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WASHINGTON
Energetic young Secretary Bechtel has been frantically looking for one new addition to his newly polished and well-kept department staff. He is looking for a Jew.



"Daddy is starting to open a can of soup. Mom—should I close the kitchen door so I won't hear what he says?"

Everyday Counselor

By Herbert Spough, D.D.

In a recent column we quoted from an article on the work of the Alcoholics Anonymous in Time Magazine, October 23, which said that one drink will undo the work of months.

People's Platform

Editors, The News: I am not so wrapped up in superstition and magic as to believe some supernatural power will interpose to prevent the traditional reactionary Tory government in Britain.

We have seen the time when Britain was pleading for help from any source against Nazi-Fascism, offering national and peoples liberal and progressive concessions of self government.

The FSA Is Pleased

Editors, The News: Mr. Frank Hancock has sent us copies of the three fine FSA articles by Mr. Tim Pridden, recently published in your paper.

Quote, Unquote

Non-Education is better by far than the giving up now the war which takes generations to change those educated the wrong way.

Second Motion

Meeklenburg's Grand Jury, handing down its solemn recommendations, urged that a commission be appointed to study juvenile delinquency in the County, and to undertake a legislative program to correct unsatisfactory or unhealthy conditions.

About three years ago, as our memory goes, a representative committee was appointed to make a study of the workings of our juvenile court, and to recommend improvements.

New Assault

Congressmen of the eight poll tax states—19 of them—are in some danger of losing their seats because of the Fourteenth Amendment and the determined opposition of the Southern Electoral Reform League.

When the right to vote in any election is denied to any of the male inhabitants of such state, being 21 years of age and citizens of the United States, on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude, the basis of representation therein shall be reduced in the proportion which bears to the whole number...

In short, if only one or two per cent of the voters of South Carolina, Alabama, Georgia, Texas, Arkansas, Mississippi, Louisiana, South Carolina, Virginia and the like, can be traced to disfranchisement of eligible voters (by poll tax or any other means), then representation from those states must be reduced.

Wage Boost

Representative Vinson of Georgia, who does not hesitate to walk where the House at large feared to tread, wants to raise Congressional salaries from \$10,000 to \$15,000—a 50 per cent boost which makes a travesty of the Little Steel Formula.

Further than that, he wants to raise the President from \$75,000 to \$100,000. As we've said more than once of late, we're all for an increase in Congressional salaries, and realize that the whole salary scheme is hopeless out of date.

Boys And Noise

There is, as everybody knows, a law against shooting firecrackers in the city. Last week four boys were arrested on this charge, and in Juvenile Court were taxed the costs of the case and placed on parole in the custody of their parents.

We know of at least one household in which the pestered parents would like nothing better than to have the courts parole as an unanswerable argument against buying and setting off firecrackers this Christmas, but we cannot allow such personal considerations to sway our detached editorial judgment.

Statesmen At Work

REP. DIRKSEN of Illinois, supporting the bill to increase Congressional pay, says he is not a member of the House. A question came up here about retirement for Congressmen and about pensions that have been given to them.

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New Blood

Will Clayton, like most of FDR's other new State Department appointees, has been a large cash contributor against Roosevelt in most elections.

Competition



Just before Pearl Harbor the Clayton company's shipments to Japan and the Orient were phenomenally large. They cleared from South American branch offices.

The Job-Hunters' Rush

WASHINGTON
AFTER every election, in the old days, there was a gold rush of office seekers to Washington.

The letter was written on May 10, when there were rumors that the Administration would offer Willkie the Secretaryship of the Navy.

What's Eating Europe?

NEW YORK
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