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IS WAR INEVITABLE?

FORMER President Herbert Hoover is not the first to suggest that we quit trying to make the United Nations work and set up a new world organization with-out the Communist nations as members. The proposal has been advanced before by earnest Americans whose high hopes for a successful Nations have been shattered by the events of the past five years.

of the world and find out which ones are really our friends. Let us band ourselves together in a tight political and military alliance in which each member furnishes what he possesses to the common defense cause. Let us further shore up that alliance with the spiritual and moral power we often talk about but seldom exercise. And then let us get set for the inevitable.

AS FLORIDA GOES...

SINCE the discrediting of the public opinion polls, politicians have turned to primary battles and off-schedule elections for their information on voting trends. Sometimes, as a result, state campaigns are hallyhooed all out of proportion.

Florida would hardly qualify as an average state. And though national issues (the Fair Deal) and international issues (Senator Pepper's long-time sympathy for Soviet Russia) have been paramount, the campaign also has revolved around the two forceful, colorful personalities and a host of local issues, not the least of which are the many Federally-financed projects Pepper has swung for his home state.

CRIME INQUIRY A FARCE

HERBLOCK'S gambling cartoon elsewhere on this page may be a bit cruel in its jaundiced view of the Senate "investigation" of big-time gambling, but it hits close to the mark.

operating across state lines and controlling local and state governments. Yet the Federal grand jury investigating gambling operations in Kansas City reported that the annual take is \$24,000,000, and that the Kansas City underworld reaches into other cities in Kansas, Iowa and Nebraska.

A PHRASE TO FORGET

WE nominate for the most overworked word in the lexicon of the year "This will bring joy to the hearts of the men in the Kremlin."

It's about time for the Senate investigators to stop playing patty-cake with the men in Washington these days to play ostrich where big crime is concerned, to assume blithely that hoodlums are not brawls in the defense establishment and a host of other things.

CIRCLEVILLE IS RIGHT

CIRCLEVILLE, OHIO, is satisfied with its pumpkins and other products that come from the soil. It wants no part of a proposed multi-million dollar Air Force academy. The South Central Ohio town said so in letters specific and final.

It is comforting, however, to know that Circleville or any other community would resist a vast project which admittedly would bring a lot of money but would make it into a new kind of community. Those thoughtless who talk about "stagnation" have been doing very well without Government moneys, and they choose to continue that way.

'One More Question What's Good In The Third Race?'



People's Platform

WHY do sportswriters so consistently advocate racial equality, so called? Is that group made up entirely of ignorant Yankees ever here in North Carolina? Or is the local crew merely composed of equally ignorant Southerners?

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lish Dictionary are "a minute particle, an atom," and Webster's New International defines the word as follows: "A spark or barely perceptible manifestation; the slightest particle."

whether scintilla is used truthfully or falsely. Every man's dictionary gives some 30 or 40 synonyms or near-synonyms for scintilla, such as spark, bit, and so on - but do you ever look at the definition of scintilla as evidence, or "not a shred," or "not an atom"? No, it is always "a scintilla." Possibly the reason for this is that scintilla is longer than other words with the same meaning and therefore satisfies to the user's learning.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

WASHINGTON (By The Washington Post) - The other day to heckle Congress until the group controls are extended, he refused to make it a "last appeal." He said that he was not a member of the group and that he did not desire the fact that some of the big-city mayors who came to him for help were writing to compromise.

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Johnson Reversing Field On Need For Defense Spending

BY STEWART ALSP

IN THE CHILD'S game, called "grandmother's footsteps" in some infantile circles and "red light" in the second-rate circles of the "it" stands with his back to a second player, while the second player looks at the first player's back.

The latest move in the game was Johnson's request to Congress last week for an increase in aircraft procurement of \$300 million, with \$50 million more for anti-submarine warfare. This move was covered - rather inadequately, to a reasonably sharp-eyed "it" - by the assertion that certain events had forced a reappraisal, notably, the Soviet atomic explosion at the fall of the Berlin barrier.

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Banks Operate 'Farms' To Develop Needed Officials

BY HENRY C. MCFADYEN

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