A Great Day's Work For ABC

THE people of Charlotte in voting for I upon control gave us a mandate to stamp out Illiest injury settivites," and ABO Chairman Frank K. Sims Jr., pertendy in the midst of the round-up of bootlesgers in this area. "This is the answer."

It is indeed a stunning answer, serving notice that Mecklenburg County has the type of law enforcement which dooms the illicit liquor industry in a section which so recently was notorious as a center of bootlesgring.

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In fact, he made it clear that yesterday's
speciacular series of raids was but the beginning of a campaign in which "we will
combat bootlegging with every means at
our disposal." However, the actions and resuits in that predawn-to-dusk operation of
the ABC enforcement segents any plainer
the Meckhenburg County is done if the arthorities follow through in the energetic
and efficient way established by ABC.

In this undertaking, Mr. Sims has displayed zeal for his work, a thorough knowledge of his business an d an organizing
ability which promise much for the future
success of the ABC system. His sense of
drams, reflected in the range and the tacties of the raids, added to the significance
taked on the carried planning that went
into preparations for the raids heightened
teler effect in discouraging illicit operators.

The mass raids yesterday demonstrated remain a constant-threat, and the alcohol problem will not be solved with the curbing of the boulegger. There are many other aspects of control of the liguor evil which demand attention, but we have the proof that ABC offers the means for an Intelligent attack on the whole problem. However, we will have to have the full co-operating the state of the stat

A Trick In The Russian 'Panic'

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lief that Russia is threatened with omic collapse could have and in fact is economic collapse could have and in fact is already having the effect of encouraging Americans to abandon both the recoverly program for Europe and attempt to con-trol infiation in this country. It is conceiv-able that the Kremlin strategists planted the panie rumors or even manufactured a temporary panie in order to produce Just such an effect on American opinion at this critical moment.

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Senator Kem of Missouri, Republican, as a result of this news of Rossian failure, is a result of this news of Rossian failure, is a result of this news of Rossian Fill on the senate of the senate of the senate of the believe that there is a "great possibility of a complete crack-up in the Russian econ-omy." Senator Taylor of Idaho, Democrat, sees the Russian reports as a warning to the United States of the danger in a plan-ned economy. Senator Bricker of Ohlo de-clares the latest tale from myserious Ru-sian "indicates that the strictest controls the

world has ever known are not enough to save money and goods. It shows controls don't do the job."

The Senators, it seems to us, are leaping to conclusions on the basis of incomplete and questignable evidence. The y exhibit surprising "funceance for golditiclans who have been on the scene long enough to know something of the devious character of Soviet propaganda and the deceptive way of Russian operations.

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and say the reported confusion over currency devaluation is cause for alarm rathrather than false hope in an ti-Communist
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the USSR will adopt the pold standard and so
into the international markets to fight the
Marshall, Plan. The Sovieth has assembled
a large hoard of gold and devaluation of
the currency at this time may be a step
toward establishing a tight ruble area
within the Soviet orbit, which would give
Russia greater economic control over that
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At any rate, it is clear that dependence
on a Russian breakdown is a foolish and
dangerous course for us to take, and that
our only safety at this time lies in intensifying our efforts, to revive Europe's economy and curb inflation at home.

Samoa Is The Place For Earles

CERGE H. EARLE, the belligerent of American who has advocated dropping the atomic bomb on Soviet Russia, charges that he was sent into "political exile" in Samos in 1948 after he had sought President Roosevel's permission to expose Russia as "a greater menace than Germany." He produces a letter from the late President as proof that Mr. Roosevel's interact is more fearful than the Hillerian monster. It requires a very short memory is a size of the produces a letter from the late President as proof that Mr. Roosevel's that the substantial length as come since Mr. Roosevel's died and the Earle's nour midst have been so and the Earle's nour midst report when the work of the trumpeting for war between two works of the midstone of the trumpeting for war between two works of the midstone of the trumpeting for war between two works of the midstone of the trumpeting for war between two works of the midstone of the trumpeting for war between two works of the midstone of the trumpeting for war between two works of the midstone of the trumpeting for war between two works of the trumpeting for war between two works of the midstone of the trumpeting for war between two works of the trumpeting for war

ng Mr. Earle to thas remove and any sport of the Pacific.

A former Governor of Pennsylvania, Earle served in Turkey as a special emissary on Baikan affairs for the President from 1943 to 1945. When Mr. Roosevelt required from the Yalac conference in 1945, Earle sent him a message saying that while Russia was "posting as aillies they are tearing the democracies to pieces," and announcing his in tention to published before.

nounce the Soviet.

Sufficient reason for applying the gag to Earle is given in the Roosevell letter, which says: 'Thave noted with concern your plan to publicise your unfavorable opinion of one of our allies at the very time when such a publication from a foreign emissary of mine might do treparable harm to our war effort. As you say, you have held important positions of treat under your Government. To publish information obtained in these positions without proper

Since the war ended, Mr. Karle has been free to air his opinion on the Russian mena-ace and has missed no occasion to do so. He-is willing now to publish this correspond-ence because he believes that it reveals him in a prophetic light and represents Mr. Roosevell as suppressing facts in support of a policy of "appeasement." It would take a very childish mind not to appreciate the enormity of the Earle proposal for denunciation of our Russian allies at the very moment when they were engaging the main German force and be-log asked to support our war with Japan.

Blowing For 'Hot War'
Almost every day there is new proof that
men in office who ought to be working for
peace are thinking war. They concede expectation of 'hot war' by prating of 'cold
war." De m and for compulsory military
service, calling into war condition of aircraft and ships have alarmed lovers of
peace. The latest from Washington is that
War Assets Administrator Littlejohn has
withdrawn more than five billion dollars
worth of war materials that had been declared surplus. Why? He said these materials were "earmarked for universal military training."—Raleigh News & Observer.

In a recent speech, British Fuel Minister Shinwell alluded with pride to the nationalization of coal, electricity and gas as a "triology." But this enthusiasm was somewhat dampened by a commentator in the London Times who points out that the Oxford Dictionary defines triology as "a set of time tragedies to be performed in immediate succession."—From the Woll Street Journal.

A statistic has it that something like a quarter of a billion a year is blown in in the country's beauty parlors. Love probably is blind, but a girl has to be sure,—Richmond Times. Piccorch

A Diesel-electric locomotive, for sale at \$16,000, might be put on rubber and driven without fear of the largest truck.—Louis-ville Times.

'Round And 'Round



'Operation Backtalk'

How To Answer Communists

How To AnswBy Vera MICHELES DEAN
(Reprinted from the Ferriga Pelley Bulletin)
NEW YORK
It is Chicago speech of Nov. 18, on the eve of his departure for the sixth session of the Coincil of the Coincil

Samuel Grafton

The Unpopular Side

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Drew Pearson's: Senate Freshmen Resent Taking Back Seat

"I would rather take a beating in '48 and stand up for play politics," he shook his head, than ait back and play politics, he shook his head, than ait back and play politics, and the politics are taken. He suggested that the public be placed on a voluntary ration, that a probletty population to the property of the pr

"Too much meat is going into garbage cans," Flanders declared.

"Bull," ne waises, "wo "bull," is own pet prob-lem, the housing shortage, handsome John Bricker of Ohio, long-time friend of the real estate lobby, poob-pooled the idea of a crisia. Millions of new dwellings are under con-struction, he declared.
"The housing shortage," he added, "should be over by