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### Front-Step Opinion

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The NORC found that 58 per cent of the citizens interviewed felt that big business was getting more than its cut. 29 per cent considered big business profits fair, and only three per cent thought they weren't doing as well as they should. The three per cent who believe big business claim that Prédral controls are driving the corporations into bankruptcy were largely concentrated in the wealthy group; down at the low-income level the conviction that corporate profits are too high was over-prorate profits are too high was over-prorate profits are too high was overporate profits are too high was over-whelming. Both these groups, we think, are largely immune to the propaganda seing directed at them, being equipped

this case, it doesn't carry much weight any more.
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The poll, we think, should make interesting, if gloomy, reading for big businessmen, for it is certainly a measure of their popularity and of the faith the mass of citizens have in their protestations. They may, as they seem to be doing, win out in their current effort to solve their labor toubles by raising wages and increasing prices, but here is further evidence that such an apparent victory may yet turn into defeat. Certainly, if their profits are in fast more than fair, preserving them at the cost of their customers is no-way to win the friends and influence the voters they friends and influence the voters they may be desperately needing a few years from now.

### **Opportunity To Donate**

The Textile Bulletin, which frequently The Territe Bulletin, which Irequently makes good sense when it confines its editorial outbursts to textile affairs, has come forward to remind the cotton manufacturers that in this year of plenty they could well afford to donate some of their bounty to the three regional textile schools that have served them so well.

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North Carolina State. Clemson and Georgia Tech have textile schools of sound reputation, and all three institutions also have foundations established for the purpose of gathering additional funds to expand their services. The cotton mills have been called upon. on a pro rata basis, to assist, as The their programs of better textile educa tion and to continue that program dur ing the depression years which are cer-

Aid for the textile schools is no char-And for the texture schools as in con-try; annually these three institutions send a horde of technicians into the factories of the region, and, as an ex-amination of almost any cotton mill roster will show, these technicians even-

roster will show, these technicians eventually become executives. Their background of sound college training, both in the purely technical sciences and in what used to be called the liberal arts, contributes directly to the welfare of the entire industry.

The Billetin, remembering the swinging cycles of depression and boom that have made a crazy quilt of the chart of textile progress in the South, feels that the time to make heavy donations is now, while profits are high and while Federal taxes take such a big percentage out of the company till. "It must be realized that there will probably hever be another time when donations can be made with so little actual cost to mill opperations."

The argument advanced by The Bulletin is most practical aitzens, will selve upon the opportunity to keep some of their profits out of the hands of the Administration

portunity to keep some of their profits out of the hands of the Administration they so roundly damn, and at the same time benefit themselves and the region.

#### A Frigid Coonjine

Olive Carruthers, bidding farewell to Carl Sandburg in *The Chicago Sun*, has written a tender and stirring poem remarking upon the seductive South that will greet the old poet upon his arrival in Flat Rock.

"You will shear the darkies chanting a lazy coonjine.

"To the thrum of hummingbirds like add hearto." Mice Carruthers warms.

an old banjo." Miss Carruthers warns ar. Sandburg, and she also sings of crous-gold sunshine "in North Car'lina" (the apostrophe, please note, is hers) and the yellow afternoons and the "hold, till nights when stars are hanging year."

Reading these lovely words today. regaing these lovely words today, while-jcicles dangle outside our window and our ears are smitten by the traffic noises the late W J. Cash once termed the most frendish sound outside of Hell. or possibly the Chicago Loop", we are strangely bemused. In the first place we

don't know what a lazy coonline is, and it's been a long time since we heard a hummingbird thrum.

If we, here in the flathands, find an odd note in Miss Carruthers poem, we wonder how it sounds to the natives in the high hills where Mr. Sandburg is making his residence. The darkies in Henderson County could hold a convention in a telephone booth, and there probably hasn't been a banjo in Flat Rock since Jan Garber played a dance there in 1928.

Miss Carruthers birds Mr. Sandburg to

there in 1928. Miss Carruthers bids Mr. Sandburg to take with him to Flat Rock the song of Chicago, a song "timed to a tempo of hope and a dream underamed." We, of course, will welcome any dream Mr. Sandburg cares to bring along, no matter its state of gestation, and we don't think hell find it too, out of place at Connect. he'll find it too out of place at Con mara. But we also recommend that he pack along with the song of Chicago an ample supply of red flannel underwear.

From The Atlanta Journal:

## On Governmental Efficiency

The Schale was arguing the other day at great length and with ponderous versionity on the question of raise in pay for Government employees. Senator Taft, of Ohio, interrupted Senator Downey, of California, to ask: "Does not the Senator know some employees in Government service are receiving three times what they are worth, three times what they are worth, three times what they are worth, they went limits of the Confederation of the Senator know some employees in Government service are receiving three times what they are worth, three times what they are worth, they went limits the service of the confederation of the Senator Roberts of the confederation of the Nation, who testified before our charge of the Nation, who testified before our committee, the opinion I get from Secretary Patreson and Secretary Portection of the Nation, who testified before our committee, the opinion I get from Secretary Patreson and Secretary Portection of the Opinion I get from Secretary Portection of the Nation, who testified before our committee, the opinion I get from Secretary Portection of the Nation, who testified before our committee, the opinion I get from Secretary Portection of the Portection of the Nation, who testified before our committee, the opinion I get from Secretary Portection of the Opinion I get from Secretary Portection of the Nation, who testified before our committee, the opinion I get from Secretary Portection of the Nation, who testified before our committee, the opinion I get from Secretary Portection of the Nation, who testified before our committee, the opinion I get from Secretary Portection of the Nation, who testified before our committee, the opinion I get from Secretary Portection of the Nation, who testified before our committee, the opinion I get from Secretary Portection of the Nation, who testified before our committee, the opinion I get from Secretary Portection of the Nation of the Na what they could get, if they went into private enterprise?"
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Ine, question was easy to ask because the seems to be natural to damn the many for the faults of the few, to create generalities from special circumstances, and to cuss the Government for any and all things. hear the critics tell it, our Army

has been and is a bungling, blundering organization dominated by stupidity, red tape and brass hats; our Navy no less incompetent and despicable.

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Yet one overwhelming fact stares those critics in the face; our Army and Navy were the greatest imilitary forces ever put into action and they won, with a minimum of losses, the greatest war ever fought.
Our Government is shot through with

of organizational operation, but to it is the greatest Government

the world has ever known and the one to be chosen over all others.

Senator Downey did not make such apposite but oblique reply to Senator Tark, Instead he said:

I may tell the distinguished Senator from thic the opinion I get from men the antered the Government service

committee, the opinion I get from Sec-riciary Patterson and Secretary Forres-tal, the opinion I get from workers in whom I have confidence, that is, that there is about the same degree of in-cificiency in Government service that is found in a lawyer's office or a doctor's office, in industry, or in the Senate of the United States."

We elect to share the view of Senator Downey, with the reservation that im-provements can be made in Government service if the members of the Senate and the House will set themselves to the task in a non-political, non-partisan

task in a non-political, nor manner and will resist with non-partisan

Would that be asking too much of Mr. Taft and his 95 colleagues in the Senate and the 435 members of the House?

Housing conditions in our cities now approximate those in Moscow in the grim 20s when it was said that life in the one-room apartment-wasn't so bad until the fellow in the corner took in

Gays, where it was left unused.

An officer at Gays and it was
"the only with be knew to get rid

It turns out that the Nazis tapped
the trans-Atlantic conversations of FDR
and Churchill, which appears to have
got them nothing militarily and of course
very little socially.

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strong the sub-committee learned, were 10 became lights worth
\$3,500 cach. 20 Prett and Whitney
engine cylinders worth \$700 cach,
and 10 magnetos for airplane englites.

Drew Pearson

# Strange Cargo Over The Hump

ous air route in the world.

Congressman Engel had a rough
time getting this and other information over the head of Gen.

George Richards, the War Department budget officer who accomipanied the congressional committee on its tour.

tee on its tour.

Richards had laid out a carefully planned schedule of stops of the second schedule of stops of the second schedule of t

and until recover with the "winds and until the sub-committee atopped at Karachi for lunch and were told to get back on the plane at 11:5 og ettat for Abadan. On his way to the officers' mess, Engel stoped to talk to some young Air Corps officers with had been lived to the sub-committee of the sub-comm

gressman," he said.

GADFLY ENGEL

But the Congressman courteously brushed him off, got out a pencil and began taking notes. After the others had caten, General Richards again rushed out excitedly and tried to hurry Engel to

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General Richards turned to a second lieutenant in the group tones. "I

second lleutenant in the group and ordered in crisp tones. "I want you to report to your commanding officer everything you have told the Congressman."

By this time, other members of the congressional party "had returned to watch the gireworks and turned to watch the gireworks and Engel, who were glaring at each other fiercely. Unleased by the general's browbeating factles, each other fiercely. Unleased by the general's browbeating factles, copy those to who and other each other factles, and the series of the serie

"That includes you, General Richards," he said,

Richards." he said.
With this restraint removed, the visiting Congressman a dduce of some astounding facts. About 70 lleutenanis and captains, all flying officers who had borne the brunt of the Hump flying, told him in part:

him in part:

BRITISH TRADE

(1) They had flown 750 tons
(1,500,000 pounds) of Indian cotton across the "Hump" for the
British, who sold it to the Chinese. The cotton was worth 15
cents a pound, or about \$225,000.
It cost us from \$11 to \$2 a pound
to fly the cotton, some of which
the committee saw while it was
still in a warehouse waiting to be
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fierer's Club. The patio was built after V-3 Day.

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# The Brass Flew





HIGH COSTS

The Eve Of The Needle

The People's Platform

# The Veterans Are Getting A Brush-Off

By GEORGE W. DOOLEY President, Charlotte Chapter American War Dad.

"TO BE or not to be" out in the cold. "That is the question" winten is being asked by causing the cold of the cold of the cold of the cold of the cold ones after righting and winning the biggest war the property of the cold of the cold ones after righting and winning the biggest war the property of the cold of the cold ones after righting and winning the biggest war the cold of t

country has ever engaged in. As place to live is the biggest problem which confronts them. It certainly is not new that It is estimated that Charlotte needs 1,000 new houses every year to take care of normal conditions, or the certain of the certain

THE OLD BRUSH-OFF

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I am interested in places to live
for everybody and I think everyone else is. However, my particular
peeve is that the veteram is again
getding the old brush-off in this
matter, just as he is in many
other problems.

wants to do so. Why not turn before problems.

I am not qualified to say just where this responsibility should fall, whether with the local. Store where this responsibility should fall, whether with the local. Store with all three. This one thing I am certain of, there should be something done and done quickly to get for these men who have birder breasts to the shot and shell of an enemy of our country.

Well, now did we win this war, anyway? What was put into it to there we did. We co-ordinated every Govelmental administrative agency for this one put intended to the control of the co

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rally to the cause and actually do the fighting.

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When these same young men went off to fight and many to the same of the fight and many to the same of the same of the same to the same of the same same of the same of

Hitler and Tojo had won the war, the Frendent of the United States, the President of the United States, the Compress and every State and local official would be out of a job. Why is there then, so much red tape attached to getting somered the state of the state of

POINTS THE WAY

Recently, Mr. Reed Sarratt of The Central Mr. Reed Sarratt Sarratt Should be highly commended for this effort. I don't know that his contention was correct in every detail. I do know the Mr. Reed Mr.

that be really want to do some-thing.

Solute to the fact that
I'm ment in authority in the land
also had sons in the service, but
their sons are the exception when
it comes in the matter of rehabilto the solution of the solution of the
part, are of considerable means,
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are not so fortunate and who must
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cerence to the question at hand.
When are the fathers of America

### Hymn Of Hate

By A WORKING YOUNG LADY Less you think of others who have chark-OTTE auffered and died to make this country a quiet, peaceful place to live.

Do you carry a burning sensa-tion in your stomach because you out proper foods, and had to eat out of ugit cans? Do you have an ache in your body where a piece of metal was removed and it just won't heal right? Are you minus a arm or a lee wipin you would world?

Do you think it right to be the

You, stitler, have a place to live. You are not cold or hungry. You are suffering no pain. Why not be patient and thank God you are in America?

"Not gold, but only men can make a people great and

strong— scent and
"Men who, for truth and honor's sake, stand fast and
suffer long.
Brave men, who work while
others sleep, who dare while
others fly—
They build a nation's pillars
deep and lift them to the
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deep, and lift them to the sky." Alph Waldo Emeron I do not care to give my name in case you print this.

(Note: We can understand how this working young lady spould in connection with this document. We publish it anonymously because mentals backon the seems to affect so many carmed citizens, leading them to concentrate the seems to affect so many carmed citizens, leading them to concentrate the seems to affect so many carmed citizens, leading them to concentrate the seems to affect so many carmed citizens, leading them to concentrate the seems to affect so many carmed concentrate the seems to affect so many carmed concentrate the seems to affect to many carmed concentrate the seems to affect the concentrate the seems to affect the seems the seems to affect the seems to affect the seems to affec

Marquie Childe

### Low Score On The Home Front

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taken this action, the future of Europa would have been basic landed.

To two men goes much of the credit for t

HGH SCOME or American joreign poucy.

The Congressional score on topeign affairs Includes adoption of legislation/providing for American participation in the UNO and confirmation of members of the American deletimate of members of the American deletimate of the Am

world league.

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Ans score that Congress has run on the domestic side is something else sanin. It is practically a goose egg, a blank.

One of the most unfortunate defeats came last at the end. By a vote of 31 to 30, with the control of the control

SOUTHERN OPPOSITION
Even though the importance of the
welve-month extendion was impressed on
Democratic Senators, as impressed on
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the Republicans to defeat the amendment.
They were Bilbo of Mississippi, Byrd of Virginia, Hoey of North Carolina, McClellan of
Aranasas, ODaniel of Treass and Tydings of
Maryland. These are all Southern conservatives.

Maryland. These are an Soundin women varies. It was another Southern conservative, Representative Carter Manasco of Alabama, who was chiefly responsible for diluting President Trumaris Full Employment proposal to such a degree that it is now simost unrecomizable.

Samuel Grafton `

### A Third Party In The Making



and to run them over if they resist.

Probably, in an odd way, the issue depends on Mr. Truman and the Democrats, and on the intricate relation between the major parts. If Mr. Truman can pleat of effective liberal program, the nomination prospects of the young Republicans will look up; for the better the Democratic Party functions, the more the Republicans are compelled to search their soulis and perhaps to break their pattern.

DEMOCRATIC BOG-DOWN

POLITICAL CLOUDBURST

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What some of the Southern Democrate,
who are lustily pulling Mr. Truman in their
way direction, forget, and what some of the
old-line Republican leaders also forget, is
that there do capie times of political cloudhurst, when the old channels turn out to be
too constricted and nairrow to hold the flood,
erretter than what remains in the sensel, and
then you have a third party, or Whiga turn
into Republicans, etc. The organized labor
movement, the remnants of the Willicke blox.



figure our new atomic experiments will take 3 years to finish—I year of actual work, and 2 years testifying before Senate committees!"