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EVERYBODY'S RESPONSIBILITY

THE American who tries conscientionally to read and analyze the three latest Presidential messages to Congress finds himsel; undertaking an impossible task. The proposed expansion of Pederal Government activities is so breath-taking, and the costs are set forth in such staggering figures, that the layman soon becomes hopelessly incl.

signres, that the layman soon becomes hopelessly lot hopelessly lot. It is one of the tragedies of our times that this should be so. Almost every word President Truman spoke in his State of the Union address and word in his concennic report and budget message either has some immediate impact on all of us, or priots stunning implications for the future. A few things we can understand:

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We can understand, and agree with, Truman's three basic objectives: (1) an trumans three basic objectives: (1) as speeded-up common defense effort, with spinphasis on the North Atlantic and Western Europe; (2) economic assistance to other areas where vital supplies are obtained; (3) continued efforts to work oft peaceful settlements of international disputes.

productive capacity.

Beyond that, the American is forced to rely on the wisdom of his leaders, military and civilian, as they seek the right answer to the great questions of the day. And it is not entirely comforting to do so, since the record of the past has not been too

There are countless possibilities of error the step-by-step preparation to meet threat of World Communism. From the iginal estimation of the enemy's inten-

FAIR DEAL IN DISGUISE

tions and capabilities down through the final details of our own decisions, major mistakes may be made that can have tragic results for this nation and our all'es. The possibility of error will be increased by the haste with which the job must be done.

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Even so, there is no alternative but to follow the broad leadership of the President as it will be spelled out in detail in forthcoming Congressional legislation. We must follow it will be spelled out in detail in forthcoming Congressional legislation. We must follow it will enthusiasm, with trust and confidence that our course is right. On the whole, Mr. Truman's approach to world topics is, logical and sound, and about serve to increase public confidence that an expert of the present of

which is essential to a vigorous democracy and a highly productive labor force."

On housing, the President said: "Subject only to defense priorities, we are giving special emphasis to housing for lower income groups in accordance with the general objectives of national housing policy."

These and other restatements of Fair Deal objectives are in character for the President. He is a tough-minded and per-sistent man to begin with and he is also a shrewd politician who would like to hold his big liberal following through the

emergency.

The current Congress, dominated as it is by Republicans and Southern Democrats, is not likely to go along with any legislation that is not an integral part of the emergency. It should however, be ever on the alert lest some of the luxuries be palmed off as necessities in coming months. The American people are getting set to lead Spartan existences. They fully expect their Federal Government to do the same.

FAIR DEAL IN DISGUISE THE fact that President Truman is still carrying the torch for some of his yet unrealized Pair Deal ventures is not unusual. It is interesting, however, to note how the President's budget message skillfully wore them into the fabric of the national emergency legislative program. He said legislation is needed to permit direct payments to farmers when their prices drop below price support levels promised by the Government. That is the Frannan Pina. He aaked Congress again to create a Phil Employment Practice Commission on the ground of getting more defenise production "Even less than in other umes can we now afford to discriminate in employment against the missions of weekers and the standard of the comcan we now afford to discriminate in employment against the missions of weekers minority groups." Pederal aid to state echools was termed nucessary "from the standpoint of national security alone, as well as the enlargement of opportunities for the indivictual." Federal health insurance was recommended to help provide "material security NEW LIFE FOR CONSOUR **NEW LIFE FOR CONSOLIDATION**

THE signs of awakening interest in par-tial consolidation of the City and County Governments should be good news to the taxpayers of the community who have been wondering when. If ever, any skiton would come from the institute of Government's exhaustive study of the two leads governments.

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The Institutes reports on several duplicate services of the City and County Governments have been gathering dust for rhainy months. So far as The News knows, neither the City Council nor the County Commission named any committees to examine the studies closely and make atweestions for noutitive action.

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The climate is favorable for consolida-tion. The demands of the national emer-gency make it imperative that State and local governments cut out waste and dupil-cation wherever possible, so that the tax-party may be spared the burden of non-essential expenditures.

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From The Baltimore Evening Sun

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ties and a lot more fun. It calls for no in-vestment in equipment and there is no legal rigmarde. All that is needed is a man who doubless goes cheerfully about his authorized task of unscrewing the tire valves and letting the debtors' car settle down on its haunches.

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Russia Must Move In Europe To Balance Chinese Strength

By JOSEPH & STEWART ALSOP

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Tar Heel Recipe

North Carolina's Top Dish short State) consider their finest stock in trade.

cipe for it. He wants to resume as to under of a con-versy that, as of this writing, still rages. Every-erth Carolinian appears to have his own idea as the proudest achievement of the State's cuisine, dit is rare that two of them agree.

Nominations thus far range from the humble pan-fried "chitterings" (sog tripe: the word is locally pronounced chittlings, through angel food (angel) cake to "hushquiples" (commeal past fried crips in deep hot fat, eather with fish or meat, and called "hushquiples" supposedly because hunters use them to quiet huntry, waiting hounds,

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fowl gorged on wild rice.

Georgia is traditionally the home of Brunswick stew that thick, savory huntaman's pottage into which go chicken, pork, rabbit and squirrel, as well as tomatoes, fresh corn and other vegetables. Visitors to Florida think its Gulf Stream fish the greatest delleacy, with pompano and yellowtall especially favored. And so across the continent.

But it is hard to single out one delicacy as rep-resentative of North Carolina because, catholic of taste, it relianes the cookery of every state and every land.

On the coast, I have relished cold boiled shrimp fresh from the sound, thick stew of hardshell crab, filled of bluefish cooked golden under the broiler, steamed cysters, shad roe with lemon butter.

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GOOD TREE FARMING

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Black locuits ate out as seedings in Shelby Forest
from eight to 12 years ago are now ready to be cut
for sale as fence posts.

It is expected that they will bring from \$40,00
to \$50,000 to help finance the state park system.

This is good tree farming.
One may so to Shelby Forest and buy as little
as one fence post. Thus the little fellow will benefit
as much as the big operator, That is good public servserved by the propersor of the state parks.

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Radio sportscaster claimed that one team had "run the field 25 yards up the ball," and our only regret is that this contest was not televised,—Memphis Commercial-Appeal.

Fair, Impartial Tax Collecting Needed Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

PRESIDENT TRUMAN has now warned the nation that Mr. John Q. Taxpayer will have to pay taxes literally through the nose to finance rearmament.

This isn't going to be pleasant, but John Q. Taxpayer can take it—as long as no favorites are played in tax coi-

Jections.

About 99 per cent of the T-men who enforce tax collections are honest, underpaid and hard-working. However,
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