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WASTE AT HOME AND ABROAD

THE current issue of Fortune points out.

In that 87 per cent of the \$70 billion Federal
budget can be charged directly to defense
and foreign aid.

The average U. S. father making \$5,000 a
year pays more than \$400 a year for these
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purposes. If he makes \$50,000, he pays nearly \$13,000. What guarantee does the American tarpayer have that his hard-sarmed dollars are heing spent wisely? Freedoms little, if we are to judge by the latest report of the National Planning Association.

The NPA, admitting quite readily that defense expenditures are "large because the task to be performed is large and urgent", emphasizes that the program should be carried through with "a minimum of waste consistent with the urgency of the problem and with as few as possible disturbing and distorting affects on our own economy and on the consonnies of the other countries of the free world."

And because "military spending is nonger ausurgal influence on the economy.

It is a central one", it is imperative that careless on unplanned expeditures be svoided.

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The NPA's solution is an independent civilian body, enablished as a regular agency of general solution and the solution of the solution of solutions of solutions of solutions of solutions embed as talaries that would stract the highest talent. This civilian body would be authorized to, conduct investigations of the Defense Department on its own initiative, and report its findings to the President, the Congress, and the wablic.

The NPA first recommended the proposal

months ago. So far, it has had little response from official Washington. Lightly treated also is the recommenda-tion of the Hoover Commission that an exhaustive survey of our whole foreign aid exhaustive survey of our whole foreign aid program, as complete as the scruling yieves the executive departments by the various task forces under ex-President Herbert Hoover, be carried out. The U.S. has 200,000 employees in 86 countries, representing 40 different federal agencies controlled by 30 Congressional committees.

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In that study, the Tax Foundation's new state-by-state analysis will be of great use. Its bare statisties, however, must be filled out by comparing the income paying ability of Tar Heeis and the relative services they get for their tax dollars. Not until this is done on any study of the State's tax structure be productive of conclusive results.

NORTH CAROLINA TAXES relative extent of state services. North Casolina's public education program is a case in point. The State assumes the cost of a nine-month school term, provides free transportation for rural children, and gives many free textbooks. In many other state, the contribution multi, and the major portion of the load is borne locally. Residents of those states would thus have bigger local tax bills, smaller state tax bills.

TI IS AN interesting coincidence that relative extent of state services. North North Carolina, ranking tenth among the 48 states in population, also collects the tenth largest volume of taxes from its client control of the state of the sta

are averal other factors that mass do considered.

One very limportant factor is the taxpaying ability of the residents of a state. Although North Carolina ranks tent in population, it ranks dist in lincome payments to individual—one of the best wayments of measure taxpring ability pear that Tax Period and the payments of the p

LYNCHING IS ON THE WAY OUT

DESPITE the continued agitation at the national level for a Federal anti-braching leve, The South speers to be administrating the monstrous evil of braching on its own initiative. The annual report of the Tuskegee Institute shows but one bynching in 1951, a continuation of the low level of the past five years when one was recorded in 1947, two in 1948, three in 1949, and two in 1950.

The man labeled as a lynch victim by Tuskege was Melvis Womack, Edyser-old Nerro of Winter Garden, Fforida. On March 28 he was taken from his home by masked men. The next day, he was found in an erange grove by an officer of the level field of his injuries two days later, in shoppital. Tuskege said it is thought he handled the sequence of the level of the

From The St. Louis Post-Dispatch

GUN AROUND THE CORNER

SOME very fine points of judgment will be involved in the choice of corners to shoot ound. Aimed 'round the right corners, the new curved barrel which the Detroit Arsenshas developed for use on a sub-machine gun should hit the spot. A proper corner would seem to be one which a person pursued had been driven into. For every proper corner, however, there are likely to be as many as a half-dozen wrong corners for firing around.

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A corner that has been cut or trimmed would obviously be a total loss for shooting buryones, as nobody would be there. It would be even worse shooting yound a corner that had been turned, for not only would no one there the person who had just been there then person who had just been there had, by definition, got out of harm's way. To shoot yound the corner that is being brightened where one is would be cruel indeed, if not a downright contradiction in terms. And to shoot around the corner which, during unprospecues times, property is just excund, would be so bed as killing the poose that laid the glodge egg, and do it before the golden egg warmid.

Idle it would be to shoot around the corner the wind sits in. As a corollary, there are corners all over St. Louis, as every native St. Louisan knows, which, in the still heat of Summer, there is a breeze just around—and goodness knows no one wants any firing

The 'round-the-corner-shooting sub-machine gun will have its purposes, we do not doubt, if those who shoot it pick their corners carefully. Those who pick a wrong corner, we presume, will simply have to be made to go and stand in one.

A social worker finds that swimming pools cut down juvenile delinquency. How long you hold the delinquent under is not speci-fied.—Pittsburgh Post-Gazette.

A cynic suggests what this country needs is less permanent waves and more permanent wives. Surely he must realize that fewer per-manent waves might mean still fewer perma-ment wives.—Jophin (Mo.) Globe.

'Let's Face It-I'm Not A 100 Per Cent American'



Control Of What Purse?

Douglas Exposes Economy-ites

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In 1981, Congress passed 25 appropriation bills
totaling about ninety-one billion dollars
the largest unm laid of by any piece.

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The sense has appropriations Committee employed IT staff assistants, 19 clerks, and 62 part-time
investigators. Their average work load came to nearly a billion dollars for each staff assistant.

The Senate Appropriations Committee had eight
staff assistants, 14 clerks, and eight part-time instrength of the staff assistant and the staff assistant and the staff assistant and the staff assistant.

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amantly to allocate funds to permit the Compredier general to set up a division for expenditure analysis.

State Douglas still has the conviction that Consequence of the consequence of caugains—a work load of more than three billion ciolars each.

Let us consider the largest bill, the 58-billion-ciolar appropriation for defense. Congressman George H. Mahon (Denn.) Texas, chairman of the subcommittee on defense appropriations, are more than the contract of the contrac

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ALONG with the appropriations bills, Congress
tackled its other important fiscal function; the
provision of revenue to pay for the expenditures it
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Obviously, the Congressman is up against someting that has grown far too big for him. He has
to deal with stratospheric figurereactor. He can't have enough inside knowledge,
nor has be the time to acquire even a smatterjag;
over the years be has not provided himself with
the staff and techniques to handle the intricate law.

The appearance of bureau beads from the White
House, the Pentagon, or the executive departments,
thanked by their experts, has been described thus
by Congressman Errett P. Scrivaer (R., Kan.),
a member of the defense subsemilates.

"Every time a bureau of the defense subsemilates.

"Every time a bureau of the sequence of this program, be has with him anywhere from nine to 17
assistants, ranging all the way from majors up the
three-star generals. "There you are, seven of us
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ONGRESS has only itself to blame. The Appro-Concerns has only itself to blame. The Appro-Legislative Reorganization. Act of 1366 to hire as many staff assistants as they needed. In addition, the Act provided for establishment of an expenditure-analysis division under the Compressional Conference of the Treatment of the Conference of

imposing taxes to the "economy-minded" in Congress.

This year, however, Senator George's own record deserves study. Of the sixteen gill-call voice taken on Douglas' economy amendments, George voice "Aye" on only three to proportion was rejected by a 38-38 lie vote, appropriations was rejected. "I merely wish to make one comment, and ultimately the country will understand it, although perhaps not now. . The wanton waste of public though a strength of the country will understand it, although perhaps not now. . The various waste of public though the preditures of public money such as we are with resisting now are taking place."
Somehow the Senator's sepulchral voice had a false ring.

Despite Decline Of Truman, Democrats Still Are Strong

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Southern Voters May Bolt, **But Not To Senator Taft**

By LOUIS GRAYES

(In The Chapel Hill Weekly)

AN editorial in The Charlotte
News entitled "Optioner" ends with
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trust the leadership of the nation. CHARACTER VS. IDEAS

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Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round Hungarian Minister's Past Revealed

IN 1864 a Communist doctor named Emil Well was arrested in Budapest for subversive activities and sentenced to fifteen pears in jail. Stateen years later he became Hungarian Minister to Washington.

In between he had attained a position of supreme trust within the Communist Government, ao, that when it came to forcing a common the common of the common for the common for the common for the common for the common was chosen to administer the drug.

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Cardinal Mindszenty's Trial

DR. WEIL was called in on the Cardinal Mindszenty
trial because of his closeness to Prime Minister Rakosi.
Mrs. Well is the Prime Minister's personal physician, and
at such times as he -visits here office, the Secret Police
noutly others living in the same spartment house not to
The drugging of the Cardinal look alone after 29 hours.