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## LOCAL EDITORIAL COMMENT

### The Season Of Giving

With the approach of Christmas, many of us give more thought to helping others than at any other time of year.

Perhaps this is the real meaning of Christmas. Certainly, Christmas without giving would lose much of its value.

There are many ways in which we express our feelings during this time. Some like to choose a particular family of unfortunates, while others prefer to give money.

Many, who are short of cash themselves, can find some discarded yet useful item around the house to give.

Whatever your method may be, there seems to be ample opportunity in our area for its use.

The Welfare Department is

seeking people to take families, and is also seeking cash donations with which to purchase toys and gifts for those less fortunate than most.

The Louisburg Jaycees are aiming their efforts at the children by collecting used toys. They have received some, but far less than are needed. One local merchant has given a sizable amount of new toys from his stock.

Those who wish to participate in this, the best of all giving, can do so easily. Simply contact the Welfare Department or the Jaycees. They'll do the rest.

Your Christmas will be merrier for the doing.

### Wish Them Well

Franklinton has taken a progressive step in the formation of a Chamber of Commerce. Very little is accomplished nowadays without cooperation. It is all the more important that businessmen in any town act together in the best interest of all.

Sixty-four of the businessmen in Franklinton have joined together, presumably to do just this.

The annual Christmas parade,

staged in Franklinton without a central organization, has pointed to what can be done. It's success coupled now with what promises to be a strong association, makes the future of the Franklinton business community very bright indeed.

A strong business organization can add growth to a community. Franklinton is to be congratulated for this first step. All will wish them well.

## WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

### Sanford May Bid Again

Henderson Daily Dispatch  
Nov. 30, 1965

In Raleigh, where part of the daily diet is political speculation, gossip now is that former Governor Terry Sanford may make a further bid for the State's top office in 1968. It is not too much to suppose he would have last year except that any chief executive is forbidden by the Constitution from succeeding himself.

Not within our day has any governor ever tried for a second term in office, even after the legal lapse of a four-year interval. How well any man can succeed in such a venture no one can say of a certainty, for no one has tried it.

Sanford has quite a following in the State. He attempted to project his program over into the current quadrennium by handpicking his candidate. He was unable, however, to cast his mantle upon the man of his choice. Perhaps he is meditating on whether he is the only individual of his own preference who can make the grade.

In last year's election, the State was sharply divided in its selection of a chief executive. Voters split in three ways, and the middle man emerged in the runoff as the winner. The ultra-liberals were not pleased with that. Certainly the retiring governor was not.

Sanford says he thinks he could in another term do a lot of things for the State that he would like to do and didn't have the time to get moving in his four years in office.

Maybe he could make it in another try. We wouldn't know. Nor does any one else. What the reaction of the voters would be can only be conjectured, since the attempt has not been made hitherto.

It may be seriously doubted that Sanford will be a candidate in 1968. We made the guess when he went out of office early this year,

however, that he wasn't finished with politics. What is in his mind is best known to him.

Our guess is that Sanford will attempt another term if he can convince himself that he can make it. But he will have to reckon with Lt. Gov. Bob Scott, who is almost as certain to be a candidate as that 1968 rolls around. It was widely assumed Sanford talked Scott out of making the race last year in order to strengthen his candidate's bid for the office.

Scott is a liberal as is Sanford. And it is reasonable to suppose that the liberals are in the majority in this State as they are in the country as a whole, although they were not last year. In the long run, however, the tendency is in that direction.

If Scott and Sanford, and then a candidate of the Moore faction are all in the contest three years hence, the State will be in for a repetition of the 1964 campaign. It would be a clash of factions that could even shade that of a year ago.

But 1968 is a long way in the future as of now. A lot of water will run over the dam by then. Unforeseen events could alter or cloud the picture. But, politics being what it is, there are those who dote upon speculations of this character, and are laying their plans accordingly.

"Where Scidom Is Heard A Discouraging Word"



## Viewpoint Can You Explain, Governor?

By JESSE HELMS

Poets and nature lovers alike delight in extolling the Springtime as the season when the saps begin to rise. And, as one reflects upon the fact that most of those who met here recently in a special session of the legislature will next Spring be running for office again, it seems not altogether a coincidence that the Springtime was long ago selected as the season for political primary campaigns.

It is instructive to view the legislature's virtual repeal of the communist speaker ban law as an opportunity to learn more about politics and politicians--and perhaps, coincidentally, about saps and how they rise. At the very least, we should learn next spring whether saps merely cast votes, or seek them.

When one begins to appraise the action of the General Assembly in the last session, the Apostle Paul put it pretty well in the 19th chapter of The Acts, 32nd verse. "Some therefore cried one thing, and some another: for," Paul said, "the assembly was confused; and the more part knew not wherefore they were come together."

The Assembly was indeed confused when it came to Raleigh. It was confused about its duty, its responsibility, and certainly its opportunity. The legislators could not have worse botched all three. Clearly they came together to surrender quickly, compromise surely, and wave aside carelessly every suggestion designed to relieve the concern of the people whom they were elected to represent.

One contemplates with sadness that much of this concern might indeed have been believed had the legislators taken the time, and demonstrated the will, to understand, as the Apostle Paul put it, wherefore they were come together.

But they did not. Indeed, the General Assembly negated every argument which it might have used in defense of its decision. It refused to let the people have their say. It refused to stipulate that reasonable records shall be kept to measure the faithfulness of those employed by the state, and paid by the taxpayers, to administer the affairs of North Carolina's colleges and university. It was a full-scale retreat.

It was, in a sense, more even than that. It was an abdication by the General Assembly of its constitutional responsibilities. It was not a question of political interference, but one of who will do the interfering. In short, the General Assembly of North Carolina knuckled under to the threats and intimidation of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

But it is done. And now the explanations and the excuses will begin. Perhaps, as one legislator commented, the people will have forgotten the whole matter within a week. This remains to be seen.

We suspect that the people will not forget so quickly, or so easily. They have not yet forgotten the promises by all three of the major Democratic candidates for Governor when asked, in the Springtime of 1964, about how they stood on the question of communists speaking on our campuses.

There will, we suspect, be a considerable exercise among the people of North Carolina of that "freedom of inquiry" which we have heard so much about of late. Next Spring, there may be more freedom of inquiry than some candidates can stand.

But, at the moment, it is important to remember that the legislature has not--regardless

of what it fancies to be the case--eliminated the unrest which it claimed had been provoked by the banning of communists from our campuses. The unrest is still there, and sometimes it speaks in pathetic language.

Governor Moore on November 17 received a telegram from a

lady in Enfield. "My son's life," she wired the Governor, "is on the altar in Vietnam, 12,000 miles away, to oppose Communism. In North Carolina my taxes must support college forums for communist speakers. Governor, can you explain this to my son?" Can you, Governor?



Birdie says his kid came home the other day saying, "I want a Beatle haircut"...a Beatle what? Have you been noticing the new hairdos of some of the boys around? Fortunately, not too many local lads are joining in. The big question in our minds...why? Who are these young men trying to impress?

Seems we remember years back...a boy wore his hair to suit himself, and boys being lazy, even then...the fad was a short hairline...to do away with combing and less washing. Of course, it wasn't too long until the part in the middle and the old slickum went into use as the years gained on us and we found out about girls.

We can remember if a girl thought a boy looked good with a strand hanging down in his eyes...the lad went blind...until another sweet young thing came along and said it looked better combed.

What is bothering us today is that the Beatle mop is not easy to wash--if, indeed, it ever is, and certainly, if it should require combing (we have our doubts), that would be a monumental task. So...all that's left is to believe it's the girls who are causing the new look.

If this be the case...we're in trouble. Boys have always been inclined to try the daring...the new...eating gold fish...packing phone booths...and Beatle haircuts. It has been the girls who have been called on to straighten them out since time began. If the sweet young things are falling in this important point...pity us all.

Nothing replaces the neat, well-groomed young man...standing straight and tall...and there just isn't that feeling when we sight the Beatles coming down the street...They look like we did before we got enough money to go to the barber shop...You remember...when ma cut our hair with a pot on our heads... Come to think of it...some of today's boys would look better if they were wearing a pot.

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"Not last night."  
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"Hasn't he won you?"  
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### Prefers Jail

Nashville, Tenn. -- Miss Sara Elizabeth Dorris, 65, is spending her tenth month in jail rather than remove her \$40,000 house from a restricted subdivision area. She sold 23 acres of land to a construction company with the right to buy two lots. Miss Dorris was jailed when she refused to obey a court order to move the house.

### Witch Doctors Unhappy

Johannesburg, S. Africa -- Members of South Africa's Witch Doctor's Association claim a movie made locally discredits their profession. The movie, "Tokoloshe," has a scene in which a death spell is cast on a youth. The witch doctors claim their purpose is to cure not kill.