

THURSDAY, JULY 7, 1949

WHAT ABOUT THE PACT?

THE North Atlantic Pact is not such an open and shut good deal as some of its most ardent exponents would have us believe: There are some liabilities in it, and see might as well be realistic about them:
(1) It virtually prömises that the United Blates will go to war in defense of a Pact nation, but the Congress of the United Blates could—and might—cancel out that promise.

promise.

(2) The alignment of 350,000,000 persons

replace the Soviet Union may provoke that against the Soviet Union may provoke nation to further action in Central Et and Scandinavia which the West wou

powerless to block without resorting to mover less to block without resorting to a constant and the constant

be Russian dominance in Germany? Would the greatest penalty be a third World War

with Russian troops rolling across a suptus
Western Europe before the United States
could aid those nations?

It is true that the possibility of Russian
military aggression is more remote now
than it was a year ago. John Foster Dulles
declared only this week that "the Russians
don't want to have a war—at least not
now ... in my opinion, Soviet policy prefers not to rely upon war as a means of
achieving its ends."

But was this true in 1948, before the West
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scheme with the plan in 1948, before the Westarmed Itself with the plan of mutual defense new called the North Atlantic Pact?
We think not.
Will this be true if the Pact should audenly crumble under opposition from isolationist Americans?
We think not the Pact, coupled with
Oreek-Turkish aid, the Marshall Plan, and
the Air Lift, has been sufficient to discourage Russian aggression. A Place aggression
by the people of the United States could
schieve a balance of power in Eurasia, thus
negating the pressure of the Red Army
along the eastern fringe of the Continent.
If the Pact will diminish the fear—and
possibility—of Russian aggression, then the

possibility—of Russian aggression, then the Pact will be worth \$1,450,000,000 — and

I disagree with them, and that is my right. For my view I have no splooty."

The formier Secretary of State exploted one of the great fallacies of this age—that Pederal aid is like a gift from Santa Claus when, in reality, "there is no Federal aid except from you." And to those who say the States are not doing enough for education, he suggested that repeal of some of the heavy Federal taxes would leave enough money for the states to run their own programs. Deficit financing in peacetime, he said, is a certain "road to disaster."

The South Carolinian has been criticized by "liberais" for furning his back on a philosophy of government he helped instill into our thinking as Senator, Superme Court. Justice, National War Mobilizer, and Secretary of State.

Perhaps if some of his critics who are so dazzied by the Washington scene would take some time of to regain their perspective, as he did, they loo might perceive more clearly the pitialis along the path we are purming.

BYRNES ON THE WARPATH

A PPARENTLY former Secretary of State
A James F. Byrnes, having broken openby with those who advocate an expanding
welfare state, has decided to drop his pas-

welfare state, has decided to drop his pas-sive role and become a militant opponent of Federal intervention and regimentation. We welcome the decision.
Recently, at Washington & Lee Universi-ty, Mr. Byrnes broke his long silence on national domestic affairs to denounce the trend toward as welfare state. His attack was taken up gleefully by conservatives, Democratic and Republican alike, as frust of the control of the control of the con-line of the control of the control of the Rut Mr. Byrnes made it perfectly clear in Oreenville this week that he was not aim-ply criticizing the Truman Administration. See told the annual convention of the S. C. American Legion:

SHIFT IN BIRTH RATES

If we are to believe the statistics of the Population Reference Bureau, there has been a reversal in the past decade of the well-worn adage—the tich get richer and the poor get children."

The Bureau, in its July Population Bulletin reports that:

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1. Between 1980 and 1987 the reproduction
rate of women college graduates increased 81
per cent compared to an increase of only 29
per cent for women who had completed only
rev years of grade achool; women who had
less than fire years of grade school was still
82 per cent higher in 1981 than that of college graduates — but in 1940 it was 165 per
extent higher.

lege graduates — but in 1940 it was 160 per cent higher.

2. All along the line the higher the educa-tion of the line the higher the educa-since 1940. The replacement rate of women college graduates made the largest gain, but women witil rose to three years of college, and high school graduates, made the second and third largest gains.

This is rather a startling state of affairs.
For many years sociologists have pondered
how best the superior physical and intelfectual specimens among us could be per-

MEETING THE ISSUE

WHILE Greensboro he ms and, have about its financial burden and professes inability to find ways and means, short of ABC stores, to maintain public services and functions at their present leyel, much less to expand them in Keeping with the demanda and needs of a rapidly growing community, Charlotte, if we may be a service and the same and the same and the same and effectively in a manner that will assure results.

results.
Charlotte City Council, without fanfare, has approved a six cents tax rate increase Charlotte City Council, without fanfare, has approved a six cents tax rate increase for the new fiscal year to bring the total up to \$13.9 per hundred of property valuation against the \$1.67 rate in the old city and \$1.57 in the new for Greensbore. Yet we are told that the limit has been reached here and that little or pothing can be done to bring the badly needed financial relief which this city must have it? It fullented as an already worfully inadequate recreation program, reduction of its police personnel and closing of a fire station. What is more—and here the ABC issue is pertinent—City Manaager Henry A. Yancey asys that the Queen City rabe would have been hiked to \$2.20 had not a \$450,000 share of ABC profits entered into the calculations. The point is that Charlotte has above sufficient faith, courage and recognition of the resilities to step into the financial breach and get sufficient money to meet its needs and keep up the march of

progress which brings rich dividends with it. Charlotte's growth, especially along in-dustrial lines, offers no indication what-ever that its tax rate is scaring off new business, industry and allied development.

suaded at least to keep up their numerical proportion. If the Bureau's figures are to be believed, the ladies are now taking care of that problem themselves. The Bureau's main explanation!

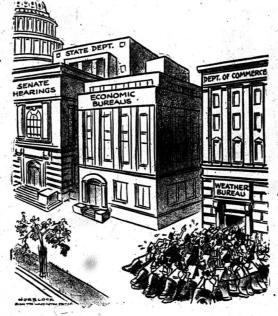
"Bith control at first fell into the hands of the well-to-do who needed it least ... Bith control has pretty much exhausted its influence on the size of families among the educated and is now spreading rapidly in the second of the second of the second and in large cities in the second of the second of

business, industry and allied development. Greenaboro had just as well recognize that these services and programs which it so badly needs and earnestly wants have to be paid for and that meeting this necessity is essentially a matter of will, as it relates to both citizenry and officialdom. Greenaboro, to get anywhere, is going to have to step up and meet the issue squarely, as Chapfotte has done, and not expend its espergy in breast beating over its plight, and hands wringing because of avowed inability to do anything about it.

The salaries of Congressimen were raised 50 per cent in order to get better Congressimen and the salaries of legislators were raised 150 per cent in order to get better [legislators]. Then the people of the United States got the Eightleth and the Eightly-First, Congresse and the people of Oklahoms got the Twenty-decord Legislature.—Oklahoms City Daily Oklahomson.

We have stopped taking cold showers every morning. We get the same sensation every day by asking the boss for a raise—Little Rock Arkansas Gazette.

Education might save us if we just knew what to teach and had the teachers. — Memphis (Tenn.) Press-Scimitar.



'Any Statement?'

People's Platform

Police Department Needs Clean-Up

Editors. The News:

"CLEAN UP MONTH IN CHARLOTTE" reminds me
Of the vital necessity of a clean-up in the Police
Department. I recently experienced the extreme
abiding citterns and taxpayers by the police officials,
I broke a mimor traffic violation—to be excluded,
by turning right on a one-way street, in an absent
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Mrs. McCall, every time I said anything to Capt. Hinkel, kept interrupting this. in spite of the fact that I expressly asked Gapt, Henkel if I could just talk to him alone. But his subordinate, Mrs. McCall., continued her venomous interruptions. She was never reprimanded at any time by her superior, Capt.

I returned home and called City Manager Yancey, I have nothing but praise for him. He was most kind and courteous and is obviously in no way responsible for the boorishness of the police officials whom I dealt with.

CHARLOTTE in the police department so citizens are treated like human beings instead of animals escaped from the

Catholic Layman Writes

Deling a native Charlottean, and having been edu-cated in the parochial as well as the public schools of our city. I would dailite to believe that your editorial of June 21, "Separation of Church and State" expressed the views of all the non-Cattolics with whom I have been in such happy association all my life. Nor can I sagree with the views presented in your educated "Statement of Principle" unser the date of June 25.

Marquis Childs

The Extremes

They make perfectly in the President's Outlie theoretically the President's Outlie theoretically the President's Outlie of Economic Advisors functions in a stratosphere's fur a slower politics. If The advisors of the recession could not be excluded from the council table, which was reason it took so long to final report that

James Marlow

The City's Part

JONES lives in a slum. What's the Government's new program —slum-clearance and public hous-ing—going to mean to him?

bination banker and rich uncle:
It's ready to help with money—
in gifts and loans—any city which
wants to tear down a slum and set
up low-rent public housing for lowincome people.
The program goes like this:
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to get rid of it. It gets permission
from its state legislature to do so
and it gets a small loan from the
Government to survey the whole
problem.

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But—and this is important for Jones and his neighbors in the alums—the Government will not help any city in any way in get-ting rid of a slum unless:

Merry-Go-Round

Medical Lobby Pressures Congressmen

gress who support the health program.

The card reads: "As for myself and family, which consists of the control of the control

Old Soldiers

JUE HUNDED forgotten soldiers, who survived past wars
but are sictims of 'gid age, are waiting to get into the
National Soldier' flome at Wainington, D. C.

But there's no room.

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did. That was the reason the Air Porce urgently summoned
oth sides to the Pentagon last week to settle the strike at
a dramatic, all-turne stone.

After negotiations broke down at South Bend, Secretary
of the Air Porce Stuart Symington personally invited Bendixberst an Air Porce plants to Destroit to pick up walter Reuther,
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It was Reuther who suggested they sit down on the spot

"With all this talent from both labor and management."

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We had this talent from both labor and management."

He declared. If we can't settle this strike, then it just plain
can be settled, And I'm willing to break it is med met face to
face.

"I am convinced that by using the democratic processes."

Key Congressman

TWIK President paid high praise to Democratic Rep. Mike Kirwan of Onio. militant battler for public power legis-lation, in a chat with another Mike the other day—Rep Mansfield of Montans.