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The Local Option Plan For Schools

THE details, as Gov. Hodges said, have not been worked out. But even in skeleton form the so-called "local option" plan for schools casts a troubling shadow into the future of public education.

The idea in Gov. Hodges words is to give "local communities" the authority to run their schools the way they want to or not to run them at all if they choose.

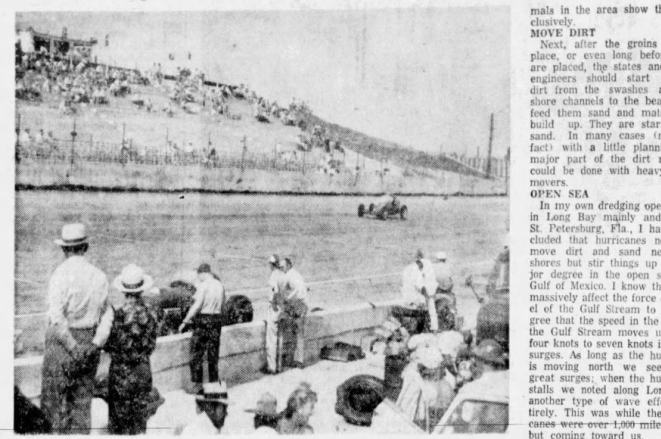
Getting A 'Bug' Out Of A Jury Room

ALTHOUGH Senators Eastland and Jenner may be overlooking about the "bugging" of a federal jury room by University of Chicago researchers was by no means cricket.

There is a club for hot rodders organized here in Charlotte. For the past year we have been working extra hard trying to get a drag strip, but for the past three years we have had very little help from the citizens of Charlotte.

People's Throttle Jockeys Want A Safe Place To Race

GENERALLY teen-agers hang around soda shops, drive-in grills, or corner drugstores. The drag store cowboys, sometimes wind up fighting, drinking, and raising a general ruckus and some even go so far as to get locked up in the City Jail.



Cars Checked And Races Supervised

Those that hang around drive-in grills and soda shops act different from those of the drug-store type. They brag about their cars, and which one will outrun the other. They sometimes leave the grill in drives to some long straight stretch of country road, where they hold their races.

It is outrageous to pay 15 cents for a nickel soft drink and 20 cents for a candy stick, plus the inflated prices of the fair's midway attractions, many of which are slickly advertised as going with the price of admission to the fairgrounds.

Here is one proposal. If the city schools are to be closed for a half a day for Southern Fair purposes, turn over the soft drink concessions, the candy and sandwich concessions to the Parent-Teacher Association, and let us be hooked in the name of a good cause, instead of private profit.

Ring Wouldn't Fit On The Bottle
Charlotte
I AM OF the same opinion as Mrs. W. S. McClelland, about the Southern States Fair. I did not go with my 14-year-old daughter, but I wish I had.

Prices At Fair Were 'Outrageous'
Charlotte
EDITORS, THE NEWS: Mrs. W. S. McClelland's letter on the situation at the South-

Maybe They Can't Find Anyone Who Can Be Cleared'
Charlotte
EDITORS, THE NEWS: I am writing you to tell you that I am a member of the Bipartisan Commission on Security Programs.

Seaside Folk Face Continuing Danger
Charlotte
EDITORS, THE NEWS: Myrtle Beach, S. C. RECENT press pictures point out the gradual appreciation of some of the folks in North Carolina of the grave danger faced by all seaside folk from hurricanes and flood.

Press And Radio Boosted U. N. Day
Charlotte
EDITORS, THE NEWS: ON BEHALF of the Mayor's U. N. Day-U. N. Week committee, I am writing you to thank you for the splendid publicity support and accurate reporting job by your staff on Mrs. Roosevelt's recent visit to Charlotte.

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Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

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He Paid The Fine And Kept The Cotton

NEVER heard of Joe Killian? Joe Killian is a fellow who operates a filling station in Cuba, Ala. Sometimes Joe gets a bit confused, but he takes things in stride and that's why you've got to admire him.

He paid the fine and kept the cotton. The final complaint goes in the other direction entirely, which would indicate what every husband knows already, to wit, that you can't win no matter what you do.

GO QUIZ YER GRANDMA

ONE OF THE more irksome gimmicks abroad in the land these days is the so-called psychological quiz. These things have all the appeal of a bowl of peanuts—everybody takes 'em—but it's a mystery just what they prove.

worth her salt even if she come to her husband that she doesn't like him; in fact, all she has to do is break her elbow. No woman needs to be told that.

Another complaint, from the wives of hunters, fishermen and golfers is that they're left at home too much. How much is too much? And what's the matter with the wife left at home? Can't she read a good book?

The whole thing boils down to this: If a couple is really compatible, then fishing, golfing, tennis, baseball, pheasant hunting and crap shooting combine none but up a marriage. If the couple isn't compatible, then blaming it on the Red Sox amounts to confusing the substance and the accident.

Still another complaint is that the sports fan husband "drags us out to watch sports against our will." This we do not believe. The more common experience is that husbands get dragged to bridge parties with their wives.

Philosophy is the realization that weeds kept mowed to the lawn height make a pretty good law. — LAUREL (MISS.) LEADER-CALL