

Roof Falls In On International Atoms-For-Peace Treaty



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The Senate Carves Another Headstone

NORTH CAROLINA was spared a lot of expense and nonsense yesterday when "emotional-style" reapportionment was laid to rest by the Senate.

Expense and nonsense would have been combined in any move by the General Assembly to submit to the people a reapportionment measure so obviously defective on its face.

The Senate, it should be noted, was not nearly so frightened of this plan to remodel the General Assembly in the image of Congress as it has been of the plan prepared by the North Carolina Constitution.

The reapportionment issue has come full circle in this session.

County Has A Role In Water Crisis

THE water crisis threatening Thomasboro cannot be taken lightly by anyone in the metropolitan community.

It therefore is most unfortunate that legal considerations and the substandard physical condition of Thomasboro's water lines will not permit the City of Charlotte to come to the small community's rescue.

But the City Council's hands are apparently tied. If it had gone ahead with the plan advanced by Councilman Herbert H. Baxter...

The Chameleon Has A Human Cousin

STRIPPED of statistical hoccus, pocus, the reputed \$2.5 billion defense budget cut by the House Appropriations Committee actually boils down to a \$1.2 billion reduction. The rest is book juggling.

This \$1.2 billion is a peculiarly interesting figure. To understand just how interesting, one must remember that President Eisenhower and Defense Secretary Wilson regard this reduction as a danger to U. S. security.

Just 11 months ago, Washington was on its ear about a roughly similar figure — \$1.1 billion. This figure, too, was concerned with air power for defense.

Why Advertise Inspections In Advance?

WHEN a special City Council committee made its "spot check" of the municipal jail there was not even any tattle-tale jab about.

Everything, said Councilman Herman Brown, was spick and span. That's not surprising.

From The Reporter

THE SKY GRAB

WHEN outer space attracts the interest of attorneys, we may suppose that rocket travel is not far off and that canny eyes are already being trained on heavenly real estate.

Being hardheaded men of law, the speakers conceded that it would be unrealistic to argue that nations were sincerely extended for hundreds or thousands of miles above the earth.

full circle in this session. The Assembly will not obey the Constitution. It will not consent to the compromise Weathers Commission report which made an honest and straightforward proposal to give thickly populated areas fair representation...

And so, as a television comedian is fond of saying, "here we are." And it is more than a little comical that the Senate of North Carolina has taken the position that it is afraid to do its sworn duty, afraid to let another body assume the duty and afraid to ask the people to remove the stigma of its disobedience to the Constitution.

The fact remains, however, that the McCall firm has permission of the State Utilities Commission to cut off its water to Thomasboro May 31.

What must be done? The initial responsibility lies with the people of Thomasboro. With local leadership and initiative they can take over the operation of the old McCall system.

If the residents of Thomasboro are simply not able to do the job alone, then it will become the responsibility of the County of Mecklenburg to step in and help. It is a responsibility County Commissioners should not shirk.

Hatred Lights A Fuse Why They Fear Nasser

Congress hoisted the \$1.1 billion on Charlie Wilson anyway. It was unwilling to accept his judgment that the present national groups which praised Wilson's stand of defense economies 11 months ago now picture him as a free spender.

What has changed in those 11 months — the political winds or the military threat of the Soviet? Only the political winds. This is an economy year, come hell or hydrogen bombs.

There is nothing new about the chameleon or his human cousin, the politician. But it might be clear that those who reject the seasoned judgment of President Eisenhower and Defense Secretary Wilson on defense needs also accept the responsibility for the weakening of those defenses.

If Congress insists on meat-axing the Defense budget it will be in no position to cry out during future crises, as it did during the Jordan upheaval, that it is the responsibility rests on President Eisenhower.

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gives a clean bill of health. Jails ought to be as spick and span as municipal authorities can make them.

But in view of what the Grand Jury said about conditions at the jail earlier this month, it might be well for Councilmen to come calling again every once in a while—without advance warning.

The lack of warning gives a spot check its one truly illuminating characteristic. Ask the Grand Jury.

From The Reporter

By WALTER LIPPMANN

THE President is in serious political trouble which stems from a rebellion, one might almost call it, a revolution of feeling within the Republican Party.

proceeding like a submarine in hostile waters, mostly submerged, and when he must come to the surface, he shows as little of himself as possible for anyone to shoot at.

The uprising threatens to go far beyond the attack on the size of the budget. There is, for example, grave danger that Mr. Knowland, seconded by Mr. Hickenlooper, may cause the Senate to humiliate the President by failing to ratify the treaty on the peaceful uses of atomic energy.

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The treaty, which is known as the Statute of the International Atomic Energy Agency, carries out faithfully the proposals which the President made on Dec. 8, 1953, in his dramatic personal appearance before the United States Senate.

SHELVING THE PROJECT

The text of the treaty has been discussed for seven months, and now we find that the Republican leader of the Senate has not made any move to ratify it.

INWARDLY UGLY

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HERB KROTT (CITY OF THE WASHINGTON POST)

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Why They Fear Nasser

By JOSEPH ALSOP

BEIRUT, Lebanon — There are a good many things about Gamal Abdel Nasser that warrant a closer look.

Yet the source of his power in the Arab world is still the central thing that needs to be explained. A good place to look for the explanation is in the Arab masses.

The hatreds of the government party, President Cavulle Chamoun and Solh are not Arab fanatics of the antique pattern.

UNDER ATTACK Because of this policy Chamoun and Solh are now being attacked by their "Arab brother" in Egypt with every weapon in Nasser's large arsenal.

What then is the heart of this mystery? One can read the mystery in mirror-fashion, curiously enough, by looking at the source of Nasser's power.

This is a rich little land, fruitful in its lovely coastal region and crowded in the glorious highlands where Hiri, King of Tyre, founded the great cedars for the temple of old Solomon.

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