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## Medical Examiners: Key To Justice

A PTER lingra days, a bill to change the method of investigating sudden death in North Carolina was finally political answer to a serious social need.

Under North Carolina's ancient coroner system, the investigation of sudden, violent and unexplained death is a trasedy of errors. The result: Negligence, incompetence and an invitation to murder. Merely because of tradition and the strait lacket of politics, most Tar lifest competence and an invitation to murder. Merely because of tradition and the strait lacket of politics, most Tar lifest counties permit their chief mysterional dimensal always without a proper medical background.

PROPOSED legislation now before the House would not completely reform the system but it would be an important step in the right direction.

The bill provides for the appointment of county medical examiners for counties "which come under the provisions of the act" it would be the duty of the medical examiner to investigate all deaths where criminal acts are involved, all suicides and all deaths occurring under mysterious circumstancess.

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Where he deemed it necessary, the medical examiner could order autopsis performed.

North Carolina is by no means alone the physicians, nor must they have legal or investigative training.

Three states are cited by the National Municipal League, the American Medical Association and the American Rar As

### Your Vote Is The One That Counts

POLITICAL fires which burned briefly
In Charlotte before the filing deadline had all but ffickered out today. "The
City Council race is so quiet." quipped
one old pol. "that you can hear (Mayor)
Phil Van Every picking tulips in Holland."

To a sensitive politician's car, the
stience is ominous. City Hall regulars had
been confident that the "administration
fritumab by merely looking nious and
letting nature take its course Independent encumbent James S. Smith was also
considered a shon-in.

But voter anothy is a strance and
trickey thing. Every true specimen of
Homo politionness knows this and is properly respectful. The first test will come
in Monday's primary.

We are not endorsine 1955 candidates
sincely or in bunches. We are, however,
anxious to see a sizable turnout Monday
and in the May 3 election. We simply
want to see the largest expression of
public opinion possible.

It is unfortunate that real issues have
been so scarce. Issues stir interest. So
far, no secuinely innocrant debating
points have been tossed out in the Coun
Phillips: The Man Robined The Adversels.

#### Phillips: The Man Behind The March

THE MONENT of triump for medical science in the war on paralytic polio was a moment of narticular satisfaction and happiness for W. Frank Phillips. As chairman of the Medlenburg County Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis since 1942, he has produced the National Foundation for Infantile Pralysis since 1942, he has produced the report of the National Foundation for Informatic Production that the will choose to make it his last.

There were times when the going was difficult—the 1944 and 1948 epidemics, for instance. And in 1951 and 1952, and reast storage of the Production of the National Production of State Charles and the National Production of the National Product

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#### Tar Heel Quandary

# **Education At The Crossroads**

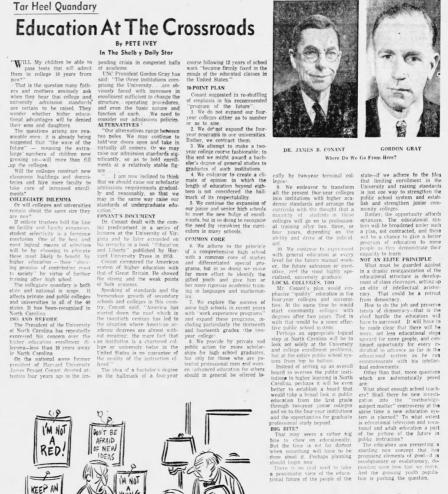
By PETE IVEY In The Shelb y Daily Star

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OPEN . MIND!

LETS DISCUSS

"Having taken the necessary precautions, I would now like to state my views ... needless to say, they differ from yours ..."



# Happy Holland: Neat Oasis In A Mighty Mussy World

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# Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round Editors Scan Washington Censorship

press for not publishing all the largest companies getting contracts on the Eisenhower administration, the proportion of business they get, coupled with the severe news censor-ship by certain parts of the Eisenhower administration, present vitally important problems for the American Society of Wiggins of the Washington Post and Wiggins of the Washington Post and the work of the American Society of Wiggins of the Washington Post and the public was entitled to know by Wiggins of the Washington Post and the public was entitled to know by Wiggins of the Washington Contampaign, not only to print the furth but also to possible for newsmen to ascertain break the tightening wall of censorship break the stiple was the public wall to the washington to the stiple was the public was the public was not people dont, that the public was entitled to know and to examine this week. There've been for instance, a lot of changes in press conference techniques wall only be wised in the public was not people dont, that the public was entitled to know and the washing the public record, which was the public was entitled to know and the washing the public record, the public record, the public record, the public record, was the public was the public washing the properties were more interested washing questions that will listen washing questions that will listen washing the public properties were more interested washing questions that will listen washing the public washing the public record, the public washing the properties were more interested washing

