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PROVIDING PLAY AREAS

COUNCILMAN Douglas Aitken has come up with an intriguing suggestion that merits the fullest possible study to see if it is feasible. The idea: to provide play and recreation areas in new residential subdivisions.

being developed in Charlotte. Lack of money has always been a handicap to the Commission, and may be in this case.
3. Whether or not the Park & Recreation Commission has the legal authority to purchase land outside the City limits is a question to be determined.

MACARTHUR — NEW GOP 'ISSUE'

THE Asheville Citizen shrewdly points up one of the weaknesses of General MacArthur's position in the Far Eastern drama: his willingness to be "used" by the Wherrys, Knowlands and Donnels to feather the GOP political nest.

favor of Johnson "economies" for the defense establishment.
Now the GOP strategists are concentrating their fire on Mr. Acheson, charging that he is responsible for the economic failures in the Far East. The MacArthur message to the VFW, directly contradicting President Truman's stated policy toward Formosa, was an ammunition for the GOP-bloc, and Messrs. Wherry, Donnell and Knowland hastened to insert it into the Congressional Record, although the General had asked that it be withdrawn.

TRUMAN'S 'FIRESIDE CHAT'

THERE never was before and probably never will be again a man who could, through a few words over a radio, so impress the American public as did President Roosevelt during World War II. It would be too much to expect his successor, Harry Truman, to possess that same unique 'mike magic'.

We will want to know how well prepared we are to fight such a war, if it comes.
There has been too much Administration-Congressional jockeying for rail positions in the coming election, and it appears that politics has too often taken precedence over defense matters.

FAREWELL TO JUNE BUGS

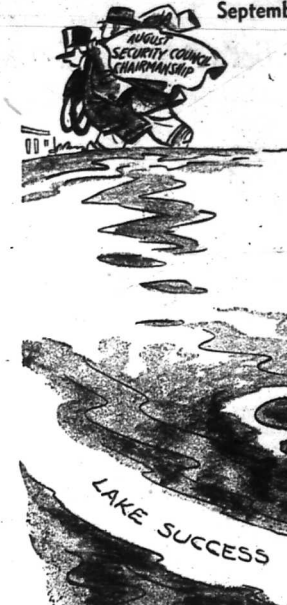
THIS particular Summer has not served us well, for we cannot remember having seen a single June bug. Perhaps that is because we have not been out and around as much as we should have, but when the season is over we regret that we missed that particular species of the genus Phyllophaga this year.

insects and attaching a thread to one of its brightly long legs.
A young fellow could amuse himself for hours just watching the critter buzz around his head. The feeling he got was somewhat equivalent to the sense of power associated with watering the lawn with a big garden hose.

GOT A CHAW, PARD?

DAD-BURN IT we're down high tonight! Got a cravin' yersid for a rough, tough, harsh, bitter, mean cigarette.
Might as well want a lump of red hot coal.
They ain't no sitch thing anymore as a cigarette that ain't the mildest thing you ever need.

cigarette to make the hair curl, the nostrils dilate, the bowels contract, and the ears wiggle.
And, in this most desirable, most versatile and ubiquitous of all Nations on the face of the Earth, it is not to be denied that the cigarette is a mild, Old Golds or milds, and Chesterfields are so mild they have to starch the package to make it stout enough to hold the tax stamp.



The Red Appeal—IV
Young Communists Had Variety Of Reasons For Joining 'The Party'

BY BOB NAIN
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(Last of a Series)
JOHN, Mary and Richard were Communists at Chapel Hill in 1948—hard-working, Red, too. But they were under-cover Communists. No one could prove they were members of The Party, so no-one called them Reds in their own town.
There were others, too. One whole family was reputed to be listed on the Party rolls, but the family kept quiet. John, Mary and Richard, on the other hand, were public relations people. They talked with the students. Dropped an idea here, felt out a convert there.

he might have discovered that The Party's system isn't the answer.
JOHN WAS—and, perhaps, still is—dangerous. But even more dangerous was Richard. Richard looked at little like a menace as possible. A short, pink-skinned young fellow who never took his pale, plastic-lined spectacles off, Richard had the sharpest mind of the lot—and behind the typewriter he was a genius.
But they're more effective than a dozen mimeographed broadsides stamped with the Communist Party letterhead.

JOHN, Mary and Richard were easy to "figure." But J when you try to understand Julius Scalas, you find him to be a Communist Party member in the two Carolinas, you hit a snag.
In preparing this article, I tried to arrange an interview with him. On two occasions I visited the "shabby gray duplex apartment on Carr Street where he lives with his pretty new wife. On both occasions my knock was unanswered.

ONE VOLUNTEER
Of this number, 4,000—exactly one man had served for service at last reading—and so we get a queue of swiftly through Congress to get enough doctors to bind a wound without calling up the corps of men already spent their time in the last war.
One man out of 4,000, I am reminded, is a swiftly through Congress to get enough doctors to bind a wound without calling up the corps of men already spent their time in the last war.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

HERE is a play-by-play account of what went on behind the scenes in the new historic rebuke of General MacArthur by the United States House of Representatives.
First inkling that MacArthur had sent a message to the Veterans of Foreign Wars on the delicate question of Formosa, came when the Washington Post reported that the Chicago Sun-Times queried Roger Tubby, State Department Press Relations Officer, as to whether the MacArthur statement had been cleared by the State Department.

MacArthur Shows White House Not in Tokyo

For the Chinese Communists would have an excuse to pour the troops into Korea.
Truman read the MacArthur statement and hit the President continued. We must continue our efforts to bring about a settlement of the Korean question. Your statement is not in accord with the established foreign policy of the United States government. This is a fundamental principle.

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as a step toward bombing Japan and that MacArthur was vigorously opposed.
Plans for taking over Formosa were worked out in great detail by Admiral Nimitz in 1944 and approved by the Joint Chiefs of Staff. It was determined that Formosa was to be taken over by the United States Navy, and that the Philippines, over-ruled them.

Harriman Has Explained

HARRIMAN told Truman that he had carefully explained the American policy to MacArthur during his recent visit to Tokyo and that there was no reason for his misunderstanding it.
Usually Harriman's trip was largely inspired by Truman's urge to occupy Formosa with American troops and his much-publicized hand-kissing visit to Madame Chiang Kai-Shek. It was felt that Harriman could diplomatically explain that the United States must move to occupy Formosa and that if the United States got embroiled in any conflict with China, the Korean war would last indefinitely.

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Split Over Preventive War Plan Rocks Administration

WASHINGTON
LINCOLN spoke in another time. He was speaking against a preventive war. It is a fairly safe guess that there is today a split in the country that in Washington.
The division is in this Administration. Occasion is made by the official withdrawal of General MacArthur's appeal and the controversy over Secretary of the Navy Matthews' suggestion of a preventive war.

Zombie Medics, Educated By Public Won't Help Country

BY ROBERT RUARK
here, remembering that as a commission officer in the 24th Infantry, I was once a merchant ship on which I served.
The doctors who got educated in the United States and who are inclined to dismiss this as mere boasting. But some responsible officers are doubting the effectiveness of the American troops. They see it as a reflection of the American people's lack of interest in the war. They see it as a reflection of the American people's lack of interest in the war.

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