



**People's Platform
 Editors Too Easy On Ike**

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questioned loyalty and integrity, but these facts and his exalted office offer no protection against smears. Even so, it is no worse for him to be falsely accused than it is for some humble man to be placed in the same position. Every honorable person, whether of very high or very low degree, cherishes his character and reputation. The all controlling difference is that the man in big positions has the means and important friends to fight back, while the humble man has neither and is often all but ruined for life by the false accusations. When you see men like Sen. Langer, who heretofore has held himself above such tactics, and Tom Dewey, to name but two, descend to low-grade attacks, it would seem that the time has come for the honorable men in both parties to unite in a determined effort to stop for all time the vilification which is needlessly directed against the country.

Good Politics

IN HIS SPEECH his Saturday, GOP National Chairman Leonard Hall swung in line with President Eisenhower against the "20 years of treason" charge used by some of the more enthusiastic Republican orators.

There is no doubt about the foregoing conclusion. Mr. Dulles confirmed it as he left the Big Four Conference the other day when he said that we, the Western Powers, were willing to trust the German peoples, but that the Russians were not. This change of heart on our part may be genuine; but I can't believe that Germany has had any comparable change, nor do the French so believe, either. How could the Germans love us even a little bit? When they were whipped and begging to surrender to us, we stopped our armies at the Elbe and awaited the advance of the Russians to pillage and sack their capital city; and to add insult to injury, we set up our ex-prisoners to try their war criminals and actually charged, tried, convicted and sentenced German officers for crimes recognized in both the English and American military codes as permissible acts of war. To love or even be friendly to us by the Germans is asking too much of human nature. And that is the case for Japan also.

'Recognition' Of China Not An Issue

IT MAY BE, as Rep. James Richards of South Carolina said, that had Dean Acheson and not John Foster Dulles been secretary of state, "the Republicans would have been howling all over the river, pulling out the name of Alger Hiss, and raising hell in general" over the proposal to send to China the Geneva conference on Korea and Indochina.

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How The 'New Look' In U. S. Defense Originated

By JOSEPH & STEWART ALSOP

NO DECISIONS of the Eisenhower administration are more in need of understanding than the great strategic decision of the "new look" at American defense. And the best approach to the many problems of the "new look" is to see how it originated.

THE decision to make of very far-reaching change of concept must also be judged against the background of the long evolution of the Eisenhower administration's defense thinking. . . The first was the end of the Korean War at all cost. To achieve this aim, it can now be revealed, the President was advised by the Joint Chiefs of Staff. . . The decision to make of very far-reaching change of concept must also be judged against the background of the long evolution of the Eisenhower administration's defense thinking.

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By CONGRESSIONAL QUARTERLY

IT NEARLY NATION noted for its "know how," is spending billions every year to improve its "know what."

	1951	1952	1953	1954 (est.)	1955 (est.)
Military	\$1,051	\$1,221	\$1,312	\$1,418	\$1,512
Applied research and development	195	210	225	240	255
Basic research	100	110	120	130	140
Other	100	110	120	130	140
Total	1,446	1,651	1,777	1,918	2,057

A Community Recreation Program

WE ARE QUITE AWARE, of course, that you don't prove a rule by the exception, but the warm spirit of cooperation between city and county shown at last week's discussion of a community recreation program holds out hope of better relations in other areas of local government.

As Arthur Jones, former director of the city's program, told the group: "Metropolitan Charlotte is destined for bigness. Nothing can stop it. Whether it is destined for greatness or not depends on how carefully we plan for the future."

A Four-Point Tax Reduction Plan

THE BATTLE over tax revision shaping up in Congress has all the marks of a political tug-of-war.

1. A reduction in the base corporation tax rate;
2. An increase in personal exemptions for individual taxpayers;
3. Some relief for individuals in the very high brackets of the income tax schedule;
4. Reduction in excise taxes on products and services not in the luxury class.

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