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A Sound Premise For The Perimeter

DESPITE a rather severe tailoring job on required rights-of-way, City Council's approval of a perimeter road plan is not without substance.

Officially adopted is the premise that rights-of-way for an efficient road system should be set aside before an area is developed. This makes possible the construction of several direct thoroughfares through the perimeter area, and could eliminate any necessity for expensive and provocative reworking of roads in settled neighborhoods after development creates traffic volume and traffic problems.

Council's action assures direct roads. Whether it has eliminated the necessity of widening those roads as the perimeter population grows remains to be seen. City planners, surveying growth trends, believe the 60-foot rights-of-way

decreed by Council are too narrow. They hold that 84-to-90-foot widths would be more in keeping with growth potential, and that nothing less offers assurance that the perimeter roads system will be adequate in all respects. Other far flung cities seemingly hold with this theory. In Raleigh, Greensboro, Winston-Salem, Durham and High Point, minimum rights-of-way for major thoroughfares generally run from 80 to 150 feet.

A majority of Council, however, accepted the view that 60 feet will suffice. As a matter of fact, 60 feet will have to suffice since Council has acted.

The community should be grateful for adoption of the roads plan, and hopeful that the judgment of Council on road widths is superior to that of its professional planners.

Comrade Bugrov Hiked Mr. Ivey's Ire

WHEN someone has overbored the accommodative powers of UNC news director Pete Ivey, it's something to shout about.

Someone, name of Evgeny Bugrov, has done that, and the conscientious and capable former Shelby editor is shouting about it himself—in properly restrained tones. In a special report of the department of ten Russian students who toured UNC at Chapel Hill, Ivey describes Bugrov, their leader, as two-faced, arrogant, contemptuous and untruthful.

What particularly incensed Ivey was Bugrov's studied and continuing attempts to harass his hosts, to embarrass them by demanding changes in plans and then complaining because the changes were made.

"Bugrov," writes Ivey, "was especially agile in switching from smiling affability to sneering contempt combined with belligerent indignation. He seemed to take a special delight in directing his angry charges in plans. He requested retrac-

tions of articles which displeased him. If arrangements were not running smoothly, he demanded explanations and apologies. What is more he got the apologies from younger American student guides who were eager to please and to play the proper role of hospitality.

A guileless person good-will is likely to be baffled because the outstretched hand of friendship may be returned by the Russians with a symbolic slap in the face."

In order to forestall future opportunities for such slaps, Ivey has recommended changes in the agreements under which Russian student tours are permitted in this country. The recommendations are sound and, if adopted, could help prevent a breakdown in the student exchange program.

We would not like to see that happen. There can be much to profit to American students in being confronted with such products of Soviet culture as Bugrov. Even if the experience is disappointing and irritating, it is highly instructive.

Something's Got To Blow In Carthage

UNFORTUNATELY it's no sweat off our brow whether Judge W. H. S. Burgwyn does or does not get an air conditioner for his courtroom in Carthage.

Just the same we hope he gets it for, obviously, the majesty of the magistrate has developed some Venezuelan tremors. His order for Moore County commissioners to be subpoenaed for jury duty in the allegedly anti-noise-and-heat-infested courtroom indicates that something's about to blow. So why not an air conditioner, rather than something fragile like the patience of a judge and jury?

Whether this line of reasoning will appeal to the commissioners is problematical, but surely defendants, who may feel heat from several sources, would readily agree. It is in their best interests and in the best interests of justice, to face a real cool judge; not a swinging judge, you understand. Heaven

forbid. But a cool judge, in respect both to his brow and to his temperament.

By virtue of his position a judge is expected to deny the modus vivendi in the semi-tropics. Just about the time the sun is ready to cook and broil simultaneously, the judge must don a robe that shuts away from his person any vagrant breeze. The robe is black, a color that absorbs heat. And the judge must keep his place, rather than engage in that constant movement and business that is said to keep one's mind off the tortoise his body is suffering from during the day. Take a situation like that, said a swarm of gnats to it, and the ordinary amenities begin to melt. Said the judge of the commissioners:

"They can come and suffer the heat and the noise and gnats right along with the rest of us."

The judge may not get his air conditioner but he has without doubt upheld the validity of an ancient law: Misery loves company.

Tricky Truth Trips Twisted Tongue

SOMETIMES in watching televised proceedings of the United Nations, our ears stop listening while our eyes are still watching.

The starchy language of the delegates, often concealing much more than it is conveying, simply beats down our desire to know what's going on. But it is not always that way at the United Nations. Case in point was Soviet delegate Sobolev's response the other day to a U. S. delegate that the Soviet Union had agreed to be allowed to read, hear or see the Middle East debate in the United Nations.

"We ask you," said U. S. Ambassador Lodge, "... to permit the Soviet people and the peoples of Eastern Europe to hear all sides of the grave issues dividing the world today—not just your view ... Just have it come right in as it is in the General Assembly."

Sobolev retorted that the Russians are not ignorant of events.

"They are told who has aggressed and who is aggressed on," he said.

The truth! The palpable truth! — And out of the mouth of a Communist!

From The Richmond News Leader

THE FILTER'S IN THE MIDDLE

"CAN I help you, sir?"

"Yeah. All my life I've been smoking cigarettes, see, good cigarettes with a nice, rich tobacco taste, but lately I've been reading the magazines, and now I want to switch brands. What you got?"

"Well, sir, let me suggest Hibbickle's Blend, in regular or king size, pure cellulose, and 20,000 tar traps."

"Pure what?"

"Pure cellulose, sir, nothing but the purest. Hibbickle's contains practically no tar, practically no nicotine, and practically no flavor. That is because it contains practically no tobacco."

"What else you got?"

"Well, you might want to try a few packs of Tennessee Alifalfa."

"Eh?"

"Tennessee Alifalfa. It is 3.38 centimeters long, and is laboratory tested at not more than four milligrams of glue. Tennessee Alifalfa is the only brand containing mentholatum, horse liniment and neatsfoot oil. They work twice as fast as buffering."

"Anything else?"

"I myself have switched to Conductor's Glove, in the crust-proof box, to-

gether with valuable coupons. It is only CG that offers the filter in the middle, plus the magical plim-sol line."

"The what?"

"The plim-sol line, down where the polychloro esters begin, in between the horizontal filtering action and the low octane asphalt trap."

"And what does all that do?"

"Well, with CG's, you can light either end, or for a novelty, you can light it in the middle and use it to drive away gnats. They burn pretty fast, but you can set your own blend with the button on the side, and with this brand you don't have to blast off at Canaveral, ta-ta-ta your wrist, or wear a black eye-patch. All you have to have is a bad cold."

"It will clear up a cold?"

"No. With a bad cold, you can't taste it. Matter of fact, you can't taste it anyhow. But it will give you lung cancer only half as fast, and it offers the manly smell of new mown crab grass."

"It's a terrible decision. The more I think about it, the more I think I'm going to swear off."

"Swear off smoking, sir?"

"Nope. Swear off reading Reader's Digest."

'They Don't Say Positively'



The Spectre Remains

Preview Of The Big Tirade

By MARQUIS CHILDS

WASHINGTON

AFTER ALL the angry words, the shouting, the denials, the promises, the threats, the big question will be asked: What is the spectre that remains?

That is the reality behind the current session which promises, at the outset of debate at least, to be a slugging match, with the Soviet delegate and the American delegate beating each other over the head as so often in the past. But there are those looking beyond this familiar exercise in vituperation.

They get, of course, back to the question of a summit meeting with the Russians. The relief that Washington felt when Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev rejected a summit conference in the framework of the U. N. Security Council was heartfelt. But since only a high-level meeting, which presumably might come after the Assembly session, can be held, the great relief is bound to be short-lived.

CHINESE VIEW?

And something new has now been added that further clouds the relationship between East and West. Khrushchev, it has been announced, met recently with Mao Tse-tung and the Chinese Communists. When the two leaders met in Peking, Mao appears to have exercised a veto over the meeting Khrushchev previously agreed to.

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Nation Dodges Eery Threat Of Anarchy Posed By Hoffa

By DORIS FLEESON

A DANGEROUS condition, it was revealed here last week when the McClellan Committee turned its attention once more to the powerful Teamsters Union. There has been nothing like it since Al Capone built a gangland empire on the basis of the noble experiment of prohibition.

Yet at week's end the President of the United States was ignoring it. Responsible labor leaders were quiet. The Department of Justice with all its vast powers to do with force and to promote the rule of law was silent. The Congress was still pigeon-holing its own mild beginnings of an attempt to deal with the abuses of labor's right to organize and bargain collectively.

SICKENING DETAILS

None of them could plead ignorance of the sickening details of criminality and corruption. The front pages were full of them. Teamster president James Hoffa was on hand with his gifted mouthpiece, lawyer Edward Bennett Williams, to dramatize them. Hoffa appears to feel completely secure in his command of one of the greatest unions in the country. He seemed confident as well that he could out-talk and out-maneuver those who are now portraying his appalling conduct of that union and such efforts as might be made to call him to account.

COMPLETE CYNICISM

He said nothing quite so quotable as "The public be damned," the famous description of a piratical attitude toward the public interest which W. H. Vanderbilt was startled into giving reporters in 1882. The degree of his cynicism was, however, complete. He could not be bothered to discipline his ex-convict employees and he was unmoved by the human tragedy of death of one of them. His big money comes from "gambling" of which he keeps no record, and the man who made out his income tax returns had thrown the worksheet away.

Perhaps Washington today is entitled to some absorption in world problems, so bitterly acute and so apparently insoluble. There are arms of the Executive branch, including Justice and Treasury, which can work effectively on civil anarchy of the kind if the indignation and will are present.

BIAS AND COWARDICE

In the Congress, Hoffa is taking advantage of a combination of factors. They include the anti-labor bias of the far right, who prefers to penalize rather than reform labor unions, and the cowardice of most of the liberals and moderates, who say they believe in the honesty and



JIMMY HOFFA
The Details Are Terrible

patriotism of most union members but fear to put that confidence to the test.

Aiding and abetting the impasse are those elements in business which prefer no start at all on reform measures unless they get their own way completely. They include segments of the National Association of Manufacturers, the American Retail Federation and the United States Chamber of Commerce.

A NATION

Perhaps some of these have a notion that the whole union movement can in this way be made to collapse. It is not today the wish or intention of the great majority of Americans that the possibility that they could be made to entertain the idea represents the compelling challenge to responsible labor to force internal reform.



SEN. JOHN MCCLELLAN
Is Anybody Interested?

People's Platform

Will Increase Rates Mean Better Service?

Charlotte

Editors, The News:

THE CHARLOTTE Post Office should now show some action in several ways. We have for several years been in the grips of one postmaster general. Congress has handed Chatterfield a new stamp to go on all your mail. This deal will add a million or more to the Charlotte Post Office collection. With their extra cash we should see some improvements in and around the post office that has been on the "slow" list for some years and has been on the log list here of late ...

It was very good for the public to see a stamp window put in operation again. We can get more rotten deals around the Charlotte Post Office than any other place in the state ...

I expect to go to the West Coast soon and I shall try and pick up some good points to hand to idlers in and around this stagnant spot known as the post office.

The employees that have been in this office for any length of time know their duties. No one can do a good job with so much interest.

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