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# In The Hope Chest

The Southern Railway is thinking these days in terms of hauling its passages value than building new passages value are more locomolities, more freight cars and passenger coaches, more track. But there will come a time when the Southern, its equipment replenished, "Ill have to begin to think again about assenger stations. What we hope is bast the very first passenger station the 'outhern' thinks about will be Chartier's.

In determining its future policies, the In determining its future policies, the outhern is in somewhat the same situation as the State of North Carolina. Soth organizations are, at the moment, well-heeled with cash and running over with revenue. Both would give a pretty be know just how their fiscal affairs are going to shape up after the war is over and the country has gone back into business for its own account once-more, instead of for the account of the U. S. Government.

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If passengers carried by the road remain closer to the abnormal year of 1944 (13,00,000) rather than falling back to the level of 1939 (400,000), and if freight-ton-miles stick somewhere in the neighborhood of 1947; 18,000,000 indeed of 1939 7,000,000, the Southern will have not only the need to build a new passenger station in Charlotte but the means as well. There iles one chance for a new station.

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There is another in the volume of note is another in the volume of post-war passenger traffic originating or terminating in Charlotte, specifically. The road will be minded to build a station accordingly. And there is still a third chance.

This is the chance that Southern of-ficials, taking note of that festering eye-sore which serves inbound and out-bound passengers at Charlotte (and falsely advertises to all the drabness of the town), will some day obey an impulse and start pulling the thing down

It is known, however, that Southern officials and the town too are long-suffering. All in all, we'd say our best chance of a new station lay in the Southern's continued volume of busi-ness and dough.

### The New Lobbyist

The lobbyist, as any little reader knows from way back, is a gross and scheming creature who fattens himself upon the body politic by devious deals made in smoke-filled rooms, who plots against the clitzens behind closed doors, who makes a mockery of a people's democracy, who wears a heavy gold chain across a protruding belly, who consorts with the greedy money-changer and dances to the tune of the great monopolles. It is he who, roaring his rude laughter, trades in the souis of law-makers and judges, princes of the people. It is he who likkers 'em up and dazzies 'em with fat rolls of the long green.

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long green.

But in these days, we are reminded by
Correspondent Lynn Nisbet, the lobbyist
in North Carolina is quite something
else. His character has changed completely. Rather than the agent of the
lords of finance and industry, he isbecome an agent of the people—and,
incidentally, of himself. This time, he
is a school teacher after a raise; a
physician, fighting against greater conrol over State Hospitals by business
management; a trained nurse, seeking
to restrict entrance into her trade; a
physician, resisting osteopaths and oplicians; a physician or University alumnus seeking a new hospital and medical
school at Chapel Hill.

In the presence of great piles of
money in the form of a surplus, the
men who live in the public mind asviltures do not flock around at all. And
those who come are professional people.
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all of high standing in public life—most of them State employees. And who is not there? Why, the most notorious rascal of them all, the likker lobbyist. He wasn't present at all. The Drys were for pushing through a referendum, but they didn't entice the scornful emissary they didn't entice the scornful emissary of evil even to enter Raleigh. And the Legislature suffered. The new day of the lobbyist is inspiring, but it's power-

## Last-Minute Rush

We are now coming to the final act of that stirring drama, "Where Was You When the Fight Was On?", or "Neutrality Does Not Pay." And you can see the bests of one to pure the property of the

future at San Francisco in April future at San Francisco in April. And that causes great anxiety around the globe. For the victors will not pass-the time in idle talk at the Golden Cate. They are going to cut tomorrow's world, and woe be unto him who is not at hand to claim a share. It was this prospect that pushed Turkey belatedly into war, to start the eleventh-hour reaction.

parade.
The Turks say that other nations -

The Turks say that other nations—they call them "associated nations"—also got their notice: Iceland. Chile, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, Unguny, Venezuela, and, of course, Egypta, Venezuela, and of course, Egypta, Venezuela, and the same is used to them squarely. They must Join our forces or sit by the hearth alone in the post-war entitle and the class of nations, and this one is even more significant. What of Switzerland, Spain, Portugal and Sweden—and Argentina? They are not given the chance to Join up at Parison, even by-declaring war on the common enemy. And why is this so? Why, it is so because these are down in the books, as something more than neutral nations. They are known to be collaborationists, working slyly with the Nazis. And so, for them, there is unwitation at all. Even the final and declaring, war cannot make house, and of declaring, war cannot make house, and in the future they will stand alone, with Germany and Japan. with Germany and Japan.

### Links-Wise

The mere locale of a sporting event, The mere locute of a sporting event, we are certain, does not necessarily bathe any community in bilinding light to be seen from coast to coast. We recall that, on occasion, the great putter of shots and thrower of discl, Jack Torrance, once appeared in Charlotte and toased something or other for a new world's record. And that a metropolitian paper opened its account of the event like this

"In whistle-stop Charlotte, N. C., Jack Torrance set a new world's record last night for the..."

We disremember the details, but that

"whistle-stop" business sticks in the mind. What should have been a right

mind. Whet should have been a tight good promotion for the city turned out to be something else, in this one instance, at least.

But this thing won't be true of the second running of Charlotte's \$10,000 Open golf tournament. Whether or not it lends dignity to the municipality to stage a bigger golf event than the next town we don't know. Were not even certain that the spectacle of the bigname professionals belting the bail around will attract any astounding number of visitors—though certainly

name professionals belting the ball around will attract any astounding number of visitors—though certainly there will be many. But it remains that this Charlotte Open is by all odds the biggest and brightest sports event on the local card, and that it can, if properly promoted, grow into one of the big ones of the Southern area.

The Junior Chamber of Commerce manifully tackled the big job last year with an angel behing it—and has one this year, too—but it found that it was a back-breaking undertaking, even consistent of the building of a worthwhile sports event, but that it helps the city by bruilling its name about all over the sports event, but that it helps the city by bruiting its name about all over the country among lovers of the grand old game of the Scots. More than entailing a while of a lot of work on the part of Jaycees, and affording some 10,000 folks the chance of seeing goff at its best, it is also a piece of civic business, and should be so regarded—always with an eye upon its natural limitations.

## Statesmen At Work

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Mr. O'KONSKII (Wis) On Feb. 18, Pravde, the official newspaper of Soviet Bussia assailed no for denouncing the Yalia Congression of the Congression of

# The Merry-Go-Round

WASHINGTON
CONGRESS today is as unpredictable as Washington
veather. Excitement ebbs and flows. Important
legislation sometimes gives way to a junior Madison
Square Carden or a sleeping contest.
On the celebration of his birthday,
George Washington would have been
the Congress he helped to size.
In the Senset, McFarland of Arizona delivered a dignified, statesman,
like speech on freedom of the press.
Two of the 96 Senators were in their
Lister Hill of Alabama. Only Republican was conscientious Harold Burton
of Ohio.

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### The Monkey House

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Simultaneously, on the other side of the Capitol, things were more exciting. Congressman Frank Hook of Michigan, rising to defend the PAO against charges by this Michigan colleague. Claude Hoffman, found himself with the Capitol of the House of Republicans. Bankin raced across the floor, jumped on the back of the 195-pound ex-lumber-jack, and began beating thin over the head. When the two were separated, Republican members cheered Rankin. Members who were not on the floor monared when tracked.

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"I'd have given a year's pay to see Hook slug Rankin
—and I can't afford it cither."

A few moments later all was quiet in the House. The
Senate had recessed long before. So you can take your
pick; sleep in the senate; or a slug-fest in the House.
Thus Congress celebrated the birthday of the father of

our country.

NOTE—It was lucky for Rankin that Hook did not let loose on him, for the Michigan Congressman paid for his education by fighting a circus wrestler. The circus man first offered \$50 to any three men who would stay in the ring with him. Hook was me earlier offered \$100 to any three may restler offered \$100 to any two men. Again Hook accepted and well with the circumstance of the circumstance

stay in the ring. Heek accepted the challenge and was. He used the money to pay his way through Valparaise, Ind., University.

### **Un-American Precedent**

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Senstor 'Happy' Chandler of Kentucky is conducting a one-man has camping nor a man who few others are not unusual legal precedents set in a long time—a secret vole by Washipton lawyers against the appointment of a Jewshi judge to the U. S. District Court of the District of Columbia.

of Columbia.

The judge is Nathan Margold, former solicitor of the Interior Department, now a municipal court judge, and recently nominated by Fresident Rosevelt for promotion to the district court. Margold would be the only Jewish judge on a twelve-man bench.

der his court. Marpold would be the only clerks higher on a treat-wann bench.

After his nomination, however, the District of Columbia Bar Association adopted the highly unusually procedure of taking a secret ballot as to whether Margold should be appointed to the district court. The vote was 604 against him, 200 for him. So far as is known, this is the first time such a vote has ever been taken.

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When we have the lawry-alect our hidgest. It we start that practice we'll have judges going around to lawyers, putting on an election campaign and soliciting votes. Then what kind of judges will we set?\*

The Senstor from Kentucky, who sits on the important judiciary committee, has been buttonloing colleagues and urging them to help him stamp out this un-American procedure.

### Ibn Saud's Wives

Usually accurate Presidential Secretary Steve Early paid a slightly inaccurate compliment to the King of Saudi Arabia, when he amnounced in an official White House communique that Due to the King of some compliment of the King deen not have 250 wives, lite has only four. That is, four at one time. Modelm have provides that a man may have only four, wives at ouce, and even then, 'he may have four wives, provided he can do equal justice to them all.'

However, Steve may have been merely ignoring than four wives in the course of the four control of the four than 10 or wives in the course of the four than 10 or wives in the course of the four than 10 or wives in the course of the four than 10 or wives in the course of the four than 10 or wives in the course of the four than 10 or wives in the course of the than 10 or wives in the course of the four than 10 or wives in the course of the four than 10 or wives in the course of the four than 10 or wives in the course of the formula of divorce three times in the presence of witnesses, and it's done had to do it so pronounce the formula of divorce three times in the presence of witnesses, and it's done. It is a hadre of minutes. That's why wives are so obtained that the hadron and the same than thirty sous, and nooded knows how many more than thirty sous, and nooded knows how many

in Arabia.

As far as children are concerned. King Ibn Saud has more than thirty sons, and nobody knows how many daughters, for they are kept in seclusion.

## Curfew Shall Not Ring Tonight



## A New Red Tune

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the following words on November 6,1942:
"It is not our alm to destroy Germany, just as it would be impered to be a support of the following th

feeting with other nations."

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and helts re-create a new German remubile?

3. Shall I say that Miss Ella Winter, well-known, apologist for Misser well-known apologist for the scommittees and her arricles in the New York Post on the eve of Yalia were lignment of the following words on November 6, 1942:

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role of Trotsky in the Russian
revolution. I doubt whether futture Russian histories will contain
any account of the long period of
retchswebr and the Red Army in
the 1920s, nor of the official Soviet attacks on the Treaty of VerMoscow cannot be unsaid in New
York, and it is extremely silly of
the Sortier pross to try to do it.
Here it is not a crime to change
once mind.

# Our Boys At War

By Marquis Childs

GERMANY

OVER the brow of a hill goes a long line of GIs, single file. They are going from a forward-area rest camp back into the lines along the Roer River.

along the Roer River.
It's just routine. And yet, somehow, for 'a newcomer to this'
strange world of war, it is unbelievably dramatic to see them
silhoueted momentarily against
the clear, sunny sky before they
they when, like the hill itself,
is within casy range of enemy
artillery.

is within easy range artillery.

There's nothing in the least dramatic about their behavior. It's as casual as though they were marching into a high-school assembly—and many of them look just about that old.

that old.

A woman correspondent in our jeep sets them off. They give wolf cries. They yell to the men just ahead to look out for what's coming. It passes all along the line, this sudden, unexpected humor called forth by a woman where women are non-existent.

Ahead is the town of Schuidte.

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Ahead is the town of Schmidt—or the skeleton that was left of the town of Schmidt after the word of a hill, with a view of the flood-of Rore down in the valley. It cost American lives to lask, this insignificant place. There were the word of the windered people in the Rore Valley. That is what is hard for these of us who live outside the orbit of the word of

boxes, mines, dragons' teeth, booby traps—all buttressed by the Reek, present that the second of the Reek of the R

# Some Bare-Fisted Statesmanship

OME days they have fan in the Hause. The session of Thursday, Pein. 22 opened in underly calm. Bennett of Thursday, Pein. 22 opened in underly calm. Bennett of the period of about as usual. Oh, there was a little flurry when Misslespin's Rankin ranted about Communists with Army commissions, but nothing untoward, nothing bloody. Shortly, however, Michajon's Clare Hoffman was on instruct, about his twornte project of batting the CIO. He was qualitien's communist' in thing to link, bustler Prankfurter with Communism in the Army, when it with Communism in the Army, when it will be about the project of the property of t

n."
Mr. Hoffman, Walt; with what?
Mr. Hradley, With great gusto,
Mr. Hoffman, What is that?
Mr. Draffley, He also referred to the gentleman from chicain not so long ago as the "Hannel-mouthed gentlem from Milebigan."

Michigan Michigan."

Mr. Hoftman. Yes: the rip-rooting, snorting, or something Congressman—he at least credited me with energy.

Mr. Hoffman, Yes; the rip-rooding, morting, or some-thing Congressman—he alt least credited me with energy.

Mr. Hoffman soared off on CIO, PEPC and Communicangin, until;
Mr. Hodi, Mcho. I do not know whether the gentle-many had centeed with some of the outstand-land from the content of the CIO-PAC, but I want to call his attention to the fact that I have, and I am proud of it, and want to eall attention to the fact that the real men in the CiO and the Political Action Committee are doing more to the CIO-PAC, but I want to call his attention to the fact that the real men in the CiO and the Political Action Committee are doing more to the CiO-PAC, while the real men in the CiO and the Political Action Committee are doing more better than the United States.

Mr. Rankin, Will will be the well then down.

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Mr. Hook, And we kendeman from Mississiph well action to the properties of the CiO in the would probably be doing a service to this country.

Hook, brandishing fists at white-halred little Rankin, shouted, "You're a dirty llar." Rankin was twisting his way through the seeks of the reason of the seeks o

Then:

Mr. Hoffman. A parliamentary inquiry.

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Mr. Hoffman. Who has the floor?

The Speaker pro tempore. The gentleman from Michigan Mr. Hoffman. Who has the floor?

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Mr. Smith, that, I heard the word that, were aken
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like to know whether it is in order for this House
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Mr. Smith. How does the House proceed to determine that question? stion? Speaker pro tempore. It requires a motion or a

The Speaker pro temporaries a point of order. The Member from Michigan Olr, Book must keep like seat the real better and keep like mouth shot, unider the Rules of the House.

The gentleman from Michigan (Mr. Hoffman) will pro-

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Mr. Hook I rise this morning to applosize to this both of the unseemly seems of yeaterday, which, I am sorry to say, were inconsistent with the high repute which this House has maintained, and I hope will always maintain, in the Nation's regard. I regret my part in it and the remark made by me violating the rules of the House. I hold in oldrest esteem the traditions of this Chamber and substantial the second of the remarks of

i which we represent. High tempers, I agree, are unseemly in the considera-tion of great issues. It is to my great regret that I lost he amidst circumstances for which I sak and hope I re-e some extenuation from the generous Members of this

constituency.

Mr. Rankin, Of course, I regret the incident that occurred here on yesterday. I merely did what any other gentleman world have done under the same c'reumstanece in I were to apologiste to anyone, it would be to the House for the disturbance the incident caused the membership of this body, for whom I have the highest regard.

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