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Star-News Program

State ports with Wilmington favored in proportion with its resources, to include public terminals, tobacco storage warehouses, ship repair facilities, nearby sites for heavy industry and \$5-foot Cape Fear river channel.

City auditorium large enough to meet needs for years to come. Development of Southeastern North

Carolina agricultural and industrial resources through better markets and food processing, pulp wood production and factories.

Emphasis on the region's recreation advantages and improvement of resort accommodations.

Improvement of Southeastern North Carolina's farm-to-market and primary roads, with a paved highway from Topsail inlet to Bald Head island.

Continued effort through the City's Industrial Agency to attract more industries.

Proper utilization of Bluethenthal airport for expanding air service. Development of Southeastern North

Carolina's health facilities, especially in counties lacking hospitals, and including a Negro Health center

Encouragement of the growth of commercial fishing. Consolidation of City and County

governments

The Weapon Is Authorized, But...

THE SUNDAY STAR-NEWS, WILMINGTON, N. C. Victim Of A Bad Neighborhood

Pity poor, helpless, little Czechoslo-|changed her mind because "acceptance of the invitation might be construed

Born in the aftermath of a great as action against the Soviet Union." war, she enjoyed less than a generation The entire cabinet, according to the reof freedom before the dissolution of her port, approved the change in decision sovereignty at the hands of a totali- after a telephone call from Communist tarian leader at Munich. This was be- Premier Klement Gottwald in Moscow. cause this despot, Adolf Hitler, knew He made the call after an interview the necessity of controlling her as the with Soviet Prime Minister Stalin. Thus, basis of further European expansion. Russia changed Czechoslovakia's mind. Her fate was selected because of Today, the little country in a memgeographical location, a natural buffer ber of the Soviet bloc boycotting an economic effort to return normalcy to between Europe's East and West.

The fall of Czechoslovakia brought Europe. Others are Russia, Poland, appeasement into such distaste that Yugoslavia, Hungary, Romania, Bulfree people looked upon this bending of garia, Albania and Finland. All are vasknee as only a respite to prepare them- sals to Communism. They are not even selves for the war that all knew must free enough to take badly needed aid, offered by those who have no desire Czechoslovakia's only sin was that to influence their present or future

she was in the way of a totalitarian ex- politics. Their status is exactly the same of the pre-World was II Czechs,

The war was fought and, through and others who came under Nazi domithe Four Freedoms, the Czechs were nation. They are, as far as the United given new hope. Again, they believed. States, is concerned, in a state of servitheir independence would be sustained. ture to Communism which leaves them Again, the Democracies would provide helpless in their war wreckage.

some safeguard. But the Czechs forgot The East-West rift in Europe is an old geography lesson. Today, as wider today than ever before. On one far as their rights are concerned, they side are Russia and her eight friends. are practically back where they were On the other are Britain, France, Austria, Belgium, The Netherlands, Luxemwhen Hitler took over.

This time they bow to Communism. bourg, Eire, Iceland, Norway, Swe-Definite realization of their new den, Denmark, Switzerland, Italy, Porplight happened rather quickly and tugal, Greece and Turkey. Spain was quietly. It didn't receive the notice it not invited.

deserved as a possible harbinger of Of all kidnaped into the Soviet obit, dreadful things to come. In fact, it Czechoslavakia strikes us with the most was given nowhere as much play in pity and significance. It seems only a some newspapers as the "flying sauc- short time ago that she was going down before military expediency. Now it is

But it happened and here is how: an economic and political one. But back As a follow-up of the Marshall sug-gestion that Europe get up off its back- pattern is being cut on old, familiar Democratic Party Found Leading G.O.P. As a follow-up o fthe Marshall sug- of this feeling is the fear that another side so it may see what it needs lines for a garment-war-the world to walk away from the chaos of World cannot don anytime soon unless it As Result Of Recent Impressive Gains to protest or are unable to regis-ter a useful opposition. war II, Britain and France called the wants to court complete destruction. Continental Recovery conference which Meanwhile, our sympathies again go Fifty-Five Per Cent Declare opened yesterday in Paris. Bids were out to the Czechslovakia, whose geogsent to 22 nations. Fourteen quickly raphy makes it impossible for her to accepted. Early last week, Czechoslo- enjoy the freedom and peace she devakia said she would attend. But Thurs- serves. Fate simply put her in the day night, she announced she has wrong neighborhood.

In the referendum conducted to de- The 34-foot Channel Project extra gasoline made available through ______The Democratic party has cide whether New Hanover's county Another boost toward providing a calls by fully-laden vessels.

commissioners should be authorized to channel depth allowing the Port of Wil- With the 34-foot channel, Wilming- voting strength in recent levy a tax of not more than five cents mington to accommodate every type of ton will be able to receive the new T-2 months.



The Gallup Poll

53.8

1944

They Prefer Democrats As Of Today

By GEORGE GALLUP Director, American Institute of **Public Opinion** PRINCETON, N. J., July 12

made impressive gains in

While Alf M. Landon retype tanker, which draws about 32 feet, cently declared that Repubwith full cargo. Thus, the extra chan- licans stand a better than 2nel depth will place it on a basis com- to-1 chance to elect the next parable with practically every other tute finds that a sizable majority large port in handling this commerce. of voters say they would cast their Endorsement of the proposal is ad-not the Regublican-if a presidenditional evidence of the interest of the tial election were held right now. The rend of events in the next Corps of Engineers in assisting the port twelve months may substantially to gain the position it rightfully de- alter the situation. But as of this serves in North Carolina transportation date the Democratic party runs about as strongly as it did in the and commerce. From 1847 through July, last presidential election. Its comeback from the low point of last 1946, the Federal government has spent November, when the party lost twelve and one-half million dollars to control of Congress to the Repubdeepen the channel from its original licans, has been something of a major political feat. The question eight feet to its present 30. Now, it is now is whether the gains will last. Th party's course is traced in engaged in extending the depth to 32 the following table showing the trend of sentiment on the ques-

SUNDAY, JULY 13, 1947 Behind The News Bloc Is Given A New Meaning

By DEWITT MACKENZIF AP Foreign Affairs Analyst Now that the Russian "Bloc" of satellite nations in Eastern Eucope has been designated clearly we shall find it illuminating if we pause to devote a bit of inought to the meaning of the term "bloc.

A bloc of nations, in its general. ly accepted sense, is a group which has willingly combined to achieve some objective common interest. Membership in the bloc is voluntary.

Now in examining the Russian bloc we find an interesting deviation from the ordinary definition. The element of willingness is lack. ing in much, if not all. of this association, that is, willingness on the part of the people as a whole in the various nations. For example. Hungary, Romania and Poland were among countries communized over protests by the United States and Britain that strong-arm methods were being employed so the will of the general public was being smothered. The most recent demonstration -and it has drawn shocked expressions from the Western world -is Czechoslovakia's withdrawal from the Paris economic conference on orders from Moscow. And in passing we can't overlook that Greek troops have been fighting a hot battle near the Albanian frontier against Red guerrilla forces which Greece charges are supported by her Communistic neighbors and are aiming to establish a Communist state. A majority report of the United Nations Balkan commission recently upheld the charge that Communistic Albania, Yugoslavia and Bulgaria were aiding the Red rebellion against the Athens government.

Unhappy One

So the Russian bloc is an unwilling and unhappy one. The mere fact that a Communist government may be in control of a country duesn't necessarily mean that it speaks for the population as a whole. It means that the opponents of the government are, for the time being, either afraid

Moscow had several reasons for creating this bloc. One was to spread Communism. Another was to increase the political and economic prestige of the Soviet Union. A third, and very important me, was to extend its sphere of induence westward for military security.

On paper the bloc is a formidable one that at first glance would seem to fulfill all the purposes for which it was built. However, when we consider that it is made up of unwilling units we see that it provides a highly unstable barrier between Russia and the Western democracies which she

highly worthwhile proposal and it was provement will be realized. approved by a handsome vote.

its acute necessity, it is erased by a nel. report disclosed Friday by the execu-County Tuberculosis associaton.

ing period last year.

North Carolina's 100 counties from the for authorization of the necessary standpoint of infection, which has de- funds. veloped into an alarming problem. There was 56.9 per cent.

ward relieving this distressing situa- tionally strong case in behalf of the protion. The next is construction of the posed undertaking. institution. In view of the great increase The benefits to be derived will justify in cases alone, those entrusted with that the cost of the project. responsibility should see that it is met | Because the present depth is inadeas soon as possible.

tuberculosis. And it is disheartening Thus, Wilmington is not only being that an authorized and greatest of all forced to share a part of this compotential weapons-the sanatorium- merce but the compulsory arrangement is receiving so little of the kind of at- results in higher transportation costs. tention which would bring it into exis- The port has the facilities to handle the tence and the fight against this steadily additional petroleum tonnage, plus a

advancing disease.

Around Capitol Square

per \$100 valuation for construction of fully-laden vessel wishing to call was a modern tuberculosis sanatorium, revealed late last week and present inthere appeared little opposition to the dications are that the badly needed im-

In fact, the port is but three steps If any doubt still remains as to away from its long sought 34-foot chan-

Latest development was the distive secretary of the New, Hanover closure that the proposed project for a 35-foot depth across the bar and It revealed that prevalence of the then 34 feet to the anchorage basin has disease has doubled so far this year in been recommended by the Wilmington comparison with the first six months district and South Atlantic division of 1946. The Consolidated Health de- engineers of the Corps of Engineers, partment lists 75 cases, 31 of which are War department. It will now go beactive, were discovered during the first fore the Board of Engineers for Rivers half of 1947 in comparison with 36 and Harbors. If approved there, and feet. cases, 17 active, during the correspond- there is no reason to believe it will not. it will go to Lieut. Gen. Raymond A.

New Hanover, according to the as- Wheeler, Chief of Engineers, and then, sociation official, ranks fifth among if his action is favorable, to Congress

In announcing his favorable decision were 32 deaths from the disease here Col. George W. Gillette, division head, last year. The state mortality ratio pointed out that all interested in the reaton alone, final approval of the 34was 26 per cent, but this county's ratio proposed improvement may present their views to the Rivers and Harbors The first step-the people's approval board. This is the next place where of a sanatorium-has been taken to-Wilmington must continue its excep-

quate for newer, larger tankers fully

It is quite obvious that New Han- loaded, it is necessary that they divide wouldn't let a Russian woman leave over is losing ground in its battle against their cargoes with other nearby ports.

band, Deputy Foreign Minister Vishin- events or statements. In a short sky explained the other day, is that period of two years, for example, "women talk too much."

Maybe so, Mr. Vishinsky. But did gone from 87 per cent down to 32 you ever heard of that fine old masculine marathon of American government, consumer territory that will use the the congressional filibuster?

Gabbledygook

In view of this, as well as favorable "If a presidential election were treatment so far accorded the 34-foot being held today, which party proposal, it is easy to see that the Fed- would you vote for, the Democratic Major Party Vcle eral government is high on the list of % Dem. % Rep the port's friends. It has backed its 1944 election _____53.8%

great asset with millions of dollars. And, Dec., 1946 ------47 Feb., 1947 ------50 as commerce grows over the years, it March has ever been disappointed. For that May

TODAY _____55 The latest figure compares with foot improvement appears quite prob- 53.8 per cent in the 1944 presidential election, when the late able. But because all stages have been President Roosevelt defeated passed quite successfully to date is no Thomas E. Dewey, and with 55 reason for Wilmington to let its in- per cent in 1940 when Roosevelt beat Wendell Willkie. terest lag and become overconfident, In analyzing the Democrats today two factors must be taken inespecially if and when the matter goes to account-(1) the basic strength of the party and (2) the popularity

46.2%

53

50

of President Truman. The presidential popularity index base don the question. "Do you approve of One reason the Soviet government disapprove of the way Mr. Truman is handling his job as president?" is a widely fluctuating, almost her country to join her Canadian hus- mercurial index, reflecting changes of opinion based on day-to-day

Mr. Truman's personal popularity

as measured by that index has

per cent and back up to 54 per

The Institute's index of party

strength, on the other hand, is a

much more stable indication of

political sentiment. During the

past twelve years it has proved

voting intention. The two indexes

usually shift in the same direc-

ighly accurate in anticipating

cent, which is the figure today.

1945 ELECTION 1946 1947 The trend of Democratic party strength is shown above, as meas-ured by Gallup polls on the question of what party voters would favor if a presidential election were being held today. even remotely possible. The per-sonality of the man picked by the Republicans to run against him the economic situation at home and the course of our foreign policy will all weigh in the balance as voters go to the polls. But at this early date it is interesting to compare the strength of the Democratic party by groups with past performance at election

TREND OF DEMOCRATIC PARTY STRENGTH

time in 1944 and 1940. This shows among other things, the gains that have been made since 1944 among

	% Democratic			
	1940	1944	Today	
	elec-	elec-		
9. B.B	tion	tion		
Bus. & Prof.	36%	42%	43%	
White Collar	48	51	52	
Farmers	54	48	58	
Manual				
workers	65	62	61	
The trend	by size	of co	mmun-	
ity for the	non-far	m pop	ulation	

shows a fairly stable picture % Democratic 1940 1940 Today Towns under 10,000 -- 52% Cities 10,000-500.000 54

Cities over 500,000 _____61 61

Next Wednesday: The fourth and final article in this Gallup Political Scoreboard Series will survey the relative strength today of possible Republican presidential candidates.

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distrusts so much.

It is unstable because it cuts across a section of Europe which includes countries that long have been famous for their love of liberty and for their fierce defense of freedom. Among them are sturdy fighting folk like the Bohemians, the Serbs, the Poles. 'he Czechs, the Slovaks and the Finns Can any doubt that Russia will have to sit on the lid of this melting-pot? She herself, better than anyone else, must realize this because many of the populations in

her bloc belong to her own Slavic race of fighters who so often have revolted against oppression.

MAP IS READY to nold a bloc together indefinit Coercion isn't the right cement

Will Be Presented To City Ford Co. Changes **Council Soon For** Time Card Rule, Study Smoking Ban Eased

DEC. FEB. MAR. MAY

A proposed new truck route in DETROIT, July 12-(AP)-A tradi-Wilmington moved a step nearer tion established by the late Henry reality Saturday with Mayor E. Ford, that salaried employes right L. White in receipt of a map from up to top-bracket executives punch time clocks, will be terminated by Acting City Engineer Henry Von the new management of the Ford Oesen showing the three proposed

routes under consideration by the Motor company. ity council. This change effective Aug. 1, Action on the proposed new was revealed today in a memo randum to the company's 23.000 route moved swiftly this past was salaried workers from Henry Ford after the matter week II company president and grandbrought up before the council the son of the founder. week before by Councilman J. E.

L. Wade. They checked in and out at start and end of the day and st Councilmen first were called to gether by the mayor Tuesday to the beginning and end of lunch make a personal survey of the periods. 530% three routes under consideration.

The elder Ford's rigid "no smo This was followed by a request ing" rule also has been relaxed to the city enginering departsomewhat so that visitors in the ment for a composite map of all lobby of the main building may routes, which has been prepared smoke and employes are permitted and will be studied by councilto smoke in the lunch rooms.

men Next moves in bringing a new Bales of cotton stored for more route into realization will be a than 80 years have been found tentative decision on selection of to have practically no deterioraroute and conferences with tion. state highway commission offi-

cials relative to state aid. A pub- parties is to be held later before lic hearing for all interested firal action is taken

Walter Winchell

Memorandum To Public Prosecutors

(A Bill of Particulars) fenses. . .We arraign this mob for blah. His name: J. Ben Stoner. In a democracy the Court of tar and feathering good - will During the last 12 months, by Public Opinion is the most import- among Negroes, Jews, Catholics use of U. S. postal permits and ant forum. The judgments handed and Protestants. mailing privileges, this p down there are mandates for ganda goon has flooded

NEW YORK, N. Y.: Exactly ten country with applications action from the people to their Government bureaus. When these years ago one Kurt Mertig formed membership in his Nazi bureaus fail in their sworn duty a pro-Nazi outfit here called the party. He also uses Robert Har to protect the American people "Citizens Protective League." Its negan's post office department from enemies within, the fault first meetings were held on Lex- demand extermination of religious may be with the people-for not irgton Avenue in Yorkville. In the groups. . .We brand J. B. Stonet filing their bills of complaint. last decade its leader. Mertig, guilty of using the mails to per But in the present case, the public worked with every pro-Ratzimob petrate the crime of hatred-w is blameless. Daily, citizens from in the East, defending Bund lead- the tacit approval of the U.S.

every walk of iife swamp this ers, protesting the hanging of Post Office. desk with documentary evidence Hitler's henchmen at Nuremberg, of the un-American doings of the distributing un - American litera-

PHILADELPHIA, Pa .: Accordhate-rabble. . .Here is the people's ture. . .In 1946 Mertig was ing to its citizens, Independence sentenced to six months in jail for City is suffering aclding a hate-filled rabble-rousing

AKRON, O.: Since 1942, with plague. Ladies who call then meeting on the streets of N. Y. never a word in the public press, Now out of jail, this localouse Recently the "Mothers" attacked the Ku Klux Klan has been meetcarries on. . . Only last month he John Rogge for his prosecution of ing here. The town's alleged long held another rodent rendezvous in the alleged seditionists (natch) arm of the law lays limp against Queens . We point to this pro- Last year they invited ex-jailbird its side. The facts: Meeting place: fessional bigot as the new nadir of and former Bund leader. Ernest whether they will find the Re- The Klan Home, 719 East Market a new Americanzi movement. Elmhurst, as a speaker. . . The Street. Most recent meeting: June

Cherry Administration Completes First Biennium

BY LYNN NISBET RALEIGH, July 12-On June 30 sponsibility for two others.

the administration of Governor R. assume full responsibility. When a new governor comes into office early in January every fourth year, he finds himself immediate-It will be necessary of course to may accrue is due more to failure ly confronted with a general as-sembly over which he traditionalwields tremendous influence. But he also finds himself largely pattern for the administration. Albound for the remaining six months of the fiscal year by com- attention, although relatively few act which produced 122 million mitments of his predecessor. Likefrom office he leaves for his suc- ning of the second biennium.

iod. So each North Car-rnor, while limited to been said and written about the Gregg Cherry of Gaston was cessor that same six months car-ryover pointed. So each North Car-olina go rnor, while limited to t

so the 1947 legislature must get

before Congress.

Gregg Cherry completed the only um commencing six months after it is important it is easy to see had a large part in drafting the other index moves up. full biennium for which it must inauguration is the only full fiscal that neither the governor, nor the revenue act of 1933, which was period for which a governor has presiding officer of either branch exclusive responsibility, brief re- of the legislature or any member view of the Cherry administration of the council of state had a great manent"-and has been continued

ments. It is interesting to note the term embracing the legisla- normal course than for any action session ranking member of the ture of 1945 which largely set the during the past two years. house finance committee, after serving as its chairman in 1935

POLICY- Fact is, the revenue and as speaker in 1937. Moving over to the senate side. Cherry of the important laws enacted dollars in general fund revenue served on the finance committees when a governor retires then became effective until begin- last year is in all essential feaof that body in both the 1941 and tures the same that yielded only 1943 sessions.

INFLUENCE - Point of inject-

tion, though in different degrees. When the president's popularity tricably involved in sharing re-thuge general fund surplus, unan-tranking member of the house fi- declines for a considerable period ticipated high revenue and other nance committee under chairman- of time, the party strength index BIENNIUM - Since the bienni- facets of fiscal policy. While that ship of the venerable Rufus A. usually declines, and when the Doughton of Alleghany, Cherry president is on the upswing the

The Democratic party today continued without material change draws its voting strength mainly until 1939 when it was made "per- from farmers, manual workers, big city voters and young peoplesince with only minor amend- the same groups (except the farmers) which kept re-electing Presithat Cherry was also in the 1939 dent Roosevelt.

The problem facing Mr. Trupublican candidate, and G. O. P. ideas, more attractive.

current complaint:

man in 1948 is whether he can hold those groups in line for himself as Mr. Roosevelt did, or

It is still more than a year to R. Sheakley, P

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn.: In this dizzie Lizzie Dilling (but 15, 1947. Leading local Klansmen: F. city lives a leading hooded Nazi. ccurse!). . . And in the war years p ese 24 years old, single, no depend- they demanded a "negotiated presidential voting day, and hance Grannon, J. McMillian. . At these 24 years old, single, no depend-no forecast of how Truman and Konklaves, plans are made for ents, he spends his time poisoning McClensey, they demanded a

year before they raised funds for