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#### ANOTHER WAY TO BOLSTER PACT

THOUGH it is virtually certain that the Atlantic Pact will receive the over-whelming endorsement of the U. S. Senate, there are skill wide differences of opinion about the best way to implement it. The State Department proposes a program of U. S. military aid to signers of the pact which, in the first year, is expected to cost more than a billion dollars. But this proposal has incurred the distory of many Senators and Congressmen who favor the pact fiself but who fear military aid might be (1) ponsidered aggressive or (2) too expensive.

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This week there was introduced in the Senate a resolution signed by eleven members of that body including Senator Hoey of North Carolina urging that the pact be implemented by a revision of the United Nations Charler revision of the United Nations Charler revision of the United Nations Charler to carry out the principles of the mych-publicized Culbertson ABO plafs for world peace.

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A. The paralyzing veto-right in defining matters of aggression shall be removed: B. The rising threat of the atomic catas-line of the atomic catas-tic control of the atomic post of the armament race be lifted; and C. An effective but tyramup-proof interna-ional police force be established under a corkable Security Council and World Court.

This would be done, in case of veto, un-der the provisions of Article 51 of the U. N. Charter which permits the establishment of regional pacts.

In the words of the man who introduced the resolution, Senator Sparkman of Ala-

banna:

"The purpose of the resolution is to point the way toward a more effective implementation of the Atlantic Pact than that which has been suggested in the military aid preducible to the property of the United Nations and the immediate goal of setting up a nuclear international police of setting up a nuclear international police. There is one fundamental cause of the Prize World War, and the Second World War.— a basic cause which, unless removed now, the simple fact that in the community of nations there is no higher law, there is no world judge, and no world policemen to provide the property of the providence of the few."

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The ABC plan would be designed to include a veto-less Russia, if Russia wishes to join, or to set up such a strong mutual defense alignment that Russia would be afraid to begin aggressive actions if she can be a such as the second of the second provide a national stranger of the second provide as a world police force, and would provide a joint defense committee of the several nations to direct the activities of the fast, hard-giking police group.

The present resolution omits many of the fine details which would be necessary in a successful ABC organization, but the broad outline certainly gives us an opportunity to consider an alternate way of implementing the Atlantic Pact, and it is helpful to have it introduced in the Senate at this time.

## BUT WILL THEY CONVICT?

WILL Alabama juries convict men ac-cused of Klanlike flogging and ter-rorism? Conviction—not indictment—will prove the sincerity of Alabama's objection to hoosed outrages committed in that state in recent weeks. Seventeen men have been indicted in the

to hoosed outrages committed in that state in recent week. Seventeen men have been indicted in the Birmingham area of Alabama and most of them have been rounded up. No one was particularly surprised to learn that among the group were 'peace officers' whose responsibility it had been to stop stror-ism. They were not indicted for failing to block the Klain's action: they were indicted for participating in it.

Those in the South who have seen police automobiles leading Klain parades will not think it unusual that law enforcement of-ficials have been taking part in the beating of both women and men. It is a crime for anyone to assault without provided to the provided of the proposition another person; it is a greater crime for those who are employed

to prevent crime and/or apprehend criminals to participate in this sickening display of brutality.

Alabama is to be commended for indicting even so few as seventeen of the hooded criminals who have made their own opinion the letter of the law. But, while the Alabama Crand Jury responsible for the indictments may be sineere in its desire to stop. Man or Klanlike lawlessness in Alabama; it may also be that their action is a gesture to take Federal pressure off

Alabama.

Whatever its motives, the Grand Jury now has before it seventeen persons who are believed to have terrorized the Birmingham area. If the guilty members of this group are convicted and if they are punished to the limit of the law, the Kian and those who, regardless of affiliation, terrorize the community will have met with defeat in a former stronghold.

## IN DEFENSE OF CHARACTERS One Jack Scott, for instance. Scott, for our money, is one of the more imaginative, not to say startling, characters.

When the character curtailment squared the Atlanta police department picke him up and booked him as a "suspicior character" they noted these things:

from a deck of cards.

And, we'll wager, if the cops had gone far enough they would have found, a comfortable, congenital jote de vitre.

The chizacter is a human institution, known and cherlahed by thinking citizens since the first prehistoric extrovert startled his cavemates by shaving. He should be honored by the more-nundans among us, rather than badgered by pollemen.

#### CITIES AND NEW TAX SOURCES

THE financial or revenue plight of American cities, stuck with more or less static tax rate structures in the face of growing benefing requirements. 45 often commented upon and widely recognized nowadays. But the picture is gradually improving for some municipalities over the country.

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\$14,200,000 (there are 148 cities collecting this levy); (4) retail sales levies which provided a total of \$15,00,000 for 45 cities over the country in 1948; (8) income and payroll levies imposed by 22 cities, 14 of which collected-485,00,000 from this source; (6) city gasoline and motor taxes accounted. for \$3,000,000 in revenue for 22 cities out of 30 which collect this levy; (7) alcoholic beverages yielded a tax revenue total of \$4,000,000 for 20 of tife 26 cities which imposed by 37 cities mostly in Alabama, Florida and Missouri yielded todal revenue for 31 cities of \$7,300,000.

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A survey made by the International City
Managers Association reveals a widespread
movement on the part of City Governments to find new sources of revenue as
The study indicates that in five years
from 1942 to 1947, the proportion of municipal income received from property taxaation compared with that from other
sources declined 84 per cent. Slightly more
than half of municipal revenues for all
cities now come from property taxes.

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## The Root Of All Evil

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The secretary of the Society for the Curtailment of Federal Expenditures announces that the June meeting of the society will not be held until its president and opard of directors have returned from Washington where they are loobying for a new Federal building and a \$10 million dam on the Wheezy River—Okkhahma City Daily Oklahoman.

I have an entry for your long-name contest, I served in the Army with a fellow from Detroit named Joseph Zolinerczykerwicz. Web called him "cabbage." Max E. Autry, Hembolt, Tenn.—Letter to Memphis (Tenn.) Press-Scientiar.

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## How To Hunt Guerrillas

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#### Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

# **Economic Slump Cause Of Red Policy?**

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Thus it looked as if the Russians fagured the big break they had been booking for-depression—had arrived. Also more money spent on armagnets in Washington, with more resultant industrial activity and business prosperity. Likewise the jeas military activity behind the Iron Curtain, the more chapte of economic doltrunce outdet the Iron Curtain.

When this writer was in Europe with the Friendship Train, far-sighted Italian Foreign Minister Count Carlo Sforza remarked:

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"Our only asiavation is a United States of Europe. We can never be economically self-supporting as long as we are cut up by nationalistic boundaries. Moreover, we will never abolish war until we bankin nationalism. Ourselves. We can only do it if you put the pressure on. You can do it through the Marshall Plan. You are the only people who cân make use tup a United States of Europe. But you will have to be tough. Otherwise the Marshall Plan will be only a chapter —a pleasant chapter, out a passing one."

Marshall Plan's Weak Spot

Othat the Marinau ram is good to the American tax-phaper—pleant for Europe, but not for the American tax-phaper—pleant for Europe, but not for the period ex-changed between European countries; and in a minor way they have succeeded. But they have not been tough. They have broken down to real barriers. However, the horse. We put the Marshall Plan before the Atlantic Pact. For instance, it is impossible to persuade Prance that she does not need her own exclusive sized industry, and that there is no political alliance in Western Europe guaranteeing steel to France in case of war.

Marshall Plan Retarded

THE Marshall Plan not only failed to do more than nibble at this problem, it actually retarded badly needed re-

A sit this problem, it actually returned usually needed to the likely for instance, will never be anywhere near safe-supporting until the great landed estates of South Raly are broken up and reclamation projects created to protect the land from drought. South related to the land from drought and the land in hely horror. The U. S. Congress, he said, wouldn't happrove. Breaking up Raly's light seal for some standard that the land in hely horror. The U. S. Congress, he said, wouldn't happrove. Breaking up Raly's light seal for sealing the land to the land the land to the l