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Look Once, Look Twice, Look Again

WITHOUT quite daring to believe it, Charlotteans took a long, hurried squint at City Hall's \$12.1 million bundle of budget requests this week. There was good reason. If all departmental requests were granted, the city's tax rate would jump from \$1.73 per \$100 valuation to a whopping \$2.01.

It is important to note, however, that such startling rise is really expected. Some administrative whittling is now going on in the office of City Manager Henry A. Yancey. Later, with the customary portentous warnings, appeals to reason, calls upon Heaven as witness and ceremonious lament, the City Council will have a go at the budget. And tax rate will be anchored well below the \$2 mark.

The Legislature's Haste Makes Waste

THERE was no disguising it. North Carolina's General Assembly began to get that old feeling today. What with the heat and all the steamy oratory, many a legislator simply decided that it was time to go home. It was as if 170 suitcases had been mentally packed overnight.

Moral and economic considerations demand that decent wage floors be proposed and passed as soon as possible. The people have a right to expect nothing less. They elected senators and representatives to remain on the job until the job is done. Gone are the days when the General Assembly could meet in January, spend the week on the budget, pass a few appropriations and tax bills and then go home.

Science & Religion: A New Alliance

WHAT is man that Thou art mindful of him? The Psalmist asked and then immediately answered. "Thou hast made him a little lower than the angels and hast crowned him with glory and honor."

It was Dr. Robert A. Millikan, the brilliant physicist, who said that the purely materialistic philosophy once held by men of science "is the height of unintelligence."

There's no Place in The World Quite Like Southport

By ROBERT C. RUARK

THIS LITTLE fishing village, Southport, is altogether the most sophisticated hamlet I have ever encountered anywhere in the world. It's older than the sea which bounds it, and every fourth man is a character.

Nobody ever really leaves it, and a lot of people came here by accident. Some swam in, and some walked, and some rode

Rolling great uncle, Wade, who never felt the sandspurs when the "sperrit" hit him and he began to speak in unknown tongues. But my favorites were the colored folks, especially a man named Allen Jimmy.

Once, a touch tidied when serving as a waiter in cousin Kate Stouffer's boarding house. Allen spoiled a trayful of scalding soup over some guests who had come to feed off the five dollar table d'otie. Miss Kate took Allen aside and read him a stern lecture

colored lady named Snowe one day and inquired after her health. "How many children you got, Snowe?" he asked.

'Why Would They Mind Being Put Under A Microscope?'



The Eyes Of The Hawk

Why Condemn The Pasha?

By JOSEPH ALSOP

NEARLY four decades have passed since the last Sultan of the Ottoman Empire officially created the last "Bey" or "Pasha." But the people of Arab lands, hotly stripping into their vanished rulers' shoes, now award these titles rather liberally to those of their fellow citizens who seem worthy enough or powerful enough to deserve them.

Yes, there has been a real improvement in the conduct of Jordan. No, the Pasha does not want to say whether the events in Jordan and the Saad-Faaisl meeting will anger Egypt — he does not believe in commenting on or interfering in the affairs of brother Arab states, no matter what others may do.

LEVERS OF POWER

It is a curious experience for an observer habituated to our modern men of power to pay call on the Pasha. In the first place, he does not look like a man of power, and he does not surround himself with the trappings one expects in a virtual dictator.

HAWK'S EYES

These are the first impressions. But first impressions are suddenly corrected when you notice the hawk's curve of the nose cutting down, as it were, into the outward amiability of the smile, when you catch the full-mocking note that creeps into the voice as it utters safe political platitudes; and above all, when you briefly catch a direct glance from the hooded old hawk's eyes.



DICTATOR NASSER The Coin Has Another Side

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

WASHINGTON CONGRESSMAN James Roosevelt, hit-or-miss as the staunchest backer of the civil rights bill, has written a letter to Attorney General Brownell which indicates he may accept the southern view regarding trial by jury.

Seriously Troubled

"There are many proponents of the measure," Congressman Roosevelt wrote Brownell, "who are seriously troubled as to whether or not there is a basic validity in the arguments of such distinguished opponents as Sen. Sam J. Ervin Jr., former judge of North Carolina."

'Israel Has A Great And Glorious Future'

THE FRONT page story in The News May 23 by AP reporter George Connell described why Billy Graham's Madison Square Garden's meeting last Monday.

'Moderation? It's A Mousey Word'

I BELIEVE the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Council on Human Relations to be "southern abolitionists" and essentially dedicated to integration. This is an open letter to the Council and to Mr. Irving Carlyle, Winston-Salem attorney, who spoke to the Council on May 23—excerpt of the talk from the editorial page of The News on May 24.

Wonderful Town

Here is a town which will tell you that three birds of a feather do get together. Here is where the seauckers grow in the garden and woodpecker society is a bore. Here is where you can hear somebody's footprints just as plain.

People's Platform

'Israel Has A Great And Glorious Future' Rock Hill, S.C. Editors, The News: The News May 23 by AP reporter George Connell described why Billy Graham's Madison Square Garden's meeting last Monday.

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Should the unhappily time come when all levels of government simultaneously dictate that I send my feet and head to an integrated school then I would have no honorable alternative, as a free American, but to engage in overt, violent rebellion against government, in defense of my birthright. Contrary if you will that this statement emanates from a "crackpot" can join no more distinguished company than the founding fathers of this republic.

Billy Graham Yields To The Will Of God

RE: The question asked by Rev. J. H. Hines in last Thursday's paper: Evangelist Billy Graham without a doubt is one that God has called for. He has accomplished much toward the building of His kingdom.

Ervin's Argument Wins Liberal Support

Roosevelt then propounded to the Attorney General, who drafted the original charges for trial by a judge, not by jury, the following questions: "1—Would such an amendment as proposed in your opinion effectively destroy the practical workability of the proposed civil rights law?"

Middle Ground

"Is there any middle ground which you would advocate if your answer to the question in the affirmative, such as granting to a jury where, in the opinion of the Appeals Court, the lower court judge has been capricious or arbitrary?"

From The Sanford Herald

RAIN GEAR

UP NORTH, men dress for the weather. In Boston, for instance, one will see merchant or lawyer or salesman hurrying through the drizzle and slush in neatly buttoned, well-cut storm coat, light-weight overcoats, and hat of hard felt. He is likely to carry a black umbrella, perhaps with silver-tipped handle, of tough fabric so thin that when folded the thing resembles a walking stick.

The extended ones? A southerner's rain gear may be evidence that he expects his weather to be clear and mild. On the other hand, it may reflect a desire to break away from civilization's props and battle nature on even terms. Whatever the answer, he has no good excuse for the cold that dogs him these wet days.