#### **Blood Bank Is Your Protection**

IT is good news for every man, woman, and child in this region that the Red Cross is establishing a central blood bank in Charlotte. It is good news because there are many families who owe an eternal debt of gratitude to blood donors and countiess others who will be similarly in-

debted.

There is no one who is immune from the huzards which tomorrow or the next day may make him, or his wife, or his child, or his dearest friend the one who desperately needs a transtusion. The emergency call comes daily in the hospitals and countiess lives have been saved since the blood bank system was introduced on a wide scale by the Red Cross during the war years.

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This service now is to be expanded for peacetime on an efficient basis which will eliminate chances for emergencies of the analysis of the anxiety and added burden resulting from the necessity of finding donors. It will remove a cause of convern and interruption to physicians and hospital attendants. It will provide the hospitals an adequate supply of the various types of blood needed at all times. It will make for better service all around. All this is conditioned on the response of

All this is conditioned on the response of the public in providing volunteer blood donors, who will be asked to report to the

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registration center maintained by the Red Cross. Everything else is being provided for the, people. The local chapter of the Red Cross will underwrite all expenses of running the center and delivering the blood to hospitals. It will employ a full-time doctor, two graduate nurses and the secretarial and administrative said bits the project. It was a substitute that the project in the project of the district of the project in the project of the district of the project in the project of the project of

continued progress and prestige of the

### King Mihai's Fight For Romania

A NNOUNCEMENT that King Mihal of Romania will wed Princess Anne of Bourbon-Parma and Denmark has both political and romanite significance. It is a hopeful omen for the Balkans, a sign that both royalty and peace have more of a chance in Europe than is commonly sup-

osed. Mihai's engagement to the Danish pring Minar's engagement to the Danish process spikes ruthors of a possible match between him and Princess Margaret Rose of England. Speculation along that line was inspired by the Romanian monarch's recent visit to London for the wedding of Princess Elizabeth and Philip Mountbatten.

ceus vans to London for the weedding of Princess Elizabeth and Philly Mountbatten. Mihal could not have contracted for such a tie without offending the Communists who dominate the Romanian Government and are watching closely to see that, he doesn't engage in any intrigues with the "imperfailst" nations. The news of his betrothal to a princess of a small European kingdom that has maintained good relations with the Soviet is a well-timed maneuer by Dan Cupid to reassure the suspicious Reds back home that this is a case of true love and no counter-revolutionary plots are afoot.

Mihal's statesmanlike behavior in the contractions of the contraction of the

Mihai's statesmanlike behavior in this affair of the heart calls attention to the singularly effective political role he has

played in the struggle to save Romania for constitutional monarchy and democracy. He has dealt blows against both and of totalitarianism—the Nathouse the Communication of the Co

The king now is 28, a fair-halred youth who is justly regarded as a heroic figure by this people. His main hold on the throne resis in his poolarity with the restarded by the Communities attests to the strength of the peasant movement. So long as he remains on the throne the world will know the anti-Communities attests to the strength of the peasant movement. So long as he remains on the throne the world will know the anti-Communist cause in Romania is not entirely lost.

#### Gubernatorial Race Shapes Up

Gubernatorial Race of ARM Secretary Kenneth C. Royall has formally declined to enter the 1948 race for Governor of North Carolina, and his decision occasioned little aur prise among political observers. It had become apparent in recent weeks that the Secretary would choose to remain in his Washnaton post.

Those who have expected at least one more candidate to challenge Candidates Albright. Barker and Johnson therefore look to L. Gov. L. Y. 'Star Ballentine to look to L. Gov. L. Y. 'Star Ballentine to look to L. Gov. L. Y. 'Star Ballentine to his choice, in October: however, he told a reporter in Goldsboro a short time ago that he would make up his mind "within two weeks". Since he has been acting like a candidate all the while, many students of Tar Heel politics anticipate that Ballentine will make his announcement before Christmas.

Ballentine contends that Secretary Royall's withdrawal will not affect his decision. The world with the secretary from the certain from Wake without to determine Royall's status before committing himself. Despite the lead which State

the gentieman from wake wished to de-termine Royall's status before committing himself. Despite the lead which State Treasurer Charles M. Johnson has accum-ulated, a large number of "anti-Johnson"

Shapes Up
politicos have reportedly withheld their
rupport pending the entry of a nother
strong candidate. Ballentine will undoubtedly enjoy much of this auport.
While Messra. Barker and Albright may
corral a substantial and surprising amount
of votes in the May orimary, it now seems
that a second orimary will find Johnson
and Ballentine battling it out. Both are
widely-known throu-hout the state, and
both can claim more friends among the
county organizations than their onsoments.
Secretary Royall's decision has thus clarflied the subsernatorial oldeur for the first
time. In view of his expressed ambitton
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North Carolina, with its accommanying political disadvantares, mede it a wise one.
Kenneth Royall's resonne to suggestions
that he run in 1948 was always anoreclative and tactful, and he certainly made no
enemies throughout the long period of
socculation concerning his candidacy. He
may wet realize his "leiong ambition to
cupy the Governor's manston, at a time
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an end to his, valuable service in Washing
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From The Washington Post

## 'Bryng Us In No Tripes'

MR. T. C. Skeffington-Lodge complained the loan agreement Great Britain is pledged not to discriminate against Amerimons the other day about the quality of American-made magazine fiction that is now being bought by British editors for purveyance to their innocent readers. To judge from the titles quoted by Mr. Skef-fington-Lodge — Kisses That Really Count, Pick Up Secrets, Lone 1s and Art. Date To-Pick Up Secrets, Lone 1s and Lone 1s an mons the other day about the quality of

on.

Mr. Skeffington-Lodge, however, thought
it would be no great hardship to the British public if they were deprived of this
"Niagara of piffic and tush." What he "Miagara of piffle and tush." What he seems to have contemplated was that the Government should forbid further im-portation of American literary tripe on the prefect of augmenting dollar credits. Such an action has already been taken in this case of the Hollywood movies. However, the Pinancial Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Sherimation Clervil Hall, gently reminded Mr. Sherimation Jockept that under Article 8 of Sherimation-Looke that under Article 8 of

the loan agreement Oreat Britain is pledeed not to discriminate against American products.

Mr. Hall's boint is that the restriction on the importation of Hollywood movies is merely part of a general restriction on all foreign movies, But since the United States is the only considerable foreign producer of literary trine in a language, which for the ourposes of trade may be described as Emiliah, to prohibit it would certainly have an appearance of discrimination.

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#### **Battle Of Europe**



Talk, Talk, Talk

# It's The Congressional Way

TALK, talk talk. To people outside Washington
the talk here must seem endless, particularly
to Congress. It's part of the price we particularly
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to democracy: the talks, the checks, the balances so
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of its own After several days of hearings the committee will draw up an "Appropriation" Bill. This committee may decide that \$879,000,000 its of much to spring. It may recommend to the House that, say, only \$400,000 be given. Then this recommendation—called an "appropriation" bill—will go up to the House which already has authorited spending It will say how much money should go to each country.

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Some of the House members who already had voted for spending \$897,000,000 may change and vote for the lower figure recommended by the committee. The House members, of course, can amend the committee oil on the floor and raise or lower the amount the committee recommends.

A FIER the House votes the Senate Appropriations. It may deside that the appropriate and support of the Appropriation of the Appropriat

how much actually to spend or service to the Australe But support to House and Sevante. In thir final voice don't acree on the amount to be spend? In that all the support of the service of both houses, called a conference committee, to it own out the difference When the conference committee to the but houses, called a conference committee to them out the difference When the conference committee that spress on a certain sum to spend, both houses there will voice we create unit to spend, both houses there will voice the conference and send it to the Frestdent for the afantities.

## Quote, Unquote

An absent-minded boss is one who comes to the office instead of going to the golf links. —Tallahas-

Hattel Ruth of Des Moines lowa, chased a train several hundred miles in a taxt in the belief that list wife and son, who were to have begun a trip with him were on it. He found them at home Moral. Always look carefully around the house to see who may be present before starting on a long journey—Jackspin (Mists.) Dalls. News.

Marquis Childs

## Storm Signals

NOTHING is more important for Americans today than to understand that the crest of the wave of prosperity is beginning to break with knowledge and understanding it may be possible hat treated.

If the wave itself topples is that informed to the control of the c

The trouble is that inflated prices conceal for the present the true picture. But even a glimpe below the surface shows what is actually happening.

actually happeqing.

I want to report a conversation with the owner and manager of a chain of department stores. In the control of the contro

His buyers had just reported on their efforts to buy merchandise to sell next Spring and early Summer. What they reported was a series of new price jumps that would be reflected in retail sales

what can I do? Men's summary to go up 18 to 50 cents Men's with can be beginning of a fairly good name-erand will start at 18 a pair."

Back of his worry is the fact that, for the first time since the beginning of wattime prosperity.

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the world here.

"I fought in the first World War.
They wouldn't take me in the second one and I did what I could
for the OPA to try to hold things
in line.

"I'm afraid of what another depression would do to us here. It's
just what that fellow Stalin is
waiting for."

I suggested that perhaps the answer was a return to rationing of those commodities in shortest supply This might serve to keep down prices by insuring that the available goods were evenly shared.

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"Wesl, I'm a fraid noë, the store
owner said thoughtfully. You
know how it was in the war. Thea
we had all kinds of volunters
working for the OPA. They wantfolks overseas whom they wante
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## Samuel Grafton

# A Matter Of Dignity

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To jove freedom is quite another matter from merely being scared of Russia. It means defending France and Italy because they are indivible, and not merely because these two countries can be made useful to us. It means defending reven if \$4 \text{ are not}, and thus it means defending the reput of any Federal employee or Hollywood countries of the second of the sec

# Drew Pearson's : Air Corps Still Playing Old Army Game

Merry-Go-Round

WASHINGTON

TWO days ago this column gave the inside story of Lt. Col

Toyrid Laux, the man who tried to prevent the further

killing of American Babuit 800 paratroopers were shot down
by our own Allied naval gumers over Sietly. When Colonel

Laux wrote a letter to Secretary of War Simon about Army

failures to protect partiallon.

Today follows another unpleasant chapter regarding

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Here is the inside story of his demotion.

Two Generals Argue

DURINO the African campaign, Mike Dunn was in command of the 5st Carrier Wing of the North African Airforce where he first tangled with his top boss, able, hardworking Gen. Cast Tought's Spatta, move uning Dunn warntnooper transport planes for freight hautage at a time when Dunn wanted to use his planes for training troops.

Second and much more serious row was over adequate proceeding was seed on a sixtore infantity and Dunn had been given the job of preparing for large-scale operations over Italy.

However, Dunn, even then, foresaw the danger of having nsport planes shot down. With his paratroopers flying in 7s, they were protected by no armor plate around the

pilot s seat and to self-scaling gasoline tanks. And because these planes had to fly slow and low, he feared they would be easy targets for enemy anti-alteratt. And once a building the seasy targets for enemy anti-alteratt. And once a building the seasy targets for enemy anti-alteratt. And once a building the season of the

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Disk): hewever, had his Irish up. He wrole a formal replace to desertal Spaate usting self-sealing gas tanks for
paratrop-carrying planes. Spaate, a Pennovivania Dutchman, just as stubborn as Dunn, returned the request with
an abrupt well was not over Spaate, a lend and store a report.

Dunn Weshinston ursently recommending protection for
troop-carrying planes. This report is dated May 13, 1943.

And it was on July 13—exactly two months later-list
first wave of U. S. tramport planes next might andother wave of Ille number was shot down.

And sithough trigger-flapered gunners of the U. S and
British Navies got the blane, a board of inquiry, appointed
to establish the cause of the treegely made the pointed restinatalled in troop-carrying planes.

Dunn Gets Demoted

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the step down to the pank of colonel for reasons of health
Dunn went to Minam for a physical exam, was given an OK
but despite that, was reduced in rank and sent to a quiet
section of the South Pacific.

That ended the efforts of Col. Mike Dunn to protect paratreopers But it did not end the efforts of others, notably Colonel Laux and Col. Felix Dupont.

And being reserve officers with no Army careers to jeopardise, they had the nerve to go over the heads of a long barrier of brass hats straight to Gen. Hap Armold, then head of the Air Porces. Armold, after some sputtering about dyided opinion among his generals, finally wrote out an order to the new-famous Gen. Benny Meyers to install self-sealing tanks in troon-carrying transports.

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