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CHRISTMAS IN MAY

ITS a rather novel and intriguing role that Governor Scott has cut out for himself—that of Santa Claus for the people

niment—that of saint citate the people of Charlotte.

"I don't quite see how they figure that,"
the Governor said in reference to newspaper articles saying Mecklenburg would
pay out a great deal more than it will
receive from the school and road bond

issues. "I just let them have some money out of the July highway appropriation to finish up a project right through Charlotte." He just let us have \$185,000 to complete a state highway through Charlotte which was designed and routed by State Highway Commission engineers.

He let us have \$185,000 to complete a He let us have \$185,000 to complete a major effort to eliminate what State High-way traffic engineers had called one of the worst bottlenecks in the entire State highway system, after they had spent weeks checking automobiles crossing the city limits and moving through this city's

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He let, us have \$185,000 to complete a project for which the U. S. Covernment, which the U. S. Covernment, which is the street of the specific requirement that those funds must be spent for stream streets in cities of more than \$,000 population—a theory of public responsibility for unban streets which Covernor Scott does not share on the State level. He let us have \$185,000 to complete a project which the past administration and

THE MILK SQUABBLE

NOT in a long time has the City Council chamber resounded with such heated arguments, such velled insinuations and injerences, and such outright charges as during the milk hearing yesterday:

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It is unfortunate that the hearing got out of hand and away from the subject. The competitive practices of the dairy industry, the methods used by the various companies, the relation of the dairies with the farmers, and the dual issue of "price wars" and "price fitting" are not within the province of the Council. The discussion should have been kept closer to the topic, so that the whole industry might have been ap a red the unfavorable publicity which is bound to result from such public brawling.

rawing.

The sole question of concern to the council is the purity of the milk products old to people who live in the city of Char-

The facts of the present situation are

these:
Ten dairy companies now operating in Charlotte have been operating under a "gentleman" agreement. Wy which the y refuse to receive in their local plants any ungraded milk. They receive only Grade A milk, and resell it in liquid form. Some of them manufacture certain by-products, such as ice cream, and employ in the process powdered milk, condensed milk, or some other "manufactured milk" made from ungraded milk. But they haul this "manufactured milk" into Charlotte from other areas.

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One dairy has made its plans to receive at its nearly-completed plant both graded and ungraded milk, the former to be resold in fluid form, the latter to be used in the

LIKE FATHER, ETC.

A LANKY, handsome 34, Frank Roosevelt tamed Tammany this week to get into Congress as successor to 80 Bloom, the colorful little man who represented New York's twentieth district for thirteen straight terms.

Rep. Roosevelt (D-NY) won't have to do much thinking during his career as a po-litician. He need only ask himself, "How would Father do it?" and the boy can't

miss.
That's why and how he was elected; the voters of the twentieth district listened to Frank seponse the philosophy of his father, Frankin Delano Roosevelt—pledge support to Truman's Fair Deal, boom for civil rights and housing. And they elected him, over the taunts of Tammany that Frank over the taunts of Tammany that Frank play he had been delayed by the property of the prop

ung Roosevelt may be an immature toy — that's between him and Tam
y — but that he is symbolic of the try that beclouds the politics of the n is beyond question.

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Giving Rep. Roosevelt the benefit of bubt, it can be assumed that he was theoast qualified man to replace Rep. Bloom. ut that is not why Roosevelt was elected. He was elected because the had the most

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was Roosevelt.

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G Washington because he was the

Huey Long, biggest name in Louispolitics. Young Herman Talmadge

State Highway Commission had originated, and for which they had pledged the faith and credit of the State Government.

He let us have \$185,000 to complete a project toward which the Gily of Charlotte had pledged one year of its pality \$50,000 annual appropriation from the State Highway Fund, and an additional \$200,000 which the people had approved in a bond election.

in a bond election.

And he let us have it, not as a "gift," but as an advance—and did so only after sev-real visits from local officials who pleaded that otherwise, displaced residents along the route whose homes had been moved back would have been "in the mud" for an unnecessary three months. In so doing, he merely carried out what has always been State Highway Commission policy—and as far as he was concerned, it was a wiss move, for the State has to the Federal Governments and the project is completed. By making the mail advance three months earlier, he will collect a much larger amount from the Federal Government three months seriler.

As a matter of fact, the money would have been advanced as a matter of routine had not Governor Scott passed the gord down to the Highway Commission to hold up any such advances until he had given had not Governor Scott passed the gord down to the Highway Commission to hold up any such advances until he had given high spinking high proclaiming his generosity, it seems only fair to set the record straight. And he let us have it, not as a "gift," but

manufacture of dairy by-products or pro-cessed into powdered or condensed milk.

The City Health Department has pro-posed that the local milk ordinance be changed to prevent any local company from receiving two grades of fluid in the same plant. As Dr. M. B. Bethe explained, the "type produced by the property of the property of the produced milk with Grade A milk. He said that the City could not expect ten dairies to a bid e by a xpect ten dairies to abide by a man's agreement if one dairy did

ot. . The only question before the Council is

In order to protect the quality of milk sold in Charlotte, is it necessary to write into the law a prohibition against receiv-ing both graded and ungraded milk in the

same plant?

It would appear to the layman that the ultimate test of milk is the quality of the delivered product, and that the best way to guarantee that quality is to expand the

General product, and that the ones way to guarantee that quality is to expand the City Realth Department inspection facilities to the point that the milk delivered by step didny can be checked every day, so the checked every day, so the checked every day, so the before the new company is completing an expensive new plant, designed in conformity with existing requisitions, has ex post facto overtones. It should have been written into the law at the time the "gentleman's agreement" was formed. Whatever the Council's action, it should be based on the honest conviction that its decision is the best way to protect the consumer. Such squabbles as the industry may have over pricing, buying, and marketing procedures belong to some other regulatory body.

became Governor of Georgia because he was the son of Eugene Talmadge, biggest name in Georgia politics.

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It is dangerous to the best interests of the voters of the nation that they will believe without hesitation: like father, like son. Though sometimes—perhaps Roose-veil will be this exception—the soon have taways follow that he are the voter, coof father will be wise and good himself.

This is no indictiment of Roosevit, who will probably turn out to be a good Congressman; it is merely an attempt to bring into focus a weak spot, in the American voter's judgment which could damage him greatly.

We understand that the price of fishing licenses has doubled this year but local fishermen do not seem very worried. The general opinion seems to be that it's better not to buy and take g'chance of getting caught than it is to buy and stand the chance of not getting caught. — Omega (Ga.) News.

posed by so-called liberals in Congress appears motivated by the belief that majorities have no rights and minorities no obligations. — Memphis (Tenn.) Commercial Appeal.

Our own definition of a small town is a place where a man is respected not for how much money he makes, but for how early he rises in the morning. — Greeneville (Tenn.) Sun.

If wool goes any higher, even the woll won't be able to wear sheep's clothing.

Dallas (Texas) Morning News.

'What's Getting Into People These Days?'



One Side Of The Story

The Case For The School Bonds

(The News is striving through its news columns to give the proponents of the two pro-posals every opportunity to state their case, reserv-ing to its editorial columns the right to differ with them.—Editors, The News.)

Election: Recognizing the need for better schools and roads, the North Carolina General Assembly has authorized a special election.

Date: Governor Scott has called the election for June 4. The issues will be decided by the majority of votes cast.

Whether the State of North Carolina be au-rized to issue bonds of twenty-five million dollars schools.

(2) Whether the State of North Carolina is authorized to issue bonds of two hundred million dollars for roads.

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Who Can Vole: No special registration is required. Any citizen now on the registration books of
his of ther precinct can vote. Citizens who are not
already registered, may still do so on May 21.

The Need For Better Schools: The 1947 General
Assembly and Gov. Cherry appointed the State Education Commission 'os study all educational problem
to the-word that a sound overall educational program
may be developed in North Carolina'.

embly.

Among the key findings were these facts:

"All of the counties, even those in the upper nomic brackets, are greatly in need of additional lilies to accommodate present, as well as antisted increased enrollment because of high birth

"The average value of school property per enrolled pupil for the entire nation in 1953-44 was \$341. The average value in North Carolina was only \$115."

"Many classrooms were found to be overcrowded, because in an in poor condition. One building in-section of the control of t

instances, the original planning was not done in relationship to a school program."
"In most of the schools the auditoriums, gymna-siums, libraries, and other suxiliary rooms are in keeping with the rest of the buildings. They are generally small, poorly lighted, and meagerly furnished."

"Seventy-two of the 100 counties do not have sufficient borrowing capacity for schools, based upon a limit of 5 per cent of the assessed valuation for school bonds, to provide for their immediate and urgent needs."

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"More than \$150,000,000 is needed to bring the school buildings up to minimum standards. Slightly more than \$100,000 is necessary for the immediate and urgent needs."

The torch lit by Gov. Aycock's program was diendeed.

To this picture of immediate and urgent needs the General Assembly responded by: Appropriating 252,000,000 to aid in the construc-tion of new public school buildings in the 100 counties of the state—252,000 to each county.

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Our first project is to promote interest in and for the Better Schools and Roads Election on June 4.

In our efforts both issues will be equally emphasized because both needs are equally important and inevitable tude of the Schools and Schools and Schools School

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Marquis Childs

New Understanding

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Joseph Alsop

Truman's Odd Pose

WASHINGTON

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Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

Mrs. FDR Helped Stop Vote On Spain

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Senatorial Triangle

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ogether.

Be Cain divorce is supposed to become final on June 14.

Bayer who is handing the matter for Sen. Cain in its Wash. is Ed Eisenhower, Re's brother.

State Rent-Control Battle

One of the public-opinion primiticks put out by some of the real estate boys is that a state can temporarily get rid of rent control. then later restores it—under the rent act to the control of the con

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to extend formal recognition to the Communist regime.

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to hold out on Hong Kong against the Communists even with
the new land, air and see reinforcements that have been

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Situart is plently harmer than the communists when the
Chinese Nationalists by giving the Communists their biggest
diplomatic victory.

Blanket Atomic Contracts

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