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OLIVE'S CHALLENGE TO UMSTEAD

meunced, but they were not expected to give Umstead and Volumes and Changed sharply. As Arthur Johnsey writes in the Greensborn Desig News, Olive is "a candidate Governor Desig News, Olive is "a candidate Governor Scott as major," a conclusion pointed up by Olive's tenpoint pregram that generally embraces the Scott philosophy of progressive State government.

The Lexington man should make it interesting for Umstead. He has a wide acqualitance among the lawyers of the state. He has been prominent in the work of the Baptist Church. He has held high office in

Now that Judge Hubert Olive of Lexington has announced his candidacy. The Heels may look forward to a spirited guber anterial primary battle this year anterial primary battle this year.

Whether he can overtake the early Unseasor William Unstead of Durham had the filed pretty much to himself. Two other canceled the third protection of the power of the process of the protection of the process o

at the state and local levels, North Carolina depends on its Democratic primaries to offer the people a choice between candidates and the issues they espouse. Judgo Olive's decision to take on Umstead is a reassuring sign that the Democratic Party in North Carolina is far from being under the control of sny one man or any one group.

TAFT'S MACHINE

I P PRISIDENT TRUMAN had made such a claim the rathers would still be ringing with a claim the rathers would still be ringing with the rather would still be ringing with the rather was a support of the Republish Party.

The Senator and had been a proper and the rather was the has "pledges of permanent support representing at least 75 delegates in New York. Pennyivania. Massichusetts and Kansar" He is confident that he has commitments of "more than half" the GOP delegates, and that this number will be "sufficient to nominate".

But not see of these delegates has yet been chosen.

In other words, he has made deals with in once words, he has made deals with political bosses for the deliverance to him of the yes-to-be-named delegates, in return for patronage, political plums and pledges of support or non-support of various measures. As Editor Ralph McGill of the Atlanta Constitution commented:

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"Neither Boss Pendergast nor the late
Mark Häina ever made a statement more
revealing of deals with political bosses who
have enough power to name, direct and conroll the delegates themselves so that they
why the Eisenhower nomination is by no
means sure. Taff, or rather his leaders have
already passed along promises of appointments to committee, of patronage jobs in
high places, and of 'influence' in appointments to positions of higher random
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And who are these GOP leaders to whom
Taft is becoming ingraisted? The Alsop
brothers name them—General MacArthur,
Colonel McCormick, Senator McCarthy, Senator Brewster, ex-Representative Hartley, who
joined Taft in sponsoring the Taft-Hartley
law, Sewell Avery, Alfred Kobberg, General
McNider, General Hurley, John Marshall.

"The truth is that all of the men named
above," say the Alsopa, "will have most important claims on Senator Taft if he wins
the Presidency".

Partisans may talk for days about the personal honesty and integrity of Senator Talt—or President Truman. But the fact remains that if Senator Talt atians the Presidency be covets, he will take with him a political machine which may well make Trumanism seem trivial by comparison. He will owe his debts and obligations to the most reactionary wing—domestically and internationally—of the Republican Party.

There are probably millions of persons who sincerely believe Senator Talt is the man best equipped to be the next President. They won't nomigate him, however. He will be nominated by delegates under the firm control of party bosses, and it is a fair

STRANGE JUSTICE

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IT WAS, indeed, a strange and, as the
Asherille Citizen describes it, "disquieting" verdict reached by a New Bern jury
when it acquitted Newton Hanes, Craven
County farmer, for murdering Ishmael
Simmons, a Negro tenant.
Hanes said he remembered that Simmons
Hanes said he said that he went
"blank". He contended Simmons moved on
him with a butcher knife, and that he shot
the Negro in self-defense.

Ätterwards, he apparently carried Simmons' body away in the latter's automobile
and hid the body on an isolated road.

The jury deliberated for inte hours before
reaching its verdict. But the judgment of
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the Negro. It did not, in fact, explain anything except to illustrate that the way of
justice is sometimes difficult to comprehend.

HYSTERIA COMES HOME

MISS GRACE PATTON of Charlotte can MISS GRACE PATTON of Charlotte can probably explain what happens when fear and hysteria suppress individual rights better than any editorial writer can. We would all do well to bear in mind what happened to this home town girl.

She was dismissed from a position in an Army finance office in 1948 as a bad security cisk. She did not know what specific charges were made against her, only that she was generally charged with having attended Communist meetings.

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It was "like fighting a blank wall," she said, Finally, after two years of inquiry and hitgation, a U. S. Court of Appeals decision granted her the right to learn the "lime, places and organizations" involved in the charges, And, to make a long story short, last week Secretary of the Army Pace notified her she was cleared of the charges. She was invited to return to work at the Army Finance Center—with restoration of back pay minus what she earned in civilian employment since dismissal.

The Patton incident points up the awful danger of granting security dismissal powers, without proper safeguards, to Federal agencies, Giffer case was based on security dismissal powers granted Defense and some

other agencies, and was not händled in the loyalty program which provides review by the Loyalty Review Board.) Inadequate dismissal power can be equally disastrous, thus administration of dismissal powers requires great judgment and considerable investigation and evaluation, factors which were not sufficiently present in the original decision on her case.

tion and evaluation, factors which were not sufficiently present in the original decision on her case. It should always be remembered that other persons who have been dismissed as security risks without full consideration of their case may be as innocent as Miss Pation. Furthermore, it should be remembered, that association with persons found to be Communist Party members, and participation in activities of organizations now branded as subversive are by no means conclusive proof of the disloyalty of any person. Persons who have misde the ideological trek to the sub-urbs of Moscow may indeed be disloyal. Or they may be just as loyal—and better equipped to comprehend and oppose sub-version—than those persons who never bothered to inquire about communism. The next time the McCarthys scream for more police powers against the begey of communism in America, let us all quietly recall the case of Charlotte's Grace Patton.

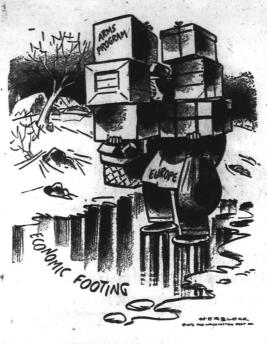
From The Christian Science Monitor

AGRARIAN REFORM

THE Chinese Reds were not mere agrarian reformers. But they rode to power on a wave of agrarian reform.

That fact is central for an understanding of Asis today, it is central for an intelligent application of the Point IV program. For, as Justice William O. Douglas and others have pointed out lately, unless technical said to agriculturists in backward areas is accompanied, by social reforms the increased productivity will benefit no one-but the lands productivity will benefit no one-but the lands and leaves the peasant masses an easy brey to communium.

Americans may be helped to see the inter-connection by their own history. Speaking to a conference of the Dutlet of Kations Fod and Agriculture Organization at Rome last Nowember. Congressian Clifford R. Hope pointed out that whe Congress during the



People's Platform

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Why GOP Has Failed

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Editors, Titz News:

A briefly as possible and in no controversial state
A of mind I am going to state why the Republican
Party has failed the American people in their hour
failures are pointed out with the hope that there
will not be a repetition in the future.

For 20 years the Republican Party has been a
coward: the worst kind—a moral coward. In consequence at times it took on the appearance of some
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calcilaim, or the New Deal here in America, these
citizens regard it as a thing of infinite menace, howardently supported by good but misaguided people.

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to fight for it.

Here in our own America the State is taking

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Which Is The Women's Party? Editors, THE NEWS:

DATTICE IN YOUR PARKETS.

IN NOTICE IN your paper that the GOP is making an effort to derroll the ladies on their side in Let me ask the ladies to first consider the chance they had in the business world, under three GOP presidents from 1800 to 1802, then turn over the slate and view their chance from 1802 to 1802 under the OPPENDERSHEEP presidents, and then vote their two Democratic presidents and then vote their

-B. L. WELCH.

Gen. Tom Thumb

BUFFALO, N. Y.

Editors, Tue News:

I AM writing a biography of Gen. Tom Thumb,
the American migget whose real name was
Charles S. Sitation (1883-1883) and who was associated with P. T. Barmun in the show biases.
I should like to have readers send me information of the state of

U.S., Britain Stand Firm In Defense Of Indo-China

By JOSEPH & STEWART ALSOP

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It's Not Fair To 'Retreads' To Pass Over The Youngsters

By ROBERT C. RUARK

NEW YORK

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Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

Ways To Improve Tax Collection

TODAY those Americans who pay income taxes in quarterly instalments will file final tax estimates for 1851—plus payments.

Most people gripe at filing taxes, and this time their gripe will be legitimate. Never before he our tax collecting gripe will be legitimate. Never before he our tax collecting gripe will be legitimate. Never before he our tax collecting from the control of Worker and the start of his Administration when he forced white House of the start of his Administration when he forced white House content of the start of his Administration when he forced white flower content of the start of his Administration when he forced white flower content of his Start of his Administration when he forced white flower content of his Start of his Administration when he forced white flower conten

The 'Entertainment' Racket

licity was practiced during the first years of the Roosevelt Administration, and today full tax returns are published in some states, notably Wisconsia.

But Congress, which is more responsible for tax favoritism than its sanctimonious members will ever admit, overrode, FDR and put the quietus on any publicity regarding incomes. So solicitous were Congressmen for the big tax-payer that they made it a criminal offense to leak or publish any income ix data. But the properties of the properties and these who deduct the expense of private years, by robe airplanes and expensive parties at the Stork Club or the Mayflower.

Overworked Officials

Congress, however, could change this overnight by in-cluding them in the lobby registration law. What Congress should do also is include themselves in this law. For the biggest tax influence is sometimes wielded by Congressmen on behalf of constituents who have contributed heavily to their election.

Judicial Review

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REVIEW of fixed cases—Once a year all big tax cases compromised without going to court, should be reviewed by a group of retired judges.

Under the Judicial Retirement Act, retired Fpderal judges who draw pensions from the Government are subject to recall from time to time for special work. Most of or envernment and a detailed knowledge and envernment against the case and a detailed knowledge and envernment.

them have distinguished cases; and of government.

Such a panel of retired judges could be called back to duly once a year to pass on the big tax cases that have been faced out of court. Probably it would be inexpedient been faced out of court. Probably it would be mixed for the sacch a review board was functioning would be sufficient to discourage unjustified compromises.

As of today, the public has no way of knowing hese cases are handled, and what political wire-pu has put across a deal. For under the secrecy act the etary of the Treasury is not required to tell.

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Civil service—Taking the tax collecting system out of politics has already been proposed by President Trumar and is a wise move. It will need considerable pressure from the honest taxpayers to put this across with Congress, however, for Congress, despite its current taxprobe and despite protests of supreme sanctity, has among its members some of the worst taxfarers of all.