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## TAFT PLAYS WITH LOADED DICE ONLY

TAFT forces, still licking the wounds suffered in New Hampshire and Minnesota, are now out to recoup prestige in Wisconsin primary next Tuesday. Their attitude is somewhat like that of the little fellow who boasts he can lick anyone in the block when he knows the big boy up the street is out of town. Not only is General Eisenhower not on the ballot, but Wisconsin law has name cannot be written in, as it was—106,946 times—in Minnesota.

## PARDON US IF YOU'VE READ THIS BEFORE

THE county footmen on the Board of County Commissioners caught us with our editors showing Monday. The first editorial chiding the County Fathers for the long delay in appointing a County Planning Board, was hardly on the streets before the Commissioners named the board. So the editorial was ranked and another substituted in later editions.

## 'MR. GOOD GOVERNMENT'

IT IS OFTEN said in one way or another that the University of North Carolina has been the yeast in the Tar Heel recipe—the essential ingredient that makes the progressiveness of the Old North State and that it differ from its sister states in Dixie. No single division of the University, however, has contributed more to public affairs in North Carolina than the Institute of Government.

## ALL'S NOT WELL BENEATH THE DOME

THIS may or may not be a sign that President Truman hopes to return to his Senate seat, but now that the White House is fixed up, the President is getting things done about the Capitol dome. He says it is "out of plumb."

## BROTHERS AND PATRIOTS

THERE is something sad about the fact that when officers make raids and seize gambling machines they so often have to direct their efforts at the clubs of organizations set up in the name of patriotism and brotherhood. The first thing that should be the preservation of the laws of the land. Certainly brotherhood ought not to be supported by the often correct suggestion that some of the brothers can be made suspects to support the others by their division.

eral Eisenhower. "This can only mean," said the Senator, "that the Republican workers and Party members in New Jersey will be in a certain degree the pressure and power of both the state organization and the Governor. It is an atmosphere in which there cannot be a fair contest."

Such an atmosphere in New Jersey, Taft found intolerable. But in Wisconsin—ah, that's a different story. The result could have been a fairly close contest with Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower. Taft could then have pointed to his good showing in "Eisenhower territory."

So we repeat Monday's suggestion. The time is ripe for the City Council and the County Commissioners and their respective organizations to get together and work out a plan for jointly financing the venture. Unless it is done before building restrictions are lifted, complete chaos may result.

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full resources of the state, not the least of which are the intelligent young men who have been attracted to its staff through the years. The Institute is personified in one man, the patient, persistent and indestructible Albert Costes. He has been the one continuing influence carried over from year to year.

## Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

WASHINGTON SENATORIAL colleagues figure there is more than meets the eye behind the \$100,000 transaction between Drew Pearson and Henry Grunwald, undercover lobbyist, wire-tap expert, and tax fixer.

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## Anything Can Happen In Wisconsin

By MARQUIS CHILDS

WASHINGTON THE PEOPLE, Yes," is the title of a column by G. L. Fenberg, who is the biographer of Abraham Lincoln. It could also stand for the theme of what is happening in these primary elections around the country.

The professional politicians have twice been fooled and they are likely to be fooled again before all the returns are in. There is some reason for New Jersey. Taft's cry of outraged indignation over what has happened in New Jersey without the intervention of Gov. Alfred E. Driscoll in that state, the machine-controlled counties have delivered to Taft.

But now, while the odds are still heavily on the Taft side, anything can happen. Using Wisconsin law anyone may vote in either primary. Gov. Earl Warren of California and Gov. Earl Warren of Minnesota are both opposing Taft. A vote for either Warren, who is a Democrat, or Eisenhower, who is a Republican, is an anti-Taft vote.

There is also the matter of a man who is so popular that he is going so far in advance of the actual contest. In his tour of Wisconsin, Taft has been covered by as much ground as most candidates for state office. It is possible that he has a narrow lead, but he takes the lead by a considerable margin.

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## If You're Going To Try To Win, I Won't Play



HERLOCK... THE UNBROKEN PART...

## Let's Get A This Sob Music

By ROBERT C. RUARK

WHILE I am a fellow with a heart in his hands, (which also reacts to heat and weather) I have not been in the habit of sobbing. I have sobbed, as you know, but I don't know that I can live through very much more of this month's sob music.

It may be a relief, perhaps, of the last, but I have never before come down with such aches in my chest. I can live through very much more of this month's sob music. It is getting to the point that you cannot not cry. It is getting to the point that you cannot not cry.

The tastes of the music lover are passing curious, and generally react directly to the influence of an ungodly and the moonstruck moon. You will get a rash of hill-billy schmalz, say, so that all you need is a Pat Boone and a Tennessee Waltz, and the thousand imitations of same, a d that suddenly the mood over the separation.

## People's Platform

Letters should be brief. The writers name and address must be given, but may be withheld from publication in the discretion of the Editor.

## His Slip Is Showing

Editors, THE NEWS: OF ALL THE adjectives I've ever read, the one from Parks A. Yandic in the News (March 18) tops them all. It seems Mr. Yandic is against dancing (as well as everything else). He says dancing is immoral and that girls are going wrong every year because of dancing. Can you prove that, Mr. Yandic, or have you been dancing with the wrong girls?

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## Note Of Appreciation

Editors, THE NEWS: THE Ministers Association has already gone to the record with regard to our appreciation for the cooperation of The Charlotte News in providing publicity and coverage for the Charlotte Praying Mission.

## Amateur Sleuth From Maine

REWBRESTER first called U. S. Attorney Morris Fay, and asked for the loan of Lt. Joe Shimon. Fay refused to cooperate. Rebrewer wrote to Chief of Police Robert Barrett, since resigned under Fay, and asked for the use of Lt. Shimon, who was the expert wire-tapper of the police squad.

## Strange Investigation

BUT Rebrewer was also chairman—in 1947—of the powerful Senate investigating Committee, formerly under Sen. Harry Truman. And with the Republicans in the Congress in 1947, Rebrewer began a probe of Howard Hughes. Many people felt that it had all the earmarks of a blackmail probe to force Hughes to do business with Pan American Airways.

## Strange Investigation

At about this time, Rebrewer also stooped to the un-American act of having the Washington police tap the telephone wires of Howard Hughes and his associates at a Washington hotel. Most of this came out during the Rebrewer investigation of the summer of 1950. This was where Grunwald was voted a contempt citation for refusing to answer questions, and