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## THE CHARGE OF APPEASEMENT

The New York Times sagely observes:

"If we do not immediately bomb troop
concentration points in Manchuria, it is 'appeasument'. If we do not immediately set
up a blockade of chinese ports (and presummably fire on British and Russian ships
attempting to enter those ports), it is 'appeasument'. If we do not provide air cover
for a (probably premature) invasion of continental China by Nationalist Chinese troops,
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In its strict sense, the verb oppear means to reduce to a state of peace, to pacify, to make quiet or calm. Since Munich it has taken on a much less pleasant connotation. It has come to mean the abject surrender to an aggressor's demands, thus increasing the probability of new and bigger demands. Now the opposement label is being hurled against the Administrating that bolstered the military power of a Soviethreatened Turkey; that sided Greece to fight off the Communist guerrillar; that stood up to Russia with the Berlin Blockade; that used the Marshall Plan to save Italy and France from Communist election victory and to restore Western Europe's productive capacity; that initiated and brought to fruit the Atlantic, Pacit, that appointed General Sizenhover to head the European Army and gave him sir.

naval, and ground troops; that has just nepoilated for long-term bases in Greenland;
ever the control of the North Korean
invasion with all the limited forces this is
nation then had at its demand; that put
through a plan to enable the United Nations
General Assembly to act when the Security
Council was blocked by the Soviet veto;
that isolated Formons and kept if out of
Communist hands; that poured /materials
and military advisers into Indo-China when
that nation was threatened; that launched a
termendous preparedness program in this
nation; that how starving millions from
turning to Moscow for aid in their hour of
grave need.

Paradoxically, the Jabel—uttered with
scorn and deristion as an epithet—is being
used most blatantly by those in the Congress
who have fought, at almost every step, the
Administration's program for meeting: the
worldwide challenge of Communism—who
opposed the Marshall Plan, the Atlantic Pact,
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appearement, and no volume of vituperation
by the Johnny-come-latelles of the U. S. Congress can make that charge side.

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### TIME TO MEET THE PARKING PROBLEM

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The new Musicipal Year Book shows that
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opened their first parking lot, while 107
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#### THE JOURNAL AND ITS READERS

THE stout, prosperods and conservative T. Wall Street Journal, long the Bible of the U. S. financial world, has been in trouble with its readers recently. The ruchus started when The Journal backed President Truman in discharging MacArthur, and it grew in dury when that newspaper calmip but resolutely opposed MacArthur's plan for a "quick victory" in Korea.

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the United States, showed but little approval of The Journal's editorial position. Most of the letters expressed amazement, some utter construction, and a number of them have been plumb choleric. This week came the topper. A lady in Zanesville, Ohlo, wrote:

"I have been reading the editorials in your paper concerning General MacArthur and the Truman Administration. I am very much the Truman Administration. I am very much a proper state of the property of th

elevents!

Ah. well, the editors of The Journal shouldn't be too concerned. In the first place, they ought to be pretty proud if their readers place such great store by the editorial column that they take or quit the paper because of what is said there. In the second place, they shouldn't worry about losing such readers. Any person whose mind is so closed that he refuses to receive any opinion that conflict with his own. we sho is so uncertain of his conviction that he sites.

afraid to entertain any opposite ideas, is scarcely worth shedding a tear over.

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Any newspaper worth list sait is going to make someone mad sooner or later, and the editor whose readers registerior receptation whatsoever had best start "re-examining" himself. Either he's not saying anything, or else they're not reading him.

#### **OUR CHILDREN**

THE scientists have been writing about the dreadful potentialities of the atomic bomb. The civil defense people have been writing about it too. The sociologists and psychologists have waxed eloquent in telling us of the "real meaning" of the atomic bomb.

But this week, in the "Washington Wire" column of The New Republic, the "real meaning" of the bomb became clearer. Wrote TRB, pseudononymous compiler of the col-

"We watched our first atom bomb drill at kindergarten last week. The siren rang, the tots came seriously into the corridor. between clasarooms. They were a cute bunch: the girst had flaxen half, the boys, roay cheeks. They accepted the idea of atomic destruction trainingly, unquestioning prostrated themselves, put curly heads in crooks of fat elbows, their little posteriors all rising. So the exeweman's children crouched, So the ancients made obeisance to Moloch. We recommend the spectacle for you may suddenly dimly comprehend total war."

From The Greensboro Daily News

### THE TOLL-TAKERS

FURTHER traffic evidence of what causes the mounting death list on North Carolina highways comes from Statesville near where Saturday five persons were fatally injured in a head-on crash of two automo-biles in which, say dispatches, "both cars were demolished".

And the cause? You have doubtless uessed it, speed.

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One of the cars failed to make a curve and smashed into the other. It turns out that a highway patrolman was chasing this car for speeding at the time of the wreck. It is a special to the speeding the speeding at the time of the wreck at a till in behind it when the fatal crash occurred one-half mile west of the irredule applial. He declares that he clocked the speeding machine at 90 and 85 miles an hour several times during the chase.

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The driver of this particular car will cause no more trouble on the highways since he is cold in death, is are four other human beings who paid the supreme cost for his speeding. But we are thinking of the thousands of speeders who are still on our high-

ways and of the responsibility to halt them ways and of the responsibility to hair them as potential killers before Death takes over for them and for the innocent victims of their unfitness to be under the steering wheels of mutilating machines.

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It is the chronic speeders whom we would like to see taken in tow. You know them; maybe they include your friends, members of your family and even yourself; many acquaintances hate to ride with them and do not if there is any way out. They crop up too in court, these repeaters who simply cannot take the time to get where they are giong a few minutes later but insist on taking chances, in reckless disregard of the laws of safety, until one of their trips is sooner or later completed in ambulance or hearse.

These are the people who should be de-nied the right to drive.

Superficial issuance or re-issuance of driver's license will never get at the major factor in a local, state and national casualty list which makes the Korean War toll small in comparison.

But It's Such A Sunny Day'



#### **News** From The Capital

# Graham Given 'Impossible' Job

By TOM SCHLESINGER

Charlotte News Special Writer

T'S out of the trying pan into the tire for former
Senator Prank 'P. Graham. Just seven weeks
after being picked as Defense Manpower Adminidtrator in the Department of Labor, Dr. Graham was
tagged this week with the "impossible" job of being
United Nations mediator in the dispute between
India and Pakistan over the Princely State of
Kashmir.

The one-time University of North Carolina's esident will seek to persuade both sides to pull eir troops out of Kashmir as a prelude to a plebilite to determine the state's future.

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Dr. Greham had little to say of his new assignment, other than his perious mission to Indonesis was also considered "impossible." He was referring to his word as a memos that being a longNations Good Orread to independence.

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The Graham was proposed for the position by the United States and Great Britain. None of the nations voted against the appointment, but the Soviet Union representative wondered why the mediator should be American.

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A public opinion poll this week showed that a substantial majority of the public would like to see Congressional sessions on television. But Sen-ator Clyde R. Hoey doubts if many lawmakers were among those fuestioned.

A resolution has been offered by a group of Congressmen favoring the telecasting of proceedings. The action was spurred by the enormous success of the Kefauver crime committee hearings as a TV feature.

And it has the support of students of govern-ment who feel that the medium can serve as a powerful means of awakening wider citizen interest in public affairs.

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However, to Senator Hoey it would serve as a deterrent to the carrying on of public business.

"It's difficult enough now to stop people from talking and get legislation passed." he observed "relevising would just serve to hinder and delay the proceedings even more, with certain people bogging the cameras all the time."

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Although the Senator had no statement to make on the Kefauver hearings, it was obvious that he didn't approve of televising them. And, as one of the leading investigators in Congress, his actions carry weight. At least, at this stage of the game, none of his inquiries will see the light of TV.

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makes so much of a show, eather than a judicial
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the conditions may be remedied. TV takes hearings
out of the realm of judicial hearings."

For years the District of Columbia has been fight-ing for a voice in its own government. Both pollitical partiest have endorsed the move in their national pollitical platforms. The current Refavewa-Taft bill for home rule passed the Senate on a voice voice last session.

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This year, however, it looks as if it won't even get that far, Senator Willis Smith is one of the senator will smith is one of the senator of the se

Although, he didn't have a chance to vote on the issue this time, Senator Hoey, a former District committee member had a cordial word for Smith's

"I'm glad he voted as he did," the Senator aid. He summed up the arguments against the measure which included the observation that "Washington is the assist they and the summed to the control of the city."

This would mean they should be in the control of the city. This would mean the control of the city. The control of the city of the cit

people dispute this.

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to elect their own city council; it would reorganize
the District's government which is badly in need
of reorganizing; and it would remove, from Congreat the absurd duty of passing upon minor questions affecting the city.

Western Powers Neglecting Opportunity To Gain Allies

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By JOSEPH ALSOP

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## Let's Win It Or Lose It, **But Stop Fiddling Around**

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game of squad tag.
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men, wrecking the joint in order to salvage nothing.

DON'T KNOW WHY THEY DIE Our young men have died with their hands lied, to date, and they have died largely without the sal-isfaction of knowing what they are American of average patriot-ism is willing to die to defend his country, or to defend an ideal in-volving others. Dying simlessly is more silly than not.

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If we started out with an ideal in Koras something happened to it during the political jurging of, awar. It is difficult to light entible statically in a battle that has no close prospect of winning. Our stand in Koras has been roughly comparable to the mythological character—who was condemned eternatily for roll a bondler up a newcestimmountable hill.

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#### Sen. Margaret Smith Outsmarts Taft Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

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However, in they don't measure up in regular, the debate, don't know the tricks of backstage wire-pulling.

However, it took a lady to outsmart the most powerful Republican in the Senate—Bob Taff of Ohio Congress 1870.

Last Fall, Sen. Margaret Chase Smutigating Committee. The man who initiated her exit was Senator McCarthy of Wisconsin who wanted revenge for Mrs. Smith wedelaration of conscience" in which she urged a fair hearing for the congress of the senate o

than McCarthy, who really gave the ax to the accy seminor of moments.

Mrs. Smith had little to say at the time. She smiled swelly, blieds her time, and worked at another committee Job investigating the Maryland elections.

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him more than the Democrats. It will show, for instance,
that he spent far more money than the Democrats, and will
show a vicious anti-Catholic whispering campaign waged
by some of Taft's followers. Though Taft personally had
nothing to do with the campaign, it was just as anti-chareccan as the unitair fals tryings. And bringing anti-Catholcleism out in the open is not going to help Taft's Presidential
chances.

Thanks however to the kick which Taft gave a lady,
the Senator from Ohio is now going to be investigated
by Mrs. Smith's new committee.

**Temptation To Soviet** 

uggery.

So Mrs. Smith quietly took Senator Taft at his word.

MOST dangerous fact about the present international situation is that four important countries now face elec-

"Senator Taft is quite right." she sweetly told her Demotratic colleagues on the election subcommittee, "we should investigate the Ohio election."

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Reason for Taft's ire is that any careful investigation.

Chief difficulty with elections is their effect on international relations. The British Labor government, for
instance, cannot support our position regarding Communist China without getting a deluge of criticism from a
powerful and quite vocia section of voters.

The French government cannot spend too much on
its budget for Eurofean rearmanent without risking deteat at the polls.

Let builted States the MacArthur debate
as already become a political row, closely linked with
the 1982 Presidential race.

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Most important of all, pending elections make it dif-ficult for the democracies to act in a hurry in case Moscow should move on one of the many potential war fronts.