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Enough Of 'Coexistence' Semantics

CHARACTERISTICALLY, Americans debate lengthily the slogans identified with U. S. foreign policy. The slogans, unfortunately, sometimes get more attention than the policies. Lately a great deal has been said about "coexistence." The President used the term "peaceful coexistence." The Communists use the same phrase, and so the President was criticized, most unjustly, for falling for some Red propaganda. So someone in Washington foreamed up "competitive coexistence." There, now, was a kind of coexistence consistent with free enterprise and repugnant to Communists.

prise and repignant to Communists. Field Marshall Viscount Monigomery introduced a new twist. His "coexistence with conflict" won approval of editorial-ists who are darkly suspicious of "peaceful coexistence." And Adal Stevenson, never one to be left out of a phrase-coining contest, spoke in New Orleans last weekend of "armed coexistence."

This debate is remindful of George Kennan's observation several years ago in his book, American Diplomacy, 1900-1950. U. S. foreign policy, he noted, is frequently founded on a legalistic-

moralistic approach replete with slogans, emotionalism and high-minded principles unsupported by force. (Even the most ardent advocates of U. S. intervention in Asia, you will note, are not suggesting that the taxpayers pay for the larger military machine that their plans would likely require.)

It does seem that it's time to cease the semantics and discuss soberly Asian policy. The administration's proposed economic program for Asia, which was discussed in this space hast week, ought to be quite effective in securing U. S. interests on that continent—If it meets with approval by Congress. Certainly it is not too soon to start the debate on this proposal.

As Gov. Stevenson told his New Orleans audience, "If we exclude the solution of atomic war and five exclude the solution of surrender all we have left is some form of armed fue which we can call coexistence or anything you like." The leadership of both parties is agreed on those two exclusions, So let's bury "coexistence" debates alongside those dealing with "manifest destiny" and dig into the important issue.

Share The Amazing Charlotte Story

THE NEWS, if you don't mind, would I like to boast a bit today, It's not our paper we want to brag about. It's our town, Charlotte, a good place to five under the dependent of the state of the dependent of the state of the dependent of the state of the

I lotte will be particularly interested in the articles on houses and gardens, churches, suburban living, medical facilities, arts, history, recreation, schools and colleges and public buildings.

But every local resident will share our pride in the portrayal of these facilities and community projects just completed or now under way—the Morehead St. interchange, the library, the auditorium-coliseum and the airport terminal. It takes a comprehensive treatment which the profusely-illustrated rotogravure magazine is to wrap up the whole, dramatic story of Charlotte's astounding growth and future. The story has been well told by the special staff consisting of Haywood Trotter, news director. Mrs. Hazel M. Trotter, advertising director, and Kenneth Whitsett, and director. We hope you enjoy our finished it, send it on then you have finished it, send it on the envelope you'll find within the magazine.

We Were Only Kidding, Virginia

ITS HAPPENED Saturday's News is already known as the "Bah Humbug! Edition." Seems that we dared to poke a little incocent run at a mythical department of the state Claus and promptly had our writes slapped. "Shame on you!" said onn nice lady. "How dare you!" said on managed another. "Frazen." worke a Mr. Manchester (see PRODE'S PLATFORM).

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It just goes to show you how firmly mplanted and inviolable Santa Claus is a the folklore of the heart. He certainly must not be taken lightly. And that goes for St. Nickolas, Kris Kringle, La Befana, Yule Tomten, Christkindli and the gentleman on the toy department

Poke fun at Santa Claus? Us? Heaven

forbid. We surrender unconditionally to Mr. We surrender unconditionally to Mr. Whiskers and all his followers. Here's our sword and our pen. It is a miracle, though, that the old gentleman has been able to survive so long amid all "the skepticism of a skeptical age." He has been assailed by politicians, columnists, child

psychologists, "progressive" educators and even a few disgruntled children. He has been alternately accused of being a Marxist myth, a Freudian father-symbol an anti-Christian device asymbol of U. S. foreign policy.
Yet every December he is back in spirit with his jolly chuckle and twink-ling eyes to gladden the hearts of the very young and every Christmas Eve he harnesses his reindeer to dash unmolested through the radar nets of all nations—well, oractically all.
The Santa Claus spirit is man's happiest game of make-believe.
Desnite the scoffers, most of us know that Santa really exists and go on believing answay. It is like, years ago, when we believed in fairies and hoped someday to see one.

Such happy illusions are good for the soul.

So when you hear a dancing and a prancing alon your roof on Christmas Eve, don't call the police or the Mc-Carthy committee. It's only a white-hearded old spirit with a packful of joy for one and all.

Merry Christmas.

From The Greensboro Daily News

OH, COME NOW, MRS. SMITH

WE ARE not a little dismayed at the insularity displayed by the British author. Mrs. Cecil Woodham-Smith, whose brilliant examination of the crimean War entitled The Reason Wart is presently hear the top of the best-seller lists, in Hampea's magazine, wherein she declares that the Crimean flasco was "the last romantic war."

Last, indeed, Forsonth 'Quotha!

Wars were and are never romantic, really. Death in battle is not pleasant, whether it occurs in shining armor or in a muddy foxhole. But if the term "romantic" can be said to apply to a war, then surely the Crimean War was not "the last."

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war, then surely the Crimean War was not 'the last.' des and the Russian Prince Menschikoff, who invited a party of 30 young ladies to picnic on the heights of the Alma, from which vantage point they might witness the British attack. Yet less than a decade later gay picnic parties left from Richmond and Washington to observe what turned out to be the ghastly shambles of First Manassas.

She cites an instance in which a British officer, seeing his men about to be overwhelmed, ran for help from an adjoining unit with the renark: "Excuse me, but we are in the dickens of a mess. Can you come over and help us. I was introduced to you last summer at Lady Palmerstons."

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But less than a decade later Gen. J. E.
B. Stuart, riding abroad in his Old Army
blue greatcoat, met a West Point classmate and they chatted for a while. Then,

what of the flereely individualistic Nathan Bedford Forrest?
What incident in the Crimean fumbling—always excepting The Charge of the Light Brigade—could compare with Stuarts feat of attacking (and successfully, too) a gunboat with horse artillery? Or the Confederate raid on St. Albans, Vermont?

Mrs. Smith notes that several wives of high officers accompanied their husbands to the war. So did Mrs. John Brown Gordon. And Mrs. Thomas Jonathan Jackson enjoyed her visits to her husbands headquarters near The Bower in what is now West Virginia.

And for sheer, heroic romance, how can the shabby, inconclusive end of the Crimean affair be compared with what Bruce Catton has called A STILLNESS AT APROMATOR?

We rest our case

Stock Market Boom Worries Administration Planners

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You Sure This Road Is Safe Now?



McCarthy Bandwagon Had Many Controversial Riders

By CONGRESSIONAL QUARTERLY

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Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

I'll be playing Santa this week "free gratis" to a very large and wonderful group of crippled chil-

Stand-Ins For Santa

Don't Hate Children

WASHINGTON
THE public's memory is short. But a 182. Tom Devey, the man who grounded like from little date the President, Mr. Nixon, and others must have experienced some interesting flashbacks as to what happened with some of the same principals in the McCarthy debt etc.

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those who invite B into their bones.
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—CHARLES MANCHESTER Mr. Claus Lives As 'King Of Kindness' Why Not Put Christ Back In Christmas?

Charlotte

Editors, The News:
YOUR editorial, "Toyland Revisiter Or Santa's Sorrow," appearing in Saturday night's edition of your paper, was in extreme bad tasto.

People's Platform

Don't Hate Children
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Dec. 41 was enjoyable. But why don't you carry it one step farther and urge the people to put Christ back in Christmas: Christmas is a religious holiday. It should certainly not be the symbol should certainly not be the symbol should certainly not be the symbol should be to some should be to some should be to see Jesus Christ as the combined of Christmas again.

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