

### THE CHARLOTTE NEWS

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#### Time For Labor To Reconsider

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The union leaders should pause at this point and reconsider the tactics they are developing in their defensive campaign. They should be thinking a demand that the new law must be given a fair test, with a temperale approach from both sides, in the mianacement -employer relationship. They must give more weight than they seem to be doing to the evidence that employers are inclined to move cautiously and moderately in testing their new powers, and in fact have a disposition in some cases to stretch concessions to or beyond the limit, as indicated in the recent contract with John L. Lewis' coal miners and she Pord settlement. the Ford settlement.

Finally, the unfon leaders must think again of their own rank and ble, and the question whether their members will follow then in a campaign that may be generally interpreted as deliberate effort to abbotage an important part of the new law.

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Along this line it is interesting to read that the results of a recent poll of workers, conducted by a reputable opinion testing agency, showed that 50 per cent of all employees questioned disapproved the Taft-

Hartley law, and 64 per cent of union members disapproved. However, in answers to questions on individual features of the bill, a majority of union members favored every feature except the closed shop pro-hibition.

"Union bristling about the law, however "Union bristling about the law, however widespread, is not quite universal," writes Joseph A. Lotus in the New York Times. "Illustrative of the exception is the following from the Journal of the International Molders and Foundry Workers, AFL, by its president, Harry Stevenson:

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Man times I have written stiller for the Journal asking our members to act sanely om matters before them. I ask this again If we do this the new law will not affect our members very much.

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ing more than it previously knew about the problems of the other. We have on all sides the evidence that there is a freat store of good will and in-telligence on the labor question in this country. There sliks been real progress in this field in recent years despite the storms provoked by strikes and Congressional denbates and actions. A great deal of enlightened thinking on the subtect of industrial relations has been done by many leaders on the management side as is shown in the instances of Ford. Cyrus Eaton and Charles Luckman, among others. The innate conservatism of the American worker has been exhibited in majny ways, and particularly in his reluctance to follow leftwing leaders in radical political action. It will be a pity, and very costly to the interests of the unions themselves, if certain labor leaders should continue on a course which threatens to seriously interrupt or even wreck this movement toward better understanding, a more efficient relationship and reconciliation.

### Elliott Roosevelt's 'Martyrdom'

IN HIS defense of himself before the Sen-ate War Investigating Committee in the hearing on the Howard Hughes contract. Elliott Roseveit declares that he is being persecuted by Republican Senators. He is, of course, but the only remarkable thing-about his statement is that he feels called upon to make it or believes that it will help his case.

nis case.

The American people are hardened to peracution in political life, and the operation directed by Republican Sen at or a Brewster and Perguson certainty is a political affair. And we know too, that the business of cruitying someone would not be any gentler if the situation were reversed and the Democrats were conducting probes after fourteen years of repression.

The people know very well that Elliott Roosevell is a natural, plump and tantalizing lamb for the political wolves and their only question is, why did he take so long to realize the reponsibilities, obligations and risks of-his position as the son of Franklin D. Roosevelt? And why did be do so much to expose himself to attack?

Regardless of his explanations of his in-tentions, or hil feeling of doing right, or the actual extent of his personal collega-tions to Howard Bushes for charles were picked up for him. the eye of perso-cution cannot obscure the fact that he accepted favors. It cannot be denied that he permitted himself to be compromised by friendship with a man who was using his extensive influence to obtain a rom-tract from the Government headed by Elliott Roosevelt's father.

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The Brewster probe will have served a useful purpose if it knocks into Elliott Roosevell's hyad a clearer appreciation of the facts of life in these United States and leads him to conduct his affairs in a fashion that will give his father's enemies fewer opportunities for persecution. In view of his past record, in view of his testimony that he could see nothing wrong in doing a thing that was expressly forbidden to Army air officers by General Arnold, and in view of his admitted delight in life among the moochers of Cafe Society, we take's wery dim hope in the possibility that conversion follows crucifixion.

#### Sunday Beer And The ABC Prospect

CHARLOTTES drys evidently have not accepted the ABC election results as a signal to remain quiescent. While they permitted the han on Sunday sales of beer and wine to lapse without protest, perhaps through oversight, church groups are now reportedly forming their lines again in an effort to persuade the City Council to reinstate the Sunday law. This development, came to light Monday as county merchants complained to the Mecklenburg Commissioners that they are losing thirsty customers to the city on the Sabbath.

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ABC election results indicate, county sentiment is predepinantly dry.

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The question, however, assumes a larger importance if the city, in the infancy of the ABC system, is to become involved in another bitter battle between the drys and

the wets. A revival of charges and counter-charges about the evils of alcohol and the problems of control might seriously prefu-dice the start of the ABC experiment, arousing extremism and obscuring public attention from the effect of ABC just at a time when it deserves the closest possible scruting along with harmonious conditions for a fair test.

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The drys this time are perhaps in a more lugitible position; there is no real necessity for the sale of beer and wine on Stunday, since consumers will soon be able to quench their week-end thirsts, \$\frac{1}{2}\$ ABC stocks. For the same reason there is less weight to the argument that Sunday prohibilition will encourage bootleggers, which is advanced by proponents of Sunday sales. Aside from the moral issue of Sabbath sales, however, the drys would do well to postpone their projected campaign until (1) the public is more willing to listen to them) and (2) until it can be more clearly proved that Charlotte's taverss are stealing the Sabbath trade from Charlotte's temples.

#### Another Voice

### Why Not Zymurgeons?

And that a man might want to add to the dignity of his calling by giving it a new and fancier name. The somewhat misanthropic Mr. Mencken takes a dim view of this. "The American," he says, "is prome to be spologetic about the trade he follows." Unable to escape to a more elegant field, "he also lo escape to a more elegant field, "he he belongs to a supering himself that he belongs to be supering himself that he belongs to a supering himself that he belongs to be supering himself that he had belong to be supering himself that he had he ha



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#### Death On The Road

Some grounds for encouragement

Life In Soviet Union

## Cynics In Sovietland

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## Joseph & Stewart Alsop

## The Rocks Are There

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the capitals of many European countries.

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victims in that munitions-ship explosion here; you know? Peron: "Yes-all right. Do whatever you like about that a "Tisten I'm worried".

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Feron: "Yes, of course. Everythings fine."

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Eva: "Well. I hope so. I have been very worried. "Senois Peron had reason to be worried. The Argentine here had the safe in the safe

surfootedness as Jimmle Byrnes.

Past Master Byrnes.

BytNRSs was a past master at negotiation. And his many jousts with Molotov at Moscow, London, Paris and New York had given him an inatinctive feel for foreign affairs. He did not have to lean on his advisors. He led that the control of the least that had been such as the least that had been extent Marshall has had to reverse this. He has had to learn the ropes all over again, could not entirely pick things up where Byrnes left off, has had to lean has held to claimly the least that have been excellent—as in the Marshall plan, where Marshall lengthey there is the least that have been excellent—as in the Marshall plan, where Marshall length have held been able to challenge their decisions. Sometimes the results have been excellent—as in the Marshall plan, where Marshall ended heavily on able Coerge Kennan and was But the results have not been good in Argentina and Latin America, where the new Secretary of State has leasted on other advisors.

But the results have not been good in Argentina and Latin America, where the new Secretary of State in point of service, point of state, in point of service, point upon the proposed of the claim of the control of State is trying to win the Battle of peace with some of the older and best-tribing of offers returned with some of the older and best-tribing offers returned with some of the older and best-tribing offers returned to the older and best-tribing offers returned with some of the older and best-tribing offers returned to the older and the proposed these mands and control to the older and the proposed these mands and the point of the pace with some of the older and the proposed them the point of the pace with some of the older and the point of the

Training new men takes time. Training a new Sectary of State also takes time. And time today in battle of peace is just as important as in the campaign war—just as important as the split seconds between artillery barrage and an infantry charge; or the crue days wasted while supply trains bring up agmunition.

Thus the time lost between the exit of Jimmie Byrnes and the education of George Marshall may have its effect on history three or ten years hence. Merry-Go-Round