THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 1950

EVADING THE ISSUE

Now that President Truman has ex-pressed his willingness to accept atand-by powers to freeze wages and prices and to ration consumer goods, the last obstacle to such legislation has been removed. In view of the strong groundswell in Congress favoring stronger controls, following Bernard Baruch's convincing testimony, it is reasonably safe to predict the adoption of one of the several meas-ures already introduced.

Those who favor the authorization of such wide powers on a stand-by basis, to be invoked if and when President Truman decides they are necessary, cite three arguments.

decides they are necessary, cite three arguments:

1. Stand-by legislation would forestall Congressional action to put the controls into effect immediately, and thus would give Mr. Truma a chance to prove his theory that the allocation and credit control powers he has already saked for will do the lgb fgr the time being.

2. The Korean situation is still fluid, and the machinery to cope with it about also be flexible.

3. The threat of price rollbacks, especially, would be a strong psychological deterrent against individual and business heardings of scarce materials and products for especiality would be perfuenced and the validity of those arguments, we still believe

that the passage of stand-by legislation simply dodges the issue. Mr. Baruch's thesis was that rigid controls over our whole economy are necessary nous, not at some time in the future. And many other individuals much better informed than we are, including several members of the Congress, have agreed with him.

As we see it, we either need all-out controls or we don't need them. It is a decision that the Congress should make. To pass the buck to Mr. Truman is merely to invite a postponement of the controls, since he has already said he does not believe them to be necessary about the time of the things of the things of the things of the House, and a third of the Senate, are up for re-election in November. Congress of the House, and a third of the Senate, are up for re-election in November. Congress when the people are statisfied, Congress can claim the crisis. If controls are put into effect promptly, if they work well, and if the people are statisfied, Congress can claim she credit. If they are put into effect too lask, or if they don't work well, and if the people are unhappy, Congress can biame Mr. Truman.

Although the maneuver can be understood, it can not be condomed. A decision of such vital importance to the nation should be made by Presidential flat. It should be made by the Congress, or not made at all.

A PARTING OF THE WAY

In THE PAST year and a half, we have developed a healthy respect for Councilman Billy Coddington. He has been alert, vigorous, and outspoken in his service to the voters who elected him. And he has shown a rare willingness to take a firm and unequivocal stand on virtually every taken to come before the Council d unequivocal stand on virtually ue to come before the Council,

no matter now controversial.

Perhaps by coincidence, but more probably because of a congeniality of ideas,
The Nives has found itself in agreement
with Mrt. Coddington most of the time.
If we part company with him now, as
we must over the latest maneuver to block
the Latin Park recretifun center and bring
the semi-autonomous Park & Recreation
Commission to heel, it is with full recognition of the fact that there are two sides
to this particular question. Mr. Coddington
has chosen one side; we elect to take the
other.

In the period between today and August te set for a public he change in the zoning ordinance to give the Council power to veto any plans for recreation centers or other public buildings in our public parks, The News will attempt to set forth its reasoned convictions in the

to set forth its reasoned convictions in the matter.

For the time being, let us simply restate our regrets that the Latta Park controversy did not die with Judge Patton's recent decision in Superior Court. We had welcomed the court test, thinking that it would restore peace and harmony. It obviously has not done so.

We do not hope to convert any of the opponents of the Latta Park center. They have become so firmly convinced that the center will be a nuisance that they have completely lost their objectivity.

We do hope to alert the great and silent majority of the propies of Charlotte to a maneuver by a minority group of clissens and what we hope is a minority of the present Council to bring about a fundamental and the control publication of the propies of the propies. It is not open than the propies of the propies of

SATISFACTORY TO ALL

THE brief resolution adopted by the City i. Council yesterday appears to satisfy everyone associated with the current hubbub over bringing natural gas to Charlotte.

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The resolution sets forth susceincity (1)
the Councills desire to get natural gas for
Consistes and (2) the Council's intention
of approving the sale of Duke's gas franchale to any bona fide, responsible distributor who has access to natural gas and
who is ready, willing and able to serve
the city's needs.

The Piedmont Natural Gas Co., which The Pledmont Natural 2025 Co., which has contracted with Duke Power Co. to buy its local distribution system, can take that as assurance that the sale will be approved if and when Pledmont receives Federal Power Commission permission to tap the Transcontinental Natural Gas Co. pipe-line and bring natural gas to the city limits. dmont's competitors can be assured

that the Charlotte market is not being staked out in advance of a decision by the And the people of Charlotte can be

And the people of Charlotte can be satisfied that the Council is trying to fuffill its main obligation—that of protecting their interest.

The original resolution, drawn by Councilman Boyd, a lawyer by trade, was adorned with numerous "whereases" and a couple of "therefores". The trimmeddown version finally adopted said the same thing, but more briefly. On which note we end this editorial lest it, too, become too long and involved.

REARMAMENT 'WATCHDOGS'

SCARCELY noted in the more dramatic news from Washington was the recent appointment of a Senatorial subcommittee that potentially can be of great service to the nation in the coming months.

Senator Tydings of Maryland, chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, named seven colleagues to a special group charged with responsibility of keeping a continuous watch over the huge rearms ment program. The subcommittee is to de-If, showed that the military forces and future, left to their own devices, are at section was the over the huge rearmament program. The subcommittee is to determine whether the program is "relent-lessly pursued without waste of time, effort and money".

On the subcommittee are Senators Johnson of Texas, chairman, Chapman of Mentucky, Kefauver of Tennessee and Hunt of Wyoming, all Democrats, and

Senators Bridge: of New Hampshire, Sal-tonstall of Massachusetts, and Morse of Oregon, Republicans. Most of these gentlemen (Senator Bridges excepted) are men of recognized

ability and integrity. There will be much for them to do. The work of the Truman war investigating committee in World War II, showed that the military forces and

From The Raleigh News & Observer

AFTER TWO YEARS

NEWS STORY about the decision of A rateleth police officials to enforce a two-hour parking limit on streets adjacent to the Capitol Square says: "The ordinance has been on the books for two years, but has not been enforced. City officials nohas not been enforced. City officials no-tified George Cherry, superintendent of buildings and grounds, that beginning Aug. 1 the ordinance will be rigidly en-

Everybody in North Carolina by this time hould realize that the one worst fault in should realize that the one worst fault in connection with the State's safety record is law violation. Every law ought to be enforced or removed from the books.

age law violation.

Every law and ordinance should be enforced or repealed. Any that are passed and deliberately neglected do damage to respect for all laws. The people should know that laws are laws and not mere verbiage spread upon the law books to confuse the citizenship.

We notice from the advertisements that the well-dressed man has cut his Summer pajamas off above the knee, too. With the way women are dressing he was al-most the sole hope of the cotton textile deed, when a State or a city passes a industry and now we expect a slump in and then falls to enforce it, the textiles.—Quitman (Ga) Free Press.



Collected By Bill Sharpe

TURPENTINE DRIPPINGS

Mass Slaughter

Redeville Review)

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They Don't Complain

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Some people say that the feet not the neck,
stitute the key to Summer coolness.
Why not go barefoot?
It's very seldom that you see small barefoot
is complaining about the Summer heat.

Hot Weather

(Harnett County News)

One comment we have to make about the hot weather, in comparison with the cold winter weather. In the Winter you can always put on more clothes to keep warm as the weather gate colder. But the Summer when it gets hot, there is just so much that you can take off, and that's that In the Summer con you gate the cold and the county in the control of the county of the count

Family Pie

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Mon, folks, there are all sorts of pies, but a Now, folks, there are all sorts of pies, but a Now, folks, there are all sorts. Delight-fully different.

They rolled out two rather thick crust, spread over the pan pies the fresh-wand blackbering in pinched if down to the other one at the edges. This was based like any other pie, although the pinched if down to the other one at the edges. This was based like any other pie, although the other of the pinched like any other pie, although the output of the pinched like any other pie, although the output of the pinched like any other pinched like any othe

sweetened and stirred into a delightful reddin-pink mass with thick sour cream. Then half of this was was cut out then put back in, and the other half of the berries and cream poured on that.

We then served that delightful dish in soup plates, it was no goors. And, man, you talk about 10 plates, it was no goors. And, man, you talk about 12 feats on it, so there are times. It is one of the things that still tastes like it did when I was a kid.

Hardest Job

Doing nothing is the most tiresome job in the world because you can't stop and rest.

What A Stinker

(Smithfield Herald)
Our idea of the meanest man in the world is
the fellow who got in Luke Capps' chair at a local
barber ahop and failed to tell him he was deaf
until he had had his haircut and shave.

Wrong Laugh

(Zebulen Record)

The Guardsman tacked up a picture that he had brought home as a present, and shortly thereafter his wife found their little son bawling like

"What's the matter, darling?" she asked.
"The hammer slipped and hit Daddy on the
mb," he sobbed.
"Well, that's nothing to cry about," she declared.
"I didn't cry," the boy whimpered. "I laughed!"

Prettiest Sight

(Laurinburg Exchange)

We don't know anything prettier than a field of corn just about the time it reaches the tasseling stage.

Creating Will Power

Aumenty wine was chargen with partaining too freely of liquor.

In an impressive heart-to-beart talk in open court, Judge Pless gave the defendant some timely selected to the selected talking a drink, but should be 'break over' he suitomatically goes to just for ix months.

Judge Pless did a lot to strengthen that young man's will power with such a sentence.

Woman's View
(Sanford Herald)
Philosopher Herbert Bowen says, "A mother may
hope that her daughter will get a better man than
she did, but she knows that her son will never get
as good a wife as his father did."

U.S. Pushes UN Commission To Investigate Aggression By MARQUIS CHILDS

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By ROBERT RUARK NEW YORK

WE HAVE SEEN a certain lask
of enthusiasm for being drafted.
lately. One headline says that at
least a third of those called have
not turned up to be chosen, in
New York alone — and it is kind
of understandable.

another properties of Casacianca and Cundistanta. Annio and Enisario Cundistanta. Annio and Enisario Cundistanta and Casaciana. Annio and Enisario Casaciana and Casaciana

can't compete with it.

There is a thing, too, about people who have been to war being sort of unwilling to strain their luck. I find that I, personally, have a great deal less enthusiasm for getting shot at, today, than I had getting shot at, today, than I had blue suit seems less important. You

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DREARY PUPPETT ACTIONS

MacArthur Rules Press With Iron Hand Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

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TR. The fact is that MacArthur had the largest segn the U.S. Army under him in Japan, and failure in troops is, of course, a direct reflection on him chief command. Lieut. Oen. Walton Walker.

Army Once Welcomed Criticism

Army Once-Welcomed Criticism
Tus new MacAthur directive barring newspaper criticism
I is in direct contradiction to the censorable rules laid
down for nessyappers in this country during Well War II.

says healthy, important, in fact, necessary, II is also in
volation of Woodrew Wilson's famous statement in World
War II: "We do not need less criticism, but note; II is hoped
than autocrastic repression."

Perhaps if there had been more newspaper scruliny
and criticism of the entire defense setup, including table
Japan, things might now be better in Kores.

Criticism of the U. S. milliary in Japan has always been
difficult. MacArtiur; just did not tolerate it. Winhs in bad
no emborrally rules as each, be made like difficult in the

the newman who tried to report the full story of the Japanese occupation.

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Total primar relations and control revertheless his cable residual believes while continuing my course to the strandity of while continuing my course to the strandity of war Department. I will withdraw my objection. I would like to have an opportunity to pass upon these contemplated for selection before their unitarians a accomplished. I believe be limited to publishers and editors and should not include those connected with papers of known hostility to the occupation. Such papers are The Christian Science Month, Tally Werter and others of this stamp whose articles and editorials have not only been slanted but have approached downtight quackery and dishonesty. (Regret) Manch Tally were residently for the continued the continued the continued that the continued region of the stamp whose articles and editorials have not only been slanted but have approached downtight quackery and dishonesty. (Regret) Manch Tally were sent on the continued right up to the Korean crists. As late as Just 12, London Times correspondent Frank Hawley was ordered out of Japan merely because he reported what was a well-entary of the control of the control

Oklahoma's Aftermaths

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Frantic phone calls.

Senator Thomas phoned Dyke Cullum; Joycette Jones also phoned Cullum; and Mrs. Cullum int the ceiling. On top of learning that her husband had been geing around the ceiling of the control of the

Type, dear, it isn't you that Drew Pearson is after, it's the Senator. He's not interested in you. He just believes that people who are elected to high public office should not be using that office for their own personal gain."

gain."
Dyke thought a minute about this, then told Mrs. Cullium:
"All right, if Senator Thomas is defeated, I won't have another thing to do with him."
Since then Thomas has been defeated. Meanwhile: Mr.
Cullum has promised to buy Mrs. Cullum a new Fall outfit,
so perhaps all's well that ends well.

Merry-Go-Round

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