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A PALLIATIVE, NOT A SOLUTION

TATE Senator Julian Allabrook's bill to require Stake agencies and administrative boards to keep their rules and regulations on file with the General Assembly is a move in the right direction; but it doesn't go far enough

Fortunately, it will cover the 21 licensing FOURIMENT, It will cover the 31 incensing boards now in existence which, up to now, have been free to operate pretty much as they pleased and, by requiring the registration of all rules and regulations liquone estimal place, it will make it possible for a person to find out; but what the rules are, a rather difficult procedure today.

But the bill doesn't even attempt to get at the basic problem: that of guaranteeing that the licensing boards will operate for the benefit of the public, rather than for the members of the trade or profession

they represent.
What is needed is a thorough examination of all the licensing boards to determine, first of all, their constitutionality.
(The need for the boards to pass on the
qualifications of doctors, deniests, and
pharmacists, for example, is quite clear,

and such boards are in the public interest, hence constitutional. But how about the commeloigation or the photographers or the tile-layers?)
Having done that, the General Assembly should take the next step and require that representatives of the public, not the profession, be in the majority on all the boards, and that the Governor should be free to appoint them without having to use a list given him by the trade associations. Professional qualifications of candidates could be judged by the professional representatives on the board, or by skilled technical assistants.

sentative on the room, or or mical assistants. Finally, the Legislature should install standard and uniform methods of auditing, fees, disposition of moneys, criminal penalties, record keeping, and the like, At present, they vary widely. (For instance, an unificeneed tile layer can be penalized more hassive than an unificeneed physician or hassive than an unificeneed physician or

urchitect.)
Until all of these steps are taken, the public will have no guarantee that the licensing boards are not merely a rebirth of the guild system with modern trimmings.

SEVENTEEN SENATORS AND MAJORITY RULE

TILIBUSTER" is one of those funny words which have found their way into a lot of lokes. Fillbuster turns up in jokes about frock-coated Southern Sensators who can talk the ears of a billy goathous the control of the sense of a billy goathous the sense of a billy goathous the sense of the sense of the sense of the sense to limit dependent of fact, it is a simiter thing. It is sinter because it permits a minority to block the will of the majority.

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A fillbuster, which its proponents like to call "unlimited debate", works this way: When a bill is presented for consideration, a bill which a Benator or group of Benators dislikes, the Senator may groced to "debate" the issue. He may debate for many, many hours— and if he his sympathisers, they will pitch in, reading the Bible about or quoting Bobert Service, to lengthen the

"debate".

Thus, a few Senators can keep the bill from being considered by the Senate. Seventeen Senators, for instance, can keep the other 79 members of the upper chamber from enacting of even voting on legislation which the seventeen do not like. Seventeen Southern Senators are planning to do just that when and if a bill to limit debate outlaw the fillulator! gets to

lation which they feel is unjust and un-necessary, but we cannot — and they can-not — justify the use of the fillbuster as an abstract political principle. So long as this country holds that the will of the majority should prevail, the fillbuster will make of our governmental system a travesty. If seventeen Senatora-regardiess of their motives—can subvert the will of 78 Senators, then this nation is ne democracy.

The Senate rules should be changed to outlaw this threat to majority rule.

NEW ROLE FOR HOEY

SENATOR Hocy has gone on report many times as opposing profilesty and inefficiency in the Federal Covernment. How that he has been named chairman of a Senate subcommittee in charge of investing saint the scriptistic of the carcuitrie department, he will have an opportunity to do more than talk about it.

There is no disputing the Senator's ability. Those who have seen him in action in private legal cases know he is a keen investigator and a diligent prosecutor. It remains to be seen how vigorously he will use file talents in this new assignment.

There is plenty to be done. The Federal Covernment has mushroomed into a misdapen mass of confusion in the past dec-

YOUR SHARE OF THE BILL

WITHIN minutes after the whopping that North Carolina's share of the Federal sales budget will amount to \$657,830,000. W 41.5 billion Federal budget had been announced, some newshound with a mount and child in these United States, the number of men, women, and children this country, but no one lese bothmered to challenge his \$282.82 figure, and neither will we.

Now along comes another bit of calculations which we pass along for what it's flow with the countil of State Chambers of momence, with offices in Newark, N. J., sends a press handout which estimates

State Government for the next flucial year.

From The Greensboro Daily News

WHY CONSTABLES?

NVESTIGATION into the alleged mis-conduct in office of J. 8. Turner, Char-te magistrate, we leave to constituted athority which is already having its look-following a Medkenburg count Grand

night.

But, in the evidence assembled and presented to the grand jury, there was a reference which leads us to make inquiry as related not only to the Charlotte environ, although it seems especially applicable there, but an official appendix which exists over the state spensilly. The report, to quote an Associated Press dispatch from the Queen City, "implicated three constables and Turner in a series of arrests "made under unusual circumstances."

Now what we'd like to know js why con-

"made under unusual circumstances."

Now what we'd like to know is why constables are any longer necessary in North

Carolina and what there is really left for them to do. Inn't there a superabundance of law enforcement and paper-serving officials without having these functionaries of another and more honorable day still.

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Mecklenburg, rural police get through, just what justification is there for constables anyway save, maybe, to get mixed up in something that they should not be in?

The constable certainly "ain't", if we may join Governor-eject Scott in use of that word, what he used to be; and in most instances we've the idea that he shouldn't be at all.

If the bus system is allowed to increase its fare, I hope it is required to (1) put signs on the back ends of its busses, so you can tell which one you have just missed, and (2) do something about the high stink

'My Ernie's A Good Lad---'E Don't Mean Any 'Arm'



People's Platform

Grateful Father Lauds Polio Work

position where I could lend neither ad nor commorts my son or to Mrs. Sherman who had to bear all the west of the common to the common the common that a mother can feet by here.

At that time, if there had been anything possible for me to do, I would have done it. But there was been common to the common that the complete recovery of the common that the complete recovery of my son military, who read your columns, to know that my common to know that the complete recovery of my son was brought about by the care given him by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. He was taken to the nearest hospital where the best medical knowledge on the subject was available, he was taken to the nearest hospital where the best medical knowledge on the subject was available, but the common the common that the complete recovery of the was taken to the nearest hospital where the best medical knowledge on the subject was available, and the common that the complete recovery of the common that the complete recovery of the was taken to the post of the subject was available, and the common that the complete recovery of the common that the complete recovery of the common that the common time of the common that the com

-PAUL D. SHERMAN, Colonel, U. S. Marine Corps.

CAMP LETEUNE
auto inspection program.

"We would like to go on record as being opposed to such a change in view of the fact that in states where taspection programs are carried out, the sociate if was not had to bear all the real feel by the control of the cont

mspected.

We do not believe that this program has been given the opportunity of proving itself in the short time in which it has been in existence, and we feet time in which it has been in existence, and we feet that it would therefore, be a grave mixtake to make that it would therefore, be a grave mixtake to make that it is program at this season of the Legislature. It is program at this season of the Legislature. It is program at the season of the Legislature is the program of the control of two oil three years activity could be studied.

We sincerely hope that you will be in accord with the above thoughts.

SINNY BITZ.

More About Educator

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Editors. The New:

WHATEVER pet opinions J. Ray thate may hold as "belowed and respected American" they are generously conceded as being within the right of the individual. But when these opinions are presented they have a different aspect.

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Favors Inspection Law

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Editor, Ten News:

The following letter has been maked to all Mecklenburg members of the General Assembly:

There has been recent publicity in the Charlotte
papers indicating that some of the representatives are
considering a bill to repeal the law which created the

Stewart Alsop

Penny-Wise?

Marquis Childs

Shadow Of Suspicion

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

Real Estate Lobby Has New Propaganda

WASHINGTON

I've real estate lobby has concocted a new and unique
at wrinkle in propaganda—letters to editors. Charles Stewart, press chief for the National Association of Real Busta
are press chief for the National Association of Real Busta
are confidential letter to local real estate boards. It could
the letter urged:

The letter urged:

Editors' columns of newspapers offer
an opportunity to get before the public with facts that are
important/to public issues affecting real estate. . . This is
being overlooked as a public relations medium. There are
persons put to unreasonable hardship by it. Some owners of
small reptal properties . . are required to accept depression
room or two for more than the entire maximum real enforced by the housing expeditier. . .

"Undoubtedly persons agrireved in this manner are
them to give the facts about their individual situations in
their own words to editors of local newspapers?"

Franch Experiments.

French Friendship

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IN Strasbours, France, is a small factory which makes

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war fighting in the resistance movement.

After the war he started this stanted-glass-window factory and, a few weeks ago, heard over the radio the story of

thank the American people for the Priendship Train.

Whereupon M. Rublimann, feeling that he had something

unquely French to offer, designed and manufactured as

the center of the window is a father showing a map of the

United States to his son, while around the borders of the

window, are the coat-of-arms of the Alsatian cities con
Because so many French churches had their windows

destroyed, M. Rublimann's factory has more orders than it

can fill, but he took time to make this window for the

American States of the coat
NOTE—So many precious historical gifts have been pus-

Senator Downey Perseveres

BUSY-AS-A-BIRD-DOG Senator Sheridan Downey, SomeBUSY-AS-A-BIRD-DOG Senator Sheridan Downey, SomeCallfornia, has been quite active recently re his own vorries
cover reelection. However, he took time out the other day to
do some lobbying which wor't help his election chances. As
bothered too much about his own California colleaves in the
House of Representatives. Searcely had two new Californians
settled in their Concressional offices, however, when they had
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they should vote to remove the 160-acre restriction, placed
on reclamation projects to help the small farmer of California
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Encouraging The Dictators