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A Church States New Policies

NOWADAYS it is not shocking to dissover Southern churches launching of-ficially into worldly affairs of the day, and this comes to us as a hopeful sign of an awakening. These excursions aren't yet seneral by any means, but there are many pulpits from which come messages apply-ing Christian ethics to problems of labor, cation social welfare. There are, for example, many ministers of several defor Human Welfare, a group working directly for social and political gains.

But this section has seldom, if ever, seen nything like last week's action of the outhern Synod of the Evangelical & Reformed Church in Kannapolis. The entire somed Church in Kannapolis. The entire Synde were on public record as favoring everal propositions which, by the old traditions, lay outside the realm of church activity. Regardless of how these opinions may be received, they must be encouraging to laymen and clergymen slike.

This church simply stated its approval of the Fair Employment Practices Com-mittee, the 65-cent minimum wage, integ-racial education, and civilian control of atomic energy. In addition, the Synod laid plans for a vigorous temperance drive throughout its territory.

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Its stand on any of these issues is not our immediate concern. What matters is that the leaders of the church felt the compulsion to speak out. This is in direct contrast to the behavior of Southern churches in general, which have so often avoided entanglement in controversal issues touching the life of the region on the ground that secular affairs were beyond the pale. This ancient tradition was only occasionally violated, as in the case of prohibition. If the time has come that many churches of the region are prepared to grapple with the issues of the workaday world in the belief that they need the touch of Christianity, we are indeed making progress.

Petting Threatens Us Again

WELL, the secret is out at last. The Dean of The University of Illinois has discovered that petting is a favorite campus aport, and he's out to break it up. He's soing to replace it, he says, with "more desirable forms of recreation," We don't know what wholesome influence he has in mind, but it had better be good if he's going to sell it to the youngsters.

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It appears that the Dean might never have been prodded into action if the atudents hadn't staged public spectacles and "displayed poor taste." From now on, he says, his campus policemen are going to hat the over-amorous couples. It sounds as if the cops had let them strictly alone, up to now. For one thing, he's going to make more room in the local theaters, by removing double features and providing for bigger crowds. That, he figures, will keep the young folks out of mischlef. The Dean has yet more to learn. It probably ham't occurred to him that the theater is almost the oldest rendezvous known to man, and woman.

Historically, this business of petting is as old as the race, but it was in the period following the last war that it was properly

mamed, and first became a topic of public discussion. It became a symbol of a whole rowdy age, in which inhibitions were replaced by John Held's girls, bootleg booze, and the free and independent Happer who kicked up her heels just as also pleased. Even without that precedent, we suppose, today's youngsters would have taken to investigating the mysteries of life just as they have now at Illinois, And they needed no period of general unrest to spur them on.

This perplexed Dean hopes to reopen campus ballroom to expand recreational facilities, and to offer students more activity. It is a step in the right direction, for in general pleasant recreation has a for in general pleasant recreation has a wholesome effect on morals. And in any community fenced about with restrictions and made holy by imposed inhibitions, moral character generally auffers. But the Dean need not be deceived. For all his sending the youngsters to movies and campus dances and playing feletis, he will not completely solve his problem. It is, in the end, beyond solution. The youngsters are members of the human race, and they're going to be true to their inheritance, in 'Illinois or anywhere else.

The Root Of All Evil

THERE is no comfort in it, cold or otherwise, but Raymond Daniell of The New York Times, probably the ranking authority on the disintegration of our occupation forces in Germany, has come to believe that liquor and women are secondary causes of their moral collapse. Money, the traditional root of all evil, he lists as the primary source of our occupational troubles.

The enormous profits available in the black market provide the temptation that unders thousands of bored officers and men. The wildly fluctuating mark is pegged, in theory, at ten cents, this see. The wildly fluctuating mark is pegged, in theory, at ten cents; this means that a soldier can obtain a money or postal order for shipment out of the country at the rate of one dollar for ten marks. At post exchanges he may purchase scarce goods at very low prices. Cigarettes, for instance, he can buy for about ten marks for one dollar) per carton. On the black market he can sell them for 150 to 200 marks (151 to 350 when reconverted into a money order and mailed home). Military authorities have tried to clamp down, but, as Mr. Daniell remarks, Americans are resourceful people.

This, even though it is nothing less than a direct raid on the United States treasury,

is not particularly dangerous in itself. But the rackets extend to all sorts of activities, and even threaten the whole process of de-Nazification. There is evidence that Ameri-can military government officials have ac-cepted bribes '3,000 marks is the standard price) for illegally issuing licenses to re-open industries, or all-important certifi-cates of de-Nazification.

This corruption, combined with the notable GI predeliction for the eternally available frauleins and lousy German liquor, is certainly not un-noticed by the German people, who are being instructed by our troops in the ways of democracy. Mr. Daniell sums up many conversations with German civilians, most of them originally pro-democratic: "They say that the actions of our soldiers are confirming the Goebbles propaganda that American favor can be bought with a pretty girl or a bottle of schnapps, and that we are a mercenary, incorant, and vulgar people." If that conviction is as widespread as Mr. Daniell before its about the sum of Germany is probably doing more harm than good. And, somehow, we don't believe the altuation is going to be cured by General McNarney's recent order that all troops will stand 7 A. M. reveille. able GI predeliction for the eternally avail

Another Voice

Caves Are No Solution

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we have reached the point of dispersal pet—and if it has to be for this reason let us pray we never will. But the Army and Sary, through their joint Munitions Board, are about to touch the fringes of the problem. They are sending experts into the nation's natural caverns to atudy auch matters as floor and ceiling space for airmster and machinery, natural concealment, unmidity and temperature, overhead protection and cost of putting to use.

No one can criticize the Arny and Navy is this detail. They are, as instructed, at-seeding to the national defense. They may used a some people into realizing the hecea-for quick and adequate international least to prevent atomic wars. The news as the United Nations Atomic Energy commission is now nearly complete, with

the appointment of Mr. Gromyko on Mon-day as Russia's representative and Mexico's representative to be named this week, is more encouraging than would be the dis-covery of a cave big enough to take in the whole population of the United States. —The New York Times.

Certain cgreless remarks, dropped in Teheran, evoke dark doubt as to the Russon-Iranian "understanding." After all, nothing so milliates against a convincing ventrioquial performance as a dummy talking out of turn.

Less than two weeks after the opening games, form begins to assert itself in the baseball standings. Gravity, as exemplified by Newion's apple and the Philly teams, remains the law.

Housing in any of the big towns brings to mind the nifty of the old Columbia burlesque wheel: "I went to hed between 10 and 11." "That's too many in one bed."

Learned the nard way, after years of buying: The big economy size is probably three times as much as you'll ever use.



Ticker

People's Platform

Have We A Class Of Drones?

CHARLOTTE

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Queens Goes Forward

CHARLOTTE Thank you very much for the splendid editorial appearing in The Charlotte News. We at Queen College appreciate so much all that you are doing for us in helping us place the cause of Queen College before the public. We hope that you will continue your interest in the College, and we as: continue your interest in sure you of our appreciation.

HUNTER B. BLAKELY.

President, Queens College.

More Drinking; Less Trouble

The May Day editorial in The News on -How To Avoid A Tax Increase" in Charlotte supplied an answer, "ABO Stores in Charlotte supplied an answer, "ABO Stores in Charlotte." No mention was made of how to avoid increased drinking. In Durham county with thirting ABC Stores, no less an authority than Judge John H. Harris, the head of the ABC board there, said: "I don't asy there's less whisty drunk here—there's probably perfence. Mr. Burke Davis reported Judge Harris' statement in his articles, "ABC Did It," in The Charlotte News on February 18, 1946.

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Mr. Davis reported that ABC Stores in Durham
county furnished immense funds for building magulfcent public buildings, such as The Charlotte
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—INEZ FLOW

(Note: Judge Harris is accurately, but not fully, quoted. He finished by adding: ". . But at least tis not polson. It's not driving people crazy." He could say that because Durham is now sending only two citizens a year to Dix Hill for the alcoholic treatment; before ABC it sent up to 30 a year.—Eds., The News.

The People's Platform is available to any reader who cares to mount it. Communications should be less than 300 words. typewritten if possible, and on only one side of the paper. Libel and obscently will be deleted—otherwise anything goes. Each letter must be signed, although, in exceptional cases and upon request, we will wekhold the writer's name.—Editors. Taxs Naws.

Quote, Unquote

IT is impossible to expect a defense against the atomic bomb. It is a saturation weapon. One single bomb dropping on a fair-sized city completely paralyses all possible defensive methods that may be used against others which might be launched against that city—Dr. Harold C. Urey, atom bomb scientist.

The concentration of power in any segment of our society—be it labor or management or government—is a perversion of democracy and a denial of the Christian faith.—Pormer Gov John W. Bricker of Ohio, 1944 nominee for Vice President.

Marquis Childs OPA's False Friends

WASHINGTON

THE volume of mall flooding into

I the Senate on the price-control issue reminds old-timers on

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wouldn't have given it to me, and it it was any worse, I couldn't have drunk it."

While the bill that comes out of Congress may wear a gloss of good intentions. It may be an early with control goes. If that is the end re-sult, those who are now trying to hold what is left of the price line will certainly get out. In other words, they will call the Congres-sional bing.

GENERALSHIP

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One difficulty in the Senate is in generalship. While the forces favoring realistic price control lost the battle in the House, they kept the record straight. These forces in the House had an effective general in Representative Mike Monroney of Oklahoma.

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Because they have heard this stirring at the grass roots, some Senators have changed their tune. They talk now about the need to continue OPA with "reasonable" modifications.

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study of the price-control law and
how it worked. He could recognise
a Trojan Morez amendment a miteerenty won the Collier Award for
his work in the House, let none
of the phony amendments get by
without a challenge, even though
he couldn't stop them.

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The Senate has a chance to make up for the failures of the House. House members who helped to chop the OPA into little pieces have now seen which way the wind of public in a mood to accept corrections from the Senate. Those letters are pouring in from people who know about the cost of maintaining a family.

Samuel Grafton

Peace Comes To N. C.

MANTEO, N. C.

Handle the desired bears. The
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who look no more .han high school gage, loudly discuss their war risk insurance.

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They are having David Rubinoff and his \$100,000 violin, to play for a benefit for the high school band, and the Eitzabeth City 'Daily Advance' calls on the people to support the cause of culture by turning out.

PEACE ON WINGS

Elizabeth City has also grabbed off a new bit of air service, having succeeded in making itself a stop on a little faster air line, which files aix-passenger Cessinas, and will

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Drew Pearson's : Jacobs, Cannon Active In Fight On OPA

(ED. NOTE-This is the first of a series of revealing columns by Drew Pearson giving the inside story of the lobbice now battling against price central.)

WASHINGTON

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Association.

Rep. Fred Crawford. Saginaw. Mich., Republican, who served as "stooge" for the auto dealers and frankly admitted to newamen that the auto dealers wrote his OPA amendment. He confessed at first that he didn't know exactly

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Cotton Is Still King

O these organised hatcheters of price control perhaps the most ramified lobby is that conducted by cotton-with

some side help from wool. Most people have the idea that the cotton lobby is supported by cotton farmers, but just the opposite is true. Southern cotton farmers now own only about eight per cent of their harvested crop. Long ago the south farmers, will profit almost nothing from price increases. Even the coming cotton crop still unharvested has been largely bought up.

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However, using the "dewntrodden" farmer as their battle my, lobbysits did such an effective job for the cotton and wool industries that their bosses should increase their sizeady lush asiaries. Here is the lobbysit rolleall:

1. Dr. William P. Jacobs. of Charlette N. C. president of the American Cotton Mandicultures association, former president of Presslyteriam College Clainton, S. C. and close to the C. and the control of the Contr

people. Despite his soft-spoken charm. Jacobs that healteste to lay down an implied threat to Government afficials in March that unless the testile industry was generated price increases, textile manufacturers would not produce cloth. We'll settle for a fair lay for cent increase straight cross the board, now he warned. "But if we don't get it, we don't know what we'll ask for islar."

Cannon's Cotton Campaign

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2. Another powerful industs is Roy Blake, representing
the National Outlon Council of Anothers whose president.
Osciar Johnston, operates 50.050 British-word cotton certs
in Mississippi. Blake and Jecobe chieffy represent the big
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head mice his alleged probe of the cluthing shortage, a probe which make the man the man which make the hand fundamental which make the hand fundamental but friend Charley Cannon ramble on for hours, axing little, while experts like Protessor Cannor Ackley of the University of Michigan were cut short with this query from Sankhead:

"We don't wast any testimony from you. You know only go the conting should exhomente."

Professor Ackies, of course, was only one of the top consonists of the country and chief of QPA's textle pricing division. Sentor Bankhead, however, was only interested in proving one point for which he had called the hearing—the faithty of QPA.

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3. Another cotton lobbylat is Claudius Murchiaon, president of the Oction Textile Institute, former University of the Carolina professors and the Carolina professors with the C

The Wool Lobby