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NEW RULES FOR PRISON DISCIPLINE

It is apparent that the director of North Carolina's prisons is attempting to modernize the prison system. It is apparent, too, that he is attempting a gradual change in a punishment system which, he admits, "we hope to get rid of soon."

The punishment referred to is "bread-eating," or the handcuffing of prisoners to the bars of their cells. A prisoner now may be handcuffed for as long as 50 hours, and a superintendent may inflict this extreme punishment at his own discretion.

THE ANGUS WARD INCIDENT

WE CAN certainly argue with the five Republican members of the House Foreign Affairs Committee that the Angus Ward incident has been one of the most important chapters in American foreign policy history.

The only alternative was the direct application of force, by Naval blockade or military action. And either might have been the spark which would have lit the fuse of a world-wide Communist China.

EXIT MR. LILIENTHAL

THE obvious thing to say about the resignation of public life of David Lilienthal is that here is another in a long series of resignations caused by (1) low salaries for top Federal officials, and (2) the unbecomingly manhandling of an executive by a political boss.

One could disagree with Lilienthal's ideas about atomic energy secrecy, and yet admire the way he has kept the United States well out front in the world race. His reputation as AEC Commissioner has been one of justice because of the many documented charges of "incredible mismanagement" by Senator Bourke Hickenlooper.

MUCH AT STAKE IN OCOOEE CASE

DISCUSSING the "wanton robbery-murder of an elderly Ocoee County Negro farmer, the Charlotte News asks a question and makes a comment.

Outsiders also fail to understand that the "good people of Ocoee County were outraged by this crime, all the more so because the victim was a Negro, an elderly man, who was more vulnerable to attack by intruders than his white neighbors and less able to defend himself.

Think Of Anything Yet?

Tom Schlesinger Capital Notes



People's Platform An Old Subscriber Returns

FOR three months I've been reading the "On the People's Platform" staff on The Observer editorial page and now I turn to the truly great Charlotte newspaper for what I hope will be some slight comfort and reassurance that we are not headed to perdition or something worse because Truman is in the White House.

low Mr. Hamilton to organize a Klan here and "open the Book of Deeds" and all that kind of thing.

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Men, I wish some of the boys in the towers could come right out here in the country and spend a while with me. I'll show them whether they're going for what our Left-handed Mr. Scott is doing.

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We Don't Need The Klan

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Drew Pearson's Democrat Calls Turn On Leaders

MRS. INDIA EDWARDS, the lady brain of the Democratic National Committee, was debating on The New York Herald Tribune forum with the heads of ten leading women's clubs.

Students of USA

ALTHOUGH it hasn't made headlines, a total of 28,000 foreign students are studying in the USA this year.

A WASHINGTON newspaper this week reported that the fare had broken out and the trucking industry and a major railroad on the subject of illegal loading of commercial vehicles.

Some of the changes that will get legislators upon their return to the State House will be the effect of the situation. The price per cent went up this week when the Senate voted to raise the price of steel.

These spokesmen are making speeches wherever they can find a platform and are writing letters to the newspapers advancing partial solutions to the problem.

After setting up a jury target, the members of the Senate and the public should judge the truth of the matter from the results of an enforcement program.

Seven firms were fined more than 20 times. The firm with the most violations was the Charlotte firm, Horton-owned or operated firms were fined in violation of the law 30 times during the campaign.

Many of the 20,000 rural box owners, who received notes from Senator Graham offering farm building grants, are still waiting to hear from us.

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