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Will The Free World Learn Its Lesson From Indochina 'Munich Of 1954'?

"There is not the slightest reason to believe that the deal noon making will some Europe from wor. The evidence all runs the other voay. We know precisely what Adolph Hiller plans, for he himself has told us quite clearly in MEIN KAMFN. And that he was not romancing in the book is amply proved by the fact that he has already done many of the things he said he meant to do...

"To give him Czechoslovakia is to serve him eastern Europe on a platter. "To give him Czechoslovakia is to serve him eastern Europe on a platter. Moreover, he deal is perfectly certain to leave him far more swollen with megalomania than he already is, to convince him that he is in fact resistless, that the democracies are as deedent and as contemptible as he says they are, and may be safely defied at will.

"And in return for that what does Bumble get? He gets another agreement—under which Germany will engage with him never to attempt to change the boundaries of what will be left of the Czech state. So far as that goes, Adolph won't need to use force to change the Czech stota. So far as that goes, Adolph won't need to use force to change the Czech stota. So far as that goes, Adolph won't need to use force to change the conductive of the deal goes through. For under its terms, control of its economy is to be given to him. And with that in hand, he can make it agree to anything he wishes. "The deal promises nothing but the postponement of wear, and places Hiller in a far stronger position to wage it when it comes."

—From An Editorial in The Charlotte News, Sept. 19, 1933

WE PREFACE this editorial with one that appeared in this space 16 years ago. on the eve of the Munich settlement, because it fillustrates the parallel between somber events then and now. Subsitute Europe for Asia, the Comunists for Hiller, Indochina for Czechoslovakia, France for England (as personified by "Bumble". The Nawa's appellation for Prime Minister Veville Chamberlain) and you have the picture of the settlement reached this week at Geneva, and our attitude toward i

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Then, as now, the United States eased itself away from France and England just before their common adversary pulled his coup. Secretary of State Cordell Hull had been proclaiming the three powers' "moral solidarity" during 1938, just as his present-day counterpart, John Foster Dulles, has been doing. After the settlement was arranged, President Franklin D. Roosevelt took a different tack, explaining that no agreement had existed between the three powers. President Eisenhower, Dulles and Undersecretary of State Walter Bedell Smith have now "dissociated" the U. S. in similar fashion, maintaining the while that the nation will be gravely concerned by future Communist aggression.

Indochina affords an excellent example of western errors in Asia, and Communist exploitation of them. The French, angered by slaughter of missionaries in

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Indochina, entered in force in 1888.

Within a few years they were colonizing
in earnest. Frenchmen made fortunes
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while throttling the natives' aspirations
for independence and a better living
standard.

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defense of Dien Bien Phu, the Berlin Conference, the retreat from the delta to Hanoi, and now Geneva, the Munich of 1954.

That an amful price For time is cheap to the Communist. The President said, at his sewn consists. The President want war at his time. Of course not. Why should they? They are achieving major gools at the conference table. They have read their history well, and are inexorably following the pattern cut by Hitler.

We would not be so concerned were the need for drastic shifts in western policies and international relationships at least recognized, seriously considered and proposed to the national legislatures and the people for their reaction. But there is only talk of more conferences, more pacts, more guns.

These things are not enough. Will the democracies continue to refuse to profit from their last bitter experience with the present of the desperate way and continue along their the present the profit of the desperate way and continue along their the present the present the present of the desperate way and continue along their the present of the pr

A New Economic Boost For Charlotte

NIKE, ancient goddess of victory, made her mark in Greek mythology when she was sent to fight on the side of Zeus against the Tilans. Later, works of art showed her hovering with outspread wings over the victor in many kinds of competition—since her functions referred not only to success in battle but to all human undertakings.

The strange and terrible instrument.

battle but to all human undertakings. The strange and terrible instrument that bears her name in the 20th century is designed exclusively for war. It is a supersonic guided missile which can search out and destroy approaching enemy alreraft. In short, it is one of the deadliest and most accurate new weapons in the nation's arsenal of defense.

and locally.

On the national level, selection of the Charlotte Quartermaster Depot as the site of America's first mass production Nike plant meant military planners had snapped out of their lethargy and decided to bolster the continent's sagging anti-aircraft defenses swiftly and effectively.

On the local level, Charlotte's selec-on meant a solid boost to the city's

economy.

Early reports indicated that as many as 1,500 workers will be employed here assembling the robot killers. Now, officials have hinted that an even larger labor force will be needed.

This news came at a time when fluctuations in the labor market had been causing concern here. Last May, the North Carolina Employment Security Commission estimated that, in all, there were 96,400 people employed in Meck-lenburg County (including 80,800 in mon-agricultural wage and slarry groups, 12,400 self-employed persons, unpaid farm workers and domestics, 3,200 agricultural workers). Experts making a new head count think total employment probably has dipped markedly—it may be as much as 2,000—during the past few months.

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The labor market picture could be entirely different by the time the Nike blant opens next year. But, whatever the situation, the sudden availability of hundreds of new jobs will make a powerful

impression on the economic life of the community.

Charlotte has received a share of the southward flow of industry since the end of World War II. But much of the expansion here has been in distribution facilities, branch offices and the like. There have been few newomers in the manufacturing field. The Nike plant will be the first major addition in this category in years.

Even if by some miracle wars and rumors of wars should disappear from the globe, the plant's manufacturing facilities and assembly lines could conceivably be converted for other aircraft projects. Then, by extension, Nike might once again become the symbol of success in "all human undertakings."

Russell Snook

CHARLOTTE and the Carolinas lost a worthy citizen yesterday.

The sudden death of Russell Snook will leave a void in the community that will be hard to fill. Although he was widely known and respected for his business success and business integrity, his contribution to the civic progress of Charlotte and the Carolinas will be his lasting memorial.

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His unselfish effort in behalf of Charlotte's Carolinas Carrousel since its inception was a major force in giving this event the magnitude it has achieved.

His work as president of the Charlotte Merchants Association was evident this year as the association marked its 60th anniversary with the largest membership in its history.

Russell Snook was serving as president of the Charlotte Lions Club at the time of his death—further evidence of his never-ending desire to serve his community and his fellow-man.

In view of the propensity of candidates to promise anything and everything in view of the torridity of the current weather, is it not incomprehensible that no gubernatorial candidate is promising to air condition all our sreets and alleys?—Dally Oklahoman.

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Russian Guided Missiles Can Pound U. S. Airbases

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