

RUML SEES HUGE FEDERAL SURPLUS

New York Economist Says Billion Tax Slush Now Possible

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., April 4. — (U.P.)—Beadsley Ruml, New York business executive and economist, estimated today that federal taxes could be cut by eight billion dollars but doubted that a reduction of such size would be made.

Ruml, addressing the University of Miami's forum on taxation, said that the \$8,000,000,000 amount would be left as surplus if Congress cuts President Truman's budget requests by \$4,000,000,000. However, he favored funneling of part of the surplus into foreign gifts and loans rather than cut taxes drastically.

He said the estimated surplus would make possible a 20 per cent slash in individual income taxes, increase in exemptions for dependents by \$100, elimination of all excise taxes except those on liquor, gasoline and tobacco, and reduction of the corporate income taxes from 38 to 34 per cent.

"However," Ruml added, "I don't think there is a chance that tax reductions of this magnitude will be undertaken or that such a large sum will be spent in (foreign) rehabilitation — though every dollar spent abroad has to be spent ultimately in the United States."

Ruml recommended that the full surplus be used, five billion should go for tax reduction and three billion into foreign reconstruction as loans and gifts. He said there was no necessity for elaborate reduction of the national debt from "current funds."

Debt reduction will follow automatically, he said, "if employment exceeds acceptable levels or if prices continue to rise."

VFW OFFICIALS INSTALLED HERE

Former National Commander Lauds Organization for Sponsorship

The newly elected officers of the James A. Manley post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars headed by Ken Noble as commander were installed last night during a banquet in the Plantation club.

Otis Brown, of New Bern, a former national commander of the veterans organization, presided during the installation service which saw not only the officers of the post sworn into office but also the new officials of the auxiliary.

Brown lauded the local organization pointing out that it had won national acclaim by its sponsorship of the purchase of the Lake Forest housing project.

Also present at last night's celebration was Robert Sulphing, of Washington, D. C. legislative representative of the national housing committee of the VFW, who was representing National Commander Louis Starr for the occasion.

In addition to Noble, other officers installed were: A. J. Brunjes, senior vice-commander; S. C. Zatkiewicz, junior vice-commander; Tommy Long, quartermaster; Frank Shephard, chaplain; H. L. O'Steen, judge advocate; and J. J. Ray, trustee.

Two trustees, G. W. Fulford, who is ill at home, and William Zimner, who is out of town, were unable to be present for the services.

NEGRO FAMILY ASKS HELP AFTER FIRE DESTROYS HOME

A friend in need is a friend indeed, and a local Negro, his wife and seven small children were yesterday hoping they had those real friends—for they certainly were in need.

Samuel Grate, 37-year-old employee of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, his wife and seven children whose ages range from one to 14 years, were yesterday without a home or worldly possessions.

A raging fire swept their home at nighttime and completely destroyed the frame structure, its furnishings, and all the family's clothing and personal belongings.

Not one member of the family was injured in the fire—and for that, Samuel is thankful.

But the couple and the seven youngsters are in dire need of aid in all forms. They now have no household furniture, they have no clothes, and as there are seven children, any size clothes certainly will be put to good use.

Anyone who wishes to aid the family in distress is asked to contact the Welfare department.

HAMBONE'S MEDITATIONS

By Alley

DE MAN WHUT ALLUZ WANT TO MANAGE EV'YBODY ELSE'S BIZNISS GIN'LY END UP NEEDIN' SOMEBODY T' MANAGE HIS'N !!!



FISHDAY FINIS

NORFOLK, Va., April 4. — (U.P.)—Tidewater, Virginia's biggest Fishday Friday came to an end today with the death of a little creek mudflat of Blackie, the stranded whale.

A sailer from the nearby Naval Amphibious base administered the coup de grace to the 80-foot injured mammal with a rounds from a high velocity rifle. Even at that Blackie's tail swished for more than two hours in the shallow waters that roll in from the deeps of Chesapeake bay before coming to rest.

Representatives of a tall-oil company which had been standing by for the end since the whale negotiated the narrow ferry channel in from the bay yesterday slipped a towing line around Blackie's tail and began the task of towing him via tug to their plant for rendering into fats and oils.

STORMY SESSION IS EXPECTED MONDAY

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Rev. J. O. Walton, pastor of the Southside Baptist church, as a referendum was continued.

"However, Rev. Mr. Walton was just as surprised as I was when he learned that she was married," he added.

Denies Story

As to the "professor from Georgia" who was beaten up by the hired Negro boys as charged by Mrs. Livingston, who contended that she was present when the incident took place, Superintendent Carter issued a complete denial last night.

The former inmate with a high scholastic background was identified by the former nurse as a Mr. Stevens, who was told by the superintendent that he would have to "learn to behave himself."

"Mr. Stevens was struck on the head with a walking stick or cane by another inmate of the home," the superintendent said.

"The same inmate that hit Stevens was the one I told the commissioners about the Wednesday afternoon. In addition to striking Stevens in the dining hall the same white man hit another inmate here with a shovel and it required 10 or 12 stitches to close up the gash," Carter added.

Carter, a native of Greensboro, has been a resident of New Hanover county for more than four years, three years of which he served on the sheriff's force under C. David Jones. He also has served with the police department at Jacksonville.

Former Teacher

Mrs. Carter, his wife and head matron of the county home, is a former school teacher having been a member of the East Bend faculty for 12 years. In addition to teaching at East Bend, which is 18 miles from Winston-Salem, Mrs. Carter taught in the Wilmington-New Hanover system for two years.

Asked if he would explain the alleged charge on the "professor from Georgia" at Monday's session of the county commissioners, Carter said "You can ask J. R. Hollis of the county welfare department about that case."

"The old man wanted to return home and the welfare office let him. I did not have anything to do with his leaving the county home," he added.

Today, Hewlett, chairman of the board, presided over the two-day investigation held at the county home, Wednesday and Thursday, said yesterday that Commissioner Trask's request for more witnesses to be heard Monday would be granted.

LABOR BILL MAY BAN CLOSED SHOP

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and bargaining rights under the Wagner Act.

3. Making unions liable for unfair labor practices under the Wagner act, the same as employers now are.

4. Assuring employers the right of free speech in dealing with workers and unions.

5. Freeing employers of any obligation to bargain collectively with foremen. But the bill would permit foremen to join unions.

6. Outlawing of the check-off system of collecting union dues, unless approved in writing by individual workers. Under the check-off, the employer deducts a worker's union dues from his pay and gives the money direct to the union.

7. A ban — generally effective July 1, 1948 — on health and welfare funds controlled solely by unions. The maximum penalty would be a \$10,000 fine and a six-month jail sentence.

Along The Cape Fear

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was necessary for our personal benefit.

"Now of course all these letters are not going in the Wilmington postoffice," he pointed out which certainly should give some consolation to Mr. Doshier.

WORLD WIDE — "They are traveling all over the world. Figure 1,000 people to the postoffice there ought to be around one million postoffices."

"There is no indication that our citizens suffer unduly from B. O. or any disability that gives them a high unpopularity factor, so we are going to get our share of these well wishing, good luck letters."

"So unless Along The Cape Fear does something about the number

of letters rolling into the Wilmington postoffice we will get one million per day of five followed by 167 digits, big ones, little ones and a few zeros.

"That means five followed by 161 digits. The mathematician says that's something like five nonillion, decillion, decillion, decillion of decillions and then some.

"Why that's almost as many letters as there are folks who expect to get tickets to the Carolina-Duke football game next November," he cautions.

And since he mentioned football which is our true love, we will pause at this point in his letter. But let us assure you that we will bring you the balance of the horrors which are in store for the Postmaster Doshier and Along The Cape Fear at an early date.

POLICE SEARCHING FOR ASSAILANT OF TAXI DRIVER HERE

Walter Futch, local taxi driver, was treated for lacerations of the head last night at the James Walker Memorial hospital after being struck by an unknown assailant, whom he had picked up in his cab earlier in the evening.

Police are investigating the charge that the passenger who got into Futch's cab at the bus station requesting to be taken to 204 South Sixth street had attacked the driver upon arriving at that destination.

Knocked from his cab by the blow, Futch sought aid from a passerby, an unknown Marine, who drove him to the hospital where Futch's wounds were treated and he was later dismissed.

HORSE RACE BILL MAY BE DEFERRED

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record opposing the legislation and appointed a committee, consisting of the Rev. W. J. Stevenson, president of the organization, and J. B. Huntington, secretary, to confer with Rep. Kermon and Sen. Alton A. Lennon this weekend.

Secretary Huntington said that the organization would strongly contest the measure. That may be interpreted that opposition to the commissioners calling an election on the issue as provided in the bill will be forthcoming.

UNION MAY DEFEY FEDERAL POWERS

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governors of several states to invoke newly enacted state laws banning strikes in key utilities. Beltrne issued this statement: "We will resist action of states that deny to us rights guaranteed under federal law. No state can circumvent the federal constitutional guarantees against involuntary servitude."

"While telephone workers will respect the law, they believe that governors who take such action to ban a strike expose themselves to a charge of being tools of management."

William Margolis, U. S. Conciliator, presiding over the long-distance service phase of the negotiations, reported progress in talks with the American Telephone and Telegraph company's long lines department and the American Union of Telephone workers, one of 39 unions threatening a strike Monday.

Margolis told newsmen that the union and the company had talked very "seriously" on wages as well as a number of other principal issues. Settlement of the long distance part of the Bell system's dispute last year averted a nationwide strike when terms were followed by other Bell subsidiaries.

"They are still very far apart," Margolis reported. "We can't say settlement is in sight but we are working very hard. All ten major issues have been discussed, including the company's offer to arbitrate wages. However, the company's position on wages is unchanged."

John W. Gibson, assistant secretary of labor, reportedly conferred during the day with C. F. Craig, vice-president in charge of personnel of the American Telephone and Telegraph company.

The labor department seemingly pinned its major hope for an agreement on the long lines negotiations, in which Gibson and Edgar L. Warren, chief of the conciliation service, are aiding Margolis.

MANY CITED MINES OKAY

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hands off entirely" because "they have no authority under state or federal law to call a mine safe."

"If we assume responsibility and anything happens we are responsible," Mark said. "I believe that Krug (interior secretary) who ordered the closing) was trying to transfer responsibility off himself."

President Adolph Pacifico of UMW District 6 at Wheeling, W. Va., told mine safety committees in the Eastern Ohio and Northern West Virginia area "not to assume responsibility" for safety compliance.

Charles O'Neill, president of the Central Pennsylvania Coal Producers association, asserted at Altoona that "many of the mines closed are unaware of any violation of the safety code and in many instances the so-called violations are of a very minor character."

Nevertheless, the 518 mines in 19 states will remain closed until safety conditions are met. These diggings employ one-fourth of the nation's 400,000 soft coal diggers and produce 616,000 tons a day, about 26 percent of the country's normal output.

EXCHANGE CLUB OPPOSES NEW TIME

The Wilmington Exchange club yesterday went on record opposing a daylight saving time for Wilmington.

The recommendation, brought before club members during their regular luncheon meeting in the Friendly cafeteria, carried the provision that the club would not oppose the measure provided that Washington approved the saving time for the whole eastern belt.

During the meeting, Ken Noble made a spirited appeal for the support of the Southeastern North Carolina Beach association program and received hearty applause for his enthusiastic outline of the activities which would take place at the resorts of this area provided the current membership campaign is successful.

FALES, HAYES MAIN CHOICES

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partment and we are of the opinion that only one thing will suffice to clear up these conditions, and that is to put aside all selfish interests, if any there be."

Kermon Silent Representative Robert M. Kermon, who is reported to have leanings towards Fales for the position but has not openly affirmed this, said last night that he had nothing whatsoever to say about the nomination of a police chief for Wilmington.

It is not believed likely that he will go on record in support of any candidate for the post, as he is not expected to return to the city before sometime next week.

THOUSANDS HEAR MORAVIAN SERVICE

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said, that all rooms had been taken. Many persons were expected to arrive tomorrow morning from nearby cities by automobile and bus for the service.

In its 175 years, this Easter ceremony has not changed. It had its origin in America when the Moravians settled in this area.

The first service was held at Bethabara, a settlement near Winston-Salem. The service was moved here when the first Moravian, William Burkhead, died.

The Easter cantata, The Seven Last Words of Christ, will be given tonight in the Home Moravian church. During the week "Love Feasts" have been held as a prelude to tomorrow's services.

Bishop Pfoh said, "A special effort is being made to perfect all details of arrangements so that the greatest spiritual benefit may result." He will be conducting his 17th annual service Sunday.

The cantata will honor B. J. Pfoh, member of the Moravian Easter band since 1879 and leader emeritus since 1945. James Christian Pfahm, head of the music department at Davidson College, and son of Bishop Pfoh, will direct the cantata for the 14th consecutive year.

Among the highlights of services during the week was the Good Friday love feast at Home Moravian church this afternoon. A love feast for visitors to the city will be held at Home Moravian church Saturday afternoon.

Police Chief John M. Gold requested spectators not to follow the various sections not to follow band when they make their rounds of the city, beginning at 3 a.m. Sunday.

Chief Gold said his entire department will be on duty Sunday morning to direct traffic and assist the 500 ushers of the Moravian church in handling the huge crowd expected to attend the service.

MEASURE NO BALM REP. KERMON SAYS

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will be held up before it is ratified," he said.

City councilman, Harris Newman, was reported to have said yesterday that he believed the measure had been brought up to assuage the feelings of the council members after the trouble over the civil service commission bill.

TRACTOR BLAMED FOR TRAIN WRECK

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showed both trains passed the Downers Grove station at exactly the same time. Police set the time at 10:41 p.m. This was verified by eyewitnesses, who said the tractor fell across the streamliner's tracks not more than a few seconds before the collision. The trains were traveling in opposite directions.

The flat car from which the tractor fell was removed from a string of approximately 60 cars making up the freight train and held at Aurora pending an investigation. The tractor, a 14-ton TD-18 crawler type, was loaded at the International Harvester company's Chicago plant and was consigned to Chile, by way of New Orleans.

Flynn estimated damage to equipment at \$225,000, with the wrecked diesel unit representing \$55,000 of the loss.

Near Old Scene

The wreck was at a approximately nine miles east of Naperville, Ill., where 45 persons died last April 25 in a collision of two Burlington passenger trains.

THOUSANDS PRAY AT HOLY SHRINES

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commemorating the exodus of the Jews from Egypt nearly 4,000 years ago.

Like the Moslems, the Jews in this season are doing honor to the Prophet Moses. The Seder feasts feature ceremonial foods and customs to recall the suffering of Moses and his followers. It is the most ancient of the religious ceremonies celebrated in the Holy city.

The Christian observance of Good Friday began at the site which is presumed to be the place of the Roman fortress where Pilate was condemned by Pontius Pilate. A British police station stands there now.

JUDGES PAY HIKE BILL GOES DOWN

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lecting trustees of the University of North Carolina.

When the trustees were elected yesterday the Robeson delegation complained that Robeson, one of the largest counties in the state, had no representatives on the board of trustees.

Bue's bill would allow every county to have the same number of trustees as it has representatives in the lower House of the Assembly and that in addition 15 trustees would be elected at large.

His motion received a majority of 50 to 30 votes, but it was lost since it required a two-thirds vote to bring the measure from the unfavorable calendar.

Rep. H. G. Avant of Columbus also attempted to move from the unfavorable calendar a bill which would exempt a sales tax on fuel oil used by farmers to cure tobacco and sweet potatoes.

DR. WILLIS TO SPEAK TUBERCULOSIS MEET

Dr. Henry Stuart Willis, new head of the North Carolina Sanatorium, will be the featured speaker at the annual meeting of the New Hanover County Tuberculosis and Health Association, to be held on May 6, according to an announcement by Miss Lucy L. Nash, executive secretary of the Association.

Dr. Willis was recently appointed head of the North Carolina sanatorium, replacing Dr. Paul P. McCain, who was killed in an automobile accident some months ago.

Dr. Willis, who has been for some time superintendent of the Wm. H. Maybury sanatorium in Detroit, expects to take up his duties at the North Carolina sanatorium May 1.

LOCAL MAN MISSING; FOUL PLAY FEARED

Local law enforcement officers last night were on the lookout for Charles R. Holliday of Route 1, Wilmington, who has been reported missing since early Thursday morning.

Holliday, described as being 31 years of age, six feet tall and weighing around two hundred pounds, was said to have left Wilmington early Wednesday on a commercial route in a paneled truck.

Police reports show that he was carrying around \$200 on his person when he left the city, and officers said they feared he might be the victim of foul play.

His route was supposed to have carried him to Jacksonville and Burgaw but no reports have been obtained as to just how much of this route he covered.

Hughes Will Test Photo Ship Today

Obituaries

ROY PARKER

CHADBOURN, April 4. — Roy Parker, 42, was instantly killed when he fell into a saw at the Davis saw mill in Evergreen about 9:30 Friday a.m.

Mr. Davis, the owner of the mill who was on the opposite side of the sawmill said Parker fell on the saw and was thrown over the saw killing him instantly. His body was cut almost in two. He was a native of Dillon county, South Carolina.

Coroner Hugh Nance ruled death accidental. The body will remain at the Peacock funeral home until funeral plans are completed.

He is survived by his wife; three sons; Wilbur, Lee Edward and Junius. Two daughters; Stella Mae, Brenda Joyce all of Evergreen. His father and mother; Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Parker of Hamer, S. C.

MRS MITTIE BRANCH

LUMBERTON, April 4. — Mrs. Mittie Branch, 81, wife of the late Judson Branch, died at her home on Route One Boardman, Columbus County, Friday at one a.m. after an illness of ten days with influenza and pneumonia.

Funeral services will be conducted from Lennox Crossroads Baptist church of which she was a member Sunday at 3:30 p.m. by her pastor the Rev. E. A. Paul of East Lumberton. Interment will be in the family cemetery near the home. Beside the grave of her husband who died in 1935.

Mrs. Branch was born November 30, 1865, daughter of the late Moore and Lucinda Brown Surviving are one son C. D. Branch of the home, two foster daughters, Mrs. A. J. Britt, and Mrs. J. H. Jenerette of Boardman, and three grandchildren. She was the last surviving member of her family.

PETE GLISSON

Funeral services for Pete Glisson, 53, whose body was found in the Cape Fear River Thursday, were held Friday afternoon at 4:30 at the graveside in Atkinson cemetery in Atkinson.

He is survived by four sons, Bynum R., B. L., and L. C. Glisson, all of Savannah, Georgia, and Anton Glisson, Charles S. B. C. S. four daughters, Mrs. Matthews Griffith, Philadelphia, Penn.; Mrs. Herman Camp of Washington, D. C.; and Miss Angeline Glisson, Charlotte; three brothers, Fred, of Atkinson; Charlie, of Hawkinsville, Georgia; and Harris Glisson, of Virginia; and two sisters, Mrs. Clarence Knowles of Atkinson; and Mrs. Anlon Anderson of Virginia.

MRS. ANNE BRADY

Mrs. Annie Hinson Brady, 72, of Miami, Florida, died at five o'clock p.m., April 4 in Jackson Memorial hospital, that city, following a short illness.

Mrs. Brady was a former resident of Waycross, Georgia, moving to Miami twelve years ago. Funeral services will be conducted from the Hinson Funeral home in Waycross, Georgia, Sunday afternoon, interment following in Lott cemetery.

She is survived by three sons; L. H. S. H., and O. W. Brady, Sr., of Miami and one daughter, Mrs. E. E. Biggs, Sr., of Wilmington. One brother, Ed Hinson of Jacksonville, Florida. Also surviving are four grand-children and two great grand-children.

CAROL HILDA REYNOLDS

Funeral arrangements for Miss Carol Hilda Reynolds, 19, 924 N. 4th street, who died in an automobile accident Thursday night near Smithfield will be announced later.

Surviving are her parents; Mr. and Mrs. Vance Reynolds, of this city; four sisters; Mildred, Florence, Lucille, and Margery, all of this city; and one brother, Edward Reynolds of this city.

CARLTON BERTHAM LEINER

Funeral service for Carlton Bertham Leiner, 36, of this city, will be held today at 4 p.m. from Yopp funeral home, with Elder A. B. Barham and Elder Lonnie Yopp officiating. Interment will follow in Oakdale cemetery.

Active pallbearers are Dewey J. Hobbs, Jr., Eugene Hobbs, William McDonald, R. A. Williams, Jr., Richard Williams, and Liston Williams.

Honorary pallbearers are J. C. Davis, Jack Griffith, Mack Leach, Tim Ross, B. E. Williams, Bennie Schwartz, G. E. Hughes and Sam Bennett.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Shirley H. Leiner; one son Carlton L., and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Leiner; three sisters, Mrs. Alice Strickland, Mrs. Kathryn Murray and Miss Betty Leiner; two brothers, Louis G. and J. Herbert Leiner, the latter a resident of Paduka, Kentucky.

MILTON MCKENZIE PECK

Funeral services for Milton McKenzie Peck, 33, 804 Dock street, who was killed in an auto accident near Smithfield Thursday night, will be held today at Trinity Methodist church at 4:30 o'clock. Rev. E. B. Fisher and Rev. C. A. Maddy will officiate and interment will follow in Oakdale cemetery.

Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Peck; wife, Rachael H. Peck; brother, Lonnie J. Peck; aunt, A. G. Smith; and two uncles: C. R. McKenzie, of this city and W. K. McKenzie, of Elizabethtown.

Today And Tomorrow

By WALTER LIPPMANN

VANDEBERG TO THE RESCUE

If the Administration accepts the Vandenberg amendment promptly and generously a large majority in Congress for the Greek-Turkish bill ought then to be assured. The amendment cures the most serious defects of the original Truman proposal. It does that exactly, completely and handsomely, and if adopted it will not only strengthen the United Nations, which has been grievously injured, but will reduce decidedly the risks of our intervention in a tangled, explosive, distant, and unfamiliar part of the world.

The heart of the Vandenberg amendment is the clause which would make it American law that "The President is directed" to withdraw aid "if requested by a procedural vote in the Security Council or a majority vote in the General Assembly of the United Nations." This disposes at the outset of let us say Mr. Wallace's argument that nothing may be done except by U. N., and the Administration's argument that since U. N. cannot act, it may be bypassed. Mr. Vandenberg has restored the essential principle of the Charter which is by that important action, affecting international security, may not be carried out unilaterally—that is to say without submitting to the authority of the United Nations.

The adoption of his amendment will give to the United Nations the power to disapprove our intervention, and to decide that it should be discontinued. Therefore, until and unless the United Nations request us to withdraw we shall be acting, not on our own isolated judgment, not unilaterally but with the consent of the United Nations.

Mr. Vandenberg has gone the limit in seeing to it that the sincerity of the proposal cannot be questioned. He has not merely renounced the American veto. He has also renounced a British veto on our behalf. Under a "procedural vote," a majority in the Security Council would prevail even if Great Britain and the United States were opposed.

If he had wanted to be tricky, he would have said only that on a vote, the United States as the interested nation would abstain. But as everybody knows that Great Britain is no less an interested party, and would never vote to have us withdraw from a country which it had pressed us to enter, a failure to renounce the British veto, would have impaired the good faith and sincerity of the whole business.

This is the right thing to do in view of our deep commitments to the United Nations. It is also the most expedient thing to do. For if ever the day comes when a majority of the United Nations are against us in Greece and Turkey our position will be untenable. It will mean that the enterprise has failed to do the very thing which the President said it was designed to accomplish—to rally and unite the democratic, or at least the independent nations, opposed to the expansion of the Communist power. If we cannot get and hold the confidence and support of a majority of the United Nations, then we had better write off the intervention as a bad job.