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### Why City Limits Must Be Extended

IN adding the weight of its considerable prestige to the cause of annexation, the board of directors of Charlotte's Chamber of Commerce donated more than rubber-stamp assent. It contributed generously to public's understanding of the necessity of annexation.

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It put its own special committee to work penetrating a fog of misinformation and prejudice that has often obscured the real issues.

It had committeemen\*-traveling personally over the area proposed for annexation, siting facts and figures, interviewing officials, studying special problems, gauging advantages and disadvantage are successful to the proposed annexation act without the proposed annexation act without exceptions or exclusions. The Chamber's argument is notable for its realism and its foreight. Our only regret is that the project could not have been understand exceptions of the project could not have been understand exceptions.

Project of the proposed and crucial stage.

Particularly noteworthy is this conclusion:

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"The impact of city limits extension may be heavy in individual cases, and to some may appear unwarranted or un-justified, but the overall good of the community outweighs the advisability of special concessions or exceptions."

This touches significantly upon the guiding philosophy behind the com-munity's efforts to keep pace with its own expanding needs and outgrow an enveloping straitjacket. The "over-all good" is what is at stake today. It is, in the Chamber's own words, in the "best interests of all people affected by the progress and the prosperity of Char-lotte" for the city limits to be extend-ed. Purthermore, it is in the best inter-ests of all the people that annexation be accomplished without favortism.

The new metropolitan community dif-

fers from "old Charlotte" mainly in size. While sprawling in appearance and character it is similar in composition. It is still characterized by a single community of interest. That community of interest does not stop at some artificial inner boundary line. It encompasses the whole. It has—or should have—unity. Consequently, metropolitan Charlotte will function to best advantage and for the good of all when its development is planned adh carried out as a well-integrated whole.

This philosophy is woven into City Council utterances on the subject:

Annexation, is designed to produce

Annexation is designed to produce benefits for all with everyone sharing the tax burden of where they work and live Annexation will not reduce the city tax rate but will improve the chances for future business and indus-tial growth which will insure greater employment for Charlotte citizens.

It is woven into Mayor Phil Van Ev-ry's own sentiments:

ery's own sentiments:

We feel that we have a common objective in that if Charlotte does not continue to grow it cannot become a better place to earn our livelihood, but on the contrary it will become progressively worse so that we will not continue to enjoy our present business prosperity to say nothing of hoped for bigger and better opportunities.

We feel that despite the existing city limits we are one people and one community who should join hands for better health, education and greater economic prosperity for ourselves and for our future citizens.

This dominant theme has validity. It is a reasonable expression of the hopes and needs of the whole community. It must become the spirit of the new Charlotte, a metropolitan giant that is about to choose between progress and decay.

## Praise Thrift & Pass The Appropriation

THE shifty little button game the administration and Congress have been playing with the national budget reached a new peak of expensive hilarity in Washington yesterday. The President was as sympathetic as ever with talk of economy. He had said already the administration's budget could be cut. But no, he couldn't respond to a House request for advice on how to cut it. The House would have to go it alone Whereupon, the President announced his intention to take a leisurely cruise to Bermuda, leaving Congress with the button, i.e., the budget.

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It seemed an unkind cut. The \$4 mil-

lion represented 26 per cent of what the President wanted for running his office; surely he hadn't over-inflated his expenses by that amount. But the House did demonstrate the dire results of having to bear the sole responsibility of economy measures and, by so doing, showed the button back toward the President. And, besides, you don't lose votes by cutting the President's personal budget.

Meantime, the budget's waistline re-nains essentially unchanged.

# Screw Up Your Courage, Gen. Greene

A MAN in the position of Brig Gen.
A Wallace M. Greene ought not to be frightened of bugabears.
But Gen. Greene, boss of the Marine Corps Recruit Training Command at Paris Island, S.C. seems thoroughly affrighted More surprising, the boje appears to have jumped out of the general's own imagination. Those, of course, are the very worst kind of bogles.

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Before an American Legion meeting at Chattanooga, Gen. Green charged an attempt is underway to "destroy our fine training system," coupling that with an assertion of similarity between the way Communist newspapers and the U. S. nress "play up" happenings at the base. Other than a compliment to strategy and tactics developed by Joe McCarthy, the charge amounts to nothing.

Interestingly enough, a substantial portion of Parris Island reports printed in U. S. newspapers was written by a re-

porter exceptionally well qualified for the assignment.

The signment of the series of the Associated Press He is a Marine veteran of World War II and Korea and a Marine reterant of World War II and Korea and a Marine reterant of the Marine Corps training system. He and other reporters as well have taken particular pains to keep the Ribbon Creek "death march" in proper perspective — as a ghastly abertation of a training system that has produced unsurpassed fighting men.

The "play" given stories from Parris Island is dictated by active public interest dates from the day six Marineters dates from the dates from

From The Philadelphia Inquires

### MUSIC FOR ROBOTS

WE ARE not surprised to learn that Harvard University has an electronic machine which composes music This may explain some strange sounds that have been neard lately on television and in the concert hall.

and in the concert hall. The word "music" has come to cover such a wide range of noise that there is no reason why an electronic machine should not qualify as a "composer." It has been a long while since "inspiration" was considered necessary or even desirable in music. As a consequence, in our alleged "popular" field, we have the new school of epileptic singing and dancing, while in the higher echelons of "long hair," composers are scoring works to be banged out on sheets of steel.

steel.

In "music" such as this the robot should be a sharp competitor. One of the toughest chores of composition is getting all the notes on paper. Melody, harmony, counterpoint and form—all may be dispensed with. But the notes must be put-down. The late Arnold

Schoenberg once was accused of putting his masses of tones on paper with spray

ans masses of tones on paper with spray guns. It was, of course, a canard. With an electric robot however, the modern composer for the first time will be able to get by without work as well as without ideas. All we need now is the invention of robots that can listen. Then the human audience of the future will get a break, too.

"Defendant, when you tried to go to West Berlin to get some capitalistic groceries, and the guard asked you the purpose of your mission, you are said to have growled at him. Is that correct?"
"Yes, sir, but not with my mouth. That was my stomach." — Memerus Parss-Scimtzar.

# People's Love Took His Cue From Alexander Hamilton

Editors, The News

READ your editorial, "Rep.
Love's Postage Pre-paid
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long news that such an idea is
worthy of consideration for the
"American Museum of Political
Gimmicks." If this amexation
postcard were worthy of such an
files somewhere near Alexandria,
Va. assuming that such a political
museum is in Washington. The
first "museum" of such ideas was
completely filled up somewhere

'You Buck-Passer, You!'



### New Look?

# Old Guard Surrounds Alcorn

AT HIS first foll-dress press conference, the new Republican national chairman, Meade Alcorn, was literally a bridge between the old and new Republicanism.

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Andrew Schoeppell of Kanasa and Rep. Richard Simpson of Pennsylvania, chairman of the Senate mittees. Both are well to the right of the President.
Sen. Schoeppel is regarded as a spokesman for the oil and gas interests and voted against the censure of Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy, of W is c on s in. Congressman Simpson is seconderanking Renatitee, Ways and Means, from which vantage point he leads the war against the reciprocal trade program to which the President is committed.

SEMANTICS

Mr. Eisenhower on that rn also heard what was suspected here. It is that foreign aid, which is all but the whole of the Eisenhower foreign policy, is increasingly unpopular in various parts of the country.

HERE'S THE PICTURE

Alcorn had some bad news of his own about the mid-term elec-



that will be up:
Two senators, William F. Knowland of California and Frederick
G. Payne of Maine, have ansounced they will retire. Within
California, the Democrats have
been making great strides and Republicans face a party quarrel.
Maine Democrats have a popular

Five GOP Incumbents are 70 or over: Edward Martin of Pennsyl-nia, 77: II. Alexander Smith of New Jersey, 77: Ralph E. Plan-ders of Vermont, 76: William Lander of North Dakota, 70, and Ar-thur V. Walkins of Utah, 70. Of this group, Langer has been gravely ill. Martin is not expected to run and again the Democrats have a popular young governor, and the proposed of the con-sead. Smith and Planders have not announced the ir intentions, but only Flanders would seem really safe for re-election. Five GOP incu

### FROM THE HEART

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Sen. Irving M. Ives of New York, who is up for re-election, is not in the best of health.

Also included in the 20 are four sight-wingers for whom President methods and power as exerciscable. The sense of biggers and power as exerciscable with the sense of biggers and power as exerciscable with the sense of biggers and power as exerciscable with the sense of biggers and power as exerciscable with the sense of the great of the sense of the great of the sense of the s

-P. L. LINDSEY

### Two-College Plan Is Waste Of Funds

Charlotte
Editors, The News:

I READ, with much consternation and some amusement the article March 12 entitled:
"Officials Seek \$1 Million For Local Colleges."

cal Colleges."

I was dismayed at the thought of public officials appearing sonaive as to think that the citizenty of Charlotte and Meckleiburg Countly would vote to spend that much public money for separate educational facilities—on the Supreme Court ruling of May 1954 making segregation in public school education unconstitutional.

phance, but that all efforts at evasion are foremost in their thinking, and that no attempt is being made to deal honorably and rightly with the citizens about the problem.

Out of all the arguments put forth for discussion by the com-mittee, in trying to justify its pro-posal, nothing was said about the economy in purchasing one site, and the overall advantage, educa-tionally wise, in using a million dollars to develop one, god col-lege for the benefit of the 'chinen-ry.

# Oil Probers Find Something 'Nearly As Newsy As Sex'

By MARQUIS CHILDS

WASHINGTON
THE scene is a familiar one—the slightly faded elegance of a Senate comittee hearing some crowded to the doors — and the principals are familiar, too Line of the subcommittee hearing one principals are familiar, too Line of the subcommittee investigation is considered by the power of corporate enterprise.

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The chairman. Sen. Joseph C. Maloney of Wyoning, has spent to be news to some committee manner of the career doing just this. Before World War II he headed the Temperary National Economic Committee that filled 37 fat Vounties and the present corporations and those of the career doing subcommittee that filled 37 fat Vounties and the present operation of California and 10 per cent. by Scoony. Executives testified that Aramoc, which operates in Saudi Arabia, had total carnings for what resources of the big old companies.

omy, Willia his deliberate, somewhat magisterial manner, O'Mahoney develops the data of the read resources of the big of the concess this time. One is the fact that the giant companies have grown bigger than even Sen. O'Mahoney could have envisioned when he ended three years of 1941. Standard Oil of New Jersey is an 8th billin corporation.

OTHER DIFFERENCES

A second difference is the politics of oil in the Middle East what all its urgency for the West. Still another difference is the presence on the committee of a bigness and power as extracted by the great oil companies not only new but shocking. Sen. John Carroll, who came to the Senate from Colorado on the shift dry, is like a determined term as the presence of the office of the senate from Colorado on the presence of the office of the Senate from Colorado on the Sen

### **Drinking Problem Raises Its Ugly Head** Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

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A to the search of the search of the search of denking in government buildings— a question which has been debated pro and con ever since Daniel Webster used to appear inebriated on the Senate floor.

The question happens to be a bipartisan one, since both President Eisenhower and Adlai Stevenson attended the cock-tail parties in question

week; the other for new Sen. Joseph Clark, Democrat of Philadelphia, carlier.

There was a time when the Methodist Board of Temperance and Social Service, of which the late Bishop James Cannon was the crusading chairman, kept an eagle eye on Capitol Hill dirnking. As a partial result, the Senate does not permit even beer to be served in its dining room. The House does permit beer, but nothing stronger.

### Looking The Other Way

### Plush GOP Bar

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Anout the time the official har was banded from the Capitol the sing of salones that surrounded the Capitol also was dried up. including Pendleton's famous House of Fortune. In those days there was one salono to every 90 people in the city, But all bars were abolished from around the Senate and House and The first real dent in this taboo on bars near the Capitol building came immediately after Eisenhower was elected. Some of the most distinguished leaders of the Republican party set up the Capitol Capitol

### Brass Chips In

The bar was located in the former home of ex-Congressman Charley Dewey of Chicago, and such GOP leaders as John Foster Dulles, Clare Boothe Luce, ex-Secretary of War Pat Hurley, and Sen.

The GOP bear aroused a furor among Washington clergymen partly because it was the first bar near the Capitol since 1837, partly because the GOPers pulled where the properties to get their place licensed. A license for a package store had just been vected right next door to the GOP club, despite which Republican leaders overselved right next door to the GOP club, the promise's drinking, license. They even got the D. C. law waived regarding the fingerprinting of the license owners. The distinguished Republicans who applied for the license didn't want to be fingerprinted, so the law was ignored.

Diplomatic Pouch The Joint Chiefs of Staff

Up In Arms Again
Now, as a result of the two open superduper cocktail parties one Democratic
office Building, Washington drys and
clergy are up in arms, You're sure to
hear a lot more demand that the Capitol
go back to the laws of 1837.

### 'Neglected Neighbors'

Vice President Nixon's ballyhoo over the new state on the African Gold Coast and his tour of Africa are having reper-

Frank Carlson from the once very dry state of Kansas, each kicked in \$600 to state of Kansas, each kicked in \$600 to state of Kansas, each kicked in \$600 to Some of them sow call themselves. When Latin Americans read about the washington delergramen party because the GoPers pulled wires to get their place incensed. A liscanse for a package store had just been wires to get their place incensed. A liscanse for a package store had just been study shelved by the near-slave labor of vectod right next door to the GoP etub.

Diplomatic Fouch

The Joint Chiefs of Staff have warned lie to expect a Chinese Communist assault or the communist of the Red military as the communist of the Edmilitary as the communist of the Communist of the Communist have formed as their main propaganda weapon . . . University students in East Germany are so that the Communists have formed armed "that the Communists have formed armed "the Communists have formed armed "the Communists have formed armed "the University of the Communists have formed armed "the University of the Communists have formed armed "the University of the Communists have formed armed the University of the Communists have formed the C