WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1954

Le Mot Juste For District Democrats

THE DILEMMA of the Democratic TParty in the 10th Congressional District is either (1) a sad commentary on the lassitude of the party organization, core (2) a tribute to the provess at the polis of Rep. Charles Raper Jonasoroth.

And we use the word lassitude advisedly. Of all the adjectives in the group normally applied to people—lethargy, languor, stupor, torpor—lassitude best describes the district Democratic machinery. It means listlessness or sendiness resulting from great strain, porheast resulting from great strain, porheast from the strain from the frennied bushbeating for a candidate.

When young David Clark stepped cut When young David Clark stepped cut of the limelight this week, the Democratic were left without a candidate to oppose Mir. Jonas in November. The youthful Lincolnton lawyer had, as the news story said the other day, been waiting impatiently in the wings. But he apparently didn't the people have a right week in the district Democratic and promise of the state of the proportion of the proportion

Europe's Big Break With The Past

Europe's Big Break

THE FRENCH legislature is expected
to vote approval or disapproval of
the European Defense Community next
month. If it approves, a one-uniform
European Army and continued U. S. aid
to Europe is likely. If it disapproves, the
historic attempt to unite Europe will
likely fail or be considerably delayed,
and the U. S. will undertake the "agonizing reappraisal" of policy in that area
which Secretary of State Dulles suggested.

In other countries, particularly the
Netherlands, legislative support for EDC
has been impressive. The Dutch, first to
ratify the plan, voted 38 to 4, in the
upper house, and 74 to 11 in the lower
house, for ratification. The Dutch were
not enthusiate about EDC. They simply
decided that, as much as they liked their
old way of life, adoption of a revolutionary new political and military concept
was necessary if they are to survive in
these troublous times.
France is plaqued by fear of Germany,
unstable form of government, temperamental legislators (it is not alone in
this respect) and a menacing Communist
problem. These conditions, and, most
importantly the war in Indochina, have
combined to frustrate the arden tefforts
on behalf of EDC by some of France's
able leaders. But there are other sound
and sometimes overlooked reasons for
French reluctance to take the big step
toward federation. As Anne O'Hare Me-

Cormick of THE New YORK TIMES stated them recently:

them recently:

"Infinite difficulties have to be overcome in organizing a multi-national army
to march under one flag, in a common
uniform, under a single command. It is
obvious that this step requires a larger
supranational authority. A European
Army is impossible without a Europe.
This is what frightens and depresses
France; the glory of the 'Grande Arme'
is departed, but the bright tradition still
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Consider, for a moment, what the reaction would be in this country, not only among the super-partiotic societies and the isolationists, if Congress were being pressed by foreigners to put American boys in an international army, perhaps under the command of a non-American, marching behind a strange new flag, and if this military consolidation were regarded as merely the first step toward a supranational political referentiation. Reflection on the magnitude of the break with the past envisioned by EDC seems to suggest that Europeans are justified in their hesitation, even though the break should be made, as most Europeans have already decided. Perhaps we Americans could profitably spend more time considering the revolutionary nature of the changing European shave adjusted their political concepts to the atomic age better than Americans have.

A Daily Glimpse Of The Passing Parade

SOME FOLKS, to relax, work puzzles. Some gaze out on the street, watching humanity. For our part, we prefer to pursue both of these diversions at once—by reading the classified advertising section.

The puzzles are the abbreviations used. It doesn't take much to figure out the meaning of "elec", "sect." "ref." and "ea". But what, pray tell, is a "D. R."? Or, for that matter, a "B. R."? Or a "ktil", or a "pk"? And, for heaven's sake, what is a "jal. pch."? Some of the unabbreviated words are puzzling too. There in the "Poultry & Supplies" column is a notice about "Roundhead Stags" for sale. Ahah, you say, there is a boner, reminiscent of that old one about "cockerel pupples". "Roundhead stags", whatever they are, must belong with "Horses, Cattle, Stock". But no, you find out from the all-knowing telephone girls, a "roundhead stag is simply the proper name for game Proceeders.

Toosters. A renowned minister once said that classified section and vicariously adventure abroad. Here's an outlit that wants to hire you, for up to \$14.000, and pay your fare to an assignment in Alassi More than that, and in addition to its you're not inclined to go so far, a gendleman is full the properties of the you're not inclined to go so far, a gendleman is full the properties of the you're not inclined to go so far, a gendleman is full the you're not inclined to go so far, a gendleman is full the you're not inclined to go so far, a gendleman is full the you're not inclined to go so far, a gendleman is full the you're not you along if you'll just share expenses and take a turn at the wheel.

Interesting, too, are some of your

The Passing Parade

neighbors' occupations. There is the lady
who removes hair. And the man how adds
hair—not a "trichologist" with his potions (we always thought that term
should read "trickologist") but a toupee
and wig man. Some gay old fellow has
lost his teeth. "Without them," he advertises, "I am at a loss for words." And
a woman who apparently wants to be
gaver says, in the "Personal" column:
"Will the genial gentleman who talked
to the attractive widow Medenseday
morning on Bus No. 13 please call."

If one just read some of the "Business
Opportunities" he might be inclined to
seek that job in Alaska or some equally
invigorating climate. Phec after place is
advertised for sale because of the owner's "ill-health". And another favorite
shrase, particularly in the real estate
business, is "ascriffice". Eddy Collins' and
Ty Cobbs' records for sacrifices were
nothing as compared with those of homeowners.

A renowned minister once said that
he could read the classified section and
tell exactive if times are good or bad. "It
is truly," he said, "the pulse of the public."

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From The New Orleans State

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New Defense Policy Seems

Sensible And Reassuring

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WASHINGTON
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