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The Cart Before The Horse

So long as Chairman Knutson battled for his "30-20" income tax cut plan in the semi-privacy of the Ways & Means Committee it could be assumed that his fiscal theories were his ewn. That argument.

theories were his own. That argument, however, has gone out the window. The speed with which his bill passed through the House under a sag rule leaves no doubt but that the Republican Party itself deserves credit, or blame, for it.

There are, it is true. Republicans in the Senate who are digging in to attack the measure on grounds of excessive reduction. In Federal on the Senate who are digging in the the senate who are the senate senate and the senate senate republican leadership and it remains to be seen what the party line will finally be.

mains to be seen with the past of the main to be made in many be from the main to us, is not one of economy but of responsibility. The good of réducing Federal expenditures and thereby reducing the punishing Federal axburden, deserves, and is receiving. full public support. However, the Republicians thus far have shown no greater skill in affecting real economy than did their Democratic predecessors on the key Congressional committees. The few budgetary reductions that have been made have ranged from the absurd to the malicious.

cious.

There is, for instance, the coming dismissal of the 8200 sgents of the Internal Revenue Bureau hired a year ago to double-check war-swollen income tax rejurns. Under the Republican axe the appropriation for their pay has been abolished and

they will soon be dropped from the payroll. Yet these agents, at a total cost of \$30,000,000, in the past welve months collected \$600,000,000, in the past welve months collected \$600,000,000, in the past welve months content to the covernment. Other reductions in Treasury Department appropriations, according to that highly conservative South Carolina banker. Undersecretary A. L. M. Wiggins, will make it impossible for the Secret Service to provide adequate protection for the President of the United States. Yet none of this, extreme as it has been, has added appreciably to the more than five billion in savings that will be necessary to keep the budget in balance if the Knutson "30-20" tax proposal is adopted. There are no signs of a carefully-planned effort to cut out bureaucratic waste and inefficient of the content of the cut out bureaucratic waste and inefficient of the content of the cut out bureaucratic waste and inefficient of the cut of

son "30-20" tax proposal is adopted. There are no signs of a carefully-planned effort to cut out bureaucratic waste and inefficiency, of which there is a graclous plenty in Washington. Instead there has been a haphazard slashing of budget appropriations without apparent regard for efficient functioning of the bureaus involved. One of the familiar plaints of our time has been the cry for a businessilke administration in Washington. The Republicans, as we recall, promised such a regime if they ever obtained power. Instead, however, the Republicans have violated every basic principle of sound business operation. Certainly no executive in private enterprise would start, reducing his income before he got around to reducing his expenditures. The around to reducing his expenditures the contained of policy, the only result can be a further increase in the public debt which the Party has sworn to reduce.

To Honor Three Tar Heels

MECKLENBURO has a proprietary interest in Senate Bill 141, which will come up for final consideration in the House of Representatives this week. The measure-appropriates 255,000 for statuary in the Capitol Square park at Raleigh, and specifically provides for the erection of a suitable monument to commemorate North Carolina's three Presidents, two of whom are natives of this county. are natives of this county There is, of course, some historical con-

Three is, of course, some historical con-tusion as to the birthplace of Andrew Jack-son, but the claim that he was born on this side of the South Carolina line under somewhat trying circumstances is valid enough to justify a monument to old flick-ory at Raleigh. As to Presidents Pols (the other Mecklehourg native) and Johffson (born at Raleigh) there is no question of nativity, And, although all three of these migrated to Tennessee before attaining to North Carolina for their education— Jackson to read law at Sallsbury and Polit to study at the University of North Caro-lina, from which he was graduated. The stormy and spectacular career of Andrew Jackson is familiar to every school-child. Andrew Johnson has also been given

child. Andrew Johnson has also been given a secure place in history by virtue of the events that broke around him after he suc-ceeded to the Presidency upon the assas-sination of Abraham Lincoln; a Southern-er who stood out for the union, he was

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roundly damned in the South for two generations but he is riow generally regarded as a victim of circumstances who did the beat he could for his native region in a period of violent post-divil War reaction. James Knox Polk, who lived in Mecklenburg until he was ten years old. Is the forgotten gan of the Tar Heel trio. His administration, beginning in 1844, was, comparatively, a quiet time. Yet the devout little Methodist, who was called "The Napoleon of the Stump" by his loyal Tennessee considerably above the average.

The State of Tennessee has honored these Tar Heels, as she certainly should. But North Carolina has largely ignored them, except for the inadequate plaques that mark their birthplaces. Certainly it is in order now to erect a memorial to them on Capitol Square, which has become a sort of state abrine. Such a monument would be far more appropriate than the most of the state of the state of the control of

The Old, Familiar Poison

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COMMUNISM is the antithesis of democracy, and therefore every democrat is opposed to it. in the same manner that every Christian is opposed to sin. Unfortunately, however, opposition to communism doesn't necessarily connote devotion to democracy. It is well to remember in this democracy it is well to remember in the property of the control of the co

Are you a native-born, white gentile mand Do you believe in the tenets of the Chris-ian religion

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Do you owe your full allegiance to the
United States of America?
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you always be depended upon?

Any person who answers this catechism

in the affirmative is directed to mail a coupon to a local address, being assured that he "will then be contacted and given more information regarding this National Organization of 'Native-born, White, Gentlie, American Men."

In its "creed", the ASP explains its pe-culiar title. It is, as might be expected, against immigration. "We believe that there sgainst immigration. "We believe that there should be no place in our country for the foreign agitators. They should be deported and a very strict immigration law enacted that will keep them out of our country in the future."

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poused by the morround at many and a man we have no idea whether the American Shore Patrol has any connection with the Klan, and regard the question as of little important of the man and regard the question as of little importance in the end whether the peddlers of racial poison wear blue seeze suits, bed-sheets or stormtooper's uniforms.

According to a statement forwarded by C. H. Dixon, identified as the American Shore Patrol's organizer the local unit is concerned over its inability to obtain adequate publicity for its memberahip campaien. We think we can assure the ASP that it need-have no further missivings on that accer; if it conditings on its present task it should receive plenty.

Another Voice

The Return To Normalcy

EXPLORER Attilio Gatti, who ever he might be, will search for a reported super-ape when he takes the Gatti-Hallicrafters Expedition to Africa this Summer. The beast is supposed to leave footprints double the size of a man's

The natives, possibly after a heavy din-ner of underdone missionary, describe it as erect, larger than a gorilla, covered with dark hair except for a white mane which

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If one is a newspaper man, there is a fangerous temptation to say that the hunt for this super-ape ought to be conducted in Congress. Or, if one happens to be in Con-

gress, to say it ought to be conducted in newspaper offices.

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But Mr. Gatti's expedition does have all the earmarks of a return to something akin

the earmarks of a return to something akin to pre-war normalcy
Hitler is dead but there are still monsters in Loch Ness due to break out into the headlines again soon.
Then there will be "sensible" Summer clothing for men, a rocket expedition to the moon, synthetic soup, plastic automobiles and other peacetime playthings.
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'I Said I'd Cut The Grass Come Hell Or High Water'



People's Platform

Protesting The Protest

A N open letter to the Stonewall Jackson Post, VPW. Shame on you . . in your avowed intent to picket the Auditorium in an attempt to still the glorious voice of Madam Flagstad.

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seeming proof let us junge not. As we see seeming proof let us junge not be wise to rescrict this unfair resolution. If not for the reasons outlined, then for the reasons of self protection. Has it not occurred to you that thousands of our comrades have and Italian retrieval. Would you picket the Audifornium against Madam Flagatiad and leave your clubs open to picketting by the seement junities against these enemy bers? or is this different? What does the scribe bers? or is this different? What does the scribe hink of this? Are we to estractic our comrades, and refuse them membership in our organization because of their enemy wives?

-HUGH ARMSTRONG.

(P.S. The writer is a veteran of both World Wars.)

"Lucyin' Luciano, unspeakable vice-hoodum, was too swarded a Congressional Medial of Honor upon the work of the Congressional Medial of Honor upon the Congressional was supported to return to this country by our State Department or eturn to this country by our State Department on the Congressional Congression

concert ill Unisions 300 can de avay from the Armory.

As for me. I don't usually go in for classical usus, but Miss Plagstad can count on at least one errorn in her audience when she appears here. I'll wearing my discharge button and I'd just like to earlyone try and stop me from attending.

ROGER LOVE

Night Shift

Editors. The News:

I AM enclosing herestth a copy of a communication that we sent out a few days ago quoting the editorial that appeared in The Charlotte News on Mach II. I will appreciate it very mich if you will sellicial that appeared in The Charlotte News on Mach II. I will appreciate it very mich if you will sellicial that appeared to him for us chancing his editorial and applospite to him for us chancing his editorial and applospite to him for us chancing his editorial and applospite to him for us chancing his editorial and applospite to him for us chancing his editorial and applospite to him for us chancing his editorial and proposed to him for us chancing his editorial h

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Samuel Grafton

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about going to "spend his last dol-lar to fight the Communists." He knew what he was going to look for in Greece before he ever got to Athens. It is significant that the President announced himself as the undaunted challenger of Commu-

shouting "the commise are comring".

CARLIES BALL

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Drew Pearson's: Calif. Race Track Gang Due For Slapdown Merry-Go-Round: Calif. Race Track Gang Due For Slapdown

behind this is some highly interesting background show-g how a little group of men. If sufficiently ruthless, can be the Government the runaround, while the boys who ed in foxnoles continue to pound the pavements looking anantments.

apartments. The story begins back last June 2 and June 22 when this unnist called the attention of Civilian Production office is to the widescale thwarting of building controls by the floran Race Track and suggested that something be done ut it.

silegation but threapened a libel suit and all sorts of other dire consequences.

Civilian Production officials promptly issued an order stopping the use of new building materials in the reconstruction of the track which had been used by the Navy during the war. To some buildings this action would have been sufficient to repind them of their alleged patrollian made to the bors who were suiming battles, and hung their heads in shame. But not the Tanforan Race Track crowd to their working the position from phone and listening, the cash register click was much more important than keeping warding before.

Appealing To Washington

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AT Reno, Nev, officials were more forthright. On June 22,
At this column reported that lumber from the Tanforan
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tracker. The Tanforan people-failmed all this lumber went
to veterans. The Merry-Ga-Found stated, but this is not
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This column was also denied—with especial vigor. However, the payoff came when U.S. District Attorney Miles Piete March 1988. The Cartino March 1988. The Cartino March 1988. The Cartino March 1988. The Cartino March 1989. The

tion merely asked Judge Harris for an injunction to stop building operations. The injunction was granted. This was on Feb. 14. But even an injunction by a Fed-eral Court did not seem to faze the race-track boys. For on March 21, Judge Harris cited Tanforan officials for con-tempt of court for allefedly willfully violating his restrain-ing order. The hearing of this violation takes place Godsy.

Passing The Buck

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HOWEVER, he interesting thing about this contempt clisHowever, he had been as the judge himself mittated it. He ordered
to B. A thorpers, Frank J. Hennessy, to prepare the cliation. CPA officials apparently were standing on the sidelines doing nothing about Tanforan's continued use of
building materials, so the alert judge decided to move himself.

SEII. U. S. Attorney Hennessy, asked why he had not prose-cuted the Tanforan crowd, explained: "We had received no report on the violation. We are not supposed to make inves-tigations, but to prosecute after the investigation is made, and we get a report on it."

CPA officials in San Francisco, when asked why they

Nevertheless, the fact remains that for some unexplaines son there has been no criminal action against Tanforen

Criminal Action At Reno