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HIGH-HANDED ACTION

IF the background of the feud between Governor Scott and Probation Commissioner J. Harris Sample is related by the Raleigh News & Observer...

According to the capital newspaper, the director of the Probation Commission is appointed by the Commission "with the approval of the Governor."

The Commission wants to keep Sample in the job, the Raleigh paper says, and has taken the position that "no vacancy exists."

SMOKE IN THE LAND OF THE SKY

UP in the Land of the Sky, where the purity of the atmosphere serves a double purpose...

The Asheville City Council decided to abandon the program inaugurated in 1946 after a long campaign by civic clubs and medical authorities.

The Asheville Citizen, pointing to the tremendous improvement in smoke conditions in the first two years of the abatement program...

"It became some persons of place and influence do not like smoke abatement?"

A FRIEND IN COURT?

IF Governor Scott is warming up to the state's little motor, as he appeared to be at the first meeting of the new State Municipal Roads Commission...

Talking informally with members of the Commission, Governor Scott recalled that the State General Assembly increased the annual Highway Commission appropriation for maintenance within cities and towns two and a half times...

"Your task involves a lot of money, but I believe you can work out a fair and equitable formula for this problem."

"That two and a half times as much which was given to the cities was a compromise."

From The St. Louis Globe-Democrat

POTOMAC VALLEY AUTHORITY

WE have been dithering in our duty in not sounding a clarion call for a Potomac Valley Authority.

What prompts this call for progress and reform in the Potomac Valley is the comment of the Spokane Spokesman-Review...

We have been puzzled by the same phenomenon in the Missouri Valley. We have been told by the New York Times, the Washington Post and others that we don't seem to know what is good for us.

A regional authority, it seems, is like a goodly one for the other fellow or another Valley cannot be trusted to administer an Authority themselves.

A magazine asks: "What will the girl of 16 be in ten years?"

'Mind Stepping Into The Front Office A Minute?'

Joseph Alsop

The Mountain Labors



WASHINGTON THE effort to evolve a constructive program for the Pacific community is being stymied to produce results.

The Asiatic policy that seems to be emerging emphatically does not cover China. As to China there is no more agreement than in the past.

Broadly speaking, the plan itself falls into three parts. First, the British and ourselves will join in trying to persuade the other two.

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Neither Aid Nor Bigotry

(From The St. Louis Post-Dispatch)

THERE is no controversy within the United States today of greater potential harm to this country than that between Cardinal Spellman of the Roman Catholic Church and Archbishop Sheen of the United States.

Cardinal Spellman says that Representative Barden of North Carolina, chairman of the House subcommittee on education, is "a new apostle of Catholicism."

Bishop Oxnun returns Cardinal Spellman's attack on the level in American church circles. It does not come to mind. But distorting though this may be, there is no safety in ignoring this sectarian strife.

There is no Federal aid to schools. That is accepted even by the Hoover Commission which is recommending extensions in military, executive and other expenditures.

Our reader up the street says his hardest job is living so that no one will ask if he is a church member.

When you see models in the show window with their palms up, you know you are in a predicament.

Time passes so swiftly that none of us have time to do the things we should do.

Heart Of The School Fight

(From The St. Louis Post-Dispatch)

to the church and state together. The state which subsidizes can also claim the right to control.

That great Catholic layman's opinion is as good today as when he first declared it.

Quote, Unquote

Pittsburg husbands are very thoughtful. One has just presented his wife with a lawn mower while another gave her a radio.

Old Sam Johnson says that he has arrived at a year when he will have a juvenile delinquent—Charles (S. C.) News & Courier.

When Adam said, "The woman tempted me." If God had been a prohibitionist: He would have said, "I'll abolish women."—Lamar (Mo.) Democrat.

Civilization has now moved forward to the place where listeners have and done it the radio jockey who has put the Senate on a radio.

When a politician announces he is running, he should be required by law to say in what direction.

Marquis Childs Campaign Promise?

WASHINGTON

EVEN though political memories are notoriously short, few politicians can have forgotten President Truman's repeated offer to pledge to work for low-cost public housing.

Those promises helped him to carry many Western states, which at the beginning of the campaign were considered doubtful territory.

Republicans in the 80th Congress cut out funds for such projects. Democrats have joined Republicans in Senate committee report to do the same action.

How can this happen in the face of repeated Democratic campaign pledges? The answer is that the Democrats who participated directly in the Truman victory do not seem anxious to make good on the pledges.

Williams M. Boyle Jr., executive director of Democratic National Committee, wrote a letter to the Dept. of Interior as the representative of outcast private utility publicly owned transmission lines.

Little is known of the activities of the committee. Jefferson Cox, Mo., banker, asked Congressmen to vote against the power lines.

Several Fair Deal Democrats protested to the White House.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

EVEN the Senators' wives are embroiled in the Republican-Member of the Senate, Mrs. Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round.

The Senate Ladies' Auxiliary, sometimes called the Senate Ladies Luncheon Club, is a friendly organization of all Senate wives.

But, as in the Senate, the GOP-Dixiecrat coalition won and Mrs. Eliender became president of the Ladies' Auxiliary.

Religious Debate In Congress MOST important religious debate in Capitol Hill cloakrooms is the religious fight over Federal aid to education.

Wives Join GOP-Dixiecrat Coalition

Spellman hurried the "blat" charge at Congressman Graham Barden of North Carolina author of the provision for the Federal aid to education.

One Congressman who met the issue early is Rep. Drew Jacob, Indiana Democrat, himself a Catholic, but who has defended the Federal aid to education.

State Over Church CONGRESSMAN JOHN MCGWERNY of Ohio has taken the lead in opposing the Federal aid to education.

On the other hand, Congressman Lesinski of Michigan and Kennedy of Massachusetts, both Catholics and main Democratic members of the Education & Labor Committee...

Congressional Backtrack

REPRESENTATIVES Richard Nixon of California and Harold Velde of Illinois, both Republicans, did some backtracking in the Senate on the committee's report.

In fact, the two Congressmen almost tripped over themselves denying that they made such demands though this did not come until after some blunt questioning by committee colleagues.

The charges you are making against this judge are little short of fantastic.

However, Rep. Burr Harrison of Virginia pulled out the ace in the hole by stating that the committee had no jurisdiction over the judge.