

Dubious Method And Just Cause

Legislature's abortive effort to increase its own compensation went down in defeat in a welter of ringing phrases. "The General Assembly has chosen its court of last resort—the people," he said, and would not be "highly desirable to get Legislators out of Raleigh as quickly as possible."

ing on compensation is necessary to encourage short legislative sessions. The gentlemen will go home, it is argued, when they begin to feel a financial pinch and not when they begin to feel a financial pinch and not when they begin to feel a financial pinch...

However, dubious though the method may have been, the cause was just. The members of the General Assembly deserve additional compensation. The present total annual of \$600 falls far short of meeting their actual expenses during a session, and is both unfair and unbecoming to call upon legislators to transact public business at a private sacrifice.

A straight stipend of ten dollars a day, fitting out usually with a full quota of complex fiscal problems, the Legislature cannot be expected always to transact its business within sixty days. Whatever else may be done, no one can accuse the current Legislators of wasting their time in Raleigh; they have worked hard and long during these past months and there has been no sign of deliberate stalling or delay.



Now to separate them

People's Platform

To Protect Freedom

DAVIDSON

YOUR editorial of March 27-1947 entitled "The Enemies of the People" was a masterpiece of thought-outness and showed a commendable degree of common sense.

Joseph Alsop

U. N. & Aid Program

WASHINGTON

IN the great national debate on the Greek-Turkish aid program, the United Nations Commission on Economic and Financial Questions, which has become a major red herring, is interfering with the real issue of the extent of the United States aid program.

Inflation Unleashed

In '44, however, the excess profits tax was levied on \$9,800,000,000. When the Truman Administration repealed the excess profits tax, it was being argued that the Government was thereby releasing a huge amount of money into circulation.

The Change In NCEA Policy

ALTHOUGH the teachers of North Carolina settled their differences amicably at the meeting of the North Carolina Education Association in Asheville last week, there is no reason to doubt that the election of their new president, R. L. Fritz Jr. of Hudson, indicates a major shift in NCEA policy.

There is good reason to regret that the staid old teaching profession thus may be on the verge of abandoning a good deal of its tradition of dignity by entering actively into the rough-and-tumble of politics. The regret, we suspect, will be shared by the teachers themselves, and yet it is difficult to see any alternative.

Red Technique?

CHARLOTTE

THE recent resolution adopted by the Veterans of Foreign Wars to establish a poker law in protest against the recent decision of the Supreme Court is the sort of thing that not only reflects ill-favorably on the leadership of the organization, but also lowers the prestige of the entire Veterans organization.

Favorite Son

FUQUAY SPRINGS

BETWEEN the two factions of the Governor's office, the one that supports the Governor and the one that supports the Legislature, the Governor's office is the favorite son.

Sympathies Suspect

AT reaching Athens, the CYN Commission of Inquiry immediately was faced with a delicate situation.

A Crusade Against Laughter

TO defend racial and religious minorities against ridicule, a good many publicists have joined in a campaign against the dialect comedians of the radio, movies and stage—those funnymen who have for generations amused their feeble jokes by dressing them in the accents of the Jew, the Italian, or the Irishman.

It is not necessary on this day and time but in the crusade against the dialect comedian it seems to us intolerance, is actually being paraded in its name. A man may accept the thesis that all men are created equal with equal understanding of the dogma that all men are also identical.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

WASHINGTON

JOHN L. LEWIS executed some fast footwork a few hours before he pulled his nation-wide strike in sympathy with the Centralia, Ill. mine victims.

Lewis' Hands Not Clean

FOR ten years this column has been calling attention to carelessness in mine safety, and once exposed Maryland Congressman David Ward's pigpening of the Federal Mine Inspectors Bill at a time when it was being pushed to the Pennsylvania anthracite mine operators.

Un-American Strategy

INVESTIGATORS for the House Un-American Activities Committee have learned of a new secret strategy by which the Government is attempting to avoid discovery.

Charleston News-Courier finds the 'From repeating the story by the few country boys in an idiom that till this time has been considered an affectionate link with home'

In Charleston not long ago a lady who had been broadcasting Gullah readings was also off the air by the few country boys in an idiom that till this time has been considered an affectionate link with home. Cause for sorrow deeper than indignation.

Clark Boyd

A Hollywood dish is hailed as the young Clark Boyd, and to the younger fry it might be said that this is what Clark was started all this whistling.

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