

### No Comment

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Washington—A serious move is under way on Capitol Hill to repeal the four percent tax credit on dividends.

Such action would remove an incentive—not nearly as large as it should be—for taxpayers to provide capital for business growth.

The repeal move is expected to be made by Senator McCarthy (D-Minn.) in the form of an amendment to legislation which would continue present corporation and excise taxes for another year and fix the temporary debt limit at \$293 billion.

This measure has been approved by the House Ways and Means Committee. Senate action is likely during the week beginning on June 20 — or shortly thereafter — following consideration by the Senate Finance Committee.

President Eisenhower—who requested the legislation — must sign it by July 1 to avoid loss of excise tax revenue.

Without the legislation, the corporation tax would drop from 52 per cent to 47 per cent on July 1. At the same time, there would be various reductions in excise taxes on liquor, beer, wine, tobacco, automobiles, automobile parts, telephone calls and transportation of persons.

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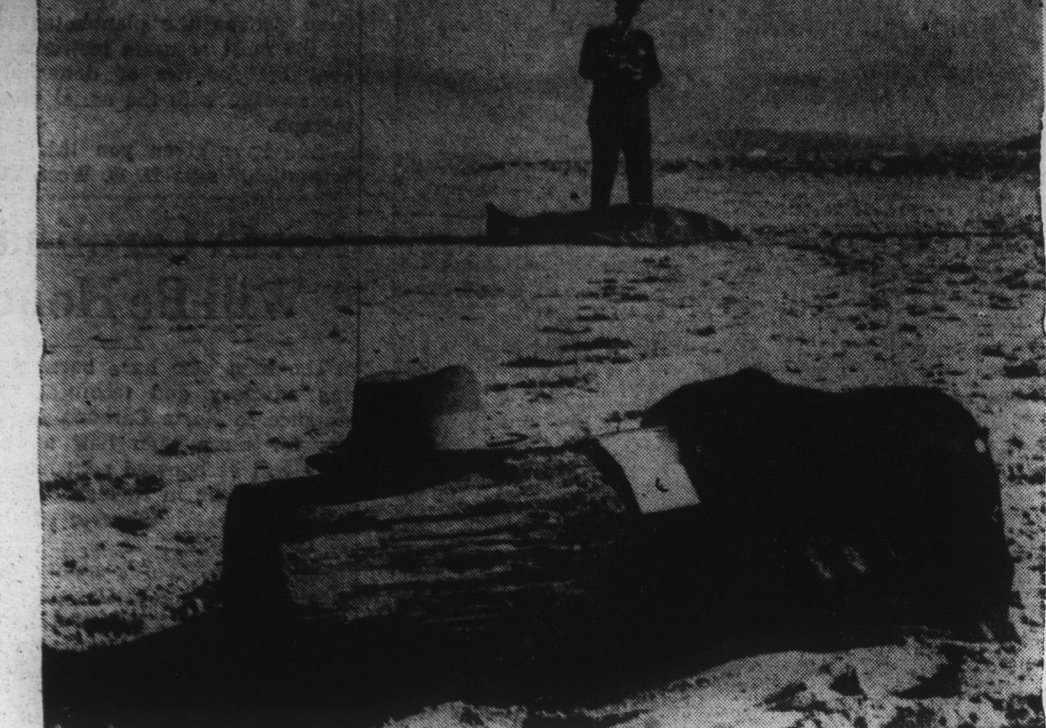
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TOO LATE TO SAVE HIM—The body of Chester Fought lies on a beach at San Francisco, Calif. A passerby saw him leave his hat and coat on the log, walk into the surf and drop to his knees. By the time help arrived, he had drowned.

### WITH THE FARM WOMEN

By MAIDRED MORRIS

Wake Up Your Bedroom—It's spring. The 4-H girls in Chowan County were told at recent club meetings how to brighten their bedrooms this summer through the use of accessories.

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### Weekly Devotional Column

By JAMES MacKENZIE

It is not just the "pathological preoccupation" with sex and violence that make modern movies taboo for sincere Christians, but the general assumption "that man's end is material advantage, power and pleasure, to be achieved through competing with, manipulating, and exploiting his fellow man."

So runs a recent tirade from the General Board of the National Council of Churches. And certainly one must agree. It is necessary only to read the ads to learn that the money-mad fiends of Hollywood are hell-bent on destroying whatever remains of Christian decency and morality in our nation. In fact, they are hell-bent period, and anxious to drag as many along with them as they possibly can. All of our American churches seem to agree on this — Roman Catholic, Jewish, and Protestant — Modernist, Fundamentalist and Mugwump.

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