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### ILLEGAL SLOT MACHINES STILL OPERATING

WHAT has happened to law enforcement of the three body in those North Carolina areas where their nations are still being operated in religious of state laws?

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vigation of state laws?

The question naturally arises following publication of a list showing that 20 clubs and arganizations have paid at least \$320 federal fax to operate one or more slot machines. Cluder current regulations, the number of stamps purchased and the amount of tax poid by each organization are not made mobile.)

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The list is quite revealing. Two American
Légion posis, in Hamlet and Hickory, paid
the sist machine tax. Five country Joha-in,
Newton, Sholty, Henderson, Kinga Moustain
and at take Hickory—country Mountain
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and Herickory—officerson, Rinkory and
Shelly: Moore Jodges in Gastonia and HickJWW posts in Hamlet, S. Rockingham and Hendersonville: and a cafe in Taylarville rounded out the list.

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In other words, with the exception of the cafe in Taylorsville, slot machine taxes were paid by private clubs, indicating that gambling via the whirling discs is a pastime of the elite, not of everyday folk.

There are those who distinguish between operation of slot machines in private and in public places. We don't see any

they're illegal the other.

Purthermore, members of private clube in general represent the higher economic strain are community leaders. Yet when they conduct the community leaders. Yet when they conduct have violations within their clubs, they tie their own hands and allence their own voices in setting standards of lew abiding in the broader community.

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Until two years ago, slot machines were operated by a number of private club in Charlotte. The clubs became dependent upon the lash revenue, and there were some budgetary problems when Chief Frank Littleibn and City Manager Henry Yancey ordered them taken out.

Apparently the clubs made other financial arrangements. None of them went broke, so far as we know. And significantly, no organization in Charlotte or Mecklenburg County was listed as paying the slot machine tax, and no individual in this city and county was listed as having bought as gambler's tax. Which brings us back to the original question. What is the matter with law enforcement in those communities where slot machines are still being operated?

The answer must be that officers are loosing the other way, and that citteens don't care.

# ERNST REUTER, FRIEND OF FREEDOM But Reuter was more than anti-commu-nist. He was also an effective and incisive spokesman for human freedom—a positive advocate rather than a mere defender. And because of his courage, his militancy, and his widespread popularity, he had been talked of as the next president of the West German Republic, succeeding Konrad Adenauer, with whom he worked so closely.

ERNST REUTER mayer of West Berlin, represented the best in the German people's new democracy.

As a militant anti-communist, he was the source of inspiration and strength to the hard-pressed residents of the war-torn Allied sectors of Berlin Not once did he quali before, the threat of Bursian violence. the threats of Russian violence, not was he fooled by Russian intrigue. In one dark moment after another, he stood firm and proud against anything and every thing in Russian imperialism and threat ened the territorial integrity and freedom of Western Germany.

FREE-FOR-ALL WITHIN THE FAMILY

BACK during the tempestuous days of the Truman Administration, the American

DACK during the tempestuous days of the Truman Administration, the American people were sideline spectators of many a rowdy bravel among the Democrats. Name-calling within the family became quite the fashion of the day.

Now the Republicans, having been in effice less than a year, are beginning to fall out among themselves. Rep. Hugh Scott of Pennsylvanis started in eff with an article in the American Magazine in which he said that "a baker's dozen of Republican obstruction-less in the Senate, and at most two or three the Eisenbower administrations genizman. Although they are now "line", he wrole, these ebstructionists are still "acting as if they were votts." Senators Hendrickson and Ives quickly voiced similar opinions.

That did it. Senators Malene and McCarthy and Representatives Mason and Hoffman, four of the men singled out by Scott, came back with fairly calm replies, with Hoffman a bit angrier than the others. The "Scott hists", he said, seems to be a concerted plan by "Dewey Republicans, New Deelers can party, while abandening the "privations" of the party and its campaign promises."

But it remained for Rep. Usher L. But it remained to the privation of the contraction of the con

of North Dakota to put Scott in his place.
"Mr. Scott is one of the elite Republicans who seldom fraternize with ordinary men." he told a recent press conference, adding that Scott is "silk-stockinged, mustached, a la Hollywood, and a drooling follower of the international contractions."

In the death of Ernst Reuter at 64, the free world loses one of its most vocal and influential leaders, a man who, tested by the fire of historic events, was found not wanting.

### A WELCOME

THE Asheville newspaper properties have been purchased by the Peace brothers, Roger and Charlie, and J. Kelly Sisk of Greeliville, S. C., who also own the Neuer (merhing) and the Piedmont (afternoon) in

Greenville.

They are successful businessmen, and are publishers of high integrity and wide repitation, and we are pleased to welcome them to the North Carolina scene.

At the same time, may we voice the hope that the new publishers will not change the broadly liberal and progressive policies of the Asheville Citizen and Times that have meant so much to North Carolina and more particularly to the great Western North Carolina region the newspapers have served be well.

### THEY'RE LEGAL . . . NO THEY'RE NOT

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A McMallan that voting machines can
not be used in the Oct 3 hood election may
be in strict accordance with the law, but it
as pretty stilly business nonetheless.

The act authorizing the bond election was
crafted by bond atterneys, and was passed
by the General Assembly without change.
One section has been interpreted to mean
that paper ballots must be used, although
clesewhere the acts say that the elections
shall be held under the "general election and the control of the Conducting
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everal counties have altready installed them.

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elections in North Carollan.

Woing machines are legal in this state.

The General Assembly has so ruled. From
own out, every special act calling for
any kind of election should make that clear.

From The Richmond News-Leader

### FOR MR. BURNS, THREE CHEERS

IT MAY NOT be the greatest invention since the wheel, but the combined house-Il since the wheel, but the combined household and clinical thermometer patented (No. 2.851,202) by a Virginian surely it a development meriting worldwide acclaim. Grover P. Burns of Fredericksburg, by his invention, makes it possible for a fever-ridden patient to read his own temperature. Mr. Burns' thermometer is a port of Leshaped affair, when in use, the clinical side of the device winds up about nine inches from the patient's face, where he can impact the degree points without crossing his eyes.

This invention unquestionably will be a reat boon to the sick man who heretofore as suffered the indignity of having his ed the indignity of having his er snatched from him by doctors rs of the family. These, after it the mercury, say "Hmmm." and

mention the fact that on the day he im-agined the wallpaper in his sickroom was leaping at him he had a temperature of 104.6, but when he wants to know how sick he really is they won't tell him anything.

Mr. Burns' invention will strip this irk-some secrecy from the ritual of temperature-taking, and will permit the patient to watch, taking, and will permit the patient to watch, bug-eyed, as the mercury creeps upward to 96.6, and perhaps, to startling points beyond. The medical profession probably takes a dim view of all this, but we think the Burns combination thermometer strikes a splendid

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- It's A Long High Fly To Center Field, And-"

## People's Platform

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### Support Those Bond Issues KINSTON

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STEPHEN DECATUR in a toust given at Norfolk

In April, 1816 said: "Our Country: In her
intercourse with foreign nations may the always

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Pos sincere person can disagree with the latter
part of that statement. I don't usually see voting for a bond issue that can be done without

intercourse actifice. But we cannot scarlife our

rehitlers and the can be considered.

even with some sacritice, our we of control or children; our children; pent plant and other industries, our breaked industries, our breaked industries, and the control of the children and all industries, large and small, are saluable community assets and we are proud of them. But the control of the contro

School here and had lusch in the dining room with a group invited by the late Dr. C. B. McNary, who was at that time superintendent. We visited one of the buildings where the worst cases were boused. Their condition was almost unthinkable, but they are wards of the State and they need the to return to that building unless I could do some good by going. I cannot help but think of these unfortunate children and their manifeld needs in relationship to the pending bond issues and the urgent need for its passage.

Support those bond laws on Oct. 3.

HERMAN CANADY.

#### College Communism FRANKLINVILLE

to repeated from others?

One morning about a year age, after speaking with a friend in Concord who had recently toot a son in Korea. I set out for Charlotte, noticed the attendant was crying. The said she had just received a message that her son also the her had been killed in Korea.

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#### Social Workers Back Bonds DURHAM

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THE Executive Committee of the North Carolins

Chapter of the Américas Association of So-cial Workers would like to go on record as b-ing in favor of the state-wide bond issue to b-voted on by the public on Oct. 2, 1853. The com-mittee recognizes the urgest need for additional funds for schools and mental institutions in this

### Controversial Court Martial Limited To Four Allegations

ters. 10. Drunk and disorderly in the Officers' Club.
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quarters.
12. Drunk and disorderly in Officers' Club.
13. Having sexual relations with Else Ackermann, "a weman not

Else Ackermann, "a woman nor his wife."

He was tried on only four of the specifications—assault on Fraulein Ackermann, sexual relations with Fraulein Ackermann, heaving the contents of the glass at Fraulein Heller, and stroking the maid. The three women testified. Colonel

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### Korean Truce Enables China To Strengthen Vast Armies

By JOSEPH ALSOP

HONG KING
BETORE his appointment as chairman of the Joint Chiefe of Staff, Adm. Arthur Radford was well known to believe that he represent the community of the result of the representation of the result of the re

### Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

QUIET-spoken Secretary of the Treasury Humphrey, who has more influence with the President than anyone size with the President than anyone size worself that he put through an urgent phone call to the President limitately. The newspapers played up the President insult, the newspapers played up the President's mark that "he secrifice, no axi was too great for the defense of our freedom, and to interpreted this as meaning the on-come tax might not be dropped after Dec. 31.

he President, however, reassured him, had not meant to imply, he said, that not tax reductions were out the window. his was the backstage reason why mphrey suddenly went before the Amer-a Bankers Association convention here

#### J. L. Lewis Expounds

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WHILE other Congressional solons have
When junketing or gathering headlines
around the world, GOP Sen. Homer Cappenart of Indians has been making an important, though unquibilized, study of
is paying off in foreign trade,
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Currency Committee, Capehart has appointed 221 leaders from bankiness, labor
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Ike Reassures Humphrey On Cut In Taxes

Nonpaying Neighbor

ON the general queetion of its trade, Lovis said that some in were also about respectating our "The Brazil, for example," he put. "We buy close to 1500,000,000 of coffee every year from Brazil, but that nation wants to buy something it around in all the chapper marked and the company of the

When Paul Hoffman was called upon, he found himself standing between Sen-ator Capehart in the front of the Senate committee room and about 100 members of the advisory group seated in the rear. Turning toward the latter he said: