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Don't Get Hysterical Now

MOSCOWS hysterical performance in the collecting the 30th anniversary of the Bolshevik Revolution underscores the implication and wisdom of former Secretary of Siate James F. Byrnes' warning against hysteria in this country.

The Russian parade of military might, accompanied by furtious sound effects and demonstration arranged especially for the benefit of the United States and Great Britain. Directed by men who are masters in the fields of provocation and mass payshology, its was designed to arouse the very hysteria in America which Mr. Byrnes search Lee United States and Great Sears. Like the Usiniansy hysteria over a German peace treaty. Their hysteria in America which Mr. Byrnes search the Conference of Portameter and Conferenc

The purpose has been to keep us so agitated and alarmed that we cannot accurately size up the true situation and see the Soviet weakness. The sim also has been to create a belilgerent mod which will lead us to disrupt or abandon the United Nations and forget the Marshall Plan for Europe—our two most effective weapons. We now are coming to see the folly of abandoning either UN or the Marshall was to see that the signs say the Soviet cannot much longer put of the general retreat to Moscow.

Fortunately, not all of our leaders are deceived by the Russian propaganda and show of fanatical intransigeance. One in particular is Secretary Marshall, who has had most to do with the fact that we now

Nobody But Us Chickens, Boss

PERHAPS the chickens know what's going on but we admit we are just as
confused as Mr. Charles Luckman, whose
Citizens Food Committee has just abandoned Poultryless Thursday as a means of changing over fro on
saving grain for Europe.

Now, instead of eating less chicken, turkey and duck (goose is too rich for us), we
are told we must consume 186 million brise
before Yan. I in order to save 95 million
bushes of grain. After reading this item in
the paper, we realmed out to co-operale with
that brought us back to besson No. 1 in
our primer on economics, which is that in
creased consumption of turkey, etc., will
surely increase the price of hens on the
home table. If we remember right, the food
saving program originally was undertaken
as a measure to check the price spiral in
this country as well as to conserve grain for
Europe. At any rate, the people seemed to
be able to make some sense out of the second, or anti-inflationary part of the Luckman proclet, and their response to that appeal to eat less should help Washington
and the market experts to understand why
there has been a sharp decline in the demand for the luckious bird.

This same public couldn't see how more
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The vindication of Mr. Luckman restores our faith in private enterprise but his experience does nothing to make us feel better about what is going to happen to us when the experts of the Administration and the Republican Congress finally get together. They are preparing to save us from infiation and Europe from chaos with a system of rationing and allocations without price controls which now looks about as half-baded as Eggless Thureday.

In fourteen years, the State has collected approximately \$220 million in sales taxes, a In fourteen years, the State has collected approximately \$220 million in sales tages, a large portion of which has oeen expended on educational services. Our educational facilities are still below the national average, and to repeal the sales tax now, or in the foreseeable future, would wreak irreparable damage to any expansion program.

Sales Tax Is Not An Issue The standard economic (and political) criticism of the sales tax is that it volates Adam Smith's canno of taxation which concerns "ability to pay". Of course, the sales tax is regressive and is borne largely by the income groups least able to pay; but as Revenue Commissioner Edwin Gilli said in recent addresses, if Adam were alive to see the State of North Carolina spending inillions of dollars "in service to the common man and the underprivileged", he might feel differently.

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to the Releigh Ness & Observer, have
chalked up an error against Gubernatorial
Candidate Charles M. Johns on for his
assumed to the desired that the didn't had been assumed to the desired that the didn't had been assumed to the desired that the desired that the the control of the candidates had previously injected the sales tax
issue into the campaign.

If Ralph McDonald's two unsuccessful
campaigns for Governor provide any standard, neither the nuisance value of the sales
levy nor its economic burden carries much
weight with Tax Heel volers. There is no
indication that Messra Albright and Barker
intend to take up the Win at on-Salem
schoolmaster's anti-sales tax banner; if
both are sincer in their support of improved achools, health facilities and other
state services, they could hardly advocate
the repeal of a tax which supplies such a
fat share of the State's revenues.

Mr. Johnson does not seem to have creatd any issue which would enhance the
popularity of the other hopefuls, and thus
it is disblous that his bravery will cost him
votes. In view of the current financial
structure of the State's new the sales
of cold realism.

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The sales tax is not a fair tax, and we do
not commend it to the se jurisdictions
whose wealth eliminates a necessity for it.
It is unfortunate that North Carolina must
depend so heavily upon the tax to meet essential needs of the people; but until North
Carolina's economic development enables
us to tap other sources for all the State
requires, we shall have to accept Mr. Johnson's opinion as a sound one. From The Greensboro Daily News

Motorists Forewarned

NORTH CAROLINA motor vehicle drivers whose names fall within the A, B categories will do well indeed to heed the warning sent out by Col. L. C. Rosser, commissioner of motor vehicles, and take the license examinations as promptly as pos-

license examinations as promptly as pos-sible.

According to Colonel Rosser only about 25 per cent of this group has appeared be-fore the license examiners as yet. As they have until January I in which to take their examination and secure their new license, it is obvious that time is flying and that a last-minute rush is inevitable. The law will begin to crack down atter January 1 on the A and B drivers.

Parestabletably this the next scheduled period for drivers whose names begin with C and D will tend to gum up the machinery and therefore throw the whole schedule out of killer. Overdue drivers will not only vic-timize themselves but interfers with others to whom the examiners should devote their attention when they come as instructed.

Meanwhile there is still another note of warning which Tar Heel motorists and

those entrusted with various provisions of our new highway safety program might do well to heed. Beginning January 1 periodic well to beed. Beginning January 1 periodic mechanical inspection of, motor vehicles will become compulsory. While inspection by State inspectors will require only a few minutes per vehicle, it must be realized that a heavy volume of repair work will be thrown on garages, where it is already difficult in many instances to get work done promptly, and that considerable delay may result. The time element here is important, and it seems that some sort of priority schedule might be worked out whereby cars whose unfliness is such that they are ordered off the highways pending repair could be repaired ahead of those whose defects are not so dangerous.

Our inexpert advice would be for motor

Our inexper advice would be for motor vehicle owners, in anticipation of this inspection soon to start, if not for their own and the public's immediate safety, to have their cars checked over in advance and repaired so as to be spared the unsafe findings later on and the jam and delay which appear most likely to result.



One-Sided History

Veil On The Roosevelt Era

teeprinted from the Christian Science Monitor)

WASHINGTON.

THUG far the long and event-laden record of the
Roosevelt Administration is being historically
expounded and appraised aimost entirely by its oftermely perceptive and admiring blography, and
then Elliott Roosevelt broke into print with his keyhole and cocktail memoris, which meant well, even
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But these cools and these appraisals are bound to be sources of historic information, but they have a minimum value as sources of historic information, but they have a minimum value as sids to historic objectivity.

Before the participants in these great events illerally asturate the mind of the country with their erally asturate the mind of the country with their erally asturate the mind of the country with their counts, it is to be hoped that qualified historians begin soon to apply the corrective of detachment.

ALARMED BY RESTRICTION to they will deserve the fullest and freest access to the confidential records of the Government and to the official documents which President Roosevelt placed in the customers which President Roosevelt placed in the customers which President Roosevelt placed in the customers and the president for the president such as Prof. Charles A. Beard, are greatly disturbed by the evident desire of some persons initiatively by the evident desire of some persons initiatively of the evident desire of some persons initiatively of the president such as the prof. Charles A. Beard, are greatly disturbed by the evident desire of some persons initiatively of the president such as the president such

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ing the necessary source material either hard to get or impossible to get.

At issue is not any question of Prof. Langer's capacity or his right to take any view he judges sound, or even his right to take any view he judges sound, or even his title to the information which is placed at his disposal. But as he wrote in an article in a recent Saturday Evening Post, Prof. Beard sell-davors from the State Department and others who hold the keys to the Roosevelt and other papers. At issue is the title of all qualified historians to equal access to the raw materials of American history.

Prof. Beard makes a case which the Roosevelt executors will have a hard time denying when he contends that a cital term, with appeal privileges to none," and that "the competition of ideas in the forum of public opinion must be free from political interests or restraints."

People's Platform

Cheer For Robert Taylor

Editors. The News:

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am not coming to the defense of Mr. Taylor I am not coming to the defense of Mr. Taylor because

I admire him as an actor I DO admire him, and I admire his wife as well I think they are one of Hol
blowood's best couples, and no doubt the most level

Javood sest couples, and no coupe the mass leves I do resent any thing cast about the remark Mr. Taylor made in his report to the inquisition in Washington, because I feel that he spoke for a good many Americans when he said ... "Let them return with the many and the said and

ment Am I not correct Mr. Taylor?

No. Mr. Taylor DIN DOY make a mistake ... rather he needs å clap on the back for having the courage to say what so many of we Americans feel more and more every day. The theater in which we saw this newerserd, showing Mr. Taylor ... brought saw this preserved, showing Mr. Taylor ... brought sauffice to say. Those are our feelings too Mr. Taylor ... and thank you for being man enough to say those words ... in such plain, simple, understandable language!

What this country needs . . . is a few more Rob-ert Taylors . . . and maybe we won't have to worry so much about Communista!

Inside Labor

Now it appears that the startling olitical news in labor circles will

Petrillo's New Plan

Samuel Grafton

Words In The Air

MARTIN called up and made it a definite appointment for 2:30. That was pretty formal as between two men who commuted from the same village, and Ed found himself alightly disturbed.

He could have dropped around to my house tonight, thought Ed. Mar-tin must be hot about something.

has been in my office before. It must be something special.

"I'll go right to it," said Martin. These leftwingers are planning to meet in the schoolhouse former within. We ought to stop it, or better the sense of the sense of

"So we stop that meeting morrow night," persisted Ed. "V happens to our freedom argume They don't allow the oppositio meet. We don't silow the opposit to meet. How's it different?"

Ed pulled out his watchasket shored the broken pencil over edge of the desk into it. He for himself staring down at the pleess. Turn bits of wood, and two lead. At the wood stor-and wood was broken; not own in the store words ato, and wood was broken; not words in the air, but a phy-result, a small violence you c-se, and that you had to dispose

Resettlement Cost

Drew Pearson's: Friendship Train Shows U. S. Goodwill Merry-Go-Round

Merry-Go-Round

A BOARD THE FRIENDSHIP TRAIN—Thousands of people have been down to greet the Friendship Train all along the line to watch its boxcare, packed ceiling high with wheat.

But the real story of this train lies even deeper. It is the story of American teamwork—the kind of teamwork that this country always rises to when the need artsem, all over Los Angeles County, got together, reorganized the wartime carry tolo-pound sacks of flour to schools, fire stations and coarry 100-pound sacks of flour to schools, fire stations and coarry 100-pound sacks of flour to schools, fire stations and coarry 100-pound sacks of flour to schools, fire stations and coarry 100-pound sacks of flour to schools, fire stations and the state of the Los Angeles Teamsters Union, was asked if his men could help, the reply was immediate. Lehney not only helped collect the food, but also organized the employers for trucks, the union men donated the labor, and, for approximately 96 hours, teamsters answered calls picking up sacks of beam, flour and sagar all over Los Angeles county.

A special switchboard installed by the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company which relayed calls regarding food pick-ups, including calls from near-by ranches and grain ele-

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a club composed of 18 war widows, all of whom draw pensions

of less than 1810 a month. Yet these women who already had

made the greatest ascrifice for their country, had collected

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Then there were the modion-picture stars, off-maligned

and not often applauded for their citizenship. In order to

give the train a send-off, stars were asked to perform, but

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The Steren Deren Actors Guild also furnished a carload of

eviporated milk to be attached to the train. Matching this,

the Steren Directors Guild also donated a carload

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Hawaii Donates Sugar

N SAM Francisco a call came that the people of Hawaii,
responding to the appeal of the Friendship Train, had
pooled their pennies to buy a carload of sugar. The average
donatior was eight cents appea.

Hawaii is not yet a member of the union, though there is

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Trainman's Contribution

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O'HERS have felt the same. Here, for instance, is a telegram from Lloyd Weedman, a trainman on the Atlantic Carlo and the Atlantic Carlo

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Real Estate Lobby

cently reported that real-estate operators would make an increased profit under the new rent law of 34 per cent "be-fore depreciation."

Just feet months ago when the real-estate lobby all the profit of the profi