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The News Platform For 1950-50

1. Organization of an Urban Redevelopment Commission.
2. A \$10,000,000 school building program for Charlotte and Mecklenburg County.
3. A scientific county-wide revaluation of property.
4. Consolidation of the City and County Governments as recommended by Institute of Government studies.
5. A definite public housing program based on facts gathered in 1950 census.
6. Formation of a civic promotion group similar to Winston-Salem's Committee of One Hundred.
7. A new city auditorium.
8. A full-scale program for unbottling traffic congestion.
9. Improved air transportation facilities.
10. Positive action to clear Charlotte's creeks of contamination and pollution.

TEN-YEAR PLATFORM—IV

IN SELECTING the fourth project for its ten-year program for Charlotte, the News was fully aware that "maximum feasible consolidation" of the City and County Governments will be achieved slowly and tentatively—if at all.

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DANGEROUS 'TOYS'

TWO yearlings of any small boy for a "BB" gun in this day of gun-and-robbers and cowboy games is understandable, but it is not so understandable to know parents who do not seem to know better, should satisfy that yearning.

Two down Charlotte children have been shot in the eye since Christmas—because of parents.

Two of them will never see out of their injured eyes again because of parents.

Several others may have their vision permanently impaired because of parents.

Still more children will stream out in pain and terror and wail of slinging eyes in the days when BB guns become parents.

The children are not to be blamed. They don't know any better. Watch any group of them with BB pistols or BB guns, and they'll be shooting BBs into the air. They don't realize that a steel ball,

A COSTLY MISTAKE

JOHN L. LEWIS protested struggle with the coal producers in the past several months has been unproductive for many people—miners, shippers, consumers. But he has protected the interests of his United Mine Workers harder than anyone else.

The miners worked thirty steadily in 1949. They worked 25 days in April they worked 23 of working days, and in May they worked on all 28 of the working days.

Then their employment rate began to drop. In June, when Mr. Lewis called a national paid week, they worked with a national paid week, they worked with a national paid week, they worked with a national paid week.

RESEARCH MUST BE FASCINATING

WE HAVE at hand Technical Bulletin No. 39 of the United States Department of Agriculture, entitled, "Weights and Capacities of Dairy Cows of Different Ages." We received it through the kindness of a friend in Stevens Point, Wis., who mailed it the day before we left for the States from Dairy.

The bulletin may be had from the Government Printing Office for 5 cents. The authors are employees of the Belleville experimental farm, and describe that farm when the Bayesian Plan becomes a fact. It is the fourth publication of their findings.

"It is commonly observed," the authors begin, "that calves of dairy breeders begin to gain weight at a certain age. This is in fact the fourth publication of their findings.

"Remember Me, Partner? We Met This Guy Together"

Vanderberg May Be Man To Keep Republicans Together

By MARQUIS CHILDS



News From The Capital

Graham, Hoey Oppose FEPC

By TOM SCHELENGER
Charlotte News Special Writer

SEN. FRANK GRAHAM remains the leading Republican challenger to the Federal Employment Practices Commission (FEPC) in Washington. He was back in North Carolina in an article last Summer in the Saturday Evening Post, this description of the small, happy-eyed and rumped statesman was given:

"... either a damned radical who had been practicing subversive tactics among Republicans and new would begin to pose the mind of the Senate or he was the greatest, wisest man of his time, who, as a Senator, would be able to see almost overnight, the great breach between the North and the South on the question of civil rights."

Nevertheless, many of his associates around the country, mostly from outside the South, were disappointed. Some noted, and said something about "election year" and "principles" and let it go.

TOM ASKE is official spokesman for Senator Graham. He said that the Senator is not for the principle of fair employment through voluntary cooperation, but only in the event that the work is done in any other form.

When asked what Senator Truman's reaction to the FEPC would be, he replied he did favor after the Civil Rights measures. He was for the elimination of the poll tax, for the prevention of lynching and for the general advancing of the employment of the Negro in private employment.

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Bare GOP Cupboard

MAIN part of the GOP presidential piling was whether to draft a statement of GOP "aims and purposes" for the 1952 campaign. Opinion on this was by no means unanimous.

BOTH of our great political parties are committed to working out an array of proposals which will continue to work together to achieve this end.

The man to whom those words would have meant most was not Vanderberg. He was the man who had sought a comfortable retreat a long way from the hubbub of Washington. No one would have criticized him for that. He would have stepped out with a high reputation.

But instead he has chosen to remain in Washington. He has been abundantly clear that the isolation he had once championed for America was no longer possible. This time as Vanderberg was more difficult to hold the line.

There has been common talk of a return to Republican isolationism and a resurgence of isolationism and America's isolationism. But Vanderberg is not interested in pessimism. Most of the isolationists who come to the attention of his men who have always voted that way in the past.

And so this is part of the paradox that "The Fighting Hall-Full" presents his fellow politicians on Capitol Hill. Many say he represents a new approach to politics. Others call him a conservative. Most say he is still the champion of the down-trodden and misunderstood.

Changed Idea About Leprosy No Longer Means Banishment

By ROBERT C. RUARK

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Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

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British Divert Funds

US drive to get a reservation on 1950 Marshall Plan re-arrangements. They will insist that before any more money goes to the British, they should be paid back for the practice of paying off her debts with borrowed dollars.

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