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IF The to our Rep. Hamilton C. Jones and
the 280 other members of the House who
yound last week for the ten per cent military pay increase bill return to their constitutencies to mouth heavy platitudes about
their concern for the nation's economy, solidier's welfare and control of inflation. The
bill, steamolfered through the House by
fearful little men, all of whom received a
indegram that day from the American Leg
ation urging its passage, is also in the control of the c

montar case. No provision is made for extra pay for combit.

The bill was pushed through under a sus-pension of the rules, by which no amend-ments were permitted and debate was lim-ited to 40 minutes. In other words, the House considered an expenditure at the rate of \$30 million a minute—and of course that \$30 million must be multiplied by the num-ber of years which the bill, If passed by the Senate, will be effective.

Invocation of this gag rule was totally un-called for. Representative Gross of Iowa voiced the opinion of several of his col-leagues when he said:

"There is nothing on the legislative schedule that demands this precipitate ac-tion — this gagging of the House of Repre-sentatives. As everyone knows, both in and out of Congress, we are doing little more than marking time. Outside of this, bill there is not a single piece, of legislation scheduled for this week."

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But less than 40 minutes later the bill was bassed, with only 89 legislators showing backbone enough fo vote against what might be interpreted as a vote against the soldler. Indeed, the sfirmative vote was cast against the solder. He will suffer from he resulting inflation along with the rest of us. The soldiers jat the blue proons fox booked on the pentagon receive even greater

increases than the deserving men fighting in Korea, because the military table of organization allows higher ranks and grades is command units than in line outfits. But because of the peremptory suspension of the rules, no amendments to adequately compensate combat soldiers could even be submitted.

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mitted.

The average soldier, with the exception of the man in combat, isn't hurting for a pay increase. As Representative Taber of New York pointed out:

"In 1940 the average pay in the military establishment was 3987. As a result of the 1949 act the average runs \$2.910, practically a 300 per cent increase. With this bill it will run \$3.200 and if you add the \$500, which is the average of the retirement item, it will be \$3.400."

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Add to this free medical and dental care, tax exemption on quarters and subsistence allowances, no payment toward retirement fund, and you realize that non-combat military like has many of the advantages which the recruiting officers claim.

We are happy to commend Rep. Curtis of Missouri, who opposed the bill, and won-dered "will the press report what many Congressmen said to me privately after the vote was taken, to wit, they admired my courage. I voted right, and they wished that they had then courage to wit, they admired my courage. I voted right, and hay wished that they had then courage to have voted that way too. We should not be a supported to the courage to have voted that way too. We office the courage to have voted that way too. We office the courage to the very depart of the courage to have voted the house of the courage to the support of the courage to the support of the courage to the courage

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Two Problem; This Ewe Problem has
nothing to do writh the Wool Problem, as
night be supposed. Nor is it connected with
the Foot and Mouth Control Program. About
a million Ewe, you see, have been separated.
Some are in British Topoland. Some are in
Prench Topoland Others are on the Oid
French Topoland Others are on the Oid
All belong to the same triba.
So the U. N. Trusteeship Council has
been instructed to devote "more intensive
attention" to the Ewe Problem A Visiting
Mission, or maybe given a Special Mission,
will study the Ewes. This mission "is to submit a detailed report to the Council". Then
the Council "will in turn submit a special
report to the next Assembly session".
We trust Ewes are patitice, as it seems
the Ewe Problem will be with us for some
time. Dit progress is being recorded, which
where.

Take Sark for example. According to

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Encyclopedia Britamica, "Sark is composed
aimost wholly of hornblende-schists and
gueisses, with hornblende granite in North
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Little Sark and West Brechou. In Aldernay
we have Cambrian grits..." Despite such
handicaps, the Sarkites recently banned the automoatriplane, as they wisely banned the automostriplane, as they wisely banned the automostriplane.

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Then there are Sark's little neighbors, Minquiers and Ecrebou. There are no Minquierians or Ecrebouvians, because both islands almost disappear when a heavy sea hits the Channel. But fishermen, both French and English, Iand there, and that's when the trouble starts. When the English fishermen come in, they plant a Union Jack, then a Frenchman comes along and raises the Trivolor. Nobody really knows whether Minquiers and Ecrebou are part of the British Empire or La Republique Francias. For-funately, the case is now before the World Dourt, and no serious Anglo-French rift is spected over the matter.

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Court, and no serous Angio-retect its a expected over the matter.
But feelings run higher over a lesser island, unnamed and even uncharted. The Xurs River on the Yugoalav-Hungarian fron-iete changed its course, leaving a narrow to the new island. Then some Hungarians sarrived with guns, and the Yugoalavs left. Yugoslav soldlers drew up across the river

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and glared at the Hungarians. And now this nameless island, which doean't have any hornblendes-chiats and really isn't worth a greiss, might become an incident.

On top of all this, Italian officials 'are scratching their heads over what to do with the Order of Malta, a self-asserted sovereign prover which doean't have anyone to rule over since it lost Malta many years ago. The Order came in handy last year when Atlantic defense chieftains were looking for a legal way to give litaly a larger air force without exceeding peace treaty limitations. They solved their problem by giving the airplanes to the Order of Malta, but now the peace treaty has been revamped and the Maltese Air Force isn't needed any more.

Well, we just thought we'd bring you'up to date on relatively minor issues. Some people say that if everything were settled and places of the proper set of the date of the controversies going on. They just get crowded off the front page.

A TOP COP

WE applaud the Jaycees' selection of Neal M. Forney Jr. as Charlotte's Young Man of the Year.

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The scores of youths with whom he works, plays and sometimes lives do not regard him as a policenan, which he is, but as buddy in whom they can and do confide. As one of his professional associates put it, when a boy has made an error and comes to Mr. Forner, "he is not interested in what the boy did, but why he did it."

Mr. Forney's work is limited neither by the clock nor the age of his boys. Many of the clock nor the age of his boys. Many of his young friends are past the sixteen year age limit of Juvenile Court, but in keeping with his practice of following through and working beyond the requirements of his job, these youths too receive his guidance and

help.

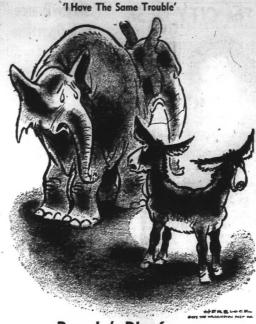
Mr. Forney has a background of study in social psychology and sociology, and we are pleased to note this recognition of practical asplication of these sciences. The policeman armed with such tools serves his community much better than one who must rely chiefly on, a gun and night stick.

From The Asheville Citizen

SHOOTING AROUND THE CORNER

shoots around the corners—an ancient m of ordnance going back to the Late leasantness. Works, too, says the Detroit

proof party platform—one with interchangeable planks, like the blocks that disappear in a wooden puzzle. Finally, a revolving Gallup (or Galluping revolver)—one that came up with a firm percentage, like the mearoni that hardens in the pan after it dries out. At least the gunner behind the new M3 Deffector word? have the with the the behind the proof that the state of the state of



People's Platform

Letters should be brief, written on one side of the paper. The writer's name must be signed, but may be withheld from publication in the discretion of the Editor. The News reserves the right to condense.

Editors, THE NEWS:

MAY I express my congratulations to you on five
years of success with your newspaper.

My own five years in Charlotte started on Jan.

13, 1947, and I am, therefore, a new reader of
your paper as of the time Mr. Robinson became
publisher.

I can make no comment on the quality of the paper prior to 1947, but in the five years that I have been here I have enjoyed very much reading all of The Charlotte News from the back page to the front. (Being an old "subway reader" from New York, I always start from the back.

You and your associates are doing a wonderful job and I venture to say that in the next five years your circulation will increase just as much if not more than it has, at least percentage-wise, in the past five years.

-T. ED THORSEN.

One View Of General Welfare

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INASMUCH as President Truman has reminded
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hard core of his message is as follows:
"I shall not discuss at length the question of
power sometimes claimed for the General Government under the clause of the elight section of the
Constitution, which gives to Congress the power to
lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts and excises,
to pay the debts and provide for the common defense and general welfare of the United States', because if it has not already been settled upon sound
reason and authority it will never be. I take the
received and just construction of that article, as if
written to lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts and

excises in order to pay the debts and in order to provide for the common defense and general wel-fare of the United States. It is not a substantive genprovide for the common defense and general wel-fare of the United States. It is not a substantive gen-eral power to provide for the welfare of the United States, but is a limitation on the grant of power to raise money by taxes, duties and imposts. If it were to receive the constitution, consisting of carefully enumerated and cautiously—guarded into delusive. It would be impossible in that view to excape from the conclusion that these were in-serted only to mislead for the present, and, instead of enlightening and defining the pathway of the future, to involve its action in the mazes of doubtful for the control of the control of the control of the present of the control of the control of the present of the control of the control of the property of the control of the control of the states to the mere discretion of the people of the States to the people of the people of the people of the states to the people of the people of the people of the thread of the people of the people of the people of the states that

struggled in vain."

To those who are interested in constitutional history, and we all should be, especially at this crucial bour in our history, I commend the reading of the entire message, which may be found in 57 Supreme Court Reporter at page 885; otherwise, in The Messages Of The Presidents, but vol. and page I do yout now recall.

Had we followed the foregoing construction of the Constitution of the United States, we would not to-day have a general welfare state, to contain which within the framework of a democratic form of government is more difficult than to contain Communism within the confines of Russia and her satellies. That is, if has never been done within exception for our efforts. Due to the indiscriminate exception for our efforts. Due to the indiscriminate faciliars and stresses put upon the welfare state, if gravitates into the police state as naturally as in feture becomes a babe, child and man. It is indiscrimination stated to the control of the control o

Supports Hoover Recommendations

No one has a better record in the Senate than have on this point, and I have been commended by the Citizens Committee for the Hoover Report or my record in this regard.

-MARGARET CHASE SMITH U. S. Senator from Maine

The Parasites Around Truman **Lead Him Into Wrong Paths**

By JOSEPH & STEWART ALSOP

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It is pretity clear, moreover, that the President's first, Administration, there has never been a time when Harry S. Trumans stood so low with the leaders of his control to the leaders of his control to the leaders of his control to the leaders of his new party. A curfous mock, at once party, A curfous mock and the president is more party, and the president is more party,

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By ROBERT C. RUARK

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Drew Pearson's Truman Talked To Kefauver Like Father Merry-Go-Round

ONLY two people knew exactly what happened during the 30 minutes, when President Truman and the man who may take over the leadership of the Democratic Party—Kfauver of Tennesse—met together at the White Hardward of the Party—Kfauver of Tennesse—met together at the Unitariates, and here is a brief summary of what happened. What Senator Kefauver did not know was that Congressional friends of Speaker Sam Rayburn, who not only yount Sam to run for President but are jealous of their old Tennesses colleague in the House of Representatives, and carefully arranged to plant some anti-Kefauver poison with Mr. Truman.

They had Congressman Mike Kirwan, of Youngstown, Ohlo, one of the most astute Democrats on Capitol Hill, call on the President, its dew minutes before the Kefauver appointment for the purpose of prejudicing the President.

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Regardless of what Kirwan mây have told Truman, it had no outward effect. For, when the tall Senator from Tennessee entered, the President was most cordisi.

Kefaurev was just as modert as Truman was genial. Prebably he did not know about the strategy to prejudice. He resident, but if he had known, his strategy could make the president of the president of the president of the truman program, had gone down the line on a lot of controversial problems, even going further than any other Southern Senator on civil rights.

Kefauver Asks Advice
THE President acknowledged that Kefauver's record was
Tood, though they had disagreed on a few issues. The
Tennessee Senator then came to the point—he was being
ureed to run for the Democratic nomination and, in justice

ident's advice, point on, Mr. Truman did most of the talking. He said that the Democratic Party needed new blood and he welcomed "Young Democrats' into national politics. His attitude was friendly, almost fatherly. He thanked Kefauver for his candot.

The Senator explained during their conversation that he faced the deadline of Feb. 6 in Ohio, where his supporters wanted to enter his name in the Democratic primary.

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Personal letters from Kefauver authorizing primary delegates to support him are now in the hands of Timbere in the primary of the primary delegates to support him are now in the hands of Timbere instructed by Kefauver not to make public these letters before Feb. 1.

"As the leader of our party, you have every right to know about my plans, Mr. President," declared the crime-busting Senator, explaining that, despite newspaper his intentions outside his own family.

In brief, Kefauver clearly indicated that he would run. At no time, however, did the President irestead the sown political plans, and Kefauver did not press him. As the meeting closed, the President stream of the Mr. As the meeting closed, the President stream of the Mr. As the meeting closed, the President stream of the Mr. As the meeting closed and the President stream of the Mr. As the meeting closed and the President stream of the Mr. As the

Atomic Feud

bowitzer capable of firing atomic artillery shells. The actual gun is so large that it must be hauded by train.

Backstage between the Army and Air Force a hot battle has been brewing over the use of atomic artillery and baby A-bombs. Actually, the smaller an atomic bomb is, the more fissionable material it requires and the more ficus to brooken. Therefore the Air Force argues that is to wate fissionable material on small A-bombs and artillery action. Instead the Air Force argues that one of its bombers can deliver an A-bomb anywhere that atomic artillery close to the front is too great.

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EE Army carted a wooden box to Capitol Hill last week and carefully unveiled it behind the closed doors of Compressional Atomic Energy Committee.

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Inside was a smallecule model of a giant atomic