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Broughton's Years

It is almost four years since J. Melwiles Evoughton became Governor of
North Carolina, and though history has
made of those owns a turbulent time
and snacted a t secrifice of this
state, its people c generally enjoyed
good times and good government at
homes. In his 1941 inaugural address
Governor Broughton fell to analyzing
the nature of North Carolina, classing
it as sonservative, but by no means resettlonary or unresponsive to liberal impulses. And he came to this:

"I have no panaceas to offer no magic formulas to propose. Sound govern-ment in the truest liberalism; sane prog-rest, the best conservatism."

res, the best conservation. That he has followed such a creed is sairly obvious. Throughout an administration marked by perilous, though properous, times, he has consistently dealt in a vigorous manner with problems which arose.

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This beam and marked a legislative program embracing the Board of Control, Installed new personnel, pushed a large appropriation bill. He answered a crists on the tobacco marked in the same fashion, declaring a holicaty to receive the same fashion, declaring a holicaty to retrieve growers.

He was a leader among Southern Covernors in fighting for removal of discriminatory freight rates, he beard of discriminatory freight rates, he beard and the lightest and under the covernors in fighting for removal of discriminatory freight rates, he beard and the world for the covernors in fighting for removal of discriminatory freight rates, he beard and the world for the covernors in fighting for removal of discriminatory freight rates, he beard that reason, not only the hat reason, and the light way to find the proposed the hat reason and the light way to find the proposed the hat reason and the light way to find the hat reason and the light way to find the proposed the hat reason and the light way to find the proposed the hat reason and the light way to find the proposed the hat reason, and the light way to find the proposed the hat reason and the light way the same and the light way the same and the light way the same and the light way that hat the political transparent of the same and the light way the same and the light way the same and the ligh

Open Feuds

There is no need to pretend that all is well with the United Nations. Their disagreements on matters of basic policy are too well known; it is not a secret that there are rifts in the family, even at a moment when their men-at-arms struggle desperately to hold their ground in Europe. The quarrels are perhaps too familiar to be cited, and so this list should suffice:

hould suffice:

1. Russia is embittered over early U. S. retusat to eech her Eastern Poland—and tended to the control of the to the to devote much gratitude in Moscow. (Prance, Caschoslovakia and Jugoslavia have supported Russia with entinusiasm).

2. British and American public opinion is becoming suspicious of the burner of the control of the cont

A Heavy Toll

The train and particular and particular activity on the Eastern front, where Red armies stand still on the Vistula.

A section of American prises has been indignant.

4. A section of American public opinion has been outspoken in denouncing after in Italy.

5. There is resentment toward Chiang Kai-Spec and his policies in Washington.

The propular opinion concerning these simb has reciprocated the Generalies are in Italy.

The propular opinion concerning these differences is that they augur Ill for the future, and hold promise of a disintegration among the United Nationa-though after the war. Another, and more hapeful, view, is that these frictions were inevitable between allies, and that it is far better that they break out failous the proper in the property of the same was true of the Balkan wars—and of Italy in the last war.

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12. Would surely have been better if all these conflicts had been brought out into the open, and if gomments like those of The Tiger had been made pub-

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licly. This time, at least, there is no tendency to keep our trials secret. If airing of our troubles is healthy, then there should be hope for a permanently united family of United Nations.

Help Wanted

The importance of planning was never better illustrated than in the declining of Mears. Duncan Tillet and George Ivey to serve on the just-appointed City Planning Board. Both these men would have made excellent members, yet they are loaded with other responsibilities, hardly able to make, in good conscience, the commitment which their acceptance of the office would have implied.

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For city planning is going to take a whale of a lot any board-member's time. The scope of it is apily illustrated by this sentence lifted from the governing ordinance:

ing ordinance:

"It's (the board's) duties shall be to make careful studies of the resources, possibilities and needs of the city particularly with respect to conditions which may be injurious to the public welface or otherwise injurious and to make plans for the development of the municipality."

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That is a large order, and a prerequisite to filling it, second only to interest and intelligence is time. As we envision city planning-rit is an undertaking which can't be wholly farmed out to consultants or employees, but will require active direction and determination by the members of the board themselves. For that reason, not only their selection is a matter of first importance to the community, but likewise their acceptance in the full realization of what they're getting into.

Mayor Baxier—a prime mover for city planning—would be well advised, in replacing Tillett and Ivey, to do a little prospecting and aubmit to the Council only such nominees as have indicated their willingness and ability to zerve.

Barring the circumstance that some maddened mob may yet shake off the shacktes of cellitation in these dying days of the year; the United Statas will pass through 1944 with only two lyichings to its credit. And that, by the record, is the isowest rate of heldence of this dread disease of society up to this point in time. By one, we have bested last year's record low of three.

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And that is not just progress, but almost extinction. Lynchings have declined so sharply in the past ten years as to give hope that the time may yet come when Americans of all states may pess through a calendar year with none of this blood on their bands were lynch-de-eighteen of them laver and dropped sharple of them laver and dropped sharple of them laver and dropped sharple. There were five in 40, four in the little of the latter of the latter brings revulsion to Americans, they have only to hart back to 1801, when the rate was 190, and above 100 for the last time. And these two of 1944, one in Mississippi and one in Tennessee, represent the vestige of an old and evil apirit, a spirit which is dying and must be kept dead.

A Heavy Toll

STITING before a great fire in Helican.

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four land?" replied the tramp. "Well, the get me hand of my own, so I'm obliged

They fought for it."
Very well, then," said the tramp, flercely, he pulled off his coat, "let's start this ing all over again. I'll fight you for it!"
—"THE SCRAP BOOK."

The Merry-Go-Round

PRESENTY appointed Assistant Beretary of State-Negaring Argaina, 15 will be one of his first steps to try to smooth cells the good magnitude that the product of the state try to smooth cell the good magnitude to try to smooth cell the good magnitude to the smooth cells the smooth cells are smooth cells as a face-saving deal whereby Arganilae would shake out some of her more Pascial-minded politicoss and then would receive U. S. Rocketclier ways.

Hope Diamond Flashes

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No Shuttle Bombines

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One thing which has worried wer chiefs a bit is
Russia's suspension of shuttle-bombing. This system of
giving bases to U. S. planes which fly over Germany
and Poland was worked out after a lot of diplomatic
persuasion and seemed to be going very well, when
audeanly it was stopped. The Russians simply announced
that U. S. planes couldn't land in Russia any more.

that U. S. planes couldn't land in Russia any more. Net much has been said about this, but there was deep disappointment in high circles, because shuttle-bosnbing gave us a channet to knock out Hitler's war industry which he had mored into Foland to eccape bombing raids from England. Uniess planes can land in Russia, it will be difficult to do much trying over Foland from our western bases and then return all the way to England.

magnine their surprise when they found themselves on either side of their hostess, Mrs. McLean. Nothing but her and the Hope Diamond gilltering around her neck was in between.

Then as Senator Pepper looked across the table, he saw just three seats away the man whom he was

All Dressed Up And No Place To Go



Let's Save The Co-Ops

By Marquis Childs

A CENTENARY passed the other day that was marked with little public fandare. But to millions of men and women all over the world it meant a great deal.

December 21 was the hundredth analyserary of the founding of the first co-operative society in Rochdale, which in 1844 was a desperately poor come a worldwide growth, so that just before the war there were 800,000 comes of the society of the s

of ordinary necessities.

In many countries, perhaps in most, they have competed on an equal basis with private enterprise. Often, as in Sweden, they have provided a situmits that has resulted in better quality and better service.

In Natioecupiled Europe, the co-operatives have largely been destroyed or undermined. Where the Germans could not take them over, they struck them down. Co-operative leaders have suffered torture and death in concentration camps for their devolution to democracy.

list Childs
lolerate this instrument of the "middle way". When
they had served their usefulness after the Bolshevik
Revolution of 1917, the co-operatives that had existed
in Garist Russia were liquidated by the communists.

If Europe's co-operatives and her re-ostablished, they
may help to prevent a violent swim toward communportant in the ceonomy of Jugoslavia, for example, but
now there is a clear indication that the forces at present
dominating that country—Thio's Partiana, with Russia back of Title—do not want co-operatives in the old
demorphic hostabless with the Total Nations Re-

democratic sense.

Here the decisions made by the United Nations Re-lief and Rehabilitation Administration can be of utmost importance. UNFRA has studied the possibility of using co-operative organizations to distribute relief in occupied

co-operative organizations to discriptive enter in occupies could be in the findity which exerts such a passlyraing force within UNRRA seems to work here. too. Under an UNRRA decision, only existing economic organizations can be used as channels for distribution of the food and clothing vital in so many areas of devastated Europe. To do otherwise, it is argued, would be political.

Take Greece as an example of how this would work. The Greek co-operatives, a small but important part of Oreck cotonomy, resisted German efforts to take them the company of the

tually non-existent.

UNRRA should reconsider its decision. Some way
must be found to save the co-operatives; not alone in
Orecci, but wherever Fascism has struck them down.
The 28 poverty-fidden weavers who gathered in
Rochidale at century ago this December to Mart the
first co-operative venture could hardly have known how
for their idea would spread, when his time must make
sure that tobalilarianiam does not kill it.

What's FDR's Game?

By Samuel Grafton

THE same question is being litterly asked as to whether Mr. Roosevelt has gone over wholly on the side plant. The side plant is the side plant of the side plant is dealer to the side plant of the side plant is dealer to the freedenit were asks himself that question, whether he looks in his mirror each morning, and wonders: "Now which am I, a believer in power politics, or a believer in principles," It seems to me he is using both power politics and principles, and everything else he can find, including skill and guile.

Maybe too much skill, maybe too much guite. He is "certainty using both to avoid American responsibility for the Polish settlement, For a long time we ledt that boundary disputes should not be retted usual after the thought of the polish settlement. For a long time we ledt that the standard of the standard disputes should not be retted usual after the thought of the standard disputes the standard disputes the standard are reached, by other parties, before the end of the war. The result of these twin declarations is to leave us out of it.

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We don't have to help nettle the Polish problem now, because it isn't the end of the war; and we won't have to help settle it after the war, because it will have been settled no month of the problem of

know. "At the President is strongly for a world organiza-tion, and such an organization, when and if properly created, would be a guarantee of the independence of the new Polish state, and, in effect, a guarantee of every border in the world. Here we go back to principles again,

This does not satisfy a number of Americans, good and generous persons, of unimpsechable motives, who believe that if we are going to use such principles as the believe that if we are going to use the principles are the time. If you have a support to the time, in every case, and that we must fear new. I have a support to the time, in every case, and that we must fear new. I have a support to the harder problems settled seem-low, even anyhow, before trying is insaid that worth owners and the problems. We would organization will founder on those problems. Each of us must answer that question for himself by community with his soul, as, I suppose, the President has done.

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President can be charged with using mixed methods, it is unby fair to concede that he is operating in a mixed world. His responsibility, when he considers that what he does may change the Fullier of the world, is a terrifying one, and his loneliness, when he tries to select among alternatives, must be like the loneliness of him to the property of the loneliness of loneliness of the loneliness of the loneliness of the loneliness of loneliness loneliness of loneliness of loneliness loneliness of loneliness loneliness of loneliness lon

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Every statement calling attention to principles helps, and strengthens the President; I would not be surplied if he widcomed them, even when coulded in terms of criticism of himself. These are uncereplicated in terms of criticism of search and the search of th



"He's talking about a helicopter after the war, but I'm not worried—he got excited about electric dishwashers during the last war but never got around to buying one!"

Everyday Counselor

By Herbert Spaugh, D.D.

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With an arymment and you lose a friend." Now often I've heard this proverb and I am in the little to believe that it is particulating from the 1st 3st and in the little state of the

"Free" Plebiscite

By Dorothy Thompson

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It is a long time alone Mr.
Churchitt was a journalist.
Otherwise he might have brought
a reporter's memory to the Oreek
attuation. It is all very wall to
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tem. But what Americans and
pritains associate with these words,
is meaningless against the back
ground of modern Greek history.

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Mr. Eden has said that the British Government is neither for mor against archy, and King George II has said that he will await the outcome of This has not the first time he has said this, and no doubt the Greek people remember both the remember both the pledge and what he be Summer of 1881 when

and no doubt the Greek people: The hopered in the pledge and what happened.

In the Summer of 1935, when the people could make that the people could make that the people could make up their minds in chim, and no at the pledge of a summar of a month so that the people could make up their minds in chim, and no at the pledge of this all sounded very noble. But what happened has been described by an Australia by chance, was in Greece at the time.

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d on his legal rights, he was
soon up. Birtles talked during
the day and evening with Royalist officers and solders. They told
him frankly that they had been
voting over and over all day. One
confessed to repeating seventeen
Editers it, or not, the majority
was 88 per cent for the King, even
in completely Republican Salonika.
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Hell Hiller!
Then the King, after all his fine
words, came back, and stayed back
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hel sai 'free election' the Greeks
can recall. New they are promised
another one for 'Democracy' and
another one for 'Democracy' and
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that wheever is 'in power wins
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