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## ENOUGH OF THIS GUERRILLA WARFARE

SINCE the end of World War II, and more particularly since the voice of Basili M. Boyd was added to the Council in 1948, the City has carried on a campaign of harassment against the Duke Power Co. over the issue of bus service.

Over and over the story has been the same. The Council calls for a meeting with Duke officials. It presents various requests for additional service. The Duke spokesman comes with facts and figures showing that the requests are impractical or unreasonable. Occasionally, new routes are given a temporary test to see if they can be operated efficiently, and then most of them are subsequently discontinued. The net result, with some exceptions, is that the City is right back where it started.

The Council is in its rights, of course, and most of the members seem to have completely sincere motives. They'd like for Charlotte to have better bus service, and they feel they owe it to their constituents to keep nagging the Duke Company.

Yet, over the long haul, the campaign has taken on political overtones. Duke is a ready-made target, and the Councilman who sounds

against Duke is likely to get an audience and store up votes for the next municipal election.

This guerrilla warfare against Duke is not quite fair. There are many reasons why buses can't run up and down every street, not the least of which is that Charlotte has exploded horizontally in all directions and there is simply not enough traffic in many areas to support a bus line. The company has been patient, and co-operative. And we feel that its spokesman, W. S. O'B. Robinson, was entirely justified when he told the Council Monday night:

"I'm reading a great deal in the newspapers—mocking and slandering the bus service and I'm getting fed up with it. We don't want to be picked at and belittled when we're doing the best we can."

If the Council is not careful, it will paint itself into a corner on this issue, leaving as the only escape the operation of a municipal bus system, partially subsidized by taxes. Having followed the trials and tribulations of other municipal systems elsewhere in the country, we don't want that to happen, and we don't believe the more sensible members of the Council want it to happen.

## YOUR BLOOD MAY SAVE YOUR CHILD

A S YOU SIT sipping a glass of orange juice or cup of coffee, after having donated a pint of blood at the Red Cross Blood Center, your eyes may fall a little booklet entitled "The Story of Blood," or a paper called "The 'G. G.' Story." They tell about terms like gamma globulin, plasma, antibodies and fractions. And another thing, they tell how parts of the blood you donate are put to one use, other parts to another.

The story of blood is actually a wonderful story, because of the ways in which your blood can help so many people.

For example, whole blood, to which a preservative has been added, is used when a large amount of blood have been lost as a result of accident. Sometimes it's needed by mothers in childbirth.

Part of this whole blood, the plasma, is sometimes separated from the blood cells. The plasma is used especially for shock treatment of wounded soldiers, before they can be treated from the front.

There is serum albumin, a concentrate derived from plasma, also used for the emergency replacement of lost blood volume.

Gamma globulin, which we've all heard to much about since its use against polio, is

another blood protein.

The same pint of blood that produces enough gamma globulin to inoculate a child—perhaps your own—exposed to polio will also provide serum albumin for a wounded soldier.

And when there's an emergency nearby one of the first groups to know about it often is the Red Cross, which is asked to rush help. For example, when the Atlantic Coast streamliner was wrecked near Dillon April 1 a call was placed almost immediately to the Blood Center, which was able to get blood to the wreck scene about four hours after the accident.

There are always many needs, many uses for blood. Right now, since the polio outbreak, no parent needs to be reminded of the need for blood donations to build up the limited supply of gamma globulin.

Parents in particular—and others—can help check polio and help a soldier or accident victim, too, by going to the Red Cross Blood Center, 508 E. Morehead St. in Charlotte, or one of the Bloodmobiles.

Donor hours at the Blood Center are Tuesday: 10:30-6:30; Wednesday and Friday: 9:30-4:30; Thursday: 9:30-12:30; Saturday: 10:30-12:30.

## DICTATORSHIPS IN THE CONGRESS

**WHEN** Rep. Daniel Reed and Sen. Joseph McCarthy staged their one-man shows in Congress recently, they pointed up an anomaly in the Congressional committee system that is the very denial of democratic principles.

Reed's stand, you will recall, was against an extension of the excess profits tax, and he abused his power as committee chairman to try to keep the measure from coming before his committee. He lost. McCarthy's test of strength was over his authority to do all the hiring and firing of committee staff members, and he won it with the docile and supine acquiescence of the other three Republican members.

The Congressional committee, whether it is acting upon legislation or conducting investigations, is an arm of the Congress. It derives its authority from the Congress, and in its operation, it represents the Congress. Hence, it must, within broad limits, be responsive to Congressional opinion.

There is nothing in the committee system, or in the framework of democratic government, that arrogates to one man the powers

## EARLY TRUCE AGAIN SEEMS UNLIKELY

BUT the Reds' main answer came on the battlefield, where allied lines have been driven back several miles in some sectors.

This sort of reply does not permit the hope of a prompt truce.

Wallpaper that gives a three-dimensional effect is announced as something new. And also fun, when the visitor tries to hang his hat on it.—Florida Times-Union.

Treasury Secretary Humphrey says it is harder to spend a billion dollars than it is to make it. Maybe so, Mr. Secretary, but if that's the case, spending surely happens to money in the middle between the one-dollar and the billion-dollar denominations.—Greenville (S.C.) Piedmont.

A Philadelphia mother complains: "How can I teach my son to say 'gen-u-wine' when his TV cowboy heroes say 'gen-u-wine'? The answer is as simple as turning off a switch.—Ashville Citizen.

The difference between the mountain and the seashore as a vacation spot is that in the mountains the limbs are bare in the winter time.—Kingsport Times.

Russian press is demanding larger T.V. sets. The people can hardly be that anxious to see all of Malekoff at one time.—Laurel (Miss.) Leader-Cull.

The Communists criticized the Rhee-Robertson agreement as vague, with insufficient guarantees against aggression, or release of

more prisoners, by South Korea.

'Why, Yes—I Knew Lavrenty Beria'



## People's Platform

Letters should be brief. The writer's name and address must be given, but may be withheld from publication at the discretion of the Editors. The News reserves the right to condense.

### Change The Gates

CHARLOTTE

Editor, The News:

I wish to thank you for the pictures and article on the Elmwood cemetery gates.

Our auxiliary, and everyone to whom I have talked, is interested in the changing of the gates to make a more attractive entrance into our cemetery.

MRS. LETITIA HANES, President  
Chase Adams Auxiliary No. 6  
United Spanish War Veterans

### Cemetery An Eyesore

CHARLOTTE

Editor, The News:

In the July 7 issue of The News there appeared an article and pictures that brought out the idea as to what would be appropriate and consistent relative to the gate at the old Elmwood Cemetery. I am writing to you to take your call attention to a condition that challenges the sense of propriety and beauty in our city community, but the reader is left the present condition should be changed.

The old abandoned one-track gate at the 7th Street entrance is just ten steps west of the three Southern Railway tracks, three steps from the Southern Railway right of way. The entrance is ugly with rust and decay, and there is an atmosphere of abandoned lonesomeness, for no cars have crossed there for years. Even pedestrians do not enter there.

It is a communis with pride and a sense of responsibility that the double track gate in use at 8th St. should reflect at least the atmosphere of respect shown by the interior of this beautiful cemetery. The entrance should be consistently beautiful.

A condition of bare utility jars the tender sentiments of visitors to this city of the dead.

MRS. RITA JOHNSTON

### Minority Has Rights

CHARLOTTE

Editor, The News:

I wish to emphasize the majority is supposed to rule. But it has always been taken for granted that the minorities would be protected. To me that protection of the minorities is very important, for without it there could be little progress. Friends, let us not forget that the Negroes who are being discriminated against today were at one time advocated only by minorities. The minorities have brought about the changes. Government of the people, by the people, and for the people. The first day by the people to the Negroes, the majorities were the most important fact—prevents changes from occurring before the people are ready for them.

I do not believe the Bible should be taught in schools, because of such instruction, there is discrimination against the minorities. We need the different thought of opposing theories on religious subjects.

Outside school these various denominations will develop their separate organizations with no

### Church Of God Resolution

CHARLOTTE

Editor, The News:

A special called meeting of the Church of God, the teaching of the Bible in the public schools of Charlotte was discussed at length. As a result of the meeting those present instructed their pastor to write a resolution setting forth the findings of the group and resubmit it.

Whereas, there has been much controversy concerning the teaching of the Bible in the public schools of Charlotte, and since this controversy concerns the welfare of young people who are the concern of the Church, etc.

DORA ELLIS

### Administration 'Steals' Humphrey's Bill

WASHINGTON

C. D. JACKSON, Ike's dynamic physician, logical and fair-minded, deserves credit for pushing through Congress the \$15,000-a-ton food gift to East Germany which put Moscow on the spot. Certain State Department officials also deserve credit.

But the peculiar thing is that for several weeks now, through the actions of the top. That was why the food offer was not made at the height of the East Berlin disturbances. Secretary of State Dulles, asked at a press conference last week, whether he had considered food to East Berliners, said no. He seemed puzzled at the question as if the idea had never crossed his mind though the food plan had been adopted in this column and others for three weeks.

However, Dulles promptly sent a cable to S. H. High Commissioner Conrad in Germany to tell him of the theft of the idea and got back a favorable reply.

Meanwhile, in the White House, the food plan for East Germany had got sidetracked by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, which drafted a bill of its own.

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Knowland Wanted Check-Up

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"I wish you would," suggested Knowland.

Wood, the agency spokesman, returned a few minutes later and announced: "Mr. Chairman, I find out that this language has been thoroughly checked and agreed by all the departments mentioned."

## East German Revolution Was In Classic Marxist Pattern

By STEWART ALSP

BERLIN  
LAVRENTY Beria was murdered in Berlin. He is unquestionably the most prominent figure in the recent revolution in Eastern Germany which started in the Soviet sector of Berlin. But viewed from Berlin, Beria's fate takes on an added, special meaning.

Among all the puppet rulers and provocateurs, there must now be a terrible fear and insecurity. He was precisely such fear and insecurity within the German Communist regime which was responsible for the East German revolution.

Take, for example, the present situation of the East German secret police chief famous for his polished boots and his utter ruthlessness. Like almost every satellite sector chief, Zaisser accepted a Berlin man. There are now widespread reports here that Soviet proconsul Smirnov has returned from Moscow to Berlin with orders, and Zaisser is the way of Berlin. The next victim may be him, then the aged Pick, the brilliant, energetic, sharp-witted, tough, iron-faced Grotesch.

As far as an actual seizure of power is concerned, the answer is almost certainly again found in the experience of East Germany. Many workers, leaders, members of the intelligentsia and Marxists have been asked to assist the revolutionaries to overthrow the German regime. The Red Army crushed the uprisings in a matter of hours. The Red Army can do the same job again anywhere in the Soviet Empire. And anyone who has been involved in the revolution on score of his political views, he has almost been accounted a Berlin man.

### Police State Danger

When one is in a satellite state, people must be asking who is safe and who is doomed, who really has power and who has none. Such questions, a time of great danger, has come for any police state. It was because people began asking such questions that the Soviet Union, which has experienced a revolution, may be again faced with a revolution.

It is important to understand the nature of the revolution. One must start with a genuine revolution. Its objective was to seize power, not from the Soviets but from the German Communist regime. Within the limits of the revolution assumed. On June 17, in city after city, the writ of the Communist regime simply ceased to run. Premier Grotesch had his hands tied. In his final moments, that power was restored to the regime only thanks to "Our Russian brothers"—for which read Soviet tanks and troops.

But the methods of the Red Army in the Soviet Union, the worthlessness in a moment of crisis of their local instruments of power, the German "people's police," and the "people's army." The job has to be done again in Germany, it will again have to be done by the Red Army—and what is true of Germany is almost certainly true elsewhere. In the Soviet Union, the Kremlin was still attempting to stamp its artificial puppet regimes by continuing the policy of "easement for the populace." But here in Germany, at least, the working-class masses are not yet prepared to accept the "easement" policy.

It is not a small matter that the revolution that has brought about this development is that the policymakers of the West are being confronted with certain grim realities that were not present almost from the beginning.

It is not so much any recent event that has brought about this development. What has happened is that the policymakers of the West are being confronted with certain grim realities that were not present almost from the beginning. The razing of the war were overcome and health was fully restored.

But what has become apparent after five years is that certain disabilities cannot be cured by aid. Or, if they can be cured, they will soon reappear. As a report to the Senate Appropriations Committee puts it, the French Government has not been able to impose a system of adequate taxation. American dollars have partly made up for their relative poverty.

It is not beyond the imagination of the French to come to France, for example—but such plans have never gone much beyond the paper stage. The American taxpayer is willing to pay for the ravages of war, but the French are not.

This is only to suggest the incapacity and inadequacies which American aid has ameliorated but not removed.

If President Eisenhower had a more nearly unified party behind him, a substitute for the policy of aid might be put into effect. That would mean an increase in the rate of trade across the Atlantic. But since he has not been able to do so, the administration will have to continue to depend on foreign aid.

After seven years, French aid has brought an end to their economic miseries, but it has not brought an end to their political miseries. The French are still under the thumb of the Communists.

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