WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1945

Freedom

Next Monday the Government will remove one of the last of 1ts home-building controls, the 'regulation that prevented the building of houses costing more than \$8.000 If you can find labor and materials for the 'ob, you can order up your new house right away, and pay your contractor whatever he demands. More than that, old Regulation W, the one that controlled credit, has also vanished and you are free to go into hock right up to your eyes.

eyes.

If the lifting of this restriction has any effect on the current housing shortage, as acute in Charlotte as anywhere in the land, it will be an indirect one. It is possible that a good many homeowers are feeling cramped in their old quarters and are willing to rush out into a highly inflated market to build a new and fancier nest, thereby eventually vacating the houses in which they waited out the war.

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But even if this happens, it will be a long time before it cuts into the inflation that seems certain to keep the prices of old houses up in the realm of the ridiculous. Low- and incdum-cost housing, the sort that returning veterans will be looking for, has already-disappeared in the spiral. The six-room Better Homes and Garden's bungalow that sold in Charlotte in 1940 for around \$5,000 is bringing up to \$12,000 today, and the price is still climbing.

This isn't anybody's fault, particularly, but is the natural product of a demand that far exceeds supply. A good many honest real estate operators believe the only solution is to kick the lid off completely, let price ride until the inflated market collapses. This might solve the problem, but it seems

the inflated market collapses. This might solve the problem, but it seems a little rough on the millions of hope-fuls who will find themselves at the end of the boom, plucked clean of their savings and saddled with an inadequate house mortgaged for more than it is worth.

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Neither of the alternatives that come to mind—the immediate construction of Federal low-cost housing projects in critical areas, or the feed of a really rigid system of prince control—seems anowalls chance in the rampede back to normaley. In proceedings of the property of all the lessons of the past (can you still "remember Florida or Henderson-ville?) we seem bent on taking another flyer at seeking prosperity through inflation.

Red Vs. White

There is now appearing a strange editorial tendency to regard the London Conference, which, by admission of the participants, ended in complete failure, as a great triumph of American di-

as a great triumph of American di-plomacy. Our failure to agree with Russia has become laudable, and Sec-retary Byrnes is being congratulated on all sides for taking a strong stand against everything Nr. Molotov wanted. This theory is ostensibly rooted in the belief that all of Russia's claims are unjust and unreasonable, while our own, if we presented any, are pure and idealistic. Actually it stems from our traditional anti-Russian prejudice, a prejudice that limits our view until we see the future only as a continuing con-test for power between the Soviets and ourselves, evil against virtue, red against white.

are so far gone in this belief that many responsible citizens regard armed conflict as inevitable, and our Governconflict as inevitable, and our Government seems to be preparing quietly
and unofficially, for it. President Truman, at a press conference in Tenmessee, struct the "temporarily" out of
his original announcement that the
atomic bomb secret would be preserved
for the sole use of the United States
and Great Britain. And on that same
day a scientist. Dr. Irving Langmuir of
General Electric, testifying before as
Senate committee, imadvertently placed
on the record what the Senators themselves seem to be thinking. "Unless the
use of atomic energy is carefully controlled, the warned, it will be possible
by 1955 or 1975 to press a button in.
Russia and kill everybody in the United

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States. Not press a button anywhere in the world, you understand, but specifically in Russia.

The President, despite his perhaps inevitable decision to hang onto the atomic bomb serret, is working sincerely toward better relations with the Russians. He is motivated, not by sympathy with their revolution, but by his expressed belief that civilization cannot survive another war. But he has pither than the property of the world into hig enough to hold both the world into high enough to have a series of the world into high enough to have a series of the highest end of the high end of the highest end of the high end of the hig

No Help

The American Cotton Manufacturers The American Cotton Manufacturers Association, quite properly concerned with its own business, has discovered in our armed occupation of Japan an opportunity to get rid of a competitor. Under the terms of the Potsdam Convention we have already announced our sintention of stripping away Japan's heavy industry, and the Cotton Manufacturers can see no good reason why we shouldn't go one step further and terminate her production of textiles.

terminate her production of textiles. For a moral basis for the argument, Dr. William P. Jacobs, the association's president, turns to the old Jap practice of stealing textile designs, reproducing them with cheap labor, and shipping them the cheap labor, and shipping them the cheap labor, and shipping them to over our tariff walls to self far below American prices. If the Japanese textile industry is allowed to resume operation its market should be imitted to the home islands, Dr. Jacobs contends.

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This is a pretty fair argument, we think, and if it breaks down at all it is on the practical side. When we shut off the export of Japanese textiles we establish a precedent that, could, and probably would, work against the exp

establish a precedent that the memoral probably would, work against greith correctly and the provided and th

Cheerful Note

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We keep looking for signs that the war is actually over, that this is really peace, modified slightly, perhaps, but the real thing. We heard a cheerful note today, sounded by the Textile Color Card Association of the United States, Inc.

According to the TCCAUS, young ladies will no longer garb themselves in RAF Blue, Iwo Jima Purple, Star Shell Green, or Flamethrower Red. There is a definite reaction, we are informed, and next Spring's Yagons will bear such titles as Gay Chartreuse, Feative Fuchsia, Rapture Purple, Joy Blue, Cheer Green.

Love Coral. Sentimental Mauve, and Nosegay Pink.

Statesmen At Work

(Serious, facetious and comic excerpts from the Congressional Record)

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Mr. RICH I am "admitting il". That is the difference between you ano, one.

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nefs from the Congressional Records when Members are approached by these people in the departments they yield, and we do not get any place; in other words, we have a wishbone instead of a back-covernment; they think too much of themselves.

Mr. CHURCH. The gentleman has said, has he not, that this is the last time be will give away that power? Did not the gentleman on whatever away that power?

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Mr. RICH. I have never given it away. The reason I am trying it now is in an effort to save American from the results of a Congress that tired to spend the document of the control now. God will have to save her, because Congress neter will, so far is a reorganization is concerned of the Government. The right way will not get a control of the control

Mr. JUDD. Did the gentleman ever hear what the Reichstag did when it lost faith

The Merry-Go-Round

By Drew Pearson

THE nation's giant, bumptious CIO United Auto Work-ers' Union is now split wide open over its post-war

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At opposite ends of the tonflict are rancous, hard-hitting R. J. Thomas, known as labor's undiplomatic diplomat, and two-fisted, brainy Walter Reuther, vice-president of the union and first pretender to Thomas throng.

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II was kept very high-hugh, but at the recent meet-ing. It was kept very high-hugh, but at the recent meet in Fint. Mich., Reuther called in eight type meeting in bers to explore his future. Every man present promet-to keep the proceedings secret. However, what trans-pured has now leaked out.

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Reuther asked his fellow board members how many
of them would support him for the union's presidency.
Pive, although friends of Reuther, turned thumbs down.
Two agreed to buck his candidacy, and one stood on
the fence. As a result, Reuther has decided he need
a further build-up before trying for the union's presi-

dency.

Since then, Reuther and Thomas have been backly split on union policies, with the public and the auto workers sometimes caught in the factional middle. Reuther knows that Thomas is the lent-apparent to Pull Murray's throne as president of the CIO, and is trying to knock Thomas out of that spot.

Differ on Strategy

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Fundamental difference inside the auto union is over strategy. Thomas is against strikes now. He wants to cooperate with the big augo companies on reconversion, then strike later if necessary. Thomas not been arguing privately that it is unwais to strike and the arguing privately that it is unwais to strike and General Motors—get their assembly lines running and General Motors—get their assembly lines running mext Spring. Then the union could strike one at a time, force them to settle because of the fear the direct way by manufacturers would seal the market under two big manufacturers would seal the market and the strike of the strik

Reuther, however, won't go along. He favors a strike in General Motors now, before the assembly lines get started.

Rankin's Witch-Hunting Committee A petition to discharge the House Committee on Un-American Activities—completely dominated by

Lost week, newspapers told how Winder Harris, forerer Vitginia Congressman now representing shipbuildas appeared on the floor of the House of Representavex during the debate on the ship sales bill, which is
vital importance to his employers. Harris was propended to whap his Boor prollage, as a former
ended, to lobby for the shipbuilders during the detere.

U. S. Propaganda Machine

Assitant Secretary of State Bill Benton, founding father of a go-getting advertising agency and guiding account of the state of the sta

rectified in the House next week.

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The House and pudiciary has refused to act on the resolution of Representative Frank Hook of Michigan, callbution of Representative Frank Hook of Michigan, callbution of Representative Frank Hook of Michigan, callbution of Representative Frank Hook house for mittee was created as a standing committee by a parlamentary trick of Rankin's in January, but Hook has one little about forcing his resolution out of committee.

Therefore Representative Ellis Patterson of Callbution of Callbution Hook Representative Ellis Patterson of Callbution Hook Representative Ellis Patterson of Callbution Hook Representative Ellis Patterson will start circulating a petition to bring Hook's resolution to the floor.

Congressmen Lobby

member, to lobby for the shipbuilders during the dehate.

What was not reported, however, was the more vocal lobbying of a man who is still a member of Congress-Republican Elisworit Buck, of the Wall Street seed, to the Wall Street seed, to the Wall Street seed, to make the total convenient to the bill interesting the price of oil tankers the Government is selling to oil companies. The amendment, offered by Representative Henry Tale amendment, offered by Representative Henry Tale amendment, offered by Representative Henry Tale amendment of the total companies of the total companies of the total companies of the total companies of the total companies.

Buck had disqualitied threself from voting on this smetodinent while the bill was in committee, because an extended the total companies of the t

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A Few Feminine Touches Could Work Wonders



The Great Political Divide

By Marquis Childs

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most too freely to invitations and appointments. Section that followed President Booscreits death, the six was cleared of much of the bickering and backbilling that had centered around Rocosevelt, the symbol. Good will carried Rocosevelt's successor a strong from May linto the early Fall.

That era of good will is now definitely over. The good gray President must make decisions which will divide friend from for. New Desler from old dealer. This is true in big issues as well as in those that do not loom to large on the national skyline. There is a kind of Great Divide in national skyline and President of the control of the property of the control of the president must mational skyline. There is a kind of Great Divide in national skyline and President of the pres

Congressional Leash

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ceipts into the general fund of the Treasury, nor was it compolled to come to Congress for annual appropriations, a far-fung operation like TVA could not be kept at the end of a Congressional leash. Congress does have the opportunity, of course, to go over all TVA transactions and question even the smallest youther.

McKellar's Opposition

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This however, is not enough for some Congressmen.

The most motorious enemy of TVA, Senator Kenneth Merfree Management of the Congress of the Congres

see ine pretext of economy to try to get TVA called to
heel.

From the valley itself have come emphatic protests
against this move. In a long editorial, the Chattanooga Times declares that such action by Congres
into with the people of the valley. There is bread
contract—the TVA Act—more than 130 power distributing agencies are now buying power. Some 550,000
consumers are buying cheap electricity.

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Manufacturing Increases

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The editorial presents some other interesting facts. Between 1933 and 1940 the number of manufacturing establishments in the Tennessee Valley increased 53 1-22 per cent, while the increase for the country as a whole was 30 per cent. Wholesale trade in the valley increased 80 per cent. Wholesale trade in the valley increased 80 per cent. Use the present of the present of

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"If a griping soldier comes along and wants to get in the railroad business, I'll be glad to co-operate and let him have my job."

Eisenhower's Problem

By Dorothy Thompson

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General Walter Bedell Smith
whom General Easenbower sent to
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eally to persons in the Bavarian
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TO GO CONSERVATIVE

LOST DEFINITIONS

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Everywhere we are rapidly losing precision in definitions. Many highly conservative Germans who think all children should obey their parents and be instructed in the parents of their parents and their parents and their parents of parents of

By Dorothy Thompson

NEW YORK

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between Generals Euenhower
and Patton is the intellectual confluxion of our
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bolicy. persons who held such Catholic conservative views.

This does not mean — I take pains to point out—that I advocate a conservative Bavarian regarder of the conservative Bavarian regarder of the conservative Bavarian regarder of Cerman, it any we should like to see emerge.

What really plagues our Millitary Governors—and I have talked with dozens of them—is that they are the conservative of the conservati

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ARMIES CAN'T REFORM

In conclusion—General Elsenhore cannot really de-Nazinhore cannot really de-Na

Quote, Unquote

WE hope the American press and public will continue to support local salvage campaigns since an enormous amount of waste paper will be needed to package and ship the flood of goods that will help to make new tobs.

goods that win roop jobs.

Edwin S. Friendly, chairman U. S. Victory Waste Paper Cam-paign.

Lend-lease was one of the easiest things we did to help win the war, and we'll write it off along with the rest of the money we have spent without even a flicker of the cyclid.

—Port Huron. Mich. Times-Her-aid.

If the program of rehabilitation is going to mean anything, it has got to come first from those bound by allegiance to God,

—Rev. Dr. Frederic S. Fleming,

New York City,

There is no hope of constructing world peace without the cordial and confident co-operation of Rus-sia, particularly without a sincere understanding between the British

and Russian Governments.

—Leon Blum, former Premier of
France.

We (the British) are the poorest nation of any of the victors in this war. We must see that "British made" means more abroad than it ever has in the past.

—Bir Oranville Gibson.

REA-financed co-operatives will add their support as leading com-munity groups and will make elec-tric resources available where pos-sible to community canning proj-

We must reconcile ourselves to the fact that room for tax reduc-tions at this time is limited. A to-tal war cannot be liquidated overnight. —President Harry S. Truman.

With the British Empire and the U. S. A now in control of the better part of the world, it it imperative that we have a common language. If for no other reason than 10 understand one another.

—Indianapolis, Ind., Times.