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THE PEOPLE'S DILEMMA

A N editorial from The Louisville Courier-Journal, reprinted elsewhere on this page today, points to the recent rejection of new taxes by the voters of Georgia as another indication that people want cer-

Does not the better answer lie in re-examination of (1) the entire tax structure and (2) the services themselves, so that first things may be put first, administrative costs placed in their proper relationships and standards tested?

vondering the same thing.
On the day after the Georgia voters urned down the \$46 million in new taxes, the atlanta Journal said editorially:

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the bonds?

1. The House determination to use \$38 million of the \$30 million postwar "cushion" fund for teacher salaries would also be a departure from policy. By custom and by tradition, the State Government has used surplus moneys for capital outlay and other non-repeating expenditures in order that current expenditures in might be held within the limit of anticipated revenue. Of course North Carolinians want to get the course of the course of

CITY ABC STORE ELECTIC

A VERY fundamental question of policy
distributed in the anticipated showdown over huncipal ABC election bills in
the House tomorrow. The question: Shall
the State break down the county option
system into smaller governmental units?
The showdown has resulted from nineteen pending bills which would authorize
elections on petition in N. C. cities and
towns ranging in size from tiny Walnut
Cove in Stokes County to Greenaboro in
Outlined County.
When the original ABC Act was adopted
in 1938, it permitted elections for ABC
stores in Southern Pines and Pinehurst butfeat unit. The unit was preserved until
1947 when the Assembly made it possible
for city elections to be held in Asheville.
Bildory, Louisburg, and Franklinton. All
of these carried, except Hickory whichvoide against the stores.
Now, faced with a big assortment of
other municipab bills, the General Assembly must decide whether to halt this
breakdown of the county unit or speed it.
Last week the House defeated a bill infreduced by Rep. Shelley Caveness which
would have authorized an ABC election in
the city of Greensboro upon proper petition, But this action did not necessarily essabian a precedent, since the Guillord

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There has been talk in Washington and swhere that, to put machines and gunaot the hands of Western Europeans and the substitution of the control of t

delegation itself was split two-and-two. A motion has been made to reconsider the bill tomorrow. Some of the other eighteen measures may also come before the House.

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It is a difficult question to answer.
Those who oppose the city or town measures argue that it is unfair to permit the establishment of ABC stores in a county which is predominantly, dry by an election in which the rural residents are not perfeitled to participate.

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Those who favor the city or town unit contend that dry sentiment in the rural areas should not be permitted to control their own preference. They point out, for instance, that tiny Dare County can vote on ABC stores while Greensboro, with perhaps 30 times the population of Dare, is prevented from doing so.

The House battle the Greensboro of Diplom. Many Representatives who have consistently opposed a statewist ereferendum y oted against the Greensboro measure.

actually planning war, that the Reds would capture and turn against us the very machines and guns we sent against them. This is a distinct possibility. But we must take the risk. To fall to arm Europe now would do irreparable harm to our relations with the continue of the Pact. We would have falled them—the Coffmunists would declare—we would have made stooges of them, sort of international shmoos who throw themselves into the mouth of the advancing enemy to protect the United States.

If Frenchmen, Beigians, Norwegians, Englishmen, Hollanders can be sold that idea, we would lobe their support. True, we might keep the official friendship of their governments, but it he people themselves would want very little to do. The community of the surface of

tion:

(1) We can fail to arm Western Europe and save ourselves the possible loss of war supplies, keep that budged deficilt from get-ting larger, while losing the support of the peoples of those countries, or (2) We can arm Western Europe and take a chance on losing the wespons we provide, but, in this way, we could control to the countries of the wespons we have the provided a buffer semiler as a large it tryet to buffe a buffer semiler.

'They're Repairing The White House, Ain't They?'



A Bothersome Dilemma

Certainty In Government

Thanks From Red Cross

Up To Our Necks

Joseph Alsop

Marquis Childs

Decision Coming

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and thouse of the House Un-American, Activities Committee.

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Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

Lobby Resolution Stymied In Committee

THE late and lamented 80th Congress was widely publicated. As one of the most lobby-fidden in many years and probably deserved that reputation. When it was thrown out of the sist Congress would immediately sart an investigation of lobbysts, and to that end conscientious Sen. Edigore introduced a resolution calling for a savening probablicatery. Committee where Sen. Wiley of Wisconsin, Republican, is staging a one-man fillibuter in the subcommittee.

Meanwhile the piet Site Congress is just about as lobby-difference, however, This time the lobbysts have been difference, however, This time the lobbysts have been smarter. They'work in disguise. One device is to pressure a few key bujuleas friends, in a Congressman's home distinction of the most aforeity organized lobbies in Washington supplies them with an analysis and summary of mediants.

This is the group which every morning interprets legisla-tion for some 500 members of Congress.

Inside Joe Martin's Office

"Well." Milne faitered. "Hardgrove wanted to make aure we renewed."
"And what did he want when he came to see you the other four times?"
"He wanted to make sure we were getting the legisla-tive analyses." Milne silisted.
"You mean he keeps coming in just to make sure you're getting the service?"
"You." "And Martin's assistant, feebly.
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Ties With Real Estate Lobby