

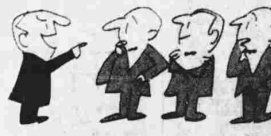
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People's Platform

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The Fun-Poking Alsops Have 20-20 Hindsight



The Monday Morning Quarterback

case, makes us wonder how much those in authority get out of it? But a complicated public will go on from there expecting the next round with little or no consideration from the authorities.

All strikes are just like war: no one wins, everybody loses. This would seem to make it imperative that a way, other than strikes, be found to settle differences between employer and employee...

Did American People Win The Election?

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THE election is over and victory has been won by the Democrats...

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Coverage Of Crusade A 'Great Contribution'

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'4 And 20 Tailors Went To Hunt A Snail. The Bravest One Among Them Dare Not Touch His Head Or Tail'



Internal Strife If Boy Pill Meets Girl Pill

By ROBERT C. RUARK
If she has to make them sick first...

I WAS prowling around the bathroom for a motor scooter or a hillyogot or something—we keep everything in the bathroom—and stumbled on a veritable arsenal of pills.

Offhand, I should say we got pills for every known ache, ague, quinsy and distemper known to modern man, and quite a few more against the future. They come in all colors, including multi, and there are even some chain-reaction capsules that keep setting off little discharges in your innards.

I ain't much of a pill man myself, but evidently I'm loose some. I did run into a doctor once at a cocktail party, and managed to wheedle a free prescription out of him for some ailment or other.

In 1952 with a national hero leading the Republican Party, I looked even for a North Carolina Tenth District congressman. Again in 1954, few thought the Democrats would regain control of Congress against the great popularity of the President.

Also, I was bested by a memory of one little pharmaceutical in the older days who compounded a felony and a prescription simultaneously when he charged me four bucks for 12 capsules that turned out to be sugar of milk with an aspirin base...

Now no one with any political astuteness could have thought the Republicans would gain control of Congress in 1958.

Drew Pearson's Merry-G-Round

BEHIND the dramatic attempt to force down King Hussein's plane over Syria last week lies a bizarre story that would surpass a Hollywood thriller.

An intelligence report claims that Egyptian dictator Nasser personally approved the attack as part of a plan to kidnap Hussein and hold him prisoner. It was to be balanced to the world, however, as a voluntary decision by Hussein to flee so-called British "domination" and join his Arab brothers in the United Arab Republic.

Jets Jump Plane

He claimed that the same Communist element he drove out of Syria now have a foothold in Iraq. Originally, King Hussein had planned to skip around Syrian territory and fly to Switzerland by way of Saudi Arabia and Turkey. Friendly overtures from die-

Tell This Turtle To Get A Move On

ON the subject of tax-collecting, the North Carolina General Assembly is like the turtle. Hunched up within the comfortable armor plate of tradition, it seldom moves faster than a lumbering lurch.

Consequently it is more than a little astounding to discover sentiment building up among some legislators for the withholding system of collecting state income taxes on salaries and wages.

Outside experts have been talking about the advantages of a withholding tax law for years. Other states have adopted the plan with notable success. But nobody has been able to catch the Tar Heel turtle's attention.

Seldom has a withholding system been needed more. It is common knowledge that thousands of citizens are dodging state income taxes simply because they don't bother to fill out a form. There are instances, too, when work crews come to the state to perform jobs lasting from a few months to a year. They leave when the job is finished taking a packet of North Carolina money with them and the state is none the wiser—until, perhaps, it is too late.

As a result, good citizens who do their duty have to ante up for bad citizens who don't. That's not fair.

A state withholding system is needed because it would reduce tax delinquency.

The Case Against Edward Scheidt

THERE is one utterly foolproof method of determining the approach of a new session of the General Assembly. Merely count the denunciations of the State Highway Patrol.

Ever since Edward Scheidt came to Raleigh from the FBI as commissioner of motor vehicles, a noisy minority has waged war on his strict but unusually effective methods of reducing highway fatalities in North Carolina. The din invariably deepens before every legislative session, for it is then that the whammy, unmarked patrol cars and other psychological weapons in Mr. Scheidt's arsenal go on trial.

It's started again. Critics have charged that the whammy is a worthless nuisance, that unmarked patrol cars are "unfair" and that patrolmen are spending too much time in the shrubbery taking speed checks and not enough time on the road.

The whammy whammy? "Since 1952, when the whammy was put to use," Mr. Scheidt told the RALEIGH NEWS & OBSERVER last week, "there has been a consistent reduction in traffic deaths. How consistent? By 25 per cent," he said.

Unmarked patrol cars "unfair." The night watchmen, detectives and burglar alarms are unfair.

"There are only 60 speed watches," said Mr. Scheidt. "Only about one to every nine patrolmen. Only 8 per cent of a patrolman's time is spent operating a watch."

Actually, the thing that bothers Mr. Scheidt's critics most is that he gets results. Tar Heels once winked at traffic laws. Mr. Scheidt is insisting that the law means what it says. Violate it and you get a ticket. Observe it and you have nothing to worry about.

Case dismissed. Step down, Mr. Scheidt.

The Dog Situation

IN the latest in a series of look-what-those-crazy-Americans-are-up-to stories, Britain's MANCHESTER GUARDIAN gleefully told its readers last week about a New York restaurant for dogs where only the best meat cuts are served. The GUARDIAN's reaction: Just how silly can the "colonies" get?

Well, not as silly as Lloyd's of London which is now writing hospitalization policies on British poaches.

Now All You Have To Be Is A 'Spender'

"GETTING and spending," the poet Wordsworth sighed, "we lay waste our powers."

Well, he may have been a good poet but he knew no economics; and we may be sure that he didn't tune in to a political campaign like the one we've just come through.

Wordsworth had not, of course, read his fiscal economics—but as a man of logical powers he might have taught like George Humphrey something about "getting and spending." For they have not just done enough homework to complete the equation.

Everyone remembers when like and George bolted from the closet of fiscal calculation, dropped the hot potato of a \$74 billion budget into the lap of Congress, and bolted back into safety again. Then George poked his head out the door and said that if we went on spending this way, we would have a depression "that will curl your hair." Like, with equal distaste for the profligacy he had cooked up in the budget, invited Congress to advance on the hot potato and carve it at will.

Ike carried his outcry against "spending" into the recent campaign, and when the election was over he mourned, From University of Virginia Cavalier Daily

A GRAVE PROBLEM

IT has become increasingly necessary in the past few years for the CAVALIER DAILY to devote at least part of its editorial space at one time or another to the problem of first year attire. It seems that each year more and more first year men come to the University clinging to old prep school and high school mannerisms, including their odious modes of dress, and this year is far from an exception.

Whether it be failure of policy in Egypt and Lebanon, or the misquoting misreadings of this side, they are always ready on Monday morning with their brilliant, if slightly tardy, commentary. They rail at the Defense Department's exaggerated emphasis on secrecy. They denounce what stamps out our foreign policy that designates that which, in the interest of national security, shall be kept from public knowledge. I'm sure, as unwisely as the press that prints our telephone directory, they make a mistake when we're stuck with it, like it or not, for another year.

It is not our task to praise our leaders for their steady, day-to-day competence. Instead, like the subtle caricatures that lampoon famous figures in editorial cartoons, postgame fun-poking is their bread and butter.

Perhaps we should heed their brilliance and elevate them to their rightful throne of omniscience; or better still, just let them submit their incantations, like Old Man Mose, before the race is run.

It is our privilege for me to carry the Democratic banner in that campaign.

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