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TWO DOWN, TWO TO GO

IT WAS CLEAR from the first that T. Lamar Caudle had abused and debased his high office and no longer held any claim on it. But it was not so certain that the inquiry would force the resignation of Charles Oliphant chief counsel for the Internal Revenue Bureau.

SPARE THE ROD AND SPOIL THE CONGRESS

THE traditional reluctance of Congress to investigate its own members is showing up again in the income tax scandal inquiry. One occasion, T. Lamar Caudle, who was ousted as Assistant Attorney General on Nov. 16, told the King subcommittee he was under "tremendous pressure" from Congressmen whose constituents were involved in tax matters.

RURAL PLANNING NEEDED NOW

COLEMAN W. ROBERTS and Frank R. Jones have just come forward with a few suggestions that should, we believe, get a hearing from the County Commissioners. Zoning and property-use planning, they say, are long overdue in Rural Mecklenburg, and argue that the Commissioners would be wise in establishing some regulations as soon as possible.

STASSEN RUNS, BUT FOR WHOM?

YOU CAN'T really call Harold Stassen a dark horse. He's still a cut, undergoing color changes, and his agility and turning ability suggest quarterhorse blood. As they say out West, he's a good "cutter," but in his heavy-duty work he's done to hurt a number of Charlotte neighborhoods. They know full well that:

When Mr. Stassen keynoted the GOP national convention in 1940, he was hailed by many Republicans as the No. 1 comer in the party. Still too young (33) at the time to be legally eligible for the Presidency, he had behind him a brilliant record as Governor of Minnesota, an office he sought and gained against the counsel of Old Guard Republicans. Then after election to a third term, he resigned to join the Navy, a move widely regarded as politically profitable. Then he helped draft the U. N. Charter at San Francisco.

EDWIN L. JAMES

EDWIN L. JAMES, managing editor of *The New York Times* from 1932 until his death this week, was respected as one of the ablest journalists of the century—and rightly so.

investigating group will want to hear Oliphant's story in full. And it will surely want to probe deeper into the persistent rumors that many criminal fraud charges against influential taxpayers were ruled out by Oliphant's amounts and the cases settled for small amounts in civil proceedings.

Question

How many years will North Carolina's Legislature wait before it realizes there are ways to regulate erections of signs on public highways—off the state's right-of-way—without infringing on property rights in a harmful manner but adding to the attractiveness and utility of these highways not only for Tar Heels but for all citizens who could find traveling in North Carolina a greater pleasure not only once but many times?

How Drunk Is Drunk

There have been many victimizations and classifications of what constitutes a state of intoxication or when is a man drunk. We will remember the one which goes like this: "Not drunk is he who on the floor can rise again and drink once more; but drunk is that one, I think, came originally from a Bicket's 'Comis Blackstone' that has been attributed to every drunk lawyer in this country and is one of the first pieces of capacity the student digests in his studies of the lex scripta."

The Ambitious One

Valtre Brown, our good friend and chief correspondent at the Navy is trying to batting conversation he had with two Carolina students who rode with him from Raleigh. Neither of the students had been in service, but both expected to be called, having passed the I. Q. exam for deferment by the skin of their collective teeth.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

WASHINGTON THE Navy has taken an unusual stand regarding the issue of which is getting more and more serious. It has turned down a request from Gen. Otto Weyland, Air Force commander in the Far East, that Navy jets help out the Air Force in combating B-29s.

Separating The Sheep From The Goats



Collected By Bill Sharpe

TURPENTINE DRIPPINGS

When I go to "in," he declared, "I think I'll go in as a lieutenant or captain or major. They'll have enough money to go out on Saturday night and have a good time and slay the women."

Try Crucified, Harold

Harold Diggs, Smithfield Herald) Dropped in on Harold Simpson at the "Clayton News" Wednesday morning. He allowed that I was just the man he had been looking for. Closer inquiry showed that he wanted to find out another word for slaughtered, which is what the experienced Angier six-man football team did to Clayton.

No Halliburton

(Sarah F. Collier, Belhaven Pilot) Words fascinate this scribe and a trip to the dictionary to make sure of a spelling is apt to turn into an evening of definition reading. On one such occasion recently, your reporter was intrigued by the definition for a word spelled "chorea" but pronounced "Korea."

Once Is Enough

(Horace Horn, Stanly News & Press) A cow, or even a stubborn wild bull, standing in a wet spot and touching its nose to the wall, will never do it more than once. The shock and the surprise makes a lasting impression on any animal, including a human being.

Better Talk, Now

(Sanford Mann) Walter Mann Jr. who used to help write this column and who is now soldiering for Uncle Sam in Korea, sends us the following story: It seems a young colored gentleman from the Sunny Southland was walking camp up the road from the camp one night. He heard someone moving around in the bushes and yelled, "Hall, who is you?"

What It Takes

(Waynesville Mountaineer) Research on the matter by "The Mountaineer" sports staff has revealed that it takes one pencil, four sheets of paper, and three bags of popcorn to cover a Bethel football game.

recruit, or private "because they don't get enough pay to do anything on."

Psychiatrists Move In

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Washington Pipeline

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Turkey Prize Show Window Of American Foreign Policy

By MARQUIS CHILDS

ANKARA THIS IS the end of the line. Turkey is large, a strategic crossroads between the borders of the Soviet Union and the rest of the free world.

The solidity of this nation of 21 million people is impressed on every visitor passing through its capital which has grown and prospered so fast as Washington. This stability is based on the character of the present-day Turk. His strength, toughness and solidarity in the face of an ancient threat to this independence.

For the past three years that strength and solidarity has been buttressed by American military and economic aid effectively paid and employed. Here is the prize show window of the Truman foreign policy of containing Communism. It is also where the revolution in world power, occurring this shift decade, is most startlingly evident.

The cold winter rain falls steadily on the bleak hills outside Ankara as a Turkish armored brigade is in training. This armor—medium tanks with 85-millimeter guns capable of stopping the heaviest Russian tanks—comes from the United States. So do the instructors of the modernized Turkish Army in a friendly, workable collaboration with the Turkish General Staff.

A force of 1,300 American military men extends back into the primitive mud villages. They are teaching the newest recruits of the young Turks, a large percentage of whom are peasants unable to read or write and to whom even a hammer is a tool they have rarely seen. At the outset they are given an intensive course in reading and writing.

Turkish officers trained by American staff officers are teaching the troops. In one large classroom new conscripts are being instructed in the rudiments of the 45-foot machine gun from models broken down to show the intricacies of this basic device of the Century.

To watch the American instructors in action even during a brief stay is to be impressed by the way in which they have accepted the responsibility and sacrifice of the foreign assignment. Impressive, too, is the tact and aplomb with which they appear to be carrying on their assignment. CHANGE SINCE 1941

Reflecting that Peking Harbor was just ten years ago, one is brought to a sharp realization of how profound is the alteration in world power. Before 1941 the Germans and British and sometimes the French carried out this kind of training assignment. But that kind of assignment has been conducted by the U. S., with its small, isolated and largely untrained military establishment, would have been unthinkable.

Shortly after the first of the year an American plane was reported that it was capable of taking the largest planes now built or planned. The importance of this development is hard to exaggerate. Even more important is the Turkish Army of 24 divisions, with an effective reserve rapidly approaching half a million. These are men who will fight to the very end for their homeland in the face of Soviet aggression.

But how to sustain this force short of the necessary cost of American economy is a problem that has not yet been completely solved. The answer must be to step up the Turkish economy as the military is being stepped up. American aid has been in that direction, but in the very nature of this complicated economic problem it has been slower than on the military side.

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Playing Santa Was So Simple Before The Experts Took Over

By ROBERT C. RUARK

I was real fond of this doll, even though it was a boy and, as I recall took time off to beat the tar out of a contemporary cousin who was never feeling for my friend, the doll.

It is very likely that this will improve to fight for the right to play with dolls, even if it means exceptional in my makeup, but whatever it is I don't want to give up my toy. I graduated from inanimate dolls to animate dolls, and went to the toy store to buy a doll for the first time at the age of seven. Took her to the movies, by golly, and she was the best thing I ever had. Her name was Martha. At no time did mother hater, mother worship, or mother worship ever enter into the deal. You could just call me a guy who likes dolls.

NO FRUSTRATION

When this one was playing with whatever Santa dumped down the chimney, it never occurred to him that he was being "helped" to play, as I contrasted it. I banded away at the punching bag with no mild idea that I was being "helped" to play, as I contrasted it. I banded away at the punching bag with no mild idea that I was being "helped" to play, as I contrasted it.

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A couple of psychologists at the college I have been busy for months second-guessing St. Nick in one of what frustrated little Terminus and what does not.

This is one field I should like to see the psychologists out of. They feelers out of the child's "strategic business for Santa and the bird, and should not be subject to rationing, as a matter of reflex, and litmus paper of the mind. We have managed to control and contrive the conditions of their aspect of living—for the Lord's sweet sake let us keep the psychologists away from "child psychology" and the teary-crying doll baby.

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