

SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 1950

AN EXPERIMENT WORTH WATCHING

An interesting Congressional experi-ment is taking place under the watch-ful eyes of Capitol politicians and news-hawks, and being duly reported in the newspapers of the nation.

It is an experiment in economy, which is aponsors hope will bring about a re-luction of the Federal budget.

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'Congress voies to spend money by appropriation bills. In the past, there has been an appropriation bill for each major function of government. The bills have been reported out of committee, debated on the floor, and passed one by one. Not until the end of the session could Continuit the end of the session mould continuit the set of the session mould continuit the set of the session mould continue the session to the session could continue the session could be session to the session could be session could be

they had voted and for what.

This year the House Appropriations
Committee lumped most of President Truman's budget into a one-package money
bill. It covers all proposed expenditures
except foreign aid and the so-called permanent appropriations and trust funds
which cannot be reduced because of prior
and fixed commitments.

DEATH BEHIND BARS

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TWE bare facts of the fire at Spray, N. C., speak for themselves.

Six prisoners, arrested on a charge of drunkenness, were locked in a small cell block. The door was shut "to keep the cell block warm." The jailer was downstairs. A mattress caught fire, or was set aftire. Six persons, one of them a woman, suffocated. The jailer discovered the smoke when he came upstairs with another. The targety was late, thumber that at Sandia, New Mexico, where fourteen men recently died in an Army guardhouse when an old oil store exploded.

The is always terrible for people to die.

THE FATE OF CAPTAIN

WE CANT for the life of us think of
a better solution for the problem of
Capt. John G. Crommelin than putting
him on an indefinite furious at half pay.
He could-be court-martialed for knowinsily and peristently violating Navy orders, but that would be rather harsh
treatment for's man who compiled a brilliant war record and who supears to be
motivated by the deepest sincerity in his
slashing attacks on Unification.
The Navy had to do something. Captain
Crommelin had started the whole ruckus
against Unification with his first wellpublicated, statement that the Navy was
being "mibbled to death." A few weeks
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of a confidential letter base
policies. Ordered to "sign off" after the
Navy lot the "Battle of the Admirals," he

continued making lectures and broadcasts and writing magazine articles.

Simultaneous with the furloughing of Captain Crommelin, the Navy made public

"The good of the service and the welfare of the entire national defense structure require that there be an end to intemeste public criticism of responsible officials and seencies of the National Defense Establishment by officers on active duty in the Nayy."

NATURE—THE UNPREDICTABLE

TF YOU'VE been perplexed by the tricks bof Nature in this unusual Winter, think for a moment of the poor shrubs and flowers.

It's easy enough, when the cold winds slow, for humans to don heavier clothing and turn up the furnaces. Not so in the slant world.

plant world.

At least three times since the balany
January weather, the mirroury has soomed
skyward and then akidded well he low
freeting. Several times the combination of
humidity and stillness has been just right
for the formation of a thick, crusty layer
of bittle frost

The results are in evidence everywhere.

Light green shoots of the legustrum have turned withered and brown and hang limply against the dark green of last year's hardier leaves.

The big purple blooms of the magnolia soulangeana, their husks shedded prema-

From The Louisville Courier-Journal

ANOTHER SUNLIT HOUR IS PROMISED

THE hope that once seemed so forlorn now buds and brightems. And we couldn't ask for a better time for this to be than here on the verse of the season-when everything wakes up and there isn't a moment to spare from enloying new life. With luck and official reasonableness, Louisville folk may look shead to a pre-clous extra hour of daylight this Summer. The daylight-saving bill has passed at last and needs only the Oovernor's signature.

And a little later, when the airs are And a little later, when the airs are bland and the outdoors becken, the community will set its clocks sheed, our all the control of the cont

wilted and all rest is departed.

And then, in sood time before dusk there is freedom for another hour. There are ease and lawns to be tended, there are ease and relaxation to be courted. There is—and I'ls is no small item in these times of— in and pressure—tranquility to be re: red. There is—yes, there is pleasure to be found, and we make no appoint for this tem. No man sione may set his clock ahead and order his day for himself alone. It takes a concert of arrangements, public and private. And the law makes all this possible, we would gain at both the beginning and end of the day.

Too many people are under the impression that the time to be good is when you are sick enough to call in the doctor.—

Pittsburg (Tex.) Gazette.

Anyone remember what hydrogen was ever used for, back in the old days (about two months ago)??—Carlsbad (N. M.) Current-Argus.

News From The Capital

WILMINGTON'S inability to decide whether it results wants a floating dry dock now is putting some important people on the spot in Washington.

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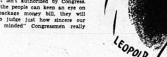
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'Well, What Do You Think?'

Wilmington Drydock Hits Snag



It is especially horrible for them to be locked up behind bars by the authority of the State and left to die—helpless.

In how many other jails in North Caro-lina are people being shut away behind closed doors, without supervision, without a chance to fight for their lives if a mat-tress catches fire?

This Spray tragedy calls for an immediate and a thorough investigation to fix the blame. But it calls further for an exhaustive survey of all places in North Carolina—institutions as well as jalis—where people are locked behind bars.

THE FATE OF CAPTAIN CROMMELIN

That looks like a gag-rule, but it is not. Ordinary rules of a democracy do not apply to the armed services where policies are determined by the commander-in-chief and the Contress, and put into prac-tice by superior officers. If non-conformity with those policies were to become wide-scread, there would be no efficiency or discipline, merely chaos.

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the best of ii. not unlike a woman with a new white hat. Surely it must be disappointing to wait impatiently through the colds Winter for that one moment of glory—and then find it empty. But the plants, eternal optimists it empty but the plants, eternal optimists of the control of the contr

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

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Senator On Rampage

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She was the Greenboro gal who headed the North Carolina Progressive Party during the slowny days of the Wallace tour. She ran for governor on the North Carolina Progressive Party during the slowny days of the Wallace tour. She ran for governor on A check here reveals that after her brief gours of fame, she more-or-less drifted into anonymity. In fact, her side was so complete that Washington In fact, her side was so complete that Washington Price. 40 who was a hit-and-run sitto sixtim, with Price. 40 who was a hit-and-run sitto sixtim, with Price. 40 who was a hit-and-run sitto sixtim, with Price. 40 who was a hit-and-run sitto sixtim, with Price. 40 who was a hit-and-run situation of the Mary Price who was not called a contact from the Aury Price who was a minor table. She has come to the price of the Pr

once again.

So the gal who once worked as Walter Lippmann's secretary returned to Washington where she became the social secretary for the Checholovakian Embassy, a duty which included arranging parties and guest a duty which was a prack but only the same at the control of the same at th

WHAT PRICE PAME?-Ever wonder what become

on it.

"I have told you at least six times that you should have somebody on the floor at all times to watch this." Lucas stemed at McCarran. "Your committee is in charge of this legislation."

"Don't you think it would be a good idea if we had a majority leader present once in awhile?" McCarran snorted Angrily, Lucas stalked off. "I guess I'll have to sit here 24 hours a day," he muttered.

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By MARQUIS CHILDS

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By ROBERT C. RUARK

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