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# Pork On The Installment Plan

THE federal government acquires of fiftee space by two methods. It buys, cash on the barrelhead, or it rents. Now a third method has been proposed, and approved by both houses of Congress. It is the "lease-purchase" arrangement, which is another term for installment buying.

Supporters of the bill, now in joint conference committee, defend it as a business-like arrangement which will permit the government to make time purchases as American homeowners do, and thus build up an equity in buildings instead of paying rent.

Such an arrangement would delight politicians. The incumbent administra-tion could authorize construction in dis-tricts where it needed support, but cost of the construction wouldn't show up until many years later.

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However, there is good evidence that the bill would cost the government more than it saves, encourage profligate spending and invite abuses like those now being revealed in the Federal Housing Administration.

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At present the federal government must ask Congress to appropriate money for new construction. Under the new bill, citizens desiring a federal building in their community would put up enough money to erect the building. Then, if the appropriate agent of the federal government agreed, a lease-purchase contract would be signed. The government, instead of paying, say, a million dollars for a new building, would pay by installments a million plus several hun.

# For A Distinguished Visitor, A Welcome

ONE OF THE virtues of a two-party be political system, though by no means the only one, is the assurance that the state or district so blessed will receive some attention from both major parties. So it is that North Carolina in general and the 10th Congressional District in particular were recently favored with a visit from the Democratic standard-bearer. Adlai Stevenson.

And so it is that President Dwight Elsenhower will appear at a mammoth Armed Forces week rally in Charlotte on May 18—close enough to May 20 to permit weaving into the ceremony the freedom theme that has been so basic an ingredient in the American formula at all times in the history of the country, including the year 1775 of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence.

In other words—and let this not minimize our pleasure at being visited by two such famous gentlemen within a period of six weeks—the 10th Congressional district, having had the temerity to send a Republican representative to Washington for the first time since 1923,

# A Stopgap Measure, But No Answer

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In Instructing Chief Frank Littlejohn to intensify police patrolling in
the vicinity of Charlotte hospitals, the
City Council has adopted a stopap
method of giving added protection to
nurses who work at night. It can be
argued just as logically that women on
the night shifts of the city's knitting
mills need extra protection. And there
may be others.

This step, however, doesn't solve the
larger problem which, simply stated, is
that Chief Littlejohn's force is already
spread too thin.

The Chief complains that he has only
12 policemen per 1,000 population,
whereas the national average of industrial urban areas with mixed population
to 22 per thousand. In other words, he

### Men, Science, Birds And Boys

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Men and science are giving the birds a hard time. Authorities brades and extended on St. Louis City Hall, causing the birds to slide off the roof. Cincinnati officials are thinking about spreading a chemical compound, which irritates the birds feet, on roofs, ledges and exvest troughs.

In Detroit, they's scaring them away with "slient sound", supersonic sound waves handblist on humans but disturbing the state of the sound wave shandblist on the sound wave shandblist of the sound wave shandblist on the sound wave shandblist on the sound wave shandblist on the sound wave shandblist of the sound wave shandblist on the sound wave shandblist of the sound wave shandblist of the sound wave shandblist on the sound wave shandblist of the sound wave shandblist on the sound wave shandblist on the sound wave shandblist of the sound shands wave shandblist of the s

From The New Republic

#### FREE BEER

DURING his tour of the Far East last winter. Vice President Nixon had occasion to drive through a part of Lower Cambodia, Indochina.

occasion to drive through a part of Lower Cambodia, Indochina. Each time he spoke the name 'Dwight' sometime of the natives roared approval. We' have just learned, however, the 'Dwight' sounds very much like the Lower Cambodian deatest—which means 'The rest of you will be that way.—'ALANYA JOURNAL.

# Here Is The Background On Crisis In Indochina

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Writer's Life Is Not So Easy

# 'What's Our Firm, Unswerving Asia Policy This Week?'

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Asia, to prevent, by military force
if necessary, a Communist victory in Indochina. Dulles called
for this "united action" in his
March 20 speech. He spelled in the decision went the other way.
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By DORIS FLEESON

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# People's Platform

# Lennon Position

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Charlotte Editors, The News:

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

Robert C. Ruark

Dulles Worried Over French Politics

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Is having at Geneva were pretty
well anticipated by him even before he
the Washington. In fact, here were probably 'too many return and between the Riviera and
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off.
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