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KEY CAROLINA CONGRESSMEN

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Sen. Clyde R. Hosy is in a position to wield more beneficial influence on this legislation than any other member of the Carolina delegations. He is outranked only by Chairyman John L. McClellan of Arkansas on the Senate Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments, which holds the Senate version of over half the 20 bills. These bills before his committee includesome of the most vital of the legislation. One would reorganize the sprawling Department of Agriculture, another would consolidate duplicating public works development programs into one agency, a third would conformation of the control of the

. Herbert Bonner (N. C.) and William (S. C.) are members of the House littee on Expenditures in the Executive

which would take the Post Utice out of politics.

Other Carolinians hold key positions on House committees. Rep. Harold Cooley (N. C.) is chairman of the Committee on Agriculture, of which Rep. John L. McMillan (S. C.) is a member. Rep. Graham Barden (N. C.) is chairman of the Committee on Education and Labor. Rep. Robert L. Education and Labor. Rep. Robert D. (N. C.). Is chairman of the Committee on Education and Labor. Rep. Robert L. Doughton (N. C.) is chairman of the Ways & Means Committee. Representatives Thurmond Chatham (N. C.) and James Richards (S. C.) are on the Foreign Affsiar Committee. Rep. Frank Carlyle (N. C.) is on the Interstate & Foreign Commerce Committee, and Rep. Monroe Redden is on the Committee Committee Commerce Committee and Rep. Monroe Redden is of these committees has one or more of the built, as indicated on the table on the opposite page.

page.
Vigorous support of these bills by Carolina
Congressmen will be worth more than many
thousands of words of political orators, My
the same token, inaction by our Congressmen will be equally eloquent. TER News
will endeavor to keep its readers informed
of the record of our legislators as the 82nd
Congress progresses and election nears.

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By MARQUIS CHILDS

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Maybe Truman Isn't Smart,

But Just A Hack After All

NEW YORK

By ROBERT C. RUARK

more and more if Uncle Harry has not been overrated as a smart pol-lician, and underrated as a mere machine hack. What class he man-aged to accumulate has largely left him; there ain't much around to brag about since Stu Symington decided to quit the RFC, and Clark Clifford gave up the President's pink ear for private industry.

People's Platform

Letters should be brief, written on one cide 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 contents.

Comment On An Editorial

(Note: As a rule, The News does not inchiping on the privilege of letter writers to have the control of the control

CHARLOTTE

itors, THE NEWS:
HIS is a reply to your editorial Friday, Dec.
21, entitled, "Accentuating the Negative," and
request publication of same on your editorial

I request publication of same on your editorial page.

I would have ignored your editorial had you not made so many deliberate misatatements of the facts, hence this reply.

For example: You say, I am opposed to the For example: You say, I am opposed to the many deliberate manual representation of the facts, hence the proper person to administer our intract, technical and far-reaching smoke abstement ordinance. That opinion is based upon past experience. That I am ourged in this opinion was borne out at our last Courelli meeting when the City Council by majority wote, placed the administering of this of leaving it with the Smoke Engineer as is ordinarily done. I have never voted against a Smoke Abstement Ordinance.

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(Nor has he voted for one. When the present ordinance was adopted on Nov. 23, 1940.

Mr. Boyd was absent. Upon his return the following week, he treated fellow Councilmen to a bit of satirical posey, duty recorded in the official minutes, lamenting the loss of his "childhood pleasure" of burning leaves and

grass. The string with the subject of the Dec. 19, 1801. Conscil meeting, it should be pointed out that Mr. Boyd did not support Councilmans Van Every's motion to take enforcement sway from the Smole Engineer and place it under against it, stating "that in his opinion Councilman Van Every's motion is united by the subject of the subje

The News.) Then you said "He is opposed to public housing for low mcome slum dwellers." That is not true. The facts are that a large Federal Housing project is just being completed on S. Tryon St. for colored people and another such project for while people is about ready to be started in another section of the City. The record in the City Hall shows that I made the motion for these two projects. Why do undeliberately make such false statements?

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(On Sept. 21, 1949, the Housing Authority requested Council approval for 1,000 new units. Mr. Boyd moved that not mere than 400 units for Negroes be built. A substitute motion by approved did not get a second. Boyd's motion to cut the program to the bone carried.

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(On Jan. 17, 1951, Mr. Boyd cast the only vote against the transfer of 4.4 acres of the City-owned property to the Housing Authority for use in the new project. Editors, The News.)

for use in the new project. Editors. The News.) You say I am opposed to the Airport. That is not true. The land for the Douglas Municipal Airport was purchased when I was City Attorney and I took a case to the North Carolina Supreme Court for the purpose of getting the Court is desire a The Court said "Nor".

I opposed the City paying a big price to purchase two leases just to place the proposed new building at one particular apsto on the big affirled. Thus had at one particular apsto on the big affield. Thus had at one particular apsto on the big affield, Thus had and provided one of the best sirfields in the court of th Gen. Howard McGrath to clean up government certoptonies.

This is the classic case of sending the mouse to bell the cat, or of nominating the prisoner to try the jodge. It seems only yesterday that flarry was trying to him to quit or bounder him to the distribution of the control of the con

(Mr. Boyd misquoted the editorial. It did not say he was opposed to the Airport. It said he was opposed to any expenditures on the airport." He admits as much in the foregoing paragraph. Not only did he vote against the settlements with the Whitehead Machinery Co. and Clearview Aircraft for their lesses and fa-cilities, but on Sept. 12, 1851, he she wided against the supplementation that the settlement of the control of the settlement of the set of the settlement of the sett

You inferred in your editoral that I was apposed to our railroad grade crossing elimination program. To the program of the pro

(Once again Mr. Boyd misquotes the editorial. It did not infer, imply, hint, insimute, or even suggest that he was opposed to the railroad grade crossing rogarm. It merely noted the 'interesting little inconsistency' between his retual, on one hand, to overeight the control of the bridge of the bridge prenel program, and his insistence, on the other

centribute 50 per cent of the cost of une superior crossing program.

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program. Betters, The Newson Program, that is another one of these immoniant Program, that is another one of these immoniant, to vised at the last Council meeting against giving our Redevelopment Commission substrictly to petition for \$23,000 to be spent in hiring some unknown "expert" from "somewhere" to come in here and make another one of those mysterious "surveys." I preferred it leave that to our local commission what Commiscion John Commission is that Commiscion I digital to the leave that to up to leave that to such leave that to the fer you. You didn't like that the surveys and the preferred in the leave that the property of the you. You doubt the that the surveys are mission what Commiscion I digital two fees you. You doubt the that

he did not receive Mr. Boyd's vote. Editor's, The News.

So, you see, I know, and many others are learning, that your attitude toward me in personal prejudice. But you didn't elect me to the City Council, Some 9,000 voters of the City of Charlotte elected me. I am accountable to them, not by You Good of the City of Charlotte elected me. I am accountable to them, not by You Good of the City of Charlotte elected me. I am accountable to them, not by You good of the City of Charlotte elected me. I refuse to be allent. You ignore my efforts in behalf of the ordinance designed to eventually eliminate the odors in Sugaw Creek and frwin Creek. You have no conception of what time was spent on that larged and extended but transportation service for the citizens of Charlotte. Aren't these things worth something: You ignore my efforts to improve a dwiden Central Avenue from the Seaboard Bailroad to the Plaza, You ignore my efforts, which are still going continuation of the Country of the Count

(Wrong again. The editorial in question credited Mr. Boyd with voting for pay raises, but noted he voted against the budget that provided those salary increases. Editors, The News.)

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You ignore my efforts to try to get taxicab fares reduced so that they will be within reach of the masses of the people of Charlotte, both white and colored, who formerly made use of the taxicab bot of the people of Charlotte, both white and colored, who formerly made use of the taxicab bot of Couries, ou care nothing for the people who can no longer pay the high fares of whom there are no longer pay the high fares of whom there are thousands in Charlotte. I know that many people of Charlotte appreciate these things whether you do or not.

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Drew Pearson's

housecleaning in order to soothe the screamers. Our Mr. Truman has maintained a reputation as a practical poli-tician, with an ability to act for the best general-interests of his party at, sometimes, the expense of the state. The retention of Mc-Grath, despite the pungent odors in and around his department, strikes more as semi-semile byality has as gem-hard political thinking.

Drew Pearson's McGrath Outsmarts Critics, Keeps Job

ONLY Cabinet member who has outsmarted the President in his accustomed technique for axing an unwanted member of the efficial family is Attorney General Howard McGrahl. Howard was cost of the ring, hanging on the clearest forward for the clearest forward for the clearest forward for the clearest forward for the clearest forward very displayed in Washington, he managed to scramble back into the Cabinet. Here is the inside story of how he did it. By now, official Washington has become quite familiar with the way Harry Truman cases out a cabineteer he doesn't want. Secretary of the Interior Julius Krug, for instance, was axed by a planted story that he was resigning, following which the President said "no comment" at his next preas conference, and Krug knew the jig was up. Therefore, when word came out of the White House that the Lamar Candie hearing had embarrassed the President, alrevel positicism McGrath heat the President is the ministration.

not accept the suggested resignation.

Ambossadorship To Spain
NEVERTHELESS, he did have Donald Dawson look
around for another job with sufficient prestige so Morath could be eased out of the Justice Department without loss of face.

The soon came up with the Ambassadorship to Spain. This seemed a natural. McGrath is one of the top-ranking lay Catholics in the United States, has been made a Kinglet of Malla by the Tope, and was the first to give a reception for Franco's Ambassador, Lequerica, stafer full diplomatic relations were resumed. So, with Stanton Griffis retiring from Maderic has been dead to the stafe of the s

All that day, newsmen tried to phone McGrath. Ordinarily easy to reach, he kept ominous silence. However, he was not tide.

Overnight he husled up two of his biggest june. One work of the history of the history for the control of the history. The other mans, who sent a message from Toloys.

The other was his 84yes-roll law partner, Senator Francis Green of Rhode Island, Protestant, who went to the White House, reminded the President that both Green and the State of Rhode Island had always been stanchly behind him, claumed he had been unfair to McGrath by not great the state of the control of the state of the control of the state of th

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MEANWHILE Must Conselly, ordinarily luterarm to ward McGetth and in favor of appointing Judge Tem Murphy of New York to head a corruption commission, went to McGrath's defense.

That was why the President at the next Cabinet meeting suddenly reversed himself, told the surprised Cabinet and the surprised McGrath that with the beginning of the new year he wanted them to know that despite the press attack on his Attorney General, he was beeping them all on.

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THE lable on the opposite page shows the status of unadopted legislation designed to increase the efficiency and economy of the Federal Government. These bills result from proposals of the bipartisan Hower Commission, established by Congress almost five years ago. So far about half the Commission's recommendations have been adopted, but Congress are base been adopted, but Congress are base been adopted, but Congress are been adopted, but Congress are base been adopted, but Congress are base on this size, apparently unmindful that onts of the bills which we briefly identify today.

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THE RELUCTANT SENATE

WERE the stakes not so great, it would be downright amusing to keep tab on the members of the U. S. Senate as they try to wriggle out of the predicament Mr. Truman placed them, in with his Internal Revenue reorganization measure.

The Senators can't afford to be against reorganization of the scandal-rocked ureau. Such an attitude would be politically azardous at a time when the angry and arassed taxpayers are demanding a better id more efficient tax collecting system.

and more efficient tax collecting system. Yet the Senators don't want to be for it, either, since the abolition of the 64 collectorships and the streamlining of the Sureau into 25 district offices would mean the closing of some internal Revenue offices in their home states. Furthermore, Mr. Truman's recommendation that all Bureau officials except the Commissioner be chosen by Civil Service would take away many choice Senatorial political plums.

or own junior Senator, Willis Smith, is to the plan. He cites the excellent rd made by North Carolina collectors,

"The trouble isn't in the system, but in e people named. There should be great re in selecting persons for collectors or puty collectors who have ability, expe-ence and known honesty."

We agree with that quite readily. The trouble is that too few Senators put a premium on ability, experience and known honesty in approving Federal appointments. Most of them, like the President, pay political debts with Federal jobs.

Senator Smith also contends that the reorganization into 25 district offices would, centralize authority in Washington. Perhaps so. But it would also centralize responsibility, and make it harder for people like James P. Finnegan to operate in so free-handed a fashion.

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More than two years ago, a task force of the Hoover Commission suggested that all officials in the Department of Treasury below the rank of Assistant Secretary should be appointed from career service without Senate confirmation. It said:

"One of the chief handicaps to effective organization of the Department is the political appointment of Collectors of Internal Reviews of Constant and Customs, and certain other officials. These appointments are regarded byticals. These appointments are regarded byticals. These appointments are regarded byticals. The constant and the constant are constant of the constant and the constant and the constant are constant and the constant and the constant and the constant are constant and the consta

Mr. Truman's plan for the Internal Reve-sue Bureau seems a definite improvement to us, and the Senators will have to find better arguments than they've used so far to change our opinion.

WHAT'S DOING WITH FRANCO?

OUR defense and foreign policy chieftains reportedly plan to have political and economic agreements with Franco Spain ready for signature in about six weeks. Silence, however, continues to shroud Span-

Silence, however, continues to shroud Span-ish-American planning.

A case can be made for secrecy regarding the military negotiations, although such de-liberations with our North Atlantic Pact allies can hardly be called secret But it is high time the Government divulges some pertinent economic facts about our doings with Spain, because substantial economic aid will certainly have to go to Franch if we are to bolster his military position, and it does not seem presumptuous for the Ameri-can people to know what they will receive in return

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Mildred Adams, writing in Fortune, says
Spanish estimates call for "about one billion in United States aid". She adds:

In the present condition of the country

these estimates do not appear excessive. The these estimates do not appear excessive. The more perfinent question is whether one billion—or ten billion—out form that rickey remains of empire listo a modern economy in reasonable effectiveness, (b) in a soliton to cooperate with other countries of Western Europe for their mutual prosperity and defense, and (c) strong enough to render Spain as a dependable base in the event of war gainst Mussia."

of war against Russia."

Disregarding- for the moment the fact that Franco Spain is a freedom-suppressing, military dictatorship, hated by our European allies because of its love for and alliance with Hitler and Mussolini, there are plenty of questions which the public and Congress should know and debate before we commit ourselves by treaty to the country. Otherwise the Administration cannot expect widespread support for a move to

RESPONSIVE GOVERNMENT

THE French Government is often ridiculed for its instability. Cabinets rise and fall, with one Premier, M. Queuille, setting something of a postwar record by staying in office about a year. Average life of a Cabinet in recent times has been approximately five

The Belgians, operating under a similar aritimentary system, also are bound to distribute their Cabinet when it loops the confience of the legislators. This week they remed a new Cabinet in which, interestingly, et discredited Premier took over the Justice appartment, which seems to be the resting are for timesteemed bureaucrats on both of the Atlantic

the old Cabinet stayed on in the new. This brings to mind a speech French President Auriol made when he visited the U. S. last year. He admitted the high rate of turnover in Cabinet offices, but reminded his listeners that the foreign and defense offices, and policies, had stability nevertheless. While the U. S. has had four Secretaries of Stafe in the postwar era-Stettinius, Syrnes, Marshall and Acheson—France has had but two, Bidsult and Schuman.

Both systems of government have their merits and drawbacks. And sometimes, as when the U. S. has a President from Mis-souri and, some Cabinet members from Medicerity, we sort of wish this country had the more responsive partiamentary system.