It's Time To Bury The Dead

PRESIDENT TRUMAN, of course, had no choice but to run up the white flag over the White House Monday night; he was licked and he knew it, and the question was inch whether he would remove meat price controls, but when. With his gift for poor timing, he managed once more to leave himself open to charges that he years himself open to charge that he years himself the period of election in November. "The President entered a plea of political bankruptcy," said the Republican Kolo lock the barn door after the horse has been sent to market," chortied Republican Chairman Rece.

Certainly there was a political basis for the President decision, but it doesn't seem to us a complete explanation. Como that we have the president decision, but it doesn't seem to us a complete explanation. Como that we have the sent that the president decision, but it doesn't seem to the weather that the president he also not have the mean that the president of the weather that he was to the him to the weather that the way that the president he was not the him to the way that the way that the president he was not the way that the w

the President's decision, but it doesn't seem to us a complete explanation. Consider the alternatives if he had decided to behave like a stateman on Monday night. The meat producers of the country had struck against the Government and the victims of the strike, in accordance with the twisted thinking of this strange time, had made it clear that they would not support any positive Government action on their behalf. Even if he had had the backing of the public what legal weapons could he have used to force a return of meat at reasonable prices? The OPA extension law handed him by the 79th Congress is an obviously unwortable piece of legislation.

Mr. Truman tried to place the blame where it is due—on the Congress, and beyond the Congress on the private interests too many members of that august body served back in June. With bitterness in his flat voice, he even took public nots of the fact that there were a good many

Democrats in the wrecking crew. But he failed to impress the meat-hungry public, for he brought out his explanation only after his own colosal ineptitude had reduced the struggie over meat ceilings to the level of petity partisan politics. There are no Congressional hides nailed to the The President and, with all the firmness at his command, that other "essential vice controls" will not be junked on the basis of the meat precedent. But that, retainly, is whistling in the dark. It's like a run on a bank; the meat people got theirs and every other producer in the country is standing in line at the window right now. We hope, indeed that Mr. Truman will not cling stubbornly to the corpse of the OPA. The time has come to give it a decent burial and accept the long gamble that unlimited prices will free production

of the OPA. The time has come to give it a decent burial and accept the long gamble that unlimited prices will free production in time to check the Inflation that is certain to follow the funeral.

By virtue of their successful strike, the meat producers have the jump now on other manufacturers. Unlimibilited by the possibility of price control restoration, which helped keep meat prices down during the Summer OPA holiday, they are blessed with a golden opportunity to gouge a meat-starved public. The boys got off to a flying start yesterday, when the price of hogs bounded a solid one-third in the first hour after the market opened in Chicago. The greatest slaughter of livestock in history is underway, and there will be meat on the table by the time this reaches print. We only hope that those who were clamoring loudest for inflation don't wake up a few weeks from now wondering just who has been poleaxed.

Isolation Is A State Of Mind

AT THIS last breathless moment before the butchers start weighing out ateaks, and chops by the karat and the great meet famine of 1946 becomes a footnote to history, we feel we should note here one of the most remarkable phenomens of this uncertain Summer. Never in the history of human greed have editors had a more obvious peg on which to hang their moraliting, and yet we have falled to notice a single piece cailing attention to the contrast between the great American clamor for red meat and the feeble cries for bread going up elsewhere in the world.

The specter of starvation still stalks great areas of Europe and Asis. The children with the hollow eyes and the bloated belies still star hopefully across the set as people and the star of th

Henry Wallace's New Redoubt

HENRY WALLACE'S decision to accept the editorship of The New Republic

HENRY WALLACE'S decision to accept the editorship of The New Republic underlines the dilemms facing 11b er al a now that both major political parties have kicked them into the street. At best the editorship of the street, and the street of the street of

Another Voice

ers found only one out of five who claimed to understand the Baruch-Wallace feud over atomic controls taking Mr. Wallace's side. Of course, a loyal political following

side. Of course, a loyal political following that included 20 per cent of the population would provide a fine basis for a comeback, but the politers also discovered that only 42 per cent of the persons queried had any faint idea what Mr. Wallace's foreign policy is about. That means that Henry Wallace's great crusade, undertaken at a time when he had a cabinet office as a pulpit and the unlimited resources of the nation's press and radio to carry his message to the people, laid a colossal egg. The all but universal opposition of the press might have distorted his message, but certainly it did not promote apathy; on the contrary,

universal opposition of the press might have distorted his message, but certainly it did not promote apathy; on the contrary, Henry Wallace's enemies in their unholy anxiety to destroy him whipped up a rose-ing public controversy all out of proportion to the basic difference between Mr. Wallace and President Truman.

The problem facing Mr. Wallace and his fellowers is obvious. Somehow they must reffeth the great mass of the American people, who are not illiberal but who are disinterested. From his new rostrum on the editorial page of The New Republic, Mr. Wallace hasn't the slightest chance of getting a hearing out in the back country where it counts. His eloquence and his sincerity may, perhaps; persuade the 23,000 subscribers of his journal, and maybe even the 50,000 who look over their shoulders each week, but it will be a hollow victory for these stalwarts are already persuaded. Mr. Wallace, we fear, will soon find that for all practical political purposes he is talking to himself.

Ghost Ship Off California

THAT naughty ship, Bunker Hill, which has been slipping herself and cargo of gamblers through the inept blockade of California's anti-gambling laws, took a gunshot across the bows recently and immediately after sighted a ghost thip.

The gunshot was real enough in the form of a 70-man Coast Guard detail which boarded the gambling ship off Long Beach, Cali. charged that her roulette wheels were not engaged in coastwise shipping as licensed, and impounded her for the Los Angeles Collector of Customs. But the Coast Guard boarding party cannot have unnerwed the gamblers like the sighting of a spots ship-of the name of the Los Angeles Collector of Customs. But the Coast Guard boarding party cannot have the coast Guard boarding party cannot have a spot ship-of the name of the Los Angeles Theorem 1.

A use is found for the meat shortage, even. Quite a few local wearers of unsatisfactory dentures are seizing the opportunity to retool.

Raw Meat



People's Platform

Is The Fair Fair?

peting circus. WOWI! That's hitting low.

I hardly need to point out that I am a circus fan, and further state that in all my years I've yet to witness a performance under the BIO TOP that I will not be stated by the state of the BIO TOP that I if the can be said of the Southern States Fair' I I fel sure that a series of detailed stricles by one of your excellent feature writers explaining the connections and especially its influence upon the enaction of our tax laws governing the purveyors of certainment in North Carolina, would be revealing.

(NOTE: It's on the agenda, Eds., The News).

Down To Earth CHESTER, S. C.

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-JOHN M. MACAULAY.

Union Now

ALBEMARIE

Editors, The News:

Was to express my opinion on the meat situation.

We are all in the boat together. We hear people saw go adone, beliefing this one and that one.

See you also the conflict of the control of the co

return.

My point is this: We American people should come closer together and when we face an emergency as our ment situation is today, let's roll up our line and the state of the company of the compan

benefit and by separating none shall benefit.

This meat situation, as I see it, can be remedied if the farmers could work out a plan to bring their meat to town and have curb markets to sell to the could sell direct to the consumer.

The price of feed is so high that the farmer cannot raise in hemset for OPA ceiling prices. If the could sell direct to the consumer is the consumer is the consumer of the consumer is the consumer of the consumer is the consumer of the consumer is the consumer to the consumer is well. We should find a way to work out this plan.

We hope the men we now have in office will be causalized between the consumer and the farmer, so "well done."

"Well done."

We hope the men who advocate such plans as this will be elected in the coming November election.

—D. A. WALKER.

Two Wrongs . . . FOREST CITY

Editors, The News:

WITH reference to your editorial entitled The Legion Recept Bolling Jound on the editorial page Legion Recept Bolling Jound on the editorial page When and If the people and Congress of the United States see fit to take the profit out of war then I have no doubt that the American Legion will consider the Congress of the United States see fit to take the profit out of war then I have no doubt that the American Legion will consider the Congress of the State of the United States of the States of the

es.

We appreciate all that you have done for us, and
that you will continue publishing facts until
red results are achieved.

—MORELLA POLK,

Corresponding Secretary.

Marquis Childs

CIO Split In Ohio

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Harold Ickes

Case Against Bilbo

SUSPICION AROUSED

The acceptance of money by members of Congress for influence

Drew Pearson's: Cattlemen Strike At Taxpayers' Expense

WASHINGTON

The big Western cattlemen now withholding or Congress,
public side forced the American taxpayer to continue footing a large part of the bill for feeding the Western catties which he cannot now eat.

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seeing to it that the land is in good condition for said yearly rental amount to about \$85,000, with hift to the states in lieu of taxes, and one-quarter to wements on the land. Thus, the taxpayer has to pay maining four-fifths of the cost of keeping the range per for the big cattlemen. Service officials have been to sake the rental. Foruse and state lands, they point to sake the rental. Foruse and state lands, they point the said of the said of the said of the said of the them to be said to be said to break on their public lands. High-10. Silver McGarran of is came riding to the rescue. McGarran, a member e Sensake Public Lands Committee as well as the

big cattlemen and allowr miners. So he rigged an investigating trip through the West, and kaused a report disapproving any increase in the grazing fees.

Meanwhile, the grazing service got pinched from the opposite direction. Congressman ded Johnson of Oklahoma-where the grazing service has few lands—decided that the the fees were raised, he held, the grazing service budged to the fees were raised, he held, the grazing service that now is the thing to convince the grazing service that now is the Corran. Already they have discussed the maiter with Secretary of the Interior Krug, who feels dhat, since cattlemen are keeping their stock on the range instead of sending it to market, they should at least apa a reasonable price for the privilege of using the public lands for a sit-own side of the order of the privilege of using the public lands for a sit-own side of the order of the privilege of using the public lands for a sit-own side of the order of the privilege of using the public lands for a sit-own side of the order of the privilege of using the public lands for a sit-own side of the order of the privilege of using the public lands for a sit-own side of the order of the privilege of using the public lands for a sit-own side of the order of the privilege of using the public lands for a sit-own side of the order of the privilege of using the public lands for a sit-own side of the order of the privilege of using the public lands for a sit-own side of the order of the privilege of using the public lands for a sit-own side of the order of the order of the privilege of using the public lands for a sit-own side of the order of the privilege of using the public lands for a sit-own side of the order of the privilege of using the public lands for a sit-own side of the order of the privilege of using the public lands for a sit-own side of the order of the privilege of using the public lands for a sit-own side of the order of the privilege of using the side of the order of the privilege of using the side of the order of th

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