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Foreser

Big Appropriations Don't Mean State Problems Are All Solved

"This is more than an appropria-tion bill. It is a great social docu-ment. When juture generations study the history of this period, they will find from this document that he are a generous and humane seeple. We have heard the cry of seple. We have heard the cry of the manic behind the board his selected cell, and have contributed as his relief. We have heard the sinsteins appeal of little children or greater opportunities to learn. We have expended services to all the following the property of the property of the property of the present of the time have been remembered."

We were moved by those words of We were moved by those words of Representative Clarence Stone, spoken as the appropriations bill ended its corney through the General Assembly; and we imagine others were moved as and we imagine others were moved as well. The speaker saw the biggest wending bill in North Carolina his-lary not as a list of appropriations, but as a badly-needed prescription for human needs. He knew, in a word, thus Morganton's misery, for example, said not be cured by money alone.

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And so long as State leaders realize
and the money of the people, so freely
pent, cannot buy gains without proper
dissinistration, and that there must
be constant safeguarding of our indistillation, then our money will have
been well spent. It is not enough to
remember those in need. They must
be atlended, always.

Our morning contemporary thinks well of Senator Kenneth P. (for Patronage) McKellar's scheme to have the Senate pass on Pederal employees carrings as much as \$4,500 per annum. And who could be more handsomely equipped to direct this greatest portbarrel boondeade of all time than Senator McKellar himself? And who suspects that set Kenneth Pat didn't have that in mind all the while?

The Rescue

After a Long, Hard Fight Eggs Are Saved for Public

Behind the unblinking eye of your orning egg lies a major U. S. food roblem, a veritable network of compil-ations making egg production one of he most confusing phases of the furnishing food for a world. phases of the ta age American consumes about an egg s day, either fresh or concealed in bakery products or otherwise—and in bakery products or otherwise—and 1942's egg production in the country was an estimated 53 billion.

For 1943, Uncle Sam has spoken for sall over 57 billion (it figures out at well over 57 billion (it figures out at 1780,000,000 dozen), an increase of eight per cent. Reason for the increase is that exports are going up, both to land-Lease parties and our armed services, and eggs are high in Vitania. A.

Few other products move to market Few other products move to market in such varied fashions as do eggs. Serboully affected by seasons and sections, they are subject to almost endiess price adjustments and differentials—sapite the fact that they have, been so long a basic food as to be glmost a vital necessity of life. On March 1, OPA struck its first blow against the egg, whose prices have long been a symbol of the state of affairs, economically speaking.

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The OPA action was a freezing order en refail prices, accomplished by fixing procentage of markup between 12 and it per cent. To fix such a ceiling the country was divided in two, with one section tagged to Chileago prices, the set awaing off on eight different basing sociats. A study of the national egg acture would be so confusing to the syman that he'd be lucky not to lose his taste for the most celebrated breakfast food of them all.

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There are about nine per cent more
ge-layers on U. S. farms than a year
see, but foreign requirements will keep
seen husy. They'll have all they can
be keeping up with the present pace. in huly. They in the present pace, is sith the prices as well. They have like this Feb. 1941 1.52 cents per 7th 42, 27.5 cents; Feb. 43, Those are prices on the things of the markey has followed the prices of the

for the duration, and the price won't go out of sight. It took a red-tape crazy Washington to understand the complex system of the American egg. and save it for the average man. Things are better in this war, some ways.

Regarding Canada's war bill, the Sault Star says that "roughly" half of it will be raised by taxes. We think we understand.

One And All

Senate Committee Blunders On Mannower For Farms

- The creaks and groans of the great American war machine are loudest on American war machine are loudest on the nation's farms, where every inroad of war is more keenly felt. And on the farm's is the source of greatest danger. Inept or simply the victim of all-power-ful forces, the Department of Agriculture discovered at the eleventh hour the prospect of an alarming food shortage, All down the line, the farmer has been mismanaged, misrepresented, and mis-treated. treated

treated.

His machines, his labor, his supplies, all have been taken from him, and a program of control bungled by New York City farm experts who don't know one end of a cow from another. He had every right, the farmer, to cry for relief, the needed more manpower, and quick, Not, just for himself, either; if he didn't get help, Americans and their Allies would have to tighten their beits. Alone, the farmer could not hold the present pace, much less take on bigger goals.

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pace, much less take on bigger goals.

It was thus reassuring to note that
the Senate Military Affairs Committee
gave its earnest attention to his problem
on the over-all consideration of manpower problems. But it was a blow to
see the committeemen turn the farmer's
problem into the problem of us all; to
make of barn and field an asylum for
any and all workers who wish to escape
the draft. any and a the draft.

the draft.

This blanket deferment for a year to
"any man of draft age who is regularly
engaged in an ag-icultural occupation"
is directly opposed to the principles of
Selective Service, which set forth the
provision that every case is to be examined on its merits by the draft board.
This proposal opens the way for wholesale desertion of jobs by workers in other sare describing in jobs by workers in the industries, perhaps important production jobs. It is to be hoped that Congress will find a likely substitute for this suggestion. It creates new problems, rather than solving the serious one at

It comes to us now that the founding fathers were dead right. Taxation with representation is tough enough.

Harasa Manner

Red Cross Drive Should Not Be Allowed To Lag This Year

We are confident that the current Red Cross campaign in Charlotte will be successful, but we are disappointed that it lags. Somewhere there is misunderstanding or neglect. If the people of the City knew and appreciated what Red Cross means and has meant to sons and brothers on the fronts in the wars of almost 60 years, the local quota could have been met in a single day.

That the Charlotte public is not availing itself of the opportunity to quickly overreach, the goad is, we think, an accusation. The agency of mercy needs no one to tell its story; it has told its own for more than three generations. It is simply that the people have not yet responded as they should.

Let it not be said that Charlotte, as

Let it not be said that Charlotte, as Let it not be said that Chariotte, as a matter of civic pride, will have done its duty by the deadline and reached the quota set forth. We will not have discharged our obligation to humanity until we have greatly exceeded the quota. When the life had happine the life had been the life the hard happine the life had been as a beautiful man and happine the life had been as a beautiful to the life and the life had been as a beautiful to the life had been as a life had been there can be no price. Charlotte must find it in its heart to contribute far

A new addition to the leisure class is Clano, the well-dressed count. There seems to be no call in Rome for a Poreign Minister, now that Italy has become Invest Germany.

The Man Himself

Franklin Roosevelt Stands Inspection

By WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE In The Emporia Gazette

By WILLIAM ALEN WHITE IN The Emporta Gassite I was the President twice on this trip. Once I went with a robe close of the American Society of Newspaper Editors, a group of 110 or 200 editors of American dauly papers, into his office. I 2000d in the front row where I could watch him closely, less timaven feet from his cesk. He alked for twenty minutes, sportially, a lit feative at times, informative, indeed thuminating, on the subjects which he covered, and he seemed full of "win, wit and wigor"! He has grown notably heavier since he came to the White House. to the White Hou

o he While House.

Perhaps it is the middle-aged spread. His growth has not been in paunch. It has been above his navel.—His shoulders have widened. His neck and jours have filled out. His head has taken a new form. He was a good leading man as he sat there in his chair, vestless, with a long dark figured four-in-hand the reaching an lead, we slightly disheveled, waving his long cigrattic holder in his hand like a wand. He seemed to have a curiously informat, nonchaidate self-passessed manner that is part of his personal charm. He gesticulates with his head and shoulders more often than with his hands and arms.

met him! surrender to him and eat out of his heat of hem we had telt the room where the President balked. I was advantabled perings anasod is a better vord, at the abounding vigor of the man after ten years in the White House. I defort timis that the human boiltre could keep up steem all these preservith only a few week! Jet-down now and then. But there he was

The short line I saw him one five horn later. I sat in the hanguet room of the new kinter lines are in in the hanguet room of the new kinter lines are in rusts. I have the long speech he made on Lincoln's hirtheap, reporting of the state of the nation. There I section is find another Recognity. Juning the five cassing hours he had grown tired.

hours he had grown tired.

As I sat I steining to him, feeling that he was just a bit wary of it still, the monotomy size sameler of all the conditions of the same of the sam

and finalizes task. In the end the Prentdency is a man tiller, response I am not the one to move Mr. Bourvist-tes Requisition Party has two paloods of thought about him. Two methods of assessment. One wing rather cannily commitment meshes of him "deplaying" on the importance of the commitment of the commitment of the importance of the commitment of the commitment of the importance of the commitment of the commitment of the covered mansh is averagely, adole, making two words of God —like Gaw-uds-and two cut of damm—da-vane, growted —like hear-to-punkley were and generally with G dishe-

with heart-pusseling seem and generally with a ship-pusseling depair heart!

I belong to the lighter staccato, left wing, we less emitional Republican are helling to admit under pressure that
state all, he is the President, and that he has been elected and
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Rospowel beadership we are making the munitions of war. Of
course werk rimshing, thoustedny there is corruption also
that is to make along the president of the only of the only
of Lincoin, McKinley and Wilson in their wars. But all the
same we are giving the American spirit of pairiotic enterprise
a chance to rise and shine and show what wonders democracy
and ounder the pressure of peril.

Counting on Your Support

-Bu Herblock



Fire! Fire!

The People Get Excited

By Dick Young

PEOPLE do queer things in the excitement of a fire, like the excited individual in the heavy story who tossed the bowl and pitcher out of the second floor window and then struggled down, carrying a feather bed. But the prize story was told the other day by Assistant Fire Chief C. M. Oris.

word.

14 was back in the early 20's when a fire developed at the Selwyn Hotel. This was the same night of the Garbadid & Bruns fire and were working under arrain. One hotel was becoming serious when the property of the comming serious when the property of the comming serious when the property of the seattly active were working to the serious property active were according to the serious when the property active were and getting to the steed. Exchement was high.

and getting to the street. Exclement was tight As Chief criswold dashed into the lobby he was almost frozen in his tracks as he beheld a man calmiy walking down the stairs. He was the epitome of calmenss. He walted with an air of conditioners and acted as if a fire was need to be a street of the stairs of the walter of the walter of the stairs of the walter of the

his sullcase and was even smoking a clarical out the door he walked and in the excited crowd on the atrect, he made the remark, "I cam's extended the strength of the strength

pants?" Now you talk about hasty flight. That man took wings when he glanced down and for the first time realized he was sans trousers.

This is a true stoy and Chife Palmer who capie in at the moment youthed for it. He saw the guy, too.

And Chief Palmer Joined in the conversation by asking me, "You know the difference between an excited woman and an excited man and an excited man at a, a fire?" When I confessed I was not familiar with the difference, the Chief declared, "Well, a woman will run out on the porch, secram and fall over in a faint. A man who gets excited at a fire will pick up an axe or the first handy object and start swinging, and he'll do more damage in five nature than the five would do in half an hour."

he'd do more damage in five minutes than the fire would do in half an hour."

Chief Polmer remembered a fire over in Brooklyn. As he came up, the Negro whose house was on-five-was lugging a large coulch through the front door. There it had stuck, it couldn't be budged. The man picked up an axe and with a couple of wings, neatly cut the count in laid. He proudly yardied the front half out and occurred satisfaction of the country of the study of the form that out to be consumed by the flames.

Firmers will fell you that most everyholdy gets excited when fire atticks—like the man who was so excited that when he telephones the fire department to tell of a fire at his house he gave the address of a business. And like the lawyer who, learning of a fire at his house in the country, drove madly to fire hesdquarted and was being burned up. Two companies were already on the scene.

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My prize fire story is the one of the Charlotte
woman who, finding the roof of the house on fire,
rished to the telephone and called her husband
to tell blin the house was on fire instead of calling
the fire department.

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Congress Warns Russia

By Samuel Grafton

By Samu NEW YORK

ON STYLE: Congress is about to defer all farm selects a moment at which the Russian offenule in the south has above the food problem. It selects a moment at which the Russian offenule in the south has aboved down, to write a message to Russia, saying that as between a larger army and a larger food supply, we choose a larger food supply. This is a letter to Russia, a special delivery letter to Russia, it does such as a larger food supply. The second real such as the second front. That is merely another message to Russia. It say that as between the second front, and food, we think about food. If we do so and a such a such as the second front about the relation between the second front, and food, we think about food. If we do so and to such a such as the second front about the relation between the second front, and food, we think about food. If we do so a later and the second front about the second front and the second front about the second front.

Congress may fondly believe these food front in the second front merely one.

Congress may fondly believe itself to be legislating merely on an internal Issue, food. Doesn't make any difference how we solve it, or when we solve it. Our

differented now one plant one more message to the world, revealing our profound inability to see our-selves as our Allies ase us. It would be one thing to introduce a bill that Is really a bill for a smaller army after our invasion of Europe had been established, after we had convinced our Allies that we are fully facility to the convinced our Allies that we are fully resulted to the convinced our Allies that we are fully resulted to the convinced our Allies that we are fully resulted to the convinced our Allies that we are fully resulted to the convinced our Allies that we are fully resulted to the convinced our Allies that we have the convinced our Allies that we have the convinced our allies that we have the convinced to the convinced our allies that we have the convinced to the convinced to

Grafton

J. Congress really so immeent as to believe it makes no difference when it does these tilings; that issues in this war can be kent separate, each from each, and each wrapped in cellophane, as if each horning to do with the other?

When Congress takes up such a bill, a bill for a smaller army, at such a time, just before the livesion of Europe, it is not operating in the lited of soo, but in the field of foreign failed it resolution proclaiming it as the sense of Congress that the livesion of Europe is not the must pressing problem of the year. It will be passing another unwritten joint resolution putting our Alles on notice that even the lives of the promises are.

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They can knock out the second front accidentally, like a man logging a vase off a table with his elbow. Worst of all are the formlessness and lack of style revealed both in the timing of this legislation and in terms. If the Russlans hald had such a law in effect, any man who was tending a bed of saparagus would have been exempt from the defense of Saliparance.

No other American industry, not even avia-

Later, Later

Term Four

By Raymond Clapper

WASHINGTON

OMEBODY had the awkwardness or bad taste, if nothing more.

Note that the subject of a fourth term in connection with a visit of Democratic politicians to the White House. WASHINGTON

ist of Democratic politicians to the White House, or can't make out constitue what happened. Apparently the bear of the work of the second what happened apparently the second was the president on the eve of his tenth anniversary in office. The Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, Frank C. Walfer, was along and he said that although the fourth term was mentioned, it was not a serious presentation and that did not know whether President Research the arm of the did not know whether President Research heard the remarks, and if he did, he smited them off.

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and if he did, he smiled them off.

That, at any rate, is the way the affair is reported by the White House correspondents, who are usually pretty accurate about such things. Then Chairman needs the statement of the control of the

suited beyond the end of his present term.

But that is not a question to be ballyhoosd on the antiversary of ten years in office. A year hence, the best whiterest
of the nation may make it seem desirable to retain President
Rossevelt in office. But the very possibility that such a situation may arise out of the war makes especially offensive these
current maneuvers of frightened Democratic politicians to whoop
him into the nomination now.

him into the nomination now.

I find it a little more reasuring to the spirit to think of a couple of tolder events that suggest to me the strength of American democracy in the midst of total war, p.

One is the sife caused by the death of the White House peanut vendor, Sikeve Vasalakos. He had his peanut wagon on the northeast White House corner for each peanut wagon on the northeast White House corner for the peanut wagon on the northeast white the control of the peanut wagon on the northeast white the peanut wagon on the northeast white the peanut wagon on the northeast white the limit it has been reported on page one of American newspapers along with the most important news of the day. This humble man of Ortek birth received a whole editorial in the New York Times, which is in America showt equal to being made a per in England. The Times described Steve as a self-respecting business man whose career would have been impossible in Nasi Germany where gland.

Also suggesting that American democracy continues to function in the midat of total war is the action of the Supreme Court in setting aside the conviction of the Maria Supreme Court in setting aside the conviction of the Supreme Court Sud that Nazi money. But his conviction was set aside on technical grounds of errors in trial procedure. The Supreme Court said that the conviction continuous stand, however deserving of puntshiment Viercet's conduct might seem.

might seem.

The fact is that the Supreme Court, following the American tradition of rule by law and justice, is insisting upon scrupious justice even for those who do not deserve it.

So it, is hard to believe any propagandist who sava that democracy is on the way out in America's total war. You can't even get up a witch hund-except against Harry Hopkins or Paul McNutt, or some other official. The minority opponents ministration are not the hunded in democracy safe for everybody but those in power.

Visitin' Around

What's The Matter With Lettle And

Miss Maggle Heffner was caller at callen for Mr. T. B.

Craig Sunday.

Misses Nina and Bertha Johnson were pleasant callers of Mrs. Albert Heffner Sunday.

Side Glances



"All my boy friends have gone to war, but I still go to the beauty shop every Friday—we must make our post-war plans now!"