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IT'S TIME TO HAVE A FARM POLICY

HOW FARES the farmer? And what should be the role of the federal government (and the taxpayer) in agriculture?

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One way to find a partial answer to the first question is to get out on the road and visit lots of farms. There, except in drought-stricted areas like evidence and wisit lots of farms. There, except in drought-stricted areas like evidence and like a consideration of the farmers which the provided he uses the farmers lot of to provide the uses the farmers lot of the Far West farmers in rich valleys like the San Josquin are profiting handsomely from their rich desert soil that has bloomed since if came under irritation. In the Great Plains a network of tiny dams is storing up headwares that provide stock water and irrigation, as well as bountful fishing. Hills that once were loaf, from view in swrting clouds of dust are covered by drought-resistant grasses. Graceful contours, strip farmine, and dikes are checking crosion. And throughout the nation REA lines, rural telephones and improved secondary roads have brought a majority of farmers modern conveniences, and enabled them to conduct their bushness and market goods with efficiency and dispatch rivaling that of the city dweller.

WHEN, however, you compare the farmers' present position with that he held only a year ago, the picture changes He is paying now at least as much as he did then for most of the things he must buy. Yet the average price of the products he sells has decreased 10 per cent. beef, of the hood, is down 30 to 40 per cent. Exports of farm goods are down 30 per cent over a year ago. Despite the decreased market the government is committed to support the price of, or buy outright, several major farm products, and is stockpling them in record amounts. The result is illogical and suncommical confusion, now being compounded by partiasin growling as the 1954 campaign nears.

commit himself squarely to a farm policy. In what he billed as one of his mest important speeches, at the plowing contest in Wiscomia list month, he talked for the work of the property of th quotes from the Secretary.

IT SEEMS to us that a forthright agricul-tural policy would harvest more re-spect, and lose less votes, than the Administration seems to think. And we would like to hear a statement from the Secretary that goes something like this:

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The administration is going to develop new markets for U.S. agriculture products. It will belp the farmer, but not pay him, to do what any reasonable fill and water on his farm.

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We don't expect the Secretary to make any such statement, even though he might like to. But if he did he might be surprised at the number of farmers who

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DERHAPS the word "bipartisan" is out
of date. The current situation calls
for use of a new word "tripartisan", to
indicate co-operation in foreign affairs
between the Democratic Party and the
two wings of the Republican Party. And
this tripartisanship suffered a sethact
at the slam-bang press conference of
Majority Leader Knowland Monday.
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for aggressive purposes.

Nevertheless Mr. Knowland decided to strike out at the Stevenson proposal at

this time, throwing in a verbal spanking of India's Prime Minister Nehru to boot. While he emphasized that he was speaking for himself the fact that he is Senate majority leader indicates that the con-

majority leader indicates that the contemplated negotiation of non-aggression
agreements may have rough going.

It seems to us that the California Senator, for reasons best known to himself,
attached undue significance to the proposed pacts. Neither the Republican
administration nor the Democratic minority are so naive as to expect that negotiation of non-aggression pacts will diminishs substantially the threat of Communist
aggression. The purpose of such pacts
is to establish corolact and areas of agreement, small though they may be, with
the adversary and, equally important, with
our allies, to reasoure Russia and smaller
powers of the United States' pacacful intentions. and by these means decrease
international tensions. The non-aggression
pact is one of the tools to be used in this
difficult business of negotiating peacful settlement of world issues which the
Elsenhower Administration is pursuingceas. And the Administration is deserving
of more understanding support than its with earnestness and a measure of suc-cess. And the Administration is deserving of more understanding support than its chief Congressional spokesman accorded it.

From The St. Louis Post-Dispatch

HAIL AND FAREWELL!

Oh. somewhere, in this favored land the sun is shining bright.

The band is playing somewhere, and somewhere hearts are light; And somewhere men are laughing, and somewhere children shout, But there is no joy in Modville—mighty Casey has struck out.

Ohl somewhere in this favored land.

CHANGE Mudville to St. Louis and sub-stitute the Browns for the name of the stinger whose vain "blow" has come "shat-tering" down through the years. With no more alterations than these, the last stanza of Ernest Lawrence Thayer's classic ballad of baseball applies to the home sown today.

own today.

For in Baltimore the sun is shining gright. The band is playing there and men re laughing and children are shouting, ther two previous bitter disappointments, he fans of Baltimore are getting the trowns. And as the Browns go there is no by in St. Louis-for we are losing part if ourselves in the transfer.

Memories of three-quarters of a century one crowding as we think of the St. Louis trowns in the historical past. Memories trowns in the historical past. Memories transfer.

with the fabulous German enti-ris Von der Abe, who knew little shall and thought he knew it all, down to agleses Satchel Paige unble-whammy pitch. Around the of this, diamond of time are the file Comiskey, the incomparable she rhitting 420 in 1922. Hub king out Babe Ruth nine times

in 15 tries, the heavy artillery outfield of Baby, Doll Jacobson, Kenny Williams and leadoff man Johnny Tobin, who liked nothing better than to hit the first pitch into the stands for a home run.

into the stands for a home run.

But the Browns fell on evil days and in recent years their glories were—except for fleeting moments which warmed countless heats—in page 1878. Support fell off as the team settled deeper and deeper in the standings. Night games helped for a while, yet with the competition of television and other attractions nothing took the place of winning games. We suspect a check would show that no big league team lost more games by one run or in extra innings than the Browns of the last decade.

And that brings us to the same by

A News Pictorial

With Luck He'll Lose Only A Door



People's Platform

Charlotte Visit A Success

WE are so grateful to you for your generous very coverage of the American Field Service bus trip visit to Charlotte last summer.

It means a great deal to the success of these trips and to our program to have our story told and we do appreciate your help.

We should like to send our appreciation particularly to Tom Fesperana and Mrs. Philip Read of your staff.

-STEPHEN GALATTI.

Another Call For Mail

Editors. The News:

THIS letter is written for girls between the ages.

A of 18 and 22. We hope you do not take this letter as a jobe, for in all saincerity, mall is all the second of the second of

Federation Preferred To U. N.

and insure public tranquinty:

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two on sound principles that can achieve a just
peace and clothe it with power to maintain peace.

The United Nations is a power vacuum in a
world of power; the negation of law in a world
that can only be governed by law. Organized without a court of justice, it was clothed in impotence
from the start and destined to failure.

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The more and the force of the country of the country
that is workable functioning united can only opersted under enforceable law and this law must oper-

ste upon the Individual, not upon large groups like proud sovereign nations beavily armed. If an individual mishebaves he can be arrested, tried and punished. An errant nation can't be arrested, and to undertake to punish one means war.

The final arbiter in a union based upon the individual is a count of justice; the final arbiter in a union of arbitrary in a union arb

Congressional Quiz

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Q—Will House seats have to be reapportioned if Hawaii is admitted to the Union?

A—No. The House-approved statehood measure provides that Hawaiis representation in a season of the House provides that Hawaiis representation in final form of the bill) be added to the 435 total mensure provides that the season of the House membership has been stabilized at 635 ever since 1910. By an 68 in the House membership has been stabilized at 635 ever since 1910. By an 68 in Comparison of the House of

have his views on legislation considered by Congress?

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Pyramiding Of Manufacturers' Tax Would Squeeze Consumers

By MARQUIS CHILDS

WASHINGTON
In RULING out a national sales
I tax, President Eisenhower yielded to the inevitable. For weeks,
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Cramer Was Conscientious, Addicted To Spit-And-Polish

By ROBERT C. RUARK

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Drew Pearson's Humphrey And Byrd Clash On Budget Merry-Go-Round

THE most steadfast economizer in the Eisenhower Cabinet continues to be the man Ike learn on most heavily for advice. Secretary of the Treasury George Humphrey. And Mumphrey continues to placing the accomony can come only Implicit the Continue on the military budget.

military budget.

"Mr. Dodge and I have appeared before
the new Joint Chiefs of Staff." Secretary
Humphrey told a secret meeting of the Senate Finance Committee. "We have said, and
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is by a revision of these plans.
"As I said in talking to Charlie Wilson,
the day has gone by when we can put a
bumppr and one has waited."