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NATIONAL NEWSPAPER WEEK

THERE is more than coincidental relationship between the state of the world today and the slogan for National Newspaper. Week—"Freedom Goes Where The Newspaper Goes" per Goes."

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A free press can exist only in a free nation. No totalitarian nation can afford to permit free newspapers to circulate among the people. If it did so, the people would have an instrument for voicing their criticism and an organ for rebellion.

Throughout the world, the measure of the people's liberty can be determined by the measure of freedom enloyed by its newspapers. They are interdependent, leaning upon one another for support. Freedom of the press is often misinterpreted as a privilege belonging to the publisher of a newspaper to operate his enterprise without interference from external authority.

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a limited sense, that definition is true.

WEEK

In its true sense, freedom of the press is something which belongs to the people right of the people to know, the right to have access to unblased information about their government and their affairs.

American newspapers have flourished under the wise constitutional generation of the following the standard such a high level of excellence, thoroughness, and loftly idealism.

And in no other nation are the people so well informed and presumably so competent to make the decisions thrust upon them by their denocratic systems of government.

Freedom goes where the newspaper goes. Any encroachment upon the other and must be realously guarded against.

her. The logic of Mr. Baruch's contention is irrefutable. It is utterly inconceivable that the President and the Congress should be satisfied to drift along the road to a third war without an adequate mobiliza-

tion plan on the books.

tion plan on the books.

We are geneding billions for our own ramed forces, more billions to reinforce and strengthen the democratic nations who will be aligned with us in today we do not have on the books a full plan of allicular national war effort which could be put into effect as swiftly as our military forces can move into action.

The costly delays of World War II, the age experience of a reluctant step-by-step progress to total war efforts can be avoided by advance planning. It has been delayed too long, already.

the panel of lawyers who are volunteering their services.

Free legal advice agencies are already in operation in other large U. S. cities, with the various plans differing widely in detail. In some places the bar association, by itself or in co-operation with private social agencies, employa a lawyer who devotes his entire time to such work. The Charlotte system is admittedly an experiment, and changes in its operation may be made after several months of experience.

made after several montas of experience. The insuring of service to poor people, as well as to those who can afford to pay, is a cardinal obligation of professional men. Chances are that the obligation will-be discharged more fully through the legal aid panel than it has been heretofore to the benefit of the whole community.

total would amount to \$25 billion. The Government could not run for seven months on that amount of money.

4. If every industry converted its net working capital into cash, the total would amount to \$30 billion. That's hardly enough to run the-Government for eleven months.

"Any government, like any family, cast for a year spend a little more than it earns. But you and I know that a continuate of that habitation of the spend of the

MOBILIZATION PLAN NEEDED ures we know would have to be taken in event of war. "Everything possible should be planned for in advance, debated, and put into law now, so each of us knows what is expected of him or her."

In outlining four "keystones" for a program of U. S. action, now that Russia has the atomic bomb, Bernard M. Baruch described the adoption of a mobilization plan as "our most effective single deterrent against another war."

was not speaking as an alarmist.

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World War II when it might have prevented.
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"This would not mean taking actual mobilitation measures now. What I have urged
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in event of emergency on proclamation by the
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bombs are falling to begin to debate what
should be done in the control of prices, wages
and rent, the elimination of profiteering, the
rationing of scarce necessities, priorities, the
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LEGAL AID PANEL

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THE Mecklenburg County Bar Association, which has been trying of late, like the rest of the U. S. legal profession, to put its best foot forward and thus still some of the petty but insistent criticism of its spathy toward public strain, has come up with a highly commenciate late, and the still some of the petty but insistent criticism of its spathy toward public strain, has come up with a highly commenciate strain, and control in the strain of the strain o

IN TERMS OF BILLIONS

FEW among us have any real conception of what a million dollars is, much less a billion dollars. We read about plans for a 445 billion Federal Covernment budget in 1950 without understanding just how much money our nation is spending each year.

Some interesting comparisons

Some interesting comparisons were given a recent issue of Automotive News:

1. If everyone in the United States cashed in all of his life insurance policies, the total would amount to \$44 billion. This would not be enough money to run the Government for

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From The Wall Street Journal

LET JOHN DO IT

A recent Washington dispatch to this newspaper reports that a group of Senators are considering a measure of stabilize the constant of the con

the British.

Anyway he American coal industry already is "stabilized" Mr. John L. Lewis has done that Job under Government license. It is our guess that as long as Mr. Lewis has the powers that a monopoly over mine labor affords him a Government commission will be powerless to the point of futility.

tility.

We are not at all sure that if coal has to
be "stabilized," it, would not be better to
trust the job to Mr. Lewis. For one thing
he knows the coal business and is probably
in better postition for the job than would
be a commission made up of lame duck
Congressmen and bookish people who fancy themselves economists.

For another thing Mr. Lewis probably does the job more-cheaply than the Gov-erment could. His is not a costless admin-istration of stabilization, but the money he takes from the consumers goes to the miners aid not to a group of political ap-

pointes.

Finally it can be said of Mr. Lewis that he has not stood in the way of progress in the coal mines; he has not opposed the use of labor saving machinery that raises production per worker.

There remains one question: Who can "stabilise" the coal industry into a memory ratabilise the coal industry into a memory of the coal mines.

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Pome In Which An Uptilted Nose Is Pointed At a Most Repulaive Practice: Adding to life's uncouth disgraces', Paring nails in public places. Atlanta (Ga.) Journal.

We don't know which is worse, calling three or four cars a motorcade or a poor dinner a banquet. — Elizabethtown (Ky.) News.



People's Platform

Senator Taft---Comedy Of Errors

Editors, THE NEWS:

THE career of Sen. Tait of Ohio should be the
greatest inducement to young men to enter
politics. In no other field of endeavor is it possible
to make so many mistakes, say the wrong thing at
the wrong time, and yet go up and up.

wrong time, and yet go up and up. Sen. Taft is one of those phenomena of our es like "be-bop," or "beauty" contest winners. re's no cityme or reason for it, yet here it is bigger better; and stronger than ever.

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Aid For Spastics Needed

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When God helps us nothing can be left out, for
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So many people have asked me what I am getting
for doing this. I have told them we receive blessings
from God, when we help other nod will bless us.

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career somewhere near the bottom. —New Orleans

-MRS. MAYME BARGER.

Fort Mill's Liquor Sales

Editors, The News:

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In the scolumn today (Oct. 3). In a paragraph about former Charlot-Fort Mill legue relations, Mr. Pesperman quoted to an having said that Fort Mill much as \$17.00 worth of layor per quarter, and that the figure for the entire year of 1948 had dwindled to \$15.00.

17,000. The figures quoted by Mr. Fesperman do not represent the gross sales made by the Fort Mill stores. These figures represent the amount of tax stores. These figures represent the amount of tax or the total tax on the gross sales of the local stores. During 1946 Fort Mill stores sold several million dollars worth of whisky to Charlotte people alone. Just wanted to keep the record straighty.

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THE FORT MILL TIMES,

Wm. R. Bradford Jr., Editor

Note Of Appreciation

Company expressed in the editorial which appeared.

The men and women of A. & P have taken pride in this Company and the job it has done in lowering food costs and raising living standards.

It is particularly heartening at a time on the lowering that it is not to the company and the properties of the company of the com

The People's Platform is appliable to any reader who cares to mount it. Communications should be less than 300 words, typewritten if possible, and on only one side of the paper. Libel and obscently will be deleted—othercise anything poes. Each letter must be signed. — Editors. The News.

Marquis Childs

Talk, Talk, Talk

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military security, they are as foliable to the control of the radar fence. While Congress has authorized the entire project, appropriations have been alow in composition of the region of the control of

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James Marlow

Social Security Bill

WASHINGTON
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But those going on pension
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ment for anyone would be \$84.)

The wife—The wife of a pension—
ed worker gets for herself a pension one-half as large as her husbands when she reaches 65, but
not until then. (The bill would not
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Since now the maximum for a returned worker is around \$45, and his with seek hish. On the control would be control to the control would be control to the control would be around \$10.50. (Under the bill the maximum combinate pension for an over-65 couple would be around \$10.50. fig-for him, plus one-half, or \$34.50, for his wife.)
The widow—Under noware har-

Reuther Delayed Settlement Of Strike Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

INSIDE story of the Ford-United Auto Workers agreement on persions was that it could have been nettled exactly of the ford-United auto Workers agreement the story of the ford-worker and the story of the ford-worker and the for

ex-Senator from Minnesota is drawing only around \$3,000 as the lobbyist for the Association of American Ship Owners. There are the ship owners who don't get Covernment them. The property of the ship owners who don't get Covernment them. If you recal how vigorously Joe fought against so-called "statism" when he was in the Senate, you can get allow broke Joe must have been to lake it. Mover, Over Sozes, the unsubstituted ship owners, have pulled a neat trick which should materially leasen his work. However, Over Sozes, the unsubstituted ship owners, have pulled a neat trick which should materially leasen his work, which has seen all sorts of lobbying tricks. For they managed to put their former lobbying-forms Mode, in as assistant continued, of the House Sevential Mattice & Tablesties Committee, of

Embarrassing Questions

Big Business Masquerades

I looks like hig business in now being disguised in sheep's clothing. As least, hat's what trivies Congressma Wright Patman of Texas has discovered about two organizations supposed to champion small business though actuall receiving support from hig business.

They are the 'Small Business Economic Foundation and the 'National Small Businessman's Association.' As metal mails and struggling films as the U. S. Steel Corp. as Standard Oil of New Jersey.

Another struggling little company which contributes to