The scientists who apent years working out, the secret of the atom. The men who were working out, the secret of the atom. The men who were on Roosevelt, were given publicly back seats, while one hero. Gen. Leelle R. Groves struited across the stage.

No one would begrudge Gen. Croyes his moment of away-sering splender if he had taken his bow and passed on However, and the secret of the seat of the se

be a decorative approach to the Pentagon Building, which would not have the dightest relationship to the prosecution of the war. I showed him the charts of defours around the building him which would bring the approach reads to the Pentagon just as effectively as would the route through the building him to the point all the late decorative.

brick plant, also curturely as would the route through the brick plant, able less decoratively.

"I might just as well have talked to a brick wall. Col. Groves showed himself totally devoid of interest in sub-ordinating every other consideration to the prosecution of the war. He showed himself total particular motivation, "To this matter. Col. Groves—now the allegedly great the prosecution of the war. The War Production Board had to slow the diversion of highly critical materials. Col. Groves knowingly created that situation in order to construct a decurative approach to the Pennagon Building. On the stage if he were not today applying these same Pennagon sactics to dominating the ruture control of the atomic future which affects the life of every man, woman, and child in America.

#### The Battle Of OPA

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Matt cleave on Capitol Mill say that the biggest delaye of
hatters ever to hit the Senate and House of Representatives pound in just after the House builded the price control built. A total of 600,000 aerived in one week, being about
ten sto one in favor of OPA. Mott clerks had the work in
three-hours shifts to handle them.
The mail mode a bit of Congressmen sore, especially
senator Residant of Mississippi. But after his secretary told
time that many of this interes were signed by velerans with
setting numbers structed; the gestleman from Mulsissippi
secretary is decided that this was multiple had belief