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An Income Tax Reduction? Not Now

THERE are few phrases that have greater appeal to most of all Americans than "tax reduction."

The government is in the red, perhaps hopelessly so, with a present deficit of more than \$27 billion...

Most Americans would welcome the \$20 reduction in next year's taxes...

At the same time, it is imperative that Congress continue corporation and

excise taxes—now scheduled to end April 1—until such time as the treasury is in better position to stand the loss of revenue.

President Eisenhower and Senators Byrd and George are right in insisting that there be no tax reduction this year.

Political overtones in the debate are unfortunate. With the hard facts before them, leaders of both parties will do well to look to the national welfare rather than to partisan advantage...

Adult Education: Filling A Vast Need

WE NOTE with regret this week the retirement from the Queens College faculty of David B. Pugh...

What is more important, however, than the friendships is the philosophy of community service he has fostered.

Queens is Charlotte's major institution of higher learning. But it is small and primarily a college for girls...

Suddenly, the whole community began to take fresh notice of the very fine educational center in its midst.

Six Feet Six, And Wearing Wedgies

YOU CAN, perhaps, excuse a little fellow for wearing wedgies, those elevator shoes which enable him to look his dancing partner in the eye...

There was this basketball player, Glen Abney by name, playing for Los Angeles State College against Utah Abney is a mere 6'6"...

From The Richmond New Leader

PAY THEM WHAT THEY'RE WORTH?

ONE of our more readable correspondents, George T. Broski, ventures a suggestion in revolutionary in its scope and so drastic in its content...

Well, sir, the wisdom of this proposal fairly takes one's breath away. There is no question that one Harry Byrd is worth 10 Hubert Humphreys...

One might even set up an apprentice system, as the labor unions do, with one rate for a representative's first four years in office and a higher rate after he reaches journeyman status...

Living seminar) to "Management Problem."

Prominent Charlotte businessmen have voluntarily served on the Evening College faculty and many more sit in on courses in their areas of interest.

It has been good for Charlotte, good for Queens. It has helped the city become a well-rounded community...

President Dr. Edwin R. Walker tells us the "foundations of this program are well laid and it will be the purpose of the college to continue it."

As we send Mr. Pugh on his way to the bank, we cheer Dr. Walker's stand and relax in the knowledge that a vital and interesting public service will continue.

leges State lost, 77-38.

This incident is reminiscent of Bill Veeck's putting a midget in the St. Louis Browns' batting line-up.

Of course if that happened, some coach would equip his team with pop sticks.

So maybe the basket ought to be lowered to, say, two feet. The little fellows wouldn't have to bend over as far as the big ones would—it's the shortsies get a break.

And if anyone suggests the game would then resemble hockey we will have to point out that there is quite a similarity already.

scheme would work, by which a percentage of any surplus remaining at the end of each fiscal year would be divided equally among the senators and representatives who had achieved it.

The trouble with Mr. Broski's magnificent proposition is that he would leave the rating of congressmen to other congressmen. And we have read the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD long enough to know it wouldn't work.

A touring Soviet bureaucrat asked a Polish peasant how the new potato production plan was working.

"Under our glorious Communist system the crop has been marvelous," said the peasant.

People's Platform

Charlotte Editors: The News:

My husband and I are the parents of five children, two of which are in their teens so we are deeply interested in children and young adults or teenagers as some folks prefer to call them.

I sometimes wonder how these young folk must think of us as parents. I guess they might view me as an squares as they put it when some one doesn't go along with their ideas and I guess they think we could say yes a lot more than we do to them but I wonder if they ever stop to think that we say no to some of their mad ideas because we really do know what is best for them.

They are at such a wonderful age and I don't think that half of them realize it. There is such a grand opportunity for all of these young men to have a good time.

You pick up your paper and see where a young boy with a gun accidentally shoots another boy with a gun he had no more business with a two-year-old.

I have seen evidence that the latest craze for our boys in high school is a switch blade. I have found out by calling the Youth Bureau of our police that it is not against the law for these things to be sold but it is a \$100 fine for one who has a switch blade on his person.

Now please tell me what kind of a law is that? What amazes me is that the sale of fire crackers in Charlotte is prohibited yet a dangerous weapon like a switch blade can be bought by young boys 12 and 14 years of age.

GOP Faces Hard Times

By DORIS FLEESON

FORTUNATELY for Sen. Barry Goldwater, Republican of Arizona, nobody shoots the bearer of bad tidings any more but his GOP colleagues are in no mood to do him any favors either.

Recently Goldwater was named chairman of the Republican senatorial campaign committee and with his usual single-mindedness pressed a study of the problems he might meet in 1956. He reported to a secret meeting of the Republican National Committee last week that it showed 10 GOP Senate seats "in great danger" while only two Democratic posts were similarly threatened by Republicans.

His analysis of voting trends at the grass roots level bore out the contention of Democrats that they have been steadily gaining important courthouses and state strength. In contrast, he said, the public gains have been in areas like the South where they are not likely to win Senate seats.

As usual, such striking news became public property together with the usual sound bites of the Republican senators who are up for re-election next year.

The Goldwater errors were his choice of a forum and his apparent assumption that anything said to an audience of 200 people in Washington can be kept secret.

The party strategists, of course, need to face up to its problems, whatever their public optimism. But the national committee members are fat cats and friends of fat cats raise the money for campaigns. It is unwise to suggest to them that their money might be wasted.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

A PECULIAR thing happened down in Texas the other day. It was Saturday, Feb. 12, and federal court seldom sent by Attorney General Brownell into court in Houston and asked to dismiss criminal charges against five men indicted for secretly mixing frost-damaged wheat, graded as high feed, with good government-owned American wheat, and then selling it as edible wheat.

They also had collected wheat subsidies from the U. S. government and were charged with defrauding Uncle Sam of \$1,700,000.

Despite this, Attorney General Brownell ordered the indictments against the five men dropped. That there was clear guilt in the case, however, was shown by the fact that the company for which most of them worked, the Argentine Bunge Corporation, pleaded guilty and was fined \$5,000.

Stop The Sale Of Switch Blades In Charlotte

Charlotte

What kind of a law is this that will allow the sale of these things but prohibits the buyer?

—MRS. GAROLD STEWART

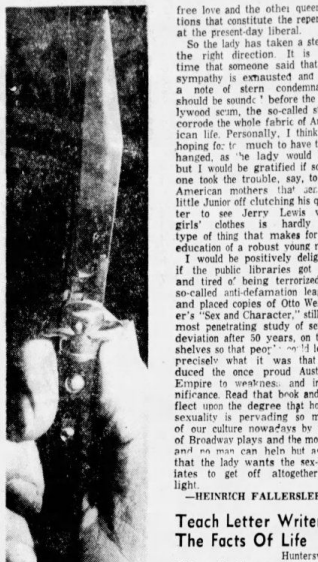
Homosexuality Is Abroad In The Land

ONE letter-writer's scurrilous attack upon the lady who requested sterner measures for dealing with sex deviates inevitably lends considerable support to the argument that southern chivalry, or, ordinary human decency, is on the wane.

A few years back a prominent English jurist stated the attitude of referring to sex deviates as "sick people" had been considerably overdone and that any sympathy for their condition should be qualified by stating frankly that society condemns absolutely their departure from the bare minimum of morality.

I strongly suspect that her critics' attitudes arise not out of a profound knowledge of the philosophy of Jesus, but from a persistent period of the journals and books that have dragged the once noble word, "liberal" to such low repute.

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SWITCH BLADE Should Be Sold? knowledge anyone can derive from seeing films of Russian troops parading in Red Square...

Teacher's Life Well Portrayed

Charlotte

As principal of Seedgefield School would like to see you for the splendid story by Carolyn Wallace and Tom Franklin featuring our first grade teacher, Miss Jane Herrhuff, which appeared in the Feb. 14 edition of your paper.

Knowing our teacher as I do, I do not feel that a more ideal young teacher could have been chosen to portray the life of a beginning teacher than our conscientious Jane, as she is well equipped for it by way of natural ability, environmental background, education and training.

We do however, appreciate not only the type of publicity which you have given her but the children of our first grade and the school in general.

—PATTIE B. MCGEE

News Thanked For Coverage

Charlotte

WE WOULD like to express to you our sincere appreciation for the splendid coverage given in your newspaper upon the occasion of our recent annual meeting held at the Barringer Hotel.

—ALVIN A. LONDON, President

—MABEL A. HESS, Secretary

Travelers Aid Society

U. S. Blamed For Shakeup

By MARQUIS CHILDS

WASHINGTON

WHILE Secretary of State John Foster Dulles is in Asia working to firm up the Southeast Asia "Free World" Pact, the shakeup which thus far has largely a paper pact, the Western alliance in Europe is once again gravely threatened.

In France there is being widely repeated a report of American responsibility for the fall of the government of former Premier Pierre Mendes-France.

URGENT REQUEST He asked that the allocation and distribution of American arms for the six nations in the pact be carried out through a centralized agency rather than on an individual nation-to-nation basis.

This request of Mendes-France was refused, according to his admirers who say that the refusal was a principal factor in the former Premier's downfall.

The loss contributed to his downfall by a vote of 319 to 273 three weeks ago. The vote was on the issue of Mendes-France's North African policy which the opposition represented a combination of the forces that have brought down other premiers in the past.

White House Lunch

In Washington, however, it is known that Gov. Shivers, the man who swung Texas for Ike, lunched at the White House shortly before the indictments were dismissed.

Justice Department and White House officials refused to comment on the nature of details of their conversation.

Familiar Pattern

What happened in Galveston followed a pattern set only one month before in Kansas City when another special prosecutor for Attorney General Brownell, Earl A. Jinkins, went into federal court and moved to dismiss a criminal case against Roy Roberts, close personal friend of Ike's and publisher of the Kansas City Star.

The motion to dismiss was made on Friday, Jan. 14, the last court day before the criminal case was to start on Monday, Jan. 17.

Ike's Friend The Kansas City motion was also made shortly after Roy Roberts had called at the White House and after he had been entertained frequently at dinner there.

As in the Galveston case, the Justice Department proceeded criminally against the Kansas City Star as a corporation and against its advertising manager, Emil A. Sees.

Texas Skulduggery This writer happens to have been among the first to expose influence peddling around the White House during the Truman administration.

'Influence' Helps In Federal Courts

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