

# THE CHARLOTTE NEWS

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#### TURN ABOUT'S FAIR PLAY

WEVE SUSPECTED all along that Congressional investigators would find some skeletons in GOP closest if they looked around long cough. Sure enough, Senators Owen Brewster and Styles Bridges are now deling some explaining shout their relationship with the mysterious Henry W. Grune-

wald.

Brewster's action is difficult to understand. He was chairman of the Republican Seastorial Campaign Committee in 1800, Party rules forbade and party funds in GOP prinary lattice. Yet Revenue to 1800, 180

d Young of North Dakota, both of whom ree hard-pressed for compaign funds. The o were nominated, and suddenly became fluent-enough to repsy the leans. Brewster will have to answer to his own rity for this deliberate violation of the less. The people would like to know the swers to two other questions: (1) Gruns-

wald's entry in his financial records showed he received \$12,500 from Brownier; Brow-ster said Nixon and Yeang get \$10,000; what was the other \$2,500 used, for? (2) Why did a top-ranking Republican use a shadoory fix-ure like Grunewald as Intermediary in this little transaction?

Senator Bridges' troubles siem from his intercession in behalf of a Baltimore liquor dealer in a big tax claim case. The GOP floor leader's name was brought out in the King subcommittee hearings last Fall. So far there has been no edequate explanation of Bridges' interest in the matter.

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If the recent revelations show anything, they prove that neither major party has a monopoly on virtue or on evil. And they indicate further that members of that exclusive Congressional club might not fare owill if they were exposed to the same merciless spotlight they have been focasing on the executive branch of the Government.

### YOU CAN'T CAMPAIGN ON A SHOESTRING

IT 18 A MATTER of pure speculation how much luck Ernest Gardner would have had in the race for Governor. Your guess is as good as the next ments. Our guess is that Gardner's exposing, good-natured approach to voters would have gathered in at least enough votes to force a second primary between William Umsteed and Hubert Olive.

We may be wrong, but it doesn't matter such one way or the other, Gardner has tithdrawn from the rose, and the most itterawing aspect of the event is, his reason or quittings he couldn't raise the \$60,000 thought it would take to wage an effec-

vo compaign.
There was a day when a man could mount horas or climb into an automobile and et around to see enough votert to get himself elected. Memories, of that day grow immer with each passing year. Candidates or analye office newsdays, feel that they are to spend large sums to reach the area of voters with their message and, we will not be a summary of the control of the could be a summary of the control of the control

Smith-Graham battle in 1850, for example. But it was a huge amount. Up to 1851, North Carolina law set a limit of \$15,000 on the amount that could be spent in behalf of each candidate for state office. The limit was unrealistication.

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", candidates have been appelled by the alternatives presented them of filing under each a statement than the plant of all far which, on its face, would have placed them in violation of the law or subject to prosecution."

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There is no limit now. Hence, there is no reason for any candidate to cover up ex-penditures. Those who favored removing the limit were hepstul that it would produce we hope so, too. If every penny is shown, and if the amounts are as large as we believe them to be, the people may finally realise what has been true for a long time—that the man who seeks a major public office must be independently wealthy, or else he must obtain strong financial backing from others.

# MUTUAL SECURITY AND POLITICS "What upset the applecart and caused trouble was the Korean War, which forced from the control of the control o

THE seguments in favor of a drastic cut.

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But there is another side to the story, and
it is set forth aloquently by an editorial in
Susiness Week magazine reprinted elsethere on this page today.
Business Week is a conservative publicalon. It can hardly be accused of foggyrained idealism. It has its own reservaions, about a continuation of further ecocomic aid, and it is alert to the misgivings
of others.

theless, the magazine puts economic its proper perspective:

WEVE not been too concerned with the Washington. But, after residing what a controls seemy official had to say last week about the current phase of the program we're downright worried. Here's the situation of the program we're downright worried. Here's the situation of the program we're downright worried.

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period, sidetracking military return with ad-

From The Richmond News-Leader

#### A BLUEBIRD FOR IKE

IT WAS just a week age that this new-paper pooh-poohed the significance of General Eisenhouser's victory. In Memphire Presidential primary. To stay, find mighly little pooh in this course. To will find mighly little pooh in this course. With hower emerges eleming vote in Minneton Eisen-houser emerges eleming vot and in the most impressive stature. He may see pollical offi-tion, the may see with a 2-residential nomina-tion, against a seasoned and highly regarded opponent, by sticking to his business 3,000

Dura right, we're impressed. And what is more important professional politicians to the procession of the procession in politicians between the returns from Minnesets. One of the maxima of politics is that nothing is more difficult than to get votes for a written candidate; it is necessary, first off, to overcome the insertia of the voter who would rather put an "X" in a bor than go to the trouble of writing anyone's men. There is the further handlesp that many voters cashiot sell without the many voters cashiot sell without the procession of the Durn right, we're impressed. And what is

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"This is based on use levels proportion-niely and is in the market test sense. We now have a quantitive framework with marginal qualitative reallocations to formal-ize the procedure for the further refining and implementing of our objectives."

tion meant, replied: "No comment." We don't blame him—he probably couldn't understand the explanation either. But from down here it seems that the "explaining" official, if not

Pick your adjective. That former Govi nor Stassen, campaigning in his home ter tory, received 128,000 votes is almost irre vant. What was demonstrated in Minnesc vant. What was demonstrated in Minnesota was the power of General Eisenhower not as a stateman, soldier, diplomat or mere personality, but the power of General Eisenhower as a rote-getter. And the first lesson of politics (a lesson many of us in the newspaper business forgot in the Fall of 1949) is that elections are not won in public opinion polis or popularity contests or the prophecies of syndicated columnists. Elections are won with votes.

tions are won with votes.

And that is precisely what General Eisenhower produced in Minnesota on Tuesday.
One swallow, we suggested last week in commenting on the New Hampshire results, does not make a Summer. The facts floating down today from Minneapolis look like swallows, robins, bluebirds and meadowlarks. From far off, gentle readers, we hear the unmistakable rumble of a bandwagon's

# Unexpected Situation On The Old Estate



# What About The Foreign Aid Bill?

BIG decisions are seldom easy to make. The foreign aid legislation now before Congress is a good example.

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President Truman has asked \$1.9-billion for defense, "defense support," and Foint 4 assistance to our allies in the next fiscal year. The reaction by and large has been underworthe. Many Americans wonder if the promised end of foreign aid is being accepted as a permanent budget item both by our office, the present of the fund of the promised concern, evidenced by the recent attement of the funded detate. Combe recent attement of the funded detate. Combe recent attempts of the funded detates combe and the funded detates of the funded detate. The funded detates combe recent statement of the funded detates against the

These concerns alone would nake the fining hard for any new forcit and Mill. But their factors add for any new forcit and Mill. But other factors add for any new forcit and Mill. But other factors add in Congress and in the country in what the President and his Secretary of State say is necessary. Congressmen also recall that, even after the Kornal War started, the President proclaimed the Marshall Plan recovery in Europe a great success a year and a half and 5t-billion absed of scheduler. To the continuous about Europe's real economic mendicular Rustan threat implied in stretching out our rearmanents program by a full year.

#### Where The Ax Is Aimed

THESE facts form the background from which have come demands for big cuts in the President's \$7.5\text{Min request}\$. The principal target cuts in its the secondaric all self-lines request. The principal target with its the economic all section, \$1.5\text{Milion, or the secondaric all sections.} \$1.5\text{Milion, or the secondaric and that these nations are back to prevar levels of production and, therefore, our help should be limited strictly to military items.

This point is straightforward enough, but the prob-lem stubbornly remains. In the first place, the dis-inction between military and economic (or defense support) add is largely a fiction. True, a machine gan is not the same as those the substitute of the problem of the same as the same of the same and the same as the same as the same that the same as the same as the same and the same as the same as the same and given time in the NATO countries is deter-mined by their internal resources and the belty was given time in the NATO countries in deter-mined by their internal resources and the belty was given time. The same and the same is the same short run, less rearmanent or a lower living stand-erd.

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#### **Bad Time For Retrenchment**

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CERTAINLY, the time could searcely be worse for
deliberations about what our long-run foreign
ald policy should be. Britain's Chancellor of the Exchequer has just revealed that her reserves of and
and dollars are below it. B billion, off more than half
a billion dollars in the first two months of the
year. A conservative government in France is trying to get its roofs down in an immessance are
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emerging.

Such a cut would probably put many of our allies in the position of being forced to resume or expand trade through the Iron Curtain. Are we prepared to face up to this consequence?

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Such a cut might well be the straw that breaks
the ability of France to carry on the costly war
in Indo-China. If Indo-China should go by default,
that would mean the end of a free southeast lais,
and it would ultimately mean huge American outlays to sustain the economy of an isolated Japan.
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# Storm Over M'Arthur Lulls; His Role In GOP Uncertain

By MARQUIS CHILDS

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## Indispensable Men

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feel that the President has a personal interest in them. He
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the Fresident's any sate and the president about 11 o'clock at night. Even then he is not the president also had a kind word for the new-comer on his staff—Press Secretary Joe Short.

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#### Kefauver's Angel

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Straus jumped at the chance, went up to Congress
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bousing and helped put across the present housing bill.
Straus, now out of the Government and operating
adio station WMCA in New York, never forgot that help-

#### Backstage Diplomacy