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THE FORMOSAN THREAT

PRESIDENT TRUMAN took a calculated risk when he ordered the Seventh Fleet to isolate and neutralize Formosa during the Korean hostilities. By such an action, he risked military involvement with Communist China.

action to stop the invasion. That would immediately put us into a shooting scrape with forces of Communist China that might grow into a full-fledged war, imposing a tremendous drain on our slender military resources and placing us in the worst possible position in the eyes of the people of Asia.

THE PORK STILL OZZES

THE conference committee compromise on the Rivers and Harbors "pork-barr" bill is better than either House or Senate versions, but it still has one major defect—it authorizes the spending of too much money for domestic projects at a time when the Federal Government should be tightening its belt.

The conference committee agreed to spend \$486,000,000 in the fiscal year ending next June 30. That is some \$148,000,000 below Mr. Truman's budget estimate in January. It is about \$77,000,000 below the amount originally approved by the Senate. It is a boon of about \$80,000,000 over the \$350,000,000 figure adopted by the House.

EDITORIALETTES

From the Associated Press report of the Burlington-Winston-Salem baseball game at the Twin City the other night: "A crowd of 3,879, lured to Southside by the final judgment of Miss Cardinal of 1950, stayed around to witness one of the tightest pitched battles of the season. My Peggy Ann Alderman was judged the winner. We take it she pitched curves."

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Small-Bore Congressmen Have Large Calibre Mouths

By ROBERT RUARK

I LEARNED today from a Representative who handles a small-bore constituency that he is not a small-bore Congressman from Indiana, that we are about to do a great many things that he believes that he, if when and where, and that he will not be able to do.

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CAPITOL HILL sources don't put too much stock in the leadership "hopes" of getting out of town before Labor Day.

Neither do the North Carolina Senators who don't expect to be home much before the middle of October.

Most optimistic estimates are that the Senate will spend at least a week on the Administration tax bill. This would leave only a week to clear other "must" bills.

The omnibus appropriation bill, the "internal security" bill, the military rearmament bill, a special bill to authorize the cutting of non-defense agencies still deeper, and a House-Senate conference report on the Administration's emergency controls bill.

Senator Hoy said there are two schools of thought on what Congress should do when it finally pulls up stakes. "One calls for a three-day adjournment, the other, for a series of three-day recesses."

In any event, they will be back—when once away—November 15-16, unless.

ONE of the reported reasons the Democratic National Committee put the double-whammy on Prof. James P. Finley's nomination for chairman of the Civil Aeronautics Board was the alleged financing by the Davidson College political science teacher of an "anonymous" newspaper advertisement during the recent North Carolina campaign attacking the Democratic National Committee sources, said.

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INCIDENTALLY, Senator Graham said he will vote for Willis Smith in the Fall campaign. Senator Hoy isn't sure, but Senator Graham feels that the Alaska and Hawaiian treaties are part of an international network which exchanges weather information in the Hawaiian Islands.

UNIVERSAL Military Training is once again in the forefront thanks to Defense Secretary Johnson and the American Legion. It is likely that UMT will remain on the job, if the weather station north of Korea. This apparently was done to hinder U. S. airmen, who had been using the Soviet weather broadcasts to help the North Koreans and put the weather stations under a wartime blackout.

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