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HERE WE GO AGAIN

WHEN the House Appropriations Comiw mittee killed the "one-package" appropriations bill system this week, it ave U. 8. taxpayers ample proof that Congress is not really interested in governmental economy, the protestations of its
members to the contrary nowthstanding.
The "one-package" appropriations measure has long been urged upon Congress by
advocates of Federal fiscal reform. It was
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advocates of Pederal fiscal reform. It was first put into practice last year. House Appropriations Chairman Cannon said it saved the taxpayers \$2.500 00,000 Senator Harry Byrd, watchdog of the Treasury, said it brought order out of chaos. This week, after a trial period of only one year, the plan was junked by a coalition of Democrats and Republicans on Mr. Cannon's committee. This year Congress will revert to the old system of handling the budget for each in a separate bill.

Why?

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Because the "one-package" measure keeps the expenditure total in full view at all times, and Congress had rather not be reminded of that total.

Because it discourages logrolling (vote

swapping on pet projects).

Because it gives sincere economy advo-

cates a better chance to cut expenditures.

Because it highlights constantly the necessity of providing adequate revenue to

meet expenditures.

As the Baltimore Evening Sun points out, Congress would protest strongly if President Truman broke his budget up into twelve different parts:

Twelve separate sets of estimates sent

Yet that is what Congress proposes to do once again. It will break the President's budget up into ten or twelve appropriado once again. It will break the President's budget up into ten or twelve appropria-tions bills. Each will be considered sep-erately, and not until all have been agreed upon will anyone know just how much money Congress has voted and whether will be ample revenue

The criticism of the "one-package" measure heard most often is that it takes some six weeks of continuous debates to pass it. Senator Byrd effectively demolished that argument when he said

"Why shouldn't it take six weeks or even more if you're spending \$47,000,000.000 of the taxoavers' money?"

taxpayers' money?"

Senator Byrd added that he regarded
the House Committee action as "a very
serious step backward in fiscal reform".
That, as we see it, is an understatement,
toned down to avoid ruffling Congressional tempers. Having no working relationships to maintain as does Senator Byrd, we state the case more strongly:

The action of the House Appropriations committee bloc of eighteen Republicans committee bioc of eighteen Republicans and thirteen Democrats was a brazen move to remove the brakes on spending and take the taxpayers on a wild spending spree. It is but another example of Congressional irresponsibility to add to a list that is already overly long.

SMITH UNIVERSITY—A WORTHY CAUSE

TWENTY-TWO years ago this newspa... per had occasion to comment on Johnson C:-Smith University—some of were
still calling it "Biddle University" thenunder the heading of "Negro Education".
Tizs News remarked that while it was
conceivable that there were still a few
among us who were out of sympathy with
the cause of higher education for Negroes
(Taking the easy and old-fashioned attithe cause of higher education for regroes ("taking the easy and old-fashioned atti-tude that the Negro was ordained spe-cifically for the more menial tasks and that to educate him is to ge against the grain") most of us had abandoned that particular mental relic of the Reconstruc-

on C. Smith University has come a Johnson C. Smith University has come a ong way since 1929. It has made a name or itself not simply in the field of more ducation but in the educational world as a whole. Its graduates have carried its ame not only to the heart of our own nation—one is a municipal court judge in Washington, D. C.—but to the world be yond our shores—one serves as American ambassador to Liberia.

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That a Negro university in the South should have accomplished what Johnson C. Smith University has is remarkable enough; but that it should have been accomplished within a physical plant so inadequate as that of Smith University partakes of the miraculous.

As you have probably heard—or guessed, from the tone of this editorial—Smith University pareds money to bring its physical plant up to date: to improve housing and servicing of students, to expand library and laboratory facilities, to provide a faculty and program adequate to the needs of the period.

It is, we think, pointless to go into detail here—much of that is covered in a series of three articles beginning in Trux News today. Suffice it to say this David of a school is attempting to fell the Coliath of Ignorance and, to a marked degraded to the control of the control of the control of the coliath of genorance and, to a marked degraded to the control of the coliath of genorance and, to a marked degraded to the coliath of genorance and, to a marked degraded to the coliath of genorance and, to a marked degraded to the coliath of genorance and, to a marked degraded to the coliath of genorance and, to a marked degraded to the coliath of genorance and, to a marked degraded to the coliath of genorance and, to a marked degraded to the coliation of the colination of the coliation of the colination of the coliation of the coliation

ence are not properly equipped for the job.

Smith University realizes that it is at
the door to its greatest era; never before have so many young Negroes had such interest in higher education. All of us should be concerned with providing ample opportunity for them.

A REMINDER

THIS is as good a time as any, we suppose, to remind the General Assembly that one highly importance matter of business—adoption of the urban redevelopment enabling act—should not be overlooked in the growing concentration on

other things.

As we have pointed out before, adoption of the enabling act will not obligate the State Government, or any city in North Carolina, to spend one penny on urban redevelopment. It will merely make it possible, when the proper time comes, for North Carolina cities to take part in a natice of the comes for the comes for the control of the comes tionwide program of redeveloping slum areas for other uses.

No one knows when that time will come.

As President Truman said in his budget

"Because of the great importance of en-uraging orderly development of our cities

From The Greensboro Daily News

—and the small amounts of manpower and other resources involved in the early years— steady progress should continue in the plan-ning stage of this program. Local authorities also may acquire sites, but will not demolsh existing buildings or otherwise redevelopment areas unless the redevelopment is consis-tent with defense requirements.

It may be years before any projects will be undertaken except in critical defense houling areas. Even so, statutory authority to participate in urban redevelopment should be put on the books now so that North Carolina cities can continue with their preliminary planning.

The bill was defeated in the 1949 General Assembly because real estate men objected to some of its provisions. Now a compromise measure has been worked out by the North Carolina Association of Real Estate Boards and the N. C. League of Municipalities. It has the support of both groups, and should be passed.

MERITORIOUS

Long and ardent admirer of Comptrol-ler General Lindsay Warren, the Daily News was deeply pleasured from reading in the Raleigh News & Observer's Washcorrespondence that Beaufort County's chief current contribution to the state and nation is forging straight ahead in his well-nigh single-handed campaign for cutting down waste in Washington ex-

penditures.

From a war-time high employment of 15,000 persons Mr. Comptroller Warren has reduced his own pay roll to 7000. This sort of thing has made him friends in Congress from which he holds his office, it is said; we are confident it has also made several Republican votes among those several sev

emises were not enough. he has ex-nded said premises to help others econ-nise. He offers two floors of the new illding constructed to house his person-it to Stabiliser Charles E. Wilson. This, would insist, is the final demonstra-

tion of co-operative endeavor. When have you ever heard of a public official or de-partment which had any working space voluntarily shared with any other official

department or agency?

If it were not that we believe Lindsay would protest against the expense and time involved, we would suggest an award "The Federal Working Man of the

"Human beings couldn't survive a visit to the moon because there is no air or water there," says an astronomer. Why not? They survive visits to night clubs.—
Bristol (Va.) Herald-Courier.

Life gets easier. With many of the new cars now there is nothing left for the left foot to do except blink the lights, nor for the right hand to do after you finish the courting age.—Camden (S. C.) Chronicle.

An expert is a man who guessed right the last time.—Elizabethtown (Ky.) News.

Old Folks At Home



Memo To Scotland Yard:

Pst! Try Lisbon Falls

Stone of Scone and minds of the Petalus II was one of his ancestors that brought it to Scotland in the first place.

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'1984' May Be Much Nearer Than We Want To Believe

By MARQUIS CHILDS

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By ROBERT C. RUARK

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Mobsters Fail To Report Income Source Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

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Protection Payoffs
THE latter is the Achilles' heel of the underworld. For the
chief business deductions of the hoodiums are protection
money paid to police and local politicians. This is not a legal
business deduction under the tax laws and by watching this,

revenue agents not only can help clean up city politics but help drive the hoodiums out of business.

To illustrate, let's take a closer look at the profits of Jack Guzik, No. 2 inheritor of the old Al Capone rackets. Set the profits of the control of the contr

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Rearming The South
THE South is getting so many defense projects that northern Congressmen have been kidding their colleagues
about the danger of a new civil war.
It happened when Chairman Carl Vinson of Georgia
was delivering a closed-door report on proposed Air Force
projects--practically every one of them below the MasonDixon line. Finally, Congressman Gary Clemente of New
York Interruppie.

York interrupted.

"Mr. Chairman," he said, "the list you are reading gives me pause. There is this for Trunessee, that for Alabama, and, of course, Texas is never forgotten.

"In addition, I see by the newspapers that the new H-bomb project is alsated for South Carolina, while the atom-bomb plant is located in North Carolina. Am I to be led to believe that the South is rearming?"

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Chairman Thunon of Georgia informed the New Yorker Chairman Thunon of Georgia informed the New