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TRUCK REGULATION NEEDED

IT IS TIME, we believe, for the members of the City Council to analyze the dispute, over banning curb parking on Graham St. and to examine its bearing on the all-important truck regulation proposal.

In selecting Graham St. for one of the main truck arteries, Traffic Engineer Herman Hoose bowed to the inevitable. Graham is a street carrying 44 per cent of the heavy tractor-trailer trucks. Most of the trucking industry is centered west of Tryon St. Graham is the only available street tying together busy Morched and the Stateville Ave.-N. Tryon area.

Mr. Hoose would have preferred a new north-south thoroughfare, within or without the city limits. But such a boulevard is beyond the City's financial capacity, and it may be years before the State of North Carolina agrees to the project.

The Traffic Engineer then took the next logical step. Graham St. is already terribly congested. The several hundred additional trucks that would be funnelled into Graham each day would make the congestion worse. Hence, he recommended that curb parking on Graham from Liddell to Morched be eliminated, creating a four-lane street which would permit the smooth and efficient movement of traffic and the installation of modern signal devices at key intersections.

To judge from Wednesday's Council session, the banning of parking on Graham Street is the heart of the truck report when, in reality, it is just one part. It is not essential to the truck plan. The plan will operate, though not quite so efficiently, if curb parking spaces on Graham are not eliminated. What concerns us is the possibility that the Council will become so embroiled over the Graham St. issue that it will put off affirmative action on a sound truck regulation plan which has the unanimous endorsement of the Charlotte Planning Board, the Charlotte Parking Commission, the Charlotte Motor Freight Carriers' Association, and the Board of Directors of the Charlotte Chamber of Commerce.

This must not happen. A big and still-growing city that is growing more dependent on trucking each year must find a satisfactory way to live with the big vehicles. Obviously they cannot be permitted to run hither and yon, on any and every street they fancy.

Mr. Hoose's plan will tide Charlotte over until the day when other truck thoroughfares are a reality instead of a hope. It should be adopted without further delay, even if the Council finds itself still unwilling to meet head-on the problem of traffic congestion on Graham St.

THE GERMAN SETTLEMENT

WITH the ink hardly dry on the Japanese treaty, the Big Three Foreign Ministers started work on a German settlement. This issue will be discussed at the NATO Council meeting opening in Ottawa tomorrow.

There will be no general conference and treaty, such as there was with Japan. To formalize the negotiation would bring up the inclusion of both Germany, East and West, and with it the usual Soviet snafu. Even many of the most nationalistic Germans have resigned themselves to a divided country, at least for the foreseeable future.

Instead, the diplomats have come up with a "contractual arrangement". In its present—and probably final—form, it will replace the occupation forces with defense forces, much as was done in Japan. The three-power commission will be divided into three groups of ambassadors, which will wield a few veto powers. The Germans will receive almost complete sovereignty, but a few emergency strings will be left dangling in case the U. S., France and Great Britain want to pull them. "Protection clause" will enable the Allies to intervene if they think Communism or Fascism is endangering German democracy. In the light of past performance by Germany and its present precarious position, the geographical and ideological position, such a provision seems particularly desirable.

One of the main bargaining points was the issue of German participation in Western defense. Many Germans have had all the military experience they want—their great majority were firmly opposed to German rearmament when the question was the object of considerable polemics in this country only a few months ago. The shrewd German militarists reasoned correctly that the

West would soon be begging for German military skill, and named military equality as their price. The compromise worked out is this: occupation will cease, and its \$1.25 billion expense, which has been borne by the Germans, will be applied to the building up of German defense forces within the rapidly-developing European army.

Thus the German contract will speed the establishment of the European army which, hard on the heels of the Schuman plan for pooling the European coal and steel community, has made "astounding progress" and is "one of the most significant developments in Europe in many years", according to the Paris correspondent of The New York Herald Tribune, Walter Kerr.

Likewise, the German integration, along with the overall military and economic unification of Western Europe, points up the complete lack of action by the convening NATO Council toward effective political control over the military and economic forces now being so rapidly amalgamated.

U. S. News & World Report states that "Twelve bosses meet up Eisenhower's job... Action is being held up in a dozen fields by the laborious decision-making machinery." Eisenhower himself has said that the joining together of Europe in a federal union is "the key to the whole thing". Still, the only governing body for Europe and the Atlantic community as a whole is the twelve-headed Atlantic Council, all of whose members have complete veto power. The functioning of this body is due largely to the skill and diplomacy of General Eisenhower.

The NATO Council would do well to accompany their discussion of the German settlement with this larger, pressing problem at Ottawa this week-end.

UMSTEAD JOINS THE SCRAP

WITH one candidate, Capua Wynick, definitely out of the race and another candidate, William Umstead, definitely in, the North Carolina gubernatorial contest is beginning to stir.

Mr. Umstead's announcement this week merely confirmed what everyone has known for many weeks. He had previously written many letters to friends all over the state asking their support, and had let it be known generally that he would definitely seek the Governorship.

The Durham man, who distinguished himself in the elected Congress and as an appointed Senator, will be a strong candidate. He established a sound liberal voting record in Congress, but showed more conservative leanings when he was appointed to the Senate after the death of Josiah Bailey. He is a scholarly and dignified man of character and integrity, and he has great strength within his cabinet.

HOFFMAN AS A CANDIDATE

IF GENERAL EISENHOWER is not a GOP Presidential candidate in 1952, the independent voters' choice for Governor is Paul Hoffman, former Postmaster George Gallup in the current issue of Look.

Persons who classify themselves as "independents" make up about 28 per cent of the electorate, says Mr. Gallup, so "to win elections the two major parties must be forced to rely on them."

We are pleased to hear of this potential support for the former ECA Administrator. In many ways his attributes are similar to those of General Eisenhower—an ability to deal with foreign nations, Congressmen and the public, a solid background in industry, a positive attitude of responsibility, and above all, a contagious optimism and the ability to inspire and to lead.

However, Mr. Hoffman has emphatically declared that he will not return to the hubbub of Washington. It would take a lot of coaxing and pressure to get him away from his comfortable California home, from which he directs the gigantic philanthropies of the Ford Foundation, Columbian, Marquis Childs

visited him this week and observed that Hoffman and the Foundation provided one of those rare instances where "the man and the job" had come together, and Mr. Hoffman seemed immensely happy in his work.

Perhaps an offer of the Presidency would change Mr. Hoffman's mind about returning to the Governorship. But it does not seem likely at this point that the Republicans will nominate him. The party machinations go on, with the popular will of the people overpowered by the convention system. Thus the people may have only two mediocrities from which to choose their leader.

The crime of crimes, it is said, is for a department to come to the end of a fiscal year with unspent money on hand.—Laurin Boychong.

If Patrick Henry thought taxation without representation was so bad, he should see it with representation.—The Retaliator.

Fishing. An uninhabited body of water surrounded by liars in old clothes.—Caribob (N. M.) Current-Argus.

There's Something About A Soldier



Loyett Is More Bipartisan Than Quarreling GOP Solons

By MARQUIS CHILDS

WASHINGTON
While Senate Republicans and Democrats have rolled over the politics of a bipartisan foreign policy, the facts of the case for George C. Marshall, who was Secretary of State. That partnership had begun during the war when the two men worked closely together.

Temporarily they have been in combat, but the fact that he does Loyett displays the precision and order characteristic of Marshall, the soldier. Between them is a deep mutual respect, and Marshall's first move when the President called him to be Secretary of Defense was to call Loyett back to Washington. In the interval beginning in April of 1947, he had returned to his partnership in the private banking firm of Brown Brothers Harriman & Company.

As Deputy Secretary of Defense, Loyett has carried much of the burden of getting the rearmament program rolling. Marshall was the policymaker and Loyett carried out the great load of detail as defense spending approached the rate of \$30 billions a year. One of Loyett's aims is to make the program now 70 years old, to as great a degree as possible.

The structural motive in Marshall's career has been an inherent sense of duty. Often it has taken him more time to get to work than to get to bed. He was one of the few voices to speak out against the incredibly busy, destructive and costly mobilization at the end of World War II. Marshall understood the peril of creating a power vacuum in the military machine of the United States at a turning point in world history.

It was at this time when many who have since attacked him were shrilling to "bring the boys home," and denouncing the mobilization for trying to hold together some portion of American troops in Europe. A Senator, Republican or Democrat, but joined the political chorus which helped to undermine the position of the United States at a turning point in world history.

In the State Department Loyett

People's Platform

Letters should be brief, written on one side of the paper. The writer's name must be signed, but may be withheld from publication in the discretion of the Editor. The News reserves the right to condense.

Rose Garden Payment

CHARLOTTE

Editors, The News:
THE statement regarding the Rose Garden in The News is entirely wrong and misleading.

My company has no claim against the city and never has presented one.

The Rose Garden property was taken by the State Highway Commission for a part of the new cross-town highway. I agreed with them to accept \$5,000 in settlement, although the value of land taken was much greater.

The \$5,000 was appropriated for their payment and the money issued but never yet delivered to me. I am still waiting for the money.

When that \$5,000 is paid to my company our claim will be released, and I hope yet to live long enough to see the color of it. The city has had nothing to do with it.

—F. C. ABBOTT, President, Abbott Realty Company.

Somebody's Wrong

CHARLOTTE

Editors, The News:
WAS it planned? If it was, I may complain

to you. I am sure you are not. On page one of your Sept. 11 issue, President Truman says in column eight: "It is just a part of life that waste and extravagance are running wild in the Government."

2. Also on page one, in columns one and two, the Hoover Report says: "... vast expenditure of funds result."

P. S. And Hoover quotes F. B. HILL.

Plaza Road Vs. The Plaza

CHARLOTTE

Editors, The News:
IF you will take time to inform your city hall

of my report, Mr. Young to look at a city map, he will see that the Plaza starts at Westmoreland Ave. and ends at the city limits and the Norfolk Southern Railroad.

I know the people that live on this street would be glad if your reporters would stop trying to rename the street Plaza Road, as the Plaza Road starts outside the city limits.

We care nothing about what a street is named, just so it's not got two names. You see we order something sent to our homes and they go out and look on the part that is widened now, and go back

and inform us that there is no such number on the Plaza.

Have Mr. Young to ride out and look at the street names before he starts writing about some street going to be widened, and he will know what the street is named by the City of Charlotte.

If he wants to still call it the Plaza Road, why not call it the Poorhouse Road, the named it used to be called years ago. That's what my deed calls it—the County Home Road.

—W. J. MCLENDON.
(Although technically Mr. McLendon is correct, the street in question is called the Plaza Road by most people, including City Councilmen. Editors, The News.)

For Enforced 45 MPH Limit

ROCKINGHAM

Editors, The News:
AM so impressed by what W. L. Vennig didn't say in the cause of murder on the highways of North Carolina, I shall say it for him.

The State may refuse to issue drivers license to the mute, the inspection law may be appealed, and in my opinion, if we had more writers and editors like Mr. Vennig, the law would be properly marked, all 1933 jalopies driven from the highways and that will stop the slaughter.

If a car is a 45 mile an hour speed law, rigidly enforced.

—JOHN D. WHITE.

Plaudits For Dr. Spough

MONROE

Editors, The News:
I AGREE with Frank F. Jones about Dr. Herbert Spough's articles in your wonderful newspaper.

More people read this, this would be a better world in which to live. May Dr. Spough live many, many more years and write many more helpful things for the people to read. Indeed, the last page of your paper is well worth the price of the paper.

—MRS. ALC. BOWZE.

Where Are Warren's Backers?

KINGS MOUNTAIN, N. C.

Editors, The News:
I WOULD like to know what has become of the people who talk so strongly about Dr. Warren as Governor of North Carolina.

I believe that Dr. Warren would be the very man for our next Governor of North Carolina. Therefore I am nominating Dr. Warren for Governor of North Carolina.

—LEO G. BEATTIE.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

WASHINGTON

A REVOLUTIONARY discovery which could make farming unnecessary has been made by three scientists at the National Institute of Health. They have discovered the secret of sunlight. This is behind the recent statement by Dr. James Conant, president of Harvard, that solar energy will surpass atomic energy in the near future.

The scientists, Dr. Dean Burk, a cancer research expert, Martin Schwartz, a biochemist, and Jerome Cora, a mathematician, have found an efficient way to release the energy of light in the laboratory. They are growing plant life in test tubes from light, water, carbon dioxide and a few minerals.

This discovery, based on earlier research by the great Nobel Prize winner, Dr. Emil Warburg of Germany, promises to unlock the key to life in the future.

1. Produce plant life in "food factories" cheaper and more efficiently than present-day farming. Less than one per cent of the sun's energy is utilized now in farming and much more could be. Japan, with a teeming population and many mountains, has existed in the past chiefly by forest trade and foreign conquest—though today the American people are spending one billion dollars annually to support her.

2. England, with an equally dense population and little sunlight, thrived through foreign trade and foreign conquest in the past—now is being subsidized by the American taxpayer.

Growing food by artificial sunlight could change all this in a few years. It would mean the end of starvation of several million people in India.

3. Provide hydrogen gas in unlimited amounts by taking it from water by sunlight.

4. Convert sunlight into electric power. This could make Arizona, New Mexico, Texas and California the great industrial centers of the U.S.A.; could even shift the industrial population from around Pittsburgh and Chicago to the Southwest.

Solar Energy May Make Farming Obsolete

WASHINGTON

In fact, the discovery shortly to be announced by the National Institute of Health could be more important than that of President Truman after Hiroshima on Aug. 6, 1945.

Kneads Doughboys

RECENT statements by President Truman and Senator Young of North Dakota about general election strategy have been much impressed with the Air Force. General Church during a joint orientation conference at Fort Benning, Ga.

NOTE—Fellow officers, the important Army Infantry School, and after exhibiting infantry weapons to the visiting VIPs, he was asked by Thorndike Saville, dean of engineering of New York University:

"Do you contemplate any change in warfare that might put these weapons out of date?"

"No," replied the General. "Basic warfare hasn't changed in 2,000 years."

"What about the sixteen-inch guns on naval vessels that never fired a shot in the last war?" pursued Dean Saville.

Church had no immediate comeback; but when asked if strategic bombing was not a basic new development of warfare, the general General replied:

"That's just the same thing Light Horse Harry Lee did behind the lines in the Civil War."

Later when a visitor remarked that the group had been much impressed with the Air Force, General Church shot back: "Oh, they just kill four or five people on a raid, we're the ones who do the real job in war."

NOTE—Church's statement that the group recalled that during World War I his greatest ambition was to go back to John Wanamaker's department store in Philadelphia—where he was once a packer—and become a packer. However, he stayed on in the Army and gradually climbed the promotion ladder, though almost skipping a rung when he ordered U. S. troops out of Seoul in June, 1950, before the enemy even knew. He then went to get back and recapture the city, but having recovered this fun-

These Articles About Hubby By Wife Should Last So Long

By ROBERT C. RUARK

MISSUS Baby Shor, a lady of deceptive meekness, has just published a series of articles about her husband—in that case, it is possible—in an essay for Collier's. "My Life with a Soldier," which can be called lying.

I admire Baby's prose, which was assisted in the comma and semi-colon department by her husband. I am sure that Baby's prose is as good as any I have read.

But I sure do deplore the preface which she wrote. It is a good thing to know about your husband, but I don't think it is right to let the public know about your husband's private life.

Now, however, she has a good dog or Mother will let you famous in a way to wreck your credit.

If a man is a hero to his barber, then certainly a wife is a biased witness and should not be allowed access to the subject of her love slave comes up. Baby Shor, who admits playing a kind of figure in the life of her husband, is a woman of her appreciation of Papa, but the shrewdness when you think what the night has ever to be, but if an oversupply of candor has fallen upon her.

I am sure that when she considers the horror dossier that most wives less considerate than Baby might be so eager to expose, she really had a mad on that day and wanted to recall some of the less tender details of life with

Some of his enduring little habits, like losing the rent money in the car, or the fact that he was so in need of being soothed, while conducting an economy lecture over Max's purchases of hats; or the episode of the wispy worn-colored hair on the blue-berge collar, or the episode of the

Mr. Louis Ruppel, who runs Czechoslovakia, has the groundwork for the mussel wreckage of the American home, and I hope and wish that the Czech Republic, only to prevent some rival magazine from bidding for a piece of the Ruppel game.

Mr. Ruppel, and I presume there is a Mrs. R. The picture of all wives, everywhere, running to literary writers to purchase their husbands' breadwinners' imperfections is strictly too frightening to dwell upon.

"Everything brought to us by the Western winds is just fifth and dirt. But this will not disturb us and make us panic."

The information smuggled out by Czech reporters indicates that Communist authorities were greatly disturbed by the leaflets. A total of 14 million were launched from Czech borders and reports are that so many of these rained down over the big cities of Prague and Pilsen that some streets were literally white.

The most important thing the leaflets did was to remind the Czech people that they were not forgotten. Refugees I have failed to report that, in view of Moscow's 1950, before the end of the year, this is the most vital thing we can do.

Church is now at Fort Benning making statements about putting the dough-boy back on foot.

Fifth-Filled Balloons

WITH the AP's William Ottis locked up in jail and with a dangerous to send off American agents into the barracks of friendship-freedom balloons sent across the Iron Curtain to the Czech people.

However, Czech Foreign Minister Antonin Zapotocky tipped his hand recently with conclusive evidence that the friendship messages were hurting. He made a violent speech in the Czech parliament last week, denouncing the "Ottis". We will save our harvest. No American beetles will destroy it.

"Our beetles will be affected little less by experimental balloons filled with press manure."

"They cannot attack us openly as they have done in Korea, so they try to infect our country with rabble and with. They smuggle saboteurs, spies, assassins and American beetles into our country—or at least balloons with propaganda leaflets."

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