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Annexation: A Retreat From Reason

CITY COUNCIL action scuttling Herbert H. Baxter's plan for town hall meetings on city limits extension is a retreat from reason.
At a time when Charlotte desperately needs to win territory and influence taxpayers, the decision reveals a perplexing lack of courage and candor on the part of municipal leaders.

so much a lack of information as a lack of will. When Councilman Baxter demonstrated the will to act he was chastised.
A compendium of facts and figures on annexation, prepared by the City-Council Planning Commission, has been in the council's hands for a month. It is an excellent summary of factors involved in 21 different districts on the city's fringe. It provides all of the information necessary to educate councilmen. Ignorance, then, is a limp excuse indeed.

Talmadgeism Overtakes A Statesman

WALTER GEORGE'S news from Georgia was bad.
Last December, the senator said in effect that neither age (77) nor Herman Talmadge would keep him from a seventh term in the U. S. Senate.
He has changed his mind for "good and sufficient" reasons that must have been the unhappy prospect of facing an extremely popular opponent, and a forest of political stumps in Georgia's 139 counties, without real vigor and hope of success. The Talmadge stock is at an all-time high.

worn Great Britain was as rich as Rockefeller, and U. S. dollar aid to the solvency of the principal U. S. ally was strictly sucker spending. Pakistan, a key ally in the Far East, is the butt of Talmadge jokes.
A George-Talmadge race was to give Georgians the choice of the enlightened conservatism of Walter George and the reactionary preachments of Herman Talmadge. The choice has been withdrawn, and the Senate is to lose a great leader.



Sen. Walter George

Veterans Benefits: A New Direction

FOR a thunderous salvo of oratory fired off before the House Veterans Committee yesterday, the American Legion deserves a hearty hip-hip and a tut-tut.
The Bradley Commission report denounced by Legion Commander Donald R. Wilson actually is a restrained and eminently sensible appeal for common sense reform of veterans benefits.
We believe a majority of veterans themselves would endorse it.
The commission would continue as basic practice benefits for service-connected disabilities. Such temporary readjustment aids as those in the G. I. Bill would not be disturbed.

nected disabilities—even to pensions for service only, disability or no disability. These proposals flow from a belief that the veteran is a citizen apart from his fellows, and that he should continue to be treated in a special separate class.
The Legion and other veterans groups argue for special status with commendable sentiment. But the facts support the commission. This is becoming a nation of veterans.
They and their families now make up 45 per cent of the population, and it is clear that they are swallowing to tax them in order to pay them benefits apart from those available to the other 55 per cent.
The Commission also reports that today's serviceman has a higher income than his civilian counterpart, that his training gives him an advantage when he returns to civilian life, that most World War II veterans are making more money, are better educated and own as many homes as their non-veteran contemporaries. He does not need hand-

From The Northumberland (Va.) Echo

VIRGINIA MUST BE BOSS

NOW that we've gone overboard for interposition (the doctrine that states retain power to overrule the Supreme Court, as in the school segregation case), our next and logical step should be an act of secession.
The free and independent state of Virginia! Separate from the Union and having nothing more whatever to do with those Damyankees! No more federal income tax to pay!
We might, to be sure, invite some of our neighbors to come in and form a Confederation of Independent States. North Carolina, of course, would have to purge herself of Jonathan Daniels, who has made some unkind allusions to us, and we should get some sort of exemption of Huhman Talmadge, maybe, before we ask Georgia, and on Kissin' Jim Folsom, if Alabama wants to join.
If we could get all of the states east of the Mississippi, to the Potomac and south to the Florida line (we wouldn't want Florida, would we?), we would have a right tight little island of non-conformists that could defy just about

anybody.
Maryland wouldn't go along, and we'd probably have to move quickly to grab the eastern shore south of the Delaware line to protect our naval installations at Newport News—as well as put the fear of God into Delaware to remain neutral.
With earthworks thrown up along the Maryland line, backed by the cannon assembled from the numerous court-house greens of the south, we could come near defeating anybody. And if we were attacked, a million men would spring to arms—we are sure-well, pretty sure—overnight, all armed with squirrel guns and assorted flocks that would play their hell with Chief Justice Warren and his cohorts.
And one other thing: If there is to be any sort of confederation, we want a definite understanding that Virginia will provide the government and that the royal family—we'd want a monarchy, of course (let's go backward whole hog)—would have to be Virginia born and Virginia raised.

People's Platform There Are No Dictators In Charlotte's City Hall

Mount Hooly
Editors, The News:
Would like to add a few words concerning the recent zoning in Mecklenburg County. I have heard quite a bit of talk about this zoning of property. Many say this is a very undemocratic thing to do. A great many also compare this law with the laws of a dictatorship country. A lot of people feel that the population of Mecklenburg County is now at the mercy of 10 or 12 men on the Charlotte City Council and city government.

his fine personal character. Mr. Brenizer was much gratified by his appointment and desirous of his continuing in this important position.
His candidacy is a challenge and opportunity to citizens who believe our courts need the best possible judges.
—MRS. CHASE BRENZER

Fanatics Have Made The World Happier

Charlotte
Editors, The News:
FROM authentic reports and comments, there is considerable anxiety over the enthusiastic religious fervor among our high school students, with fear that their intensive emotion may reach near fanaticism.
What a calamity(?)

Let us not quench the spirit of these faithful young people who are giving vent to their spiritual ambitions. They may yet assist in giving us a better, brighter, more wonderful world in which to live, so that future generations, perhaps, will rise up and call them blessed.
—BERNARD T. WALKER

The progress of the world has been advanced by fanatics. In the fields of science, education, industry, politics and religion, fanatics have blazed the trails of progress in both secular and spiritual advancement. Paul and Silas, who introduced Christianity into Europe, were rated as "These that have turned the world upside down."
Martin Luther started the Protestant revolutionary fires that changed the religious face of the world. John Wesley preached the simple gospel in the face of the established forms and ceremonies of his day. Galileo invented the thermometer and the telescope and was imprisoned for his fanatical ideas. William Harvey discovered the circulation of the blood.

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coining of silver.
All of these men were fanatics and life is richer and the world is happier because of their works.
These zealous students possibly are developing a high degree of emotion. Well and good, without reason. The human being is a creature of emotion. It is manifested in every experience of life. Without it we would become a flabby race of beings, mentally, physically and spiritually.

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Goodman's Posters Suit Campbell Men

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Editors, The News:
ONE of your readers has written to People's Platform complaining that he has heard that campaign posters of Mr. Goodman are being torn down. If such is being done, it is certainly not at the instigation of those of us who are seeking to keep Judge Campbell in office.
I think a proper amount of advertising is all to the good.
I think the voters should be made fully aware of the identities of the two men involved in this primary election so that the voters can then take a good look at the two men, and (1) contrast their training to become lawyers; (2) contrast their training as lawyers, including jury cases handled in the higher or appellate courts; and (3) contrast their experience as a judge.

—CHARLES M. LOWE
Campaign Chairman
Judge Hugh B. Campbell

Most Local Lawyers Endorsed Campbell

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Editors, The News:
IN THE Spring of 1955 all but one of our local lawyers endorsed and recommended Hugh B. Campbell for the position of judge of our Superior Court.
Later Gov. Hodges appointed him. May 26 the people of Mecklenburg vote on continuing him in this office.
My late husband, Chase Brenizer, who practiced law here for 49 years, had the highest respect and admiration for Judge Campbell's superior legal ability and

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round Tar Heel Sniffs A New Cheese Scandal

WASHINGTON
A BRAND new cheese and butter scandal is being quietly unfolded by Rep. L. H. Fountain of North Carolina and once again it looks like farmers were left holding the bag. As usual, food manufacturers got away with thousands of dollars in windfall profits.
The deal hinges on Secretary Benson's hiking of farm price supports on April 18, two days after he killed 90 per cent supports by vetoing the farm bill.
By Benson's action, the price paid cheese manufacturers by the Commodity Credit Corporation was raised one cent a pound, while butter went up two cents a pound. The purpose? To aid farmers.
The reason why President Eisenhower is not blessing any official status or personal bestowing on the trip of ex-President Harry Truman as he departs for Europe goes back to a series of incidents. They have led to considerable bitterness on the part of the President toward the ex-president.

Truman delivered a blast against Eisenhower for being as much to blame as anyone else for the Russian corridor around the city of Berlin. Truman pointed out that Eisenhower had been his chief military adviser at Potsdam, had assented to the Berlin agreement, therefore should not criticize the Democrats for its terms.
Came Inauguration Day, Jan. 20, when the President and the president-elect rode to the Capitol together for the swearing in ceremony. Here the first hint of Eisenhower bitterness cropped out. As President Truman stood in the White House front hall waiting for the president-elect, Eisenhower drove up to the front door but did not get out of the car as is customary. They observed the amenities but that was all.

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Mr. Truman will be entertained by U. S. ambassadors abroad, also by the Queen of England and other officials. But he will have no official standing.
Envoys Idea
At one time after the triumphant tour of Bulganin and Khrushchev through India, Burma, and the Middle East, various U. S. ambassadors urged that a top-level American tour those countries to counteract the Soviet trip. Mr. Truman's name was mentioned among the possible envoys, but the suggestion never got beyond the State Department. The name was mentioned among the possible envoys, but the suggestion never got beyond the State Department.

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ADLAI STEVENSON

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Never Mind—I Think I Get The Idea



HERB LOCKER ON THE LAMINATION POSTER

have taken the stand on civil rights that he did had it not been for Harry S. Truman. Stevenson, using his own judgment today and not Harry's, if Mr. Stevenson's nomination at the Democratic convention I am going to predict his election over Ike because of Eisenhower's betrayal of the South. For he has allowed the U. S. Supreme Court to slap the South down and stomp us to a certain extent, which we will never forget.

I have had conversations with people from all over the state and many of them think as I do that Ike alone is responsible for the decisions that the Supreme Court has made. Eisenhower received a very large independent vote in North Carolina in 1952. We had confidence in him but he has let us down.

Every mother and father and others that are eligible to vote should reconsider him on election day.

We do not know who the Democrats are going to nominate. It could be a dark horse. We don't want any senator from Tennessee or a Congressman from New York but we could use a Johnson from Texas. The voters of this state and elsewhere should be in the general election and vote a straight segregation ticket.
—L. L. CHILDRESS

Christian Mothers: World's Real Martyrs

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Editors, The News:
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