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THE VACATION IS OVER

FOR the past three weeks, President Truman has been loitering on the sand at Key West, soaking up sunshine and, presumably, getting a new perspective on the state of affairs in the nation and in the world. And now he returns to the capital to take the job to which the American people elected him two and a half years ago.

And while Mr. Truman was resting, the national mobilization program started to come apart at the seams. Its controls have been under attack by virtually every organized interest in the national economy, each complaining against restrictions, each blaming somebody else for the program's failure to function.

NEGROES... AND THE UNIVERSITY

IT HAS BEEN clear beyond all doubt that the State of North Carolina would sooner or later have to face up to the question of admitting Negroes to its State-supported graduate schools.

mit to the State's responsibility and prepare to accept it. The committee made the right choice. It made the choice that is consistent with North Carolina's fine record of progress in all racial questions. It made the Christian, and the ethical, and the moral choice.

In the absence of separate and equal facilities, Negroes must be admitted to State-supported educational institutions. Hence the recommendation of a special committee of the University of North Carolina that students be admitted to State graduate schools on the basis of individual qualifications, without regard to color or race, merely anticipates an inevitable Supreme Court decision, once the proper test suit goes through all the legal stages.

This means simply that the scholastic qualifications of applicants to the University's graduate schools will be the yardstick for admission, and that no longer in North Carolina will the color of a man's skin limit his opportunity for intellectual development.

The recent Durham Law school case presents the State has provided a separate law school for Negroes, and a very good school—so good that Federal Judge Johnson Hayes found its facilities to be equal to those of the University of North Carolina. Judge Hayes' ruling has ended the legal determination of the finding is still pending.

It follows, then, that the day is approaching when North Carolinians will have either to provide equal educational facilities, or forego the luxury of segregation. This, we believe, is a fair inference to be drawn from an irrefutable tide of events that is registering an ever-higher watermark of Christian democracy. Like many things of this nature, it is simple and democratic, it will be a rough job to tradition.

COME, NOW, MR. GREEN

WE WILL AGREE with AFL President William Green, for the sake of harmony in the house, that the Defense Production Act is not perfect. We will also agree that it doesn't seem to be working very well at the moment, partially because organized labor has refused to participate.

Table with 3 columns: Net Income, Income Tax, Remainder. Rows show income levels from \$0 to 200,000 and corresponding tax and remainder amounts.

HAI WE THOUGHT SO

YESSIR, we've suspected it for a long time, but not until we saw it in black and white were we absolutely sure. The Washington Post gave it away, quite unwittingly. We found the body of a story describing the reaction of Washington televisioners to the Senate Crime Committee hearings in New York were these two paragraphs:

watched, but few came in." Doesn't that prove that the people in Washington don't have sense enough to come in out of the rain? Doesn't it?

Returning Truman May Find Hard To Pick Up Reins

BY MARQUIS CHILDS. In the interval that President Truman has been out of Washington a great deal has happened. The reins of control and direction exercised by the Administration have been weakened, there is now the sense of the President's absence cool over the course of events.

Whether, as he returns to the capital, Mr. Truman can reassert a degree of leadership is a question. Certainly, if he persists in following the pattern of the past, the answer is a large and emphatic NO. Then the only outcome can be further conflict, decline and disintegration in almost every department.

Old Age Must Be Creeping Up On These Here Texans

BY ROBERT C. RUARK. HOUSTON, Texas. WELL, NOW, I tell you, old podner, I'm so tard I'm like a gnat without strength enough to beat a fly. I'm so old I'm like a flat beat. Although I must say it was business doing pleasure with you, a sudden the tail thin and out of hand.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round Like Turning Defense Plan Into Reality

PARIS. IT is now more than two years since the foreign ministers of twelve nations met in solemn conclave in Washington, and accompanied by their British and overseas, broadcasting, the North Atlantic pact.

You're Just Trying To Confuse Me. I Know Perfectly Well I Don't Mean What I Say



People's Platform

Re: Senator Taft's Visit. CHARLOTTE. Editors, The News: SO Mr. Taft came to North Carolina and visited...

paign investigated? That would have been a very interesting landmark in the history of Western civilization. It would have marked the beginning of a new system of jurisprudence—whereby the reckless, hit-and-run, and indignantly demands that his victim be investigated.

Two Senate Votes

EDITORS, THE NEWS: LET'S keep the "Record" up to date. Last week by a small majority 38 to 35, the Senate passed a bill to provide Federal assistance to states to build public health centers. Don't confuse this with "specialized medicine" as the two are not related.

Within a short space of time Hoy and Smith have voted on two bills involving money. They both voted to exempt certain types of contracts from renegotiation, thus depriving the Government of any possibility of recovering large sums of money.

What Happened To Leroy?

EDITORIAL: THE NEWS during the primaries, it was stated that in many instances, "Dr. Graham were nominated, his vote would cancel out" the vote of Senator Leroy. It seems that in each of the above cited cases, it would have added to the honor of North Carolina had Hoy's votes been "canceled out."

The People's Platform is available to any reader who cares to mount it. Communications should be less than 300 words, typewritten if possible, and on only one side of the paper. It should be clearly headed and clearly titled—otherwise anything goes. Each letter must be signed.—Editors, THE NEWS

Ike's On Diet

ONE of the first things Ike did to speed work at his allied headquarters in the Astoria Hotel in Paris was