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WILL CHARLOTTE BE BOMBED?

AT THE MOMENT, everything seems to conspire against the establishment here of an adequate civil defense organization. The war in Korea seems to be nearing an end, the Russians have been releasing more doves from the Kremlin...

dearly attacked heavily and without warning, could get up off the floor to fight back. It is expected that such an attack would be particularly successful if it were directed at destroying America's productive power...

It is against this background that Mayor Sharp announced plans this week for the establishment of a civil defense organization in Charlotte. The plan will be to have a committee to study the city's needs...

In a recent document (United States Civil Defense) the National Security Resources Board calls our attention to the need for a civil defense organization in these words:

THE ROKS ALMOST MADE IT

IN THE first few weeks of the Korean war, it appeared that the South Korean Army had completely collapsed, and that it could be marked off the list of U. N. assets in Korea.

The U. S. First Cavalry Division were in a spirited race for Pyongyang, the former moving in from the east, the latter from the south. For a while it appeared that the ROKs would capture the prize...

The American people will be happy that this famed division can now add Pyongyang to its other "firsts"—Manila, Seoul and Tokyo. But we suspect that many Americans were secretly hoping—as we were—that the ROKs would win the race.

UNDER A CLOUD

A RULING by Attorney General Harry McMillan that complaints in civil court actions may be withheld from the public by clerks of Superior Court leaves such documents under a cloud of legal uncertainty.

That "clerks of the court will be abridged with a responsibility... they would not want, and all sorts of opportunity will be offered for pressure, influence and politics such documents under a cloud of legal uncertainty.

The question arose in Wilson County when a clerk of court was asked to keep from public view the complaint in a divorce proceedings. He asked Mr. McMillan whether he had any discretionary powers, and the Attorney-General replied affirmatively. Under the ruling, such documents can be withheld until brought into the open during the trial of the case.

We concur with that. It is true that court complaints are often packed with highly irresponsible charges and allegations that are immediately tossed out when the case comes to trial. Such charges, if they were to be taken seriously, might do irreparable damage to the character of the person against whom they are made.

AN INFLEXIBLE RULE

THE Mecklenburg-Charlotte Ministerial Association took the obvious course when it voted down a proposal for a "non-sectarian moral instruction program" in the City schools.

religious instruction in the public schools might be, it is totally at variance with the traditional American separation of church and state. Hence, it is not only unconstitutional, it is per se a negation of the true meaning of religious freedom—the right to worship or not to worship as one chooses.

IN CASE OF FIRE

VERRETT KENDRICK JR., 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Kendrick of 114 Randolph St., Charlotte, was in charge of an overhaul of bread while his mother went to prayer-meeting.

That's an action-packed sentence and a trifle long. So we've saved a shorter one or so for you. Everett is in his third year at Harding High, where he was taught to handle a hose, and a fire. He plays a cornet and a bass horn in the school band.

Now that the football season is here we hope for an increase in the number of fans who can enjoy the game without having to get drunk—Rocky Mount (N. C.) Telegram.

While a neighbor was turning in a fire alarm and the fire department was answering, he with the help of his small-trip brothers removed all the furniture—excluding the television set and, save the kitchen and back porch, the home was preserved—albeit, three rooms which Everett had recently helped his mother

It's Too Small To Play House. Let's Play School!

Nehru Seeks Safe Spot Amid U.S., Russian Power Spheres

By MARQUIS CHILDS



This is the first of two exclusive dispatches by Marquis Childs from New Delhi, India. Their content was obtained after a long private audience with Nehru of India.

NEW DELHI WEARING homespun garments and leading a life of almost asceticism, Nehru has an official residence, one of the leading figures on the world stage (also known as the "Nehru family") and a world's despairing need for peace. Prime Minister Jawahar Nehru, in a four-hour talk with me, expounded the philosophy behind India's foreign policy.

NO RED INTERVENTION For the moment, at least, Nehru believes the danger of China's intervention in the Korean peninsula has subsided. He says India's role was solely to pass on to Great Britain and the United States the statements made by Chou En-lai to British and American Ambassadors Panfili in London and Washington.

FEAR AMERICA This brings up the fourth reason for the Indian's profound influence of American imperialism. Nehru of India, who led the British-India movement, has a deep understanding of the American mind. He says that America fear is not the fear of Communism, but the fear of "economic imperialism."

Collected By Bill Sharpe TURPENTINE DRIPPINGS

Cozy Home

While on tour an inspector found a tenement house in New York with one room housing four families. To keep the peace, chalk lines had been drawn dividing the room into quarters, one for each family.

Boys Are That Way

I don't remember ever getting cold or hot when I was a kid. We kept in an upstairs half-story that I know must have been torrid on many a Summer night. And the feather bed must have added to the torridity as we lay there. Yet I never even passed when I hit those sheets. Sleep was almost instant, and I was dead until the alarm.

Identified

(Charity & Children) The Sunday School class was composed of two-year-olds. About 20 were present, and the teacher was reviewing the past Sunday's lesson. She asked: "Do any of you remember who St. Matthew was?" No answer.

Start All Over

(Frances Fraser, Waynesville Maintainer) They were traveling through on their way north when the Republicans had a big majority of the voters. Now with a preponderance of Democratic voters, Warren reverses FR's technique and weans away the Republicans.

Time

(Black Mountain News) It takes a baby approximately two years to learn to talk. It takes a man 60 and 70 years to learn to keep his mouth shut.

Relative Values

(Durham Sun) (Warren Sun) captures an editorial which will be of interest to Durham and Duke folk. "We see in the sports news," says The Journal, "that the man who is a wabbit."

Just Us

(Winston-Salem Journal, John Wesley Clay) It is really sad and often true that a lotta folks cannot enjoy themselves when alone. They seem to get their own nerves and are miserable when alone.

More Democrat Than Republican?

A LITTLE over a year ago I discussed with Governor Warren his political future. He was so discouraged and somewhat uncertain. Scores of Republican leaders in California were down on him, claimed he was more a Democrat than a Republican, and there was open talk that he would not run against him in the GOP primaries.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

OUT of the turbulent, hard-slugging gubernatorial race in California will come a future President of the United States. The race between colorful, audacious Jimmy Roosevelt and his father, Warren, one of the most loved men in California is a patchwork quilt until there is almost no town which has not seen or heard him; and on the other side Republican Gov. Earl Warren, one of the most loved executives in the U.S.A.

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