

Jimmy's Fancy Footwork Isn't Enough

To those who consider Ambassador Gromyko's round-trip walk out of the UN Security Council and back in again a great triumph of American diplomacy, Jimmy Byrnes has become something of a hero. We agree that his footwork was excellent and that the Iranian crisis is due this afternoon we have a reservation or two about the extent of his victory.

Iran is concerned, extremely phony. But if the Iranian people have had no chance to approve the deal with Russia, neither did they have a chance to approve the earlier American-sponsored protest against Truman's ultimatum. They are not a free people, and so all this while we have been defending, not Iran, but the Iranian Government, which, according to all reports, is thoroughly corrupt.

Starting From The Wrong End

It is not only your right to vote, it is your duty, proclaims the Committee for North Carolina in a booklet written and published in the bookshop at Chapel Hill. The Committee, it is carefully explained, is not telling North Carolinians "for whom you must vote—it is aim is to let you know what you must do in order to vote."

anything remotely resembling a political campaign under way in three parts—no speech, no speech, no free cigars, no handshaking. The voter who wants to find out how these two potential Congressmen stand on any of the pressing issues of the day will have to write them a letter.

A Chance To Rout Another Killer

There are five major killers at large in the United States—infantile paralysis, tuberculosis, cancer, diabetes, and heart disease. The public has long been alert to the first two, and has, as a result of annual prodding by well-organized agencies devoted to fighting these diseases, contributed money for research and for care of the afflicted. Last year Americans volunteered \$94 for each known case of infantile paralysis, and \$22 for each case of tuberculosis.

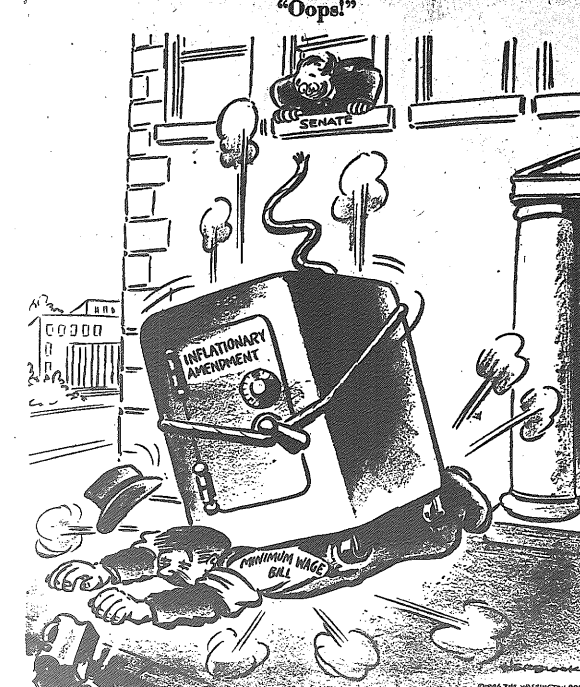
Mecklenburg County's quota for the annual Cancer Society drive is only \$16,425, and the local organization is attempting to meet it between now and April 17th. Their chances are excellent, for last year North Carolina showed a record as the state with the most cancer-conscious states in the nation, leading the South in contributions.

Another Voice

Reece Is No Departure

SELECTION of Rep. Carroll Reece of Tennessee as chairman of the national Republican executive committee does not, we think, mark any distinct departure from the practice of the G.O.P. of considering the southern part of the United States conquered territory. For that matter, we see no evidence of a desire on the part of the national Democratic leadership to refrain from the same sort of exploitation of the vote in these parts.

make over this or that part of the country. Considering that Chairman Reece is still the greatest of political strategists, we still believe he might have the diffidence if not grace to refrain from the sort of thing the Democratic national committee through its house organ, the Digest, has been doing to those southern Democrats who had stamina enough to vote for a minority bill which they deemed directed at the best interests of the nation.



People's Platform

If That Be Hypocrisy...

THE Governor of Oklahoma, Robert S. Kerr, recently came to North Carolina and made a speech, but he failed to give you the benefit of his opinion on the war with the whiskey question. My friends at home would get a huge kick out of the Charlotte situation, for we are strengthened, biased and experienced after keeping our state steadily dry for almost 40 years, or since statehood in 1907. We'll keep it dry for another 40 years, and to hearsten some of the swaying faithful here, I'll explain how it's done, and why.

The Baboon's Point

YES, Mrs. McGaha's rum-soaked baboon can show its pious point this way—no one can say no drunkard can enter the Kingdom of Heaven and prove the same. Don't judge, for no matter how we live or what we do, we can't get into the Kingdom which way we are going when we leave this earth. We can only hope for the best and pray for the same.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

THERE was more plain talking than was generally reported last week when half a hundred House Democrats met behind closed doors to discuss an article in the Democratic Digest which Democrats who voted for the Labor Case Bill. If any Republican had been allowed to be present, he would have figured the 1948 election was already in his bag.

ABC stoves, and let him take his drink who wants it. He can be just as much of a gentleman as the one who doesn't. Whether we are drunkards or not we can be temperate, as when those who would judge others tell them they will go to hell.

Peace-time Conscription

INTERNATIONAL news of this last week-end was more encouraging and less hysterical. The cumulative effect of international tensions such as that over Iran is very dangerous but responsible statesmen in all nations have said there will not now be war. While our press continues to point up disturbing news it is evident the governments of the world are still supporting UNO. We have yet time to build.

How Do They Sleep?

LAST Summer I read in the letters to the Editors that the food that was fed the dogs in the U. S. would keep the people in Europe from starving. The dogs still get the food. I wonder if the dog owners are sleeping good at night knowing that a child is dying for the want of a bone.

Apologies Don't Count

HOWEVER, it was Hannegan and Wallace whom angry Democrats tried to get, not the women in charge of the Democratic Digest. The apology went unheeded. The secretary's McKenzie then outlined the real reason for the incident in a lengthy statement, pointing out that there are 120 Southern Democrats who should have a good deal more to say about party policy. The Administration has not only not consulted the Southerners, he said, but for years it has followed a legislative line which it knows the Southerners oppose.

What About Egypt?

WITH Iran at least temporarily agreed upon, the Council will be in a better position to handle disputes like the one between Iran and the Soviet Union. It is not to be denied in the future. One handicap during the crisis just ended was that the Council provided as it went along.

Iranian Case Notes

I SAY with humility that I envy all pundits who are able to write smart, sensible, and sensible essays with every dark point clarified, every question answered.

Samuel Grafton

THE background on Egypt is singularly revealing with respect to colonialism and imperialism. For 3000 years, the Egyptians have been governed by foreign masters, peoples, and in the end, the ancient people.

Rep. Ervin Puts In Word For Mrs. Tillett

delegato, Col. W. R. Hodgson, protested both to Lie and Quigley against secret meetings. Australian Foreign Minister Ewart, he said, had expressed a strong opinion that the Security Council owed it to the world to carry on open discussions.