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The Nation's Finances

John W. Snyder, secretary of the treasury announces that the treasury deficit for the fiscal year 1949 just ended was \$1,811,440,047, far beyond official estimates. President Truman in January estimated that the 1949 deficit would be \$600 million, a miss of more than \$1.211 million and his nearest critics had not expected the red figure to True It and this interaction. And this in peace time with taxation at record high levels and prosperity prevailing.

Federal tax receipts totalled \$38,245,000,000 but \$40,-057,000,000 was spent to operate the government, includ-ing foreign aid for the fiscal year just ended. The presi-dent blames the moderate tax reduction voted by the 80th congress, but Mr. Truman cannot escape responsibility for extravagant government spending. As a matter of fact, this weathy nation has been in the red all but two of the past 19 fiscal years. The surplus years were 1947 and 1948 due to the return of appropriated war funds.

The whopping deficit has brought new demands for gov- However, it ment concerns in congress from republicans and some seems the The whopping deficit has brought new demands for got - H ow even, it is ernment economy in congress from republicans and some see ms the edemocrats, and strengthened the movement to cut the 1950 fiscal year budget by 5 to 10 percent, "notwithstanding the president's vested interest in past errors," as Senator Ferguson (R., Mich.) expressed it.

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greater than the entire cost of government during any of the boom years of the 1920s. Mr. Truman still stands pat against pressure from con-gress to balance the budget by economy, holding costs are at the right levels but the income too low and wants to hike it by additional taxes of \$4 billion a year by income or general revenue taxes and payroll hikes upward of \$2 billion a year, regardless of the fact that taxation has already reached the point of diminishing returns. Neither the nation nor business that depends on deficit spending can be regarded as on a sound financial basis and that is one reason for the fear that recession will develop that is one reason for the fear that recession will develop that is one reason for the fear that recession will develop that is one reason for the fear that recession will develop that is one reason for the fear that recession will develop that is one reason for the fear that recession will develop that is one reason for the fear that recession will develop that is one reason for the fear that recession will develop that is one reason for the fear that recession will develop that is one reason for the fear that recession will develop that is one reason for the fear that recession will develop that is one reason for the fear that recession will develop that is one reason for the fear that recession will develop that is one reason for the fear that recession will develop that is one reason for the fear that recession will develop that is one reason for the fear that receasion will develop that is one reason for the fear that recession will develop that is one reason for the fear that recession will develop that is one reason for the fear that recession will develop that is one reason for the fear that receasion will develop that is one reason for the fear that recession will develop that is one reason for the fear that receasion will develop that is one reason for the fear that receasion will develop that is one reason for the fear that receasion will develop that is one re

that is one reason for the fear that recession will develop into depression if not checked by balanced budget. But the New and Fair Dealers figure it differently..."the more we owe the more prosperous we become, because we owe it to ourselves. Q. E. D."

What's Wrong With United's Business Here?

Somebody is trying to treat United Air Lines' stop at Salem as they would an unwanted stepchild. This is evi-denced by the hearing coming up before the Civil Aero-nautics board on the possibility of substituting West Coast Airlines for United here.

But a look at the facts make such a substitution without real reason. And this is stated with no attempt to belitle the good feeder-line service offered by West Coast.

Salem is a profitable stop for United. The figures in-dicate that, or else many, many other stops on the Main-liner route are "worse" than the capital of Oregon.

For instance, Salem had almost as much passenger For instance, Salem had almost as much passenger rev-enue during the first four months of this year as did Bal-timore, Maryland, a city 17 times the size of Salem. Orden, Utah, which is about the same size as Salem, did less than half as much business during the same period. Fort Wayne, Indiana, with a population of over 100,000 persons, did about two-thirds the passenger business of Salem.

Even Providence, Rhode Island, which boasts a population of five times that of Salem, didn't do as well in that four-month period. The list goes on and on, including South Bend, Ind.; Stockton, Calif.; and Cheyenne, Wyo.

What about air freight? Few cities on the United route, close to the metropolitan areas, can touch Salem in this. The airport here handled 63,314 pounds of air freight in the first four months of 1949. In this connection it should be that we have a substitute does a fair for the best armor-ed man 1 know



Try It

By DON UPJOHN

Reports as to bum checks being passed in the vicinage are be-coming so prevalent that Sheriff Denver Young recently issued a warning to merchants and business men in particular and to the public in gen-

everything in depline with ple and businesses. We have

just encountered another

eral to exercise caution in cashing checks and establishment of (i d e ntifications.

Dobbin's Here to Stay

McAlester, Okla. (#)-A horse, an iron horse, and a horseless carriage all got tangled up in a traffic accident here.

A truck and trailer weer smashed.

A switch engine was dented.

Dobbin, who had been riding in the trailer, shook himself and walked away.

POOR MAN'S PHILOSOPHER

Hard Luck Can't Dent This Chunky Irishman By HAL BOYLE

New York (P)-Manhattan Snapshots; Everybody lives by his own brand of logic, and one kind won't

necessarily suit another. My favorite the \$10 I'd spend-so, altogeth-New Yorker is

er, I'm really saving \$30." Currently "The Real McCoy"

WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

Barden Defends Stand On Education at Meeting By DREW PEARSON

Washington-The weather was hot outside, but not half as hot as the atmosphere behind the closed doors of the house education and labor committee when Chairman John Lesinski of Michigan, Catholic, and Rep. Graham Barden, of North Carolina, Presby-terian, squared off on the issue of federal aid to parochial schools.

Ohio

therefore, eventually joined Senators Charles Tobey (R.) of New Hampshire, Francis Myers (D.) of Pennsylvania and Estes Ke-

fauver (D.) of Tennessee in vot-ing "No."

ing "No." The seven men who voted for rompanies were

FAROUK AND HITLER

Before Adolf Hitler's \$1,-500,000 luxury yacht sailed for New York, where it is now on exhibition, King Farouk of Egypt came down to the Cario waterfront for a look at it. Impressed he sent word to the

. But the king only grunt- of Moscow,

810,000 UNITS IN SIX YEARS

A Case of Names Make News

Satan's Kingdom, Conn. (U.P)-The temperature was 96 yes-

terday, but it was hotter in Purgatory, another Connecticut village, where the mercury rose to 100.

By JAMES MARLOW

housed.

Both are Democrats, Barden, whose aidto - education bill has been under attack by the Catholic hierarchy, an-grily assailed Lesinsky for calling him a "bigot." "I don't like don't like

this long-range sniping," asserted the North Car-olinian as he sat at the committee table within 18 inches of Lesinski.

"I like to look a man in the eye when I have something to say about him, rather than give out a statement to the press. You waterfront for a look at it. went out of your way to malign index of your way to malign in the sent word to the carbo out a statement to the press. You waterfront for a look at it. Impressed, he sent word to the sent word to the carbo character. And, you did not Arida, who now owns the ves-speak the truth." Barden con-sel, to clear off all his guests, tinued, looking at Lesinski. "I because the royal party wished have never felt nor have a lever speak the truth, 'Barden con- sel, to clear off all his guests, tinued, looking at Lesinski. "I because the royal party wished have never feit, nor have I ever to come board. said or done anything in the 15 Arida, a British diplomat in years I have been in congress Lebanon, gracefully complied, that was discriminatory against Once the decks were cleared, any religion." King Farouk strutted up the Lesinski replied that the press had misquoted his criticism of Barden. "That," shot back the North The Exptian monarch was

know pretty near a little bit of any religion." everything in depling with Lesinski replied that the press "That," shot back the North

just encountered anomer sound limited. "That," shot back the North Carolinian, "is a most cowardly chiefy fascinated with Hitler's Europe." Four foreign min soup from none other than Guy and the first carities arecipe of onion soup from none other than Guy for none other than Guy for none other than Guy and the first carities the direct." Barden continue the set of the first carities of the first carities

up, buys an article for six-bits. We note a comment in our means that a lot of doors can be passed a \$99 check, walks out with the change and in a few days the cops are looking for him. It'll happen pretty nigh every time. We knew bankers had to be trigued as to what "arrange-wersatile people. They have to ment" is planned. We have to mean a function of the trigued as to what the most of it. We knew bankers had to be trigued as to what "arrange-to ment" is planned. We have to ment" is planned. We have to mean a function of the trigued as to what the most of the trigued as to what "arrange-ing, cowlicked Rep. Andrew Jacobs, freshman democrat from a function of the trigone call from a function of the tri

Indiana, got a phone call from a

"When I was elected to con-gress, one of the first things I afford better. did was to take a razor blade and scratch my name off the door of my Indianapolis office. housing program. I have only one client now--the

The gas and oil lobby scored a great victory when millionaire Senator Bob Kerr's bill, ex- out by this program. But it empting from federal rate con-trols natural gas sold to pipe-2. Build houses—the so-called line companies, was approved by the senate interstate com-

public housing— where low-in-come families, who have to pay low rent, can get decent dwellings. Currently "The Real McCoy" and Democratic Warren Mag-is worried over the way people nuson of Washington- walked in Manhattan are corrupting the out, protesting the steamroller

BY GUILD

Wizard of Odds



MacKENZIE'S COLUMN

Far East May Become Historic Armageddon By DeWITT MacKENZIE

Secretary of State Acheson told us last week that one of the conclusions to be drawn from the recent Paris conference of the Big Four foreign ministers is that Russia now is on the defensive in what he graphically describes as "the struggle for the soul of

> aptly been described as a "cold war"-and not so cold either.

basis. The conflict has most establishment of communism in the various countries which the Red troops occupied.

powers had time to figure out just what was happening to them.

ed until Moscow had a strong grip on virtually all eastern Europe and a goodly slice of central Europe as well. Finally the western allies got into action and halted the Russian advance by means of a politico-economic offensive, coupled with such defensive measures as the creation of the Atlantic pact.

our analysis can't stop there. Coincident with the blocking of the Red machine in Europe, there has been an increase in communist activities in the Far East. The revolution in that theatre is swelling into a major conflict which may even exceed

What does this meant? For one thing it means that the Muscovites are good gener-als. When they come up against

Families allowed in the new an immovable front in one public housing must have in-comes too low to afford ade- aren't so well emecracies

That, is brief, is the program. The big help from the gov-privater rents in decent dwell-cost to the government: ost to the government: The average rent probably 1. Between \$7 billion and \$12 will be around \$23, plus \$7 for utilities. Some families will pay it will, This is not all new and sudden. Congress has been investi-

Then, without a word, he ex-ercised his royal prerogative be worked out on a military launched their drive for the basis. The conflict has most establishment of some for the

They made hay while the making was good, and before the western

The Russian offensive continu-

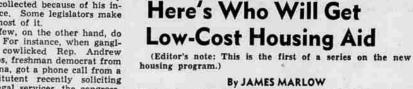
. . . Washington, July 6 (47)-More than 25,000,000 low-income people live in slums or run-down city or farm homes. They can't So the Muscovites are indeed on the defensive—in Europe. And that represents a great suc-Now the government will help some of them through a public cess for the democracies, but start. Slum-clearance can fol-

the European battle in intensity.

It has three aims: Annough it is the bag choice in the bank of th American people are decently Congress has approved the program, and President Truman shortly will sign it into law. Then it can start.

quate new or old housing. And time they defend and consolidate

may produce a further setback for the communists. I believe Meantime, however, a' tremendous Red offensive is boil-ing up in the Orient, and on the whole is encountering relatively light resistance from the western



Although it isn't big enough eleventh congressional district of Indiana."

GAS COMPANIES WIN

merce committee in a closed-door 7-5 vote. This was not done, however, before two senators— Repub-lican Owen Brewster of Maine

needed repairs on their homes or even build new ones.

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constitutent recently soliciting his legal services, the congressman replied:

be noted that West Coast, suggested as a substitute, does against misfor not carry air freight.

United Air Lines' top officials might well take another look at the figures for the Salem stop and then judge for themselves that the "stepchild" here isn't bad at all. As a matter of fact, the Salem stop looks good on paper. And hack man's Falwith a new field administration office coming up, the con-trol tower in operation, and Oregon's second city's growth, now the outlook should be worth more than casual consideration.

Salem means to fight to keep United service here. Unit-ed ought to join the fight—on Salem's side.

There Ain't No Justice

Arroyo Grande, Calif., (37)-Warren H. Colby, veteran samfisher and democrat, is thinking of giving up both.

Accused of illegally taking undersized clams from the surf at Pismo Beach, Colby came before Justice Webb Moore, republican, who has a record of 30 day sentences for fishermen who deal in tiny clams. Colby asked for trial before a democratic judge, so the case was transferred to San Luis Obispo.

"Ninety days," said Justice Paul Jackson (Dem.)

Cooks Will Sympathize With Her

Cedar Rapids, Ia. UB-For a lively moment Mrs. Lowell Long wondered what she had put into those biscuits in the

Then she remembered that when the family went on a vacation recently, two revolvers were hidden in the stove. The volley of shots which began as the oven was turned

on damaged the stove.

The biscuits came through unscathed,

DOMESTIC: NO. 1

These Hold-Up Men Believed Him

SEATTLE (U.P.-Grocery store owner W. H. Flanders foiled an attempted holdup by saying "no" four times.

A pair of holdup men turned tall and fled after Flanders' fourth refusal to hand over the contents of his each drawer.



Hal Boyle staff. George, ^{Hal Boyle} now in his middle years, was a pioneer sidewalk radio inter-

giers and Naples.

have been fewer in recent years, and George beats a living out of with joy.

Broadway by driving a cab. "Every day is a new day to "Every day is a new day to me," he says. "Most people want to live and let live. I want to live and ad lib." I had hit one perfect note." sighed the dear lady. Then she began strumming her own accompaniment on the piano, and started singing.

And in many a mid-town bis-Every few moments she would let's get to a vote." tro, he's more widely quoted pause, uncork a small bottle. When Ed Johnson sided with than Shakespeare, Walter Lipp-mann—or Milton Berle. George recork it again. dislikes stuffed shirts more than "What are you doing?" asked me out." dislikes stuffed shirts more than "What are you d anything in the world, and en- the amazed friend.

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"I really take in only \$10," "The maestro warned I must he says, "But if I didn't work, use the air sparingly," said the I'd spend \$10-so that makes lady complacently. "It's expen-\$20. On the other hand, if I sive to import. I pay him \$1.50 didn't work, I'd have to borrow a week for each bottle."

cons. More pigeons getting run of Colorado and Ernest McFarover every day," he says sadly, land of Arizona, both Demo- cost to the government: "and that's a shame. They have crats... 1 Between \$7 billion at

and that's a shiftle. They need craits. seen so many people jaywalking Senator "Gentle" Lyndon is a shiftle some fa that they won't get out of the Johnson of Texas teed off the way of cars anymore. They're steamroller method. Lyndon confused — they think they're was elected on a pledge to vote pedestrians, too." It- takes so little to make

It- takes- so- little- to- make-ome-folks-happy note: been slowly veering over to Pap-py's point of view.

pioneer sidewark radio inter- in inter to mate-been slowly veering over to Pap-viewer. He served as an army some-folks-happy note: sergeant overseas, and he and his microphone gave belly who lives in Greenwich Village Gentle Lyndon made a long homesick troops on leave in Al-been slowly veering over to Pap-by's point of view. At the closed-door meeting, which opens the door to un-homesick troops on leave in Al-been slowly veering over to Pap-py's point of view.

merry old rascal whose only gas retailed to consumers. Im-training as a voice teacher is the mediately thereafter Arizona's years he spent tuning planos. McFarland demanded that the Today this chunky, red-faced training as a voice teacher is the Irishman probably knows as Recently a friend who visited committee vote "right now." Jim Farley. The radio spots the anti-fund for the small practice room "This is outrageous." protesther in the small practice room she rents found her weeping "The maestro at last told me to study it."

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loans. Since these will be paid for the past four years. out this money.

farmers, none of the money goes dwellings have been provided directly to individuals, poor or in 268 localities in 37 states." otherwise

2. Build houses-the so-called

Help poor farmers put

It goes to cities and communities. They'll have to hire private contractors to clear the slums contractors to clear the slums and build the public housing for them

When they can't foot the bill ed Brewster, "The bill has been themselves, they'll get money help from the government. They'll handle the slum clear-

"We've delayed long enough." persisted McFarland. "Every member has made up his mind ance and run the public housing when it's built. The gov-ernment's chief role is to see how he will vote. Further study see won't change the result. So let's get to a vote." that the plans make sense before it dishes out any money.

The public housing goal is 810,000 family units in the next six years. A unit can be a place

with one bedroom, or two or three bedrooms, plus the other

people in the slums, the 810,000 Sunday deliveries. The reason units can't take care of all of

city use federal money to wipe My husband works most Sun-out a slum unless there's a low- days (for the railroad) and so mand. He decided that the two out a slum unless there's a low- days (for the railroad) and so prodigals be given two more rent place for the slum-dwellers do 1 (in a hospital), so we days. After which they would to go. be "polled" and their votes add-For that reason, the public at home with one's family on housing part of the program Sundays. However, with so

ays. After which they would to go. a "polled" and their votes add-d to the official rollcall. Brewster and Magnuson, probably will be the first to many men out of work the addi-

And in 1937 congress passed democracies. That may become Except in the case of hard-up a housing act. Under it 193,000 the major theatre of operations

This program clearly means

-the armageddon. We should watch it.

OPEN FORUM

Milk Deliveries on Sundays

To the Editor: During the war we were called on to make some sacrifices, some small compared to what the rest of the world was making, and we were glad to do it. One of these was putting up with the inconvenience of

every-other-day milk deliveries. tion of a few of these men, who The reasons given for discon- need jobs badly, surely a system tinuing the daily deliveries were of rotating "days off" could be "gas and the ration" and "man-worked out so all the men could power shortages." have some Sundays off have some Sundays off. Ever since things have been

Milk is a perishable food. It returning more or less to nor- also is bulky and space-consumreturning more or less to nor- and is only and space on way mal we have been anxiously ing in a refrigerator. Now, waiting the day when the old when your delivery day falls on waiting the day when the old Friday, you will be forced to buy milk for three days. we read in the paper (one of the dairies) is to discontinue ice box won't conveniently hold six or seven quarts, and besides, we don't like the idea of our we don't like the idea of our children drinking three-day old milk.

> Milk is something we have to use so we suppose our only recourse will be to buy it at the store on Saturdays when it's our turn for the three-day "holiday." MRS. W. D. GALLOWAY 905 Leslie, Salem

leagues in temporary dismay, units can't take ca However, Ed Johnson, fear- them in six years.

Since there are millions of

The government won't let any

given is that they want to give their drivers Sundays off. That

is a very commendable idea. My husband works most Sun-