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THE STEEL SEIZURE

THE Government's seizure of the steel A industry is not, as critics already are shouting, the end of stabilization, the end of collective bargaining, the end of free en-terprise. The seizure, reluctuality accom-pliabed after months and months of fruitless negotiation, was essential to the defense and well-being of the nation.

A strike in steel now would have not only seriously impaired national defense. It would, if continued long, diminish the profile of the steel company to a point where they could not expect the steel company to a point where they could not labor more in labor more in lost wages than could be offset by finy wage incresse. It would again put a serious crimp in civilian steel allocations, for only recently has steel production achieved sufficient quantity to permit relesse of some steel for needed school construction. Clearly the prevention of a steel strike was in the national interest, and a responsibility of government.

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A great debate will now surely flow from Washington on the legality of the seizure. At this time, while the opposing lawyers are proparing their learned and weighty briefs, we would like to make two points:

An almost forgotten fact is that the Government is, technically, running the railroads. But its hand is hardly felt—pri-

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vate enterprise is still a-booming along in the railroads; they aren't being socialized as some of the steel men now fear their industry will be.

2. The decision to take over the steel industry was made only after a crippling strike appeared imminent, only after week after week of negotiation. Clearly the foot after week of negotiation. Clearly the foot strike was also as the steel business—and even if it wanted to Congress would see to it that the Governmental control was short-lived.

In the spill milk department we still think a settlement could have been achieved, somewhere in the sixteen-cent-ab-our wage boost plus benefits area, had not the Wage Stabilization Board, later bedeed by like the stabilization Board, later bedeed by the stabilization Board, later bedeen bedeen the stabilization Board and the later bedeen the stabilization Board and the later bedeen the stabilization Board and simultaneously got a fine political speech off his cheat it's time to put Government into its proper role as dispute and return the steel companies to their owners. Likewise, it seems time for the Government to relinquish its technical control of the railroads.

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in both rural and urban areas, restriction of gambling and proper guardianship are key factors in attaining human betterment.

FOR HUMAN BETTERMENT

TWIE worthiness of the goals sought by the North Carolina Conference for Social Service, which adjourned its annual meeting here yesterday, strikes home when read alongside a recent report of the State Prisons Department and Paroles Commission. The relation between the two organizations is simple—the more persons helped by the social workers the less end up, often to return again and again, in the prisons and road cames.

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The North Garolina prison picture is not pretty. Reaballitation of prisoners as still something talked about, for the most part, in this state. We mention this unhappy condition alongside the program of the CSS only to emphasine the need in our state for work along the lines suggested at the Conference, —work which goes infinitely larther than the control of the contro The Conference for Social Service seeks legislation for enforcement of a compulsory school attendance law by employment and central supervision of attendance officers. The eleras Sorth Carolina prisoner went as far as the fifth grade, then dropped out of school. There he driftled until society moved in against him. Here again is where the social services seek to help, realizing that better wages, better living standards.

THIS BARKLEY LAD

THE Hon. Alben Barkley, first citizen of Paducah, Ky., and Vice-President of the U. S., has been done an injustice. He, like many of his Democratic colleagues, has heard unmistakable rumblings from the grass roots since the President announced his decision not to run. But, say the soothsayers, Mr. Barkley is too old to be President. After all,

Barkley is too old to be President. After all, they-say, he is 74. _ Mr. Barkley is one of the nation's most affable citizens, which does not necessarily qualify him for the Presidency. But if po-litical leaders would be counted out just be-cause they've passed three score and ten, some good men would be lost. It seems a good rule to put relatively

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It seems a good rule to put relatively young men in office. But there are exceptions.

For example, West Germany's Chancellor

The CSS, a "lobby" in the finest sense of the word, is deserving of thoughtful attention from our legislators in Raleigh. Surjet the state which produced a Governor Aycock can again surge forward in those educational and social fields which are now seemingly according to the contract of the contract o

Adensuer is 75. Age doesn't stop him. Last Friday midnight he played out the Western Allied officials who were negotiating with him, and they had to call a halt.

And look at Churchill. At age 77 he is looking forward to five years in office, busily balancing the budget, outtalking men half his age in Parliamentary debate, still daubing pictures on the side, without a letup of his steady diet of stogies and spirits.

Oliver_Wendell Holmes Sr., who lived 35 years and didn't state writing his Over-frb Tec Cups until he was 70, said: "To be 70 years young is sometimes far more observal and hopeful than to be 40 years old". And if you feel 74 years young, Alben, you go right ahead and run for Fresident. Phocey on the young foigs who hold a man's chronological age against him.

From The State

A LANGUAGE ALL OUR OWN

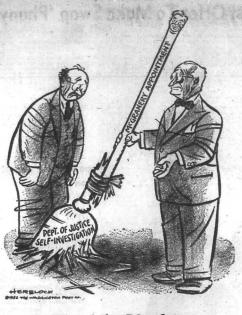
IF A RESIDENT of the Tar Heel State were I to confine his conversation largely to local idioms, an outsider might have a rather difficult time trying to understand him. For

nstance:
"For several weeks I felt sort o' shackling, but recently I've been right peart, so I recent a fain't got no right to do any grossing." "Maybe I've been working too hard, reddin' up the house and gettin' sass out of the garden. That kind of work most always gives

times that I really don't know what I'm doing.

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People's Platform

Letters should be brief. The writers name and address must be given, but may be withheld from publication in the discretion of the Editor. The News reserves the right to condense.

Compensation Difficulties

A S a victim of the Workman's Compensation Act, may I be granted space in your paper to discuss some of the unfair and impossible terms of this law?

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This Act, known to thousands of industrial workers as the "Cabbage Cutter", is administered by our State Industrial Commission which, in event of dispute between employer and employee, is vested with power to deny or award compensation in accordance with this Act., ...

cordace with this set. In the second control of the control of major injury which might result in hospitalisation, expensive surgery to repair the injury, plus compensation for much loss of employee's time, we cite Paragraph A. Section 97°, the definition of hernia, the requirement of prociet, as written:
"In all claims for compensation for hernia, or rupture, resulting from injury by accident arising out of god in the course of, the employee's employment of the Industrial Commission:

the Industrial Commission:

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rupture.

That the hernia, or rupture, appeared suddenly.

That it was accompanied by pain.

That the hernia, or rupture, immediately foleed an accident.

4. That the hernia, or rupture, immediately followed an accident.

5. It must be proven that hernia, or rupture, did not exist prior to the accident.

This law says in effect, any person who suffers injury resulting in hernia, or rupture, while employed in our industries share with him as it happened from whatever cause.

Further, the employee is required by this act to swear that a hernia or rupture, is accommanded by philip the end proved specific the state of the first path of the principle of the end proved specific the first district the end proved specific the state of the first district the end proved specific the end proved in the first district the end proved in the end proved i

1. Because he is just a plain honest Tar Heel who doesn't lie as the law dictates.

2. He loves his work perhaps, and like the law self, he has overdone it: hence, the hernia. 3. It is impossible to produce the necessary proof.

to satisfy the five ways demanded of the law that his trouble arose while in the course of his em-

4. That it is a major injury which will require sev eral hundred dollars to repair.

**. AMBARE B B MBJOE IDJUTY which will require several hundred dollars to repair.

5. That the less number of accidents in the industry reduces the carrier's premiums.

His redress is the Industrial Commission, for whom we have no III will, because these centlemen are sworn to administer the Act as it is written; trial by jury, we recognize the law. The victim smarts under the disappointment, his lawyer asks for a hearing, registered mail is sent out from the capital, the case is called, he then walks up the slish before that angulated with the capital the case is called, he then walks up the slish before that angulated with the capital commission of the capital commission of the capital commission of the capital commission of the capital c

on. It is obvious, Mr. Editor, that we should have some kind of compensation law for our people in event of injury. One to protect the industries. But this one as viewed by its victims who receive nothing in event of major injury may as well be handed down and knocked in the bead.

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GEORGE PEABODY For the Philippine Association

Steel Caught In Tremendous **Pressure From Three Sides**

By JAMES MARKOW
WASHINGTON
DRISSIDENT Truman has put the
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squeeze which now makes it tough
for it to back the Government.

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Irreparable Harm May Come In Ten Months Of Inaction

By MARQUIS CHILDS

UNDER a parlimentary system of government, the Truth point of near collapse go out of office on a vote of no confidence. That would in all probability have been a considered to carry out even rudimentary policy was demonstrated over and over again, and the confidence of the confide

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But this would have meant firing the President's good friend, Secretary of the Treasury John Snyder, as well as Astorney General Howard McGrath. This the President obviously could not bring him-

WASHINGTON self to do. When he tried in De-cember to get rid of McGrath alone, he stirred a feud within the Cabinet that had long been smol-ould at this seg out of of-

CLARK WEAK LINK

The trouble in the Dept. of Justice began before McGrath's appointment. It was Tom Clark, named by his friend, Truman, to be a justice on the Supreme Court, who appointed the weaklings and the corner cutters. Under Clark, the deterioration was conspicuous.



TOM C. CLARK

But McGrath did nothing to remedy the situation. In fact, more often than not he did nothing at all. The Dept. of Justice became a shuttered house from which it was almost impossible to get information on even routine matters.

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James P. McGranery comes to
Washington with a good reputation.

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that revealed among Collectors of
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and resolution. Or it can be drawn
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Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

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exit from the Cabinet starts out with some innocuous
questions shout names of wife, children, amount samed
by wife, ansount earned by children. Then question 9 bogiant to get down to brass tecks. It asks for a list of assets
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Merry-Go-Round

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THIS column has obtained a copy of the as-called "New bold Morris" questionnaire which caused of "New bold Morris" questionnaire which caused of the first bold Morris" questionnaire which caused to be fired, as seen since the Korean war.

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Question 12 reads: "List all safe-deposit boxes beld during the past five yours... In your name, your wife's name, or in the name of safe-deposit boxes held under sufficient to the plus of last-deposit boxes held under lictilitious name. No. 14 goes into employment outside the Government, foulding legal fees. Under this question it is necessary to fill out three pages listing compaties from whom fees were received.

Under this McGraft would have held to list the Pirst helped establish. His brother now runs it.

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asks whether he-fificial has ever been associated in a private of business manner with an ex-cavitet. — Question 18 will in this Government officials who are race-track fars. "Ever you won or lost any sums of money has four years" Morris queried.

The man who lired him, Howard Mocrath, was no gambler—aside from possible election bets—but he did own part of the Lincoin Downs race track in Rhode Island which subsisted on legal betting, when subsisted on legal betting, and the subsisted on legal betting, and the property of the property of

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