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Forgotten Lesson On Auditorium

In 1946—which was only last year, come to think of it—an election was held on the question of authoriting the principle of land and the commission auditorium and interest ordered to commission auditorium and the commission auditorium and the commission auditorium and the amount of \$150,000 were to be issued for these purposes.

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In the 1946 election the voters were confronted with a number of proposals, all of
them involving considerable expenditures.
There is a possibility that in an election
exclusively on the question of an auditornum, they would see the issue in a less
eautioning perspective. On the other hand,
there is a decided possibility that they will
vote again in disfavor of any auditorium
which hand at least been put on paper,
the uses of which haven't been thoroughly

explored, the site of which hasn't been found acceptable, the cost of which, completed, hasn't been determined. The outspoken objections that followed the Council's action were all the more worth needing because they came from sources known to be longthand to the council simply publied a fixen and that the Council simply publied a fixen and that the Council simply publied a fixen and nothing more. Mayor Baxter's first succession was that found and formerly fabulous sum, a million bucks Councilianal Lambeth remarked that a million wasn't what it used to be proosed two millions instead, On that row of digits the Council agreed to ask for an election, densite the high probability that.

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Truman Feels The Price Squeeze

A TIORNEY GENERAL CLARK'S order for a Department of Justice investigation of high prices in food, clothing and housing has drawn many critical blasts in the press. Gritics contend that the probe has a political motivation and that it will not produce any relief for the consumer public even if it uncovers some conspirators who are jacking up prices.

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Despite the political implications, it is
Impossible to Ignore the fact that Government evidence which has been collected on
the present boom is cause enough for deepconcern to President, Truman and justifies
his action in approving the price investigation. All available information bears out
the thought that the probe will serve a
good purpose if it does no more than stimulate wider discussion of the price situation among business men and the public
generally.

generally.

A mide illustration on this point was provided by the Associated Press, which conducted a country-wide survey of prices which was prompted by the Clark probewing the country was the wide disparity chowner in prices in different parts of the country. Unbalancing of the nation's price and economic structure is one of the first and the worst of inflation's effects, and the survey spotted symptoms that this deadly process now is under way. However, the in-

Prease remains so beneral and extensive that it still is possible to say that most of us are soing up together, which is one of the reasons for forecasts by economists that an actual recession is not imminent.

Despite continuing optimize, recent developments make it clear that the time has come for the business community and the public to any more attention to this subject in order that they may be prepared to support adecounter measures to arrest the downward spiral when it inevitably sets in More, price studies and discussions, and provide the subject of the subject in order that they may be prepared to support adecounter measures to arrest the downward spiral when it inevitably sets in More, price studies and discussions, and provide the subject of the subject to the remark. The subject is a subject to the property is statistics show that wages of factory workers are un 105 per cent since 1399 and their cost of living has mounted 58 per cent in the same period. This paragin of income over living costs, which was partly the work of Government controls, is one of the large factors in the 1947 price picture. It contributes to the inflationary trend at the same time it accounts for the fact that the squeeze hand vet become too painful. That maggin is rapidly being reduced now that controls are removed. All economists know what will happen when this gap is closed but thus far there has been alarmingly little consideration of what we in the nd to do when that unhappy day arrives.

Fight For Air Routes Goes On

the Appalachians are a sizeane asset for the eastern United States.

But they have been a mixed blessing to the area we know as the Pledmont. The very height and ruggedness of the terrain, its chief tourist attraction, has been a tra-ditional barrier to surface travel between the East and the West. As such, it has re-tarded the industrial and agricultural ex-pansion of our region.

The advent of commercial air transport-sition, eave require, that the Pledmont's

The advent of commercial air transportation gave promise that the Piedmont's traditional handleap might be partially opercome—a promise which, however, has not been completely fulfilled to this day. The first air routes awarded Eastern Air Lines followed the dominant surface patterns, and ran north, and south ecity of Some four or five years ago the City of Chardiotte Degan behaled error to obtain

Charlotte began belated efforts to obtain east-west air routes. Representatives of the City Government intervened in several CAB hearings and argued strongly that Charlotte was being discriminated sagniant. They pulled no punches in their criticism of Eastern Air Lines for what they termed "inadequate" and discriminatory" service

WEST of the bustling Piedmont, with its lands, lie the tall, rangy Applachians and though they have stirred lands, lie the tall, rangy Applachians are also also tourists, the Applachians are a sizeable asset for the readern United States. Absoluted the Piedmont area now have according to the piedmont area now the piedm

troit with stops in Charlotte, Today that service is being steadily improved, and passengers in the Piedmont area now have access to Cleveland, Akron, and Detroit on speeds, direct filehts.

Last, week-end Eastern began another new service—a direct flight between Charlotte and Chicago, via Greenville, Chat-taanoega, Nashville and Louisville, Althouch the routing is a circuitous one, and the flying time long when compared to many present day tlights, the service is never—their properties of the control of the co

Another Voice

Mr. Tobin And A Third Party

Mr. Tobin And
DANIEL TOBIN, president of the AFL
Teamsters' Union, was quoted at San
Francisco' as saying that organized labor
may become the basis of a third political
party—one with a potential strength of
37,000,000 voters. Mr. Tobin was quoted furthird party until the labor movement is
cemented into one."
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useus Issue of the International Teamster, publication for members of Mr. Tobin's own union, says, a third party for labor
at this time would only "dujde the progressive voters."
Commenting on the recent special Congressional election in Baltimore, in which
an Independent Democratic candidate was
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are faced by a tightly knit organization of reactionaries. The liberals must be equally united. They cannot win if they scatter their strength.

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People's Platform

Fairness On The Bus Issue

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-L. A. SMITH.

Everything Except Chaos CHARLOTTE

Editors, The News.

FOR many years I have been expecting chaos. I have lived through catachysms and catastrophes, have experienced debacles and depressions, but, so far, chaos has not arrived. I was beginning to lose confidence in the "if"

cleated. For a long time after the election I thought.

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The dot the labor leaders are will again escape chaos. If we do. the labor leaders are necessarily to be discredited. Their prophery that necessarily to be discredited. Their prophery Law would be homered and enforced. They did not know that U. Steel and John L. Lewis would consistent or circumvent the law. Even the best of the control of th

-LEWIS AYER SMITH.

The Popple's Platform is a valiable to any reader who cares to mount it. Communications should be less than 200 words, typecritically appeared by the party possible, and on only one side of the paper. Libel and obscently will be deleted others anything poes Each letter must be signed although in executional cases and upon request, we will utilihold the writer's name.—Editors, Tax News,

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Life In Soviet Union

Awed By Americans

By PAUL W. WARD

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Drew Pearson's: Morgenthau Plan Probe Seems Underway

L ATEST invators flustering inner Capital circles is a very musti-hush Pederal Grind Jury in New York that is apparently probling another New Deal trail.

This much has been definitely learned.

The jury is made up of a highly select group. Two Justice Department attorneys are directing the pro-

eedings.

More than 25 witnesses have already been interrogated.
Practically all these witnesses are Government employees,
connected with the Treasury, Foreign
forenomics Administration, and the Office of Strategic Serv-

The investigation has nothing to do with the atomic bomb.
Significant clue on the big-name individuals the Orand
Jury is interested in is indicated by some of the questions
accord at winnesses. They have been asked
"Do von know Henry Morgenthau!" (Pormer Secretary of
the Treasury and close intimate of the late President Roose-

the treasury and close intimate of the late President Roosevelt.) who Goeral William J. Bootom? "Congressional Medical Concernment in World War I, founded road comments of the CSS in World War II, and a trusted Road Consevelt Arviser on foreign nroblems.)

"Do you know Bernard Bautch?" World War I, production can: close Roosevelt Irlend and adviser, and author of the Dr. of the Conseveration of the Reston Woods Conference that resulted in the establishment of the World Banks.)

Another moverables question saked witnesses who were

former OSS men was: "Did General Donovan ever warn you that you mught be investigated some time and tell you never to divulge anything about the OSS?"

Most of the witnesses have departed from the jury room knowing little more than when they entered at to just what is being probed. However, several have reached this con-

cluston:
That the investigation is directed at the Morgenthau
Plan under which Germany's industry one war potential
an agricultural basis. Rosewelt approved this plan over the
opposition of the State Department and powerful business
and banking interests.

Busy Talker

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TALL triendly Attorney General Tom Clark got himself

Smash headlines throughout the country with his announcement of a Justice Department probe of high prices.

In recent weeks, be has spent much of his time traveling
shout the country making speeches.

The following is a partial of Clark's liths: The
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Military Institute at Lexington, Va.; National 4-H Globs
citteenship eremonies in Washington; Ekis National Convention in Portland, Orc.; International Sunday School Convention in Portland.

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Actually, it wasn't the Arm's fault. It was a mistake due to the carelessness of a local draft board and, apparently, the isnovance of the Russian.

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