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The Crusader

Early this month, when Dr. Frank Orsham invaded Boston to extend his sampaign, for Federal aid to schools he was carrying the fight directly to his apposition. For Massachusetts Itself spends over 3tl per capital for elementary schools—as against 310 for North Carolina, 36 for South Carolina, 38 for Georgia. Chiefly, of course, he was pleading the case of the South, where the need for Federal aid to education is most pressing.

In the course of his address, attached the second or hidden do not enjoy equitable educational advantages, he came to these facts and figures:

To these Southern states less than \$40

"In three Southern states less than \$40 per child was invested in public education, while in three states outside resouth more than \$120 per child was invested. A higher tax rat with provide the \$40 per point of the \$40 per point of the \$40 per child in three states than is required to the \$120 per child in the three other states."

child in the three other states."

That made it obvious that the South, poorer than any other section of the country, and standing in greatest need improved educational facilities, has about reached the limit of its ability to pay. Struggling under higher tax rates for schools, it yet cannot afford to rake up a comparable amount per child while states in other sections offer vastly superior schooling under a much lighter tax burden.

Dr. Graham though he is seen the sections of the country of the section of the country of the section of the

lighter tax burden.
Dr. Graham, though he is opposed by some even in the South, is rendering us great service and offering enlightened leadership. And he is not alone, by any means. These, for example, are the words of Georgia's Governor Ellis Arnall:

"I cannot understand how any man can oppose Federal sid to education. Some oppose it on the state a rights place. But most of those who rake the "state rights' cry just mean they don't want soything done for the people."

Never Mind

The Senate is concerned over a missing document written by Claude Bowers, our former Ambassador to Spain, which somehow never reached the President or Secretary Hull. The paper is supposed to have been "favorable" to anti-Tranco forces in Spain, and the gentlemen of the Senate committee, hashing over the topic, behave as if the contents of this paper might be of ut-most importance at the moment. "Our memory is that Ambassador Bowers publicly proclaimed, at the peak of Spain's civil strife, that the Spanish Republic which arose at the overthrow of one dictator, and knew only battle and bloodshed until another dictator overthrew it, was the nearest approach to a democracy Spain had ever known. And if that information is of any use to the Senators, they're welcome to it. Further than that, they might go back to the extensive literature of that war, both fiction and non-fiction, and discover the same thing. We thought it was taken for granted, all over the world, that the rise of Franco in Spain spelled the end of democratic hopes, and the rise of absolute totalitarianism.

Only A Policy

We think the history of the Atlantic Charter needs some reviewing, in the light of the turbulent times in liberated countries of Europe. And we'll be as matter-of-fact as possible.

Origin: Signed on Aug. 14, 1941, be-tween President Roosevelt and Winston Churchill, aboard a warship on the At-

Churchill, aboard a warship on the Atlantic.

Nature: Not a treaty, not presented for ratification anywhere, but "a statement of broad views and principles which are our common guide," according to Mr. Churchill.

Purpose: To roughly define aims of United Nations who were fighting for freedom in general.

History: Subscribed to by Russia and aline governments-in-exile in 1941; "adhered to" by United Nations declaration in 1942; embodied in Lend-Lease; defeated as part of Connaily Resolution I. V. 8. Senate in 1943, by President's supporters, on ground that it would tie his hands.

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Application (especially with reference

to Greece, Beigium, Italy). The third principle guarantees: "The right of all peoples took when the form of government seaters which they will five; and were reliable those who have been forcibly deprived of them." (To case of Poland).—The second principle says: "No territorial changes that do not accord with the freely expressed wishes of the peoples concerned." to Greece, Belgium, Italy); The third

with the freely expressed waites of the peoples concerned."

Objections and challenges: Winston Churchill, September, 1941: "It does not qualify in any way various statements of policy made from time to time about the development of constitutional government in India. Burns are constitutional government. Indi

And there we stand today, clinging to a statement of principle, an executive agreement. It is not binding, nor is it to be interpreted the same way in any two nations, or by any two men.

Don't be misted by all those new "E" pennants. It's only the electoral college, getting ready for the quadrennial homecoming.

Dissenters

The new program of hospital and medical care outlined by Governor Broughton, approved by the North Garolina Medical Association, the State Congress of Parents & Teachers and many another organization, has not yet been approved by North Carolina physicians at large. And there is a sign this week that we might develop a major battle over that program in the Legislature.

lature.

For despite official insistence that there was no hought of installing "so-clatter meetines" in the state, and that the present dector-patient_relation would not be impaired in any way, some dectors have announced themselves as opposed to the plan. This notwithstanding the great weight of evidence gathered by the Governor's Commission to investigate hospital and medical needs in the state.

the state.

In specific, the Iredell-Alexander County Medical Association is opposed to the state program, as such A majority of the members of this group, it is reported, stands against any State or Federal direction of such a program. The Statesville meeting unanimously approved the idea of adequate hospital and medical care for the people of the state, but they bucked at the thought of any government agency's putting it into effect—or that is the sense we got from the report of the meeting.

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And there is certainly opposition of this nature all over the state, among physicians. Unless we miss our guess, Governor Broughton's present purpose in appearing informally and in closed session before local medical groups over the state is to fully explain to them the workings and purposes of this program. And perhaps, as well, to reassure them.

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Even at this point, we feel moved to make this observation: If North Caro-lina physicians, having officially ap-proved this program through their or-ganization, really believe that the state needs better hospital and medical care. needs better hospital and medical care, then they cannot oppose putting it into effect through the State Government. Surely, progress cannot come if we leave the task to the public, and to the normal-course of events.

We must face the truth and not de-ceive ourselves about the fact that in this country the elements of reaction, of isolationism, of racial intolerance, of stubborn and blind obstinacy against the necessity of social changes and ad-justments are growing with every day. These eloments, the British-batters, the Russian-batters, the Jew-batters, the labor-batters, are united.

THOMAS MANN

The Merry-Go-Round

WASHINGTON Italy ever been permitted repres

PREMIER BONOMI of Italy has written President Roosevelt a 100-page letter outlining in great detail many Italian complaints against the British. When and if this is published, it will make some of the Greek troubles with the British look relatively pale.

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The Adriatic port of Triests will be taken from Italy and made an international free port, and the armissice also provides for relinquishing a part of the Italian breadbasket, the Pledmont, to France.

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To saccine the pill, the Italians were promised that the terms of the armistice would be lightened in proportion to the degree of help they give the Allies in the rest of the war against Hilter. But, Bonomi points out, 11,100 toops, and insist upon disarming every suerilla or partisan lighter in the area whenever the Allies take a new town.

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So complete is the British control that last Spring, when Soviet Bussia announced recognition of the Badoglio Government, Badoglio was advised a few days later that he had no right to deal with any other government. Alleide or not. Author of this note was Lt. Gen. Frank Noel Mason MacFarlane, then deputy president of the Allied Control Commission for Italy. Result was that although recognition of Italy was announced in Moscow, no ambassador has been sent to Rome, nor has

Forrestal Unbends

Secretary of the surphed with the Treas Congressional delegation on Capitol Hill. The Texas Data throught of Forrestal as a cold-fish wall Sirect banker, but after a brief speech in which he showed them he know how to cuss in Texas sayie, they revised their ideas.

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Forrestal's talk, which was a closed-door session, because this a story of how he landed on a Pacific Island during an inspection trip. His plane dropped down on a tiny island taken by U. S. forces only a day or so before. It was night, and from the beach the party had no idea how to reach the command post. But Porrestal came upon a Signal Corps telephone, but his call.

Came back a slow drawling, "Who is this ah'm talk-ing to?"

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With great dignily he replied, "this is the Secretary of the Navy."

"If you sin't kiddin', what in the (consorted) are, you doin' way out heath?" came back the voice.

"And that, grattemen, was the voice of a Texan," Forrestal concluded. "And it was typical of Texan and a large part of the South. This country has well prepared as at was when we got then this war. While the rest of the country was arguing about isolation and neutrality, the South was r'aring to go out and get Mr. Hitter."

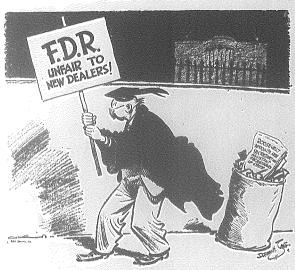
Chatrman Carl Vinson of the House Naval Affairs Committee was a lunchcorn guest, along from Washington and a former member of the Naval Affairs Committee. Noding diplomatically loward Georgia's Vinson, Forrestal said:

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mittee. Nodding diplomatically toward Georgia's Vinson, Forrestal askid:

"It was the fighting Southern spirit of Mr. Vinson which enabled us to pass a good deal of pre-war Naval fegislation without which we would have been helpless. In more serious vein, Forrestal wanned the Congressmen not to waste time worrying about when the war will end. He doesn't know when it will end, or when either part of the war will end, and speculation is daragerous because it always meets a leidoward of war workern to are anxious to look about for more permainent work.

Goodness! Who'd Ever Think It'd Come To This?



Willkie Saw The Problem

By Marguis Childs

N THIS column yesterday I quoted from a remarkable teter that Wendell Willide wrote to me on May 10. The passages I quoted yesterday dealt with the trust of public office and the need, particularly most intendition, for integrity in the giving and the receivant of the control of the control

consin with the cards stacked against him?

There are those who put it down to his lack of political cophistication. His letter shows what this purpose was, I have been also be

man would have done.

Enclosed with Willide's letter was a story clipped from the New York Times of Tuesday, May 9. The story, written by Turner Caffedge of the Times' affairer, the headline, "La Follette Geas Iosaltunist," It because the progressive Statt was an an an an an annual to the progressive Statt was an an an annual to the progressive Statt was the progressive Statt and Milwaukee, which adopted by a vote of 665 to 2. a foreign policy statement interpreted as highly isolationist following a statement interpreted as highly isolationist following as

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denial. Nor will I be deflected by present or anticipated prake.

"Incidentally, I am enclosing an article by Turner Catledge which appeared in resterday morning's New York Times. I know you personally know the facet was the content of the conten

People's Platform

Statesmen At Work

(Excerpts From The Congressional Record)

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IN a hearing on the St. Lawrence Scaway
project before the House Rivers & Harbors
Committee. New York's Mayor La Guardia
supported the project, mentioning its value
in the case of aerial attack on the U. S.,
which brought on this interesting idellight:

Mr. RANKIN. Mayor, you were in aviation
in the last war?

the last war?
Mayor LA GUARDIA. I was in bombing.
Mr. RANKIN. You were a bomber in the
ist war?

last war?
Mayor LA GUARDIA. Yes.
Mr. RANKIN. So that you are familiar with this?

Mayor LA GUARDIA. It has developed to

such dince that the eventored to make the discontinuous participation of the congress to go to war.

Mayor LA GUARDIA. We dropped 24 benuse I flew a Caproni, and we dropped 24 benuse and 12 of them were incendiary to the congress of the c

much that is: 2 feet?

Mayor La GUARDIA. I would say about 2 1 2 feet. Now, they drop literally hundreds of them. The bombing technique and the Company of the control of t

Mr. DONDERO. Mayor, do you mean in

or LA GUARDIA, Yes.

Mayor LA GUARDIA. Ves.
Mr. Doudern, Recently?
Mayor LA GUARDIA. Not in the First
World War. What we did is just child's play
compared to what avaidation is doing now. We
cannot compare in historiments, we cannot
compare in speed, we cannot compare in load
of its accuracy.

How does, the accuracy
compare at the present time with the aecuracy while you were in the service?

Mayor LA GUARDIA. No comparison.
Mr. BETER. No commarison?

asawe a fire. Now, they drop hundreds of ham.

The CHAIRMAN. You say "about that son.

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Editors, The News:

The remedy for mental illness is basically morale and education. After twenty years of muchine rule in North Garollina our system, lass chiefly evolved into massive buildings of brick and mortar, and fifty million dollars worth of highways and apparently nowhere to go.

We must be the champions in buck-passing, political promising; buck-passing, political promising; the promising of the promising professions where we many times collect as much in term man makes in months.

Being on the handicapped end of the line for twenty years, this from one whose family has hald light at home for better health conditions that our families are psying on foreign fields today. We have carned the right to speak a word for such unfortunates. The lind seventeen years were the

hardest. Though intensely intersecting, the last ture years of headline promises have left scarce-type at high of constructive benefit.

Tom Jimison should have been acclaimed all over the state as the outstanding eltien of 1942. He through his efforts, for each eltient of the fortest of the through his efforts, for each eltient of the through his efforts, for each eltient of the briefs and mortal should have been forgotten for the thinking and morals and elucitors.

We believe the next four year's administration will give this State a practical application of real renders, thanks on But if will be easy for our leaders to continue morals and electronic the continues of the thinking and roads of the thinking and the effective the effective of the thinking of the thinking the effective of the thinking the effective of the thinking the effective of the thinking of the thinking the effective of the thinking the effective of the thinking the effective of the thinking the effective of the thinking of the thinking

health.

Most of our leaders need to be re-educated for this tremendous task so long neglected.

We more fully shared your letter from President Rossevelt because we have a letter signed by you commending us for efforts in be-

half of the State Hospital patients. Mr. Roosevelt was only doing unto you as you had already done unto many others.

Let The Ladies
Run Wild
Editors, The News:
We can't understand to save our
lives why the Supreme Coult rivide
to sarve on Juries. They evar
parits, smoke cicarettes, chew tohaceo, drink fluor, custs and vote.
Why not no the whole hoe and allow them to "CHAS. A. NEWMAN
Gastonia, N. C.

A Line From Mr. Stettinius

Mr. Steffmins
Editors. The News:

I have read with interest your
editorial of Nov. 28. and I want
you to know that I greatly appreciate your good wishes.

E. R. STETTINUS JR.
Screetary of State.
Washington, D. C.

By Galbraith SIDE GLANCES

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"Now don't become too enthusiastic in commenting on his decorations if you intend to marry him! Maintain a practical tone—you can't eat medals!"

Everyday Counselor

By Herbert Spaugh, D.D.

this.
Already I am hearing people who have lost the Christmas message say, "I will be glad when Christmas 13 over."

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over:
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where an article
in the Rockerbler Center Weekly
which was reprinted in the December Reader's Direct which indicate
that he too Direct which indicate
that he too bus who have forgotten
the time message of Christmas:
"I wish there was come new way
for say Merry Christmas." Twice
today I have overheard that rereverently to myself. Thank God
there isn't."
"The splitt_of Christmas is 'as."

reverently to myself, Thank God-three Isht. The Christmas is as simple as the beart of a child. It needs no new slogan and aspecial sales effort. No advertising agent cent mask. The control of the control of the cent and the control of the control and the wind and the rain, as the stars that glowed on Galliee one holy inght and now shed their same steady light on an older and perhaps a wiser costil.

By Herbert Spaugh, D.D.

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Dick Young

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From China.

For us at home there is a su-preme responsibility—to keep faith with the men in our armed forces. The purchase of exits war Bonds during the Sulf War Loan Loan China and China and China Secretary of State Edward R.

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