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Good Move

If you look on the city of Charlotte as collection of wards, each of individual haracter and special interests, and the character and special interests, and the City Council as an assembly of wardsmen, each representing those interests, then the chances are that you will view the-bill to do away with election of Councilmen by wards as an encroachment of privilege and a threat of taxation without representation.

If on without representation.

If, on the other hand, your conception of the City Government is that of numbridge comparation representing the interests of everybody, a mayor corresponding to a president's and a Council (corresponding to a policy-setting board of directors)—why, in that case you'll probably see the sense of the more which has been made to do away with election of Councilmen by wards and to reduce their number from eleven to a more wieldy and easily supplied severn.

About the only thing that can be said in favor of eleven Councilmen, no more than two of whom may come from any one ward, is that it is the system in effect. But it never should have been put into effect, was done only because Senator James A. Bell took it into his head that by this means cliques on the then-five-man Council might be broken up. Look what happened. Instead of cliques, we got factions.

Even with an eleven-man Council, we are happy to concede that the City is beling well run, that its affairs are in good order. This is due, we believe, to the aggressive, progressive influence of Mayor Baxter rather than to any notable contribution by a better-than-average Council. We anticipate no great up-heaval for the better under the new disbensation.

All the same, it is a charter change which needed to have been made because it is an improvement. With seven instead of eleven places to fill, it will be a sight easier to fill then with able men. With election-by-wards eliminated, we shall have remedied the condition whereby the accident of residence had a good deal to do with determining the composition of this city-wide governing body. All the same, it is a charter change

"Goebbels distrusts Himmler and vice versa, both distrust Ribbentrop, and Goering suspects the lot." Such its life among the higher Huns. Com-plicated, isn't 117

School Bell

That boy of yours who would rather assemble radio sets than play ball, and that girl who'd rather have a high-powered microscope than a new dress, are worth watching and encouraging. If they have or should develop exceptional aptitude in science, exceptional educational opportunities may open up to them.

The fact is that, because of the war, The fact is that, because of the war, this country is heading straight for an acute ahortage in the very fields of scientific research and know-how which have made its instruments of war so effective. An article from Science Service, appearing elsewhere on this page, predicts a twelve-year shortage of the most essential scientists as a result of the non-technical use of scientists. and science students in the fighting

forces.

Unlike Britain and Russia, where technical schools have been kept at full complement, the United States has just about empiled its colleges. Once it becomes apparent that there is bound to be a gap in the supply of trained scientists for war and industrial research, the country, characteristically, will set about overcoming it in a hurry. But scientists are made, not in a hurry, only with the greatest pains, at great length. Realizing as much, the country will set about to assure that we do not run short again.

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From that will come the exceptional From that will come the exceptional opportunities for exceptional students in actence of which we spoke. We are dead certain that these students lack of financial means will not keep them from advanced training, if they are promising students. On the contrary, the highest technical education is likely to be made available to them only on the condition that they be able to absorb it.

national defense. No mere matter of college expenses is going to stand in the way, nor should.

And . . . Or

Winston Churchill's speech in Com-mons yesterday was not only one of the mons yesterday was not only one of the most masterful—and reassuring—of his long career as a fighting orator. It also gave rise to excited speculation on a most thrilling possibility. It boiled down to the implications of his conjunctions.

In the course of assuring the world that the Big Three had no intentions of ruling the world that the Big Three had no intentions of ruling the world, he came to the future, saying that all nations which had declared war upon Germany and Japan should be admitted to the San Francisco conference of United Nations in April. He emphasized that Marshal Stalin had agreed to that—Indicating that Russia herself, by March 1, must declare war on Japan in order to qualify.

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The reaction was immediate, Questions poured in, and the British Press Association, first changing its language to read "Germany or Japan", later revised its text to read as the original; "Germany and Japan." The meaning, unless London persisted in an error, was pretty clear; Russia was intending to declare war on Japan, to break its non-agreeston pack. aggression pact.

It was all pure speculation, aside from the language of the communique. For Russia most certainly deservative. For Russia most certainly deservative for be biggest ceats at San Principion, regardless of her future with Japan, and lk's foolish to surmise that she will be forced to pay an even higher price for admission. Blit Russia, by the San Francisco conference on April 25, must declare her intentions foward Japan. If she lets the day pass without comment, then her pact with Nippon continues automatically for five more sears. And if she ends the pact on that day, there miss he a year's delay before declaration of war. She must, in effect, serve a-year's notice of intention to make war — a pretty 'tiduletous situation in the It was all pure speculation, aside from pretty ridiculous situation in the modern age.

So the speculation runs, It isn't very Instructive, but it's interesting, and, for all we know, it may be loaded. There was at least some pointed talk of it in

Delaying Action

Governor Cherry, saying just what most North Carolinians would have him say, came out atconcy/ for the "sceneral alms" of the proposed new hospital and medical care plan, but urged postponement of any definite action on many of its points. He called attention to the fact that we must keep the budget in line, that we could not betray school teachers to whom the State has obligated itself, that we could not expand services on wartime prosperity. All of what he said was good common sense. The only trouble was it didn't give much impetus to the program.

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Everyone realized that we could not ndertake the building of new hospitals Everyone realized that we could not undertake the building of new hospitals now—that this must wait until the end of the war. But a great many people had imagined that the present General Assembly could do a little more than lay the broad cornerstone of which the Governor spoke. They thought that the cornerstone had been laid, and that it was time for a little framework.

We don't know just what features the Governor had in mind when he urged partial adoption of the program, but we hope that he placed his blessing at least upon the revolving fund for training doctors, for providing \$1 a day for indigent patients, and at least appro indigent patients, and at least approved the idea of sitring communities without hospital service to action—with the idea of eventually getting State aid, This program obviously cannot be put into effect until the money is in sight, but some of its principles may be put into operation without entailing great cost, and the start can surely be made now.

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The major task, of course, must be left to future legislatures as the Governor suggested, for the very crection of regional hospitals throughout the state is a project which will take many years. But the program itself, in principle, should be accepted now, so that we may proceed to attack this vitál-problem of North Carolina's health at the first possible moment.

able to absorb it.

Many have remarked on a growing resemblance of FDR, in the Yalta phosphot of the rising generation of tos, to Woodrow Wilson in his later actentists, the training of scientists years. Churchill, on the other hand, looks more and more like Churchill.

Statesmen At Work

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Mr. MRTHR (Mass.) Mr. Speaker,

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The Merry-Go-Round

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will work out here."

Johnston then proceeded to give a comprehensive picture of his objections to the work-or-fight oill.

"I am against it for the following reasons. he against the property of the contracts into No. I labor area. It has dumped its newest plane contract in San Diego, the tightest short area in the United States. It will have to hire special more men and you can't get 8,000 more men and you can't get 8,000 more men in san

Labor Hoarding

"Second," he continued, "the Army has made no real effort to get rid of cost-plus contracts. These contracts mean labor heardings. Management deem't have to worry about the cost and doesn't care how much money it spends on labor.

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Three, there has been no real effort to conduct a man power propagated beimpalge on a national cate. Three, there has been no real effort to conduct a man power propagated beimpalge on a national cate. Pennsylvania, and Newark, New Jersey, but those cities are aircady saturated. I am convinced that there are enough patriotic people in the United States who will be glad to take jobs in various communities and that we can find them if we conduct a nation-wide celegational campaign?

Celegational campaign, a very low of the conduct a nation-wide won't have any trouble. "Now you stop looking over my shoulder," and arese educational campaign, a considerable support for his views. It came from farm groups as well as labor and indus-

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Since then the beard's members have lived up to a statement. They have been no rubber stamps anyone.

Un-American Debate

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Last week was not the first time Mississipu's
Rankin, now dubbed "titular leader of the Republican
Party," has approached a Elst-fight with a colleague.

Rankin and Emanuel Celler of New York nearly
man to blown in the House loby not lone gav tust
after Rankin delivered a hiast against Jewish dentited
and physicians. Celler had charged that the American Dental Association was seeking queles for Jewish
dentit students. Rankin jumped up to complaint." I
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He defended the Dental Association, charged that Jewish physicians were making a racket of civil service rolls, said they predominated in veterans' hospitals. Rankin went on to huri the personal charges against the control of the control was a major cause of anti-sentials in this country.

Three times during Rankin's harangue, Cellar arise to term the Mississippian's words "false," "unfair," and "outrageous."

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But in the House lobby, shortly after the speech, Rankin begas blue-penciling the transcript, cutting out not only his words, but also Cellers.

"Bon't you cut my remarks out of there," pre-tested Celler. "I want my remarks to stay in."

"Keep away from me," growied Rankin. "This is my business, not yours. You act right on the iloor and we won't have any trouble." As the stay in the stay in the looking of the stay in the stay in the looking over my shoulder," and arose from his chair threateningly.

Celler warned that he would rectify anything.

Tale Of Two Cities



Our Money And Peace

By Samuel Grafton

NEW YORK

A NUMBER of American bankers want us to kill the most important half of the Bretton Woods agreement. They do not want this country to put \$2.750.

500.000 into a world stabilization fund. They say it would be take. They are might become more money. The same than the say it would be take. They are weight become more money. The same takes are the same through the same than the say it is not an extravagant suggestion that would be takes. They are might become more money. The same takes the same that the same through the same takes and the same takes a

Bombing Without End

By Marquis Childs

HEADQUARTERS 20TH TACTICAL AIR COMMAND.

WIND-blows across the field, and the gray sky seems pulled down tight to the horton, yet 9-47 lighter bombers take off from the atristip that bloects a sea of mud. The squadron, part of this tactical air command, has waited all morning for midnum visibility in order to go out and get aunther crack for two days, the war feess which, for two days, the war feess which, to knock out.

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American Ninth Army, It is a nevercolline cycle of danger.

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pilots these days rarely see any enemy
lighters, but the antiliceraft fire in
the Roer and Ribine valledy is persistently heavy and
the pattern of the flak is constantly shifting. Losses
of a tour of duty, are heavy. Their score, of a
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"Maple Carpet," and it certainly has been that farhim, pulling him out of more than one tight spot since
the first days of the Normanity invasion.

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heavy flak hursting all around.

What is even harder to understand, it seems to
me, is the utter boredom of watting out weather
through a rainy, forger, enony winter. Pilots all around
in draughly, dinhy lightled fents, talking or playing
that command, the seen entired while I've been visiting
this command. Holl's group flew three missions that
day, in beautiful clear, weather. The entire command
flew 850 sorties for what may have been a record for
this command, the seen relied up on that good day
was impressive it, included the destinetian of 30 locumotives, 161 railroad cars, 22 railway bridge, and 23
culis made in rail lines.

What the 28th has achieved is part of the war's



People's Platform be held (seether until they can do it. We, the people, by do it. We, the people, or bill. We pay the salaries of all public officials, including these of the General Assembly. And sefar as I can see they are no far as I can see they are far pay plan to adjourn in March. So there is still time to do some more needed investigating, and report and so home on Governor Cherry's schedule. This is a call for action port. "TAYLOR BLEDSOR Asheville, N. C.

And The Future

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Editors, The Naws:

Not long ago I write to a business firm back home—one with which I was not acquainted—and I got an answer quickly, saying that it would certainly need new blood after the war, and that exercisemen like me would surely nave a big place in its plans, and hoother, would never what

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cattors. The News:

Through the columns of your paper I should like to religate my protest of the Government's act of discrimination in its order governing conferences and consequences of the conference and consequences. The conference was allettle event, but very definitely limits, curtails and even forbids the holding of religious conferences

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ERNEST J. ARNOLD
Exec. Secy.
N. C. Council Churches
Durham, N. C.

New Investigation At Morganton

At Morganton

Editors, The News:

I visited the State Hospital at.
Morganton yeaterday for the first
time in six years. The food is better, in fact it is fine, and the
ter, in fact it is fine, and the
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Aside from this, nothing has
been changed. It is a place without hope, and without premise for
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Another investigation is needed, and the present Legislature should

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A Brain Shortage

By Science Service

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The number of physicists who were granted the doctor's degree has dropped marketly in the war years, with only 55 in 1944 compared with a peak of 181 in 1941.

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sen drawn away from the colleges
or war research, the problem now
and in the immediate future is not

NEW YORK-A evelve-year short-