FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 1949

DEFEAT FOR EDUCATION

TWIS was to have been The Great Year.

I for education in North Carolina; but the action of the conference committee on teacher askines yeatered, destroyed the content of the conference of the content of the conference of the content of the conte

They are the men who argued for weeks not the \$30 million reserve fund should They are the men who argued for weeks has the \$30 million reserve; fund should not be agent at all, but should be held for its original 'purpose-ia, "cushion" against a decrease in State revenues. And they talked convincingly of a coming bus-ness recession bet readjustment which rould certainly cause that decrease in rev-

some. But when the showdown came, they spent the money, all of it. But they turned outly \$4,000,000 of it to school teacher salarsies, giving the teachers considerably less them the \$2,00-\$1,00 casel Governor Scott saked for, and held out as a sop the faint hope that State revenues might increase after all, and X so, they would get a horse.

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an they agreed to spend \$25,000,000 of r school buildings on a grants-in-aid , \$250,000 to each county, no matter its school pupil population, its build-

ing needs, or its ability to pay. This is a new state policy, and over-the /ears may cost unbelievable sums.

But before they had done all finat, this economy bloc had agreed to spend \$72 million from the surplus for \$\delta\$ building program at State institutions which, added to the \$52 million voted, two years ago, makes a total-of around \$125 million for new buildings.

Apparently, the phrase "economy bloc" is a misnomer. Actually the General Assembly has spent all of the accumulated surplus and further pledged the 8tate dovernment to the principle of State ald for

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surplus and further pieceget use case of comment to the principle of State aid for school buildings. As year when education might have expected a larger cut of the State pie, this Wis Jt. But there were not enough men in the General Assembly with a vision of what better education would mean, for North CasBillan. The implications of the education defeat are considerable, and it is virtually certain that the fight will be remeved in the 1800 selections for, the Contral Assembly with the 1800 selections for, the Contral Assembly with the 1800 selections for the Contral Assembly of the 1800 selections for the Contral Contral Assembly of the 1800 selections for the Contral Assembly of the 1800 selections for the Contral Assembly of the 1800 selections for the 1800 selection for the 18

SPEAKING FOR HIMSELF

DATL ROBESON was dead wrong, and did a great disservice to his race, when he told the Communist-inspired World Peace Congress in Paris that American Magrose would sever fight the Soviet Union. Robeson was merely overspeaking himself, seying to grab a round of applause from the Red brethren gathered diseas.

pleases from the Red brethren gathered flower.

Yet we must not completely ignore Roberons' threat merely because (1) he is a wrong, or (3), he is a practicing Communist. Re is better to bring these things out as the light and examine them.

Their have been other responsible Negro landers, netther Communists nor reliew sequelars, who have talked out on this exception. The hard hard year, we can be the communistic that the communistic hard the control of the control o

morement."

(@ubsequently, Randolph and Reynolds ealled off their resistance movement after the Administration moved to correct some of the more flagrant discrimination in the armed services?

(Randolph and Reynolds didn't speak for sli American Negroes, any more than Robeon gid this week. Probably Walter While, head of the NAACP, eame closer

to reflecting the overwhelming opinion of his race when he answered Robeson with: "In the events of any conflict that our nation has with any other nation, we will regard ourselves as Americans and meet the responsibilities imposed-on Americans." Max Learner, in his new book Actions And Pastons, observes that the New Deal and World War II have given Negroes a new Morid War II have given Negroes a new principle, "the principle of descriptions," the principle of description of the principle of descriptions of the principle of the

swer a demand for justice by meting out injustice somewast more carefully.

Lerner errs where most of the impatient
liberatis of his strips err. He completely igmore the fact that the improvement of the
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Negro's lot moved at a smalls pace in the
Proclamation and the New Deal; but that
it has, in the past 15 years, moved at a
tremendously accelerated speed through
the same gradual processes he fumes
against.

Instead of being impatient, he should
marvel at the speed with which education
and public discussion are bringing about
and public discussion are bringing about
certainly receive a serious seback if a few
more Paul Robesons mount the stage. His
treasonable sentiments and statements can
only injure the members of his race and
delay the final day when our democracy,
becomes a complete one.

ORIENTATION ON THE ORIENT men into China; it would be another wooden fence. Wooden fence, Situte Dean Acheson said it another my the other day. He said it would be "catastrophic" for this country to send any more aid to China. It might be "catastrophic" or just plain foolish. The guns we sent before were turned against the Nationalist troops. The shells that the Reds lobbed into the British sloop Amethyst Wednesday might have been sent to China by the United States. Finow that our Situte Department has seen the light about Asia, has become oriented on the Orlent. On the other hand, we feel a little nervous about the bulk of Asia in the hands of Russian puppets. A lot of people are pretty sure that war is coming and China will be an effective air obser for Russian planes.

NEWS reports say they have built a wooden wall around Shanghal to keep the Communist army out.

Meanwhile: thousands of Chinese Communist troops are pouring across the Yangtze into the soft center of that

Yangize into the soft center of that sprawling random.

The wooden fence around Shanghai will be as ineffective as anything else in 'stopping the Red sweep. If the Communists want to take Shanghai there is not much the Nationalist troops can do about it.

The men who are running Nationalist China new don't have any sliver to make we army payrolls. Private clitten Chinang Kai-Shek has what used to be the national treasury locked up in his own private coffers down in Formosa. Beling without pay is enough to' demorables almost any army. But when an army doesn't have any faith in its leaders—that's another cause for lack of fighting split. There are some governments

ing spirit. There are some governments you will fight for; there are some you won't fight for.

It wouldn't do a bit of good for the United States or England or any other nation to send more money, more gurls, more for the control of the control

From The Asheville Citizen

Russian planes.

But there's nothing we can do about it at the moment, because our hands are so call elsewhere. About all we can do is watch and hope that, the Communists will have their own hands so full in China they won't start reaching farther into the East.

SO THERE!

MERE is an axiom in this viewing-with-alarm business that a man-eating rk is the only topic for outright edi-al condemnation that is utterly safe.

The shark, you see, is universally recognised as being anti-social. He has no friends (unless they are suckers) on land or sea. He will not write a protesting letter to the editor, or go to the hoss behind your back. He belongs to no association, union, lodge, party, lobby, citib (we have no reference, of course, to the pool shark), society, sedality, ring or klavern.

This was a mean, victous, vile, cowardly, reprehensible, monstrous, un-Mexican act —and on dry land, even!

Now, sue!

Says the Springer Tribune: "Investigasays the Springer Tribune: "Investiga-tions by the district attorney's office dis-closed that the dead man ran into the track just sheed of the noroming train and waited for it be hit him." Quite a lively corpse. Headstrong, too.—Carlabad (N.M.) Current-Argus.

The Shot Heard Round The Immediate Vicinity



People's Platform

Two Dangerous Hazards

Deen initiated to close all open wells and holes in the county.

I would like to report two dangerous holes in this county.

Twould like to report two dangerous holes in this mass in while I live. These two holes appear to have the area. Evidently shafts were sunk gome 40 or 30 the area. Evidently shafts were sunk gome 40 or 30 the deep and left as such. At present, the openings of the holes are overgrown with brush and make a series of the county of the following the state of the county in the Scotland Hills development between Covilea Road and West Boulevard.

The location is in the Scotland Hills development between Covilea Road and West Boulevard.

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Auditorium Needed

Editors. THE NEWS:

I THINK one of the things Charlotte needs most is a city auditorium, it would pay for itself in rent to read shows that have no page to play.

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W. —JOHN McCALL.

A Candidate Speaks

A Condidate Specks

CHARLOTTE

Mitton, Two News:

IT is a vell-known fact that moory usually controls

all elections. There are three millionaires number

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register and vote is because they say it is no use, that money will carry the election anyway, no why vote. I have no experience and no qualifications to beaution but if I am elected to the Council, I will faithfully serve all the people of Charitotte the best that I can and will thank everyone the ARRKS A. TANDLE.

Live At Home Plan

CHARLOTTE

Address. The News:

[SEE by the papers where we, the taxpayers of America, have paid for nine million dollars worth of strengtomers sent to Europe for Tip patients. Now, the strengtomers sent to Europe for Tip patients, Now, the part of the sent to the sent

A Correction

Editors. The News.

IN the column. "How's Your I Q." which appeared in The Charlette News Ann'l I8, you made a far-life to the column. The same is the column of the colum

-GEO. T. OLIVER. -GEORGE P. HARRIS. -SIDNEY I. CAMPBELL. -WILLIAM T. BOYST JR.

(Note: Our proofreaders have already done pen-ance for pinnace.—Editors, The News.)

Quote, Unquote

T. SAPE DRIVING 18 CHEAPER, TOO

It is cheaper as well as safe to drive an automobile at a moderate rate of speed. The Concinnati
Automobile Club estimated that it costs 21 tents to
drive a a small car 25 miles an hour, 34 cents at 38
and 58 cents at 65.

Joseph Alsop

A Dim Light

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Dangerous Delay

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Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

Pressman's Union Investigation Need

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However, the union's executives, who long let herry get away
with almost anything he wanted from the union's treasury,
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However, for, the sake of all other honest labor unions
in the UBA. the case of the Pressman's Union appears, to be
trusted AP of L attorney to work with the Justice Dept, in
protecting the rights of all union members.

Otherwise, it will be very difficult for union local to act,
when one local challenged the honesty of President Berry.

To 1920, the Chicago local of the union did challenge
Berry, accusing him of using union funds to finance the
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the findings made here. In the 1920 convention he said that
has fought like held in this leafs to keep the truth from being
known.

Berry Was Czar

Furthermore, the Chicago local which brought the suit was penalized. The union officers in charge were thrown out and a steward was appointed by Berry to run the union.

the price—\$4,600.

Berry and other union executives were also allowed \$8 a day for traveline expenses. However, they construed this omen \$8 a day for traveline expenses. However, they construed this omen \$8 a day whether they were traveling or not, and Berry drew that amount every day even while at home. However, when he traveled, he had the hotel bill sent to the union so that he collected twice. This was in addition to the \$8 a day.

49 a day. Between the years 1926 and 1941 Berry reported an in-me of \$15,000. However, the U. S. Treasury, checking un his revenue, arrived at the figure of \$842,000 instead. And ent they prosecuted Berry for income-tax evasion, it is institute to the history of the theory of the theory of the theory of the theory pay his defense attorneys (see—to the tune of \$100,000.) To othey words the union paid the expense of defending

Navajos Plead

WEATHERBEATEN Navajo and Hopi Indians set in the W thick-carpeted mahogany-decorated room of the House Public Lands Committee the other day and told a story of Governmental neglect.

Sam Ahkeah, chairman of the Navajo Tribal Coutold the story eloquently.

"Its difficult to at here in this beautiful building and discuss the deplorable conditions on our reservations," he said. "In soft gases our people must travel 400 miles over almost impassable roads to reach the nearest hospital. "We need roads, hospitals, and—most important—schools," he begged. "Most of our children must grow up without schooling."

schooling. The control of the Navajos are illiterate and 68 per cent cannot speak English. Remarked Hen. John Murdock, Arisons Democrat: "It the Navajos could live on scenery, they'd be rish Indeed." I show that the could be realthy. They own some of the Navajos could live on scenery, they do not have the could be realthy. They own some of the best uranium deposits in the world, but through a technically shee hed difficulty collection growthes.