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Roosevelt Jr. Misses The Challenge

PRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT JR. gave a very routine performance yesterday when he appeared before the CIO's national convention in Boston to denounce the "special interests" and their stooges in the usual style of labor convention orators. The impression he made on us want' improved by the symbolic effect produced by CIO's Phil Murray, who unveiled a memorial plaque to the late President Roosevelt just before Franklin Jr. went into his act.

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The names and some of the accents of
the speaker and the venerated President
were the same, but they carried little of the
challenge and imparted none of the lift we
got from the Champ himself in the days
when he was leading the fight "for the dignity of the common man and his children",
in the words inscribed on the memorial

plaque.

We found ourselves wondering what
FDR. would have said on this occasion.
Doubtless he would have mentioned, in his
inimitable way, a "servile Congress", the
real estate lobby and the food and commodity speculators, as his son did. Again,
like his son, he surely would have called on
labor, housewives, farmers and war veterans to rally around for the next election.
But would he have left it at that? We
doubt it.
The son's speech was a page lifted out of

doubt it.

The son's speech was a page lifted out of the New Deal catalogue, a poor imitation of a great call to battle which stirred the nation when the "economic royalists" were the chief enemy visible on the horizon of the common man in America and the main battle was confined to the domestic arena. But it was Franklin D. Roosevelt himself who declared that she battle of the New

Deal was over and the struggle for national survival had begun nearly a decade ago when the totalization control of the structure of the struc will raise a compelling voice for a national

great need of the hour is for someone who will raise a compelling yole for a national union of all our people. Just how far we are from meeting that need was illustrated by a curious incident in this CIO convention when it was disclosed that a publicity firm was working for the nomination of Walter P. Reuther for Vice-President on a Republican ticket headed by Senator Tatt. Reuther, president of the control of the control

Henry Knocks, But No One Hears

ITS HARD to snuggle up close to Henry Wallace these days. He's made himself the kind of ideological ne ig hor most Americans don't want, and though he has many loyal followers still in his truin, he has altenated them by the thousands, with every new speech; and every new stand. Perhaps he feels himself propelled by destiny into the side pocket—or perhaps he's the same old Henry he always was, looking like somebody else in these curious times.

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Whatever has happened to him, he is by now a self-made voice in the wilderness, and his occasional outbursts have outraged so many that he finds himself with a akimpy audience when he speaks as a critic with something to say. Thus, when he rose in Baltimore the other night to lambast the Truman Doctrine and the h-partisan foreign policy which is already coming down about our ears, he was speaking to a public ready to agree in advance—but so prejudiced against him that it couldn't take time to hear what he said.

Perhaps only the historians, with their enormous, crawling kind of patience, can view Henry in proper perspective; maybe he's been right, and the rest of us wrong in these turquient first years of peace. But in our time at any rate, he looks more like a

side-show statesman than the exciting liberal he once was. We wish it weren't so. He gave Americans something to think about this week.

It is his notion that our foreign policy, the 'get-tough' policy, has led us unto a kind of diplomatic ambush, that we are making enemies abroad every day. He makes the point that our aid, if it is poured out at increasingly high prices, is going to put Europeans into the same exasperated state American housewives are in today,

out at increasingly high prices, is going to put Europeans into the same exasperated state American housewives are in today. He says that we are paying for our foreign policy with every loaf of bread and every quart of milk we buy. It's the kind of talk Americans can understand, and the kind of thinking they should ponder. Outside the control of the

Music In The First Degree

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Balk and Meast are purely luxurify
for most communities. A town can
get along without them—and most of them
do. But when they come in with their immortal band of fellow composers, settle
down and find decent treatment and keen
interest, something important has happened to the life of a city. It is happening in Charlotte, simost without the notice
of the majority.

The Charlotte Symphony has made remarkable progress in recent years, and is
a musical group of which no one need be
ashamed. It can't compare with the great
orchestras supported in one way or another
by the great cities, but under Guy Hutchina it is doing a thoroughly respectable
job. Now there is another group, a smalley one, which makes the prospect of Charhall the state of the property of the
Our Symphonette, a 25-piece group
headed by Pulltzer Prize-winner Lamar
Stringfield, is unique in America. It is
dedicated to the principle-that music belongs to all the people, not to a few sponsora. It is deliberately maintained as a
small group, to keep up a high level of

From The Christian Science Monitor

individual performance, and to reach heights the larger symphonies must often forego in their inevitable drive for unity. Competent sustains have come away from hearing symphonette saying that it is the finest local musical group they have heard in any city; it is perhaps the only one playing regularly under a well-known composer. At any rate a smaller group like this offers Charlotte an opportunity to build a first-rate attraction able to hold its own in any company. It has at hand a number of competent mustclans some of whom must commute some distance) and a skilled and experienced conductor, all of whom are determined to give regular concerts whatever the local response.

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This group will not become what Stiring-field calls a parasite in the community; it will not sak for support from anyone but the public attending the concerts because it seeks the stimulation of fine music, played at its best. The thing is significant in all aspects of the community's life. It is a cheering note in the daily life of a rapidly changing city.

From The Christian Science Monitor

Life Among The British

A USTERITY is a word in the news. It is also a long queue waiting in the cold for a weekly ration of 20 cents' worth of meat and one egg. It is the shopkeeper's announcement that there are no eggs at all this week because "the 'ens 'aven't been partfolio".

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How can the bare facts, the bare figures, of British austerity be brought home as living need to American hearts and mind;

How can the family that has just driven joyfully through the glowing October countryside, heaped with the fruits of harvest, and has come back at chilly dusk to a warm house and an abundant meal—how can such a family realize what October meant to Britons this year?

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It does little good to say that it meant
he beginning of new austerities under
stitating drive to cut imports, increase exports, and avoid economic collapse. What
he imagination must grasp is the return
o a wartime footing, without the bombs
and without the glory.

Ne spin lifto the country for the British
amily; no gasoline ration. No sung relaxaloss before the fire afterwards; no fuel

available. No jam with the bread and but-ter; no butter often. Just the hint of an-other Winter in the air, with one's clothes a little shabbler, one's work a little harder, and eight years of drab austerity growing a little grim.

little grim.

Not that the British are all down-at-mouth even when they are down-at-heels. There is grit and determination splenty, and there is basic good humor beneath frayed patience. But when Americans peer over the high prices that hem their horizon at present, they will see a valight disterdemocracy that is paying an incalculably higher price for their common yielory in war.

Economics are simple. The nation which spent itself out of a depression will now proceed to hoard itself out of prosperity.—
Kansas City Star.



Labor's Lost Gains

Wages And The Price Spiral

the International Photo-Engravers Union of North America.

RECENT so-called anti-union legislation bears out what has so often been said in the past warning unions not to rely too much on acts of Congress and revores from politicians or Covernment bureauxists, between the politicians of Covernment bureauxists, between the politician of Covernment bureauxists, between the politician of Covernment bureauxists, between the politician and through their consolidate their position step by step.

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for preference on the salloy, all creating continuous in the minds of management.

Following the lead of some of these men, egged on by the curious economic theories cooked up to "justify the demand, the enormous group of worker of the control of

spiral of wages and costs is the effect on any savman, insurance politics, pensions or investments,
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the time they were initiated, they quickly lose value
and become entirely inndequate when this inflationary process sets in. The result is that people become
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care of them in over of living through taxes seam
cutting down money available for living expenses,
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Fortunately or unfortunately the process cannot to con much further, other factors will inevitably break up this game of leap-frog and I andly fear that these grasshoppers will be as unprepared as the ones in the fable.

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mean you are still behind the eight ball.

DOLLARS AND REAL WAGES

About this time the photo-engraver who reads this
will be confirmed in his opinion that I am against
increases in wages. Very definitely I am in favor of
pay envelope doesn't mean a thing. During the depression when I did not have a day's work at photoengraving for twenty months but lived on unemployment of the property of

Marquis Childs France On The Eve

Joseph Alsop

Rattled Americans

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policymaker, nervously dodging issues with the abused at of a spathimself in the same ring with Joe
Louis in a fit of temper.

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childhood, and has therefore always been wrapped in pink cotion
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Drew Pearson's : Training Doctors For Atomic Defense

UNITED STATES Army. Navy strategists have estimated that the United States has until 1891 before Russia produces the atomic bomb in quantity, even though she probably has the secret now.

During these next three years, therefore, the Government, and the proper medical know-how, it is estimated, will reduce fatalities by from 25 to 40 per cent—in case of an American Hroshima.

The special atomic bedied course afready has abeen the proper medical course afready has abeen probable for the proper medical course afready has abeen repeated before select groups of Army and Navy officers, including British observers. As soon as it is sgreed how much case to the darky, the classes will be thrown open to the full days, and will cover the following high points:

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4. Alpha and beta particles are less dangerous, since they cannot pass through the akin. But can enter the body through the nee, mouth or a wound. These particles lower are found in the must now the second of the second of