#### 'Heat Of Hell' On Brewster

Two of the witnesses before the Brewster War Investigating Committee spoke of "the heat of hell" in describing the pressure that was applied in the competition over war contracts. Neither of them — Secretary of Interior Reug nor Henry Kaiser—was very clear about where the heat was came from or what effect it was having and the question remained unanswered to the last day of the probe. However, the fact that the "heat of hell" isn't mythical was demonstrated dramatically resterday when Senator Fercuson. charman of the Investigating Subcommittee, called off the hearing until Nov 17, and Howard Hughes predicted that it would never be resumed.

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The manner in which the hearing was haited leaves the inescapable suspicion that much more sensational disclosures were about to be made. Republican Senator Fereisson's order for a recess came immediately after Mr. Hughe's Saturdas testimony, in which he promised to produce records giving the names of other persons besides Elliott Roosevelt who had accepted his "entertainment" or his favors, and after he had hinted strongly that his guests were important individuals in the armed services.

Mr. Hughe' statement that he ensayed

Mr. Hughes' statement that he engaged in this elaborate party-eliuno operation to meet competition from other contractors, and under pressure from people in the country's service, is supported by evidence from many other sources. Linday C. Warren. Comptroller General, who audits Government accounts, has declared that "With some high officials of the Government, the

hotel bills, and even travel, from the contractor, while at the same time drawing travel expense and per diem from the Government, was the rule rather than the exception."

Howard Hughes' bill for \$184,000 in the public relations' account of his master of cremonies. Johnny Meyer, is but, but the public relations' account of his master of cremonies. Johnny Meyer, is but of exceptions with the been made for the purpose of winning government influence, all at the cost of the taxpayer.

This entertainment splurge is a part of the lobbying problem, which grew to such large and alarming dimensions in the first session of the 80th Congress. One quarter of the registered lobbies spent almost 33 million during the first sixth months of this Congress on activities designed to affect legislation. The Congressional Quarterly reports that some observers think that \$5 million is a more accurate estimate of the actual amount spent, since some organizations like the National Association of Manufacturer, the CO maintain that the Lobbing Act does not apply to them or require them to register as a group. As the record of the Brewster probe rainads today, its chief result has been to show the imperative need for a Cutters-sional investigation of all the lobbies and the whole. "Intertailment", question. Unless the present investigation is revived in November and goes completely into this unsavory business, then the Brewster probe must be written off as a fance. Thus far the Republican promise to air Democratic recordsions and corruptice." In not a ble chieffy as an alternyt to sense.

#### Round-The-World Trip



People's Platform -

## Plank For Sunday Golfers

AM very much depressed by Mr J E McLauchlins letter to the Governor, in which he asked the Governor's co-operation in publicly condemning those citizens who are given to desecration of the Sabbath.

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In his letter M. McLauchlin Insertical the fact has a Common of the Market and the Commonwealth, and the Commonwealth, and the Commonwealth and th

I am reasonably sure that, if Mr McLauchim sever, say, a Sunday solfer, he would strongly resent the wints said that he couldn't be a Sunday solfer, he would strongly resent he with a said that he couldn't be a Sunday solfer have talked to quite a few of the Sunday solfer, have talked to quite a few of the Sunday solfers, almost to a man, that they wouldn't like it if a law not passed asying that they couldn't up more be Sunday golfers.

any more be Sunday golfers, and yet willing for Governor Cherry or somebody to tell him that he couldn't any more be a Sunday golfer, then I would more charitably consider Mr. McLauchlin's teletre to the Governor, but I suspect that Mr. McLauchlin is not a Sunday golfer; and I suspect that the Covernor were to take the most drastic action imaginable on Mr. McLauchlin letter, it would not inconvenience Mr. McLauchlin of the whit.

There will, of course, be 75 ministers in our county who will back up Mr. McLauchlin. I don't know their interpretation of the Golden Rule, but it couldn't possibly be construed to mean, "Do unto Sunday golfers as you would have non-Sunday golfer do unto you if you were a Sunday golfer.

guiers on units you it was a Sunday goiter.

I realize that Mr. McLauchlin, with his letter, was seeking more the social disenfranchement of the Sabbath descerations, rather than legislation preventing the desceration. But he doesn't know our ministerial association here. A couple of letters like his, and they'il let the Gospel go, to go off on another persistative adventure. Anyway, Charlotte voters treatily began the practice of voting their own opinious so ne harm, may be done.

so no narm may be done.

I should like to take exception to one statement in the letter to the Governor. If we publicly condemn such, our moral influence will begin to have marked effect upon the entire citizenship. Count me out of that one. You and the Governor can condemn me publicly or privately, and I'm still going to tyto de my own thinking.

CHARLOTTE Wage Hikes And Union Dues

Botton: Tier News

Booth were working 60 hours a week for 53 and were not able to pay any union dues the big labor bouses up North couldn't see a blooming thing three houses up North couldn't see a blooming thing three meeted. But when Roosevel's and Johnson got in 12 a week, those same big boses awa a chance to squeeze some mone; out of them and they sent a gang of agitators down here to organize the workers and stirt up all manner of stirtle between employee, and caused untold suffering among the workers by calling them out on street.

Roosevelt and Johnson started the better times er that gang of trouble makers and peace dis-ers affixed in the South. Then the war starter boosted wages to where they are town and has them there. So anybody can see that gang of headed ganders had nothing to do with bringing

### Cutting The Cost Of War

FORT WORTH TEXAS

The People's Platform is available to any reader who cores to mount if Communications is then 30 scood, typescritten if possible. It is then 30 scood, typescritten if possible and obscently will be deleted-otherwise anything one. Bach letter must be signed although, in exceptional cases and upon reguest. This News, which is the control of the contro

### Senator Soaper Says:

SOMETHING about the short, determined rainy-day shopper with the open umbrella suggests that she wouldn't use radar if she had it.

Life In Soviet Union

### Purging The Arts

R. PAUL W WARD

By PAUL W. WARD

URIENT developments in the

frield of Russian arts and letters
contrast sharply with Ceneraltosian Stalin's professions to Harold
E. Stassen about Russo-American
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to rid Soviet literature, drama and
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nearmeets, in particular — has been assailed, too, for "bourgeois devia-sassiled too, for "bourgeois devia-sassiled too, for "bourgeois devia-sassiled too, for the company and act as a watchful supercensor over all as a watchful supercensor over the committee in the company of the committee in the committee of the committee

### Marquis Childs

## Regulating Transport-

WASHINOTON
FOR nearly 15 years the Federal
Government has been trying to
regulation began when the rail-toads struck out across State bouncarries and the Interstate Commerce
Commission eventually exme into
being to police them,

Commission eventually crite into being to police them. commission being to police them. Commission means of travel and trade. A glance at the record will not encourage those who champion the principle of regulation in the interest of faur them. What happens is that gradually within the bureaucrasy intended to the regulating job a setul restriction of the regulating job as setul restriction of the regulating to the setul restriction of the regulating to a setul restriction of the regulation of the regulating to a setul interest grows up the form the restriction of the regulation of public good.
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Two dreary examples are conspicuous at the moment. One is the Maritime Commission. It is a cumbersome, weary bureaucracy that seems to exist merely to ratify the decisions taken by the steamship lines.

This is pointed up by an action. This is pointed up by an action which has just come up for hearyellow the commission. Wallace the commission of the pacific const.

The anti-transaction has caused a transactions stir in shipping eye agreements cover the companies operating out of other, ports. This is done, it would seem, with the blessing of the Martlian Commission. It is a bonaria so for cream this eye of the martlian countries of the foreign thing of the Martlian Commission for the rate umbrella, too, and because they pay their seamen guiches than we pay ours, their profiles are hunce more production of the pacific commission should find the pacific commission should find the pacific commission should find the pacific commission should the profile pr

is done will be decided after the commission action. CAB SHORTCOMINOS

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# Drew Pearson's : Secret Group Influences Navy Promotions

THE Navy at long has has ordered an investigation of the A Green Bowlers, a powerful secret fraternity inuite Annapolis whose members are charged with boosting each other to top Navy commands. However, this probe so far has been secret and no one knows how it will come out. Mean-Green Bowlers, and here are some of the results. The name derives from the green bowl on the mantel-piece of the organization's first clubroom on the second floor of Carrel Hall, Annapoles. Ronald Munrue Bristant, class though the Green Bowlers de though the Green Bowlers de though the Green Bowlers de though the Green Bowlers did not really get active until 1999.

though the Green Bowlers did not really get active until 100 May, with 28 admirals and one Marine Corps general. He Green Bowlers are a long way from the little band of drinking companions formed 40 years ago. Many of them can dominate the "May." The Green Bowlers operate through a secret but simple system. Every year, Green Bowlers on duty at faculty membranes with the second production of the second production of the second production of the Green Bowlers and the secret but simple system. Every year, Green Bowlers on duty at faculty membranes. The second production of the Green Bowlers stationed at the Academy has been crew coach. C. S. Hucki Walsh, 23. have been in key spots to influence promotions include Rear And. O. B. Hardison, who served two years of duty in the Officers Detail Section of the Bursau of Aeronaukica, also as alse to Assistant Secretary of Bursau of Aeronaukica and as alse to Assistant Secretary of the Companion of the Com Who's Who Among Green Bowlers
A NOTHER Green Bowler in a key spot is Admiral W. M.
Fechteler, Chief of Personnel, who has almost life-or-

eath say over transfers and promotions. In addition, four-ar Admiral DeWitt Clinton-Ramoy is Vice-Chief of Naval persistons, one of the most powerful posts in the Navy, or-anization, with no influence over, the destinies of the Navy, or the time they bought green bowl pins and watch chains I bailey. Sanks & Biddle, Philadelphia, hat bands and I bailey, Sanks & Biddle, Philadelphia, hat bands and proposed proposed proposed proposed programmation is reported more powerful, it has become more creet. Only sign of identification is a ring, on the inside which is cared a green book.

### Junkets To Alaska

TrS amazing how many Congressmen suddenly find they have urgent business in Alaska this Summer—with travel paid for by the sweltering tanapayer back home. Even Congressman Evan Howell, Illinois Republican, now appointed to the U. S. Court of Claims and who word pass on happer to the control of the control

Iamilies: Junkri No. 1—Senate Public Lands Committee: Senator Hugin Butler of Nebraska chairman, will take along his brother and sisten-in-law, Ma and Mrs. Frank Butler; also Senators Zaies Ecton of Montana and Arthur Wakkins of Senators Zaies Ecton of Montana and Arthur Wakkins of Senator Zaies McFarland of Arthura, will be accompanied by his wife and daughter, Jewell; toecther with Committee Clerk High Brown and Mrs. Brown. To avoid criticalism Senator Eroton proposed that Senators pay the tax on their own stranship tuckto, ordinarily unnecessary when on official seriamidip tuckto, ordinarily unnecessary when on official

No. 2 Senate Small Business Committee, headed by

#### Sensitive Congressmen

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WHERRAS the Senators made no offert to conceal their
WAIASAM trips, Wolverton's Interistac Commerce junket
tried to get off without public notice.

Junket No. 4—House Public Lands Committee—This group
also is trying to hit the could not Alaska without folks knowing it. When Chairman Pred Crawford of Michigan was
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ford to committee plants to leave by Army plane about Aug. 24.
Those indicating a desire to go include: Dawnor of Utah,
Engle of California, Le Perrer of New York, all Republicany.

If these legislators refully got to know Alaskas, their visits
might be beneficial; since that nesilected Territory desergis
acrous consideration for statehood. So far, however, faw
Compressmen have been willing to may much attention to
Alaskan problema—except sturner the Bunner.

HOMAS L. ROBINSON J. E. DOWD WILLIAM M. REDDIC

TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 1947

# Royall's Gubernatorial Prospect excellent political strategy, of course, to depict one's favortic candidate as a "sure thing"; this serves to discourage of the ristong candidates from making the race, as well as to attract the support of numerous small fry who wish to stay in favor with the state administration. The Johnson backers have made admirable use of this tactle.

Royall's Gubernatoria

Drew Pearson's report saturds; that
Secretary of War Kenneth C. Royali is
a "governor of War Kenneth C. Royali is
a "governor of the will review speculation
among those who, at this early date find
discussion of the 1948 primary campaign
to be a fascinating diversion from the
Summer doldrums.
Secretary Royall has been "mentioned"
as gubernatorial timber for a number of
years; his Washington activities, culminating in a brief enure as War Department
chief with full Cabinet status, have given
him added prestige which would serve him
well in a state campaign. Although Senator
William B. Unstead has disclaimed his intention of seeking a tie-in with a candidate
for Governor in next year's races. It is
rumored that the Cherry-Umstead faction
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gubernatorial hopeful Charles M. Johnson.
Royall, it is said, may be the man.

"We doubt that the Secretary has committed himself as definitely as Columnist.
Pearson would have us believe; assuredly
he will not enter the race until he is extain that his chances will merit it. Furthermore, a man of Mr. Royall's ability and
stature will not rum merely for the negative
purpose of damaging the candidacy of M.
Johnson.

If Mr. Royall is an astute observer of the

'Captain Tom' Of Charlotte THERE already are numerous impressive

To a rare extent, he was identified with Mecklenburg County and Charlotte. He spent his entire life—35 years—in this community, but it wasn't the length of his residence that made his career a notable one. Rather, it was the use he made of the opportunities hie saw in citizenship.

opportunities he saw in classification.

Mr. Griffith's conception of the privilege and the obligations of democratic citizenship was enlarged by his own early experience, in which he rose from humble circumstances to financial success. He quickly accepted it as a duly and a pleasure to work for the expansion of that opportunities.

son backers have made admirable use of this tactic.

The people, however, remain to be convinced that the State Treasurer already has obtained a lease on the Governor's Mansion. We asspect that very few of them, at this time, are aware of the approaching campairn, and many commitments will be withheld until the subsernaments will be without the subsernaments of the s

ity for others, and in so doing contributed to more than the progress of his own immediate community. For example, his pioneering activities in the creation of the Merklenburg County Highway Commission not only brought Merklenburg a nationally known secondary road system but also served as an inappration of the North Carriero and inappration of the North Carriero and the public good that results from the growth of a strong and independent individual was illustrated in many other ways to the life of Thomas Griffith He set an example for two generations in his expánsion of his own private business and in his civile, fraternal and political undertakings. No one questioned his right to be called "Captain Tom", or was other than happy and proud in so addressing him. He way, in the truest sense of the term, a captain.

### Another Voice

### Mavericks In The GOP

THE power of Republican Party discip-line is to be applied, it is said, when the chance comes, to be rid of Senator Morse of Oregon. Morse is a Republican who has voted much of the time with the liberal Democrats. He is in accord with his party about as often as Senator George W. Norris of Nebraska used, to be, or the elder La Follette of Wisconsin. As such he is a thorn in the Republicans' side. They would like to be quit of him.

feat when he tried to purge some Demo-

pester them, with ever a few reactionaries among the Democrats. Atlanta Journal.

One box of a popular soap flake can fill a five-room house with suds, the like of which hasn't been seen since the gay 70's when something went wrong with the home brew.

"ons of the wild jackass of the West"
The Republicans tried hard enough to be pid of their erring "sons". They even stred another George W. Norris to run for the Senate against the original, hoping thus to render the latter's election void. It never worked, Such purposes seldom pay. Byen Fresident Franklin Roosevelt met de-

Mr Hughes' statement that he engaged

acceptance of entertainment, including

and others will not be frightened out of the race by unsubstantiated propaganda from the friends of Mr. Johnson: and that any-one who chooses to run will do so with the sincere conviction that his services would be valuable to the state, rather than with the intent of stealing from Mr. Johnson the fruits of his expert political maneuvers. A gubernatorial campaign based solely on more conductive to good government than to concede him the office by default. Johnson.

If Mr. Royall is an astute observer of the Tar Heel political scene, he will not be fooled by the current sentiment that Candidate Johnson cannot be overtaken. It is

monuments to Thomas Griffith, who of died yesterday, but there is or will be none more enduring than the memory of him among the people he lived with and loved.

like to be quit of him. —
Senator Alken of Vermont is another Republigan whose votes have given deep pain to the Tat school. Old Vermont is a stub-born place. No Republican in his senses will be trying to tell Vermont what to do. But lan'l it odd to find a Vermonter Joining what a Republican Senator. referring to such as Norris and La Poliette, once called "como of the wild jackass of the West?"

reat when he tried to purge some Demo-crats.

The Republicans can console themselves for the erring Morse and Alken with the steady allegiance of such Senators as "Pappy" Obaniel and firstry Byrd. Such is the informality of our politics, with always a liberal or two among the Republicans to

Public revenues from alcoholic beverages hit a record high of nearly \$3 1-2 billion in 1946, reports the New York Journal of Commetce. Of this more than \$2 1-2 billion went just to the Pederal Treasury. These revenues—starting with a modest \$25,960,000 in 1933—now rank second to the income tax as the country's most prolific income