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STILL ON SCHEDULE

PRIOR to the convening of the Japanese Peace Treaty Conference, some students of Far Eastern affairs feared that Russia's acceptance of the invitation was a ruse that would be successfully employed to sabotage the conference and prevent the signing of the document.

The first voter showed itself when the conference voted 453, almost before Soviet Delegate Andrei Gromyko knew what was happening, to adopt the American rules of procedure, limiting each nation to one hour in which to present its views.

LOCKING THE BARN DOOR

NOW that the City Council, in its wisdom, has voted \$125,000 for a complete renovation of E. 38th St., including sidewalks, with no assessment against the adjoining property owners, there is no point in delaying the issue further.

The Soviet delegates may quit the conference, or they may simply refuse to sign the treaty, charging U. S. dictation of the treaty terms. At best this will be poor solace to the men in the Politburo who, finding themselves outmaneuvered diplomatically in this important conference, must know that the free world is now alert to all their tricks.

SWEETNESS AND LIGHT

SOME friendly little elf must have added a teaspoon of love potion to the water found outside Mayor Shaw's office door. For when His Honor and the seven members of the Council went into private session in the Mayor's office Wednesday, all was sweetness and light.

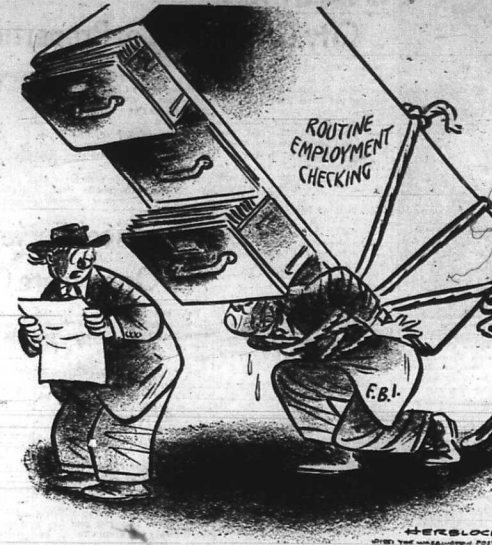
There is no street across the railroad yards between 38th St. and 39th St. and 39th St. fact should have been taken into consideration before the Council voted \$125,000 for E. 38th.

DOUGLAS FINDS AGAIN

EVERYWHERE on today's editorial page is a special article reprinted from the Christian Science Monitor detailing Senator Paul Douglas' unsuccessful efforts to reduce the Federal budget.

The history of this one-man battle for economy highlights the shortcomings of the Congressional committee system. Both the House and the Senate place full responsibility for expenditures in their appropriations committees. Once those committees have reported a measure, there is great reluctance to appropriate less.

'And Keep Up With Your Regular Work, Of Course'



Douglas Sees Little Help By Congress For Economy

By JOSEPHINE RIPLEY  
(The Christian Science Monitor)

TEARS FOR government of \$200,000,000 a year, to balance heavy spending for defense, have gone largely unheeded by Congress.

Even an estimated \$22,192,000 in savings may be reduced before the session is over, for it includes an estimated \$20,000,000 that has been saved by a flat reduction of annual leave for government employees.

The Illinois Democrat has fought economic government since he became the Senate, repeatedly attacking the 'spook barrel' of the House Appropriations Committee.

A Prosperity Trend Relief Rolls are Booming, Too

(An Editorial from Business Week)  
THE American economy is busting records all over the place. Production is running at a fabulous \$23.5 billion a year. Employment is at an all-time high.

Senator Douglas has won little popularity in Administration circles for his persistent denunciation of government economy, nor with Republicans who have long considered Senator Douglas their special crone.

U.S. Strength Suggests That Blustery Talk Is Unnecessary

By MARQUIS CHILDS  
SAN FRANCISCO

AS WITH all such international affairs, the Japanese situation is becoming more and more of a counter-weight to the uncertainties of the beginning of the cold war.

There are some perfectly good and understandable reasons: The population of this country has grown by 15%. Among the age groups that provide the bulk of relief recipients—those over 65 and the children—the increase has been above the average.

But the rules were adopted with machinelike speed under the urbane and skillful chairmanship of the Senate's Dean Acheson. While the Soviets may find some way to hold up approval of the treaty, that is most unlikely.

OUR CONGRESS AT WORK

THE PRESIDENT OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the amendment offered by the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. Mundt) to the committee amendment on page 15, line 22.  
MR. MCCARRAN. Mr. President, I ask for the year and says were ordered.  
MR. McMAHON. I suggest the absence of a quorum.  
MR. MCCARRAN. Mr. President, have the year and says been ordered?

CHINESE ABSENCE AN ISSUE  
Above all, that was the constant reiteration by Andrei Gromyko that China can be no participant so long as China is excluded from any settlement.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round East Europe Seeks Federation, Equality

(ED. NOTE—While Drew Pearson is on a brief vacation, The Washington Merry-Go-Round is being written by several distinguished guest columnists, today's being the Honorable Charles McNair, former Chief of Staff and diplomat, now in exile.)  
WASHINGTON  
THE lowering of the Iron Curtain after the close of World War II was not only a historic event, it was the first step toward a new era of peace.

The great unanswered question here is with respect to the future relationship between the East and West. Britain, British Minister of State.

POINTING THE WAY

A TWO-SENTENCE item, under a high point dateline, in Tuesday's Daily News is the kind of story that likes to come from all over North Carolina. And believe us, you'd see a vast improvement in the field in which it applies.

Working conditions have improved so that nearly everyone gets a vacation, he can't afford—Memphis (Tenn.) Press-Scimitar.

Old Order Unwanted

THE next phase of the ballooning will be of crucial importance. On it may depend peace or war. The peoples of Central and Eastern Europe are told by their Communist masters that they have a choice between saving the Communist regimes backed by Soviet Russia, or retreating to the 'old order' of the pre-1917 or pre-1929 social and political order.

Inequality Continues

THE first of these is featured in the Declaration of Independence. That the people should be equal in rights and that they should be treated as equals. This is the only principle that has been violated since 1776.