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KENNEDY, HOOVER, AND NOW TAFT

SENATOR ROBERT TAFT has introduced a new issue into the great national debate over internationalism. Prior to the Taft speech in the Senate on Friday, the debate raged over these two basic policies and their many ramifications...

MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 1951. SENATOR TAFT, however, begins with an entirely different assumption—that Russia has no designs on the rest of the world. In his Senate speech he said: "I doubt very much that the Russians contemplate any military conquest of the world."

Therefore, he continued, the United States need not send any more troops to Western Europe because the presence of those troops would "prod" Russia to act and would "produce war."

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WHILE THE NEWS believes that many of North Carolina's highway accidents are the result of mechanical deficiencies in the automobiles—and, for that matter, support the proposal for an inspection system for the state—it recognizes that the majority of the accidents are due to human failures. It follows, then, that the State should take action, wherever possible, to minimize human failures...

Now there is a plan, introduced in the General Assembly by Rep. Buri Henderson of Craven County, calling for extremely high fines for drivers who are careless in driving.

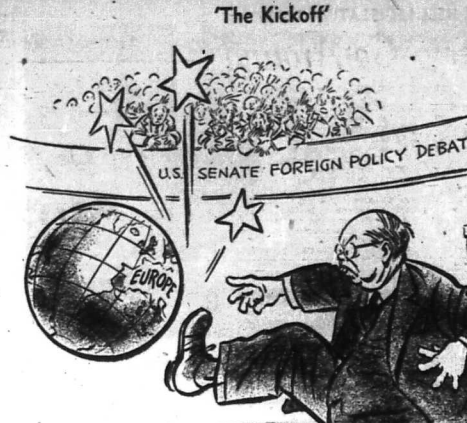
POOR FISCAL POLICY

BEING further removed from the Raleigh scene, The News was a bit slow to wade into the controversy over a new coliseum for the State Fair Grounds. Today we jump in with both feet.

Under the cartoon on this page today are editorials from the Raleigh News & Observer and the Greensboro Daily News which state the case against the coliseum. There is little The News can add to them except to fill in a few missing facts.

The appropriation by the 1940 General Assembly was \$1,257,000. The contract awarded by the Budget Bureau last week was for \$1,347,098.55, or more than \$90,000 in excess of the appropriation.

Obviously the money to heat and light the building will have to come from some other source if the original investment is not to be wasted. So that there will be, in the end, no savings. As a matter of fact, rising costs may boost the heating and lighting contracts to an even higher figure when the funds are finally in hand.



U.S. SENATE FOREIGN POLICY DEBATE. If Mr. Taft did not believe that Hitler planned war... Mr. Taft did not believe that Mussolini planned war... Mr. Taft did not believe that Tojo and Yamashita planned war...

State Fair Coliseum Row

Costly Duplication

(An Editorial from The Raleigh News & Observer) A FEW DAYS when the State is perplexed over a problem of sources of revenue for necessary services, the Budget Bureau is lashed on the shoulders by a contract that was awarded for a modern coliseum at the State Fair grounds... The contract was for approximately \$1,000,000.

EXCELLENT STARTING POINT

(An Editorial from The Greensboro Daily News) BUDGETING is being done so meticulously, so accurately, so thoroughly, so intelligently, so wisely, so judiciously, so carefully, so conscientiously, so thoroughly, so intelligently, so wisely, so judiciously, so carefully, so conscientiously...

North Carolina putting first things first, is in for a period of discriminating spending; and this State Fair expenditure represents about the best starting point for an application of that policy that we can think of.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

TO UNDERSTAND fully the tragic headlines from Korea, it is necessary to have the background situation in the Pentagon Building, plus some of the differences between the Joint Chiefs of Staff and General MacArthur.

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MacArthur Pleads

RECENTLY MacArthur asked for four new divisions to hold a line north of Seoul. In fact, he literally burned up the line north of Seoul. In fact, he literally burned up the line north of Seoul...

By MARQUIS CHILDS

WASHINGTON. AS A REPORTER moving about from Europe to Korea, from China to Japan, and from Japan to Europe, I have seen a number of officials in the past few weeks trying to find out why we are withdrawing troops from Japan...

First, as to Korea. The basic fact which must always be remembered is that the Korean peninsula was never believed that the Korean peninsula was a defensible territory. It was too small, too mountainous, and too far from the mainland to be held for a long period of time...

Large numbers of troops sent to Europe and Korea would be a waste of money. When intelligence reports had established that the enemy force was retreating toward the 38th parallel, it was abundantly clear that Korea would not be held for long. It was decided at the top political level that it was vital to sustain the United Nations as a symbol of collective security in the world.

It is equally clear that the U.N. armies could not simply walk out of Korea. That would have the effect of a complete demoralization of the U.N. principle, which would have had certain effects everywhere.

Our Hero Now Leads Dog's Life Since He Got Ragpom

NEW YORK. ONE OF THE penalties a man who deludes himself that he is a hero is that his responsibility vanishes, and he is left to commit blunders. When it comes to the dog, the hero is usually a French poodle...

Quote, Unquote

Football fanaticism isn't quite as virulent as might be supposed. It is not so universal. It is not so intense. It is not so widespread. It is not so general. It is not so common. It is not so frequent. It is not so regular. It is not so systematic. It is not so organized. It is not so planned. It is not so directed. It is not so controlled. It is not so supervised. It is not so managed. It is not so administered. It is not so executed. It is not so implemented. It is not so performed. It is not so carried out. It is not so put into effect. It is not so put into operation. It is not so put into practice. It is not so put into use. It is not so put into action. It is not so put into effect. It is not so put into operation. It is not so put into practice. It is not so put into use. It is not so put into action.

Stymied Program

ALTHOUGH President Truman kept his temper, he was furious about the election of Rep. Buri Henderson of Virginia to the powerful House Ways & Means Committee. Henderson's election was a blow to the administration because of the vetoes it would have to face...

Uncensored European News

IT ISN'T always pleasant to face these facts, but the United Nations Alliance in Europe are probably getting a less optimistic picture of the situation in the Middle East than we are. The truth is not helping us. Even in Turkey, for instance, there has been harsh criticism of the United Nations mission. The picture is not helping us.