POST OFFICE INEFFICIENCY

IT MAY be forgotten in the furor over Postmaster General Donaldson's reduction of mail delivery services, but there are many fundamental faults in the Post Office Department which, if corrected, would effect great savings and improve

efficiency.

The Hoover Commission task force which studied postal services estimated \$140 million a year could be saved by modernizing the organization, methods, and equipment of the Post Office, and said annual losses could be cut another \$114 million a year by settling new rates on certain tisms.

tain items.

Here are some of the causes for the big deficit piled up by the Post Office each year, as cited by the Commission:

deficit piled up by the Post Orline each year, as cited by the Commission:

1. There has been no basic change in the organizational structure of the Post Office reports at structure of the Post Office in the Commission of the Post Office reports directly to Washington on even the simplest matters.

2. Every one of the nation's 42,000 Post Offices reports directly to Washington on even the simplest matters.

3. Each year, 1.5 billion pieces of mail are carried for nothing, post-great under March year, 1.5 billion pieces of mail are carried for nothing, post-great under March year, 1.5 billion pieces of mail are carried for nothing, post-great under March year, 1.5 billion pieces of mail are carried for nothing, post-great under March year.

5. Each year, 1.5 billion pieces of mail are carried for nothing, post-great under March year.

6. The Post Do 1850 million; this makes it impossible for a local Postmaster to run.

7. Auditing procedures are so cumber-come that the Postmaster General never sets the Imagendal woord from the General never the University of the Commission of the Section of the Section of the Commission of the Section of the Se

The Commission went ahead to show hat a huge enterprise the postal system . Its revenues are \$1.3 billion a year. It mploys 500,000 persons. It operates 42,000

branches and maintains 24,000 buildings. It runs a fleet of 10,000 vehicles; transports and delivers more than 37 billion pieces of mail annually; conducts 500 million transactions in money orders, collect deliveries, etc.; and runs a "bank" of four million depositors and accounts totaling million dep

33.4 billion.

The Commission put its finger on another fault. Explaining that the postal employees work hard as a rule at low wages and salaries, it cited the political selection of Postmasters as discouraging ambition and reducing efficiency, and recommended that Senate confirmation of Postmasters should be abolished and that the Postmasters should be abolished and that the Postmasters General should not be an official of a robitical party.

greez.

If the postal deficit can be eliminated, it will mean a savings of \$500,000,000 to the U. S. taxpayers. Certainly the stakes are big enough to encourage taxpayers to notify their representatives that they expect the Hoover Commission recommendations to be put into effect.

There are no famed men who can aid the fight against mental illness by "dying from it". You can identify a pollo cripple on the street but you can't, except in the most extreme cases, identify a mental crip-ple as such.

Yet there are ten times as many vic-tims of mental illness as there are polio sufferers.

UNDERSTANDING MENTAL ILLNESS

UNDERSTANDING MENT.

WHAT do you know about mental illness? Does the term suggest to you
a "crasy" person, someone with a long
beard and matted hair racing ravoud in a
dark cell muttering gibberish? Do you
think that anyone who "gose crasy" is
dangerous, someone to be "put away"?
Too many people still hold to the anclent concept of "inaanity", still feel revulsion when the subject of mental illness
is brought up. While public understanding of mental illness has brown amazingly
in the past twenty years, it has not yet
reached the point where an effective program of prevention and treatment can be
found in severy state.

Willse his of us can understand the great
threat of cancer and tuberculosis and
heart disease, mental illness has been, for
the most part, innored. This ignorance of
mental illness is the result of, first, the
public thanner in which the stckness
claims its victims.

PRIMARY POLITICKING

IF THE Democratic National Committee refuses to accept the resignation of its vice-chairman, Mrs. Charles W. Tillett of "purge" efforts back-fired, and has pre-dicted that the Daniels activity in behalf of Senator Graham will actually help Mr.

refuses to accept the resignation of its lose-chairman, Mrs. Charles W. Tillett of harlotte, it will pose a neat question for harlotte for the harlotte for season for the harlotte for season f

From The Greensboro Daily News

NICE NEIGHBORS

MILE Daily News greets with distinct satisfaction the appointment of Lenoir ambers as editor of The Virginian-Pilot, to of the best newspapers in the country in read, we daressy, by more North Carolans than any daily published outside th Carolina—that is, if it can really be d to be published outside, or Norfolk's Heels can be called Virginians. If, Chambers, a native of Charlotte, was he city editor and associate of The Deity way, left this community for Norfolk to come associate editor of The Virginians, at the death of Douglas Gordon beset of the Charlotte, was editor of Type Ledger-Dispatch and succeeds the fite Louis Jaffe, another and belliant craftsman who was the Carolinian enough to be educated at the University.

A good gardener is a person who can make two lilies bloom where one head of cabbage grew before.—New Orleans (La.) States.

The way we understand it, these dust storms are just the bark blowing off the New Deal Shelter Belt.—Dallas (Tex.) Morning News.

CLOSED

'Want Some Free Literature?'

Senate Spending Spree

Putting Pork In A Pork-Barrel

By RICHARD L. STROUT (In The Christion Science Monit

By RICHARD L. STROUT

(In The Christien Science Menlier)

WASHINGTON

SENATOR Paul H. Douglas (D) of Illinois has been
defying the rules of the club again. There is a
gentlemen's agreement in the Senate that the big,
annual 'pork barrel' bill shall go through without
body. Particularly is this true in an election year.
Voices for "economy" are stilled The bill is big—the
measure amounts to \$1.850.000 for in the Senate and
\$1.117,000.000 in the House version.

Beaster Douglas has been tripin to get senate sub
declaim "economy" to yote "economy". He has protiested items right and left, even some in Illinois.

The Senate Old Guard doesn't like it-a bit. They
have scoffed at his "Guitoric" Douglas campalan.
have scoffed at his "Guitoric" Douglas campalan.
last of his series of money-saving amendments ironic
appliance broke out, led by Senators Kenneth McKellar (D) of Tennessee and Olin D. Johnston (D)
of South Carolina.

Only 19 Vote No

Itemized Attack

Who Said That?

Charges Of Communism May **Hurt United States Abroad**

By MARQUIS CHILDS

Like He Said, Nobody Makes You Go To See The Movies

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

White House Phones About Tax Case

one call.

The case is that of a Missourian, Irving Sachs, who rates 'shoe styles' in St. Louis, and who has been commended by the Treasury for tax-fraud prosecution, this fudged on his income tax to the tune of more than 0.000, and officials say that the fraud is cleas—out and

The Authors