

A Tax By Any Other Name . . .

TAXES are unpopular, and it was natural that the City Fathers should approach the necessity of increasing the levy with trepidation. Yet it was clear from the beginning that the dark deed must be done. City expenses have been climbing steadily, and a well-deserved general wage increase for City employees couldn't be postponed without wrecking the staff of every department.

And the Council studied the matter at length. It started off with high hope in several new directions—notably the plan to slap a special tax on traveling salesmen—but every time it ran up against a public outcry. The obvious course, increasing the tax on the City's primary source of revenue, real property, couldn't be avoided, but the Fathers tried hard to take the course of it.

The Air Lines Battle Is Joined

THE first skirmish in the battle to obtain expanded air line service for Charlotte is over, but the results may not be known for months. The City's representatives made an impressive showing before the Civil Aeronautics Board, however, and all the Southern cities along Eastern Air Lines route 5 as they sought to demonstrate the inadequacy of the present service.

avoid a direct conflict. Instead they have applied for a New York-Atlanta run routed to the west of EAL's, with its only North Carolina stop at Asheville.

Is It The Case Bill Or Nothing?

THE Case Bill, which all but its most impassioned supporters have admitted was an imperfect instrument, seems to have taken on special importance now that the President has vetoed it. It is being mourned as though it were the last white hope of protecting the public against unbridled labor unions, and a Congressional coalition has gone to work in a frantic effort to revive it.

Case Bill, which was sent to him as a substitute. There is an important difference between the President's veto and the current labor difficulties, and the Congress is in agreement on two basic points: (1) Action must be taken without delay to meet the present strike-born production crisis. (2) The existing labor code must be completely overhauled and replaced with permanent legislation designed to define and protect the rights of the public, of management, and of organized labor. The only real disagreement is over method, since both Administration and Congress seek the same announced goal.

Another Voice

Decline Of The Culinary Arts

BEN AMES WILLIAMS, the novelist, complains after a tour of Dixie that he has had great difficulty in finding those dishes for which the South is famed.

industry. Tarheelia is so favored by nature that it has a bit of everything in its kitchen and dining room. It is interested, entrancing, mountain scenery, all-year resort areas, ocean beaches, Piedmont golf fishing facilities, many points of rich historical interest dating back to 1587 A. D., and various other advantages. But people who come to eat here are not interested in 'em or their facilities for recreation, etc. will not relish the prospect of making themselves ill by eating half-cooked food, drinking coffee not much stronger than rain water, or dining in places where the rules of the game are to be observed.



This Man-Infested World

which I saw. I was in a well-known doctor's office in town, one morning when I heard some kids crying. The doctor called me over to the window. He pointed out some children in a meadow behind a fence. The children were fighting over a garbage barrel of rotten food.

Facts And Figures

DALLAS H. ROBINSON, writing in another newspaper, states that he believes in organized labor, also believes in a fair wage, reasonable working hours and the right to strike, yet in his same article states that the railroad trainmen had no right to strike.

Rotten Set Up?

I HADN'T written you for sometime, not because I didn't have anything to say about the rotten deal our country is getting.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round • Justice Jackson's Bitter Disappointment

SOME of those who have sat inside Supreme Court confidential opinions believe that two factors were behind Justice Robert Jackson's sudden flare-up against his associates.

The Editor's Note—This is the first of two columns dealing with serious abuses in veterans' training.

WASHINGTON Veterans are lining up before the doors of advanced study and college in the country. They are taking advantage of the benefits of the GI Bill of Rights.

Another form of the abuse which has crept into a second. A veteran returned to his job as a vice-president of a bank in a Kentucky town. His salary was \$100 a month. He had been in training to be executive vice-president, a job that would pay \$200 a month.

Getting \$100,000 a year, you can be a millionaire for a \$200,000 a year job and draw your \$50 a month subsistence if you are otherwise eligible for other benefits.

Hurdles For Housing

THE main problems confronting Wilson W. Wyatt's National Housing Agency in putting over its veterans' housing program are

Guaranteed Market

Housing Expediter Wyatt is exceedingly optimistic about the guaranteed market plan for new building materials. Nearly 100 new projects are already under way.