

FRIDAY, August 3, 1951

A Nation Pays Tribute .

EARLIER this week, Gladewater, Texas refusing to break ranks, dropped in their paid tribute to the late M/Sgt. Travis E. faint caused by the intense heat. Watkins. Along with the citizens of this East Texas town, 150 members of the Armed Forces from Camp Polk, La., the Barksdale Air Force band, the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the prayers least half a dozen Texas cities, combined to of Americans across the country gave M/Sgt. Watkins a final salute.

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Sweat—dripping slowly at first, then in steady rivulets-saturated the clothing of raised to wipe a drenched brow. Five men,

Old Man Gets Hospital Hand-Out

FOR THE last two weeks, the American public has been following the touching story of a bearded, weatherbeaten old man who passed out in the streets of Reno, Nev. July 17.

The man claimed to be a veteran of the Civil War. Almost everyone doubted his story at first. He insisted that he was Lt. John N. Boyer who served in the Civil War. He professed to be 104 years old.

The veterans of Reno accepted this story with skepticism, but they soon received an announcement that there was a Lt. John N. Boyer in the Civil War and that this man was probably he.

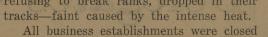
The sympathy of most Americans went out to this bedraggled old man, who had served his country in Civil War, yet had to go about as a vagabond to get his daily food.

Now that sympathy has turned to indifference if not disgust. Manager Edward F. Reed of the Reno V. A. center has ordered an investigation of the matter.

A closer check by the V. A. revealed that this man was not Boyer but instead, was really Walter Engle Urwiler, age 69, who had a knack for faking heart attacks, and who used some 40 other aliases.

The authorities went to the hospital to confront the old man with this news. But Boyer, who told doctors he was a Pennsylvania Volunteer and had hitchhiked from an old soldiers' home in San Diego, had disappeared after receiving expensive treatment -all free.

It looks like old swindlers never die, they just get treats, treatments, then fade away.



in Gladewater. Flags flew at half mast. High state and military officers, aided by representatives of veterans' organizations from at pay their respect.

Foy L. Smith, minister, slowly and pointedly read from the Book of Psalms.

This wasn't an ordinary funeral because the crowd outside; yet, not a hand was M/Sgt. Watkins was no ordinary man. He was the first Texan to win the Congressional Medal of Honor in the Korean War. He was awarded the nation's highest military decotion posthumously for bravery near Yongsan.

Wounded and paralyzed from the waist Dwells on Texas' Distinctive Claim to Area down, he ordered his men to withdraw as he covered their retreat. M/Sgt. Watkins faced certain death without hesitation. He served his country in the greatest way possible.

He gave his life that we might live a life

But the hilarous thought is how the colonel finally trapped this supposedly viva- Interpreting The News cious creature. She said that she flew to the base on a military plane.

At this point, the colonel put two and two together, thought, and immediately set the FBI on her trail, to see where she ob-

WHY DO WE ALWAYS GET SUCH DRIVERS ?



OPS Issues Puzzling Order As Truman Okehs Controls

Entitled to Increase

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3–(P) Just an hour or so before treating the president Truman signed the need to the president the president that order. OPS simply as putting into effect an old the integration of the had issued some the double to the president the the trum the president the the trum the president the the trum the president the trum the president the trum the president the trum the president the trum the trum the president the trum the

Froze Prices

Last Jan. 26 OPS froze all prices, including manufacturers'. This price increase, go ahead and boost freeze couldn't continue indefinite-ly without injustice to some manu-without injustice to some manu-facturers whose costs continued to facturers whose costs continued to facture and whose therefore preded to facture and whose therefore preded to facture and the source of the source of the source of the source of the formula which we've laid down

by July which means it suspended both actions on rollbacks and price increases for the manufacturers

Agreed on New Law

It exists that in the same time some manu-facturers' prices were too high be-cause, for one reason or another; crease or whether you're charging

On Tuesday night it told manu-facturers to file Form No. 8 by Aug. 13 and if they think they're entitled to a higher price, the must wait 15 days after fil Form No. 8, before boosting the That's to give OPS time eck on them.

If Jones, the widget-maker, files his form on Aug. 13 he must wait until Aug. 28 before raising his price. But his only reason for getting the increase will still be fo only these two reasons: highe costs of labor and materials.

More Price Increases

And that brings up something Most objective observers here still else, Because of the new law, Jones think the chances are very remote may be able to get still another increase in a little while The new law not only lets man

ufacturers charge a higher pric because of increased costs in labo and materials but will let ther include the cost of other thing: like sales promotion and advertis

While OPS has worked out a formula for allowing price incre es under the old law, on Form No 8, it still hasn't worked out a for mula for allowing increases und the new law. That will take time

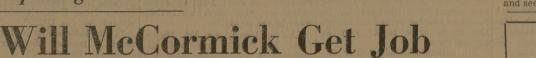
tely reported to the Senate floor Many legislators wanted to wait and see what action the House took.

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What's Next

In Political Scandal

WHAT'S GOING to happen next in the political scandals about our "public servants" in Washington?

It was announced yesterday that Bob Byers, Sr., an Ohio real estate operator and builder, testified at his \$500,000 bankruptcy hearing that Sen. Joseph McCarthy (R-Wis) had refused to pay \$5,500 which the Senator had lost to Byers' son, Bob Byers, Jr.

Of course the Senator denied that he owed the money. Whether he did or not, the smell of "political polution" fills the air. Fur coats, subversion, deep freezes, and all sorts of things. What next?

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tained the pass needed for transportation on military aircraft.

This is the point in the Armed Forces educational program: to encourage its students to think. The corporal thought that he should give a pass to a lieutenant, the THE question now seems to be not whether Britain will get the The question now seems to be not whether Britain will get the should give a pass to a lieutenant, the colonel thought about the needed pass, but the person who was really thinking was the major who flew in the Atlantic but whether it will get the source at all. Intelligent people try to get the facts on both sides of an issue. Ig-

facts on both sides of an issue. Ignoramuses just shout and howl.

Of Top Navy Commander?

J. M. ROBERTS, JR. AP Foreign News Analyst

Fechteler Promoted

That was Admiral William M. Fechteler, who has now been pro-moted to chief of naval operations. McCormick is the new commander.

McCormick is the new commander. Britain's top officials knew that by getting an American commander they were also getting assurance that the United States would pro-vide him with the strength to do the job, of vital importance to the defense of Britain, But tradi-tional pride of sea power stirred up a political hotbed in Britain, and the business has been rocking along without action.

man's promotion of Fechteler was that, besides appointing a man who had not been too much involved in the Navy-Air Force fight, the President was also permitting the reopening of the Atlantic command

British Commander

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Associate Editor and Sports Editor Women's Editor Feature Editor City Editor Allen Pengelly, B. F. Roland, Frank Davis, William Dickens Fay Kushing, Tom Rountree, Gus Becker, Ray Moltrook Sports Rever, But by reopening the matter of the commander the whole matter of whether there should be a supreme command is also reopen-ed. The late Admiral Sherman, who went to Britain in an effort to smooth things over, is reported to

have considered a unified command mander works with General Eisen-unwieldy. World War II, which hower in the Western Mediterranwar with Russia might be expected to produce, was conducted without such unification.





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