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Over \$10 Billion Payroll Hikes

President 'ruman in his "give 'em hell" campaign for re-election devoted a great deal of time to damning the republican 80th congress as the worst or second worst in history, but the record shows that the democratic 81st congress more deserves that title.

The 80th congres at any rate balanced the budget for the first time since the advent of the New Deal and passed

a labor relations law to curb strikes affecting national welfare. The 81st congress has done nothing in the way of strike curbing, and the president refused to use the labor law and permitted major disastrous strikes, and in-stead of balancing the budget, created a deficit of from \$5 to \$8 billion for the current year. If it had passed the vacant lot and took it three or four blocks away planting it in president's "Fair Deal" bill the deficit would have been the front lawn of an attractive residence. Result, in a day or two at least double that.

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The 81st congress made little attempt to economize anywhere, neither did the president. It not only raised its were along,
where, neither did the president and other top officials,
but those of practically everyone working for the governbut those of practically everyone working for the governidence. Result

An Associated Press survey reveals that salary raises granted by the government boosted the federal payroll to \$10.2 billion plus for the fiscal year ending next June 30, which figures out \$227 for each federal income taxpayer.

Government records disclose the pay roll includes \$3,574,-000,000 in pay and allowances for uninformed members of the armed forces and \$6,640,000,000 for Uncle Sam's civilian

The portion of the total pay roll representing military expense actually runs up to 62 percent of the total, because the armed forces employ 925,000 or 47 percent of all "civilian"

The \$10,200,000,000 plus the government is paying its 3,692,000 soldiers, sailers, airmen and direct civilian employes accounts for a little less than one fourth of its \$43,500,000,000 budget spending total.

This makes the tederal government the biggest single employer in the nation, with 6 out of each 100 employed workers, and \$8 out of every \$100 paid out in salary or wages. And costs will go even higher in fiscal 1951, as the current year was nearly a third gone before the wage boost was granted. Congressional directions were to "abpart of the booty by economies which can only be met by cutting down the number of workers.

The military departments were ordered to "absorb" all of \$330 million increased pay voted for the uniformed personnel—such as releasing draftees. Only a small part of the \$170 million raise granted to civilian workers, who got a \$500 million increase last year requires "absorbing." The president has ordered departments and agencies to

absorb the \$1.25 billion raise given 250 top executives unless they can prove it would damage efficiency. Most other added civilian costs are rated "technical ad-

justments," rather than raises, which applies to the \$77 million extra money to go to the 480,000 postal employes, and \$90 million to other civilian workers

The Hoover reports and recommendations for economy and efficiency seem to have been lost sight of by congress and the president, who pay lip service, while continuing the orgy of deficit spending toward a goal of bankruptcy.

University of Oregon to Change 'Rushing'

The University of Oregon is growing up. But that's probably not the opinion of some of the "old alums" who But that's never grow up and don't like a new ruling regarding "rush-

President Newburn has announced that beginning in September, 1950, all freshmen students there must live in dormitories. This means that "rushing" by fraternities and sororities will be deferred. In other words, the green freshman will be permitted to get settled on the campus before he or she is tossed into the mad, hazardous adven-ture of "rushing."

As it is now, the freshman is bewildered by the antics of

the various fraternities and sororities during the "rush" period as soon as he hits the campus. The new arrangement will permit him to have a breathing spell. He will ment will permit him to have a breathing spell. He will have a chance to look over the various organizations to see whether or not he wants to join one of them. Also he or she will be able to find out whether or not the individual can make the grades to stay in college.

The freshman year is a difficult enough adjustment for from Honolulu last night that their son was not to fly to the profess of "rushing" before their son was not to fly to the last of the wanted to continue to the wanted to continue to the method of the wanted to continue to the method of the wanted to continue to the method of the method of the wanted to continue to the method of the method of the wanted to continue to the method of the wanted to continue to the method of the method of the method of the wanted to continue to the method of the metho

This new program of deferred "rushing" is in practice now on the campuses of 23 leading universities, the Eugene come here for their baby when one of whom he never has seen Register-Guard reports. Among those universities are such like Stanford, Michigan, Purdue and Dartmouth. The practice at those places is for the freshman to get adjusted in a freshman hall or halls. Then in the winter or spring, a special period is set aside as "rush" week. At that time, pledges are made. Severe penalties are leveled at violators

President Newburn is to be commended for taking this forward step toward giving the freshman student a chance to be introduced to university life before making a choice about fraterpities or sororities. The "growing up" can be said of the university as well as the frosh.

Opposite of Lil Abner's Kigmies

New Bern, N. C. O.B .- Disgruntled citizens who decide they a swift kick in the pants flock to the road side selfkicker owned by Tom Haywood.

There are four spokes on a wheel, each spoke fitted with a good heavy shoe. The operator places himself in position, good heavy shoe. The operator places himself in position, spins the grank and gives himself a healthy boot right where he meant to

Haywood built the machine for himself in 1937, but his neighbors found so much use for it that he moved it to the highway for the use of the general public.

Self-kickers were out three pairs of shoes before Haywood got tired of the idea. Then a stranger, who really felt that he needed a good punt, put on a fourth pair of shoes.

This year, Haywood bowed to public demand, put on a

new set of brogans and went back into public service.

Height of Being Calm and Collected Atlanta U.S.-Charles L. Nash was unperturbed when his

bed caught fire in a hotel room.
Police said he got up, turned the burning mattress over and

was going back to sleep when they arrived.



SIPS FOR SUPPER

Prank Pays Off

An echo from Halloween night locally in which a prank paid a profit. Some lads committing depredations over in the hills above West Salem removed the sign of a local realtor from a vacant lot and took it three or four blocks away planting it in

some parties the realtor gets several hundred bucks instead of would have had had he sold the



lot, but dian't. There's a further little coinci-dence in the story. The day be-fore Halloween the owner of the residence which was sold had been in and listed it with the realtor who's sign was moved. So the home owner thought the realtor had come around and put up the sign. But in fact the realter had just forgetten about

Mrs. Paul M. Gemmell, 490 N. 24th street, has been struck full-not manna from heaven. the beauty of a large tree the state hospital grounds which lately shed its foliage but never get tired of watching is has left the branches hanging observing a truck driver maheavy with a yellow fruit which neuver a 60 foot truck around

Back in 1945 genial Congressshe says creates a most beauti- in a 20-foot alley—the only thing ful picture. The ground around neater is watching two of them tree is carpeted with leaves meet and then just listen.

Back in 1945 genial Congressman Victor Wickersham, Oklaburgh of them to be a considered to the condition of them the condition of the condition of them to be a condition of the c

quiry she found from a state house gardener that the tree is week's eastern defeats, GOP known as a ginco-biloha, or a leaders are wondering more and specimen of tree in itself. She says it's worth a drive around the grounds just to see the tree. but he wouldn't advise it as a succulent diet.

Somebody Sweats For It (Gladys Shields in Jefferson Review)

Sit down with paper and pencil (you haven't enough fingers Party back in the saddle. to count on) and try to picture a billion dollars. Give up? We're graphed picture of Clark Gable a snowball downhill—it never reactionary leaders of his party, he has just received through the gets any smaller. It never will NOTE 2 General Eisenhow-

One of the neatest tricks we

Hopes of Ex-GI'Diaper Expert' For Hawaii Trip Dampened

Brockton, Mass., Nov. 14 009-Everett Leland, 30, an ex-GI "diaper expert." said today he was disappointed he wouldn't get a free 5,000-mile plane trip to Hawaii in exchange for acting as a flying baby sitter.
Leland was chosen yesterday from more than 150 women ap-

plicants and one other man who wanted to escort 18-month-old he received a 30-day leave next Eric Von Licks to the baby's par- month, ents in Honolulu. The baby's Von

However, Leland's hopes were dashed by the child's parents the child to him. When unable who called the whole thing off to do so, his mother-in-law had when they learned of the plan a travel agency advertise for a baby-sitter to take her place. through a news broadcast.

Von Lick, a Brockton resident ents in Honolulu. The baby's Von Lick, a Brockton resident grandmother here had run the attached to a submarine stationed in the Hawaiian islands, had However, Leland's hopes were written Mrs. Lefebver to bring

Von Lick told his mother-in-there from Hawaii to live with law that he and his wife would his war bride and two babies,

WRITERS DISCOVER NEW FIELD

Book Publishers Now Look to Movie Scripts for New Novels

By VIRGINIA MocPHERSON Hollywood, Nov. 14 WP-Book publishers, who've watched in horror while Hollywood mangled some of their bost-sellers on the screen, are striking back. They re gobbling up movie scripts

This is the first switch of this kind in 40 years. And if it catches on it's not unlikely writ-ers will save their best ideas. Up to now nobody's bothered for Lana Turner and Clark to figure out this might work

book form

the movies have been on the change.

plunk down a half million bucks past, present and future movie the Capitol is good enough to be published stories for the book trade. Young and H in novel form," he said. There's just one catch to all Brigham

Gable and then re-sell 'em in both ways. But one day it sud, have to pay his own fare, though book form. denly dawned on a publisher after a personal call by Wicker-Claude Binyon one of the that a movie which sold a cou-riters who've been offered ple million tickets might se fat fees to whip out novels about that many books. Even if it floor of the house, the movie scripts, says the publish only did half the business it'd finally paid the bill, ers don't seem to care how long still bring in a nice hunk of

is good enough to be published stories for the book trade.

In novel form," he said.

There's just one catch to all this. The story has to be a potant the more people who read tential hit with movie fans or didate for the hall of fame. In a novel, the more people want the publishers aren't interested to see the movie version. That's All you need to be a famous author how popular books bring such thor, looks like, is a long list of street. Some of his disciples that Libia shall become indefined to solding. Brigham Young and Henry Wallace.

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WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

Earl Warren Only GOP Who Can Defeat Jimmy Roosevelt

By DREW PEARSON

Los Angeles-There is one lesson eastern republicans learned from last week's big democratic victories which still hasn't percolated to hardheaded California republicans-namely, the fact that the grand old party is not going to romp back into power

21 wives.

prominent a spot in the nation's capital, though one or two peo-ple in Washington point out that he will be the only hero in the hall of fame who reputedly had

As for Henry Wallace, many think he shouldn't be mounted in the Capitol at all, but in the

Kremlin, However, the law demands that the busts of all ex-

vice presidents must be exhib-

ited in the Capitol building, so

the anti-Walliceites are hunting

Both cases are expected to be

settled, when congress convenes

by Sen. Theodore Green of Rhode Island, who is chairman

gentleman who won't want to

Luxembourg, diplomatic home of the famous Mrs. Mesta, is now

Ace Congressman Mike Mon-

roney has been touring Oklahoma to survey the prospects of

running against speculating Sen-

chine, but the grass-roots are

According to Stanley Arnold, diligent Cleveland researcher.

wealthy. George Washington married Mrs. Daniel Parke Cus-

tis; Thomas Jefferson married

Mrs. Bathurst Skelton; James

Todd; Millard Fillmore married Mrs. Ezekiel McIntosh; Benjam-

in Harrison married Mrs. Walter

Efficient Peyton Ford, assist-

tion service with a view to some

conweb-sweeping. He does not plan to abolish the board of

of the strike. Kaiser accepted

board's recommendation without

immigration appeals.

being called "Perle Harbor

MERRY-GO-ROUND

for the most obscure spot.

ribbed Republican Philadel-phia which hasn't let a democrat get a toe hold in its government for half a century, progressive demo-crats staged a significant vic-tory. And in tory. And in New York City the Republican party did not

poll even 25 percent of the vote. Here in California, however, the old-line GOPers are still day - dreaming about unseating Progressive Republican Governor Earl Warren and running a conservative instead. Republi-can big business considers War-ren too liberal, too friendly to of the committee in charge of such matters. He's a kindly slight either Brigham Young or Henry Wallace. labor, too sympathetic to the old people of California.

What they don't realize is that Warren was elected chiefly because he has swing democratic of the same yellow shade. The with Jimmy Roosevelt's winning leaves themselves, of a fan shape, smile already rolling up a big are very beautiful. The fruit popular following, no republi-she has christened for herself can would have a chance in next the golden apples of the Hes-fall's gubernatorial race except perides. After considerable in-Earl Warren. ator Elmer Thomas. Elmer has built up a strong political ma-

type of the maidenhair tern, more whether they won't have even though it is an immense to pick either General Eisenspecimen of tree in itself. She hower or Governor Warren if Alben Barkley will increase his chances of becoming president the grounds just to see the tree.
The gardener told her that probably the fruit could be eaten, but he wouldn't advise in 1952. They know they couldn't control Warren but he wouldn't advise it. after he marries. Seven Amer-ican presidents, says Arnold, married vidows—most of them But they also know that he has consistently won huge blocks of democratic and labor votes, and they are beginning to realize that perhaps that is the only way they can ever get the Grand Old

NOTE 1-New Jersey's Governor Alfred Driscoll, one of the Ed Booth, one of the custodi-stumped after a few thousands few republicans re-elected last ans at the county courthouse, is That's big business to us. And week, is a hard-working pro-pretty pleased over a big auto-the national debt continues like gressive frequently at odds with

mails from Gable himself. The until our people stop thinking er, still a great and glamorous two of them used to work together many years ago in a lumber mill at Silverton.

Gets any smaller. It never will NOTE 2. General Eisenhows two of the national government as a figure, may be politically targether many years ago in a lumber mill at Silverton.

HOTE 2. General Eisenhows two or the national government as a figure, may be politically targether many years ago in a lumber mill at Silverton. pockets full of money. It's your with more tax money paid out tax dollars and my tax dollars for armament, a lot of people that keeps the Old Man's pockets may be taking seriously Ike's full—not manna from heaven. advice that no military man should run for president,

after Speaker Rayburn asked him to pay out of his own pockea for an unauthorized trip to Moscow.

In the end, the taxpayers paid the bill-just as they will also pay the bill for another vacationby-air for the same congressman this year. For, despite Wickersham's vehement vow not to take another free air ride, he has just returned from an air junket to What's more, his name has been submitted for another free air trip to South America. This year Wickersham is

This year Wickersham is traveling under the auspices of the house merchant marine and fisheries committee, which has found that they little official interest in Alaska couldn't cope and even less in South Amerwith the Soviet

Under new regulations, congress must certify that a trip is
in the interest of national defense before a congressman can
in jobs to South America.

His junket will require a special plane just to chauffeur. This is of course far from Wickersham from country to being an ideal situation in a country. Only one other passworld which is crying out for country. Only one other pas-world which is crying out for senger is listed for the trip—unity. Still, if the Western Congressman Tom Fugate of Democracies and the communist

NOTE - Apparently Wicker- tainly is better for sham has now forgotten how he to get ahead with the job on nearly had to pay the bill for their own.

the military plan that flew him
to Moscow in 1945. When he
has been picking up, after suf-Potsdam and a rumpus on the floor of the house, the taxpayers

HENRY WALLACE VS.

Wizard of Odds



POOR MAN'S PHILOSOPHER

Most Titled U.S. Girl Knows Where Wolf Is Respected

By HAL BOYLE

New York (P)-Democratic America has a passion for conferring titles on pretty girls.

One who has practically been nominated "Miss Everything" is Margaret Phelan, an ex-choir singer and star songbird of the nation's supper club circuit.

So far Miss Phelan, a Texas Irish lass with red hair eyes like fireflies, has been chosen: "The girl with the shoul perfect

in to Artists League

Ital Boyle

"Miss Gung Ho"-by the Ma-Madison married Mrs. John rine Corps' first division, "One of the ten best tailored want to howl his woes into he

Custom Tailors guild. Dimmick: Woodrow Wilson mar-ried Mrs. Norman Galt; and War-Runnerup in the "Ten best dressed women in America"ren Harding married Mrs. Henry by the Fashion Academy. "Miss Sharp Look of 1949"-

by the Associated Cutlery indusant to the attorney general, is try.
making a survey of the immigra-"One of the ten best non-pro-

fessional dancers in America"— by the Dance Educators of America.

Kaiser's Fontanna steel plant operated at over 100 per cent can Society of Florists.
"The girl we'd most like to capacity all during the steel strike. Even blew in a brand regiment" - by an army regi-

strike. Even blew in a brand new blast furnace in the middle President's fact-finding

Miss Phelan's beautiful shoul-

quibbling.
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Useful Tasks Accomplished By UN Despite Red's Veto

By DeWITT MacKENZIE

Our hard-working but veto-harrassed peace organization, having found it impossible to live up to its Utopian designation of "United Nations," is nevertheless making progress by the simple expedient of living down the title.

If that sounds complicated we can simplify it by explaining that the western na-

tions, having with the Soviet bloc's persist-

with America.

bloc can't work together it cer-

to Moscow in 1945. When he has been picking up, after sur-returned, he gave congress a fering a heavy slump as the re-lengthy report and Speaker Sam Rayburn a wrist watch. This wrangling and the persistent didn't appease Sam, however, use of the veto by the Soviet He said the trip wasn't authori-und and that Wickersham would ment, among others, has given have to pay his own fare, though increasing support to the organization. A concrete illustration of real

progress is seen in the manner in which the U.N. political committee has handled the trouble question of Italy's prethe movies have been on the change.

That's the way it adds up to BRIGHAM YOUNG

They've suddenly decided the publishers, anyway and A backstage controversy is committee approved a proposal that an original story that's they're scurrying all over town raging over the location of two to send Italy back as trustee of good enough to make a studio to sign up authors to re-write statues that must be mounted in Somailland for ten years, after -Brigham which the colony will become in-

believe he should occupy just as pendent not later than Jan. 1.

covered by a throat-high green dress the afternoon I talked to her in the Peacock Alley at the Waldorf. (Incidentally, you see more quail in that alley than pea-cocks.) "I thought that 'Miss Guns Ho' business topped them all," said Maggie. "I understand it's

sort of a marine invasion cry. The title she herself feels she has most earned, however it "Miss Wolf Expert." Her throaty soprano and intimate songs make many a lonely night club patron

women in America"-by the ears at a post-supper table for Margaret has found the average American wolf about as sub-tle in his approach as a circus

parade-or a horse on tiptoe. "Men are the same everywhere - in or out of a night club," she said. "There are no

unusual approaches. "Of course, some men say they want to put you in a moving "Miss Ambassador of National picture—or something, But that's Flower Week"—by the Ameri, not unusual."

As a matter of policy, Miss Phelan turns down all invita-tions. She said the nicest man These honors rest lightly on heard her sing in Chicago and sent a bottle of champagne to

"And only a single glass came with the champagne," she laugh-

She thinks it an odd coincidence that the name Phelan it-self originally meant "wolf."

"In old Ireland the wolf was highly regarded and respected, too," she said, "something like the cow is today in India. Margaret is the daughter of

Art Phelan, a former big league ball player. She studied to be an opera singer. In 1941 she married a young naval flyer. Three months later he was killed on a battle mission in the 1952. Eritrea is still under dis- Pacific.

The young widow came to This has been achieved de- Manhattan to try to resume the the fact that Libia has career she had given up at her presented a particularly contro-versial problem, Moscow charges "I work

"I worked as a secretary and that America and Britain are got a job in a church choir," she

planning to make this Mediter-rean country a base for attack against the Soviet Union—a M. Margaret didn't get a chance against the Soviet of at opera, at opera, charge which the Anglo-American Allies deny. Russia hercan Allies deny. Russia hercan the sought a base on the fall night club. at opera, but an agent did get her a week's booking at a Buf-

In the years since then Maggie has worked herself into the \$1,000-a-week-and-up bracket.



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