Big Government In Education

PRESIDENT TRUMAN'S Commission on Higher Education has now reported, combining a diagnosis of our problem with an all-embracing program that calls for Federal financial assistance to double college enrollments by 1960. The Commission intends for America to overcome the problem of a whole generation in a dozen years or less, and would solve all the troubles for 48 states and 149 million people in one big bureaucratic bag.

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We would increase our college student population from 2,340,000 this year to a "minimum of 4,600,000" by 1960. Professional and graduate schools would be greatly expanded, enrolling 600,000 intead of the present 175,000. There would be 2 million more persons in administrative jobs in 1960 than in 1940. Nearly i million new teachers would be recruited and trained. All youth would have Government and through their first two years of college. Hundreds of new "community colleges" would be established.

Along with everything else, the Com-mission would abolish segregation and the (quota" system of discriminating against minorities in institutions of higher learn-

ing.

It is impossible to disagree with any of
the Commission's objectives but it is necessary to object to the whole program in
the extent that it is predicated on Federal
aid and coercion. This is an educators'
dream, a planners' fantasy, not a soundby conceived program of men who are fully
cognizant of the political, social and financial realities of their time, or who have
a concept of American democratic principies that meets all the recognized tests.

It is interesting that the are some or the
members of the Commission dissented from

the findings on segregation but unfortu-nate that the dissent wann't broader and that there weren't more dissenters. The Southern educators will, of course, be ac-cused of bowing to the prejudices of their section and scant attention will be paid to their criticism that the effort to era-dicate long established social attitudes and customs by governmental flat is undemo-cratic, self-defeating and dangerous.

dicate long established social attitudes and customs by sovernmental fat is undemocratic, self-defeating and dangerous and the same state of mind that grain and the same state of mind that committee on Civil Rights, which advocated using Federal power to blanket the nation with anti-lynching, anti-segregation and fair employment practices laws. They are being swept along by men who are obsessed with the fallacious idea that we can have Big Government without surrendering more local and states' rights to Washington. They are men whose humanitarian zeal for reform has blived as the complexity of our social structure. They are wishful thinkers who cannot see that an attempt to impose a pattern of conduct for the whole country will inflame the very prejudices which they are seeking to suppress and disrupt efforts which cities, ristates and regions are making to overcome those regressive conditions.

The-trend toward making over America from Washington airsady has sone too far and it is clear that a new drive for Big Government is forming behind cut and it will not be solved overnight. The magnitude of the present crists cannot conceal the fact that great progress has been made in the past in the traditional American way, and that this is our safest and surest course toward progress in the future.

More Safety Or Danger In UMT?

IF THERE is any way to get out of Universal Military Training without jeopardizing American security, we are going to vote for it. Therefore, we read Robert M. Hutchins' latest blast against UMT with

M. Hutchins' latest blast against UMT with more than ordinary interest. Dr. Hutchins, chancellor of the University of Chicago, spoke the other night before the National Conference for the Prevention of War. He still is as positive as he was when he starred as an isolationist such was when he starred as an isolationist such was a bread laten. He declares that adoption of Universal Military Training by this country would be "a ridiculous and wasteful act of war."
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than provocation.

"Since other nations know that Universal Military Training is a military absurdity in the United States in the atomic age,
they will not be deterred from attacking
us because we have such training." the
doctor continues. "If they are bent on attacking us, they will attack us whether we
have training or not."
That is a manifest absurdity which

springs from the military annature's notion that UMT is only an offensive measure that UMT is only an offensive measure and the control of th and wasteful act of war."
"It will inflame other nations against
us." Dr. Hutchins says. What other nations? Russia certainly won't like it but all
the nations outside the Soviet orbit would
feel more secure if the United States
strengthened its military establishment.
As far as the effect on Russia is concerned, UNIT would serve more as deterrent system without the training proposed.

the Administration has proposed.

Dr. Hutchins is not entirely wrong in calling UMT an act of provocation, however. The danger is not that it will arouse Russia to more aggressive action but that it will enourage this country to take a more bellicose course. That is a very grave danger but the Russian challenge is leaving America no alternative. Events of refeat with the taking the greater tisk if it follows the course advocated by Dr. Hutchins.

Russia's Battle With Inflation

SOVIET RUSSIA has devaluated her cur-O rency to check inflation, exchanging one new ruble for ten old rubles, thus wip-ing out nine-tenths of the theoretical pur-chasing power of the present ruble by of-ficial decree. Washington is reported sur-prised at the 10-for-1 conversion rate, to be prised at the 10-for-1 conversion rate, to be applied to all Soviet monetary holdings except bank accounts up to 3,000 rubles. A much lower rate had been looked for since last week's news of "panic buying" in Moscow and other Russian cities served as a tipoff for the outside world that the ruble was about to be put through the wringer.

was about to be put through the wringer. In reducing purchasing power to combat inflation, Russis is employing an orthodox capitalistic principle. Conservative bankers and economists in this country say that the United States must find ways to shrink bank credit and cut the money supply during this period of searcities in order to ease the inflationary pressure. They say such an operation offers a more effective way than wage-price ceilings and rationing in dealing with the emergency. The administration is even now considering a program along this line to incues a mild receasion.

but is hesitating for fear that a recession might run into a depression.

More time and information will be needed before it is possible to led how the new Soviet system actually works. Meanwhile, for the United States the chief significance of this undertaking seems to be that Russia is stabilizing her currency in preparation for greater economic warfare. The rule is being readled for rivarity with the American dollar and the British pound in the International markets. The rule is being readed for rivarity with the American dollar and the British pound in the International markets. The re have been reports that Moscow will adopt the switch syeld hoard estimated at more than 10 billion dollars in value, which she has built up over the last twenty years.

A "hard" ruble backed by gold could be used to buy goods that the Soviet desperately needs and also to force up the price of those goods for Western Europe in terms of dollars and pounds. A Soviet ruble perged to gold could do much to turn the trade flow eastward and heighten economic chaos in the Western world.

From The Atlanta Journal

Vending Machine Age

a machine-served existence.

Zverything from soup to nuts will be bought from automatic venders. Already coin machines cook hot dogs. "mix soft drinks to tast ... shine shoes ... sell groceries, gasoline, air line tickets and insurance policies. New venders have electronic grifts that cook food in a quarter of a minute and keep food frozen. The machines can make change and reject counterful food.

money.

A plugged nickel won't be worth a trial.

The man of the next decade will have to go about with a change-carrier loaded with his daily allowance. The future looks dark for the check book and the bill folder.

The can-of-soup wife of tomorrow will

probably take great delight in the vender age. En route home—perchance after a day of bridge—she will be able to stop at a meal dispensary to purchase a full-course dinner electronically cooked . . . and which

With the amount of coins the vending machine age will demand, the Federal Treasury, no doubt, will have to bring back the silver dollar.

We are prepared to accept the New Look from bust to bustle but when an actress re-turns from France wearing high-top shoes and prophecying that they will be all the rage among the ladies, we think the time has come to draw the line. — Greensboro Dally Neuss.

'I'm Going To Ask Him To Be A Good Boy'



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Editors, THE NEWS

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Drew Pearson's : Envoy Finds All Not Gold In Diplomacy Merry-Go-Round

Australian Social Whirl

Norh hith developed an uncontrollable yen Norh hith Australian sectety. Camberra, the newly fibit capital of Australia, is about as exciting as newly built Washington, D. C., in the days of George Washington. So, impatient with its social whirt, the brusque Minnesotan decided to stir up social activity elsewhere by taking his family on a tour into the six Australian states. There he extended the entertained lavishly by the gow more considerable the Hithich Colorn. 2002. 2002. 2002.

John Northeutt tent the Ambassader and his family would be visiting in the area. A prompt reply came back, inviting them to lumb.

This was a blow. For the Ambassader had planned to spend the week-end. And when a second note came from made it impossible to keep even the lunch appointment, the Ambassador left winto a faintful mine. Increased, the Sit Paul shipbuilder distance an official note in the Governor General medical sharing that he control to the Governor General medical sharing that he control to the control of the co

Row Over An Airplane

of ships from Byrd's Polar expedition pulled into Sydney for refueling, Butler hurried down to the harbor for his 21-sun salute. Capt. Thomptins reported back, however, that more of the ships and the convention of the ships and the ships