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The Inoculation Must Continue

IN THE first ray of dawn, man's victory over paralytic polio... But the situation was nowhere near as bad as it seemed...

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HERB LOCKE, CARTOONIST FOR THE CHARLOTTE POST-OP.

Mecklenburg Doctors & The Race Issue

FOR NEARLY a year, North Carolina Medical Society has been sharpening its claws for Mecklenburg members who dared to violate an aged-in-prejudice taboo.

The decision on how to punish the Mecklenburg society, however, has been delayed. Now, apparently, an organized move will be made to expel the Mecklenburgers.

Education: A New Look Is Becoming

ANOTHER progressive step in education was taken this week when the County Board of Education formally accepted the first junior high school in the system.

have little in common with children in grades one through six. By attending separate schools designed for them and their particular needs, they have opportunities to find their own intellectual, emotional and social growth.

HE'LL GET ALONG ALL RIGHT

WHEN I first became an executive, it was hard for me to refuse anyone a job, and hard to let anyone go. The time came when I just had to let a man go, and it was especially hard because the man was married and had a family.

My wife kissed me and said: 'Honey, I love you. No more what happens, you're the best Daddy in the world.' 'And the dinner was topped by my favorite dessert—homemade lemon pie. 'On a morning several days later, I was getting my two boys off to Catholic school. The older boy said he wanted no breakfast, as he would receive Holy Communion at mass that morning. He would have to buy his breakfast at school so I offered him some change. 'Never mind, Daddy. I have some money.' That night my wife told me how the boy got the money. Heard some embossed when a guest showed up at the White House reception wearing exactly the same design dress as hers that she had laid down the law to her dress designer. She got a promise from her designer to make no duplicates of any dresses or hats designed for her.

People's Platform

Patience, Too, Has Its Limits. Editors, The News: STRIKES aren't pretty to behold, but after negotiations fail...

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Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

WASHINGTON American Prisoners — Premier U Nu of Burma had some private talks with Chinese Premier Chou En-lai at Bandung, Indoneisa, in the 15 American fliers held in Red China. Nu brought up the subject at the secret request of Secretary Dulles. Chou made no promises, in fact denounced the State Department for refusing to permit American relatives to visit the prisoners as he has requested them to do. This communist still believes Red China will turn the American fliers loose but not until it sees a good chance to make propaganda.

U Nu Quizzes Chou About Prisoners

WASHINGTON Chances on another ammunition shortage in case of war... The Kremlin bosses have built themselves half a dozen secret, underground air-raid shelters several miles outside Moscow. No plans have been made, however, to evacuate the populace... Civil Defense Administrator Val Peterson is making a cheap two-dollar gas mask that every American can afford to keep on hand at all times in his own home... Red China is rubbing work on a secret atomic bomb installation in remote Sinkiang province. Nearly 100 Russian advisers are directing the project in order to develop cheap power to industrialize China... It was carefully hidden, but an experimental atomic rocket from the Los Alamos proving grounds misfired and almost caused an incident with Mexico. Though it landed on a Juares grave, it exploded in the air and no damage was done... Tests with mice have shown that it's 10 times more likely than previously indicated that bomb radiation will produce abnormal children.

PARIS A JOINT named the Calavados and the extra "a" belongs there, please, printers) is maybe my favorite spot in Paris. I can't think of any particular reason why, except that it is the one place, apart from the George V bar, where you always can go and find some whom you know before Charlie might be pleased to eat with, drink with, fight with, kiss, or whatever.

A friend of mine named Charlie Beck, a Negro, plays a sort of non-intrusive piano here. A man named Palumbo runs it, and the service is sound and the service sunder. Some Latin relieve Charlie when the third his piano playing is as good as the rest of it, traps, they throw you a man-sized drink and the stuff is just like ROCKS.

This makes it a very pleasant place indeed for quiet introspection, but what makes it special is that Charlie has been able to capture the quality that made Rick's Bar in the movie "Casablanca" so realistic that people still keep looking for a Rick's bar in the city of Casablanca, staunchly believing that it actually existed. I don't know how to explain it, but in the Calavados you don't feel like a tourist, like a stranger, like an intruder in a strange place. You feel very romantic indeed, especially about 2 a.m., and you feel like you own a piece of the joint and that something pretty fascinating is about to happen to you.

Federal Grants-In-Aid North Carolina Ranks 15th

By CONGRESSIONAL QUARTERLY WASHINGTON NORTH Carolina received \$99,271,000 of the \$1,284,381,000 distributed by the federal government in fiscal 1954 to 48 states in aid, shared revenues, and loans to state and local governments and to individuals, according to Congressional Quarterly.

North Carolina's allocation ranked as the 15th largest among the 48 states and the District of Columbia. California got the highest sum, \$363,628,000, followed by New York, which got \$278,200,000. Delaware, collecting \$7,400,000, ranked 49th, trailing all the other states and the District.

Since population is a major factor in the formulas, the largest states tend to get the most. One purpose of aid is equalization of governmental benefits among the poor and wealthier states, but poor states sometimes do not take advantage of available federal money because they cannot pay matching funds.

Quote, Unquote

Advice to the baseball rookie: If at first you don't succeed, try for shortstop — Richmond Times-Dispatch. The trouble with Russian opinions about the war has been expressed in so many words — Savannah Morning News.

Gallec Coolness

French sour grapes — Relations between France and the United States have reached their lowest ebb since V-E Day... The French are bitterly opposed to American policy in the new great colony of Indochina, were infuriated when Secretary Dulles ordered Ambassador Curnutt in Germany to end occupation rule without even waiting for France to join in the ceremony... U. S. Ambassador Dillon in Paris has called for the State Department to be more done in a hurry to heal this potentially disastrous split in French-American policy.

Phony Confessions

Diplomatic French-politicians from China indicate that most of the jailed American fliers have been tortured into signing phony confessions... American air Force is stubbornly refusing to schedule U. S. officials have reports that Dictator Franco has secretly ordered Spanish workers to slow down construction in order to help him win his argument with the State Department over American aid.